

# Evacuation Preparedness

Be ready before the need occurs!

# Authorities and Reference

Charter for the County of Los Alamos, Article 1, Section Rule Part 1 Charter Article II. The County Council 203.3 Emergency Ordinances. To meet a public emergency affecting life, health, property, or the public peace, the Council may adopt emergency ordinances by the affirmative vote of five members.

# Emergency Operations Plan (EOP)

- Comprehensive countywide all hazards plan including prevention, preparedness, response, recovery, and mitigation as it applies to emergency and disaster events
- Establishes capabilities for protecting citizens
- Manage and coordinate resources from local government, private sector, civic and volunteer organizations, state and federal partners
- Provides means for rapid and orderly restoration and rehabilitation of persons and properties affected by emergencies
- Outlines mobilization and operation of the Emergency Operations Center (EOC)



# Plan Priorities

- Life Safety
- Incident Stabilization
- Property Protection
- Community Restoration

# Emergency Notifications

- Consolidated Dispatch notifies Chain of Command
- LAC OEM notifies Situation Assessment Team (SAT) which includes County Manager, Chief of Police, Fire Chief, Utilities Manager and PW Director
- SAT verifies information and notifies PIO, LANL and County Council
- EOC activated/partial activation at LANL or LAPD
- LAC Joint Information Center either at Bradbury or Library
- LAC Customer Care assists with non emergency calls

# Situation Assessment Team (SAT)

- Provides strategic policy guidance and direction to the EOC
- Reports event status to and works with County Council
- Maintains inter-governmental liaisons
- Ensures coordination with LAPS and LANL



# Emergency Action Stages

- Stage 1- Specific Location (County resources- no evacuation)
- Stage 2 - Local area affected (multi-agency response, limited evacuation)
- Stage 3 - Wide area disaster (two or more jurisdictions, local and state resources, large area evacuation)
- Stage 4 - Wide area disaster (federal response and resources, wide area evacuation)

# Emergency Alert and Notification Systems

- Reverse911
- Emergency Alert System (EAS) consists of local radio AM1610 and television stations
- CodeRed (text, email and telephones)
- Government Emergency Telecommunications Service (GETS )cards
- Amateur Radio Operators



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# Evacuation Orders

- The County Manager or designee
- Los Alamos Police Chief
- Los Alamos Fire Chief
- Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Director

Depending on your zone, you may be told to remain in place, evacuate, or take no action except to monitor your local Emergency Alert System (EAS) station. You may also be told what roads may be closed, where school children have been taken, and other vital information.

# Access and Functional Needs

- The county recognizes the need to undertake additional and reasonable efforts to protect and assist people with functional needs
  - Special needs registry (under legal review)
    - No HIPPA information, County does not bear responsibility/liability to transport, information will feed into CAD)
  - Children who are home alone qualify as special needs individuals also

# Animal Evacuation

- Inability to evacuate animals is the leading cause of evacuation failure in disasters
- Local animal owners must mobilize and activate their own and/or neighborhood evacuation plans early in the "voluntary evacuation" stage.
- Small animal shelter and Transport Trailer (7x16) and 60 crates (15-30" and 45-48")
- LAC PSA conducting Animal Search and Rescue Training May 22-24<sup>th</sup>, 2018
- Utilize Dept of Agriculture, NM Livestock Board, DHSEM and Santa Fe Animal Shelter



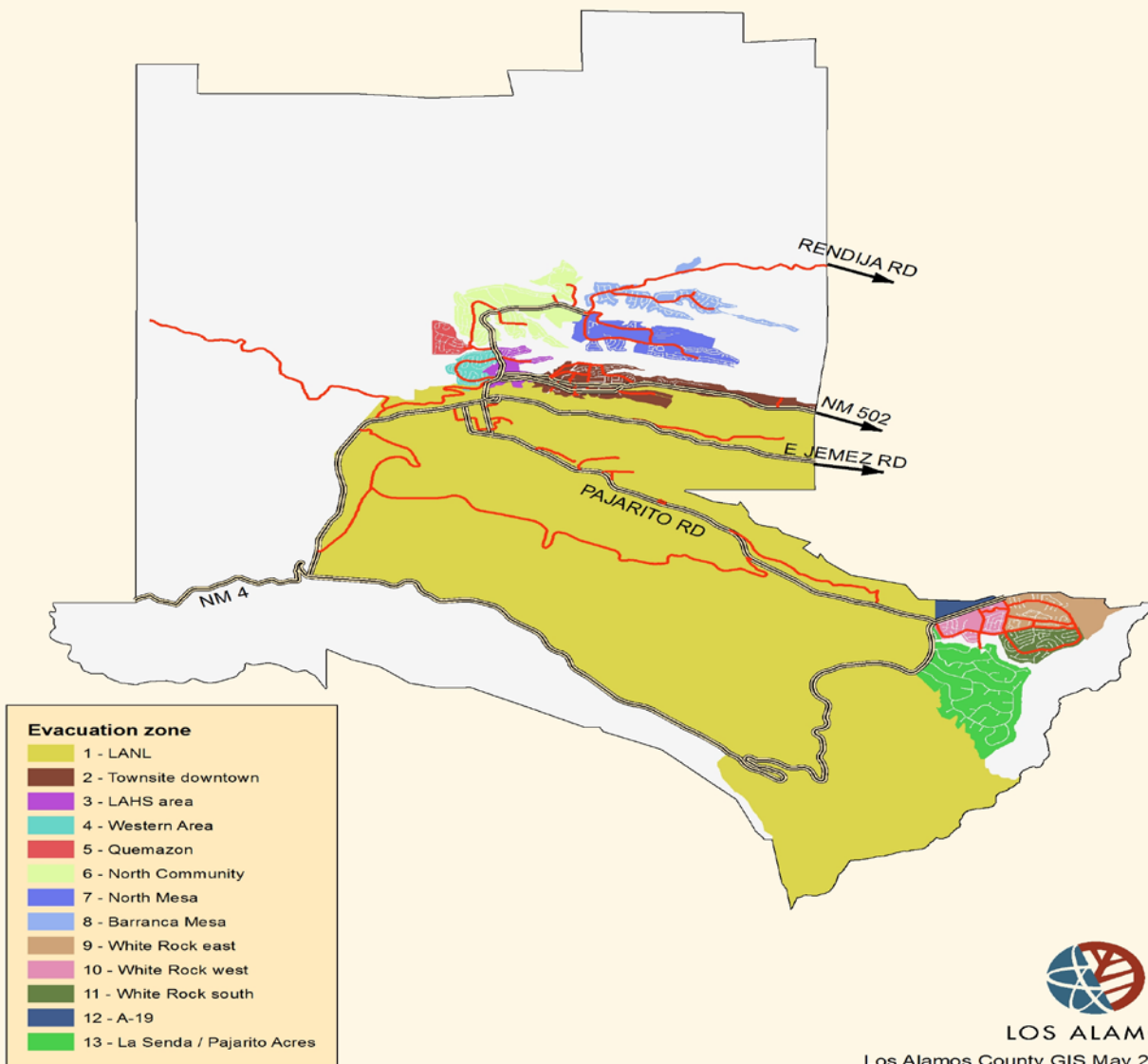
# Evacuation Resources

- Atomic City Transit to assist with evacuations
  - Pets are allowed \*\*must be under owners control\*\*
  - ADA compliant, lift gates on all 29 units, wheelchair accessible
- Red Cross for shelter assistance
  - 6 locations (Chamisa Elementary, 2-LDS, Immaculate Heart, High School and Middle School)
- Amateur Radio Operators- ARES of Los Alamos
- Volunteer Organizations -VOAD-NNM
- Small Animal Transport and Trailer
- NMSU, Dept of Agriculture, DHSEM, NM Livestock Board

# Evacuation Routes

- Two Primary Egress Routes
  - State Road 4
  - NM 502 (Totavi)
- Rendija Canyon via San Ildefonso Pueblo feeds into NM 502/30
- Omega Road, East Jemez and Pajarito feeds into SR 4 (LANL),

## Los Alamos County Evacuation Zones



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# Evacuation Routes

## Zone 1:

All populations located east of Diamond Drive evacuate via Pajarito Road or East Jemez Road (truck route) to NM State Rd 4 and NM 502 East. All populations located west of Diamond Drive evacuate via West Jemez Road to NM State Rd 4.

## Zone 2:

Evacuate via Central Avenue and Trinity Drive going east to NM 502 east (Main Hill Rd).

## Zone 3:

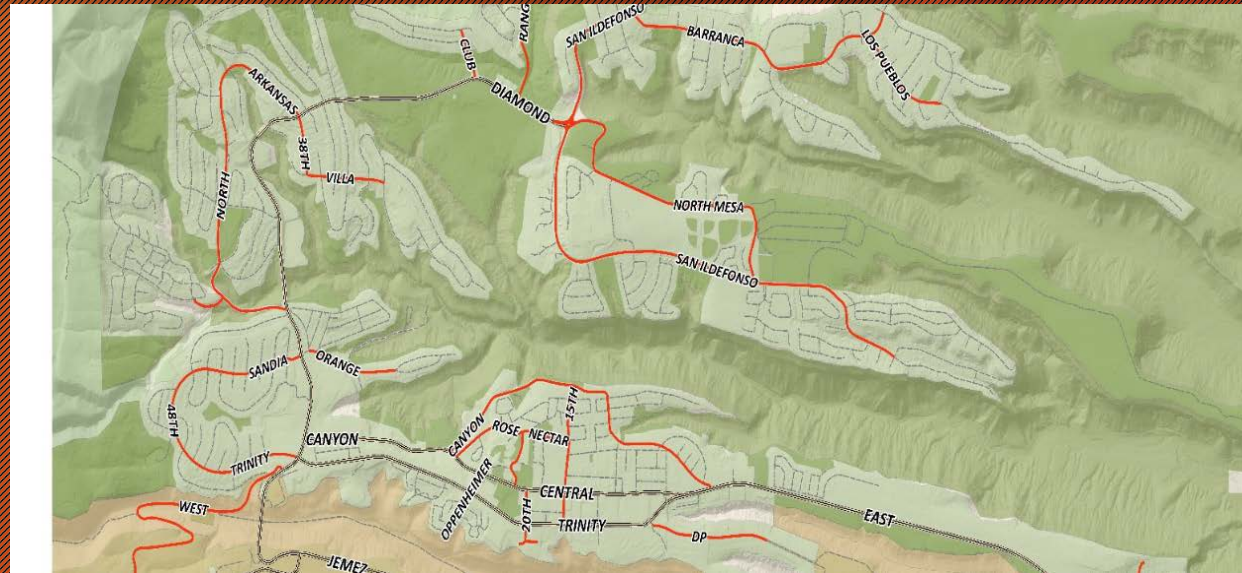
Evacuate using Diamond Drive south to Canyon Rd./ Central Avenue going east, or to Trinity Drive going east to NM 502 east (Main Hill Rd).

## Zones 4 - 6:

Evacuate via Diamond Drive south to West Jemez Rd. to NM State Rd 4.

## Zones 7 - 8:

Evacuate to San Ildefonso Rd going north and out Rendija Canyon Rd. Coordinate with



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The routes by which White Rock is evacuated depends upon the nature of the incident and the available egress routes. The order in which Zones are evacuated will also depend on the nature of the incident. If a complete County evacuation required All White Rock Zones:

- Evacuate via NM State Rd 4 east to NM 502 East down the Hill.
- If the need for evacuation does NOT require Townsite evacuation:
- **Zones 9 & 10:**
- Evacuate to NM State Rd 4 east to NM 502 East down the Hill.
- **Zones 11 -12:**
- Evacuate using Grand Canyon Dr to NM State Rd 4 west towards Bandelier.
- **Zone 13:**
- Evacuate to NM State Rd 4 west towards Bandelier.





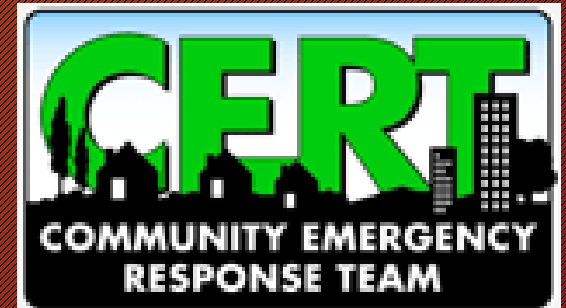
# Additional Coordination

- Assisted Living Facilities (3)
- LAMC (inpatients)
- Oppenheimer Condos
- RTD and All Aboard America (Park and Ride)
- LAPS
- Bandelier National Forest
- LANL



# Public Outreach

- Senior Center(s)
- Oppenheimer Condos
- Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)
- Boy Scouts
- CERT Team - The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program educates and trains citizens in basic disaster response skills

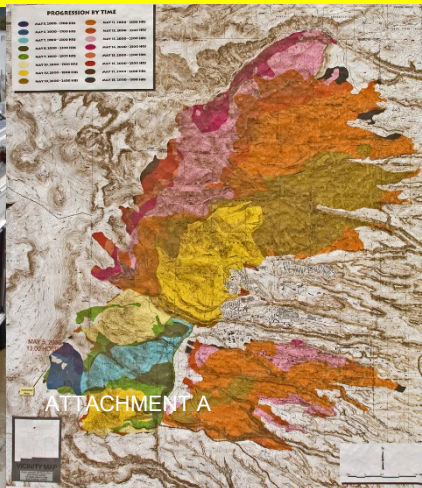




# The Need to be Ready



**In 95% of all emergencies,**  
bystanders or victims themselves are the first  
to provide  
emergency assistance or  
to perform a rescue





# Closing Comments

- Los Alamos County Emergency Services is committed to the safety of our citizens. For more information, you can call EM at 662-8283, or email us at [LACEmergencyManagement@lacnm.us](mailto:LACEmergencyManagement@lacnm.us)
- For a complete description of everything we have discussed in this presentation, you may also visit the LAC web site at [https://www.losalamosnm.us/government/departments/emergency\\_management\\_\\_\\_e\\_m\\_](https://www.losalamosnm.us/government/departments/emergency_management___e_m_).