EXPLAINER (SIDE 1): The Kinds of Emergency Wildfire Alerts You Can Receive from Each Type of System or App

For a detailed explanation of each type, see other side.

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the capabilities described are not guaranteed to work at the time you need them.

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With THIS → type of alert	Nevada County's CodeRED Emergency Alert System	CodeRED Mobile App (for smartphone or tablet. See other side for details)	Wireless Emergency Alert (see other side)	Emergency Alert System (interrupts TV/radio)	Hi-Lo Sirens (on sheriff and police cars)
Will you get an Evacuation Warning?	Yes See other side for details	Maybe Depends on the "warning radius" you set for receiving alerts, up to 25 miles	No	No	No
Will you get an Evacuation Order?	Yes See other side for details	Maybe Depends on the "warning radius" you set for receiving alerts, up to 25 miles	Yes/Maybe IF phone can get a signal from a working cell tower within or near Evac Order area	Yes	Yes
Will you get an All Clear message? (i.e., okay to return home, Evacuation Order has been cancelled)	Yes See other side for details	Maybe Depends on the "warning radius" you set for receiving alerts, up to 25 miles	No	No	No

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EXPLAINER (SIDE 2): How the Different Alert Systems and Apps Work

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With THIS → type of alert...

Will Nevada County OES (Office of Emergency Services) use it to send you Evacuation Warnings AND/OR Evacuation Orders when a wildfire threatens your home or other registered addresses?

Will OES send a phone alert to a landline phone, smartphone or basic cellphone; a text to mobile phones; and/or an email alert?

Will OES send an alert for emergencies impacting your

home address?

Nevada County's CodeRED Emergency Alert System

Register now by visiting ReadyNevadaCounty.org/ EmergencyAlerts.

YFS

For help registering, dial 2-1-1 on your phone or call 1-833-DIAL211 (1-833-342-5211)

YES

You can register for any one or ALL these ways to receive an alert: phone call, text and/or email

YES

You will receive the alert even if you are at work, shopping, traveling, or otherwise not present at that address.

CodeRED Mobile App

(Optional, for smartphone or tablet. **Not related** to the County's system in Column 1)

NO - this is a commercial app for Apple and Android phones and tablets that sends only "sound alerts" for threats near your device's location, and only if that location uses the CodeRED system, and only if you have Location Services enabled.

SMARTPHONES AND TABLETS ONLY

Your device will make whatever "alert sound" you set.
See box above.

MAYBE

Will alert you only when a fire is within the "warning radius" you specify (up to 25 miles) of WHERE YOUR PHONE IS. If you are away at work, shopping or traveling, you may NOT be alerted to fires near your home.

Wireless Emergency Alert Works without any

Works without any registration

SOMETIMES

This is a loud

Evacuation Order

(only) alert that is
sent to all cellphones
that are in an

Evacuation Order
zone.

CELLPHONE ONLY

All cellphones in an Evacuation Order zone at the time of the emergency are sent an Evacuation Order (only).

NO REGISTRATION POSSIBLE

All cellphones in an Evacuation Order zone at the time of the emergency are sent an Evacuation Order (only).

Comments

OES is also able to access an Emergency
Alert System that would issue Evacuation
Orders (only)
interrupting radio and
TV programs. Both it and the Wireless
version (see column at left) are locally accessible federal government systems for which you do NOT register.

IMPORTANT:
Cellphones that are
NEAR, but NOT IN, an
Evacuation Order Zone may
also receive a Wireless
Emergency Alert. Know
Your Zone so you can tell if
the Order applies to you.

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