



## Last CSEPP Siren Test Scheduled For Tuesday, October 25, 2011

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Pendleton, Ore. – For more than two decades the Oregon Chemical Stockpile Emergency Preparedness Program (CSEPP) has worked to enable communities to protect residents in the event of a chemical emergency at the Umatilla Chemical Depot.

With the final destruction of the chemical munitions, expected by the end of October, the risk of a chemical accident at the Depot has been eliminated in Oregon and Washington.

On Tuesday, October 25, 2011, CSEPP will conduct its last siren test at noon. In the coming months, the sirens will be dismantled and sent to coastal communities to be used to enhance their tsunami warning system.

The 76 sirens will begin the test with a verbal message in English and Spanish reminding people that it is only a test. The message will be followed by sounding of the Westminster chimes.

Highway message reader boards along I-82 and I-84 will also be tested Tuesday. Motorists will see a reminder of the noon siren test displayed.

For information on how to prepare for emergencies contact Umatilla County Emergency Management toll free at (877) 367-2737, Morrow County Emergency Management at (866) 813-8130 or visit [www.csepp.net](http://www.csepp.net).