

# SIREN SYSTEM

If there is a chemical emergency at the Umatilla Depot, 70 outdoor sirens located in communities near the Depot and along the Columbia River will sound a very loud warning signal. They will sound a **steady tone** for three minutes, then voice messages in English and Spanish. This sequence will repeat every 12 minutes for the first hour, and every 20 minutes thereafter.

Depending on the nature of the emergency, the sirens will broadcast one of the following messages:

	OREGON Voice Message	WASHINGTON Voice Message
<p><b>Community Level</b> Events are likely to occur or have already occurred that involves agent release with chemical effects <b>beyond the Depot boundary. The public in emergency zones will be advised to take protective actions.</b></p>	<p>There has been an accident at the Umatilla Chemical Depot. Go indoors. Close all doors and windows. Start shelter-in-place procedures. Follow instructions issued over your Tone Alert Radio or listen to a local radio station for emergency instructions.</p>	<p>A chemical accident has occurred at Umatilla Chemical Depot. Evacuate the area. Listen to your radio.</p>
<p><b>Post Only</b> Events are likely to occur or have occurred that involves agent release with chemical effects beyond the chemical limited area, <b>but not past the Depot boundary. Releases are not expected to present a danger to the public.</b></p>	<p>No sirens activated.</p>	<p>A chemical accident has occurred at Umatilla Chemical Depot. You are not required to evacuate now. Stay indoors and turn on your radio.</p>
<p><b>Evacuate the river</b></p>	<p>No sirens activated.</p>	<p>A chemical accident has occurred at Umatilla Chemical Depot. Evacuate the river now and turn on your radio for instructions.</p>
<p><b>Shelter in Place</b></p>		<p>A chemical accident has occurred at Umatilla Chemical Depot. Go inside now and close off all sources of outside air. Turn on the radio for more information.</p>