## COUNTY WIDE EVACUATION PLAN



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#### BACKGROUND

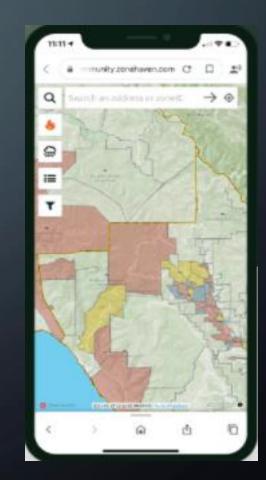


- 2019 County Fire Chiefs, and OES agreed to pursue a county wide evacuation system based on the Santa Barbara Front Country Model (ZACA)
- 2020 COVID and extreme fire season delays project
- 2020 Zonehaven utilized during fires in the state / Atascadero adopts program
- 2021 SLO FSC receives grant, on behalf of the Fire Chiefs, for a three-year subscription for all jurisdictions in the county
- 2021- SLO FCA designate County OES as lead coordinating agency





- Standardized and predesignated evacuation zones
- Current way: north, west, east, south
- Coordinate Fire, Law, EMS, EOC, media, and public to be on the same page
- Standardize maps of evacuation areas
- Public notifications with ANS
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Application

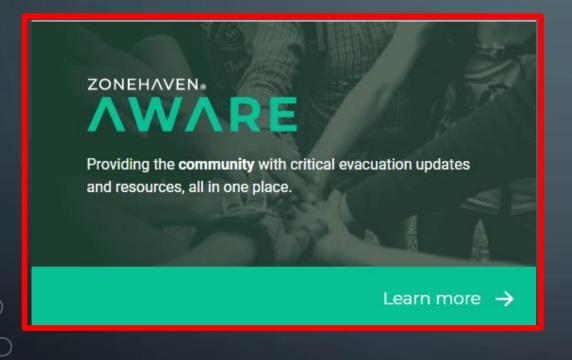


## INTENT OF USE

- Designed for large scale evacuations
- Meant for All-Hazards emergencies
- It is a protective actions notification system. **NOT** a Tactical or decision tool.
- Will help make sure that all responders, the public, and the media are on the same page.
- Adds to the Alert Notification System (ANS) toolbox



## PUBLIC AND RESPONDER SITES

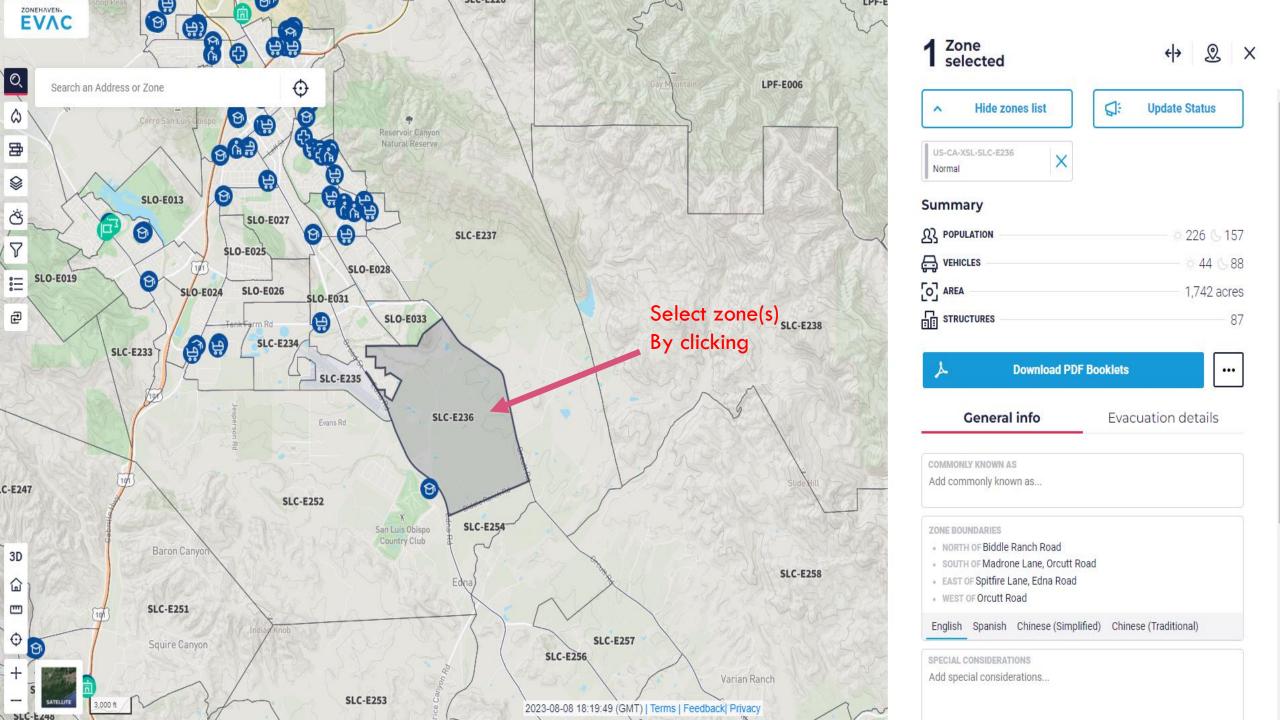




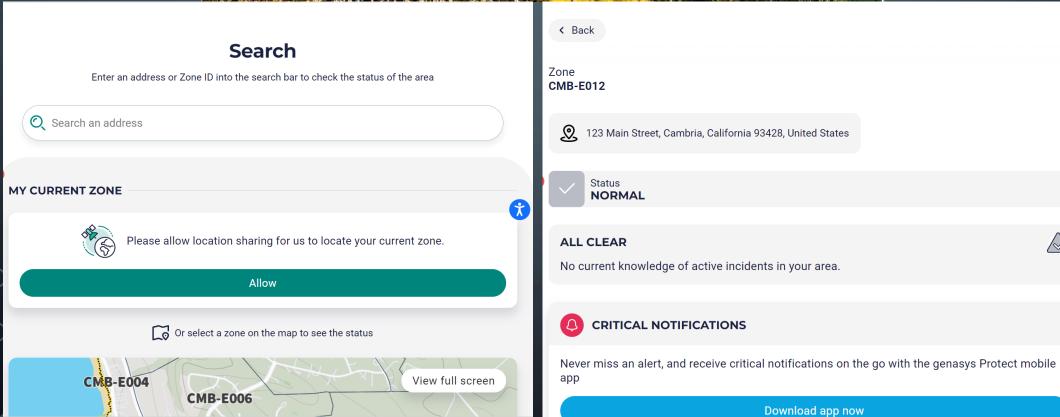
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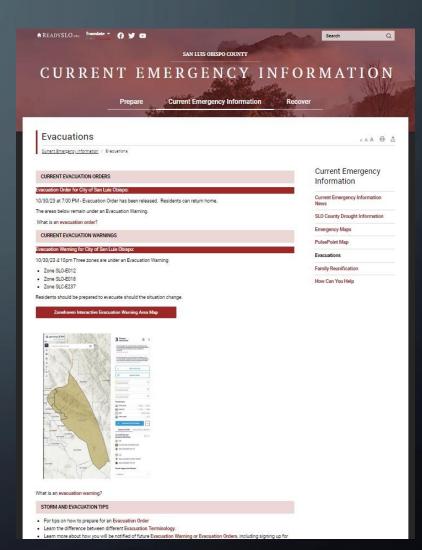
## ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES



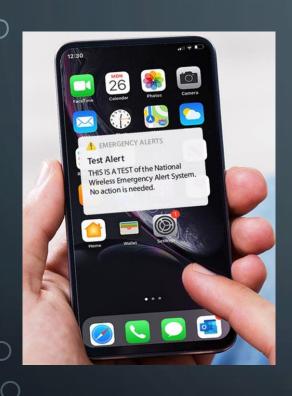
- Protective Actions Agency Having Jurisdiction (AHJ); Fire Service/Law Enforcement Incident Commander(s)
- Field Level Evacuation
   Implementation Law Enforcement /
   Evacuation Group Supervisor
- Public Notification Office of Emergency Services / AHJ Public Information Officer coordination

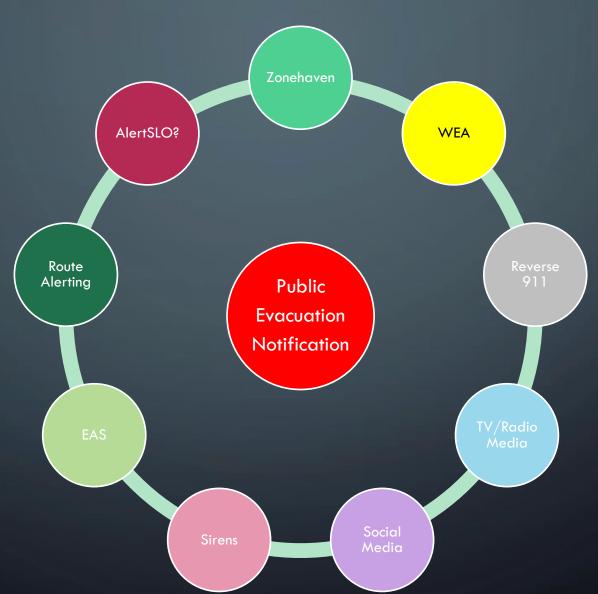
## PUBLIC OUTREACH & NOTIFICATIONS

- ICs / AHJ will contact the OES Duty
   Officer / Sheriff Watch Commander
- The public will be directed to ReadySLO.Org
- Alerts will be used in conjunction with Wireless Emergency Alerts and other Alert Notification Systems



## HOW WE NOTIFY THE PUBLIC







## PUBLIC NOTIFICATION

- Genasys Protect
  - Uses your location in the app to offer you the most relevant information.
  - Emergency information for SLO County comes from local emergency services and SLO County OES.
  - Genasys Protect mobile app is available to download in the app store or Google Play!

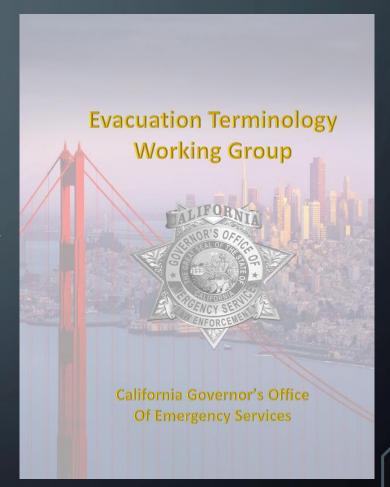


- SLO Co. Sheriff Reverse 911
- Reverse 911 is a service that provides information to the public during a disaster or emergency.
- Reverse 911 will call your phone with information on how to keep you and your family safe.
- All landlines are automatically set up, but mobile-phones need to be registered with your address (Opt-In).



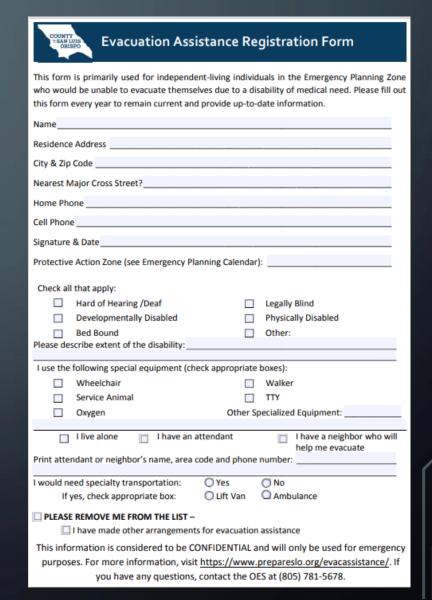
## **EVACUATION TERMINOLOGY**

- During an emergency incident Protective Actions, the approved Evacuation Terminology by both law enforcement and fire service agencies is utilized as follows
  - Shelter in Place: Go indoors. Shut and lock doors and windows. Prepare to self-sustain until further notice and/or contacted by emergency personnel for additional direction.
  - Evacuation Warning: Potential threat to life and/or property. Those who require additional time to evacuate, and those with pets and livestock should leave now.
  - Evacuation Order: Immediate threat to life. This is a lawful order to leave now. The area is lawfully closed to public access.



#### **EVACUATION ASSISTANCE REGISTRATION**

- The Evacuation Assistance Program is for independent-living individuals in San Luis Obispo County with disabilities or medical needs who would need assistance evacuating in an emergency.
- Eligible individuals are those who are independent living but unable to evacuate themselves due to a disability or medical need
- Forms available at:
  - https://www.prepareslo.org/en/evacuationassistance.aspx



- Maps and program went live August 1,
  2023
- SLO Co. OES media advertisement for ReadySLO.org August 1, 2023
- Created Field job aids "how too"
   August 15, 2023
- AHJs verified zone descriptions by Sept 1, 2023
- Maps pre-Loaded into AlertSense,
   Rave (R911) by November 1
- Multi-Agency Teams Work-Ongoing
- Pre-Attack Plans Updated Spring '24

#### **ZONEHAVEN: QUICK START GUIDE**



OCTOBER, 2023

#### Identify the Zone:

Identify the specific zones that need activation. Reference the zones:

- Online: Go to: https://protect.genasys.com/
- App: Reference the Genasys Protect app
- . Scan: Scan the QR code to the right.



#### Contact OES:

County OES staff will activate or deactivate zones as requested. Specific information will be required.

Call the County OES Duty Officer at (805) 458-0138

Provide the following information:

- Your name, title, contact number
- · Zone(s) to be placed under Evacuation Warning, Evacuation Order, or Shelter in Place
- Effective time
- Any other pertinent information

#### Verify:

Verify that the requested zones are A) active and B) set at the appropriate activation level. Please review that the public sees the Zones you intended.

- OES will activate zone(s) and send out public alert and notifications.
- · Call OES for additional zone activations or for termination
- Visit the URL/QR Code/App and ensure the zones you intended are activated

#### Quick Reference Video:

The QR code to the right leads to a quick, ~10 minute ZoneHaven training video.

Please refer to this video for a walkthrough of the above topics, with additional background information on the ZoneHaven platform and the intended use in our County.



FOR MORE PREPAREDNESS INFORMATION, PLEASE VISIT READYSLO.ORG AND FOLLOW US ON INSTAGRAM



# QUESTIONS