

Evacuation Routes and Reception Center

What is the Evacuation Route for a Nuclear Emergency?

Should evacuation be necessary, Interstate 5 and Pacific Coast Highway provide our major evacuation routes. Traffic will be heavily controlled on surface streets leading to Interstate 5 and at all on highway on ramps. Northbound traffic will be stopped at SR 78 in Oceanside and southbound traffic will be stopped at the I-5/405 interchange.

What is a Reception and Decontamination Center?

If the need for an evacuation should arise, Reception and Decontamination Centers will be opened. The Reception Center is designed to receive, register and determine additional needs of evacuees. In the event of a radiological release, government health and fire department personnel will be available to monitor evacuees for exposure to radiological contamination and take appropriate actions.

The Reception and Decontamination Center for Orange County Residents will be opened at the **Orange County Fairgrounds, 88 Fair Drive, Costa Mesa, CA 92626.**

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