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## **MISSOULA COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES MULTI-AGENCY EMERGENCY OPERATIONS DRILL**

The Missoula County Department of Emergency Services will be conducting a training exercise on May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2011 beginning at 10:00 a.m. and lasting until 2:00 p.m. at the Missoula International Airport. This exercise will involve responders from many agencies throughout Missoula County including:

- Missoula City Fire Department
- Missoula Rural Fire Department
- Missoula City Police Department
- Missoula County Sheriff's Department
- Missoula Airport Police
- Missoula Emergency Services
- Saint Patrick's Hospital
- Community Medical Center
- The American Red Cross

The exercise is designed to provide agencies with an opportunity to evaluate their skills, utilize pre-designed plans and coordinate response activities in a variety of simulated situations.

This large full scale exercise will result in additional emergency response apparatus being staged and moving in and around several locations in Missoula, primarily at Missoula International Airport, Community Medical Center and Saint Patrick's Hospital.

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