

## PRESS RELEASE

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### **Tsunami Siren Testing in Ucluelet on May 9<sup>th</sup> from 1pm-3pm**

*Ucluelet, BC* – The District of Ucluelet will be testing an emergency siren warning system on May 9<sup>th</sup> every half hour between 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm. The community is asked to participate by providing input to the Municipality through a survey. The District will also be testing its emergency notification services, to cellphones and landlines, at 10am reminding residents of the siren testing.

The siren will sound at a different location during the testing period. Following the testing, residents and businesses are being asked to complete a survey updating the District of where they were and what they heard at those time. This valuable feedback will then be used to help identify the number of sirens the community needs and potential locations.

The survey will be made available closer to the test date and will be available at [www.ucluelet.ca](http://www.ucluelet.ca). A hard copy of the survey will also be available at the Ucluelet Community Centre (500 Matterson Drive). Community neighbours Yuuṭuṛiṭṛaṭh, Port Albion and other Area C residents are also encouraged to share their experiences during the test.

Following the January 23rd, 2018 tsunami alert event, the District of Ucluelet recognized that a new tsunami warning system is needed to improve notification to residents during an emergency. The District would like to thank the City of Port Alberni for loaning one of their back up sirens to Ucluelet to use for this testing exercise.

*The tsunami siren testing is taking place during Emergency Preparedness Week (May 6 - 12, 2018). For more information, please visit: [www.getprepared.gc.ca](http://www.getprepared.gc.ca).*

For more information, please contact the District of Ucluelet at 250-726-7744, email [info@ucluelet.ca](mailto:info@ucluelet.ca), or sign-up to receive email notices from the District at [www.ucluelet.ca](http://www.ucluelet.ca)

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# Tsunami Siren Testing in Ucluelet



Wednesday May 9th  
Emergency Preparedness Week

The District will be testing a pilot tsunami siren system in different locations on May 9th at the following times:

**1pm   130pm   2pm   230pm   3pm**

Participate by telling us what you heard and where you were during these times!

An electronic survey will be shared publicly closer to the test date and will be available at [www.ucluelet.ca](http://www.ucluelet.ca)

The District will also be testing Emergency Cell Notification System at 10am on May 9th.

**For more information please email [info@ucluelet.ca](mailto:info@ucluelet.ca)**

# Community Siren Testing Locations

## Emergency Siren Test Locations

- Whiskey Dock 1pm
- Seaplane Base Road 130pm
- Tugwell Fields 2pm
- Community Centre 230pm
- Amphitrite Point 3pm

