

# Montana Emergency Response Exercise for the Water Sector



September 23-24, 2020

9:00 am to 12:00 pm

Virtual Event

*Additional information will be provided to registrants.  
There is NO registration fee to attend the exercise.*

## Exercise Overview

The Montana Department of Environmental Quality, Montana Disaster and Emergency Services, Montana Rural Water Systems and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency are co-sponsoring the Montana Emergency Response Exercise for the Water Sector, an emergency preparedness tabletop exercise supporting the water sector in Montana. This two-day exercise will enhance the ability of drinking water and wastewater utilities, response partners and other interdependent sectors (e.g., emergency services, public health and other large water users) to prepare for, respond to and manage the consequences associated with a major disaster.

## Exercise Objectives

- Increase awareness of roles and responsibilities of all response partners in responding to a water emergency
- Discuss effective methods for timely, accurate and coordinated information sharing among response partners
- Explore public warning messaging to affected communities, including the role of social media during a water emergency response
- Increase awareness of mutual aid resources, networks and processes to request assistance such as Emergency Management Assistance Compact
- Discuss the integration of laboratories and water sampling resources into a water emergency response

## To Register and for More Information

To register for this event, please visit the registration website at:

<https://montanawaterexercise.eventbrite.com>

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