

Taholah Tsunami Evacuation Walk Times



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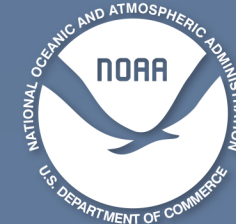
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This map is a planning and preparation tool. Learn the evacuation routes for you and your family where you live, work, and play—evacuation maps may not be on hand during an actual emergency.

This evacuation walk time map for Taholah provides an estimate of the amount of time it would take to evacuate from within the modeled inundation zone of a Cascadia-sourced subduction zone earthquake. This map provides the inundation extent for a magnitude 9 earthquake, the L1 event. Time estimates on this map are modeled assuming a slow walking pace of 2.46 mph (-24 minute/mile), equivalent to the pace used for the timing of cross walks. Estimated wave arrival times shown on the map indicate the time between the beginning of the earthquake and modeled wave arrival at that location.

- Evacuation should begin as soon as earthquake shaking stops and it is safe to move from your drop, cover, and hold position or as directed by a tsunami warning siren, NOAA weather radio, or other official announcements.
- Make your way uphill to high ground and follow the designated evacuation routes shown on this map. These routes were selected for pedestrian evacuation, but may be affected by post-earthquake hazards, such as collapsed

bridges, landslides, and downed power lines. Use situational awareness when evacuating and be prepared to take alternate paths if necessary.

- People in some areas of the map may not be able to evacuate before the waves arrive. Until Taholah village relocation is completed, evacuees should proceed as far inland as possible and get to the highest point they can find, which could include sheltering within a multi-story building. The post-tsunami assembly area at the Tribal Offices is a place of high ground for displaced people. Assembly areas are typically in open outdoor spaces or in large structures just beyond the tsunami inundation zones and likely will not have immediate services or shelter.
- Do not re-enter or cross back into the inundation zone until instructed to do so by local officials. Tsunamis are multi-wave events. The first wave may not be the highest, and danger of tsunami inundation may persist for many hours after the initial wave has subsided.

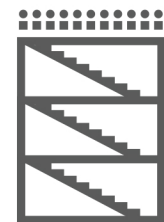
In some places a slow walk may not be fast enough to evacuate before waves arrive. In these cases a faster evacuation pace will be necessary. Some areas may require vertical evacuation structures for successful evacuation.



FAST WALK



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