Post-ShakeAlert® Message Summary

Earthquake:

Advanced National Seismic System (ANSS): M 3.6 - 17.1 km (10.6 mi) SW of Rio Dell

ANSS location: Not available at report time ANSS depth: Not available at report time ANSS origin (Local): Not available at report time ANSS origin (UTC): Not available at report time ShakeAlert origin (UTC): 2021-12-20 21:53:58.3

ShakeAlert Event ID: ew1640037230

ShakeAlert Messages Issued (after origin time):

Initial: Not available Peak magnitude: Not available Final: Not available

ShakeAlert System Magnitude Estimates:

Initial: M 3.5 Peak: M 3.6 Final: M 3.6

ShakeAlert System Location Accuracy:

Initial: Not available at report time Peak M: Not available at report time Final: Not available at report time

Wireless Emergency Alert:

Magnitude below threshold for WEA system.

WEA alerts are distributed to the MMI 4+ area if ShakeAlert Peak M>=5.0

Number of Stations Reporting:

1 within 10 km of epicenter 9 within 100 km of epicenter

16 used in final ShakeAlert Message

Nearby Cities:

City	Distance	Time*	MMI**
Rio Dell	17 km (11 mi)	~5 sec	<2
Eureka	48 km (30 mi)	~14 sec	<2
Fort Bragg	109 km (68 mi)	~31 sec	<2
Sacramento	307 km (191 mi)	~86 sec	<2

Radius shaken before message release: Not available

Footnotes:

- * Time -- Time between message release and arrival of the S-wave at the location.
- ** MMI -- Modified Mercalli Intensity: a scale to measure ground shaking severity.
- *** For earthquakes deeper than ~15 km, the ShakeAlert Message may be sent before peak shaking reaches the surface.

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Figure 1. ShakeAlert initial earthquake location (black dot).

ANSS earthquake epicenter not available. Polygon approximates outer range for felt ground motion. If shown, red circle is front of peak shaking when the message was released***.

Shaking takes 10 s to expand from circle to circle.



Figure 2. Polygons show shaking intensity contours for the peak magnitude estimate. Shaking of MMI 3 or less is often not felt. ANSS earthquake epicenter not available.