

Post-ShakeAlert® Message Summary

Earthquake:

Advanced National Seismic System (ANSS):
 M 4.2 - 23.7 km (14.7 mi) SW of Fortuna
 ANSS location: 40.498, -124.405
 ANSS depth: 26.3 km (16.4 mi)
 ANSS origin (Local): 2023-09-30 10:16:48.3
 ANSS origin (UTC): 2023-09-30 17:16:48.3
 ShakeAlert first Message (UTC): 2023-09-30 17:16:57.3
 ShakeAlert Event ID: ew1696094210

ShakeAlert Messages Issued (after origin time):

Initial: 9.1 sec
 Peak magnitude: 9.6 sec
 Final: 14.9 sec

ShakeAlert System Magnitude Estimates:

Initial: M 3.6
 Peak: M 5.0
 Final: M 4.9

ShakeAlert System Location Accuracy:

Initial: 1.9 km (1.2 mi) S
 At peak mag.: 148.5 km (92.3 mi) W
 Final: 138.2 km (85.9 mi) W

Wireless Emergency Alert:

WEA delivery not confirmed.
 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
 7 within 100 km of epicenter
 13 used in final ShakeAlert Message

Nearby Cities:

City	Distance km / (mi)	Time* sec	Shaking (MMI**)
Fortuna	24 / (15)	--	Not felt
Eureka	39 / (25)	--	Not felt
Fort Bragg	128 / (79)	--	Not felt
Sacramento	328 / (204)	--	Not felt

Radius shaken before message release: 19 km (12 mi)

Footnotes:

* Time -- Time from message release to predicted S-wave arrival at the location. "--" for weak or imperceptible shaking.
 ** MMI -- Modified Mercalli Intensity - a numeric shaking severity scale
 *** For earthquakes deeper than ~15 km, the ShakeAlert Message may be available before peak shaking reaches the surface.

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Figure 1. ShakeAlert initial earthquake location (black dot). Star is ANSS earthquake epicenter. Polygon approximates the 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. Star shows the ANSS earthquake epicenter.

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