

It's Your Call Natural Disasters

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CHALLENGE

The United States is riddled with fault lines that cross our country. While we have had few earthquakes outside the west coast, many areas are experiencing tremors today. Let's pretend an earthquake or other unpredictable natural disaster is occurring in your area. You must anticipate the types of aid calls you will receive, barriers and plan your response!

DISCUSSION

- What personnel safety issues come to mind?
- What preparations do we make to deal with unusual natural disasters?
- What concerns do you have about the general public and evacuation that may be necessary?
- What inter-agency agreements are in place should your base of operations become unusable?
- Have we planned for staff member's families?
- Discuss how you would proceed with staging?
- You are the safety officer, what instructions do you have for your crew?
- What are your concerns as the incident commander?

The greatest asset of the fire service is our people; protect them!