



## Criteria for Mobilizing in Response to an Incident

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### **Purpose of Mobilizing Criteria:**

The purpose of these *Criteria for Mobilizing in Response to an Incident* is to provide guidance for mobilizing the NRG. Mobilizing the NRG means the Control Team assembles at its Control Center; Block Captains inspect their clusters and report conditions to the Control Team; and the Medical Team readies to provide first aid as directed by the Control Team. Guidance is necessary so that all members of the NRG will have a solid understanding of when and how the NRG will be mobilized, and in particular, so that those members of the NRG with the authority to mobilize it have the guidance and confidence to do so.

### **Who can mobilize the NRG?**

- Any member of the Control Team

### **What types of incidents are most likely to cause the NRG to mobilize?**

- Major Earthquake
- Major Storm (causing tree falls and/or mudslides)
- Major Fire
- Other

### **What scope of incident requires mobilization of the NRG?**

- Widespread damage to residences and/or,
- Widespread injuries and/or,
- High demand for professional first responders

“Widespread” means likely involving more than 10 residences inside the 300 residence Blue Rock neighborhood and likely more outside of Blue Rock

“High demand” means likely more than 10 locations inside and outside of the Blue Rock neighborhood

### **What are the steps of mobilizing the NRG?**

- Upon an incident potentially requiring NRG mobilization, all members of the Control Team, Block Captains and members of the Medical Team should turn on their two-way radios and listen for instructions. Do not tie up the NRG radio channel asking if the NRG is mobilizing -- wait for an announcement that it is.
- Upon an incident requiring NRG mobilization, the Control Team member who determines mobilization is necessary turns on their two-way radio and makes the following announcement at approximately one minute intervals for an initial period of at least 10 minutes then at five minute intervals for at least another 20 minutes. ***“This is [your name]. The Blue Rock NRG is mobilizing in response to [type of emergency]. After checking the safety of your own family and residence, please put on your NRG gear and begin performing your NRG role. Keep your radio on for further instructions.”***
- If the internet is available, the Control Team will update the website to indicate that the NRG has mobilized.

### **What are the steps for demobilizing the NRG?**

- At the conclusion of the NRG’s incident response, the Control Team announces the demobilization of the NRG over the two-way radio. Make the announcement at one minute intervals for a period of at least 10 minutes then at five minute intervals for at least another 20 minutes. ***“This is [your name]. The Blue Rock NRG is demobilizing as no further action is required. Please return to your home as appropriate.”***
- Update the NRG website as appropriate.