



*HANFORD JOINT INFORMATION CENTER  
NEWS RELEASE.001  
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5:20 p.m.*

## **HANFORD JOINT INFORMATION CENTER ACTIVATED**

The U.S. Department of Energy, Richland Operations Office, activated its Joint Information Center at 5:14 p.m. after an Alert was declared at the Hanford Site. The Alert is in response to a range fire. Located in the Richland Federal Building, the Joint Information Center is the central location for the release of all official event information to the public and news media.

Media may contact the Joint Information Center at (509) 376-3322; the phone number for Public Inquiries is (509) 376-8116. Also, Emergency broadcast information can be heard on KONA Radio on 610 AM and 105.3 FM, located in Pasco, (509) 547-1618. Please announce or publish the public inquiries phone number.

Hanford emergency personnel are responding to the event and emergency control centers are being staffed as a result of the declaration. The Department of Energy and contractor officials will release information on the event when it becomes available. Notifications are being made to offsite emergency management organizations.

The Joint Information Center will maintain communications with Department of Energy, off-site authorities, the public and employees.

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