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SPECIAL WEATHER STATEMENT  
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE SEATTLE WA  
243 PM PST SAT FEB 27 2010

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SAN JUAN COUNTY-WESTERN WHATCOM COUNTY-WESTERN SKAGIT COUNTY-  
EVERETT AND VICINITY-SEATTLE/BREMERTON AREA-ADMIRALTY INLET AREA-  
EASTERN STRAIT OF JUAN DE FUCA-WESTERN STRAIT OF JUAN DE FUCA-  
NORTH COAST-CENTRAL COAST-  
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...A TSUNAMI ADVISORY REMAINS IN EFFECT FOR THE NORTHERN AND  
CENTRAL WASHINGTON COAST...

A TSUNAMI ADVISORY REMAINS IN EFFECT FOR THE NORTHERN AND CENTRAL  
WASHINGTON COAST.

THERE IS NO TSUNAMI WATCH OR WARNING IN EFFECT FOR THE WASHINGTON  
COAST. REPEAT...THERE IS NO TSUNAMI WATCH OR WARNING IN EFFECT.

A POWERFUL 8.8 MAGNITUDE EARTHQUAKE OCCURRED AT 1034 PM PDT FRIDAY  
NEAR THE CENTRAL COAST OF CHILE. IT HAS GENERATED A TSUNAMI  
WAVE...WHICH IS CONTINUING TO SPREAD OUT ACROSS THE PACIFIC OCEAN.

THE FIRST TSUNAMI WAVES ARE EXPECTED TO REACH THE WASHINGTON COAST  
BETWEEN 250 PM AND 310 PM PST THIS AFTERNOON. THE FOLLOWING ARE THE  
ESTIMATED ARRIVAL TIMES OF THE FIRST WAVES.

SEASIDE OR.....246 PM PST  
WESTPORT WA.....257 PM PST  
NEAH BAY WA.....307 PM PST

TSUNAMI ARE A SERIES OF WAVES...SO MORE WAVES ARE EXPECTED THROUGH  
AT LEAST THIS EVENING. IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT THE LARGEST  
TSUNAMI WAVES ARE EXPECTED TWO HOURS AFTER THE FIRST WAVE ARRIVAL.

THE WAVES ARE NOT EXPECTED TO BE LARGE ENOUGH TO CAUSE COASTAL  
FLOODING ALONG THE WASHINGTON COAST. HOWEVER...SOME COASTAL AREAS  
COULD EXPERIENCE DANGEROUS CURRENTS AND SURGES IN HARBORS AND  
BAYS. FORECAST TSUNAMI WAVE AMPLITUDES FOLLOW.

LONG BEACH WA.....0.46 FT  
WESTPORT.....0.78 FT  
MOCLIPS.....1.27 FT  
NEAH BAY.....0.65 FT  
PORT ANGELES.....0.33 FT  
BELLINGHAM.....0.46 FT  
EVERETT.....0.13 FT  
SEATTLE-PIER 48...0.13 FT

THE MINIMUM WAVE HEIGHT FOR A TSUNAMI ADVISORY ON THE WASHINGTON COAST IS 6 INCHES OR 15 CENTIMETERS.

THE INITIAL WAVE WILL NOT BE THE LARGEST. COASTAL RESIDENTS ARE ADVISED TO STAY OUT OF THE WATER...OFF THE BEACH...AND AWAY FROM HARBORS AND MARINAS. WAVE HEIGHTS AND CURRENTS ARE AMPLIFIED BY IRREGULAR SHORELINE AND ARE DIFFICULT TO PREDICT. THE TSUNAMI MAY NOT BE VISIBLE AMONG THE COMMON OCEAN SURF...YET TIDE GAGES WILL LIKELY REPORT SOME FLUCTUATIONS.

MARINERS IN WATER DEEPER THAN 600 FEET SHOULD NOT BE AFFECTED BY A TSUNAMI.

REPEAT...NO TSUNAMI WATCH OR WARNING IS IN EFFECT FOR THE NORTHERN AND CENTRAL WASHINGTON COAST.

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