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San Mateo County Conducts Full-Scale Emergency Exercise

First Responders Prepare for Emergencies through Urban Search and Rescue and Wildland Fire Evacuation Emergency Exercise

SAN MATEO COUNTY, CA. - San Mateo County Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services (OES), in collaboration with local and state emergency responders, conducted a full-scale emergency exercise on Saturday, August 12, 2017, at Huddart County Park and Phelger Estate.

Along with the Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services, CalFire, Woodside Fire Protection District, San Mateo County Parks, Mid-Peninsula Open Space District, National Parks Service, CERT members from around the county and a large animal evacuation group participated in the exercise.

The full-scale exercise was designed to develop unified command between public safety agencies and communications, prepare a response to communities in San Mateo County and ensure coordination, timely and effective response, and recovery. The exercise was a two-evolution simulation that focused on first responders' efforts to search and recover missing individuals and establishing an evacuation process from a wildland fire.

The Office of Emergency Services encourages all to sign up to San Mateo County's FREE public notification system, SMC Alert. SMC Alert sends notifications about local emergencies and events happening in your community via emails, voicemail, and text messages. There is now three fast and easy ways to sign up to SMC Alert:

- Scan the QR code embedded in the logo below, which will take you directly to the registration page
- Text your five-digit zip code to 888777
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