

Jake Wilde: We interrupt our regularly scheduled programming on KWAT to bring you a special bulletin. This is KWAT news anchor Jake Wilde, & moments ago the town of Wattsville was shaken by a strong earthquake. Residents in the KWAT broadcast area are invited to call our emergency response number, 324- KWAT, & give us your name, your location, & a brief summary of what you experienced during the quake. Stay tuned for the latest reports of what your neighbors saw & felt. To report your observations, again, call 324-KWAT. We have caller number 1 on the line.

Caller 1: Hi, this is Charles from the hospital. Everyone ran outdoors & we only had moderate damage thanks to a well-built building.

Caller 2: Hello my name is Roy, & I'm calling from RQB Ranch. Everything that wasn't nailed down in our tack room got turned upside down by the shaking. Some plaster is cracked too.

Caller 3: Hi, this is Bob at Long Valley Mercantile, & we have a mess here. When the quake struck, it knocked over all of our displays, & broke windows out of the store. All the trees & poles were moving.

Caller 4: I'm calling in from West Side Subdivision. Damage was slight here—only some plaster shaken off the walls & the heavy furniture moved around.

Caller 5: I'm calling from the north end of town & we need some help down here. The water in our well has changed its level & we are trying to put out fires with buckets.

Caller 6: Southside City Junior High School. Students felt it & did the drop, cover, & hold drill. We only had slight damage to the building, with some fallen plaster.

Caller 7: I'm calling on my car phone. I just heard the news & thought I would report that right after I turned south into town off the Interstate, I felt a big bump—but there were not any potholes in the road. It was disturbing.

Caller 8: Hello, this is Mary, & I'm calling from the basement of the First Bank in the center of Wattsville. The building has partially collapsed & people are trapped down here. Please send help.

Caller 9: We were at the mall when the quake struck. Everyone panicked & ran outside. Luckily no one was hurt, & damage was slight.

Caller 10: I work at the MacBest Castle. Many of the tourists were frightened & ran outdoors, & our chimneys were damaged.

Caller 11: I'm calling from the Big Bear Lumber Camp. The walls of our house were swaying & creaking during the earthquake.

Caller 12: We were picnicking at the Great Bend Park. Shortly after the quake struck we saw trees, telephone poles, & the flagpole swaying back & forth.

Caller 13: Roundup Truck Stop. When the quake hit, our chimney broke & fell over. **Caller 14:** Hello, Jake. This is Marty up at Big Bear Ski Resort. The quake rattled our dishes & windows, & the walls made creaking sounds.

Caller 15: This is Keith in River City. Our chimney is damaged & some plaster has fallen.

Caller 16: Lucky Strike Mine. Over here, we thought that a big truck had struck the building.

Caller 17: Wattsville University. Everyone in our class felt the quake, & some of the older, more poorly built buildings have suffered considerable damage.

Caller 18: I'm calling from Hot Springs Ranch. Our big pendulum clock stopped dead when the quake struck.

Caller 19: When the quake hit, I was in White Water visiting a friend. Nearly everyone felt it & we had a lot of windows broken. They were frightened, & I was too!

Caller 20: Hello Jake. This is Frank. I was at Blue Lake Resort when all the cars in the parking lot started rocking back & forth.

Caller 21: This is Gene at White Water Manufacturing. All of the heavy furniture in the showroom was moved by the quake, & some of the plaster fell off the walls.

