

OR-Alert. Overview and Status Report

Wildfire Recovery Committee

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OR-Alert. *Vision and Mission*



OR-Alert Vision – *“Establish equitable access to a statewide system that enables state, county, local and tribal governments to issue timely, informative alerts, warnings, and notifications”*

OR-Alert Mission – *“To ensure access to timely and informative alerts, warnings, and notifications (AWNs) through implementation of a statewide system that enables state, county, city and tribal governments to issue Awns—providing people in Oregon with meaningful opportunities to make life-saving decisions in the face of emergencies”*

PREPARE

RESPOND

RECOVER

OR-Alert. *Collaborative Governance*

OR-Alert

- A collaborative governance approach unique to Oregon
- A voluntary partnership between state, county, local, and tribal governments
- A state-of-the-art alerting platform
- An investment in interoperable communications



**The Governance Committee is a cross-disciplinary, collaborative group made up of state, county, tribal, and local emergency managers, public safety practitioners, PSAP representatives, PIOs, Telecommunications Providers, and others.*



AWNs. Alerts, Warnings, and Notifications



	Timeframe	Purpose	Examples
Warnings	Prior to Incidents	Distribute guidance to prepare for an anticipated incident.	Weather watches/warnings, fire warnings, volcano warnings, evacuation orders.
Alerts	At the beginning and during incidents with an ongoing, immediate threat.	Gain the attention of the public and draw their attention to a risk or hazard.	Active shooter and other civil dangers, HAZMAT concerns, 911 outages, AMBER alerts
Notifications	During and after immediate threats.	Instructs immediate protective actions and provides ongoing communications relevant to an event. Encourages public actions. Conveys time-sensitive information on response and recover-related services.	Evacuation routes and instructions, boil water advisories, public health instructions, return from evacuation notices, all clear notices.



OR-Alert. *Project Budget and Approach*

BUDGET

- October 2020 Emergency Board - \$1.4 Million
- 2021-2023 Governor's Recommended Budget, POP 089 - \$2.7 Million

SCOPE

- 36 Counties
- 9 Tribes
- 13 State Agencies
- Opt-in is voluntary
- No custom integrations with non-Everbridge AWNs

Plan



Charter project and assign project resources

Determine project scope, timeline and budget

Establish project governance and Executive Steering Council

Develop foundational project management artifacts

Obtain Stage Gate Approvals (1-3)

Procure



Determine AWN system requirements

Conduct interviews with other states and apply lessons learned

Develop procurement and negotiation strategy

Complete procurement process

Deploy



Onboard Everbridge

Develop vendor implementation plan and refine schedule

Phase 1. Office of Emergency Management (OEM) - pilot

Phase 2. Klamath County and Office of the Governor - pilot

Phase 3. Jurisdictions with no AWN System or IPAWS capabilities

Phase 4. Existing Everbridge Users

Phase 5. Other AWN systems

Govern



Establish OR-Alert Governance Committee

Develop best practices and templates



OR-Alert Capabilities. *Powered by Everbridge*



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state deployments



9 OF THE 10

largest U.S. cities



46 OF THE 50

busiest North American airports



4 OF THE 10

largest health insurers

Gartner



Leader in Gartner Magic Quadrant

Statewide and Large Regional Deployments



California -
Population of
39MM



Florida -
Population of
20.6M



New York State -
Population of
19.75M



Massachusetts -
Population of
6M



National Capital
Region -
Population of 6M



Connecticut -
Population of
3.6M



Vermont -
Population
of 617K



OR Alert Capabilities. *At a Glance...*



Mass Notification with Incident

Communications. Enabling local and statewide alerts and warnings across 25+ channels (including IPAWS) using GIS-based message targeting and providing templates that automate recipients and content based on location, incident type and severity—reducing error and ensuring message integrity*



Community Engagement. Enabling anonymous opt-ins to state and local notifications using keywords or ZIP codes, and providing one-click publishing across all channels*



SMARTWeather. Specific, map-driven, targeted, rules-based and automated weather alerts from the National Weather Service*



Resident Connection. Extending the reach of OR-Alert through pre-loaded resident and business contact data (updated quarterly)—2.6 million contacts statewide

- **Everbridge Technical Account Manager (TAM).**

A dedicated Oregon-based TAM focused on ensuring the success of OR-Alert and included entities through added services and support throughout the life of our partnership

- **Customizable and Accessible Opt-In Portals.**

Each County and Tribal jurisdiction will also be provided with a customizable opt-in portal for residents to sign up for alerts in the language and delivery method of their choosing (including options for people with visual and hearing impairments; e.g., TTS and TDD)

**For additional information see the [Mass Notification Data Sheet](#), the [Community Engagement Data Sheet](#) for additional details, and the [SMARTWeather Data Sheet](#) for additional details on features and capabilities*

*** Text-to-speech (TTS) and Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD)*



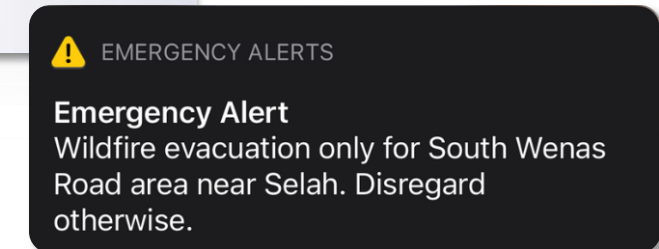
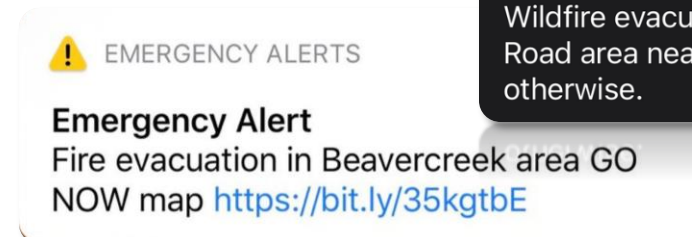
OR-Alert Capabilities. *IPAWS*



The Integrated Public Alert & Warning System (IPAWS) is FEMA's national system for local alerting that provides authenticated emergency and life-saving information to the public through:

- Mobile phones using Wireless Emergency Alerts
- Radio and television via the Emergency Alert System
- National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's Weather Radio
- More: <https://www.fema.gov/ipaws>

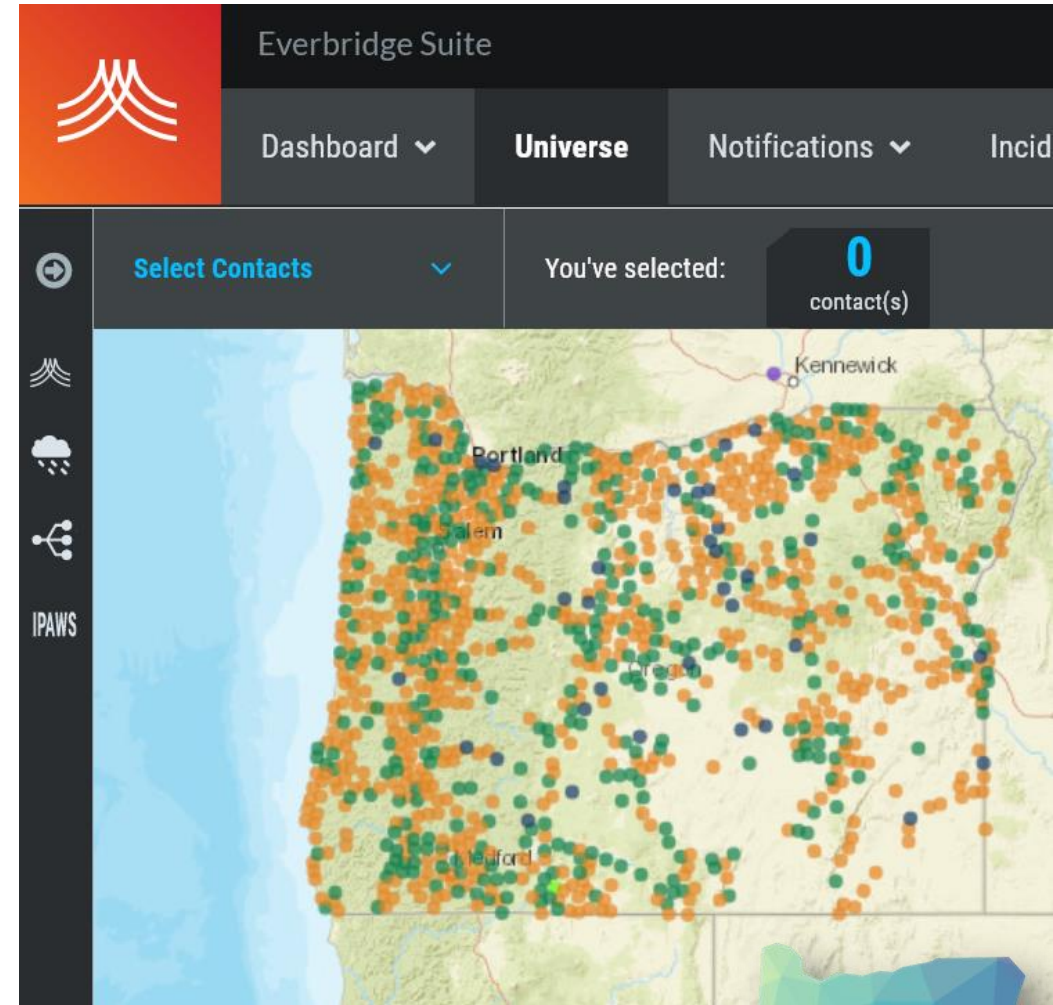
OR-Alert enables FEMA-authorized jurisdictions to utilize IPAWS—a foundational alerting capability previously unavailable in a large portion of the state



OR-Alert Capabilities. *Statewide Alerting*



- **Statewide Capabilities.** The Office of Emergency Management (OEM) has the ability to notify residents in a county, multiple counties, or the entire state via IPAWS, and/or standard messaging to Resident Connect contacts, and County web registrant contacts*
- **Cross-jurisdictional Situational Awareness.** Organizations gain real-time visibility of messages sent anywhere across the state; ensuring no one is left behind
- **Continuity of Operations.** OEM and other Counties can provide mutual aid or act as "backup" for each other using a shared platform grounded in best practices

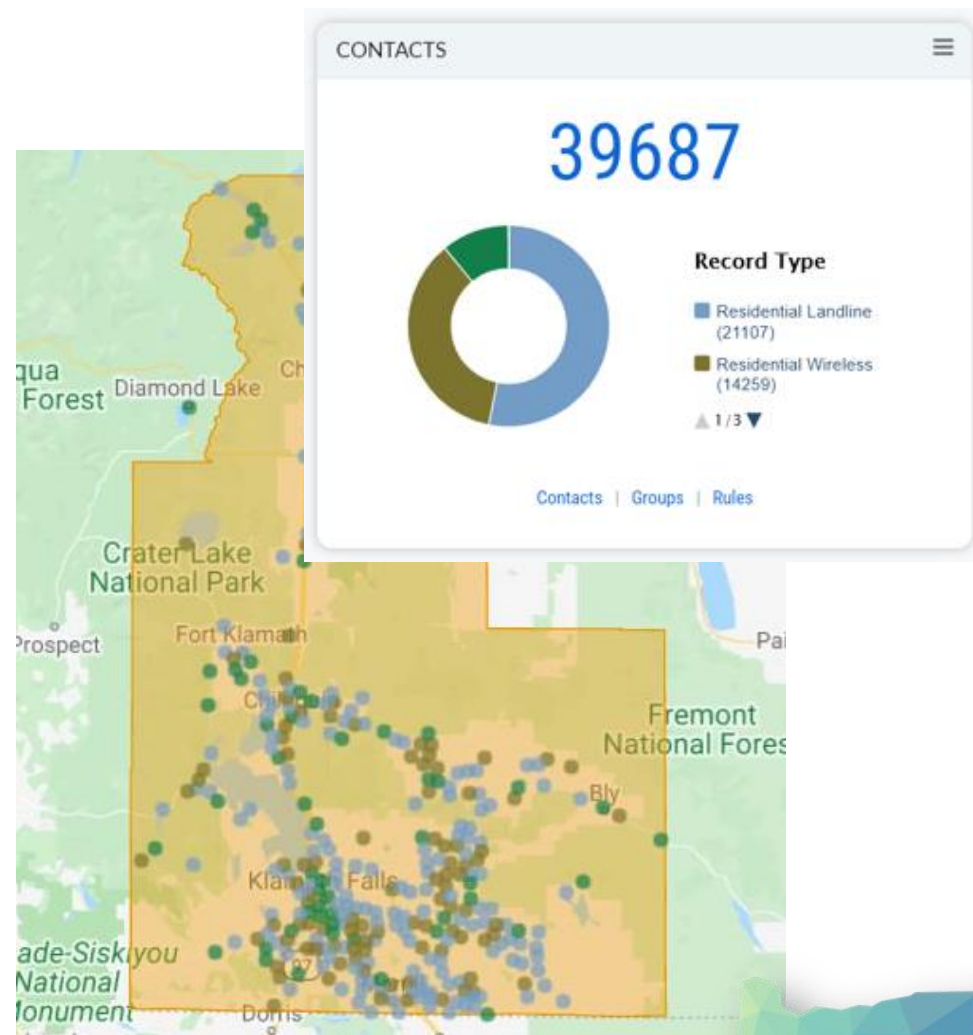


*Web registrants in county systems "roll-up" into the state system upon completing the IGA with the state.

OR-Alert Capabilities. *Resident Connection*



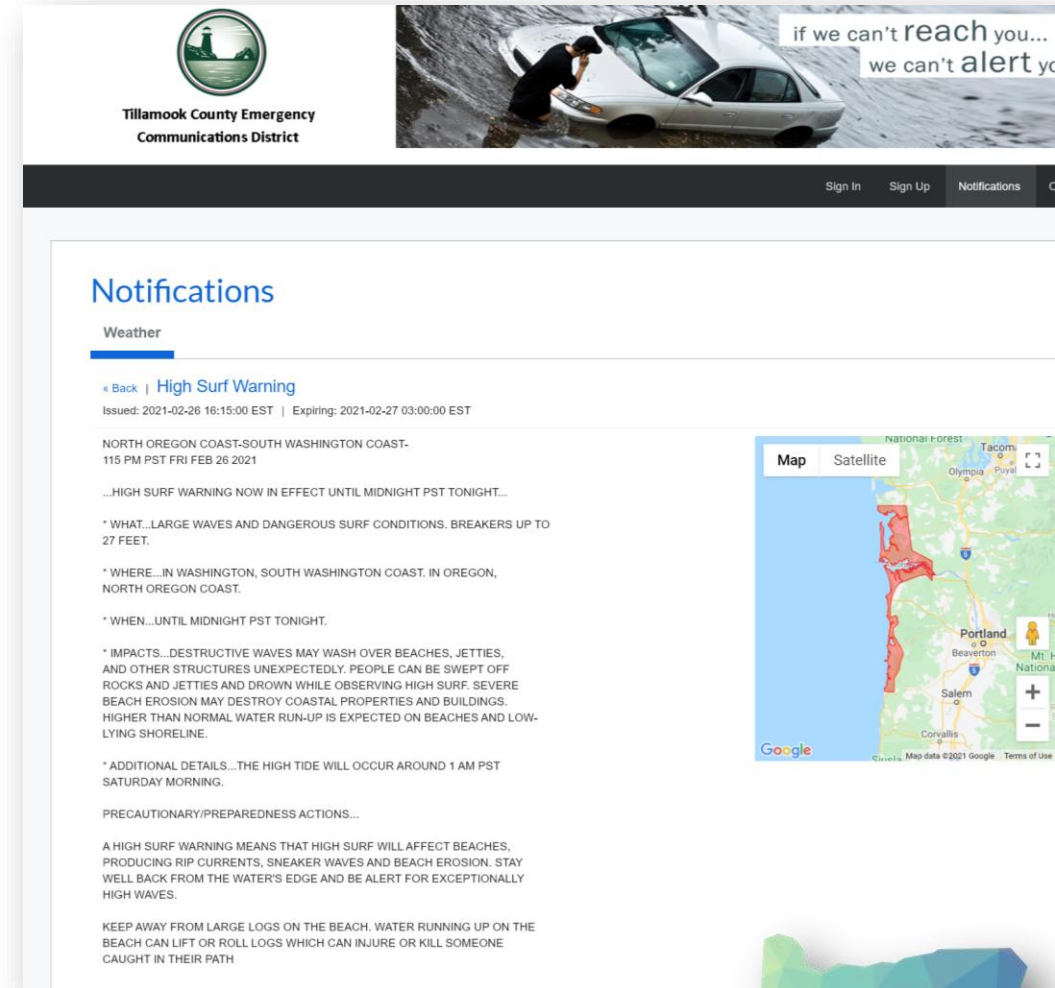
- **Contacts.** Everbridge Resident Connection data includes verified Residential and Business landline, VoIP and mobile data to use for emergency notifications. Phone numbers and addresses are verified and available for list-based or GIS-based targeting.
- **Channels.** Available Residential Landline, Mobile and VoIP Phone Numbers w/ Verified Addresses and available Business Landline, Mobile and VoIP Phone Numbers w/ Verified Addresses.
- **Refresh.** Resident Connection data is updated quarterly by the Everbridge team



OR-Alert Capabilities. *SMARTWeather*



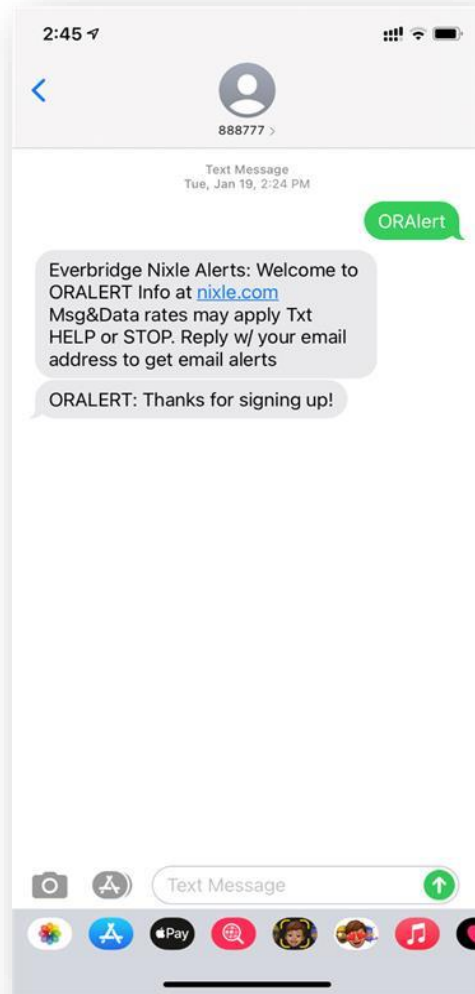
- SMARTWeather leverages Weather Decision Technologies' (WDT) to enhance and optimize over 150 National Weather Service (NWS) severe weather watches, advisories and warnings
- SMARTWeather alerts are:
 - **Specific.** Detailed alerts describe the event, actions, locations, and start/stop start times.
 - **Map-driven.** Contacts are selected based on the shape/polygon provided by NWS.
 - **Automated.** Delivers alerts to contacts and members automatically.
 - **Rules-based.** Use rules to determine when a message should be triggered.
 - **Targeted.** Deliver the right message to the right person based on subscriber preferences.



The screenshot shows the website of the Tillamook County Emergency Communications District. The header includes the district's logo and a banner image of a car stuck in mud with the text "if we can't reach you... we can't alert you". Below the header is a navigation bar with links for Sign In, Sign Up, and Notifications. The main content area is titled "Notifications" and shows a "Weather" section. The notification is for a "High Surf Warning" issued on February 26, 2021, for the North Oregon Coast-South Washington Coast. It includes details about the warning's duration, location, impacts, and precautions. A map on the right shows the affected coastal area in red. The footer of the notification section includes a "PRECAUTIONARY/PREPAREDNESS ACTIONS..." section with advice on staying safe from high surf.



OR-Alert Capabilities. *Community Engagement*



Prescribed and Wildfire Fire Alerts

Thursday, April 11, 2019 12:00 AM - Saturday, April 11, 2020 12:00 AM PDT

LOCATION: <http://www.centraloregonfire.org>

Advisory Deschutes NF Wildfire Alert
Wednesday, August 19, 2020 10:14 AM PDT This message has expired

CO Fire Alert- Learn more about Green Ridge Fire near Camp Sherman & Lily Fire near the Pacific Crest Trail at: www.centraloregonfire.org

[See more](#)

Advisory Deschutes NF Wildfire Alert
Tuesday, August 18, 2020 9:48 AM PDT This message has expired

CO Fire Alert- Two wildfires are burning on the Deschutes National Forest, one near Camp Sherman. Visit: www.centraloregonfire.org

[See more](#)

Advisory Deschutes NF Wildfire Alert: Rosland Road Fire
Sunday, July 19, 2020 10:24 AM PDT This message has expired

Sign up:
Prescribed and Wildfire Fire Alerts

Full Name

Mobile Number

Email Address

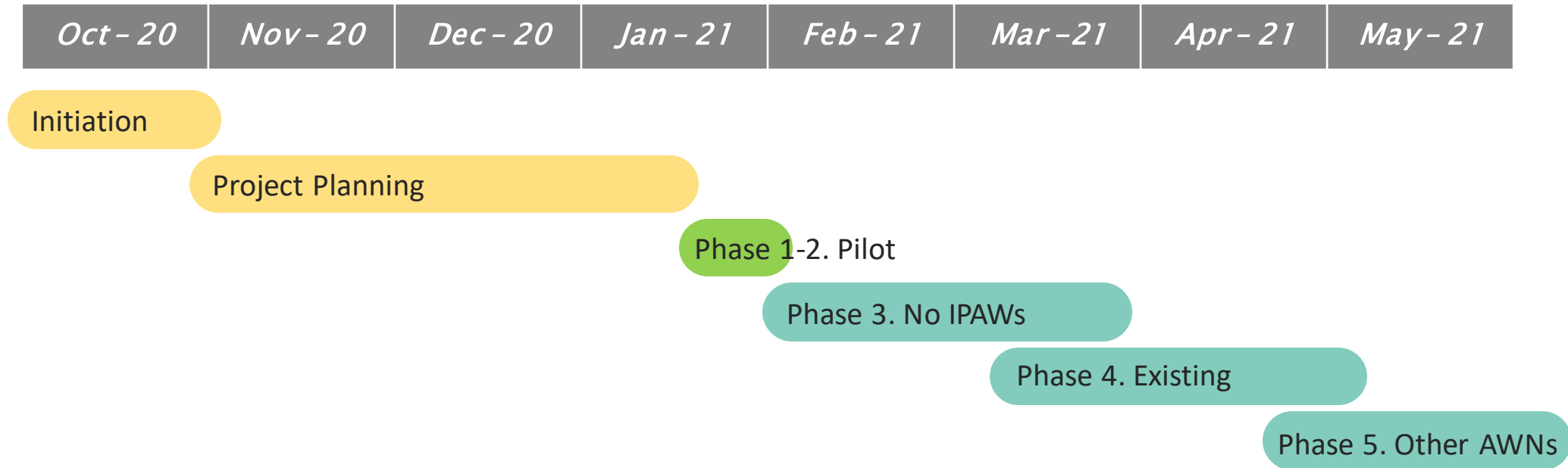
SIGN UP FOR THIS EVENT

OR

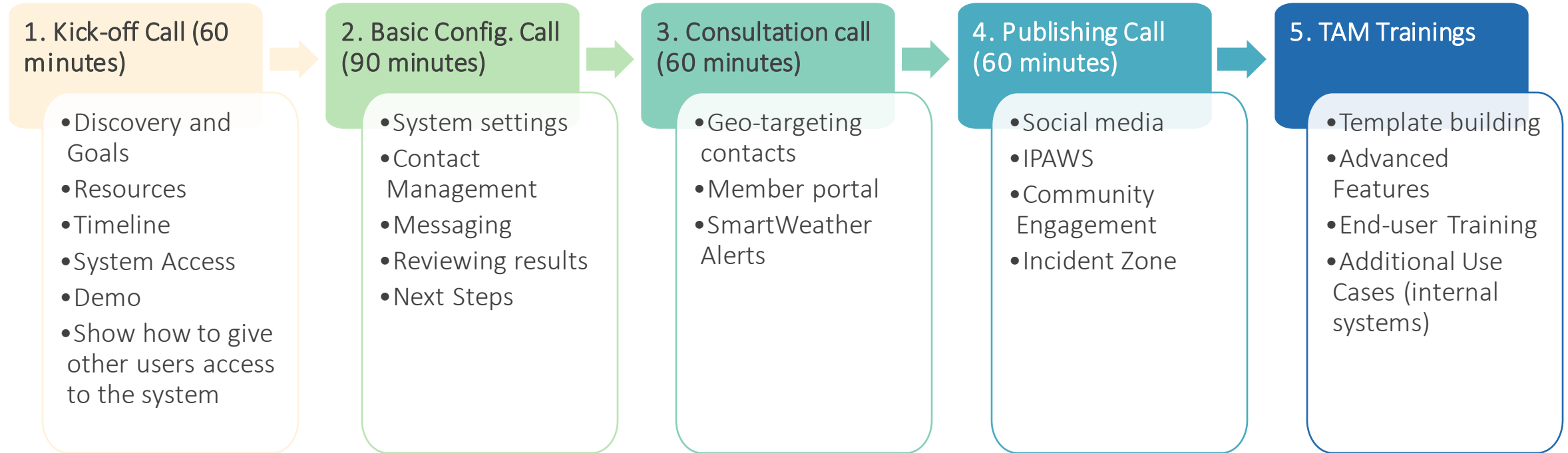
Text keyword (e.g., ORAlert) or zip code to 888-777 to sign up for Alerts



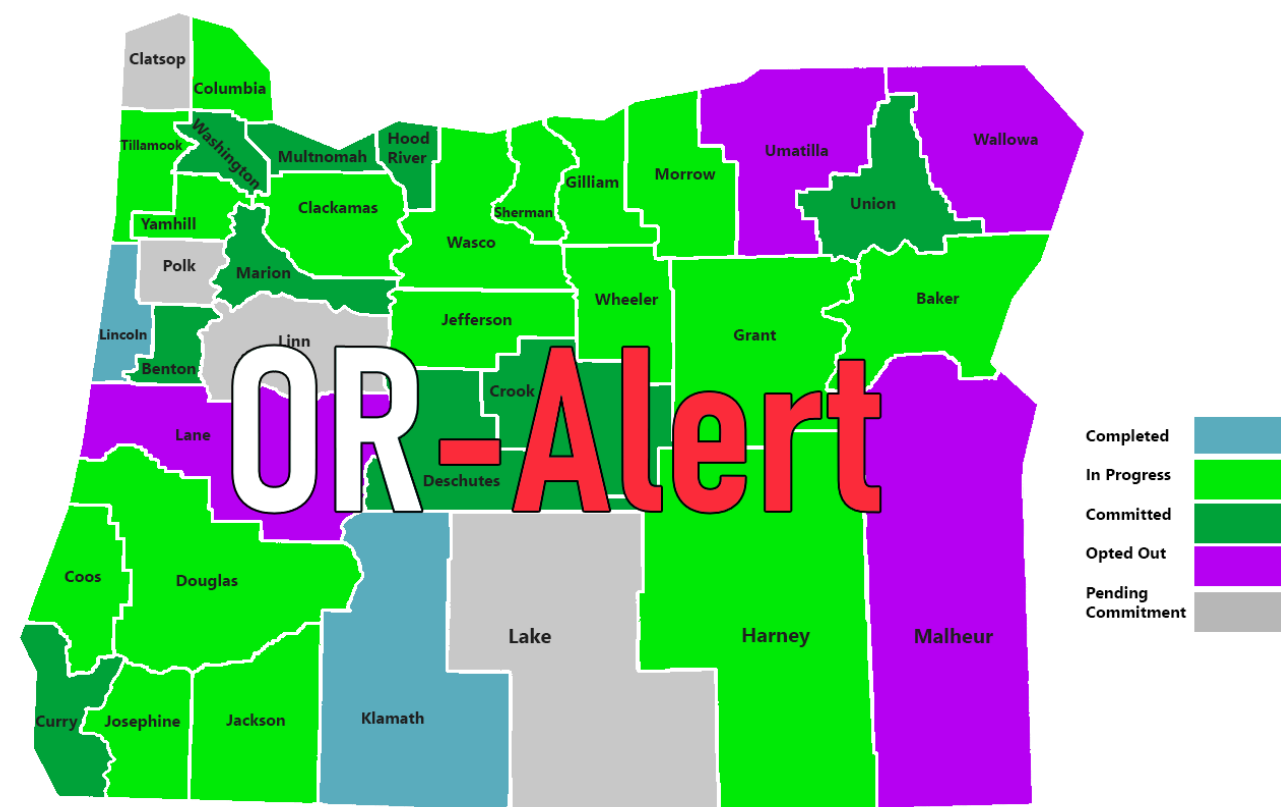
OR-Alert Implementation. *Schedule and Phases*



OR-Alert Implementation. *Onboarding Process*



OR-Alert Implementation. *Progress by County**



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| Burns Paiute of Harney County | Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siusla Indians |
| Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde | Confederated Tribes of the Siletz |
| Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Reservation | Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs |
| Coquille Indian Tribe | Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Indians |
| Klamath Tribes | |

* As of March 4, 2021





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Thank you.