



## FORT BRAGG POLICE DEPARTMENT

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### PRESS RELEASE

**Releasing Officer:** John Naulty, Chief of Police  
**Date / Time:** December 18, 2020, 0930 hours  
**Crime or Incident:** WEA message

### CIRCUMSTANCES:

The Fort Bragg Police Department would like the public to be aware that the state plans to activate the IPAWS Emergency Alert System (Wireless Emergency Alert-WEA only) at 12 pm today. This may cause some cellphone users to receive text messages or automated calls.

The messaging is intended for the Bay Area in reference to the Governor's COVID shelter in place orders. Targeted areas include Napa and Sonoma County.

**The messaging is not intended for Mendocino County at this time**, however it is likely our residents will experience bleed over and/or receive messaging on their personal devices while commuting.

### The WEA LONG message should read:

State of California: All Bay Area Counties now under state stay at home order. This builds on previous local orders. COVID-19 is spreading rapidly. Stay home except for essential activity. Wear a mask. Keep your distance. Visit [covid19.ca.gov](https://covid19.ca.gov)

*Estado de CA: Todos los condados del area de la bahia estan bajo la orden estatal de permanecer en casa. Esto amplia las ordenes locales anteriores. COVID-19 se esta propagando rapidamente. Quedate en casa, excepto para la actividad esencial. Usa mascarilla. Mantén tu distancia. Visite [covid19.ca.gov](https://covid19.ca.gov)*

### The WEA SHORT message should read:

State of CA: New health order. Stay home except for essential activity. [Covid19.ca.gov](https://covid19.ca.gov)

*Estado de CA: Nueva orden de salud. Quédate en casa, excepto para la actividad esencial*