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Fellow Oregonians:

The Public Health Division will participate in The Great Oregon ShakeOut on Thursday, October 17, 2013 at 10:17 a.m. By doing so, the Public Health Division joins and supports all Oregonians in strengthening community and regional resiliency.

Major earthquakes pose a particular, significant, and ongoing threat to our state. This earthquake drill offers our agency an opportunity to discuss, practice, and hone our earthquake preparedness plans and activities. The better prepared we are, the more resilient we will be. Community resiliency to earthquakes and other disasters depends on the preparedness levels of all Oregonians.

Public Health Division employees can and are encouraged to participate in the ShakeOut "Drop Cover and Hold on" earthquake drill.

I support participation in the Great Oregon Shakeout drill. I support taking time to recognize and acknowledge the importance of preparing our agency for emergencies. I support building a safer community and reducing the loss of lives and property from a major earthquake event by taking proactive steps today.

For more information, visit the official The Great Oregon Shakeout website: www.shakeout.org/oregon.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Suzanne Hoffman". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Suzanne Hoffman, MPH
Interim Public Health Director