

PRESS RELEASE:

Lewiston-Nez Perce County Airport to Conduct Full-Scale Emergency Exercise on June 26th at 9:00 AM

As part of its continued commitment to public safety and emergency preparedness, the Lewiston-Nez Perce County Regional Airport (LWS) will conduct a full-scale emergency exercise at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, June 26, 2025.

This comprehensive drill, held once every three years as required by federal safety regulations, is more than a procedural requirement—it is a vital investment in our community's readiness and resilience.

The exercise will simulate a large-scale emergency and serve as a critical opportunity to evaluate and enhance interagency coordination, emergency response protocols, and crisis communication under realistic, high-pressure conditions.

Participants will include a broad coalition of emergency responders and public safety professionals, including firefighters, EMS personnel, law enforcement, airport staff, City of Lewiston staff, airline representatives, and other local government agencies. Together, we will work to manage a dynamic, real-world scenario designed to challenge and improve response effectiveness.

Please note: This is a training exercise only. The public may notice increased activity around the airport, including emergency vehicles and personnel. There is no cause for alarm.

"While we hope to never face such emergencies in real life, our teams prepare as if we will," said Airport Director Mike Isaacs. "That preparation can save lives, and this exercise ensures we're ready to respond swiftly, decisively, and together."

The Lewiston-Nez Perce County Airport thanks the community for its support and understanding as we take proactive steps to safeguard the region.

About the Lewiston-Nez Perce County Airport

LWS is a public-use airport two miles south of Lewiston, Idaho. The City of Lewiston and Nez Perce County own the airport. The airport prides itself on dependability. "Fly LWS when it matters the most."