E-MAIL CAHAN TEST ALERT:

THIS IS ONLY A DRILL! On May 24, 2006, Yolo County will be coordinating a field exercise in response to a simulated Bio-Hazard TEST Alert in West Sacramento. Our goals are to coordinate multiple HazMat units from around the Sacramento region to provide decontamination for a large number of people at once, train Health Department and medical volunteers to rapidly screen and dispense prophylaxis and to organize a Joint Information Command for media information.

Health Alerting and Guidance: In response to a real event, the Health Department would alert our medical providers and emergency response partner agencies to the possibility of contamination or a disease outbreak. We would provide health guidance regarding signs, symptoms, lab testing, prophylaxis and treatment. Residents under a physician's care would also be instructed to advise their physician about prophylaxis medications which were provided to them.

Participating Agencies: HazMat/Fire teams from West Sacramento, Yolo County, City of Woodland, City of Davis, Sacramento County and UC Davis, Health Department personnel from Yolo and Sacramento counties and the California Department of Health Services, West Sacramento City Manager and local Police, FBI, OES, city and county Public Information Officers. **THIS IS ONLY A DRILL!**