

Reclamation's Full-Scale Security Exercise at Folsom Dam

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The Bureau of Reclamation, in cooperation with the Sacramento County Sheriff's Department/Folsom Dam Security Bureau, City of Folsom Police and Fire Departments, California Department of Parks and Recreation, Sacramento Office of Emergency Services, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Sacramento County Department of Technology, conducted a full-scale security exercise at Folsom Dam on Wednesday, April 23, 2014. The exercise simulated criminal activity that began in the City of Folsom and proceeded onto the federal property at Folsom Dam. The participating agencies practiced emergency response activities, checked security systems, applied tactical skills and performed multi-agency coordination. Reclamation regularly conducts exercises at its facilities in coordination with local emergency response agencies to practice plans and operating procedures and build good working relationships and communication with local responders. Reclamation's top priority is the safety of the public, employees, property and facilities. Practicing these emergency response plans is essential to being prepared in the event of a real emergency situation.



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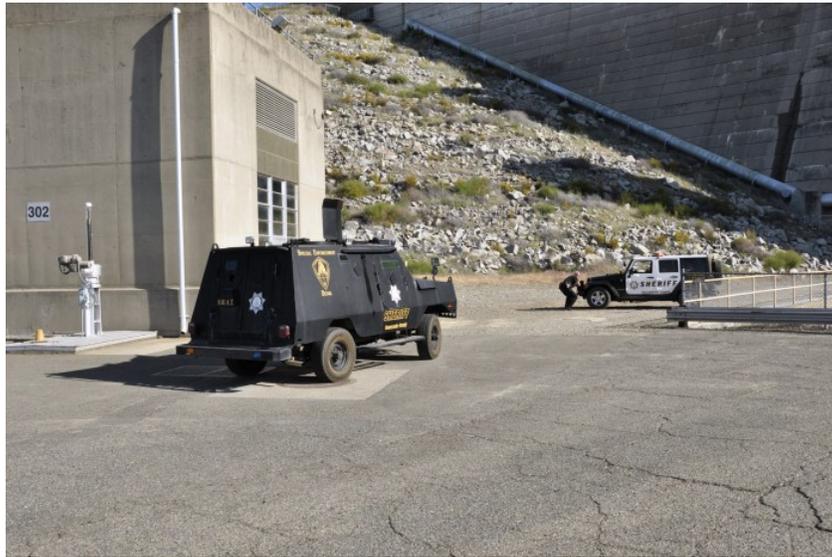
The "criminals" flee



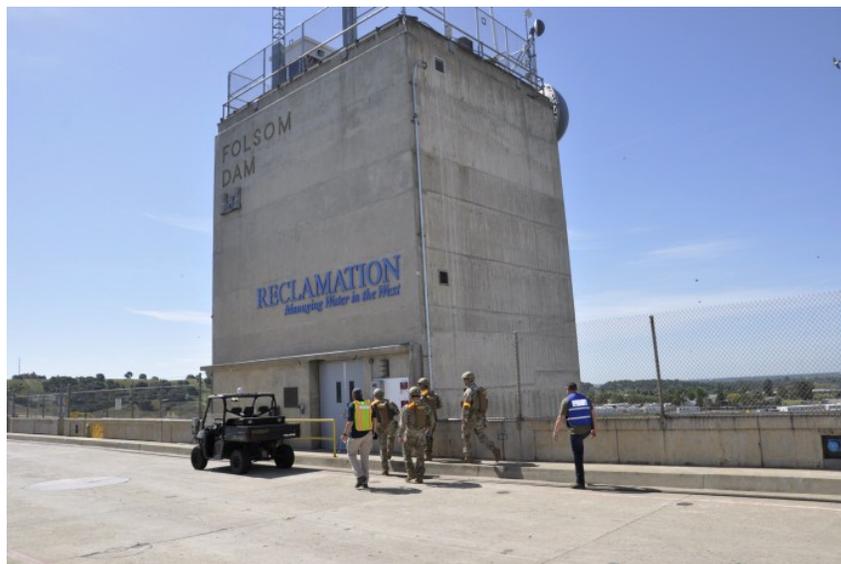
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Search near Folsom Dam



Search team prepares to enter Folsom Dam

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Entering Folsom Dam



Searching for the "criminals" inside Folsom Dam

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Exercise participants practice confined space rescue

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Federico Barajas, CCAO Deputy Area Manager, participates in the after-action meeting

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Exercise Director, David LeBlanc, Division of Safety, Health and Security, leads the after-action meeting