

NOAA Weather Radio helps protect lives!

NOAA Weather Radio is a key component of the Emergency Alert System (EAS), making it an “all-hazards” warning system. It is a comprehensive source for not only flood and weather warnings, but also immediate life-saving information from national, state, county, and local emergency officials. These hazards include tsunamis, volcanic activity, toxic releases, civil emergencies, Amber Alerts, and secondary hazards from earthquakes, and terrorism. Tests of the NOAA Weather Radio Warning Alarm are conducted every Wednesday around midday, unless severe weather threatens, postponing it to the next good weather day.



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KAD-93 Blaine is part of a nationwide network of NOAA Weather Radio stations, that broadcast the latest weather area forecasts, warnings, and information.

NOAA Weather Radio is a public service from the National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), part of the United States Department of Commerce.

For more information concerning NOAA Weather Radio, please contact:

National Weather Service
7600 Sand Point Way NE
Seattle, WA 98115

206-526-6087

or visit one of the following sites on the internet

www.weather.gov/seattle

www.nws.noaa.gov/nwr



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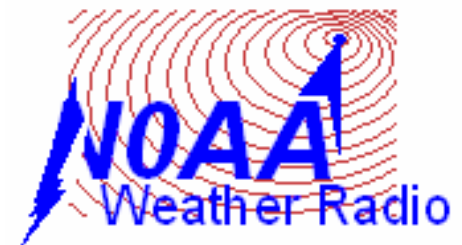
KAD-93 Blaine

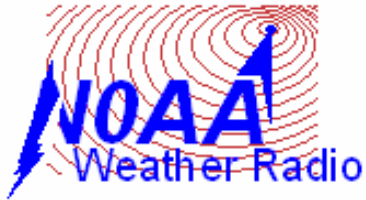
162.525 MHz



*“The Voice of the
National Weather
Service”*

Broadcasting continuous weather forecasts, warnings, and information 24 hours a day direct from the National Weather Service in Seattle.





...locally

KAD-93 Blaine provides Western Whatcom County and the San Juans with the latest forecasts and information 24 hours a day, direct from the National Weather Service in Seattle.

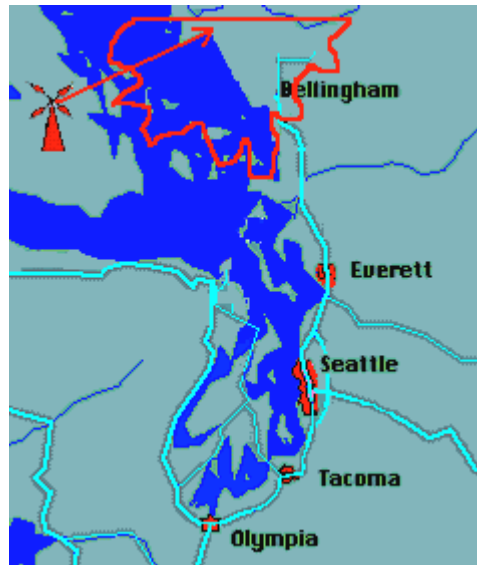
The broadcast includes:

- Weather Synopsis
- Local forecasts for
 - North Interior
 - Cascade Mountains
 - Western Washington to 7 days
- 8 to 14 day outlook (25,55 min past hour)
- marine forecast for northern inland waters including Strait of Georgia
- pressure reports (00,20,40 past hour)
- avalanche forecasts (seasonal)
 - avalanche warning (in effect) (5,25,45 min past the hour)
 - no warning in effect (5, 35 min past the hour)

Warnings, watches, and advisories for hazardous events such as high winds, floods, heavy snow, avalanches, and severe thunderstorms are broadcast as necessary and may pre-empt regular programming.

KAD-93 operates on a frequency of 162.525 MHz from a transmitter near Blaine. The broadcast can usually be heard up to 30 miles from the antenna site, though reception depends upon terrain and receiver quality.

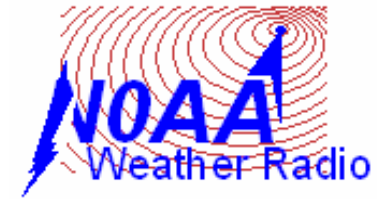
The map below shows the approximate listening area of KAD-93 Blaine.



Here are the counties for which KAD-93 Blaine activates the warning alarm.

EAS Location Codes

San Juan	053055
Whatcom	053073



...across the Nation

NOAA Weather Radio includes more than 900 transmitters, covering all 50 states, adjacent coastal waters, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and the U.S. Pacific Territories. This network reaches over 90 percent of the Nation's population.

Each station broadcasts in the public service band on one of these seven VHF-FM frequencies:

- 162.400 MHz 162.425 MHz
- 162.450 MHz 162.475 MHz
- 162.500 MHz 162.525 MHz
- 162.550 MHz

These frequencies are not found on a typical home radio. However, most radio electronic retailers offer inexpensive weather radios, special radio receivers capable of picking up the signal.

Radios are available both with and without the warning alarm feature. We *strongly* recommend a radio with Emergency Alert System (EAS) capability (also known as SAME – Specific Area Message Encoder). This easy to program radio enables you to receive site and event-specific warning messages of your choice instantly. Look for these features.