



# Situation Report

## Wisconsin Emergency Operations Center

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**TO:** Governor Walker  
**FROM:** Brian Satula, WEM Administrator  
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**RE:** Situation Report on Clintonville

This afternoon, the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) reported that a 1.5 magnitude earthquake struck early Tuesday morning in Clintonville. The earthquake struck shortly after midnight. Officials with the USGS say loud booming noises have been known to accompany earthquakes and it is possible the strange sounds residents have been reporting at night might be related to the earthquake.

Wisconsin Emergency Management has been working with Waupaca County Emergency Management Director Andrew Carlin and other local officials in regards to the strange booming noises that have occurred this week.

According to Tom Evans, Assistant Director with the Wisconsin Geological and Natural History Survey (WGNHS), Wisconsin has experienced about a dozen minor events attributed to low seismic activities in the last 100 years. He says Wisconsin sits on a relatively stable part of the continent.

Details about the earthquake are available at the USGS website, <http://earthquake.usgs.gov>