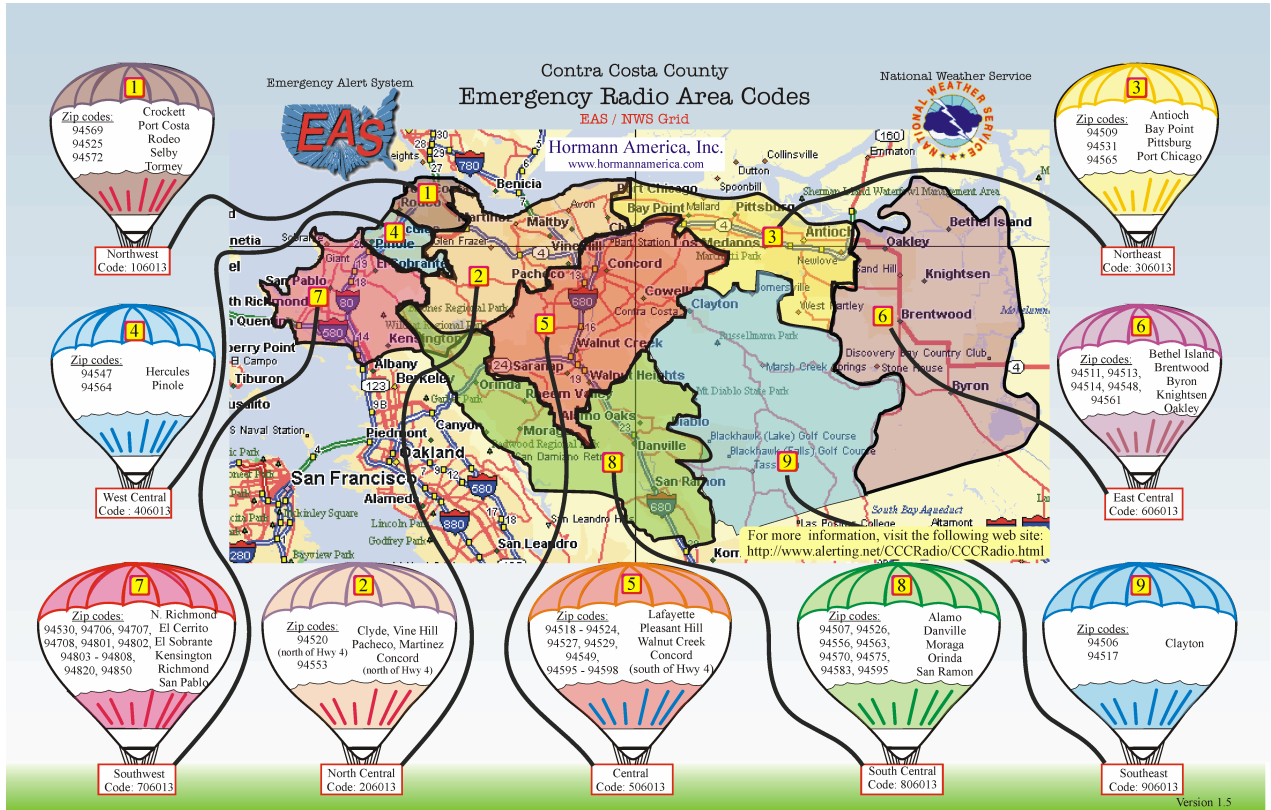


# Hormann America Success Stories

## County

### Contra Costa County, California

#### Countywide Community Warning System



**Contra Costa County needed to provide an alert and notification system that is able to:**

- Immediately alert adjacent residents to shelter-in-place in response to an emergency that may be harmful to their well-being
- Notify appropriate emergency response agencies concerning the emergency
- Provide on-going updates about the incident and additional protective measures that may be required
- To be integrated with state and federal systems.

**Solution Selected: Hormann America Community Warning System.** The system consists of 25 Terminals located at industry, county, state and federal agencies in the Bay Area, 40 Outdoor Warning Sirens, San Francisco Bay Area EAS (Emergency Alert System) activation center, automated interface with the California Emergency Digital information Service (EDIS) and with the NOAA weather radio, and paging and telephone ring down systems. The system is radio-based with automated back-up equipment and installations to withstand man-made or natural disasters. 700 weather radios are quietly monitoring the emergency weather channel to sound the warning in emergency, and all radio, TV and Cable stations can carry the emergency message. Special agreements were negotiated to enable the less costly implementation of the countywide system by using available state and federal resources.

**Hormann America** is monitoring and maintaining the system on a long term Maintenance Agreement.