

Tsunami Warning Cancellation : Tsunami Marine Warning Cancellation for Tonga

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Issued at 08:30am (09th September, 2017)

An Earthquake has occurred with these parameters:

Origin time: 05:50pm (08th September, 2017)

Coordinates: Lat: 14.9N Lon: 94.0W

Depth: 33KM

Magnitude: 8.2

The above magnitude is provisional and may be increased or decreased as more seismic data becomes available.

Tsunami Marine Warning Cancellation Summary

(Only Warnings issued by the Tonga Meteorological Service represent the official warning status for Tonga)

Based on tide gauge readings, a tsunami wave of less than 0.1M was recorded at Nuku'alofa Tide gauge at about 08:15am this morning. Due to the tsunami wave being less than one foot it is expected that this tsunami no longer poses a threat to Tonga. Therefore, the Tsunami Marine Warning previously in force for Tonga is NOW CANCELLED. Ocean currents however around Marine Coastal Areas may be strong and erratic and special caution should be exercised.

This will be the last bulletin issued from the Fua'amotu Tsunami Warning Centre on this event.

NEOC Status:

The National Emergency Operation Centre (NEOC) remains de-activated.

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