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**ADDITIONAL TESTING OF NEW OUTDOOR WEATHER SIRENS
SCHEDULED FOR DECEMBER 8 AND 9**

Sirens designed to alert residents of tornado warnings

FORSYTH COUNTY, Georgia – The Forsyth County Emergency Management Agency (EMA) plans to conduct additional testing of the county’s new outdoor severe weather sirens on Monday, December 8 and Tuesday, December 9, from 9 a.m. to noon, weather permitting. During this siren system test, both the warning alert tone and the test tone will be heard.

This testing is a follow up to the initial testing which occurred November 12.

“This testing is another step in putting the new sirens in service and having them operational for our citizens,” Forsyth County Fire Chief and EMA Director Danny Bowman said. “The sound residents will hear on December 8 and 9 will only be a test.”

Forsyth County recently installed 12 new weather sirens (11 new locations, one replacement) throughout the county to notify residents who are outdoors that severe weather is in the area. In the event Forsyth County is placed under a tornado warning, the sirens will be activated.

Once the system is in service, monthly testing of the audible siren will take place at noon on the first Wednesday of every month, weather permitting. The test tone produces the Westminster Chimes sound.

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