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Hamilton County EMHSA Testing of Sirens

HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO – The Hamilton County Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency will not be testing the Outdoor Warning Sirens during the week of **March 20-26, 2017**. Siren tests are scheduled for the first Wednesday of every month, unless cancelled and rescheduled due to the following reasons:

1. Extreme cold, freezing rain/drizzle, and/or icing might damage the equipment.
2. There is severe weather (or potential severe weather) occurring in the local area and activating the outdoor warning system might cause confusion as to whether the activation is a real event.

There are four basic criteria to activate the sirens:

- The National Weather Service issues a Tornado Warning for all or part of Hamilton County,
- A trained and certified weather spotter reports a tornado;
- A tornado is reported by a local public safety official; or
- A dangerous situation occurs which requires citizens to seek shelter immediately.

For additional information on the Outdoor Weather Siren System, please visit the Hamilton County Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency website at:
www.hamiltoncountyohioema.org/

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