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Hamilton County EMHSA RESCHEDULES March Outdoor Warning Siren System Test

HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO – Due to overnight snowfall and forecasted sub-freezing temperatures at noon today, Hamilton County Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency (EMHSA) **will not** be conducting the regular monthly test of the Outdoor Warning Siren System today, March 6, 2019. **The test will be rescheduled for next Wednesday, March 13, 2019 at noon.** The decision to reschedule today’s siren test was made in an effort to prevent potential damage to siren equipment if activated during extreme cold or icy conditions.

Basic criteria for cancelling the activation of the Outdoor Warning Sirens include:

1. Extreme cold, freezing rain/drizzle, and/or icing that may damage the equipment.
2. Presence of severe weather (or potential severe weather) occurring in the local area, which may cause confusion as to whether the activation is a real event.

For additional information on severe weather safety and preparedness, visit the Hamilton County Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency website at: www.hcready.org.

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