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Calvert County Division of Emergency Management to Test Alert and Notification System Sirens June 1, 2020

PRINCE FREDERICK, Md. – May 26, 2020 – The Calvert County Department of Public Safety, Division of Emergency Management, will conduct a full-cycle test of the alert and notification sirens throughout Calvert, St. Mary's and Dorchester counties Monday, June 1, 2020, at noon.

The full-cycle test includes a three-minute activation of all sirens within the 10-mile area around Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant. All citizens are asked to remember the scheduled testing and relay the information to friends, family and neighbors.

The testing is conducted to check siren operation and increase public awareness of the alert and notification siren system. If the sirens sound at any other time, residents should tune to one of the local radio stations listed below for information and instructions.

Emergency Alert System stations include:

WPTX 1690 AM Lexington Park	WMDM 97.7 FM Lexington Park	WTOP 103.5 FM Washington, D.C.
WKIK 1560 AM La Plata	WKIK 102.9 FM California	WPRS 104.1 FM Waldorf
WSMD 98.3 FM Mechanicsville	WNNT 107.5 FM Warsaw	WGOP 540 AM Pocomoke
WCEM 1240 AM Cambridge	WCEM 106.3 FM Cambridge	WCEI 96.7 FM Easton
WRAR 105.5 FM Tappahannock	WKHZ 1460 AM Easton	

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Residents are encouraged to stay informed and prepared in the event of an emergency by visiting www.CalvertCountyMd.gov/BeAwarePrepare and signing up for Calvert County ALERT to receive timely information about various emergency and non-emergency situations in the county. Calvert County ALERT messages can be received by cell phone, landline, email, text messaging, fax, pager and more.

While visiting the new Be Aware and Prepare safety portal, citizens can register with Smart911 to create a safety profile for emergency communications. Smart911 is a free online service that allows individuals and families to automatically provide vital information to 911 call takers during an emergency. Citizens can also visit the portal to register individuals with special needs for the Calvert County Emergency Management special needs registry. Anyone who has unique needs that hinder or prevent them from taking protective actions during an emergency should sign up for the special needs registry.

The Department of Public Safety also offers a free “Prepare Me Calvert” app to put critical, real-time information at users’ fingertips in the event of a regional emergency and helps residents stay prepared. Those without internet can contact the Calvert County Division of Emergency Management at 410-535-1600, ext. 2638, to sign up for additional emergency preparedness information.

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