

## Monroe County Emergency Management Bloomington, Indiana

## Statewide Tornado Drill will take place on Tuesday, March 12, 2024, at 10:15 AM

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MONROE COUNTY, INDIANA – Indiana Governor Holcomb has proclaimed the week of March 10–16, 2024, as Severe Weather Preparedness Week for the State of Indiana. In response to this proclamation, there will be a statewide tornado drill at 10:15 AM on Tuesday, March 12th. In the event of severe weather on Tuesday, March 12th, the statewide drill will take place on Wednesday, March 13 at 10:15 AM.

Monroe County will be participating in the statewide tornado drill. The outdoor warning sirens around the county will sound at 10:15 AM on Tuesday, March 12th. The Emergency Management Agency encourages residents, businesses, and schools to take this drill as an opportunity to practice their action plan in response to a severe weather threat.

The purpose of these outdoor warning sirens is to give warning to members of the public who may be caught outdoors during a severe weather threat. Many Indiana residents understand that weather conditions can change very quickly, so these sirens can help get everyone to a safer location when a weather threat is upon us.

An adequate warning of severe weather is crucial so that people can prepare and take action to keep themselves and their families safe. These sirens, along with other weather alert systems, play a factor in the safety of everyone during a weather threat.

For any questions, contact the Emergency Management Agency at justinbaker@co.monroe.in.us or at 812-349-2546.