

## **Weather Sirens, Citizen's Alert System To Be Tested Wednesday**

November 19, 2013

At approximately 10 a.m. Nov. 20, 2013, Hall County Central Communications/E9-1-1 will conduct an audible test of the severe weather warning system. This will only be a test. The sirens will sound for about three minutes.

Sound tests will not be conducted if there is a severe weather watch or warning in effect for Hall County. The tornado sirens are tested using the wail alert tone once every three months. Other than these previously announced tests, all sirens should be considered to be an actual tornado warning.

Hall County's Warning System is tested silently every morning at 9 a.m.

Meanwhile, Hall County officials will also test their emergency mass notification system Wednesday morning. The Hall County Citizen's Alert System notifies residents about severe weather, fires, floods, toxic environmental issues and in-process violent crimes within minutes. Messages can be sent to individuals using a variety of contact mechanisms - cell phone, landline, email, text messaging and more - ensuring that Hall County residents receive life-saving emergency information and important public service announcements in minutes. Citizens listed in the County's 9-1-1 database have been automatically subscribed to alerts by landline, though any individual may self-register, provide additional contact information or opt out. To sign up or learn more, log onto [alerts.hallcounty.org](http://alerts.hallcounty.org).

Please direct any questions or concerns to the administrative offices of Hall County Central Communications/E9-1-1 at 770-531-6765.