



Chatham County Board of Commissioners
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Nationwide Test of the Emergency Alert System

SAVANNAH, GA (September 27, 2016) – The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), in coordination with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), will conduct a mandatory nationwide test of the Emergency Alert System (EAS) on Wednesday, September 28, at 2:20 pm EDT.

The EAS test will be distributed via radio, TV, cable, and direct broadcast satellite systems and will last about one minute. The message of the test will be similar to the regular monthly test message: “This is a national test of the Emergency Alert System. This is only a test.” The purpose of this message is to ensure that public safety officials have the methods and systems necessary to distribute urgent alerts and warnings during an emergency or disaster. If you have any questions about this test or the EAS system, please contact the Chatham Emergency Management Agency.