



# POPE COUNTY 9-1-1

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In times of severe weather, the siren system associated with Arkansas Nuclear One may be used to alert the public of the possibility of a tornado. The sirens are primarily used to alert people that are out doors and away from the television or radios.

The sirens are activated when a storm that is possibly producing a tornado is approaching the area covered by the sirens. It will sound for three minutes. When you hear the sirens sounding, go to a safe location, and tune to a local radio station or television station for information concerning the storm. It is recommended that you stay in a safe location until the storm passes or the National Weather Service cancels the tornado warning.

Remember, the sirens will stop sounding after three minutes. This does not mean that the threat has ended. It is very important that you listen to the radio stations or television stations that are covering the storms to keep informed of the whereabouts of the storms and any other information about the possibility of a tornado affecting the area. The sirens will not sound signaling that the threat has ended. If the sirens are activated additional times, it indicates that another storm is threatening the area.

The Pope County Office of Emergency Management encourages everyone to purchase a weather alert radio so that you can be notified any time the National Weather Service issues a severe weather watch or warning for your area. These radios can be purchased at several locations throughout the River Valley area, and can be programmed so that it will only go off when Pope County is placed under a watch or warning.