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Upcoming Emergency Alert System (EAS) Nationwide Test

The first nationwide test of the Emergency Alert System (EAS) will take place at 1:00 p.m. Central Time on Wednesday, November 9, 2011. The broadcasters, along with FEMA and the FCC, have been working hard to ensure both the success of the test AND that the public is informed and fully aware in advance. The purpose of this test is to assess the reliability and effectiveness of the system in alerting the public.

Nationwide test informative videos can be [viewed on the Ellis County Website](#).

A “Consumer Fact Sheet” provided by the FCC is available if additional information is required regarding this drill. To receive a copy, please call 972-825-5555.

You can read [the blog post when the EAS Test was first announced](#) and [visit the FCC website for more information](#) about the test, including additional answers to some frequently asked questions.