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WHAT: Activation of the National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Weather Radio All-Hazards Transmitter, Tuscarawas County.

WHO: Executive Director Nancy Dragani, Ohio EMA
Warning Coordination Meteorologist Richard Kane, National Weather Service
Director Patty Levengood, Tuscarawas County EMA
Tuscarawas County officials

WHEN: Friday, September 29
10 a.m.

WHERE: NOAA Weather Radio All-Hazards Transmitter Tower
(Directions to the tower are listed at bottom of page)
Rain site: Tuscarawas County Emergency Operations Center
2295 Reiser Ave.
New Philadelphia, Ohio

A new National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Weather Radio All-Hazards Transmitter has been installed in New Philadelphia. The transmitter allows residents in Tuscarawas County and surrounding areas to turn to 162.425 MHz on the National Weather Radio for the National Weather Service (NWS) office located in Pittsburgh, Pa. The broadcasts began August 11. NOAA Weather Radio All-Hazards, known as “The Voice of the National Weather Service,” is a continuous 24-hour source of the latest weather forecasts and warnings broadcast directly from Pittsburgh’s NWS Weather Forecast Office.

Directions to the transmitter tower: From Interstate 77 use exit 81, New Philadelphia. Turn west onto West High Avenue. Take a left at State Route 39 and continue on West High Avenue. West High Avenue turns into Stonecreek Road (County Road 21). Continue south for approximately 2.5 miles. Turn left onto Mathias Raceway Road. At the top of the hill turn left into First Class Trucking. Go past the buildings. The drive to the tower is on the left at the base of the hill.

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