



BENTON COUNTY

STATE OF ARKANSAS

TO: All Benton County Government Officials and
County Employees

FROM: Robert D. Clinard, Benton County Judge

DATE: January 7, 2011

SUBJECT: INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

- ◆ In cases of severe inclement weather, when travel conditions warrant restricting travel, the County Judge will utilize road Department Supervisors, Deputy Sheriff's reports and when possible will travel county roads to ascertain the driving conditions.
- ◆ Adverse driving conditions will be reported to the County Judge to assist him in a decision to curtail county government operations during the inclement weather.
- ◆ The County Judge will inform Cencom by 6:00 a.m. the morning of the event to notify the BCAlert system, and the media for announcements to the public and the county employees. This will include early closing if the weather becomes inclement during working hours.
- ◆ County Employees with texting on cell phones and/or email may sign up for notification on the county's BCALERT notification system at bcalert.com. Attached are instructions on how to sign up for the Benton County Employee Inclement Weather Notification.
- ◆ Closings and delayed openings will also be posted to the County Web-site at www.co.benton.ar.us. The Broadcast media will also be utilized to notify the public of closings for all Benton County Government Offices.



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During inclement weather, the County Judge may choose to close or determine the hours of operation for all Benton County Government Offices. Any closing or delays will be determined by 6:00 a.m. on the day in question. Notice of this decision will be relayed to the Elected Officials and Department Head by use of the County's BC Alert, and will also be broadcast on the television and radio stations listed below.

It is necessary for county employees to sign up to be able to receive inclement weather notification at BCALERT.com. Follow the instructions on the website.

In any situation where travel is questionable and the offices are not closed, please use your own judgment for driving in those conditions.

Closing information will be announced using the following:

Benton County Website at: www.co.benton.ar.us

Radio – KIX – 104 FM

TV – KFSM – 5

Radio – KMCK – 105.7 FM

TV – KHOG – 40/29

Radio – KURM – 790 AM

TV – KNWA – 51