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**SIREN TESTING ON HAWAII ISLAND**  
**THURSDAY, APRIL 7**

**HONOLULU** — Hawaii Emergency Management Agency (HI-EMA), together with the Hawaii County Civil Defense Agency, will conduct siren testing on Hawaii Island on Thursday, April 7, between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. at the following locations:

- Waimea, South Kohala
- Kukuihaele, Hamakua
- Waikaumalo, North Hilo
- Papaikou, South Hilo

These new sirens are part of the Statewide Siren Modernization Project. Residents nearby may hear the siren sound six to eight times for 30-second to one-minute intervals during the identified timeframe. Testing will include short blasts known as “burps.” During the tests, emergency management officials and technicians will check that installation work on the sirens has been completed properly.

Questions regarding this test should be directed to the Hawaii County Civil Defense Agency at **(808) 935-0031**.

HI-EMA encourages the public to make use of other supplemental methods of warning including, but not limited to, Hawaii County’s mass text notification system, [Blackboard Connect](#), and NOAA Weather Radio.

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