

ALABAMA EAS PLAN

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ALABAMA EAS MONITORING ASSIGNMENTS

All Alabama radio and television stations along with all cable television systems in the state will be required to adhere to the following EAS monitoring assignments.

This supersedes any other assignments you may have been following. Should you have any technical problems receiving the required stations contact the ABA EAS coordinator Larry Wilkins lwilkins@al-ba.com.

The Federal Communications Commission requires all participants to monitor two (2) sources. In Alabama those sources are as follows.

Monitor Source #1 Alabama Public Television Network

Participants should monitor the nearest APT transmitter.

Huntsville area WHIQ-TV channel 24

Florence area WFIQ-TV channel 22

Mt Cheaha area WCIQ-TV channel 7

Birmingham area WBIQ-TV channel 10

Demopolis area WIIQ-TV channel 19

Montgomery area WAIQ-TV channel 27

Andalusia area WDIQ-TV channel 10

Mobile area WEIQ-TV channel 42

Dothan area WGIQ-TV channel 44

Monitor Source #2 Global Security System Satellite Net

Participants should monitor at least one of the following LP stations in your area.

Station	City	Frequency
<u>North East Counties</u>		
WZYP-FM	Athens	104.3
WDRM-FM	Decatur	102.1
WKEA-FM	Scottsboro	98.3
<u>North West Counties</u>		
WQLT-FM	Florence	107.3
WQPR-FM	Muscle Shoals	88.7
<u>North Central Counties</u>		
WZZK-FM	Birmingham	104.7
WJOX-AM <i>PEP Station</i>	Birmingham	690
WJOX-FM	Birmingham	94.5
<u>North Central East Counties</u>		
WVOK-FM	Oxford	97.9
WQSB-FM	Albertville	105.1
<u>West Central Counties</u>		
WTXT-FM	Fayette	98.1
WUAL-FM	Tuscaloosa	91.5
<u>South Central Counties</u>		
WLWI-FM	Montgomery	92.3
WBAM-FM	Montgomery	98.9
WTSU-FM	Montgomery	89.9

South Central East Counties

WTJB-FM	Phenix City	91.7
WELR-FM	Roanoke	102.3

South Central West Counties

WINL-FM	Linden	98.5
WALX-FM	Orrville	100.9
WAPR-FM	Selma	88.3

South East counties

WOOF-FM	Dothan	99.7
WKMX-FM	Enterprise	106.7
WRWA-FM	Dothan	88.7

South West counties

WDLT-FM	Atmore	104.1
WABD-FM	Mobile	97.5
WHIL-FM	Mobile	91.3
WZEW-FM	Atmore	92.1
WMFC-FM	Monroeville	99.3

Those listed in red are the recommended stations since they are affiliated with National Public Radio and are monitoring the NPR satellite special alert channel for national alerts and test.

Present rules require that all participants receive and log the reception of the Required Weekly Test (RWT) from both sources. Station should also log the reception of the RWT from IPAWS CAP server.

Participants are also required to receive and relay the Required Monthly Test (RMT) from one of the sources. The reception and relay of the RMT should also be logged. Current RMT transmission schedule is available on the ABA web site.

Each week participants should transmit and log their own Required Weekly Test.

The Chief Operator of the station is required to review and sign this log weekly to ascertain that all test were received, relayed and/or transmitted correctly.

Effective June 30th 2012 all participants are required to monitor FEMA's Integrated Public Alert and Warning System (IPAWS) for federal CAP-formatted alerts. This requires EAS equipment to be connected to the internet and programmed correctly to poll the IPAWS server.

To improve the redundancy of the State distribution system, LP stations are encouraged to also monitor (where possible) another LP station in their area. This in addition to the required monitor sources.

Stations wishing to receive and relay weather warnings and/or watches should install a weather radio tuned to the correct NOAA transmitter for your area. These are listed in appendix b of the state plan. Stations should not rely on the two (2) required monitor sources to receive weather alerts.

Stations that are not receiving RWT's and/or RMT's from their required sources should contact the state EAS chair, lwilkins@al-ba.com.