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## **Beaver County Commissioners Urge Residents To Sign-Up for Automatic Emergency Alerts**

The Beaver County Commissioners are pleased to announce implementation of the *Swift Reach* emergency alert system to inform and protect local residents and their families.

*Swift Reach* is a high-speed notification system that warns residents of emergency situations such as severe storms, evacuations, fires, power outages, potential flooding and local law enforcement alerts.

“The new *Swift Reach* alert system, provided through our County Emergency Services Department, is an excellent way for our citizens to obtain prompt and accurate notification of potentially harmful situations affecting their communities” commented Tony Amadio, Chairman of the Beaver County Board of Commissioners.

“The foundation of the *Swift Reach* system is cutting-edge technology with a proven track record. Emergencies can happen quickly. This system will give individuals and businesses prompt notice of important public safety matters. Local residents can easily register for alerts through our County web-site and I urge everyone to do so” said Commissioner Joe Spanik.

The *Swift Reach* program has the capability of delivering messages to the entire County or a targeted geographic area via telephone, cell phone, e-mail, text messaging and social media sites. The system uses publicly available phone numbers that can be removed or updated by both residents and businesses, in addition to contact information provided by individual citizens or businesses who register with the system.

“Protecting families, property and local communities is a top priority. We must be prepared for potentially harmful situations and pray they never occur. However, registering for the *Swift Reach* system insures that each local resident and every local business owner has access to the most immediate notice of any possible emergency. I hope everyone participates in this critical program” reflected County Commissioner Dennis Nichols.

Residents and businesses can register via the Swift911 web portal on the Beaver County Government website. ([www.beavercountypa.gov/beaver-county-emergency-alerts-swift-911](http://www.beavercountypa.gov/beaver-county-emergency-alerts-swift-911) ) It is also possible to update contact information as needed.

Additionally, the Swift911 Public Mobile App is available in App Stores for Android, iPhone, and Windows Phone. Text **SWIFT911** to the number **99538** to receive the download link.

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