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WELD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REMIND RESIDENTS ABOUT CodeRED

WELD COUNTY, CO – The Weld County Board of Commissioners would like to remind all Weld County residents about CodeRED, the free emergency alert service. This high-speed reverse telephone notification system will alert residents of police activity in their area, Amber alerts, and severe weather warnings.



How will I know when the emergency message is from CodeRED?

When you receive a CodeRED Emergency message, you will see the telephone number 866-419-5000, and if you have signed up for CodeRED Weather Warnings, you will see the telephone number 800-566-9780 during weather events. If you would like to hear the last message delivered to your phone, simply dial that number back.

Although landlines are already in the system, CodeRED allows people to manage their own accounts including adding multiple cell phone numbers and updating addresses. CodeRED users are able to choose the type of notification they wish to receive: text message, email, phone call or any combination of the three.

"It is great that this service allows each resident to manage their own account with regard to cell phone numbers," said Commissioner Mike Freeman, Coordinator for the Public Safety Communication Department. "If a cell phone number changes, the user is able to update the CodeRED system."

If a notification is sent out, CodeRED will attempt to deliver the message to each registered number up to three times. The alert will tell the person who sent out the notification, time and date, what the

emergency is, area affected by the emergency, action that needs to be taken by the resident and where to go for more information.

"As we head into the severe weather months, CodeRED is an easy way to help keep family and friends safe," said Commissioner Chair Barbara Kirkmeyer. "Anyone who is registered will receive a notification shortly after it is issued by the National Weather Service."

CodeRED is a free service for residents provided by Weld County Government to provide notifications for activity in Weld County. The system also has a paid app option that allows people traveling anywhere in the United States to receive emergency weather notification within the areas they are traveling.

Learn more about CodeRed by watching our latest episode of Spotlight Weld County at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RTjSvRhSSpU>, and for more information and to sign up for CodeRED, visit www.weld911alert.com.

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