

**WHITE COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS' LOCAL EMERGENCY DECLARATION
EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 23-01 OF APRIL 3, 2023**

WHEREAS, the White County Commissioners (the "*Commissioners*") are the governing board of White County, Indiana; and,

WHEREAS, White County, Indiana, has been impacted by severe storms, tornado, high winds, and widespread power outages; and,

WHEREAS, the Commissioners desire to declare a Local Disaster Emergency as provided herein, in order to ensure efficient government of the County.


NOW, THEREFORE, the White County Board of Commissioners, declare that a local disaster emergency exists in the County and hereby invoke and declare those portions of the Indiana Code which are applicable to the conditions and have caused the issuance of this proclamation, to be in full force and effect in the County for the exercise of all necessary emergency authority for protection of the lives and property of the people of White County and the restoration of local government with a minimum of interruption.

1. Reference is hereby made to all appropriate laws, statutes, ordinances, and resolutions, and particularly to I.C. §10-14-3-29 of the Indiana Code.
2. All public offices and employees of White County are hereby directed to exercise the utmost diligence in the discharge of duties required of them for the duration of the emergency and in execution of emergency laws, regulations, and directives—state and local.
3. All agencies involved will cooperate with the White County Emergency Management Agency for goals to be reached.
4. All citizens are called upon and directed to comply with necessary emergency measures, to cooperate with public officials and disaster services forces in executing emergency operations plans, and to obey and comply with the lawful directions of properly identified officers.
5. All operating forces will direct their communications and requests for assistance and operations directly to the White County Emergency Operating Center.

This Executive Order shall expire at 12:01 A.M. (EST) on Sunday, April 9, 2023.

SO ORDERED, this ____ day of April, 2023.

Attest:


Elizabeth J. Billue
White County Auditor

White County Commissioners


Steve Burton, President


James B. Davis


Michael R. Smolek