

Brown County Exec. Streckenbach: Participating in Dark Sky exercise

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Brown County Testing Response to Emergency Disasters

(Brown County, Wis.) – Brown County Executive Troy Streckenbach, along with Brown County Emergency Management staff, municipal and agency officials and others, will be participating in the statewide “Dark Sky” exercise on Tuesday, May 15th.

“It’s important that we as a county take part in these emergency response exercises to better prepare ourselves in the event they happen,” says Executive Streckenbach. “Brown County must be ready if and when the time comes for disaster response so that our residents can remain safe.”

During Tuesday’s exercise, Brown County will test a full activation of the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and also test a briefing/transfer of command between the two operational periods. Officials will also practice a changeover between operational periods by having a transfer of information from one period to the next. There will also be a Joint Information Center (JIC) that day to help coordinate public information during such a disaster.

“The full-scale exercise will involve a terrorist attack that escalates into a long-term power outage and natural gas outage across multiple counties in Wisconsin,” says Brown County Emergency Management Director Jerad Preston. “It’s important that we have participation from a number of different agencies so that we can stay true

to what would most likely occur during a disaster of this magnitude.”