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Alabama residents are encouraged to be aware of local conditions and freezing temperatures

CLANTON--The Alabama Emergency Management Agency is closely monitoring the current weather system which is producing freezing rain and sleet in Alabama. It is very important that residents be aware of changing conditions and that they avoid unnecessary travel.

The National Weather Service has issued a Winter Weather Advisory since pockets of freezing rain, sleet and snow continue across the state.

“The Alabama Emergency Management Agency encourages all Alabamians to be aware of weather conditions. Listen to the latest weather warnings and bulletins on NOAA weather radio or your local radio and television station,” said Director Art Faulkner. “Road conditions can change rapidly and become dangerous. If you must be on the road, drive carefully.”

- Information on emergency road closures is available on the Alabama Department of Transportation website at <http://www.dot.state.al.us/>.
- More information on being ready for winter weather is available at www.ema.alabama.gov.
- Forecast information is available online by going to www.weather.gov and clicking on your area.

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FROM THE OFFICE OF THE ALABAMA EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY
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Alabama EMA prepares for the potential threat of severe winter weather

CLANTON- The Alabama Emergency Management Agency is closely monitoring the current weather system which is producing freezing rain and sleet. It is very important that residents stay aware of changing road conditions and informed of the local forecast.

According to the Birmingham office of the National Weather Service, some Alabama counties have the potential for snow accumulation with other counties experiencing a dusting and the potential of ice.

“It is really important for Alabama residents to take this threat of severe weather serious, freezing weather over an extended period of time has the potential to cause power outages and an interruption in communication services,” said Alabama EMA Director Brock Long.

For the latest listing of state roads closed due to severe weather, visit the Alabama Department of Transportation <http://aldotgis.dot.state.al.us/RoadClosures/Default.aspx/>

The Alabama Emergency Management Agency will activate its Emergency Operating Center at level 3, starting tomorrow (January 8, 2011).

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