

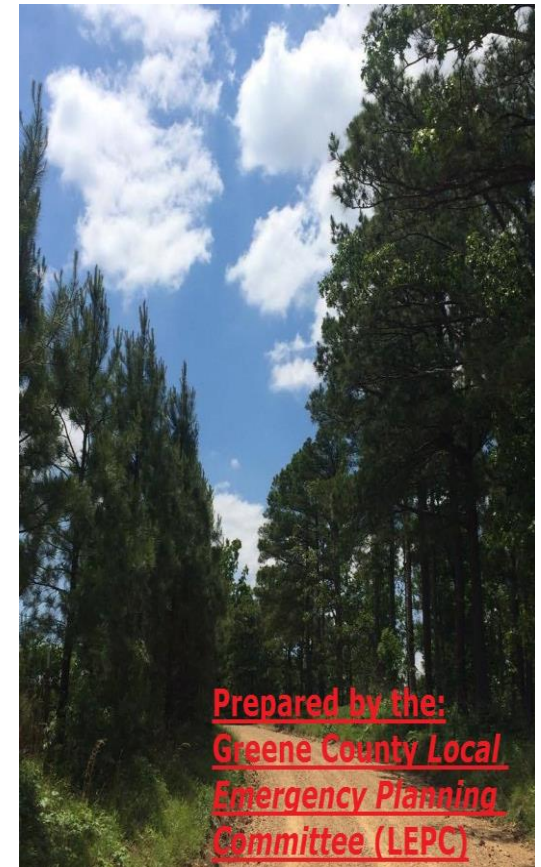
“He who fails to plan is planning to fail.” – Sir Winston Churchill

The Greene County LEPC serves as the link between citizens, industry, and government in promoting planning, training, education, and professional development of its members in order to enhance programs which encourage the safety and health of the residents of Greene County. These initiatives include conducting educational programs to help the public understand safety risks and community rights.

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Hazards of Greene County

Flash Flooding





Prepare a Disaster Plan

- Check to see if you have insurance that covers flooding. If not, find out how to get flood insurance.
- Keep insurance policies, documents, and other valuables in a safe-deposit box.
- Identify where you could go if told to evacuate. Choose several places such as a friend's home in another town, a motel, or a shelter.

Take your Evacuation Kit

- First aid kit • Medicine, prescriptions • Baby food and diapers, dog food • Games, books, music players with headphones • Toiletries • Battery-powered radio and cell phone • Flashlights • Extra batteries • A blanket or sleeping bag for each person • Identification • Copies of key papers such as insurance policies or cards •

"Well, the hives are gone,
I lost my bees
The chickens are sleepin'
In the willow trees
Cow's in water up past her
knees,
Three feet high and risin'"
- Johnny Cash

Do you really know how deep and fast the water is?

People often underestimate the force of water. Most vehicles, including SUVs and trucks, lose contact with the road in 6 inches of water and can be swept away in 18-24 inches of water. More than half of all flood-related deaths are vehicle related. Of these, most are preventable.

Turn Around, Don't Drown!™

Road beds may be washed out or undercut by floodwaters. Additionally, flooded roadways may conceal debris or sinkholes. During any natural disaster event consult the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department's (AHTD) website www.idrivearkansas.com for the latest in road closure information.

What to do after a flood

- Listen to radio, TV or NOAA Weather Radio. Wait until an area is declared safe before entering.
- If you come upon a barricade or a flooded road...remember, "Turn Around Don't Drown!"™
- Stay on firm ground. Moving water only 6 inches deep can sweep you off your feet.
- Standing water may be electrically charged from power lines.
- Check gas, water and electrical lines and appliances for damage.
- Do not drink or prepare food with tap water until officials say it is safe.

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