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## Hot Spring County to be presented with Flood Safety Signs

Each year, flooding causes more deaths than any other weather hazard. Most of these deaths could be prevented as they occur in motor vehicles when people attempt to drive through flooded roadways. Many other lives are lost when people walk into or near flood waters. This happens because people underestimate the force and power of water, especially when it's moving.



The Arkansas Floodplain Management Association, Inc. (AFMA) is pleased to partner with the National Weather Service (NWS) in Little Rock to provide a limited number of "Turn Around Don't Drown" signs to communities in Arkansas. "Turn Around Don't Drown" (or TADD) is a National Weather Service campaign to warn people of the hazards of walking or driving a vehicle through flood waters. Several counties are adopting TADD signs and posting them at locations where flash flooding often leads to water over the roads.

Two sets of TADD signs will be posted in Hot Spring County where the incidence of flooding is high and the onset of flooding is rapid. This includes Grigsby Ford Road and Reyburn Creek Road.

Denny McPhate, the AFMA Southwest Arkansas Region Representative, and Tabitha Clarke, Senior Service Hydrologist with the NWS in Little Rock, will be presenting Judge Dennis Thornton and Terry Eubanks, with Hot Spring County Emergency Management, with signs on Monday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> 2019 at 10:30 AM at the Malvern Courthouse.

If you have any questions or need further details on this event, please contact the Hot Spring County Office of Emergency Management at:

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