

Jasper County
State of Indiana
Emergency Declaration
For Travel Restriction

Jasper County, State of Indiana
January 29th, 2019

AUTHORITY

Whereas, Jasper County, State of Indiana has been impacted by or is immediately threatened by the following emergency conditions: Dangerously cold wind chills reaching 45 degrees below zero along with wind gusts of 30 MPH causing whiteout conditions in open areas.

Declaration begins on January 30th, 2019 at 6:00 AM CST and ends on January 31st, 2019 at 6:00 AM CST.

Now, therefore, we, the Jasper County Board of Commissioners, pursuant to IC 10-14-3-29 declare that a local emergency exists for the above mentioned time period in the County and that we hereby invoke those portions of the Indiana Code which are applicable to the conditions and have caused the issuance of this declaration to be in full force and effect in the county for the exercise of all necessary emergency measures necessary for protection of lives and property and the prompt restoration of local government services.

The effect of this declaration is to:

- (1) Activate the response and recovery aspects of all applicable county disaster emergency plans.
- (2) Pursuant to IC 10-14-3-29.5, declares a Warning, the highest level of local travel advisory, during which travel may be restricted to emergency management workers only, as that term is defined in IC 10-14-3-3. The term includes a volunteer health practitioner registered under IC 10-14-3.5.

During a Warning, all persons are called upon and directed to refrain from all travel, to comply with necessary emergency measures, to cooperative with public officials and disaster services forces in executing emergency operations plans, and to obey and comply with the lawful directions of properly identified law enforcement officers.

All public officers and employees of Jasper County are hereby designated as emergency management workers for the duration of this emergency but are hereby directed to limit their travel to that which is essential to the discharge their public safety and essential service duties. Such employees are also 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.

In accordance with IC 10-14-3-29.5(a)(3) and IC 10-14-3-29(d), this Declaration does not prohibit emergency management workers, as defined in IC 10-14-3-3, individuals engaged in

employment necessary to maintain a safe rail system, restore a public utility or provide any other emergency public service from traveling within the County during this local disaster emergency.

All operating forces will direct their communications and requests for assistance and operations directly to the Jasper County Sheriff's Communications Center.

Reference is hereby made to all appropriate laws, statutes, ordinances, and resolutions, and particularly to sections 10-14-3-5.5, 10-14-3-29 and 10-14-3-29.5 of the Indiana Code.

IC 10-14-3-29 states that a local disaster emergency declaration may not be continued or renewed for more than seven (7) days except by or with the consent of the governing body of the political subdivision.

This Declaration shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly in the office of the County Clerk.

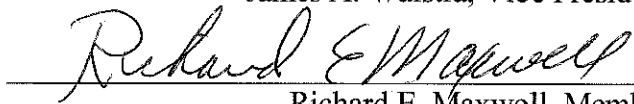
In witness, whereof, we have hereunto set our hand this 29th day of January, 2019.

Jasper County Board of Commissioners



Kendell Culp, President

James A. Walstra, Vice President



Richard E. Maxwell, Member

Attest: _____

Jasper County Auditor