

# PRESS RELEASE

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Emergency Alert Notification  
Mineola/Wood County

## **CODE RED WILL NO LONGER BE AVAILABLE AS OF FEBRUARY 15, 2020**

The **Code Red** emergency notification service currently used in Mineola, TX, Wood County, will expire on February 15, 2020. Wood County is now changing from “Code Red” to “**Rave Mobil Safety**” to offer more service and better options for coverage in the region. Rave Mobility set itself apart by offering UNLIMITED Minutes and texting. IPAWS and Weather Warning were included and RAVE offered more users on the platform so more cities could participate.

If you are currently signed up with Code Red, you will receive a notification at 1:05 pm February 11 through February 15 with instructions on how to register.

This service is funded by a Homeland Security grant through **East Texas Council of Governments**. It is a telephone communication service that allows the county/city Emergency Management Coordinator to quickly notify citizens about emergency situations such as:

- Tornados and storm events;
- Drinking water contamination;
- Utility outage;
- Evacuation notice and route;
- Missing person;
- Fires or floods;
- Bomb threat;
- Hostage situation;
- Chemical spill or gas leak; and
- Other emergency incidents where rapid and accurate notification is essential.

If you have previously signed up for Code Red, you will still need to sign up for **Rave Mobile Safety**. Be sure to check the box during the sign up process to receive automatic weather alerts for your area.

Here is a link to sign up for Emergency Notifications. This site is identified on your browser as Smart911.

<https://www.smart911.com/smart911/registration/registrationLanding.action?cdnExternalPath>