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ADVISORY: Your media outlet's assistance in spreading the word about this exercise would be appreciated, so that residents and passersby in the area do not mistake the exercise for an actual emergency. If any members of the media wish to observe the exercise, they should contact Delaware County Director of Communications Jane Hawes at 740-833-2109 or jhawes@co.delaware.oh.us.

Delaware County Agencies Conducting HazMat Drills January 22-24

DELAWARE, Ohio — A number of Delaware County agencies will conduct hazardous-materials training drills from Tuesday, Jan. 22, through Thursday, Jan. 24, inside the historic Delaware County Courthouse. The building is located at 91 N. Sandusky St. in downtown Delaware, at the northwest corner of Sandusky Street and Central Avenue, and the drills will take place during normal business hours, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., each day.

The "HazMat" exercise, which is being conducted by the Delaware County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (EMA), will involve first responders and representatives from a variety of fire, law enforcement and emergency medical services agencies in Delaware County.

Passersby are likely to see first responders entering and exiting the historic courthouse building, dressed in Personal Protective Gear (PPE) or "oompa loompa" suits, as they are sometimes called. The perimeter of the building and its parking lot also will be roped off, and a variety of emergency vehicles will be parked nearby.

For more information about Delaware County EMA, please visit their website at:

<https://ema.co.delaware.oh.us/>.

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