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PHYSICAL FACILITIES and PLANNING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

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COMMENTS: _Please see attached_ _____

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Disapproval Comment

Marshall University Police Department presently neither has the capacity to serve as the central command of the Storm Ready Operation nor the capacity to provide personnel to adequately adhere to the reporting guidelines as required by the proposed program.

Alternative Recommendation

Faculty, Staff and Students are encouraged to participate in other available regional weather notification programs:

- Marshall University Emergency Messaging System (MU Alert):

    http://www.marshall.edu/emergency/mualert/

- Huntington Heads Up App:

    https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/heads-up-huntington/id743294887?mt=8

    https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.mscns.headsuphuntington

- WOWK Storm Tracker 13 Weather App:

    http://www.wowktv.com/story/20394909/storm-tracker-13-wowk-weather-app-charleston-huntington

- WSAZ Text Alerts

    http://www.wsaz.com/mobile/headlines/WSAZ_Alerts.html