

### **TRAVEL ADVISORIES**

Jennings County Officials may issue travel advisories as a way of alerting the public to basic road and traveling conditions that may be encountered within Jennings County. The travel advisory system used by Jennings County is set by Indiana Law Code IC 10-14-3-29.5, and states as follows:

If officials feel a local travel advisory is warranted, the travel advisory shall fall under one of the 3 categories. These categories are similar to what the National Weather Service uses for severe weather.

**ADVISORY** - The lowest level of a local travel advisory, means that routine travel or activities may be restricted in areas because of a hazardous situation, and individuals should use caution or avoid those areas.

May be enacted by Emergency Management Department or Principal Executive Officer of a political subdivision.

**WATCH** - Means that conditions are threatening to the safety of the public. During a “watch” local travel advisory only essential travel, such as to and from work or in emergency situations is recommended and emergency action plans should be implemented by businesses, schools, governments agencies, and other organizations.

May be enacted by Emergency Management Department or Principal Executive Officer of a political subdivision.

**WARNING** - The highest level of a local travel advisory, means that travel is restricted to emergency workers only. Individuals should refrain from all travel unless extreme emergency, comply with necessary emergency measures, cooperate with public officials and disaster services forces in executing emergency plans, and obey and comply with the lawful directions of properly identified officers. Further restrictions may be included.

May only be enacted by the Principal Executive Officer of a political subdivision and only after a local disaster emergency is declared under section 29 of the above mentioned IC code. This includes having a signed disaster declaration on file with the State.

Information on local travel advisories may be found at [www.in.gov/dhs](http://www.in.gov/dhs) and then by clicking on “*County Travel Advisory Map*”

Or at [www.jenningscounty911.org](http://www.jenningscounty911.org) and then by clicking on “*IDHS Travel Advisory Map*”

Or at [www.jenningscounty-in.gov](http://www.jenningscounty-in.gov) and then by clicking on “*Emergency Management*”