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Monroe County Courts Operational During Electrical Outage

Stroudsburg – Monroe County President Judge Margherita Patti Worthington today assured Monroe County residents that the court system is open and operational while work is being done to restore power to the courthouse complex.

According to President Judge Worthington, a lightning strike over the weekend caused a failure of the electric system in the courthouse complex, which is currently under construction.

“Working with our partners, the court immediately activated our continuity of operations plan (COOP) and as a result of their hard work, the courts remain open and accessible even amid this emergency,” Worthington said.

“These are the types of events we plan and train for, so that when faced with the emergency, our team can immediately respond. Being prepared has helped us ensure the courts are open and operational for everyone who needs them, especially those filing petitions for protection from abuse, sexual violence or intimidation,” said President Judge Worthington.

By court Order, President Judge Worthington has established schedules for emergency protection from abuse order petitions, virtual court and establishment of a designated alternate court facility at the Monroe County Administration Building located at 1 Quaker Plaza, Stroudsburg.

Additional updates will be made throughout the day via the Pennsylvania Courts [Facebook](#) and [X](#) (formerly Twitter) pages, [website](#) and the [Monroe County Court website](#).

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