Hernando County



**EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER** 

## **Alert Form**



EVENT	Hurricane Matthew		EOC LEVEL OF ACTIVATION
DATE	30 September 2016		1/ FULL
TIME	1:00 PM		2/ PARTIAL
<b>REPORT</b> #	4	Х	3/ MONITORING

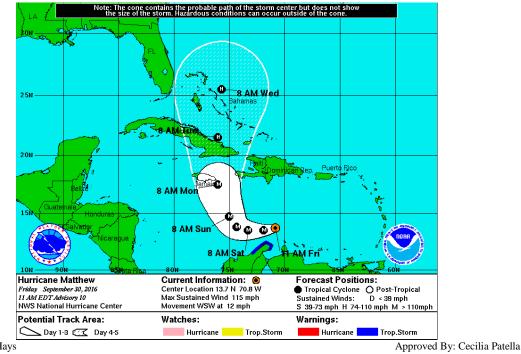
## <u>SITUATION</u>

Matthew has been upgraded to a **category 3 major hurricane** with 115 mph sustained winds and higher gusts. The storm continues to move toward the west-southwest at 12 mph, and is currently located 495 miles south of Kingston, Jamaica. Little change in strength is forecast during the next 48 hours. A turn toward the northwest is expected by early Sunday. On the forecast track, the center of Matthew will remain over the central Caribbean Sea through early Sunday.

Possible impacts to Florida cannot be ruled out at this time. Residents are strongly encouraged to stay apprised of any potential changes through local media outlets. Hernando County Emergency Management will continue to monitor the situation. The EOC is not activated at this time. Additional information will be released as it becomes available.

## **RECOMMENDED ACTIONS**

- Now is time to review emergency preparedness plans, supply kits, and protective actions.
- Residents are urged to actively monitor local media outlets, the National Weather Service at <u>http://www.srh.noaa.gov/tbw/</u> or the National Hurricane Center at <u>http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/</u>



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