



Hernando County

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EVENT	Hurricane Matthew		EOC LEVEL OF ACTIVATION
DATE	6 October 2016		1/ FULL
TIME	1:00 PM		2/ PARTIAL
REPORT #	7	X	3/ MONITORING

SITUATION

Hurricane Matthew remains a powerful category 4 hurricane with wind speeds of 140 mph. Matthew is located approximately 180 miles southeast of West Palm Beach, Florida, and is moving northwest at 14 mph. Tropical storm conditions are expected to extend over the entire Florida peninsula.

Hernando County is currently under a tropical storm warning. Tropical storm force winds are expected to impact our area early Friday morning, and continue throughout the day on Friday.

POSSIBLE IMPACTS

Hernando County is forecasted to receive tropical storm force winds of 40 mph, with gusts to 55 mph. Local rainfall amounts are not expected to exceed one inch. Coastal areas may receive storm surge inundation of 1 to 2 feet above normal tides on Friday afternoon.

Residents who live in mobile homes are encouraged to seek safe shelter. Possible storm impacts include downed trees and broken limbs, scattered power outages, and some damage to roofing, porches, and carports. No significant impacts to rivers are expected at this time.

PREPARATIONS

- A shelter will open **today at 3:00 p.m.** at the Mining Association Enrichment Center, located at 800 John Gary Grubbs Blvd. in Brooksville. If you are a special needs resident living in a mobile home and need assistance with evacuation to the shelter, please call the EOC at (352) 754-4083 to schedule a pick up.
- Hernando County Government has released employees without immediate emergency response roles as of 12:00 p.m. today, and will remain closed on Friday.
- Hernando County School District has announced that schools will be closed on Friday.
- Hernando County Parks and Recreation Department has announced that Pine Island Park is closed as of 12:00 p.m. today. All parks will be closed on Friday with the exception of the un-gated Rogers Park, Bayport Park, Jenkins Creek and the Hernando Beach boat ramp. All parks are expected to re-open Saturday. Pay close attention to hazardous marine conditions.
- THE bus has suspended service for Friday.

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

- Make plans to seek safe shelter if needed, especially special needs residents and mobile home residents. **All residents should be at safe shelter locations no later than 6:00 a.m. on Friday.**
- Take steps to secure loose items outside of your home.
- Finalize emergency preparedness plans, supply kits, and protective actions.

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- Residents are urged to actively monitor local media outlets, the National Weather Service at <http://www.srh.noaa.gov/tbw/> or the National Hurricane Center at <http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/>
- To report damages contact the Hernando County Sheriff's Office, Emergency Management at (352) 754-4083.

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