



**Hernando County**  
**EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER**  
**Alert Form**



<b>EVENT</b>	Red Flag Warning
<b>DATE</b>	17 March 2017
<b>TIME</b>	9:00 AM
<b>REPORT #</b>	1

	<b>EOC LEVEL OF ACTIVATION</b>
	1/ FULL
	2/ PARTIAL
X	3/ MONITORING

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**SITUATION**

The National Weather Service has issued a **Red Flag Warning** for our area today, Friday, March 17, 2017.

A Red Flag Warning is in effect from 2:00 PM until 6:00 PM today. Critical fire weather conditions are expected in our area. The National Weather Service is forecasting sustained winds between 5 and 10 mph, with humidity less than 35 percent and an Energy Release Value (ERC) of at least 37, which will contribute to extreme fire behavior. Fires that develop will likely spread rapidly. Outdoor burning is not recommended.

**RECOMMENDED ACTIONS**

- Monitor current conditions and learn more about wildland fire prevention, assistance, protection from the Florida Forest Service at:  
<http://www.freshfromflorida.com/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/Wildland-Fire>
- Residents are encouraged to pay attention to local media outlets or the National Weather Service at <http://www.srh.noaa.gov/tbw/> for current weather information.
- Avoid driving through fog or smoke.  
[http://www.freshfromflorida.com/content/download/9744/134732/smoke\\_brochure.pdf](http://www.freshfromflorida.com/content/download/9744/134732/smoke_brochure.pdf)
- Report fires promptly.

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.

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PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTER (PIC) : (352) 754-4083 or (352) 754-4111 (Recorded)

<a href="#">Hernando County Sheriff Office - Emergency Management</a>	<a href="#">National Weather Service - Brooksville</a>
<a href="#">Florida Division of Emergency Management</a>	<a href="#">FEMA</a>
<a href="#">MyFlorida.com</a>	<a href="#">American Red Cross</a>