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Hurricane Dorian Update #1

<u>Charleston County</u> is at OPCON 2 as staff continues preparations for the possible impacts from Hurricane Dorian. Emergency Operation Center staff are working to prepare should the storm bring severe weather to the South Carolina.

Reminder – OPCON levels have changed this year from a scale of five levels to a scale of three levels.

Definition of OPCON levels: http://www.charlestoncounty.org/departments/emergency-management/opcon.php

Citizens are advised to monitor local media for weather updates and review their hurricane plans. Charleston County Emergency Management staff is participating in daily conference calls to remain up-to-date on the storm's path and potential impacts. Public Works crews have spent the last two days checking and clearing outfalls through Charleston County.

If you have not reviewed your family disaster plan, now is the time to do so along with checking your emergency supply kits

Current Charleston County Hurricane guide: http://bit.ly/2LYM9uZ

Charleston County residents can register for the Charleston County Citizen Alert System, a free program that
allows the public to receive voicemail, text message, and e-mail notifications about emergency situations, such as
critical information quickly in a variety of situations, such as severe weather, unexpected road closures, missing
persons and evacuations of buildings or neighborhoods or a hurricane evacuation order. When notified, citizens
will hear a message that gives details on the emergency and includes instructions on any actions they should
take. Register online at: https://member.everbridge.net/index/453003085611698#/login

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 - o Emergency Management Department: http://www.facebook.com/EMDChasCo



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