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Private Sector Advisory

FEMA, Federal Agencies Continue Preparations for Hurricane Dorian

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- Hurricane Dorian is forecast to become a very powerful hurricane, which means it could cause significant infrastructure damage to power, water and road systems. Regardless of the exact track, Dorian will bring heavy rains over Florida and parts of the southeastern U.S. this weekend and into the middle of next week.
- Hurricane Dorian is expected to cause life-threatening storm surge, extensive wind damage, and significant infrastructure damage to areas of Central Florida beginning this Sunday. Monitor this storm closely and heed the guidance from state, local, and tribal officials.
- Storms tracks can change quickly. If you're anywhere in the forecasted path of Hurricane Dorian, the time to prepare is now!
- FEMA is coordinating with Florida and Georgia to prepare for Dorian's landfall, and is pre-positioning additional personnel, equipment, and resources in all potentially affected areas.
- President Donald Trump approved an Emergency Declaration this morning for the State of Florida to provide federal funding to assist with emergency and life-safety actions in response to Dorian.

Follow Instructions from Local Officials:

- Dorian is forecast to become a major hurricane, which means it could cause significant infrastructure damage to power, water and road systems.
- It's not just the wind, but the water that poses risk. Storm surge and related inland flooding is often the greatest threat to life and property from a hurricane.
- Storm surge is the abnormal rising of water generated after a storm. When tropical storms or hurricanes cause storm surge, over 20 feet of water can be produced and pushed towards the shore and inland, destroying property and endangering lives in its path.
- Florida residents, tourists, and visitors are warned to heed all emergency guidance provided by local officials and avoid any areas under evacuation.
- Make an evacuation plan now – and if ordered to do so by local officials, EVACUATE!

Now is the Time to Prepare:

- Download the [FEMA App](#) for preparedness tips, shelter information and weather alerts.
- Residents are encouraged to have supplies for up to seven days, including: prescription medication, items to care for infants and toddlers, pet supplies, water, and non-perishable food. Make sure you have cash on hand and collect important papers or create password-protected digital copies.
- Fuel your car.
- If you live in the Southeastern U.S. and are heading out of town for the long weekend take preparedness actions before you leave. Visit [Ready.gov](#) for more information on what you can do ahead of this weekend's dangerous weather.
 - Floridians can visit [FloridaDisater.Org](#) to find information on emergency preparedness, shelters, road closures and evacuation routes and download the FL511 Mobile App for updated road and traffic conditions.

FEMA is Ready to Support Florida and Georgia:

- FEMA, through the National Response Coordination Center (NRCC) and its regional offices, is monitoring the effects and track of Hurricane Dorian and remains in contact with state and tribal emergency management officials.
- Personnel and resources are moving to incident support bases to be ready to support response activities as requested by the state.
- The NRCC and FEMA Region IV's Regional Response Coordination Center are both conducting 24-hour operations.
- FEMA's Hurricane Liaison Team is working jointly with the National Hurricane Center in Miami, Florida, and an Incident Support Base is established at Maxwell Air Force Base in Alabama.
- Governor Ron DeSantis has declared a state of emergency for the entire State of Florida ahead of Hurricane Dorian.
- Georgia Governor Brian Kemp declared a state of emergency for several counties in Georgia ahead of any potential impacts from Dorian.
- The Seminole Tribe of Florida has declared a state of emergency as well.

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