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Currituck County to Evacuate Outer Banks Ahead of Hurricane Dorian

Due to the forecasted track of Hurricane Dorian, Currituck County is declaring a State of Emergency effective at 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 3, 2019.

Under this State of Emergency, Currituck County is issuing a mandatory evacuation of the Outer Banks communities of Corolla and Carova to begin on Wednesday, September 4, 2019 at 8:00 a.m.

Anyone who may need Evacuation Assistance may call Currituck Emergency Management at 252-232-2115.

All residents and property owners in Currituck County should make preparations today for the impending arrival of Hurricane Dorian. The National Hurricane Center predicts that tropical storm force winds will reach Currituck in the afternoon of Thursday, Sept. 5. Local rainfall could be up to 15" depending on the final path of the storm, with 2'-3' of storm surge. Residents should be aware of possible flooding throughout the community.

At this time, all Currituck County Government offices remain open on a normal schedule. The Clerk of Superior Court announced that Criminal Court scheduled for Wednesday, Sept. 4, 2019 has been cancelled.

Vacationers planning to visit Currituck County this weekend should check with their property manager or rental companies to see if access to the Outer Banks will be available. Visitors will not be allowed into the Outer Banks during the evacuation.

Citizens with additional questions may call 252-232-2115 for local information. Currituck County will also post regular updates on:

County website: https://co.currituck.nc.us/

• Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/CurrituckGovernment/

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