Hurricane Jeanne – Information Update No. 10

Hurricane Warning remains in effect for Florida East Coast from Hallandale northward to St. Augustine, including Lake Okeechobee – At 7:00 AM the center of Hurricane Jeanne was located near Latitude 27.7 North, Longitude 81.4 West or over the Central Florida Peninsula about 10 miles North of Sebring Florida. This is also about 50 miles South of Orlando Florida. Jeanne is now moving West-Northwest near 12 mph. A gradual turn toward the Northwest is expected during the next 24-hours. This motion should bring the center of Jeanne across the Florida Peninsula to near the Tampa Bay area later today. Maximum sustained winds have decreased to near 100 mph, with higher gusts. Jeanne will continue to weaken today as the center crosses the Florida Peninsula. However, winds of Hurricane Force are likely to occur as far as 100 miles inland along the path of Jeanne. Hurricane force winds extend outward up to 70 miles from the center, and Tropical Storm force winds extend outward up to 205 miles. Isolated tornadoes are possible over portions of the Central and Northern Florida Peninsula and Southeastern Georgia today.


St. Johns County has issued a Mandatory Evacuation for electrically dependent special needs citizens, residents living in mobile homes | manufactured homes, occupied recreational vehicles, boat residents, low lying areas and flood prone areas.

St. Johns County DOES NOT ANTICIPATE a mandatory evacuation for the areas East of the Intercoastal Waterways or the Barrier Islands based on the current forecast track from the National Hurricane Center. Shelters are open for any resident that does not feel comfortable staying in their residence or where their residence is located.

Any citizen needing transportation to a General Public Shelter or a Special Needs Shelter please contact the St. Johns County Emergency Operations Center at 823-3111.

The Following Shelters are Open

General Population Shelters
Pedro Menendez High School  Bartram Trail High School
600 SR-206 West  2050 Roberts Road

Special Needs Shelters for Electrically Dependent Special Needs Citizens
St. Johns County Agricultural Center  Hastings Community Center
3125 Agricultural Center Drive  6195 South Main Street

Additional shelters will be opened as needed. Please monitor local television and radio for evacuation updates.

WFOY – 1240 AM | WAOC – 1420 AM | WSOS – 94.1 FM
WSOS – 1170 AM | WOKV – 690 AM | Local Government Channel 3

Please bring the following items to the Shelter:

a). Blankets or Sleeping Bag  b). Medications
c). Toiletries | Personal Care Items | Clothing  d). Pets, Alcohol and weapons are prohibited in all Evacuation Shelters

St. Johns County Emergency Protective Actions

− St. Johns County Emergency Operations Center (EOC) is activated for Hurricane Jeanne
− St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners has signed a Local State of Emergency
− St. Johns County Offices will be closed on Monday, September 27, 2004
− St. Johns County Public Schools will be closed on Monday, September 27, 2004