One Team – One Plan – All Hazards

Tropical Storm Fay

Situation Report #10  Friday, August 22, 2008
6:00 PM

Current Situation:

- St. Johns County EOC will go to a Level 2 – Partial Activation at 9:00 PM tonight. Hours will be 7:00 AM until 7:00 PM until further notice.
- State EOC is at a Level 1 - Full Activation with 24 hour operations.
- FEMA approved an Emergency Disaster Declaration for St. Johns County, Categories A & B, FEMA – 3288 EM
- St. Johns County will return to normal operations on Saturday, August 23.
- All shelters have been closed
- St. Johns County is currently under a Flood Watch, Flood Warning and Tornado Watch. The Tropical Storm warning has been cancelled.
- Weather Overview – Fay is moving away from the area toward the West. Winds will gradually diminish through the evening and tonight. Heavy rainfall remains a threat though the evening and tonight, and may produce significant flooding. Isolated tornadoes are also possible
- Tonight’s Weather - Showers and possibly a thunderstorm, mainly before 2am. Some of the storms could produce heavy rainfall. Low around 75. Windy, with a east wind between 18 and 25 mph. Chance of precipitation is 80%.
- Saturday’s weather - Showers and possibly a thunderstorm, mainly after 2pm. Some of the storms could produce heavy rainfall. High near 83. Breezy, with a east wind between 17 and 21 mph. Chance of precipitation is 80%.

County Actions:

- St. Johns County EOC will go to a Level 2 – Partial Activation at 9:00 PM tonight. Hours will be 7:00 AM until 7:00 PM until further notice.
- St. Johns County has declared a Local State of Emergency.
- St. Johns County BOCC, Administrator and appropriate staff are being briefed on a regular basis.
- St. Johns County Emergency Management is participating in State Conference calls with the National Weather Service and the National Hurricane Center.
ESF 3 – Public Works and Engineering
- Water Treatment Plants – Fruit Cove WTP is running on standby power due to erratic incoming commercial power
- Wastewater Treatment Plants - normal
- Distribution and Collection Systems – normal
- Lift Stations – Summer Island, power outage, bypass pump in place, levels normal
- Laboratory – personnel on standby
- Town of Hastings operations and maintenance staff have been placed on call
- Chainsaw crews are assisting in clearing roadways

ESF 4 and 9 – Firefighting and Search and Rescue
- Liaison available in the EOC

ESF 12 – Energy
- Both FPL and JEA have representatives in the EOC
- Per JEA and FPL policy, restoration crews cannot go out in high winds due to the conditions being unsafe.
- Power Outages throughout the County are being reported at this time

ESF 16 – Law Enforcement and Security
- Increased traffic patrols and street deputies
- Deputies with chainsaws are assisting in clearing roadways

Damage Assessment
- Property’s Appraiser’s office staff is beginning damage assessment operations

Flagler Estates Road and Water District
- At this time all roads are open and crews are making emergency repairs where needed and assessing damage.
- As of 10:30 AM Flagler Estates has recorded 6.13 inches of rain from Tropical Storm Fay.
- Most current information available on their website and on the community website

Parks and Recreation
- The Boston concert scheduled for Friday, August 22, 2008 has been CANCELLED
- The beaches are closed to vehicular traffic
- Beach erosion has been similar to a Nor'easter event with significant loss of sea turtle nests
Closures/Cancellations/Status

- St. Johns School Board has delayed the beginning of the school year until Monday, August 25, 2008.
- Flagler College is closed today
- The Sunshine Bus will NOT be operating today.
- The Council on Aging medical busses will be providing transportation to medically necessary and life-sustaining appointments only today.
- St. Johns County will return to normal operations on Saturday, August 23.
- All Beaches are closed to vehicular traffic.
- The Boston concert scheduled for Friday, August 22, 2008 has been CANCELLED
- St. Augustine City Commission meeting scheduled for Monday, August 25th has been cancelled
- Flagler Hospital is OPEN
- Blood Center of St. Johns will re-open tomorrow at 10 AM and resume normal business hours.
- Bridge of Lions lift span locked down until further notice.
- St. Augustine Airport reopened at 5:00pm this evening. The Tower will remain closed until 7:00am Saturday morning.
- Household trash regularly scheduled for pick-up Thursday and Friday will be collected Saturday. No recyclables or yard trash will be picked up on Saturday, collection of these materials will resume next week on the normal schedule.

Special Note

- St. Johns County Emergency Management is requesting that any departments or organizations that are taking any actions relative to Tropical Storm Fay please advise us by email so that they can be added to our situation reports that are forwarded to the State EOC.

- Next Situation Report will be issued Saturday

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