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## **Craven County Prepares for Hurricane Dorian**

NEW BERN, N.C. – Craven County Government is closely monitoring Hurricane Dorian as it approaches the North Carolina Coast. Craven County Emergency Management will continue to follow established Emergency Operations Plans and Procedures. Citizens are urged to make preparations for the potential of high winds, heavy rain, power outages and localized flooding. High winds, heavy rain and flooding have the potential for life threatening conditions and widespread damages. Those living in low-lying areas prone to significant flooding based upon past tropical events or hurricanes are also encouraged to begin making preparations for flooding and possible voluntary relocation including relocating vehicles to higher ground.

Citizens are encouraged to check their Emergency Supply Kits and Pet Disaster Supply Kits for needed supplies during a hurricane. Prepare by having an adequate supply of flashlights, batteries, bottled water, non-perishable foods and medicines. Citizens using home oxygen are encouraged to have an alternative oxygen supply in the event of prolonged power outages.

Mariners and boat owners need to make preparations for high winds to secure all vessels and/or relocation of boats affected by the East Front Street Bridge and Rail Road Bridges before notice of closure to boat traffic is issued.

Individuals planning to travel should use extreme caution and good judgment when planning travel routes and should never drive through standing or rushing water. Remember, "Turn Around Don't Drown®."

A State of Emergency was declared by Craven County effective at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, September 2, 2019 in anticipation of high winds, heavy rain, and flooding impacts from Hurricane Dorian.

All citizens, law enforcement and emergency response personnel are encouraged to cooperate with all safety measures being taken and abide by any restrictions which may become necessary to overcome the emergency situation.

Craven County Government Emergency Management updates will appear on the Craven County website at [www.cravencountync.gov](http://www.cravencountync.gov), on the Craven County Facebook page [@cravencounty](https://www.facebook.com/cravencounty) and the Craven County Emergency Management Twitter account [@cravencountync](https://twitter.com/cravencountync). Visit the Craven County website to register to receive emergency notifications via text, email and phone calls through the CodeRed Emergency Notification System.

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