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Hurricane Irma Update 18

Curfews

- The daytime curfew has ended. **A countywide curfew has been implemented from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m.** due to the power outages, flooding and damages to homes and businesses until further notice.
- Law enforcement will use discretion when encountering people out at night.
- Residents should stay inside and not venture out today. Many businesses remain closed.
- Public Works and electric company workers will be able to get out later today as the winds and rain subside, so the more people stay off the road, the more these crews can do their important work.

Bridge closures

- All bridges in Volusia County to the beachside are open.

Power outages

As of 9 a.m.

- FP&L: 124,000 customers out of 178,00 customers
- Duke Energy: 66,000 customers
- New Smyrna Beach Utilities: 26,000 customers
- Clay Electric: 1,893 customers out of 2,101 customers

Power outages should be reported to the appropriate provider:

- FP&L: www.fpl.com, 800-468-8243
- Duke Energy: www.duke-energy.com, 800-228-8485
- New Smyrna Beach Utilities: www.ucnsb.org, 386-427-1366
- Clay Electric: www.clayelectric.com, 888-434-9844

County Government and Volusia County Schools

- County government offices and facilities will be closed Tuesday.
- Schools are closed Tuesday.
- County parks and beaches remain closed. There is debris on the beach and in the water. Beach officials are flying the double-red flag and there should be no water activity. People should not walk on the beach due to potential hazards. There also is a high rip current risk.

Weather update

- According to the National Weather Service, Hurricane Irma continues to become disorganized.

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- The storm is moving 18 miles per hour north, northwest
- The wind fields remain expansive. It will take some time for winds to subside today. Volusia County is still projected to receive strong wind gusts through the day.
- Rainfall we've received is 8-12 inches, with some areas seeing higher amounts.
- There is a chance for additional rainfall today from scattered showers and storms.
- Flood stage is forecast or has been reached along the St Johns River. Astor has reached moderate flood level. River levels are forecast to fall to or remain steady at minor flood stage through the rest of the week.
- Due to power outages and excessive storm water from the hurricane, residents who are connected to city sewer systems should try to refrain from adding wastewater into the sewer system.
- Residents should help conserve and minimize water use – hold off on showering/bathing, doing laundry and flushing toilets.

Assistance

- For fire rescue or emergency medical assistance, call 911.
- To report damage to your home, people can submit information through the Volusia County Emergency Management app.
- For assistance or if you have been impacted by Hurricane Irma, people can call the Citizen Information Center at 866-345-0345.

Reporting damage

- If you see damage to public facilities building/structure, please report it to the Citizens Information Center at 866-345-0345.

Safety after the storm

- People should stay home today and let the winds and rain subside.
- If using a generator, use it safely.
- If you have to be out, be aware the ground is saturated and there are many downed trees.
- Traffic signals are out at many intersections. Motorists who come to an intersection with no signals should treat it as a 4-way stop.

Boil water notices

- There is a boil water notice for the Town of Pierson. Residents should:
 1. Boil water before drinking by holding it at a rolling boil for one minute; and
 2. Disinfect it by adding 8 drops (about 1/8 teaspoon) of unscented household bleach per gallon of water, and then let it stand for 30 minutes. If the water is cloudy after 30 minutes, repeat the procedure.
 3. Use only bottled water for mixing baby formula.