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Thank you for sending these over.

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On Oct 13, 2016, at 1:15 PM, Read, Jennifer <readjh@dhec.sc.gov> wrote:

In case you need them...

DHEC Dam Safety Program Efforts Prior to the Storm:

- Utilized the CodeRED system on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday to notify hundreds of dam owners via voice call, text messages and email to prepare for potential significant rainfall.
- Dam owners also were advised to lower water levels via press release.
- Directly called engineers working on the 44 dams with existing emergency orders (which were issued as a result of the October 2015 floods) to alert them to prepare their structures for another significant rainfall event.
- Identified 250 dams of concern in the potential storm impact zone to immediately assess post-storm (completed).

DHEC Dam Safety Program Response Efforts to Date:

- As of 6 p.m. Wednesday, DHEC and the Army Corps of Engineers had evaluated 394 dams in areas impacted by the storm.
 - There are 21 confirmed breached dams (16 regulated, 5 unregulated) as of Thursday morning.
- DHEC staff and an external contractor are onsite at two dams at risk of failure – Baxley 501 Pond Dam in Marion County and Oakdale Dam in Florence County – to help owners stabilize these structures.
- Utilizing drones to lay eyes on dams in areas that are inaccessible.

Updates are posted twice daily at www.scdhec.gov/hurricanematthew.

Previous updates, dam inspection reports, enforcement action records, and highlights of improvements made to the Dam Safety Program since the October 2015 floods can be found at www.scdhec.gov/dams.

Let me know if y'all need anything else.

Thanks,

Jen