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Issues:

- None.

Summary:

- New DRC on John's Island opened; other **FEMA** aid at Johnsonville Library announced.
- WLTX features **FEMA** aid in "help still available" story
- Timmonsville Town Council approved a resolution of intent for participation in the National Flood Insurance Program
- Gov. Haley has a number of interviews marking 1 month since the flood. On Charlotte NBC station, she said, "We kind of told **FEMA** what we expected of them. They came in as a supporting agency. If you are to support, this is how we do things in South Carolina and we need you to support it,." She added that she had no problems with **FEMA** in that role.
- On WIS TV, she said, "If you were blessed and didn't have damage, pay it forward. There are a lot of needs, building supplies, you're going to see us doing some things where we're really asking for volunteers and those who can help rebuild and fix.
- State regulators have sent letters to owners of another 167 dams requesting that they submit repair plans. Twenty-six are in Richland and Lexington counties. These are dams that DHEC said posed no immediate risk of failing.
- Dam repairs are progressing. The list of dams in Chester County in need of immediate repairs has dropped from three to two and the owners of both are cooperating with the S.C. Department of Health and Environmental Control to prevent potential flooding.
- Charleston Post and Courier examines the plight of rural Lowcountry homeowners: Caught in the cracks when it comes to aid getting home repairs: no insurance, don't have clear ownership, or the damage in the old country homes wasn't caused by the historic flood, just exacerbated by it. Either that or damage was made worse by rain, not the flood. That means they don't qualify for much of the public help.
- Cornerstone Presbyterian Church in Columbia has opened the church's doors to give dozens of out of state volunteers a place to sleep. United Methodist committee also helping in state.
- Fresh flooding in Marion and Horry counties, including from the Waccamaw River, after 3 to 7 inches in 48 hours fell in the area; has prompted evacuations, the opening of a shelter and school delays.

Analysis:

- Plenty of coverage overnight of new DRC and other **FEMA** aid available. In one-month-since-flood interviews, Haley often mentions **FEMA** presence and role. There are about 150 mentions of FEMA in this morning's clips.

Social Listening Analysis:

TOPICS FROM SOCIAL MEDIA:

- **FEMA.** Conversations about **FEMA** and flooding increased yesterday evening due to local news coverage, most notably in response to a [WLTX call for questions about FEMA denials](#). Several people [expressed dissatisfaction](#) with the lack of information provided to them about whether or not they can rebuild.
- **Community relief.** Activity on community relief groups has declined slightly in the last day, which may be due to a greater amount of conversations happening offline. Posts about individuals or families with specific needs from the last week continue to be updated, as volunteers are [checking in on the residents' wellbeing](#). Some posts regarding [volunteer help](#) needed in the [near future](#) are being shared as well.

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Floods

Disaster Recovery Center Opens On Johns Island To Assist Flood Survivors; Summerville Meeting Set

By Christina Elmore

[Charleston \(SC\) Post and Courier](#), November 5, 2015

The **Federal Emergency Management Agency** and other authorities have opened a disaster recovery center on Johns Island to assist survivors of last month's record-breaking floods.

The center will be open 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday until further notice, according to a news release. It is located at the Berkeley Electric Cooperative, 3351 Maybank Highway.

Officials from **FEMA**, the state Emergency Management Division, U.S. Small Business Administration and other agencies will be on hand to answer questions about disaster assistance and low-interest loans, the release said.

FEMA and other officials will also be available 7 p.m. Tuesday to answer questions during a community meeting hosted by Dorchester County Council at 500 N. Main St., in Summerville, a release said.

The state Department of Transportation will begin its final pickup of flood-related debris Nov. 16 in Berkeley, Dorchester, Clarendon, Lexington, Richland, Sumter and Williamsburg counties.

For instructions on how to separate and place debris for pickup, visit [scdot.org](#).

To register for aid, go to [disasterassistance.gov](#) or call the **FEMA** helpline at 800-621-3362.

For more information, go to [FEMA.gov/disaster/4241](#).

Disaster Help Still Available for Flood Victims

By Loren Thomas

[WLTX 19](#) Columbia CBS, November 4, 2015

Help is still available for flood victims in the Midlands and around the state. Here's a quick look at some of the resources still available and ways you too can help people get back on their feet.

Lexington, SC (WLTX) - Damage from the flood waters has left many home and business owners in the Midlands devastated and unsure of what to do.

A lot of the information being distributed has been be overwhelming, but **FEMA** and other organizations want to make sure you understand what kind of help is available.

"This has been a significant event and we just want to make sure that people are getting the help that they can," says Ken Higginbotham with **FEMA** External Affairs.

Higginbotham says so far more than 77,000 people in South Carolina have registered for disaster recovery help.

"There are still a lot more folks out there who haven't registered or got into the system, particularly out in the rural areas," says Higginbotham.

There is still time to sign up. For folks who are looking for help with **FEMA** you can call their disaster assistance hotline at 1-800-621-**FEMA** (3362). You can also register online by clicking the link here.

The deadline to register with **FEMA** is December 4th.

However, there are other organizations who are working with homeowners to get back on their feet.

The United Way and the American Red Cross are working individually with families. You can reach the United Way by dialing 2-1-1. The Red Cross can be reached at 855-773-3175.

With so many people still in need of help, many are wondering how they can donate or give back.

For Oakley Dickson in Lexington, he asked friends at his church to help him with families who lost everything in the town of Manning.

"For me bringing supplies and helping them and just loving them and bringing hope to a community that has already lost so much, it's just been rewarding," says Dickson. "We see it as like communities helping communities."

Since the flood waters receded Calvary Chapel began sending help to Clarendon County. They have collected food, supplies and clothes for these families, but they are looking to help them rebuild.

"There are a number of families who are affected where they just don't have the money to do anything, so we took some contractors down just a few weeks ago and the Mayor took our contractors around the county to look at these homes, visit these people and we said you know we need to come help these folks," says Dickson.

He says they are in need of building supplies. Here's a list of supplies that are needed:

Interior Materials:

Half Inch 4x8 Sheet Rock

¾ inch plywood (one side finished)

Dry Wall Mud
Dry Wall Tape
Flooring (carpet, tile, linoleum)
Baseboards
Insulation (R13, R14, R19, R30)
Drywall Screws

Exterior Materials:

3 Tab black shingles
Rolls of 15 lb felt
Plastic Head Nails
Black Rood Louvers
Pipe Boot Flashing
Tubes of NP1 Black
7/16 OSB Plywood
16ft 1x6 Spruce
16 penny nails

They are asking that you donate materials to the City of Manning Wastewater Treatment Plant Warehouse at 1 Wastewater Lane, Manning, SC 29012.

You can also give to Calvary Chapel Lexington by clicking the link here.

Disaster recovery center opens in Johns Island to help SC Flood survivors

WCBD News 2 Charleston NBC, Nov. 5, 2015

By Press Release

Two new **FEMA** Disaster Recovery Centers opening in Georgetown County

COLUMBIA, S.C. – A disaster recovery center is open in Johns Island to help South Carolina flood survivors. This Charleston County center is open 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday until further notice.

The disaster recovery center is located at the Berkeley Electric Cooperative at 3351 Maybank Highway in Johns Island.

Representatives from the South Carolina Emergency Management Division, **Federal Emergency Management Agency**, U.S. Small Business Administration and other agencies are at the center to answer questions about disaster assistance and low-interest loans. They can also help survivors apply for aid.

It is not necessary to visit a center to register for and receive state/federal disaster assistance. If possible, survivors should register with **FEMA** before visiting a recovery center.

To register, go online to DisasterAssistance.gov or call the **FEMA** helpline at 800-621-3362. Help is available in most languages and phone lines are open 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. seven days a week until further notice.

Disaster survivors who are deaf, hard of hearing or have a speech disability and use a TTY may call 800-462-7585 to register. Those who use 711 or VRS (Video Relay Service) or require accommodations while visiting a center may call 800-621-3362. All disaster recovery centers are accessible and equipped with tools to accommodate disaster survivors who need disability-related communication aids.

Additional disaster recovery centers are open in affected South Carolina counties. For information call the **FEMA** helpline at 800-621-3362 or go online to www.DisasterAssistance.gov or <https://www.FEMA.gov/disaster/4241>.

Disaster recovery center still operating in Neeses

T&D Correspondent Ron Baxley Jr.

[The Times and Democrat](#), Orangeburg, Nov. 4, 2015

NEESES – Employees of the **Federal Emergency Management Agency** are still working at Neeses Town Hall to provide assistance to residents who were impacted by the recent flooding.

The **FEMA** office inside the town hall is open from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. seven days a week to help citizen apply for disaster relief and to answer any questions they may have about flood recovery.

FEMA workers have been on hand in Neeses since shortly after the historic rainfall that fell in much of South Carolina. Neeses Town Hall and the area of Neeses in general was selected for a disaster recovery center because it was on high ground and out of the affected area.

Paul Buffington, **FEMA** disaster recovery manager working for **FEMA**, noted at last week's Neeses Halloween-themed health fair that, "We are here at the invitation of the state of South Carolina to provide assistance to the citizens of South Carolina that were affected by the storm of Oct. 1. It was declared an emergency by the president on Oct. 5."

Buffington said many people have come in to register, discuss and apply for assistance.

Also working in the office in Neeses is Cheryle Ingram of the U.S. Small Business Administration.

"We grant low-interest, federally-funded loans at a very low interest rate for homeowners, renters and small business owners," Ingram said.

Homeowners and renters can borrow up to \$40,000 for personal property damage relief, including automobiles, if approved.

The interest rate for SBA loans is 1.875 percent for homeowners and renters, and the terms are up to 30 years.

For businesses and private non-profits, loans up to \$2 million are available for physical damage or economic injury relief, if approved.

Physical damages for businesses or PNPs include real estate or leasehold improvements, machinery and equipment, furniture and fixtures and other business assets.

Economic injury relief for businesses or PNP is available despite the absence of physical damage and covers accounts payable, payroll, monthly fixed debts and expenses and other working capital needs.

The interest rate for SBA loans is 4 percent for businesses and 2.625% for private non-profits.

The deadline for physical damage loan applications is Dec. 4. Deadline to apply for economic injury loans is July 5, 2016.

For more information about disaster assistance through the SBA, call 1 800-659-2955, email disastercustomerservice@sba.gov or apply online at <https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela>.

FEMA To Assist Johnsonville Residents With Flood-related Claims

[WBTW-TV Florence-Myrtle Beach \(SC\)](#), November 5, 2015

FLORENCE, S.C. – **FEMA** representatives will be in Johnsonville this weekend to help residents with flood-related claims.

According to a press release, **FEMA** will be available at the Johnsonville Public Library, 242 S. Georgetown Highway., to assist citizens.

The team will be at the location from 9:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. this Friday, Nov. 6 and from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. this Saturday, Nov. 7 to provide registration information and assistance, check the status of pending claims and help with other disaster related questions.

FEMA representative to be at Johnsonville library Friday, Saturday

[Florence Morning News/SCNow.com](#), November 4, 2015

FLORENCE, S.C. – For a limited time this weekend, **FEMA** representatives will be available in Johnsonville at the Johnsonville Public Library, 242 S. Georgetown Highway., to assist citizens with flooding related claims.

The team will be at the location from 9:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. this Friday, Nov. 6 and from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. this Saturday, Nov. 7 to provide registration information and assistance, check the status of pending claims and help with other disaster related questions.

Timmons ville approves flood resolution, search for new town cars

By Shamira Mccray

[Florence Morning News](#), November 4, 2015 10:02 pm

TIMMONSVILLE, S.C. – In light of the recent flood that caused damage to many areas in South Carolina, the Timmons ville Town Council approved a resolution of intent for participation in the National Flood Insurance Program.

"With the National Flood Insurance Program, what that does, and what that only do, is allow the citizens to take out flood insurance," said town administrator Mary Bines.

She said the town previously did a resolution and ordinance, but the resolution of intent was the last step to complete in order to participate in the program.

"We're considered a sanction community because we're eligible for the national flood program because there may be one or two areas in Timmons ville that's considered a flood zone," Bines said. "We looked on the map, and it's just a small area, but nevertheless, we're considered a flood zone."

The resolution of intent states that the council assures the Federal Insurance Administration that it will enact as necessary and maintain in force in those areas having flood or flood-related erosion hazards adequate land use and control measures with effective enforcement provisions consistent with criteria set forth in certain parts of the National Flood Insurance Program Regulations.

Wednesday's council meeting brought forth the idea of purchasing new vehicles for the town. Council approved a motion to allow administration to move forward with the search of purchasing three trucks and a SUV.

"As administration, we didn't want to invest too much time into spending too much time in looking into vehicles and bring it to council and it's a no-deal or it's something that council doesn't want to do," said mayor Darrick Jackson.

But, council agreed to move forward with the idea of looking into options of new vehicles. Bines said a few of the current vehicles are often placed in repair shops. Town vehicles are used by the police department, fire department and streets and beautification departments.

Bines said the town is in need of reliable transportation, and she has asked for proposals for three trucks and a SUV from three car dealerships in Florence.

A financial report was given by Wanda Charping, Timmonsville financial adviser, who said the town has spent less than they would usually have at two-thirds of the way through the year.

"As long as we're on budget overall and on budget in the departments, I really don't have any concerns," Charping said.

The meeting concluded with council meeting in executive session for legal and personnel matters.

Palmetto Sunrise: Legislative flood talks

Cynthia Roldan

[Charleston Post and Courier](#), Nov. 5, 2015

COLUMBIA — South Carolina's legislators continue to work on determining how costly October's flooding will be to the state.

The House's budget writing panel meets today to receive a presentation from multiple state agencies, including the Adjutant General, the Emergency Management Division, the Department of Administration, the Department of Transportation and the Insurance Reserve Fund.

Budget writers in both chambers have voiced concern on how the costs of the flood will impact the state's budget process during the upcoming legislative session.

In other news:

Lowcountry's rural flood victims face difficult hurdles (The Post and Courier)

DHEC issues repair orders for 167 more SC dams (The State)

Big spending didn't mean big turnout in Charleston mayor's race (The Post and Courier)

Officials: DSS making progress on tracking deadbeat parents (The Post and Courier)

Racial divide widens as S.C. infant mortality rate hits record low (The Post and Courier)

Forest Acres residents still have unanswered questions a month after the flood

By Samantha Bleiweis

[WIS TV 10](#), Columbia NBC, Nov. 4-5, 2015

FOREST ACRES, SC (WIS) -The devastation after last month's flood was widespread on Woodlake Drive in Forest Acres. Now, residents are dealing with the tedious process that comes with picking up the pieces of their homes and trying to put them back together.

Residents say there are so many questions and moving targets at this point.

"It's a waiting game. There's a lot of decisions that cannot be made until we hear back from the adjuster, hear back from the city, you know there's

just so much," said Woodlake Drive resident, Katie Atkinson.

Their houses have been demolished and they've been through the remediation and mitigation process. Now, a month later, they're waiting to find out if they can rebuild or not.

"I can't imagine being anywhere else because of how this community came together. So, I want to make it happen. Somehow we're going to be back here," said Atkinson.

Many are still meeting with insurance adjusters, who are scouring their homes inch by inch to assess how much money will be afforded to them. Others are waiting to find out if the city deems their house substantially damaged or not.

So many questions remain. Residents want to know what their flood insurance premiums will look like in coming years, where the cap will be and if it'll even be affordable to rebuild.

"We could rebuild in place, but we'll probably be left with really high flood insurance premiums and probably have a really hard time ever selling the house again, largely because people will probably always remember what happened and that this house once had four feet of water in it," said Marianna Cartin, a Woodlake Drive resident.

Both Atkinson and Cartin say they do intend to rebuild. Regardless of the circumstances, that neighborhood is their home.

21 People Displaced By Floods Still Living In Hotels

By Sonia Gutierrez

[WLTX-TV Columbia \(SC\)](#), November 5, 2015

Columbia, SC (WLTX)- There's 21 people in the Midlands who were displaced by the floods who are still living in hotels, according to the Department of Social Services.

Most of them are staying at the Days Inn on Garners Ferry Road.

Brenda Donald has been living there for over a week. She says she's been relocated to almost ten different places since their apartment was under water.

Her housing voucher to stay at the hotel is set to expire Thursday. "I have my place, my place is being fixed on. I just need something temporary until I move back into my place" said Donald.

Her apartment is still under construction, and Donald is being told it will take another two to three months. Until then, she says it's been hard looking for a new place to live.

Donald and her daughter were left with a bike and just a couple boxes of belongings, much like other flood victims.

"They take the bus if they don't take the bus they walk... that's the only way we could get around to find a place".

News19 spoke to DSS about the plan for Donald and the others. DSS Director Susan Alford says at its peak, there were 900 people living in hotels and shelters.

"So the residents that we have currently at those hotels are those folks that we have been case managing trying to figure out ways that we can try to find them more permanent housing after they left our shelters" said Alford.

The last shelter was closed on October 24th. DSS is the official first responder agency. Along with the Red Cross and the Salvation Army, they are working to find temporary housing for displaced people.

"We're looking at apartments as one, to be able to use the money they get from **FEMA** to put deposits down on apartments and being able to look at affordable apartments they can get into" said Alford.

Until that happens, Donald says, "I don't know if I'm at the end yet. I'm trying my best just to go ahead and go find me something else".

DSS says they are confident most will have a place to go by Thursday.

Flood victims apply for Disaster Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program

By Kimberlei Davis

[WOLO ABC](#) Columbia, Nov. 4, 2015

COLUMBIA, S.C. (WOLO) -- Residents in Lexington, Richland and Sumter counties who were impacted by the flood can apply for Disaster SNAP benefits with the South Carolina Department of Social Services.

Registration is open to residents in Lexington, Richland and Sumter counties at the following locations:

Lexington County:

Lexington County DSS Office

1070 S. Lake Dr. - Suite A

Lexington, SC 29073

Richland County:

Word of God Church and Ministries

119 Diamond Lane

Columbia, SC 29210

Sumter County:

Civic Center

700 W. Liberty Street

For more information about the disaster benefits call 1-800-616-1309.

Lowcountry's rural flood victims face difficult hurdles

By Bo Petersen

[The Post and Courier](#), Nov. 4, 2015

Rena Mack won't walk in her bedroom at night — not with the gaps where the floor fell in after it flooded. She has a **FEMA** check to make repairs but isn't sure the money can cover all the damage.

"I can try my best," she says as she steps around a spot where the rug droops loose. "I just want my place to get back so I can live here and not smell the mold."

Hundreds of people down the rural dirt roads in Berkeley and Charleston counties are caught in the cracks when it comes to aid getting home repairs after the devastating historic rains and flood of early October. They have no insurance, don't have clear ownership, or the damage in the old country homes wasn't caused by the historic flood, just exacerbated by it. Either that or damage was made worse by the rain, not the flood.

That means they don't qualify for much of the public help. Contingents of community and church are pitching in,

many of them working with larger organizations, such as Trident United Way and the American Red Cross.

But “the reality is, if the need is too great, there might not be enough money,” said Cathy Easley, the Trident integrated community services director.

Mack, who lives in the country in the Cainhoy-Huger area of Berkeley County with her husband and three grandchildren, is luckier than most. She at least got a check. And she has Jerri and Ben Pogue.

A few months after launching a St. Vincent De Paul community help service at their Daniel Island church, the retired couple is now scrambling through the Cainhoy-Huger area and burning up the phones trying to find help for nearly 60 families who still have needs. They are working with local church and school officials.

They have found people in homes where, when the rain turned to deluge, roofs leaked into walls that now drip with each new rain, homes where ceilings hang sagging and blistered.

They found people with health problems forced to breathe air that gets moldier day by day.

Help organizations advise that people go to a **Federal Emergency Management Agency** disaster center to register for assistance before the Dec. 4 deadline, and to go back if turned down at first. Get face to face with case workers, who can counsel on what to do next, even if they can’t provide immediate help.

But the Pogues have met people who don’t have outright ownership of the homes where they live, can’t read or write well enough to deal with the forms and processes.

“There are people can’t even get a car to get to **FEMA**, or a truck to get to a trash dumpster. There are people in places where the cellphone reception is so bad they can’t even get trash picked up,” Jerri Pogue said.

“The rural areas are forgotten about, but we’re addressing it as best we can,” said Jack Little, East Cooper Community Outreach director. The outreach is working with the St. Vincent de Paul service and others. “The need is out there.”

For some, the need is appalling. Among the common items asked for are mattresses to replace sodden ones.

The East Cooper outreach has been providing relief supplies, cleaning materials and toiletry items for families, as one of its board members, the Rev. Stephen Love, directs his church groups door-to-door down the rutted, puddled drives.

The Pogues are working with one man who has mental issues. He is living in his car while he tried to repair a home that flooded waist-deep around his bed when he woke in the night. Because he doesn’t own the home, help has been hard to forge. A church group has pulled out the ruined floor in his home and is doing what it can.

The sheer volume of help being sought is part of the difficulty.

“Recovery is limited in resources,” said Louise Welch Williams, executive director of the American Red Cross chapter in the Lowcountry. “Recovery is a very long process. It just takes time.”

So far, 3,693 people have applied for help at Berkeley County’s **FEMA** stations in Huger and Goose Creek, said Michael Mule, county spokesman. But “everything the county provides, we have been providing,” he said. Among other efforts, the county has assessed flood-damaged homes in the French Quarter Creek area and handed out fliers on how to get help, set up trash dumpsters and a recycling center.

“Every survival story is a personal one,” said William C. Lindsey, **FEMA** spokesman. “We do all that we can to see their specific needs are addressed.

A lot of times, we’re finding folks don’t know how to ask for help, because there’s a lot of pride involved.”

Some also are afraid to ask, Jerri Pogue said. If they are forced to leave their homes they have nowhere else to go.

FEMA disaster centers

Berkeley County

Berkeley County Magistrate’s Office, 303 N. Goose Creek Blvd., Goose Creek

Berkeley County Emergency Services No. 7, 1501 Recreation Road, Huger

Charleston County

Department of Public Works, 5800 Casper Padgett Way, North Charleston

Bees Landing Recreation Center, 1580 Ashley Gardens Blvd., Charleston

Dorchester County

Seacoast Church, 301 E. 5th North St., Summerville

Gov. Haley looks back at the devastation, focuses ahead to the rebuilding one month after flooding

By Dawndy Mercer Plank

[WIS TV](#) 10 NBC Columbia, Nov. 4, 2015

COLUMBIA, SC (WIS) - Today marks one month since our devastating floods. We talked with Governor Nikki Haley about what our state has been through and where it's going.

During our interview, the governor addressed what's most critical for the state right now.

"I think understanding that the rain is gone but there are neighborhoods that are still very much damaged," Gov. Haley said. "So if you were blessed

and didn't have damage, pay it forward. There are a lot of needs, building supplies, you're going to see us doing some things where we're really asking for volunteers and those who can help rebuild and fix. If you have had damage, we're here; we're going to continue to try to help you do everything you can to get every resource we can. I think that's the biggest part is rebuilding. The roads will reopen.

"We saw that tourism is back up 4% from where it was last year so those things are going to be okay. But if you take a right turn, you're not going to see debris on the road, you're not going to see - that's all cleaned up. Take a right turn and you'll see a devastated neighborhood. Go into Clarendon, go into Williamsburg and you'll see that children don't have clothes because they're all molded. They don't have what they need to get back on track; that's where our focus is right now."

Governor Haley says she first thanks all South Carolinians for doing what they need to survive and thrive. And she's lavishly handing out other thanks.

"Thank you to law enforcement," Gov. Haley began, "and this is Highway Patrol, this is DNR, this is SLED, this is Probation, Pardon and Parole who were there to assist every sheriff in every county. This was the National Guard who helped us get from one place to another and were incredibly flexible and to this day in Clarendon County fixing local and county roads. This was making sure DSS had every shelter and every place as we needed it and [SCDOT] - God bless those maintenance crews because 541 roads and bridges closed and now 85 percent are back up and going."

When asked about a cost estimation on the damage and rebuilding from our historic flood, Haley says it would be irresponsible and careless to throw out a premature dollar amount.

"I want to know the numbers just like everyone else," Gov Haley said. "But I want good numbers. And when we put out a number it's going to be a good number. So that means careful assessments. These are assessments of infrastructure. These are assessments of farm losses. These are assessments of certain types of things in every county. They can throw out numbers but all that does is create knee-jerk reactions. That's what I've asked specifically not to do. And to the credit of the general assembly, they're not doing that."

Calculations are still being done. Take roads for example. You have the temporary dollar amount of those damaged from the floods compared to the dollar amount of long-term maintenance calculated in the last legislative session. The governor doesn't want to mix those two.

Over the past month, Governor Haley has donned blue jeans and tennis shoes almost daily as she's been part of her "Team South Carolina Days." She found it just as therapeutic for her as those she's trying to encourage.

"I needed to take the resources to the people; they didn't need to find it," Gov. Haley said. "I needed them to be able to see **FEMA** and the SBA and DSS and the Housing Authority. I also needed them to see the Salvation Army and the American Red Cross and Harvest Hope and get them all of those things they needed. So, it was very much taking those resources to them. The second part is I needed to hear their stories. I needed to connect to how we connect those dots, what loopholes do we have, what are we missing, what are we not getting? And then I needed to work. Sitting behind a desk when something like this has happened, I can't do that. I had to get out there and just make sure I had my eyes on the ground."

As far as lessons learned from this experience that she would apply if our state faces something else?

"Four years ago, we - and when I refer to Team South Carolina, all the agencies - we did a tabletop," Gov. Haley said. "And it was a real-time exercise for a disaster. We always thought that would be a hurricane. But every agency had to, in real time, tell us 72 hours before, 48 hours before, 24 hours before all those things - what they would do and how they would do it. The next year we improved upon it and said, 'Okay, where are we going to get our contractors? How fast are they going to move? Where's the national guard going to be?' And every year we improved upon it. We brought **FEMA** in one year, we had the counties play it out for something that had never happened. And when this did happen, they were ready and they pre-positioned. Now, it is, okay, this really happened; now how do we improve? I think that we can see that we can do better at inspections of dams.

"I think that we can also look at road maintenance. What happens when there's that much water that sits on the road? It's not just the road. It's the shoulders, those areas we have to be careful of. We're hearing about building codes now. Is the land high enough? If it's not high enough, are the homes being built safe enough? I think there are going to be a lot of things that we can look back on this, but more than anything, the teamwork worked. Everybody did what they were supposed to do when they were supposed to do it."

The severity of the flood has had the attention of state and local officials since it hit a month ago. However, Haley says other needs such as business growth, job training, education, and roadways have not taken a backseat.

"We had, I think, three or four job announcements last week," Gov. Haley pointed out. "We've had another three

or four this week. Our tourism numbers last week were four percent over where they were last year. So those things are going well. From the flood perspective, the Department of Employment and Workforce went in and they offered unemployment to anyone who lost their job or lost money during the flood, but they're also giving money to small business owners. And the beauty of that is they're not punishing the small businesses for that. So, we just took another cut, unemployment tax cut, which is great, \$150 million dollars for our small businesses. That will give them more cash flow to hire more people and we hit 5.7 percent unemployment which is the lowest since 2008. So, we're going to be okay. That doesn't mean we don't have more work to do, we do. But I think where we are right now is a really good place."

Our historic and devastating South Carolina floods are a tragedy that put South Carolina in the national spotlight. Again. This comes on the heels of the killing of the Emanuel Nine and the removal of the confederate flag, high-profile events that would have those in the national political world knocking on Governor Nikki Haley's door.

"It's not that I don't want to answer your question," said Gov. Haley. "I truly haven't thought about the presidential. I was excited because I got to watch the debate for the first time the week before, but I have so tuned out to all of that. And it actually started with Walter Scott in April so it's just been nonstop of trying to hold the state together and keep it strong and making sure that we kept our eye on the ball that I just don't think about that things. I know people don't understand it, but it's take care of the job in front of you. And the state has had so many challenges but we've had so many blessings.

"People of South Carolina have stepped up at every single point in this. And so, I hope the takeaway is - look at the people of South Carolina. Look at how they responded to all of these challenges and look at the faith and the compassion that they have shown through every bit of it. And what can we as a state learn from them? I hope that's the takeaway."

Gov. Haley is well aware that South Carolinians will look back at her time in office and remember what she's done. When it's all said and done, she hopes that her effort to make South Carolina better will be remembered.

"I hope they know I tried," Gov. Haley said. "I hope that they look back and see a stronger South Carolina that when I took it. I hope they're proud. That's always what I've wanted. I've said that since the day I was elected that I wanted to make the people proud. That more than anything; I just want them to be proud."

Gov. Haley pleased with progress 1 month after flooding

WCNC, NBC Charlotte, NC, November 4, 2015

FORT MILL, S.C. – During a stop Wednesday in Fort Mill, Governor Nikki Haley said she was pleased with the progress made one month after serious flooding left much of South Carolina under water.

"All major streets and all primary roads are open," Haley said. "Our coast is open for business. Vacation-wise, last week we were up four-percent over the same time last year."

The state received help from the **Federal Emergency Management Agency**, an organization that saw its reputation damaged after Hurricane Katrina devastated New Orleans.

Haley said she had a different plan to make sure **FEMA** was a help and not a part of the problem.

"We kind of told **FEMA** what we expected of them. They came in as a supporting agency. If you are to support, this is how we do things in South Carolina and we need you to support it," Haley said.

She added that she had no problems with **FEMA** in that role.

Haley's leadership during the world of the flooding and following the church murders in Charleston this summer, as well as the Confederate Flag controversy, have put her name in the hat as a possible candidate for Vice President on the Republican Party ticket. Haley though, says she has no time for that kind of talk.

"Our focus is very much on making sure we are rebuilding from the flood and taking care of South Carolina, so I haven't had any time to think about that, nor do I plan on thinking about it anytime soon," said Haley.

Haley also mentioned that she has not even decided among the main contenders for the Republican presidential nod.

"I loved watching the debates," said Haley. "I love watching the passion and the depth of knowledge in the field. I think it's going to take not just me, but all of South Carolina to figure out who the one is going to be."

Forest Acres businesses make plans or rebuilding of flooded out stores

By Samantha Bleiweis

WIS TV 10, Columbia NBC, Nov. 4-5, 2015

FOREST ACRES, SC (WIS) - Recovery from last month's flood is a work in progress for many Forest Acres businesses that lost everything.

Among them is Coplon's, a luxury women's clothing store in the Forest Acres area, and Four Paws Animal Clinic.

Coplon's is currently operating a flash sale boutique on Main Street in Columbia. Their new full-price location will open Monday in Trenholm Plaza on Forest Drive.

But, Coplon's owner Bruce Greenberg said they are not giving up on rebuilding the original location on Forest Drive, and hope to have it ready for next fall.

"We're going to come back and make it beautiful and modern and great. We're so appreciative of our clients who have been so supportive and are anxious for us to reopen," said Greenberg.

Four Paws is currently operating out of a location on Devine Street. Four Paws owners still have not decided if they will rebuild their Forest Acres location yet, though they do intend to if the building permit is approved. For now, they're working to get set up at the Five Points location.

"We've got this kind of matriculation of equipment slowly coming in. We're not yet able to do surgeries or dentals or anything, but your basic, wellness care we can take care of," said Dr. Nori Warren, a Four Paws Animal Clinic Veterinarian.

Both Greenberg and Dr. Warren say the community came together to help them get set up at their temporary locations, and they are grateful and appreciative of the outpouring of support.

Columbia Church Opens Doors to Out Of State Volunteers

By Svannah Levins

[WLTX](#) 19, Columbia CBS, Nov. 4, 2015

COLUMBIA, SC (WLTX)- It has been exactly one month since historic floods swept across the state, and recovery efforts are far from over.

Rob Korn is the senior pastor of Cornerstone Presbyterian Church in Columbia.

Since the floods began, he has opened the church's doors to give dozens of out of state volunteers a place to sleep.

"We all realize how it could have been us," he said. "And the spirit of the American people is really amazing as well. Knowing and seeing there's a great need, and saying 'let's go fill the need.' We need each other, desperately. We're not in this alone. And to see that kind of sacrifice is very heartening."

During the first week of November, two pastors from a church in Virginia have slept in the church's youth center, working on flood recovery in Lexington during the day.

Pastor David Dickson said it's been well worth the long hours away from home.

"We are called to do what Christ says," Dickson said. "The two greatest commandments are to love god and love your neighbor. And this is an example of people who love god loving their neighbor. So that's really what compels us to come."

His Chesapeake co-pastor, Dan Kerley, says even though a month has passed since the flood, the work is not over.

"We can't just pretend like it's going to go away, because people's lives have been turned upside down and it's going to be like that for a long time>

Korn says the church will remain open to volunteer groups for months to come.

"These type of situations make it even more crucial to have each other," he said. "This is going to be a very long process. A lot of people came in immediately who did a lot of great work. But we hope to be here for the long haul and invite as many folks down as we can to continue the effort."

And for those who have traveled far from home to help, it's an effort made with love.

"We just need each other," Kerley said. "No one can be an island. We just really need to love our community, and that's why we're here. To love God and love people."

DHEC issues repair orders for 167 more SC dams

By Andrew Shain

[The State](#) (Columbia), Nov. 4, 2015

New requests come for dams that pose no immediate risk of failure

Dam owners have until Feb. 2 to submit repair plans to regulators

State issued emergency orders earlier for 75 dams breached or could fail

State regulators have sent letters to owners of another 167 dams requesting that they submit repair plans after a historic rainstorm a month ago.

Twenty-six of those dams are in Richland and Lexington counties, among the areas hit hardest in the Oct. 4 storm that drenched the region with more than a foot of rain.

The latest round of repair requests comes for dams that DHEC said posed no immediate risk of failing after post-storm assessments with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DHEC spokeswoman Jennifer Read said.

Three weeks ago, DHEC sent emergency orders to owners of 75 breached or severely damaged dams. Those orders required owners to lower water levels and hire engineers to inspect their dams. They had to submit repair plans

by last week.

In the new repair requests, dam owners have until Feb. 2 to submit a report with an engineer's recommendations and an application to receive a state permit for repairs, according to letters sent by the S.C. Department of Health and Environmental Control.

The latest repair requests show DHEC has determined that more than a third of the dams in more densely populated areas require repair after post-storm inspections.

DHEC director Catherine Heigel said during an agency meeting Wednesday that state regulators would work to speed repair and construction permits for dams damaged in the storm.

During what has been called a once-in-a-thousand-year storm, 31 regulated dams failed statewide, including 18 in Richland and Lexington counties. Another five state unregulated dams also failed, including one on Fort Jackson, DHEC said.

Heigel said she is working with lawmakers and Gov. Nikki Haley's office on dam-related legislation, but her office did not provide any details.

DHEC has hired HDR, an Omaha, Neb.-based engineering firm, to assess the state's dam safety program, which has been ranked as one of nation's most poorly funded.

Heigel said her agency's Land and Waste Management division — which oversees underground storage tanks, infectious waste and mining — is "babysitting" dams that suffered the most damage. The dams receiving that close monitoring are the 75 that received emergency orders three weeks ago, Read said.

Heigel said she thinks the public has appreciated how her agency has posted information on its website about failed and damaged dams, but more work is needed. "Was the (dam) program perfect before? No," she said. "We always have the opportunity for improvement."

As Chester County dam owners work on repairs, DHEC clears one site of 'emergency' order

By Anna Douglas

[Rock Hill Herald](#), Nov. 4, 2015

Highlights

DHEC, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers have performed recent dam inspections

Lake in Chester State Park being drained for dam/spillway inspection

The list of dams in Chester County in need of immediate repairs has dropped from three to two, according to state officials, and the owners of both are cooperating with the S.C. Department of Health and Environmental Control to prevent potential flooding.

Contractors are helping the owner of the Loblolly Timber Dam pump water. The dam, just north of the city of Chester, was cited in a DHEC "emergency order" as needing repairs last month.

The water level will need to be lowered first for further inspection and subsequent dam repairs, officials say.

A dam on the lake in Chester State Park also will soon see repairs. There, DHEC inspectors flagged a maintenance issue on the spillway of the dam that creates a 160-acre recreational lake in the state park, just south of the Chester city limits.

The pending repairs to dams in Chester County are part of a statewide effort to reduce flooding risks.

Inspectors have visited 652 dam sites across South Carolina over recent weeks. The large-scale assessment was prompted by historic flooding in Columbia in October – a deadly disaster, likely exacerbated by 17 dam failures in Richland County. Of those, 15 are subject to DHEC regulations.

In total, 36 dams, including four not regulated by DHEC, failed across 10 counties.

State officials have said 14 people were killed in flood-related incidents, and agencies have estimated at least \$1 billion in damage.

A week after the flooding, The State newspaper in Columbia reported most of the dams that broke in Richland County last month had been cited repeatedly by DHEC for safety issues. The problems included erosion, cracks and overgrowth preventing proper inspection.

DHEC employees have since issued 75 emergency orders to dam owners in South Carolina, calling for immediate infrastructure repairs to limit future risks. In Chester County last month, there were three locally owned dams on DHEC's emergency order list.

No dams in York and Lancaster counties are on the list.

This week, officials said one of the dams has been removed from the list and is not in need of repair. The Evergreen Timberland Co. Dam owner was issued an emergency order in error, said Jennifer Read, DHEC's chief

communications officer.

The Evergreen Timberland dam is located on Three Mile Branch, a stream near Chester State Park.

State park officials have previously told The Herald they were already aware of the spillway maintenance need on the lake dam. Currently, workers are draining the reservoir, with the lake level dropping about one inch per day, according to DHEC records.

The dam and the spillway structure will be reinspected after the water is low enough, sometime next week, records show.

No dams in York and Lancaster counties have been cited by DHEC as having problems during the statewide inspection process, according to state records.

DHEC partnered with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to perform the recent inspections.

Santee dam emergency plans to be discussed

By Bo Petersen

[Charleston Post and Courier](#), Nov. 4, 2015

People who live in the floodplain of the Santee River will be given details at a public meeting Tuesday of the emergency plan if the Lake Marion dam breaks.

The meeting is at 6 p.m. in Sampit Elementary School, 69 Woodland Ave., in Georgetown and will be conducted by the Santee Cooper utility. The meeting follows the flooding that swallowed land around the dam in October, but it's a periodic requirement of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, which regulates hydroelectric projects.

S.C. Emergency Management Division staff also will be available. People who take part also will be given details of the prevention measures Santee Cooper has taken to minimize the risk of a dam failure.

Heavy rain causes closed roads, animal shelter flooding in Marion County

By Audrey Biesk

[WMBF](#) Myrtle Beach-Florence NBC, Nov. 4, 2015

MARION COUNTY, SC (WMBF) - People in Mullins are dealing with serious flooding because of the heavy rain fall on Wednesday. Roads closed around the area, and on N.E. Front Street near Highway 76 cars were halfway under water stuck and abandoned. Mullins Fire Department came through and made rescues to get people out of the cars covered in water.

Police and DOT crews directed traffic and set up cones to close off roads. Flooded water swept across streets near Main Street reaching homes doorsteps.

Robert Brayfield, a Mullins resident tried to drive through N.E. Front Street to check on his parents and some property. "You've got houses back in these low line areas that aren't raised off the ground. Are they going to sleep on the wet floor? No, they've got to figure out what their going to do, where they are going to go. If the waters don't recede its just going to get worse," said Brayfield.

Heavy rain also caused the Marion County Animal Shelter to move most of the animals out of their shelter. Volunteers had to pump water out of the cages, and animals were forced to stand on top of their kennels so they wouldn't get any wetter. Donna Dew, a volunteer at Marion County Animal Shelter said, "The animals were standing in water and we have nowhere to put them to get them out and they were cold, they were wet. We need some help to get this shelter where it needs to be and we can't keep operating out of a tobacco barn."

Dew said when they get downpours of rain their drainage system caused water to back up and go into the shelter. "The water was in between the animals knees and ankles and we have nowhere to put them to get them out, she said." The shelter was planning on getting help from an animal rescue team in Asheville, North Carolina to bring the animals to safety.

First Alert Chief Meteorologist Jamie Arnold says this is just heavy rain creating similar problems, just like there was from the flooding back in October.

A shelter at Gapway Baptist church in Marion opened up at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday for anyone who had to evacuate and needs somewhere to go.

Residents pray for relief through threat of Waccamaw River rising

By Kaitlin Stansell

[WMBF](#) Myrtle Beach-Florence NBC, Nov. 5, 2015

Horry County, SC - Parts of Horry County have seen 3 to 7 inches of rain the last several days. This rainfall caused the Waccamaw River to rise to 11 feet Wednesday afternoon, which is right at flood stage, and it was forecasted to rise to 11.1 feet Wednesday night and remain at that level through Friday.

With the threat of more water creeping towards their homes, some residents in Horry County are praying for

relief.

The Lees Landing area was one of the hardest hit communities during major flooding last month, and many people who live there had just started the process up cleaning up the damage.

However, for some of them, the process is now on hold. They're waiting to see what further damage is left behind after the Waccamaw River rises above flood stage yet again Wednesday night.

"You don't ever get prepared for it," Carl Stroud said. "It just happens, and you can't prepare yourself. You see it coming, and all you can do is just wait until it comes up and goes down and try to keep going...that's all you can do."

Minor flooding now forecast along Waccamaw River near Conway

By Jamie Arnold

[WMBF](#) Myrtle Beach-Florence NBC

MYRTLE BEACH, SC (WMBF) - Recent heavy rainfall has caused the Waccamaw River in Conway to rise. The river will rise slightly above flood stage by tonight.

Parts of Horry County have seen 3 to as much as 7 inches of rain the last two days. This rainfall will cause the Waccamaw river to continue to rise through tonight.

As of Wednesday afternoon, the river level was at 11 feet which is right at flood stage. The river is forecast to rise to 11.1 feet late tonight and remain at that level through Friday.

Only minor flooding is forecast. Areas that will likely see flooding include yards and a few roads in Lees Landing, Pitch Landing, Savannah Bluff and Riverfront South.

Congaree River tops flood stage in some areas

By Andrew Shain, The State

[Florence Morning](#) News, Nov. 4, 2015

Portions of the Congaree River around the Columbia area reached flood stage overnight after another round of rain soaked the region hit by a historic storm a month ago.

The Congaree in lower Richland County near the borders with Lexington and Calhoun counties has crested the most — reaching nearly 8 feet above flood stage, according to the National Weather Service.

Local creeks — including Gills, which snakes through populated areas north of Columbia — added water to the already swollen river.

Less severe flood stages were reported along the Congaree near downtown Columbia and the Congaree National Park. Those areas are 2 feet above flood stage, according to weather service data.

Still, the Cayce Riverwalk was closed because of rising waters.

Creeks in the heart of Columbia — Gills and Rocky Branch — remained below flood stage during the rains that started Sunday.

Though the rain was forecast to taper off later Tuesday, some flood warnings around the Congaree from the National Weather Service are in effect through Sunday. Rain could return this weekend.

The Columbia area received another 2 inches of rain this week on top of the more than a foot received a month ago in a storm that's been called a once-in-1,000-year event. The Congaree reached near historic-high crests during the storm in October.

This week, though, more rain fell on northwest of the capital city in the Upstate and around Newberry — as much as 5 inches — increasing chances for water to flow downstream toward Richland and Lexington counties.

State regulators asked dam owners last week to lower lake levels in anticipation of the storms.

At least 36 dams statewide — almost half in Richland County — failed during the rain last month. The state was watching more than 30 dams damaged by the surging waters.

Marion County Schools to operate on delay due to flooding

By Eric Walters and Taylor Herlong

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MULLINS, SC (WBTW) – Marion County Schools will operate on a delay Thursday morning due to flooding caused by heavy rain Wednesday morning.

School officials with Marion County Schools report due to flooding, all schools will operate on a two hour delay for all students and staff Thursday morning. Florence Darlington Tech – Mullins Technology Center will be closed Wednesday night for evening classes and will operate on a two hour delay Thursday.

Several streets and nearby yards were under water Wednesday afternoon as heavy rains drenched the city of Mullins. Main Street was also closed for several hours as water crossed streets and flooded businesses.

Wanda Pittman lives on Old Mullins Highway and says the flood waters were nowhere near as high when heavy

rains hit much of the Pee Dee just a few weeks ago.

"This here, I aint never seen this before. It just frightened me when I first seen it because I said Lord I don't wanna drown," said Pittman.

Several people in the area say today's flooding brings up questions about the drainage problems around Mullins.

Mike Rollins says the water has nowhere to go because all around the city storm drains are overflowing with water.

"It's gushing through like it's a rive back there. You would think this would be a fish creek, but no it's just mother nature at its finest," said Rollins.

In 2012, the City received a \$500,000 grant to help with the city's drainage problem. News 13 reached out to the city administrator to see where they stand with the project, but we haven't heard back.

The Mullins police department and Marion County Sheriff's Office spent much of the day helping residents evacuate from their homes.

An emergency shelter was opened at the Gapway Baptist Church for those affected by Wednesday's flooding.

A bridge appeared to washout near Old Mullins Highway between Pineland and Nichols.

WBTW Stormtracker13 Chief Meteorologist Frank Johnson said more than 3.4 inches of rain fell in Mullins over a 12-hour span. The nearby town of Nichols got nearly seven inches of rain in that same time frame.

The majority of the rain will be out of the Pee Dee later Wednesday night, Johnson said.

Marion County Schools to operate on 2-hour delay on Thursday due to flooding

By Robert Whitehurst

[WMBF](#) Myrtle Beach-Florence NBC, Nov. 4, 2015

MARION COUNTY, SC (WMBF) - Very heavy rain Wednesday morning has caused some flooding issues across Marion County.

The Marion County School District will be operating on a two-hour delay on Thursday, November 5, for all staff and students due to flooding in the area. Buses will run their established routes with the two-hour delay, according to the MCSD Facebook page.

Florence-Darlington Technical College's Mullins Technology Center is closed for classes tonight, Wednesday, November 4, because of the flooding in Marion County. The Mullins site will also operate on a two-hour delay on Thursday.

The city of Mullins received over 5" of rain Wednesday morning. The highest totals were closer to Nichols where totals surpassed 8".

Two to three feet of water was reported across Front Street in Mullins due to the heavy rain. Church Street and numerous other roads around Mullins were also closed.

Flooding was also reported by Highway Patrol along Pee Dee Island Road near Nichols.

The Marion Emergency Management Agency and the American Red Cross opened an emergency shelter will at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Gapway Baptist Church located at H Wade Court in Mullins for those affected by flooding. The shelter gives residents a safe, dry place to sleep, meals, and other services, according to a news release from the Red Cross.

The Marion EMA is advising motorists to avoid Old Mullins Highway near the country club and Robin Road where the road is washed out at a bridge.

The heavy rain is exiting the area and the flooding concerns should slowly subside through Wednesday evening.

Mullins officials closing streets due to flooding

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MULLINS, S.C. -- City of Mullins officials made a public announcement Wednesday afternoon reporting a majority of the streets closed due to substantial rainfall. Several homes have been evacuated due to flooding and a temporary shelter is now open at the Emergency Rescue building behind the fire station.

"We've asked for a public service announcement to stay off the streets unless it's emergency," Mayor William "Bo" McMillan said. "What's happening is streets are flooding and cars are riding through creating huge waves that are going into buildings."

McMillan said more than six inches of rain has poured down within 24 hours.

Marion County School District announced schools will be operating on a two-hour delay Thursday for all staff and students. Buses will run their established routes with the delay.

Meadowfield parking lot flooding

by Robert Joseph Baker

[Manning Times](#)/Manning Live November 4, 2015

Dispatchers have called upon the Clarendon County Fire Department and the Clarendon County Sheriff's Office to possibly evacuate 12 units in Meadowfield Apartments in Summerton.

According to reports, the parking lot of the complex, which was flooded and evacuated in early October, is now starting to flood again due to heavy rains Tuesday night and Wednesday morning. Water is not reportedly in the building yet.

A few residents were able to move back into units on the second flood of the complex, while repairs were undertaken by volunteers and contractors from out of state on the first floor units damaged by last month's flooding. No damage is currently reported.

Eight residents evacuated from Meadowfield

by Robert Joseph Baker

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Clarendon County Administrator David Epperson said Wednesday morning that eight residents were evacuated from Meadowfield Apartments, the second such evacuation in a month, due to flooding in the complex's parking lot.

"There's no water in the building, but we have, as a precaution, evacuated those residents who had gone back to Meadowfield," Epperson said. Residents had gone back to second-floor units which were not damaged by flood waters in early October. First-floor units are being worked on by out-of-state contractors and volunteer groups.

The Clarendon County Fire Department was pumping water from the parking lot and shooting it across Meadowfield Drive into an open field in an attempt to abate any more flooding.

More rain is expected this afternoon, according to the National Weather Service.

Epperson: Flooding being 'monitored' in West Summerton

by Robert Joseph Baker

[Manning Times](#)/Manning Live, Nov. 4, 2015

Though no residents have been evacuated from West Summerton, authorities are monitoring flooding in the area, including on Lincoln Street where a vehicle became stranded with its passenger.

"Everyone is all right, but we are monitoring the area," said County Administrator David Epperson, who toured the area Wednesday morning with the Clarendon County Fire Department and Sheriff's Office.

Mosquitoes 'like helicopters' – Richland County resorts to aerial spraying

By Avery G. Wilks

[The State](#) (Columbia), Nov. 4, 2015

Highlights

'Landing rates' on humans up to 60 per minute in lower Richland County

Rates lower but still elevated in northeast Richland, along Broad River

Aerial spraying could do the trick, county says

RICHLAND COUNTY, SC — Mike Daugherty has had it with the mosquitoes plaguing lower Richland County.

Daugherty, 37, lives on Bluff Road and has grown tired of the mosquitoes that have invaded since the flooding in October, taking advantage of standing water left in low-lying spots. He said they pester him when he sits with friends outside, buzzing in his ears and biting him a dozen or so times a night.

Anopheles mosquito, dangerous vehicle of infection

"They're like helicopters," Daugherty said. "They're big."

Richland County is doing something this week that it has never done before to combat the surging mosquito population bothering residents and outdoor workers. It is taking to the air.

Richland County Vector Control will apply aerial mosquito treatments Thursday at dusk to about 114,000 acres in lower Richland County, Vector Control Director Tammy Brewer said.

Brewer said the county measures mosquito populations with "landing rate" counts that entail a worker going to a site and counting how many mosquitoes land on him or her. Scientific measurements involve a person extending their arms – and waiting.

Brewer said landing rates in lower Richland County have reached more than 60 per minute, far more than the normal rate of four or five at this time of year.

Other areas of Richland County also have high rates. Northeast Richland County's highest landing rate was 38, Brewer said, and the highest landing rate along the Broad River floodplain, north and northwest of downtown, was 20.

Richland County doesn't measure the mosquito population within the city limits of Columbia, Brewer said.

Neither does the city, said David Hatcher, a city housing official.

Brewer said warm weather this fall and floodwaters have contributed to the population growth. Psorophora mosquitoes, which thrive in floodwaters and are “very aggressive,” have been especially prevalent, Brewer said.

Columbia doesn’t have spray trucks, but has bumped up its larvicide program, with code enforcement officers looking for standing water and putting out larvicide in problem areas, Hatcher said.

Brewer said the county has used larvicide and some truck spraying. But the problem has still gotten out of hand in lower Richland County, she said.

“The calls were coming in more and more, and we were looking and seeing that we were not able to get control of the population,” she said.

Daugherty said he welcomes the aerial treatment. Road workers in lower Richland County probably won’t mind it, either.

Richard Boatwright, a South Carolina Department of Transportation worker, said the mosquitoes have sometimes made his work site on Lower Richland Boulevard feel like a swamp.

“You can’t stand by the truck and talk too much before you’re ready to leave,” he said.

Earl Moore, who also works at that site, said he has to close the doors and windows of his crane before eating lunch inside.

“They’ll tear you up,” he said.

Mosquitoes, infamous for transmitting the deadly West Nile Virus to humans, also can transmit the potentially deadly heartworm disease to pets.

Dave Ruff, 61, carried a flyswatter during his visit to the Columbia Dog Park off Shop Road on Wednesday, saying he would swat pests that bothered his Weimaraner.

“The flies are bad out here, and the mosquitoes are bad. They’re terrible,” Ruff said. He said he treats his dog with preventative heartworm medicine.

Will the aerial spraying help?

He hopes so.

Aerial applications have been used effectively in recent years in Texas to stem West Nile Virus outbreaks.

Dibrom, the product used in the spraying, is designed to affect mosquitoes but not people, pets or beneficial insects, the release said. Richland County has applied to the **Federal Emergency Management Agency** for a reimbursement for the aerial mission’s cost, Brewer said.

Though residents don’t need to take any special precautions during the treatment, area beekeepers are urged to cover their hives, the release said. The planes will apply 1.5 tablespoons of treatment per acre, the release said.

Richland County and the state Department of Health and Environmental Control are advising residents to take steps to reduce mosquitoes’ breeding grounds on their property, including emptying any containers – pool covers, tires, pots, pet bowls and more – that could hold standing water.

Removing debris from gutters and trimming back thick shrubbery and overgrown grass also helps, according to a DHEC news release. It takes as few as five days for water in containers as small as a bottle cap to become active breeding sites for mosquitoes, according to DHEC.

DHEC also advises wearing insect repellent and light-colored, long-sleeved clothes when going outside.

County residents with questions about the spraying can contact Vector Control at 803-576-2425 or the Richland County Ombudsman at 803-929-6000.

After Historic Flooding, Mosquitoes Posing A Risk For Heart Worms For South Carolina Pets

By Randy L. Key

[WJBF](#), Augusta, Ga., Nov. 4, 2015

Columbia, SC (WJBF) – South Carolina’s historic flooding brought a bloom of mosquitoes to the state and that puts your pet at a higher risk of getting heart worms.

Doctor Wendy King, of Spears Creek Veterinary Clinic, says standing water from the flood is a perfect habitat for mosquitoes, attracting more than the state normally has. She said, after a mosquito bites an animal infected with heart worms, within two weeks, the mosquito bite and infect a furry member of your family.

Because of this, Dr. King advises you to treat your pet every 30 days for heart worms, and no less.

“In South Carolina, our weather is so iffy that you really need to do it all through the winter. In a lot of states, the weather is so cold in the winter, they don’t have mosquitoes, but we still have mosquitoes even in January.”

Dr. King adds that you need to treat both dogs and cats with heart worm preventative medication, but dogs have a higher risk of getting them.

80,000 People Affected by South Carolina Flooding

By Susan Kim

UMCOR.org (United Methodist Committee On Relief), November 5, 2015

South Carolina needs your volunteer team to assist in flood recovery.

With at least 80,000 people reporting flood damage in South Carolina, long-term recovery could take not just months but years, and the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) will be there for the long haul. Devastating floods struck the state in early October.

“So many people, so many families, and there is as much roof damage as there is flooding,” said Greg Forrester, UMCOR executive in charge of U.S. Disaster Response, as he visited the affected communities. “I believe there were 90 different organizations here for initial cleanup. They are all starting to pack up and go. But UMCOR will be here for the long-term recovery.”

UMCOR has also been an important resource during the relief phase, said Kathy James, director for connectional ministries for the South Carolina Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church. “Many in rural areas of our state were affected, and we are finding out every day about churches that have been damaged, and about people who still have water in their homes.”

James said she sees long-term recovery going on for several years, and she urged people to serve on a United Methodist Volunteers in Mission (UMVIM) team to volunteer in the coming months. “We will be in need of every single team that wants to come,” she said.

Hold a hand, give a hug

Even before the flood struck, in many rural parts of South Carolina, unemployment was high, reflected James. “The need was great before the flood,” she said.

As she has traveled across the state talking with flood survivors, she said she wants people to know that the church is a visible, positive presence in people’s lives. “People say: ‘I’m so glad you’re here. I’m so glad you’re my church.’”

Cleaning buckets and health kits have gotten into the hands of flood survivors as well, she said. Whether church members are mucking out homes, managing shelters, or clearing debris, their presence expands to more than just physical labor. “We realize that we are also here to hold a hand or give a hug,” she said.

For long-term recovery, there are people with skills sitting in the pews of churches across the nation — and those skills will be needed in South Carolina, said Gregg Varner, disaster response coordinator.

“There will be a huge need for home repairs — flooring, sheetrock, and everything else,” he said. “Our job is to tap those skills of people sitting in the pews. And volunteer slots will stay open through the winter. It won’t shut down at all.”

Help UMCOR respond to disasters — immediately and over the long term. Please give to UMCOR U.S. Disaster Response, Advance #901670.

Historic floods could have uncovered artifacts in SC

The Associated Press, Nov. 5, 2015

(Widely used)

COLUMBIA, S.C. — The University of South Carolina is urging anyone who finds old animal fossils or artifacts after last month’s flooding to contact the school so the sites can be investigated.

The university said people have already found the fossilized remains of a mammoth, old barges and a dugout canoe in sites that were exposed as floodwaters eroded riverbanks across the state in early October.

State Underwater Archaeologist James Spirek says he expects to find other sites and would not be surprised if people find pottery from Native Americans or the remains of shipwrecks from long ago.

Spirek says it is critical to find these sites undisturbed so archaeologists can do their work and fully examine the artifacts.

SCDOT Defends Spending, Priorities to House Oversight Panel

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WLTX 19 Columbia CBS, Nov. 4, 2015

Columbia, SC (WLTX) The South Carolina Department of Transportation went before a subcommittee of the House Legislative Oversight Committee Wednesday to defend its priorities and how it spends your tax money. SCDOT Secretary Christy Hall answered critics who say the agency spends too much on new projects, neglecting to maintain the roads we already have.

DOT answers questions about money need to fix roads.

"Our commission has structured our federal program in a way that a majority, or a good, huge percentage of those federal dollars are going for what we would classify as maintenance-type activities, whether it's resurfacing, bridge replacement projects, basically anything outside of a widening or capacity project, she told House members.

Subcommittee chair Rep. Phyllis Henderson, R-Greer, looked at a study done by Oversight Committee staff of the DOT's spending and results. The report says last year, 10 percent of the state's Interstates were in "poor" condition, an improvement over six years ago when 16 percent were in poor shape. But six years ago 31 percent of the state's primary roads were in poor condition, and that number rose to 46 percent last year.

"These roads are not getting better, they're getting worse," she said to Hall. "The Interstates are getting better, and the argument would be because basically we're getting more federal money for Interstates so we're using all the match to do that, and we're making progress, but we're neglecting these other roads."

Secretary Hall said, "If additional funding were made available to the agency and it had flexibility to use those state dollars, I believe that we would recommend that some of those dollars be allocated to the primary system to help. There's just not enough federal dollars, even with our state match, to try to meet all the needs that are out there," she said.

State lawmakers talked during this year's legislative session about possibly raising the state gas tax to give the DOT more money, and that was before October flooding damaged hundreds of roads and bridges across the state. But Rep. Samuel Rivers, Jr., R-Goose Creek, told Secretary Hall, "Asking for more funds is not an easy thing, because we face our constituents and they say, 'Don't give DOT anymore money because they're not doing anything with the ones they have now.'"

After the meeting, Secretary Hall told us, "The system is certainly very large, and the revenues really have only grown about 3 percent over the last several years, and that's just barely keeping up with inflation."

The subcommittee took no action Wednesday, saying it will wait to receive a Legislative Audit Council report on the SCDOT before it does anything. That audit is being done now.

You can see the Oversight Committee's report on the SCDOT, and the agency's response, at <http://www.scstatehouse.gov/committeeinfo/HouseLegislativeOversightCommittee/2015StaffStudyAndAgencyResponse/SCDOT%20Staff%20Study%20And%20Agency%20Response.pdf>

Totino's viral sensation Angela Williams: 'This is not the last of the Pizza Lady'

By Mary King

WIS TV 10 NBC Clumbia, Nov. 4, 2015

COLUMBIA, SC (WIS) - In the midst of covering the historic floods on Oct. 4, we met a woman who, despite losing most of what she owned, was able to lift the spirits of people around the Midlands.

We were reporting at the Woodland Terrace Apartments in Columbia when we met Angela "Angie" Williams, who was literally watching her home go underwater.

"We thought we had 30 minutes to an hour to evacuate," Williams said. "That didn't happen."

But it would be what Williams said she was able to take from her home that would make its way around the world.

"I didn't grab nothing but two Totino's pizzas out of the refrigerator, and my doggy, and we left," Williams said. "I tried to grab some other things, but they wasn't even worth it."

A genuine response that, at the time, Williams could not have imagined would be all over the Internet just hours later.

"I never thought that it would have went viral," Williams said. "That is what I took to survive. We grabbed other things. We grabbed hamburger meat and rice, and a pot, but was too heavy to get on out the door. So survival was two Totino's pizzas and my doggy."

We went back to the Woodland Terrace Neighborhood, which is still very much in the recovery process. Williams introduced us to her doggy that she spoke of on Oct. 4, 7-year-old Chi Chi.

"This is my buddy, he's my buddy," Williams said. "He's a couple of people's buddies."

She also shared how her viral fame hasn't bothered her a bit.

"It has been different for me to walk through the streets. I've been taking pictures with people," Williams said. "Just inspiring people to keep helping one another! 'Cause it's still not over."

While Williams lost most of what she owned, the loud calls for Totino's to step in and help her out were answered.

"Katie, the internet coordinator, sent over some book bags for the kids that were staying with me," Williams said. "Gave me two Totino's jackets, some pizza, some gift cards and some sunglasses."

Williams says federal aid allowed her to get a new car, and she has new plans, too.

“Our plans are to move to Georgia,” Williams said. “I’m free, I have no bills, I owe no one, so I can go somewhere and doing other things.”

Williams adds she’s grateful for everyone who has lent her a helping hand, including the Red Cross who she says was at Woodland Terrace Apartments several times a day after the floods. She adds despite her losses, she’s focusing on what she has.

“I’m blessed to have my life and I can continue on with the things I’m going to do,” Williams said. “This is not the last of the pizza lady. You shall see me again somewhere soon.”

Duncan mayor collecting items for flood victims in Kingstree

By Allison M. Roberts

[Spartanburg Herald Journal/GoUpstate.com](#)

November 4, 2015 at 8:37 p.m.

Kingstree was among many of the South Carolina towns devastated by historic flooding in October.

The town had major damage after flood waters receded. Unlike Charleston and Columbia, however, Kingstree is a small community. That is why Duncan Mayor Lisa Scott decided to do something to help.

“I know they’re still struggling down there,” Scott said. “I thought there was something we could do to help them out. I think it’s the right thing to do to reach out. We’ve been very blessed.”

Scott came up with the idea for her town to adopt Kingstree. She also reached out to School District 5 Superintendent Scott Turner and asked for items to donate.

Scott said she told Turner if he had anything “stuck in a closet somewhere” or anything not being used, she’d pick it up and take it to Kingstree.

Turner said he’s glad to partner with Duncan to help people.

“I think it shows the people who live in our community we know we’re blessed,” Turner said. “We’re able to share and help the less fortunate.”

Items can be dropped off at Duncan Town Hall or the Duncan Police Department during business hours. The residents of Kingstree are in need of nonperishable food items, diapers, wipes, blankets, bedding, clothing, school supplies and cleaning supplies. All items must be dropped off by Nov. 19.

Flood waters didn’t contaminate Kingstree’s drinking water supply so the town isn’t in need of water, Scott said.

“I hope people will feel compelled to donate something — even if it’s a bottle of Pinesol,” Scott said. “I’d like to show up with a big moving truck packed full of stuff.”

OTTP postpones 'Hairspray,' announces new show dates

[Times and Democrat](#), Orangeburg, Nov. 5, 2015

Theatergoers will have to wait until the New Year to meet “The Nicest Kids in Town.” The Orangeburg-Part Time Players has postponed its fall production of “Hairspray” at the BlueBird Theatre in downtown Orangeburg.

Instead of running the second and third weekends of November, the hit Broadway musical will now be staged the third and fourth weekends of January. The new show dates are Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 15-17 and 22-24, 2016.

“The recent historic flooding in the Midlands cost the 'Hairspray' cast several weeks of valuable rehearsal time and caused some minor damage to the theater,” said Tony DeAloia, the show’s director.

“In order for us to produce the kind of quality show that our patrons have come to love and expect from this group, we felt that our best option was to postpone 'Hairspray' until after the holidays.”

Set in 1962 in Baltimore, Maryland, "Hairspray" tells the story of plump teenager Tracy Turnblad, whose dream is to dance on “The Corny Collins Show,” a local TV dance program. When Tracy wins a role on the show, she becomes a celebrity overnight and meets a colorful array of characters before launching a campaign to integrate the show. The musical is a social commentary on the injustices in parts of American society during the 1960s.

“Hairspray” is written by Marc Shaiman, with lyrics by Shaiman and Scott Wittman. It is based on the book by Mark O’Donnell and Thomas Meeham and the 1988 film by John Waters. The musical is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International.

Season ticket holders will be able to use their November tickets for the January show dates. Tickets are good for the corresponding day during the two-weekend run of the show.

“This is uncharted territory for our group, as we have never had to postpone a show in our more than 30 years of entertaining the community,” DeAloia said. “We hope that those patrons who have season tickets and those individuals who were planning to see ‘Hairspray’ in November will join us in January.

“We promise that you will not be disappointed -- we will have a stellar show ready for you in the New Year.”

Tickets to “Hairspray” are \$17 for youth and seniors and \$19 for adults. To reserve tickets for the new show

dates, Jan. 15-17 and 22-24, call the BlueBird Theatre box office at 803-536-5454. Leave a message that includes which show you would like to attend, the number of tickets you need and a return phone number. Season ticket holders who have conflicts with the new show dates should also call the box office and leave a message.

Leonard Fournette jersey to be auctioned off, starting at \$7,000

By Josh Wilson

[Fansided.com](#), Nov. 4, 2015 5h ago

Leonard Fournette is auctioning off his jersey to benefit victims of flooding in South Carolina, and it is one of the rare cases where fans can get a jersey with a name plate still attached.

LSU Tigers sophomore running back Leonard Fournette had a pretty big win over the USC Gamecocks when they came to town. They didn't come to death valley in Baton Rouge on the best of terms, though, as the game was initially supposed to be a home game for USC. The game had to be move because of safety issues due to serious flooding in the state at the time. Asking fans to come out to that game in South Carolina would not have been the right thing to do, so USC opted to play the game in LSU's Tiger Stadium.

The Tigers would come out on top, winning 45-24. Fournette played well that game, scoring a touchdown and rushing for over 150 yards.

According to ESPN, Fournette's jersey will be sold. Normal NCAA rules prevent players from auctioning their own jerseys, and also require schools to remove the nameplate from the jersey before auctioning it, but there will be an exception here. Fournette's jersey will be unaltered, and the winning bid will get the game jersey with "Fournette" across the back.

Also included in the bidding with the jersey are autographed helmets from LSU coach Les Miles and former USC coach Steve Spurrier. Fournette is sending all proceeds to those affected by the flooding. His family was affected by Hurricane Katrina, so it's a theme that's close to his heart, a reason for his giving to that cause.

The bidding for this item starts at \$7,000, and may have a chance to be one of the most expensive player-worn jerseys ever.

On Weather Satellites, Congressional Outlook Should Not Be Clouded

By J. Michael Barrett

[The Hill](#), November 5, 2015

Last month, the remnants of Hurricane Patricia – the most powerful hurricane ever recorded in the Western Hemisphere – rolled into Texas. Flooding from the hurricane and a second strong storm system with which it merged could yield more than \$3 billion in damages.

The Lone Star State was the second state to suffer record-breaking floods in October. Earlier that month, Hurricane Joaquin caused the most severe flooding in South Carolina's history.

These storms serve as vivid reminders of the havoc that extreme weather can wreak.

To minimize such destruction, the United States needs accurate information about a storm's strength, timing, and potential path. This information comes from weather satellites – and will soon be more accurate thanks to the launch of the first of two "Joint Polar Satellite System" spacecraft in 2017.

Yet Congress hasn't committed to long-term funding for our global weather satellite program. This doesn't make sense.

One of the most powerful tools in America's weather-monitoring system is the polar-orbiting satellite. As opposed to geostationary satellites, which hover at high altitudes over a fixed region, polar-orbiting satellites circle the planet 14 times a day at relatively low altitudes and deliver wide-ranging meteorological data.

Because of their global perspective – as well as their proximity to the Earth – polar-orbiting satellites vastly improve the accuracy of today's forecasting models. They can help predict weather events days in advance.

This is especially important for homeland security. Timely warnings enable first responders to better allocate resources and consequently, save more lives.

Projections of Hurricane Sandy's path, for instance, would have been off by hundreds of miles without information from polar-orbiting satellites. More accurate models allowed government officials to better target Sandy evacuation efforts, as well as to identify and make plans around how the weather in the immediate aftermath of the storm would impact recovery operations.

With all these important benefits, a reasonable observer might expect lawmakers to do everything possible to prevent a breakdown in weather monitoring by fielding the latest and greatest technologies. Yet, remarkably, they haven't. Instead, they've set the stage for a potential gap in weather data down the road.

Once the first Joint Polar Satellite System spacecraft, known as JPSS-1, launches in 2017, the JPSS-2 will follow four years later. But that will be the end of the launches.

And yet last year, the Office of the Inspector General expressed serious concerns about a two-satellite program without backups. “As currently planned,” the report noted, “a JPSS satellite failure at launch or before the end of its mission life could result in years without weather data from the afternoon polar orbit.”

Recognizing this fact, President Obama’s FY16 budget requests \$380 million for two additional next generation “Polar Follow-On” (PFO) satellites to follow JPSS. The Senate Commerce, Justice and Science Appropriations Subcommittee provided \$135 million – but the House provided no funding at all.

Congress’ reluctance to fund these programs could have catastrophic consequences.

For instance, the JPSS and Polar Follow-On satellites promise to shrink a storm’s “cone of uncertainty” – in other words, where and when a storm will strike – by up to 75 percent when compared to weather forecasting systems without this technology. If the JPSS/PFO system had been online during 2005’s Hurricane Rita, projections about the storm’s path could have been narrowed by roughly 875 miles.

This, in turn, would have made the evacuation effort far more effective and less costly, and non-impact areas could have maintained normal operations.

These polar satellites can also collect precise visual data in the dark of night. This alone is an extraordinary improvement, as just a few years ago, nighttime satellite images were unavailable to most civilian weather scientists. Among other things, this capability makes it far easier for emergency managers to identify and respond to issues like nighttime power-outages in the wake of a storm.

Of course, accurate meteorological data isn’t only important during weather emergencies. Dozens of industries, from agriculture and fishing to trucking and insurance, depend on weather projections.

Today’s budget is understandably constrained. But critical missions – especially ones that touch homeland and national security – must continue to receive support from the federal government. The sooner all four satellites are completed, the safer Americans will be when the next major storm strikes.

Barrett, a former Naval officer and director of Strategy for the White House Homeland Security Council, is currently the managing director of The Center for Homeland Security & Resilience. All opinions expressed herein are strictly his own.

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Morning News at 7 (News)

... counties in the palmetto state are eligible for FEMA assistance. if you live in one of the counties listed on your screen -- ...



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Morning News at 7 (News)

... declined to receive money. FEMA says if your application for a grant was declined-- you have 60 days to appeal. ...



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Fox Morning News (News)

... morning on federal assistance from FEMA. so far...more than 75-thousand individuals and households have contacted FEMA for assistance following the flooding. ...



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[FEMA on WSPA \(CBS\) - Greenville, SC](#)

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CBS This Morning (News)

... available... for people and businesses. register with FEMA by calling 1- 0 621- FEMA. the results are in for election day in the carolina.ando. ...



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News 13 NOW (News)

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7 On Your Side at Noon (News)

... month's historic floodin you have to register with FEMA...if you want help. you can do that ... by calling 1- 800- 621- FEMA. volunteers are building a new playground today... at the ...



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News 13 at Noon (News)

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WYFF News 4 @ Noon (News)

... in south carolina early october. we have FEMA relations and help the small businessadministration is getting involved. geoff: welcome back. FEMA officials still in the ...



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... involved. geoff: welcome back. FEMA officials still in the upstate after the historic flooding i the small business administration is now ...



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WYFF News 4 @ Noon (News)

... peop diana: there are 76,000 people in south carolina who hah FEMA. 56,000 individuals in south carolina have told us they needpart of that package is the small business administration, so once you registh FEMA, ...



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WIS News 10 at 4PM (News)

... a little bit better." a lot of that rebuilding comes from FEMA filling assistance requests. FEMA will be taking those for the next month. the distribution of the richland ...



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[FEMA on WMBF \(NBC\) - Myrtle Beach, SC](#)
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WMBF News at 5 (News)

... than 76- thousand individuals and households have contacted FEMA for assistance or information. more than 58 million dollars has been ...



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[FEMA on WIS - COL \(NBC\) - Columbia, SC](#)
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WIS News 10 Live at 5:00 (News)

... people as needed. dss says you can bring anything from FEMA paperwork to a contractor's bid to prove damage. but -- they tell me they are ...



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[FEMA on WPDE \(ABC\) - Myrtle Beach, SC](#)
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ABC15 News at 5PM (News)

... if you have questions about the assistance, you are encouraged to be there, and FEMA representatives will attend. >>> we have contacted the state department of transportation to provide curb service to pick up ...



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[FEMA. on WLTX - COL \(CBS\) - Columbia, SC](#)
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News 19 Friends @ 5 (News)

... to be able to use the money they get from FEMA to be able to put deposits down on apartments. to be able to lock at affordable ...



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WYFF News 4 @ 5:30pm (News)

... center are filming and editing the inman community fire department got a grant from FEMA to make this happen. >> we involve students, and the fire department needs new members, wgabrielle: some of the students ...



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[FEMA. on WLTX - COL \(CBS\) - Columbia, SC](#)
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News 19 @ 6 (News)

... have to be able to use the money that they get from FEMA to be able to put deposits down on apartments and being able to look at affordable apartments. >> ...



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[FEMA. on WIS - COL \(NBC\) - Columbia, SC](#)

11/04/2015 18:08:43

WIS News 10 at 6:00 (News)

... they didn't need to find it. i needed them to be able to see FEMA and the sba and dss and the housing authority. i also needed them to see the salvation ...



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[FEMA. on WIS - COL \(NBC\) - Columbia, SC](#)

11/04/2015 18:09:54

WIS News 10 at 6:00 (News)

... to be?' and every year we improved upon it. we brought FEMA in one year, we had the counties play it out for something that had never happened. and when this did happen, ...



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[FEMA. on WCSC-CHS \(CBS\) - Charleston, SC](#)

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Live 5 News at 6 (News)

... 28 counties in the palmetto state are eligible for FEMA assistance. if you live in one of these counties -- you can apply ...



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[FEMA on WLTX - COL \(CBS\) - Columbia, SC](#)

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News 19 @ 7 (News)

... ry cgaenylteorr d ispa ork community center. jefferson johnson says the town worked with FEMA to position them where they need it most. >> most of the time i do not have all the answers for them. since FEMA wanted to come down, ...



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[FEMA on WLTX - COL \(CBS\) - Columbia, SC](#)

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News 19 @ 7 (News)

... >> reporter: colby gallagher, news19. >> FEMA representatives say they have a list of organizations they connect residents with. there are plenty of different ...



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[FEMA on WLTX - COL \(CBS\) - Columbia, SC](#)

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News 19 @ 7 (News)

... you answers coming up. we have a representative from a math -- from FEMA. >>> chaotic mornings. tomorrow help for the stressful mom or dad. >>> holiday shopping . ..



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FEMA on WLTX - COL (CBS) - Columbia, SC

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News 19 @ 7 (News)

... in for being here. first questions, we will start with FEMA. and viewers said, we need to be rehomed that FEMA has turned us down to times but told us we have to get out of the house. ...



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FEMA on WLTX - COL (CBS) - Columbia, SC

11/04/2015 19:13:03

News 19 @ 7 (News)

... it may be something as little as the governor had stated. >> we have some FEMA information. you need to register by december 4. we help most of you have done at this by now. ...



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FEMA on WLTX - COL (CBS) - Columbia, SC

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News 19 @ 7 (News)

... FEMA, how can you help them? >> first of all, they don't have to be denied by FEMA to come with us. when they registered with FEMA, it is possible they were also referred to us. ...



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FEMA. on WLTX - COL (CBS) - Columbia, SC

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News 19 @ 7 (News)

... doing during that major incident response. we are working with FEMA and all of the state agencies to make sure that they have the resources they need in the recovery. ...



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FEMA. on WFXB (FOX) - Myrtle Beach, SC

11/04/2015 22:07:27

FOX News at Ten (News)

... more than 36-hundred people have registered for federal assistance through FEMA and more than 4-point-7 million dollars in federal assistance has been paid to county citizens. road repair costs expected ...



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FEMA. on WTAT-CHS (FOX) - Charleston, SC

11/04/2015 22:39:46

News at 10 (News)

... 28 counties in the palmetto state are eligible for FEMA assistance. if you live in one of these counties -- you can apply ...



FEMA. on WLTX - COL (CBS) - Columbia, SC

11/04/2015 23:01:30

News 19 @ 11 (News)

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... the state. >> many have registered for help with FEMA but if you still need to know what to do, lauren thomas has that information. >> reporter: damage from the flood water have left many ...



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FEMA on WTOC-SAV (CBS) - Savannah, GA

11/04/2015 23:14:07
WTOC News at 11P (News)

... nikki haley: "i needed them to be able to see FEMA and the sba and dss and the housing authority. i also needed them to see the salvation ...



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FEMA on WLTX - COL (CBS) - Columbia, SC

11/05/2015 01:38:12
News 19 @ 11 (News)

... the state. >> many have registered for help with FEMA but if you still need to know what to do, lauren thomas has that information. >> reporter: damage from the flood water have left many ...



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FEMA. on WCBF-CHS (NBC) - Charleston, SC

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News 2 Today at 4:30AM (News)

... maybank highway. south carolina emergency management... and FEMA are among agencies available to answer your questions. historic flooding stranded west ashley neighbors in their homes ...



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FEMA on WIS - COL (NBC) - Columbia, SC

11/05/2015 05:04:44
WIS News 10 Sunrise (News)

... south carolina. members of emergency management, FEMA, and scdot will give presentations to the full house ways and means committee today on the potential price tag and needs for recovery. ...



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FEMA. on WLTX - COL (CBS) - Columbia, SC

11/05/2015 05:06:14
News 19 @ 5am (News)

... at the center.once there you'll be able to speak with FEMA and the small business administration. daniel paulette-the dsa teams, survivor assistance reaching out want to have a sent to, to ...



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FEMA on WMBF (NBC) - Myrtle Beach, SC

11/05/2015 05:10:07
WMBF News Today at 5 am (News)

... need to find it. i needed them to be able to see FEMA and the sba and dss and the housing authority. i also needed them to see the salvation army and the american red cross and harvest ...



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FEMA on WCBD-CHS (NBC) - Charleston, SC

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News 2 Today (News)

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FEMA on WYFF (NBC) - Greenville, SC

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WYFF News 4 @ 5am (News)

... the video. the inman community fire department got a grant from FEMA to make this happen. the goal is to promote fire safety and recruit new volunteer firefighters. ...



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FEMA on WIS - COL (NBC) - Columbia, SC

11/05/2015 06:06:25

WIS News 10 Sunrise (News)

... income. dss says you can bring anything from FEMA paperwork to a contractor's bid to prove damage. here are additional location ...



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FEMA on WLTX - COL (CBS) - Columbia, SC

11/05/2015 06:07:58

News 19 @ 6am (News)

... the resources available. the mayor says the town worked with FEMA to position them in a place where people needed to most. >> when it first started out, most of the time i didn't have ...



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FEMA. on WLTX - COL (CBS) - Columbia, SC

11/05/2015 06:09:03

News 19 @ 6am (News)

... >> reporter: colby gallagher, news 19. >> FEMA representatives have a list of local organizations that can connect residents with the help that they need. ...



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FEMA. on WCBD-CHS (NBC) - Charleston, SC

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News 2 Today (News)

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FEMA on WLTX - COL (CBS) - Columbia, SC

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News 19 @ 6am (News)

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... community center. once there you will be able to speak with FEMA and the small business administration. >> when the dsa teams, the disaster survivor assistance teams, are reaching out to ...
