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**To:** Schimsa, RebeccaRebeccaSchimsa@gov.sc.gov  
**Date:** 12/12/2016 2:51:14 PM  
**Subject:** Fwd: Marine Debris Removal in Beaufort County

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Can you look at this?

Richele K Taylor  
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Office of the Governor  
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Direct 803-734-8465

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Keaveny, Thomas" <tkeaveny@bcgov.net>  
Date: December 12, 2016 at 2:46:57 PM EST  
To: "Taylor, Richele" <RicheleTaylor@gov.sc.gov>  
Cc: "matthew@marksanford.com" <matthew@marksanford.com>  
Subject: FW: Marine Debris Removal in Beaufort County

**Richele:**

I am forwarding an email I sent out a few minutes ago to EMD. FEMA says removal of marine debris isn't covered under its program. The state says marine debris removal isn't its responsibility even though the debris is clearly on the public tidelands.

We are at our wits end. Any help you can provide will be greatly appreciated.

Tom

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From: Keaveny, Thomas  
Sent: Monday, December 12, 2016 2:13 PM  
To: 'Maynard, Danielle'  
Cc: Maxey, Cynthia; 'chipcampsen@scsenate.gov'; 'tomdavis@scsenate.gov'; 'margiebrightmatthews@scsenate.gov'; 'BillHerbkersman@schouse.gov'; 'BillBowers@schouse.gov'; 'jeffbradley@schouse.gov'; 'shannonerickson@schouse.gov'; 'Weston Newton'; Sommerville, Paul; Kubic, Gary; Gruber, Joshua; Larson, Eric; Minor, Jim; McFee, Robert; Thomas, Dave; Coppage, Allison  
Subject: RE: Marine Debris Removal in Beaufort County  
Importance: High

Danielle:

Thank you for letting me know the results of the conference call which you, Elizabeth Ryan and Darrell Dotson (all on behalf of EMD) had last week with chief legal counsel both DNR and DHEC. I understand both agencies deny having the legal authority, responsibility or ability to remove Hurricane Matthew marine debris which remains in the marshes and tidelands of Beaufort County. I look forward to hearing the results of this week's call the purpose of which is to let EMD know whether the directors of those agencies will allow their counsel to put in writing the bases for their position.

In the meantime, Beaufort County will continue moving forward in its efforts to protect the health, safety and welfare of its citizens, residents and visitors.

Tom

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From: Maynard, Danielle [<mailto:dmaynard@emd.sc.gov>]  
Sent: Monday, December 12, 2016 12:54 PM  
To: Keaveny, Thomas  
Subject: FW: Marine Debris Removal

Tom:

I called and left you a message on Friday. Can you call me at your earliest convenience? Cell is best – 8036672180.

*Danielle*

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From: Ryan, Elizabeth  
Sent: Monday, December 12, 2016 11:57 AM  
To: Maynard, Danielle <[dmaynard@emd.sc.gov](mailto:dmaynard@emd.sc.gov)>  
Cc: Darrell Dotson <[darrell.dotson@mb3online.com](mailto:darrell.dotson@mb3online.com)>  
Subject: FW: Marine Debris Removal

Can you please call him?

Elizabeth Ryan  
803-201-3739

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From: Keaveny, Thomas [<mailto:tkeaveny@bcgov.net>]  
Sent: Monday, December 12, 2016 11:55 AM  
To: Ryan, Elizabeth <[eryan@emd.sc.gov](mailto:eryan@emd.sc.gov)>; 'darrell.dotson@mb3online.com' <[darrell.dotson@mb3online.com](mailto:darrell.dotson@mb3online.com)>  
Cc: Kubic, Gary <[gkubic@bcgov.net](mailto:gkubic@bcgov.net)>; Gruber, Joshua <[jgruber@bcgov.net](mailto:jgruber@bcgov.net)>; Larson, Eric <[elarson@bcgov.net](mailto:elarson@bcgov.net)>; Minor, Jim <[jminor@bcgov.net](mailto:jminor@bcgov.net)>; Wilhelm, David <[dwilhelm@bcgov.net](mailto:dwilhelm@bcgov.net)>; McFee, Robert <[rmcfee@bcgov.net](mailto:rmcfee@bcgov.net)>  
Subject: FW: Marine Debris Removal

**Elizabeth and Darrell:**

I'm forwarding an email I received this morning from the County Administrator's assistant. Apparently, our Legislative Delegation is beginning to get concerned about the lack of activity on marine debris removal. We look forward to hearing the results of your meeting with DNR and DHEC last Friday.

Tom

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From: Harris, Cheryl  
Sent: Monday, December 12, 2016 11:35 AM  
To: Keaveny, Thomas  
Subject: FW: Marine Debris Removal

Thanks!

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From: Harris, Cheryl  
Sent: Monday, December 12, 2016 11:17 AM  
To: Larson, Eric; Minor, Jim  
Cc: Allen, Melissa; Joshua Gruber; Gary Kubic  
Subject: FW: Marine Debris Removal

Good morning,

Please see email below.

Thanks!

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From: Maxey, Cynthia  
Sent: Monday, December 12, 2016 11:03 AM  
To: Kubic, Gary; Gruber, Joshua  
Cc: Harris, Cheryl  
Subject: Marine Debris Removal

Dear Mr. Kubic and Mr. Gruber:

Our office as well as the County has had numerous calls concerning marine debris removal from the waterways. Representatives Erickson and Newton have asked that I get an update from the SC Department of Natural Resources. Captain Gentry Thames, SC DNR said that an aerial assessment was done and DNR, U.S. Coast Guard, SC EMD and other county officials are working together to determine a process for debris removal on the waters.

Please let me know if you have any further information on this issue that I may provide to the citizens of Beaufort County. If there is anything our office can do to assist, please let me know and I will try to accommodate.

Thank you,

*Cynthia L. Maxey*  
*Delegation Liaison*

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