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Subject: Re: Georgetown

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Got her via cell. She had more questions about the process of requesting state assistance, I explained that we're working closely with Georgetown and getting updates from Santee Cooper. No requests for state assistance but we stand ready to respond if there are.

She now has my cell and can call me directly if she has any follow-ups.

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"Adams, Chaney" <ChaneyAdams@gov.sc.gov> wrote:

DB, here is her cell number 843-798-8050 as well.

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From: Becker, Derrec [mailto:DBecker@emd.sc.gov]  
Sent: Thursday, January 07, 2016 4:16 PM  
To: Adams, Chaney  
Cc: Godfrey, Rob; Stenson, Kim  
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Just tried calling her... Got voicemail, left a message stressing that while there have been no requests for state assistance, we monitoring the situation and getting regular updates from Georgetown County Emergency Management and Santee Cooper. Will try her again in a few.

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"Adams, Chaney" <ChaneyAdams@gov.sc.gov> wrote:

Derrec,

Here are the questions from the Georgetown Times and the info Elizabeth provided is below them.

Thanks!

After visiting with the residents in the Santee community of Georgetown County last night, I would like the Governor to speak to the following questions:

Is the Governor aware of the current flooding situation in Georgetown County due to controlled releases from Santee Cooper's dam and dike systems upriver?

Has anyone from Georgetown County, Santee Cooper or SCDOT contacted the Governor to inform her of the situation?

Why is so much water being diverted down the Santee River, and not being diverted to other waterways?

Some residents are experiencing worse flooding conditions than the Oct. flooding. What measures will the Governor take to help these residents recover from this manmade flood, and what immediate help can she arrange for them?

Is the Governor open to taking a tour of the area and inspecting the flood damage personally? If so, when will that take place?

As I said, we are on deadline, and need the answers to these questions as soon as possible,

Thanks so much,  
Eileen Keithly  
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South Strand News  
843-546-4148 ext.243

Info From Elizabeth:

Here is an update on the ongoing flooding in Georgetown County.

- All operations are being handled by Georgetown County. Assistance from the State has not been requested.
- County is has conducted outreach to citizens including reverse 911 notifications and offers to provide sandbags
- Santee Cooper continues to reduce outflow on the spillway into the Santee River. Anticipation is that water levels in the river have peaked.
- No evacuations have occurred, but the American Red Cross continues to stand ready to open shelters if needed.
- Water levels have increased in the Big Dam Swamp area, but should be stabilizing soon since the outflow at the dam has been reduced.
- Below is a list of the current road closures in Georgetown currently:
  - Crow Hill
  - Corner Loop
  - End of Harris Landing on Tee Dr.
  - 17A close to 41
  - Rustwood off Corner Loop
  - Powell Road is passable put signs and barricades on site but pushed off to the side