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This is an example of the updates that have been going out to the AAAs and applicable LGOA staff from our office daily during the storm. Just wanted to forward to you before this afternoon's call.

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Good morning.

Thank you to (almost) everyone for submitting your regional reports yesterday. We will also need a separate report for today (if you have not submitted it already) by the close of business so that we have an idea of the storm's impact(s) in your area and so that we can relay any concerns on a statewide level.

What is left of Irma, now a post-tropical cyclone, has thankfully moved out of South Carolina. Some shelters remain open, but most are trying to assist any occupants (either by providing transportation options back to residences or working with the power companies to prioritize electricity restoration, especially to those who have special needs) so that they may close. LGOA staff has been on conference calls this morning having common themes... power outages, scattered shallow-root trees down, wind damage, and some coastal flooding and elevated river levels. Another high tide is expected near 1:00p / 1:30p; this will mainly impact the Charleston and Hilton Head Island areas. Many areas are still without power, but companies are working diligently to restore services.

The Governor has lifted evacuation orders. Hilton Head Island, Daufuskie, and all of Jasper are open. However, local officials will be restricting access to Edisto Beach, Hunting, Fripp, and Harbor Islands. As people return, it is important to note any road closures and/or detours. www.511sc.org has traffic cameras and a map to help monitor traffic conditions, and <http://dbw.scdot.org/RoadConditions/> lists road conditions and closures by county.

Lastly, the LGOA would like to host a conference call with the regions at 2:00p today. County emergency officials are currently working to assess any damage, and I know many of you are, as well. So, we want to give you ample time to communicate with them, as well as determine any needs in your area before our call.

- **Dial-in Number: 712-770-8007**
- **Access Code: 477444**

Thanks to everyone for your continued help and cooperation.

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P.S. – On a related note, I have also included the forecast on Hurricane Jose below. Some forecasters are predicting it will turn back out to sea, but it simply remains too early to tell. The LGOA will continue to send out updates.

From: SCDNR [<mailto:SCDNR@public.govdelivery.com>]
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Subject: Hurricane Jose - 12 SEP



Good Morning,

Hurricane Jose, Wrong-way Jose, is 740 miles ESE of Charleston this morning, limping east at 5 mph. Jose's maximum sustained winds are 75 mph and that may be generous given the unfriendly environment the cyclone finds itself in; somewhat akin to Paris, the one in France. Jose has an asymmetric circulation with the center of circulation displaced to the north, obscured by cloud. Good outflow can be seen to the south of the hurricane indicating the northerly shear dogging Jose.

The track forecast scenario remain essentially the same as yesterday albeit shifted slightly north and east. The official NHC track has shifted east on each of the last 3 advisories. Later today Jose begins a slow course reversal back to the west heading by Friday. Jose is caught under a large upper level ridge that has been amplified by Irma and should keep Jose spinning to the northeast this weekend; good left drift for the coastal Prudent Mariners. Beyond the NHC 5-day forecast provided below, the model consensus shifts the track to the northeast towards – see paragraph one. Again, as with Irma, these northerly track shifts are irritatingly slow and fraught with apparent peril (much like UCONN football); however, this may not be the case.

Do tell.

Here goes, not only is Jose tracking over its cool sea surface wake, the latest model runs are showing Jose in an environment of persistent shear. This shear is all over and around Jose, pardon the technical jargon, like a monkey on a cupcake. The US GFS and Euro ECMWF suggest this persistent shear could weaken Jose to a depression or remnant low late this weekend during the slow Franceward turn. Still much too early to prudently declare game over. The Prudent Mariner abides.



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