



News Release

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Cumberland County Hurricane Irene Update

FAYETTEVILLE, NC – Cumberland County opened its Emergency Operations Center at 8 a.m. Friday morning and county emergency management officials will be monitoring conditions caused by Hurricane Irene throughout the night. Emergency Services Director Kenny Currie called it a limited EOC activation.

- **Landfill to close Saturday:** Due to the expected high winds from the storm, the Ann Street Landfill will be closed on Saturday. At this time, all other Solid Waste convenience centers and the Wilkes Road Household Hazardous Waste Facility will be open for normal business hours.
- **Emergency Alerts:** The County has a new emergency notification system that will send out alerts to the public. Citizens can sign up for the service through the county's website, www.co.cumberland.nc.us, and follow the [link](#) to the "CodeRED Community Notification Enrollment" page to ensure that their contact information is updated and included in the database.
- **Be Prepared:** Citizens are reminded to secure items such as outdoor furniture that may be blown by high winds and to have water, food and other supplies on hand in case of power outages.
- **Be Safe:** Should flooding occur, do not drive through standing water. If you come to a flooded area, turn around and go another way. If your car stalls, abandon it immediately and climb to high ground.
- **Phone numbers:**
 - For emergencies, call 911.
 - For routine or non-emergency questions, call the EOC at 677-5509.
 - City of Fayetteville citizens can call 433-1FAY (1329) or log onto www.1FAY.com to report clogged storm drains and debris in roadways.

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- To report power outages, call the appropriate power company:
 - PWC: 1-877-687-7921
 - South River EMC: 910-483-1010
 - Progress Energy: 1-800-419-6356
 - Lumbee River EMC: 1-800-683-5571 or 910-843-4131

For more information, visit the County's website at www.co.cumberland.nc.us or follow updates on facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/CumberlandNC> and Twitter.