



News Release



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Additional Person Located, Agriculture Hotline, School Closure

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FAYETTEVILLE, N.C. – Emergency crews throughout Cumberland County are transitioning to a recovery mode of operations since floodwaters have begun to recede. Our initial plan is to begin damage assessment activities to fully understand and evaluate the impact of Hurricane Matthew in the City and County.

Missing Persons Update:

Fayetteville Police Department has confirmed that Ms. Christy Woods, the last of two people reported as missing after Hurricane Matthew, has been located and is safe.

We currently have no other reports of missing persons related to Hurricane Matthew.

The Cumberland County Sheriff's Office will advise whether or not the fatality located in the northeastern portion of Cumberland County is storm related upon completion of their investigation.

Water Distribution Points/Additional Location Added:

Residents can still go to the following locations to pick up free water provided by emergency management officials. An additional location has been added at J.S. Spivey Recreation Center.

- Walmart, 670 Lillington Hwy in Spring Lake
- Walmart, 3030 N. Main Street, Hope Mills
- Walmart, 7701 S. Raeford Rd., Fayetteville
- J.W. Seabrook Elementary School, 4619 NC HWY 210 S, Fayetteville
- District 7 Elementary School, 5721 Smithfield Rd., Wade
- J.S. Spivey Recreation Center, 500 Fisher Street, Fayetteville

Cumberland County Schools Closed:

Cumberland County Schools will remain closed for the rest of the week.

Agricultural Emergency Hotline:

The NC Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services has activated its toll-free hotline to help farmers affected by Hurricane Matthew connect with resources that can assist with recovery. Farmers who have an agricultural emergency can call 1-888-645-9403.

The Cumberland County Cooperative Extension Center and the Federal Farm Services office are closed until Thursday.

Election Precinct Official Training:

The Board of Elections has cancelled training scheduled for this afternoon and tomorrow for precinct officials.

Court Cases:

All court cases affected by the closing of court offices until Thursday, Oct. 13, will be rescheduled by the court system. Notices will be mailed to the address listed on the paperwork. Parties should not call the Clerk of Court's office unless they do not receive a notice within two weeks. If represented by counsel, they should contact their attorney.

Media should call the Joint Information Center at 910-437-1880 or 910-321-6676 for media queries.

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