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County Schedules Resilient Redevelopment Plan Meetings

FAYETTEVILLE – Cumberland County will hold public meetings March 29 and April 12 to gather input for the county’s Resilient Redevelopment Plan in response to the effects of Hurricane Matthew. Both meetings will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Cooperative Extension auditorium in the Charlie Rose Agri-Expo Center, 301 E. Mountain Dr. All interested citizens are encouraged to attend.

The Resilient Redevelopment Plan is part of a program initiated by the N.C. General Assembly under the 2016 Disaster Recovery Act to look at unmet needs and project areas related to housing, infrastructure, economic development and the environment. The first public meeting was held March 1.

The Resilient Redevelopment planning process is designed to assist communities affected by the disaster with recovery by developing mid-term strategic action plans that will categorize relevant unmet needs, investigate funding channels and address any legal requirements and/or constraints.

The plans from the various counties will provide the foundation for the state’s Recovery Action Plan, which is required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development before the state can expend the funding it received from the Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Relief (CDBG-DR) program. Final plans will be submitted to the General Assembly by May 1.

The state hired consultants from the Atkins Group to coordinate and assist local efforts in developing the plan.

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