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County Seeks Public Input for Resilient Redevelopment Plan

FAYETTEVILLE – Cumberland County is developing a Resilient Redevelopment Plan in response to the effects of Hurricane Matthew. The planning process, which is part of a program initiated by the N.C. General Assembly under the 2016 Disaster Recovery Act, will look at unmet needs and project areas related to housing, infrastructure, economic development and the environment.

As part of the planning process, the public is invited to share ideas and discuss unmet needs on March 1 at 6:30 p.m. in the Cooperative Extension auditorium at the Charlie Rose Agri-Expo Center at 301 E. Mountain Drive. All interested citizens are encouraged to attend.

The 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.

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

For more information, contact Cumberland County Emergency Management Coordinator Gene Booth at 910-678-7641.

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