Charleston County Severe Weather Update #18

Charleston County Government's Emergency Operations Center moved to Operational Condition 3 (OPCON 3) status at 2:00 p.m. Charleston County Emergency Management continues to ask citizens living near the Edisto and Santee rivers to closely monitor river levels.

For definitions of all OPCON levels, visit our site here:
http://www.charlestoncounty.org/departments/emergency-management/opcon.php.

The Citizen Information Line (843-746-3900) will not be staffed from 6 p.m. to 8 a.m. However, citizens can leave a voicemail and their calls will be returned the following day. If you have an emergency, please dial 9-1-1.

Road closure information can be found on the S.C. Department of Transportation website
http://www.scdot.org/getting/StormResources.aspx or by calling 5-1-1.

Debris Pick-up

Charleston County will begin vegetative debris hauling on Monday October 12, starting with the northern part of Johns Island. An additional pickup date will be scheduled for residents who are unable to get material to the edge of the road by Monday. The County will also contract hauling companies to remove bulk / household items damaged by flooding including furniture, carpeting and other building materials. Hauling for that material will begin in the next few days and information on pickup dates for impacted neighborhoods will be forthcoming. Please see attachment for specifics and how to separate the debris

Damage Assistance

Charleston County has deployed 75 employees during the past week to conduct damage assessments at locations throughout un-incorporated Charleston County and various contract jurisdictions.

Early registration is open for the State of South Carolina for flood damage, according to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

Currently, Charleston, Berkeley, Dorchester, Georgetown, Horry, Lexington, Orangeburg, Richland, Calhoun, Darlington, Florence, Kershaw and Lee and Williamsburg counties are on the list of eligible counties for federal declaration for Individual Assistance. This list may later include other counties based on damage assessment reports. If your county is on the current list, you may go ahead and complete an application now. Please visit the FEMA website listed below and apply online to start your application.

- http://www.disasterassistance.gov
- 800-621-3362

Si sufrió daños causados por las inundaciones, puede solicitar asistencia con FEMA aqui:

- http://www.disasterassistance.gov/es
- 800-621-3362

Those without Internet access, Charleston County Public Libraries have computers with Internet access that may be utilized. A local disaster recovery center will be opened at a later date. More information will be provided about this as it becomes available.

Library Branches:

The West Ashley and Poe/Sullivan's Island library branches received water damage from the rain and extreme flooding and are closed for cleanup and repair. CCPL's other 14 branches reopened Tuesday, October 6.

WEST ASHLEY BRANCH (South Windermere)

The West Ashley Branch will reopen Monday, October 12 at 10 a.m. If a customer had a hold request and was notified the item was being transferred to the St. Andrews Regional Library, those items will remain at St. Andrews for pick up. All other holds for West Ashley will be available at that branch Monday afternoon.

POE/SULLIVAN'S ISLAND BRANCH

Cleanup and repair will continue into early next week, and the branch is expected to reopen Thursday, October 15. In the meantime, hold requests scheduled for pick up at Poe/Sullivan's Island are available at the Mt. Pleasant Regional Library.

Programs are cancelled and book drops are locked at both branches while they are closed. Customers can return materials to any of the other CCPL locations.