



TOWN OF OCEAN RIDGE

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Town Hurricane Event Media & Resident Release:
Sunday, September 10, 2017 at 1:00 PM

Ocean Ridge Hurricane Irma Update #5

Hurricane Warning in effect over entire area: Ocean Ridge is currently experiencing sustained tropical storm effects with rising surf over abnormally high tides. Police & Public Works personnel are working as conditions allow for safe responses. The 11:00 AM NWS update indicated the storm track slighter closer to us. Hurricane level conditions are expected here in the next 5-18 hours. Anticipate heavy rainfall arriving in feeder bands, local flooding, tornadoes and frequent damaging microbursts. Tidal surge wash-overs are increasing as high tide approaches and conditions continue to deteriorate this afternoon. Several trees/limbs and power lines have come down. PD/PW staff is clearing dangerous situations as possible. Conditions continue to deteriorate into this evening. Full Curfews remain in effect, no one should be out and about on the Island.

Mandatory PB County-wide Curfew (initiated 9/9) remains in FULL effect through at least Monday AM 9/11, until further assessed by local Law Enforcement. Mandatory Evacuation of Barrier Islands, Zones A & B and low lying areas remain in effect. Significant tidal surge, waves and dune wash-overs are of concern, as well as downed powerlines, trees and flying debris. TOR PD will assess residential return at event's end.

Town Hall remains CLOSED through Monday, Sept. 11th

- Public Safety response operations will continue as long as safe conditions apply.
- A mandatory evacuation is in full effect and being strictly enforced by Town PD.
- All town meetings originally to be held on Monday, Sept. 11th, are being rescheduled.
- All building inspections, permits and administrative services are NOT available until Town Hall reopening, which will be determined as conditions warrant.
- Updates posted as significant change occurs. Visit our town website, social media Twitter & NextDoor, or our recorded Citizen Information Line: 738-ORFL (6735).
- Additional information: PBC Emergency Management at 561-712-6400; Ocean Ridge Town Hall at 561-732-2635 (recorded), or TOR Police Department at 561-732-8331.

Monitor local media outlets and the official Municipal, County & State updates for latest information on Hurricane Irma. Barrier Island coastal zones remain under mandatory evacuation orders, and countywide curfew until further notice, any change will be posted.

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Ocean Ridge Police Department