



TOWN OF OCEAN RIDGE

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Town Hurricane Event Media & Resident Release:

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Ocean Ridge Hurricane Irma Update #9

Ocean Ridge is undergoing rapid recovery and restoration efforts from widespread damages caused by Hurricane Irma. About 50% plus of the Town's power grid is restored, though large sections of Town are still undergoing repair. FPL, Comcast, AT&T and other providers are actively working on the full restoration of the power/communications infrastructure. Town staff, emergency service providers and governmental partners are all working non-stop to return things to normal.

Important things to remember:

- DO NOT cover stormdrains or critical infrastructure with trimming or debris piles. Also be sure to separate household trash from landscape trimmings, and construction/demolition debris.
- Private (gated) communities must place bulk (storm debris) outside gate areas to be collected, separate protocols exist for bulk storm debris than from household trash and recycling.
- Dangerous: Power lines that are still down and may be "hot" (electrified), everyone should take extreme caution when clearing yard and street debris, or pulling limbs from trees.
- Watch for sharp objects embedded in debris or standing water situations where downed lines or hidden hazards may exist.
- All curfews previously in place have been lifted by County & Municipal Law Enforcement.
- Town Hall is open for regular business hours as of Tuesday 9/12.
- Rescheduled Town Meetings: 1st Public Budget Hearing & Regular Commission (RTCM) meeting is Tuesday, September 19th. The 2nd Public Budget Hearing & Special Town Commission (STCM) meeting for 2nd Read Ordinances is set for Tuesday, September 26th. Check our website for specific times and agenda package materials as posted.
- City and county beach parks are reopening as cleared of debris and deemed safe.
- Regular Building inspections, permits and administrative services are available from Town Hall, however emergency storm response takes precedence. Town Building Officials have surveyed and determined Emergency Permits are not needed in the Town at this time.
- 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.

Police, Public Works, all town staff and town contractors are working non-stop intent on returning the town to normal service levels as soon as possible. We appreciate everyone's cooperation and patience in the aftermath of this unprecedented event.

James Titcomb
Town Manager

Chief Hal Hutchins
Ocean Ridge Police Department