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## Flooding and Road Closures September 6, 2019 9:15 AM

Carteret County, NC – Inclement weather due to Hurricane Dorian continues to move through our County at this time. County Emergency Management officials encourage citizens to heed warnings to shelter in place.

If flooding is experienced:

- Do not walk, swim, or drive through flood waters. Just six inches of fast-moving water can knock you down, and one foot of moving water can sweep your vehicle away.
- If encountering flooded roadways in your vehicle, be sure to turn around. Do not drown.
- Hazardous chemicals, sharp objects, such as glass or metal fragments may be swept up in flood waters and cause injury.
- Stay off bridges over fast moving water.
- Flooding can cause septic systems to function improperly and it may take days for your system to return to normal. Septic tanks contain waste, and can cause illness if individuals are exposed to sewage found in septic tanks and flood waters.

Emergency Management officials expect conditions to improve quickly as Hurricane Dorian moves out of our area; however, citizens are encouraged to stay off of the roads to allow damage assessment to take place. To check road and bridge closures and updated press releases, citizens and visitors can access WebEOC: <https://carteret.emcommunity.com>.

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