

GLOUCESTER COUNTY



EMERGENCY INFORMATION ANNOUNCEMENT # 1

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

DATE: Friday, September 2, 2016

TIME: 11:45 a.m.

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TROPICAL STORM HERMINE TO IMPACT AREA

Gloucester County emergency management officials are closely monitoring Tropical Storm Hermine as it progresses towards the Mid-Atlantic area.

Forecasts are for 2-4" of rain with potential for flooding, winds E/NE 30-35 with gusts up to 50 mph and tidal surge in the lower bay and the York and James rivers. Moderate and above average coastal flooding is expected during the high tide cycles. At Gloucester Point, high tide will occur at 11:20 a.m. on Saturday and is predicted to be 2.5 to 3.5 feet above normal high tide.

Residents in low-lying areas, that flood or have flooded in past storms, are highly encouraged to take necessary steps now to plan and prepare for potential flooding and secure property, boats and move vehicles, if necessary.

Local emergency services officials will continue to monitor the progress of the storm and potential impact to our area and provide storm updates and emergency announcements. Residents are encouraged to monitor the storm and listen to local radio and television stations for official bulletins and information. Preparedness information may be found on the county's website at www.gloucesterva.info.

Please do not call 911 or the Sheriff's Office for storm information, as these lines are needed for actual emergencies. An emergency phone helpline will be activated if needed to provide local emergency information and special instructions.

End of Announcement