

Hurricane Matthew Preparations

October 10, 2016 Update (4 p.m.):

As part of our ongoing response and recovery efforts, DHEC has taken the following actions (updated at 4 p.m. on 10/10/2016):

Boil Water Advisories:

As of 1 p.m. on Oct. 10, 2016, **24 [boil water advisories](#) or notices have been reported** to DHEC.

[Click here](#) for a list of the latest boil water notices and advisories. *(Please contact your local service provider for more information.)*

Private Wells:

If a resident's private well has been flooded, it needs to be disinfected and tested after flood waters recede.

DHEC has established a hotline (**803-898-4312**) to answer questions and get information about well sampling and testing. More information also is available [here](#).

Special Medical Needs Shelters:

DHEC is operating [Special Medical Needs Shelters](#) to provide shelter for people whose medical conditions exceed the capabilities of the Red Cross shelters, but are not severe enough to require a hospital stay. We do not provide health care services in these shelters. *(Note: If you think you may need this type of shelter, please call DHEC at 1-800-868-0404.)*

The following shelters are currently open:

- Colleton Medical Center - Colleton (501 Robertson Blvd, Walterboro)
- Health South - Charleston (9181 Medcon Street, Charleston)
- Carolinas Hospital System - Marion (2829 US Hwy 76, Mullins)
- Palmetto Health Tuomey (129 North Washington St., Sumter)
- Carolinas Hospital System – Florence (805 Pamplico Hwy, Florence)
- Lake City Community Hospital (258 N Ron McNair Blvd, Lake City)

Health Care Facilities:

Governor Nikki Haley has lifted the Mandatory Medical Evacuation Order for all health care facilities.

Prior to storm, 127 health care facilities had evacuated.

Dams:

If you have a concern about a dam that may have been impacted by the storm, please call DHEC at **803-898-4312**.

As of 10 a.m. on Oct. 10, 2016, **DHEC and the Army Corps of Engineers had conducted 161 post-storm assessments of dams** in areas impacted by the storm. As of Monday morning, there were **seven confirmed breached dams** (4 regulated, 3 unregulated). They include:

- A low-hazard dam in Dillon County, **Little Pee Dee State Park Dam**.
- A significant-hazard dam in Dillon County, **Flowers Pond Dam**.
- A significant-hazard dam in Clarendon County, **Lakewood Pond Dam**. This dam was previously under an [emergency order](#) as a result of the October 2015 floods.
- A significant-hazard dam in Horry County, **Graham Pond Dam**.
- An unregulated dam near Andrews Mill Road in Darlington County.
- An unregulated dam on Baywater Drive (near Durham Road) in Lexington County.
- An unregulated dam, Hardy Lake Dam, in Dillon County.

Additionally, DHEC is monitoring **two additional at-risk dams**:

- A significant-hazard dam in Marion County, **Baxley 501 Pond Dam**.
- A significant-hazard dam in Florence County, **Oakdale Dam**.

What the regulated dam classifications mean:

- *High-hazard – Failure may cause loss of life or serious damage to infrastructure.*
- *Significant-hazard – Failure will not likely cause loss of life but may damage infrastructure.*
- *Low-hazard – Failure may cause limited property damage.*

Coastal Resources:

Prior to the storm, DHEC issued blanket emergency orders to local governments to allow property owners along the immediate beachfront to conduct sand scraping or install sandbags to provide temporary protection from anticipated wave uprush from the storm.

DHEC has asked local governments along the coast to provide updates on beachfront erosion and damage through our [MYCoast application](#).