



## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **Wayne County under a Flood Emergency and High Wind Warning *Forecast Update***

Wayne County, NC - Hurricane Matthew is currently a Category 1 Hurricane with max sustained winds of 75 mph moving NE at 12 mph. Wayne County is currently under a Flood Emergency and under a High Winds Warning. Wayne County is expecting the worst high winds and heavy rains today between 4 pm and 11 pm. Wayne County area should expect tropical force winds around 28-38 mph with wind gust up to 55 mph according to the National Weather Service.

Currently, there are multiple roads inundated with water in Wayne County. Law enforcement and City and County crews are out monitoring roadways and assessing situations. Please visit [www.waynegov.com](http://www.waynegov.com), Facebook, and Twitter to view the current road closures. We strongly advise residents to stay off the roads especially as it starts to get dark. If you come upon a roadway covered with water, please do not drive thru remember "Turn Around Don't Drown."

Shelters are open for anyone who feels they need to utilize them: Spring Creek High School, 4340 Indian Springs Road, Seven Springs, NC 28578, North Drive Elementary School, 1108 North Drive, Goldsboro, NC 27534, Carver Elementary, 400 Old Seven Springs Road, Mount Olive, NC 28365

The next weather update will be around 6 pm. If you have any questions or concerns about Hurricane Matthew, contact the EOC at 919-705-6599.

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