



PRESS RELEASE

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Rumor Control – To Be Clear

Wayne County, NC – We have received numerous calls and questions about misinformation and rumors about three important topics: mandatory evacuations a breach in Falls Lake Dam and the Dam in Smithfield. All these rumors are **NOT TRUE**. There is no mandatory evacuations, no breach in Falls Lake Dam or the Dam in Smithfield. Below is the most recent and accurate update.

Neuse River Update:

At the most recent update from the National Weather Service county officials has been told to prepare for the historical level of flooding on Neuse River within the next 12-18 hours. We expect the flood waters to continue throughout the week.

Emergency Personnel is going door to door notifying residents in the **affected areas** that they need to evacuate voluntarily. It is **URGENT** if you are told that you need to evacuate voluntarily to heed emergency personnel's direction.

If you have not been notified by emergency personnel, then you are not in the affected areas.

Falls Lake Dam:

We have been in contact with the officials in both Falls Lake Dam in Wake County, and the Dam in Smithfield. There **has not** been a breach of the dams and they have plenty of flood capacity left before releasing.

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