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County Declares State of Emergency and Voluntary Evacuation

WOODBINE, GEORGIA – October 5, 2016 – Following Governor Deal’s declaration of a State of Emergency, Camden County Board of Commissioners has issued a State of Emergency for Camden County. Emergency circumstances exist from Hurricane Matthew, requiring extraordinary and immediate proactive measures for the protection of the health and safety of the citizens of Camden County. County offices and courts will be closed on Friday, October 7, 2016.

Camden County Board of Commissioners has also called for a voluntary evacuation for people living in low lying areas and in mobile homes. This voluntary evacuation is effective immediately. At this time, an evacuation of the mainland is not anticipated. Impacts from Hurricane Matthew are expected to be felt in Camden County beginning Thursday night. As the storm gets closer to our area, impacts will continue to amplify. Damaging winds, heavy rain, and flooding are likely. Life threatening storm surge is possible with large destructive surf. These weather conditions are likely to cause downed trees and power outages that could last for several days.

The National Hurricane Center forecasts Hurricane Matthew will be dangerously close to the Southeastern Region of the State of Georgia. Please continue to monitor the progress of the hurricane through reliable sources such as the [National Weather Service](#) and the [National Hurricane Center](#). Regular updates will also be posted to our Facebook pages for Camden County Government and Camden County EMA and on the County website at www.camdencountyga.gov. Please remember to sign up for CodeRed [here](#).

About Camden County: Located in the extreme southeast corner of Georgia, Camden County truly is “Georgia’s Coastal Community of Choice.” Originally formed in 1777, Camden County is best known for its rich history, natural scenic beauty and Southern hospitality. Our vision is helping to make this the best place to live by preserving and enhancing the history and quality of life, while promoting smart growth and providing an efficient, effective and responsive government.

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