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S.C. SITUATION REPORT - 27

EVENT: Hurricane Floyd

DATE AND TIME: October 6, 1999, 1800 hours

1. STATE:

A. SITUATION:

South Carolina continues to monitor the consequences of Hurricane Floyd. Heavy rainfall produced by Hurricane Floyd, combined with the recent effects of Hurricane Dennis, resulted in widespread flooding in Horry County. The Waccamaw River at Conway was at 10.50 feet at 0800 this morning, will continue its slow fall over the next several days but remain above flood stage. This will continue to cause major flooding in residential areas around Lees Landing, Savannah Bluff, Pitch Landing, Jackson Bluff and Bucksville. Numerous homes on Riverside Drive will be affected. Buildings around 4th Avenue and Kingston will be affected and the railroad trestles will remain underwater. The Little Pee Dee River at Galivants Ferry was at 10.15 feet this morning and will remain above flood stage for the next several days. Minor flooding will continue to keep swampland water levels above normal.

The Disaster Field Office began operations at 300 Arbor Lake Drive, Suite 1300, Columbia, S.C. on Monday, September 20th. Disaster Recovery Centers (DRC) are established in Colleton, Conway, Georgetown, Charleston, and Berkeley. An additional DRC will be established in Marion (Oct 7). Myrtle Beach DRC was modified to a SBA workshop. Williamsburg DRC was closed October 2.

B. STATUS OF DECLARATIONS:

Amendment 3 to the Disaster Declaration, dated October 6, 1999, added individual assistance for Dillon, Dorchester, Florence, and Orangeburg; and public assistance (Categories C - G) for Dillon. As of October 6, the following counties have been designated for federal assistance in the following categories:

Individual Assistance and Public Assistance (Categories A – G): Berkeley, Charleston, Colleton, Dillon, Georgetown, Horry, Marion, and Williamsburg.

Individual Assistance and Public Assistance (Categories A and B only): Dorchester, Florence, and Orangeburg.

Public Assistance (Categories A – G): Beaufort and Jasper.

Public Assistance (Categories A and B only): Allendale, Bamberg, Barnwell, Calhoun, Chesterfield, Clarendon, Darlington, Hampton, Kershaw, Lee, Lexington, Marlboro, Richland, and Sumter.

Hazard Mitigation: Entire State.

SBA announced on September 27 that Charleston, Georgetown and Horry Counties constituted a disaster area allowing applications for loans for physical damages until close of business November 19, 1999 and loans for economic injury until close of business June 21, 2000. In addition, applications for economic injury loans for small businesses located in the contiguous counties of Berkeley Colleton, Dillon, Dorchester, Marion, and Williamsburg may be filed until June 21, 2000.

C. STATUS OF EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTERS:

State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) moved to OPCON-4 at 1200 hours October 1, 1999.

<u>COUNTY NAME</u>	<u>OPCON</u>	<u>EOC ACTIVATION</u>
HORRY	4	Partial

D. ESF SUMMARY:

ESF 3 (PUBLIC WORKS AND ENGINEERING) SUMMARY:

Work continues on the dredging of the Intra-coastal Waterway.

ESF 8 (HEALTH AND MEDICAL) SUMMARY:

15 three-person Go Teams (crisis counseling) are ready to report to Horry County when needed. EQ and health representatives continue to assist in staffing county information centers. Department of Mental Health submitted FEMA grant request for crisis counseling in Georgetown, Horry, and Marion Counties.

ESF 9 - URBAN SEARCH AND RESCUE) SUMMARY:

10 CAP aircraft and crews on telephone stand-by, located at Florence, Camden, Columbia and other locations. Flew COE mission today.

ESF 12 (ENERGY) SUMMARY:

Due to flooding, Horry Electric Cooperative has switched off power to 4 different areas: Lees Landing, Savannah Bluff, Jackson Bluff and Bucksville with approximately 100 customers without power.

Santee Cooper has also disconnected approximately 100 customers in the Conway area due to flooding. Power is being reconnected as water recedes.

E. INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE SUMMARY:

Tele-Registrations

<u>Daily (5 Oct)</u>	<u>Cumulative</u>
412	6,973

Disaster Recovery Center Summary:

	<u>Daily (5 Oct)</u>		<u>Cumulative</u>
Berkeley	19		95
Charleston	15		192
Colleton	7		13
Conway	45		376
Georgetown	32		688
Marion (Open Oct 7-9)			
Myrtle Beach	32		457
Williamsburg (Closed)			146
Total	150		1967

Individual and Family Grant Program

<u>Registrations Received</u>	<u>Registrations Received by State</u>	<u>Registrations Approved</u>	<u>Amount Eligible Approved \$</u>
3,256	1,198	41	\$87,315

F. PUBLIC ASSISTANCE SUMMARY:

149 state agencies, local governments, special purpose districts, and private non-private organizations have submitted requests for public assistance.

14 state personnel with FEMA public assistance teams conducting kickoff meetings and developing project worksheets.

G. MITIGATION SUMMARY:

State Administration Plan and State Mitigation Strategy is under internal review prior to FEMA Region V approval.

Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) and Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) briefings have been scheduled for Horry County (October 13) and Charleston County (October 14). Purpose of briefings is to provide a program overview to potential applicants.

Management Cost Plan is being developed to determine staffing requirements to administer the HMGP.

Mitigation has received approval to operate a booth at the South Carolina State Fair beginning October 7. The booth will be staffed by FEMA and SCEPD personnel and is designed to heighten mitigation awareness among the general public.

2. HORRY COUNTY:

Debris removal plan has been developed in coordination with the Corps of Engineers (COE). COE has lead in implementation and has awarded a contract.

County community field sites have been established in three locations to assist residents. Sites are staffed with county representatives from environmental, EMS, fire, law enforcement, FEMA, DHEC, ARC and Salvation Army.

EMS, Hazmat, and water rescue mutual aid for Horry County has been terminated. Ten firefighters (6 from Beaufort and 4 from Greenville) scheduled to remain until Friday, October 8.