



Okaloosa County News Release

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Update TSKaren#2-BCC Meeting

Okaloosa Declares State of Emergency in Preparation for Tropical Storm Karen

Okaloosa County, Fla.— The Board of Commissioners declared a Local State of Emergency in preparation for Tropical Storm Karen at 9:00 a.m. today. Okaloosa County is under a Hurricane Watch. Please stay tuned to local television channels, radio and newspapers for updates. Other updates at this time include:

- The 911 Emergency Operations Center (EOC) is activated at Level 2 , with all essential services monitoring Tropical Storm Karen.
- Anyone needing to check flights from NWF Regional Airport should call the 800 number for their particular airline.
- Joe's Bayou Boat Ramp fees are temporarily suspended by the city of Destin.
- No school closures at this time.
- Sandbags will be available at Public Works north (Hwy. 85) and south (Ready Ave.) beginning Monday, from 7:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Supplies provided to individually fill the bags.
- If necessary, Davidson Middle School shelter will open.

Citizens are encouraged to go online to the Okaloosa County stay tuned to local news and radio for updates. You can also follow Public Safety on Facebook, Twitter and visit our website at www.okaloosafl.com.

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TWEET: Okaloosa under Hurricane Watch; Commissioners declare state of emergency@9AM Fri., Oct.4. Stay tuned to local news.