



# How to Be Savannah Prepared

*Ensuring a safe and resilient Savannah.*



# Agenda

- Be Informed
- Get A Plan
- Get A Kit



# Be Informed

- What are our hazards?
- Where do I get information?



# Savannah Hazards

- Hurricanes
- Earthquakes!
- Flooding
- Severe Weather
- Hazardous Materials
- Power Outages
- Extreme Temps
- Civil Disturbances
- Fires
- Structural Collapse
- Active Shooter
- Terrorism



# What's the difference between a Watch and a Warning?

**Watch** - Look out, neighbor  
All Ingredients are available



**Warning** - It's here, or near!  
Seek shelter now!



# Hurricane

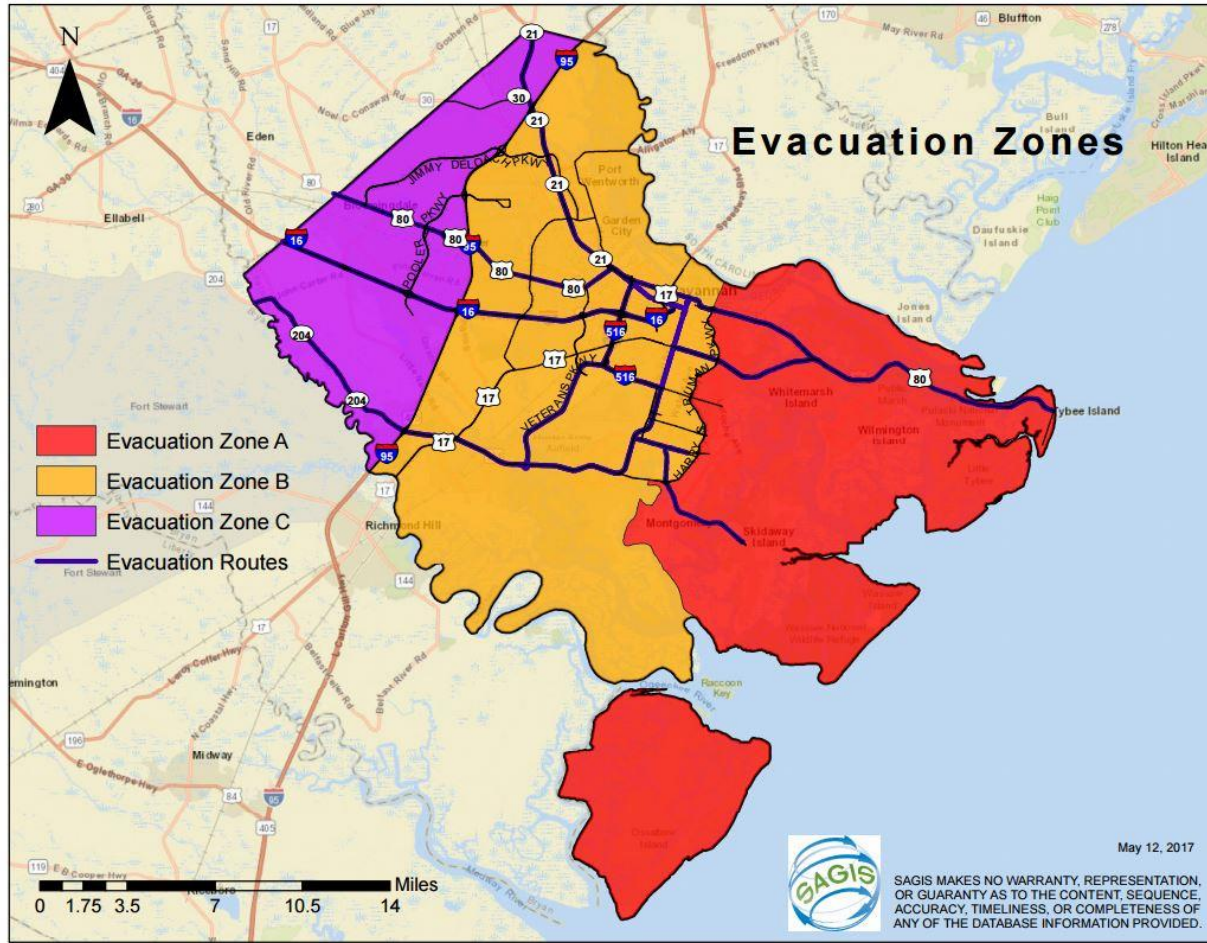


- Storm Surge
- Flooding
- Wind
- Waves/Rip Currents
- Tornadoes



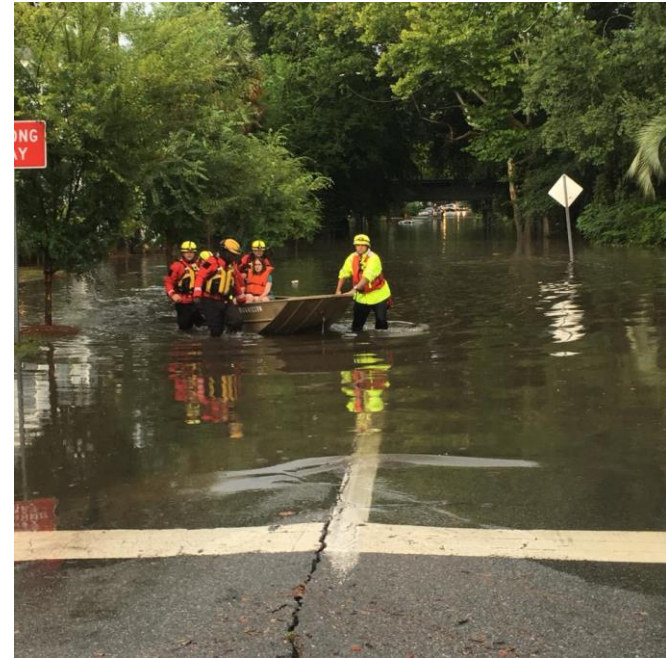


# Know Your Zone



# Flooding

- Avoid floodwaters
- Turn Around,  
Don't Drown
- Evacuate
- Secure Utilities





# Thunderstorms/Tornadoes

- Stay Ready
- At Your House
- At Your Workplace/School
- Outside
- In a vehicle



# Winter Weather

- Protect
  - People
  - Pets
  - Plants
  - Pipes



# Where do I get information?

- Weather Alert Radio
- Notification System
- Social Media
- Local Media
- AM/FM Radio



# Get A Plan

- Evacuation
- Communication
- Special Populations
- Pets
- Strengthen Your Home
- Be Tech Ready



# Evacuation

- Everyday emergencies
  - Two Alternate meeting places
- Know where to go
  - Maps, alternate routes
- Follow official orders
- Prep your car



# Communication

- Family Numbers
  - Cells
  - Work, School
- Out of State contacts
- Emergency Numbers
- SMS Text





# Special Populations

- Older Adults
- Functional, Access and Medical Needs
- Develop a Support Network
- Medications
- Equipment
- Practice your plan



# Pets

- Food
- Water
- Meds
- Medical Records
- Collar, Tags
- Picture
- Carrier/Leash
- Toys
- Sanitation



# Strengthen Your Home

- Insurance
  - Hurricane,
  - Flood
- Inventory
- Yard Items
- Harden Your Home
  - Roof
  - Windows
  - Garage Door
  - Flood proofing



# Be Tech Ready

- Cell phones, tablets
- Chargers
- Social Media
- Flash Drive – Important Docs
- Apps



# Get A Kit

- What goes in the kit?



# Get A Kit contd.



- Food and Water
  - 5 days, per person
- Can Opener
- AM/FM Radio
- Chargers, batteries
- Flashlights, chem lights – **NO candles!**





# Get A Kit contd.

- First Aid Kit
- Paper towels, plates, wipes, garbage bags
- Small tool kit
- Maps
- Meds, glasses
- Formula, diapers
- Documents
- Cash
- Bedding
- Clothes
- Bleach – unflavored
- Fire extinguisher
- Hygiene products



# Helpful Links

- National Weather Service – Charleston
  - <https://www.weather.gov/chs/>
- Ready.gov
  - <https://www.ready.gov/>
- Savannah Emergency Preparedness
  - <https://www.savannahga.gov/3013/Emergency-Preparedness>



# Questions?

- Dave Donnelly
- Savannah Emergency Preparedness
- 912.652.3812
- [ddonnelly@savannahga.gov](mailto:ddonnelly@savannahga.gov)

