

BULLETIN
HURRICANE LOCAL STATEMENT
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE COLUMBIA, SC
615 AM EDT FRI SEP 22 1989

...TORNADO WATCH HAS BEEN CANCELLED FOR THE MIDLANDS...

...HIGH WIND WARNING AND FLASH FLOOD WATCH REMAIN IN EFFECT FOR THE
MIDLANDS AND NORTHWEST SOUTH CAROLINA...

THIS STATEMENT APPLIES TO RESIDENTS OF THE FOLLOWING SOUTH CAROLINA COUNTIES...
BAMBERG... CALHOUN... CHESTERFIELD... CHESTER... CLARENDON... DARLINGTON... FAIRFIELD...
FLORENCE... DILLON... LANCASTER... KERSHAW... ... LEE... LEXINGTON... MARION... MARLBORO...
NEWBERRY... ORANGEBURG... RICHLAND... SALUDA... SUMTER... AND YORK.

AS HUGO SPEEDS NORTHWARD DANGEROUSLY STRONG WINDS AND HEAVY RAINS CONTINUE TO POSE
SERIOUS PROBLEMS FOR RESIDENTS OF INLAND SOUTH CAROLINA. WINDS AT THE COLUMBIA
METROPOLITAN AIRPORT AT 6 AM EDT WERE GUSTING TO 51 MPH WITH HEAVY RAIN SQUALLS.

DETAILS ARE STILL SKETCHY BUT THERE ARE NUMEROUS REPORTS OF EXTENSIVE WIND DAMAGE OVER
THE MIDLANDS INCLUDING SERIOUS STRUCTURAL DAMAGE AND MANY DOWNED TREES.

THE WIDESPREAD DAMAGE POSES A HAZARD TO ANY EARLY MORNING TRAVEL...SO ALL INTERESTS ARE
URGED TO AVOID TRAVEL UNLESS ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY. YOU CAN EXPECT MANY POWER LINES
DOWN...ESPECIALLY IN URBAN AREAS AND ALONG SECONDARY ROADS.

FLOODED LOW LYING AREAS WILL BE FREQUENT AND VISIBILITIES WILL BE HAMPERED BY THE DRIVING
RAINS. PERSONS WHO EVACUATED FOR THIS STORM SHOULD CHECK WITH EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS
OFFICIALS BEFORE ATTEMPTING TO RETURN TO THEIR HOMES. ROADS AND THE EXTENT OF DAMAGE IN
THE AREA WHICH THEY EVACUATED MAY NOT PERMIT RETURN FOR SOME TIME.

KEEP POSTED ON THE LATEST NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE ADVICES ON HUGO AND THE AFTERMATH
THROUGH COMMERCIAL RADIO...TV..OR THE NOAA WEATHER RADIO IN YOUR AREA.

THE NEXT STATEMENT WILL BE ISSUED BY AROUND 10 AM EDT.

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