

RESOLUTION 89 - 89

WHEREAS, the National Hurricane Center recognizes the danger to coastal residents of Florida from Hurricane Hugo by posting a Hurricane Warning from Nassau County, Florida, to Cape Lookout, North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, Nassau County has high evacuation times in order to evacuate residents from the hazards of a hurricane; and

WHEREAS, the current forecast error of the National Hurricane Center does not allow for a confident prediction of the track of Hurricane Hugo at that point in time coinciding with Nassau County's high evacuation times; and

WHEREAS, Hurricane Hugo has the potential for causing extensive damage to public utilities, public buildings, public communication systems, public streets and roads, public drainage systems, commercial and residential buildings and areas; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 252.38(6)(e), Florida Statutes, provides authority for a political subdivision such as Nassau County to declare a State of Local Emergency and to waive the procedures and formalities otherwise required of political subdivisions by law pertaining to:

1. Performance of public work and taking whatever action is necessary to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of the community;
2. Entering into contracts;
3. Incurring obligations;
4. Employment of permanent and temporary workers;
5. Utilization of volunteer workers;
6. Rental of equipment;
7. Acquisition and distribution, with or without compensation, of supplies, materials, and facilities;

8. Appropriation and expenditure of public funds.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County, Florida, in Special Session, this 21st day of September, 1989, that:

1. Hurricane Hugo poses a serious threat to the lives and property of residents of Nassau County and that a State of Local Emergency shall be declared, effective immediately, for all territory within the legal boundaries of Nassau County, including, that all unincorporated and incorporated areas shall be embraced by the provisions of this Resolution.


2. The Board of County Commissioners hereby exercises its authority and waives the procedures and formalities required by law of a political subdivision, as provided in Chapter 252.38(6)(e), Florida Statutes.

3. The Department of Emergency Services is designated as the primary emergency operating center to provide direction and control of emergency operations associated with Hurricane Hugo. All County department heads shall coordinate their activities with the Director of Emergency Services.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA

  
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Its: Ex-Officio Clerk