



PRESS RELEASE

TOWN OF CANTON

Friday, September 14th, 2018
12:00pm (noon)

The Town of Canton, North Carolina has officially made a Declaration of a State of Emergency for the Canton, North Carolina jurisdiction (see attached). While Hurricane Florence and its impact on this region and town remain unknown at this time, it is reasonable to assume this storm system will include heavy rain of such severity as to cause the potential for widespread and severe damage and power outages. I would like to state, as Town Manager of Canton and on behalf of the Canton Board of Aldermen/women and my staff, we will do the best of our ability to keep our citizens safe and informed during the coming days. Action Plans have been initiated and put into motion to be both proactive and prepared for what we will face as a result of Hurricane Florence. As always, the citizens of Canton and municipal employees will band together to overcome any adversity which we may encounter. Outside of normal business hours, it is asked that for non-emergency and other issues residents of the Town of Canton call the Police Department at (828) 648-2376. As always, in the case of an emergency call 9-1-1. I encourage everyone in the Town of Canton and in this region to be mindful of your the situation at hand, use caution at all times, and check on those members of the public that may need assistance during periods of heavy rain, wind, and/or power outages (i.e. neighbors, family members, elderly and/or those who may be disabled).

Respectfully,

Jason Burrell
Town Manager
Town of Canton