

GC approves a declaration of local emergency for T.S. Cindy

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The George County Board of Supervisors approved a "Proclamation of Local Emergency" in response to flash flooding this morning and in advance of possible residential river flooding caused by Tropical Storm Cindy.

County Supervisors are concerned local river flood waters could breach several homes by the end of the week as the Pascagoula River is predicted to crest at 26.5 feet at the Merrill River gauge.

"Right now, we do not have any damage reports for homes or dwellings but this could change as a result of heavy rainfall this morning across the entire area," Nancy Smith, George County Emergency Management Director, explained



The Board called a special meeting at 11:30 a.m. today (June 22) to approve the proclamation and to discuss local flash flooding and river flooding. All County offices will remain open today and Friday for normal operations.

Numerous sections of County roads are already underwater or impassable around the low-lying sections of the Pascagoula River including: Merrill Road, Cochran Town Road, East & West Wilkerson Ferry Roads, Plum Bluff Road and surrounding areas, Horseshoe Lake Road, Tom Hempstead Road, Smith Fish Camp, Billy Knight Road, Johnny Howell Road, and Milton Murrah Road (pictured).

For the most updated weather information follow George County's EMA Facebook page at Facebook/GeorgeCountyMsEmergencyManagement. Residents and property owners can also call 601-947-7557 to report flood damage.



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