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Black Bear visits Flagler EOC

May 15, 2017 – A Florida Black Bear visited the Flagler County Emergency Operations Center over the weekend.



“Flagler County is growing but it is still a rural county,” Administrator Craig Coffey said. “It’s a reminder that there is a variety of wildlife in our area, bears included.”

Florida Black Bears mainly live in forested areas like sand-pine scrub and oak scrub. They tend to be solitary, except during mating system.

Bears have good eyesight and hearing, as well as an excellent sense of smell. Residents should keep barbecue grills clean, ripe fruits and vegetables picked and garbage locked up.

Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission has a YouTube video “Living with Florida Black Bears” that will provide more information. The link is <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pf0cL6gUuXI>.

Flagler County Human Resources Director Joe Mayer advised employees to be cautious between the parking lot and buildings in the Government Services Complex.

Charles Ericksen, Jr.
District 1

Greg Hansen
District 2

David Sullivan
District 3

Nate McLaughlin
District 4

Donald O’Brien Jr.
District 5

“If you come in early, leave late, walk on your break or lunch, be advised that bears have been seen in the area surrounding the EOC,” he said. “Please govern yourselves accordingly.”

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