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Minimal Michael impacts expected, follow current social media information

October 9, 2018 – While Hurricane Michael is expected to hit the Gulf Coast and the Panhandle with a fury, impacts to Flagler County will likely be minimal – windy, rainy weather for the next couple of days. Residents are asked to be alert for old social media posts from two years ago when Flagler County was dealing with the after effects Hurricane Matthew.

“We’ve been made aware that there are some old posts and tweets being re-circulated from Hurricane Matthew in 2016,” said Emergency Management Chief Jonathan Lord. “Please make sure the news you are following is current and from a trusted source like the National Hurricane Center, the National Weather Service, and Flagler County Emergency Services.”

Current bulletins from the National Weather Service for Flagler County include a high risk for rip currents, a high surf advisory, and a coastal flood advisory. The risk of tropical storm force winds has decreased to 20 percent.

Residents and businesses that have not already done so are encouraged to enroll in ALERTFlagler (www.flaglercounty.org/alertflagler) to ensure they are notified of pertinent emergency information. A short instructional YouTube will assist with the enrollment process.

Stay updated with accurate local information at the following sites:

- Flagler County Emergency Management: www.FlaglerCounty.org/emergency
- Flagler County Emergency Services Facebook: www.facebook.com/FlaglerEOC
- Flagler County Emergency Services Twitter: www.twitter.com/FlaglerEM
- Flagler County Government Facebook: www.facebook.com/FlaglerCountyGovernement
- Flagler County Emergency Services’ Twitter: www.twitter.com/FlaglerCtyGov

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