

FRIDAY AFTERNOON UPDATE FROM LEE COUNTY GOVERNMENT – Hurricane Elsa

Fort Myers, FL, July 2, 2021 – Lee County Public Safety-Emergency Management today continues to monitor Hurricane Elsa and make plans. The county will make decisions regarding activation levels at the Emergency Operations Center based on the forecast. We anticipate making that decision Saturday morning.

There is no State of Local Emergency declared at this time.

We encourage residents to monitor local media outlets for updates as well as Lee County Government channels at www.leegov.com or Lee County Government Facebook.

Hurricane preparedness tips and information is at www.leegov.com/hurricane.

Additional information:

- Persons with special needs:
 - The Special Needs Registry is closed for registration in advance of Hurricane Elsa.
 - Those on the registry will be notified at an appropriate time in advance of the storm, should sheltering for registered individuals be necessary.
- Shelters:
 - No shelters are open. The list of shelters at www.leeec.com is a complete list of potential shelters.
 - Announcements of any general-population shelters opening – if necessary – will be made via local media, website, social media, etc.
- COVID-19 information:
 - Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) such as hand-sanitizer and facemasks will be available if Lee County opens shelters for individuals who choose to use PPE.
 - There are no plans for testing. As is always the case, anyone exhibiting influenza-like symptoms would be isolated from others. If a storm approaches and shelters open, Lee County will follow the guidance of its partners, including FDOH and the Florida Division of Emergency Management.
 - There are no plans to ask people to show CDC vaccination cards.

Note to media:

No press conferences are planned for this afternoon or evening at this time.

Any Saturday press conferences would also be carried on Facebook Live. Per usual, media would be notified in advance.