



PAMLICO COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES

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Pamlico County, NC – Pamlico County Emergency Management has responded to damage caused by a **tornado that impacted the Florence community earlier today.**

Emergency responders from multiple agencies, including local fire departments, EMS, law enforcement, utility crews, NCDOT and NC Emergency Management are currently conducting **damage assessments and assisting residents in affected areas.**

Initial reports indicate that multiple structures sustained damage and debris have been reported across portions of the Florence community, Whortonsville Community, Bayboro Community and parts of the Arapahoe Community. Emergency personnel are working to **clear roadways, assess property damage, and ensure the safety of residents.**

At this time, residents are urged to **avoid impacted areas** to allow emergency responders and utility crews to safely perform their work.

Pamlico County Emergency Management reminds residents to use caution when returning to damaged areas and to be aware of hazards such as:

- Downed power lines
- Unstable structures
- Debris in roadways

Residents who experienced damage to their homes or property are encouraged to **report damage to Pamlico County Emergency Management** so officials can continue to assess the overall impact of the storm.

Pamlico County officials will continue working with **local, state, and utility partners** to restore services and support affected residents.

Additional updates will be provided as more information becomes available.

Chris Murray, CFI
Director/Fire Marshal

