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Charleston County Remains at OPGON 3, Emergency Management Officials Monitoring Tropical Depression Four

Charleston County Emergency Management officials remain in close communication with National Weather Service, state, and local officials as they continue to monitor Tropical Depression Four and its possible local impacts.

According to the latest information from the National Weather Service, Tropical Depression Four is currently located off the coast of Cuba and is expected to pass over Florida as Tropical Storm Debby early next week.

The primary threats to the Charleston area include heavy rain (6-12 inches with localized amounts up to 18 inches), coastal and inland flooding, and tropical storm force winds. Local impacts are expected to begin as early as Monday morning.

Charleston County will adjust its operating conditions throughout the week as additional information about the storm and its path become available. The Emergency Operations Center will activate as needed in accordance with the county's shift in OPGON levels.

"While it's too soon to know exactly how this storm system will impact our area, residents should begin making initial preparations now to ensure they are ready for any scenario," said Charleston County Interim Emergency Management Director Ben Webster. "Make a plan, talk to your loved ones, and, as always, stay tuned to trusted sources for further information."

Residents are encouraged to follow Charleston County Government on social media, download the [2024 Hurricane Guide](#), and sign up for the [Citizen's Alert System](#).

For the most accurate and up-to-date weather forecasts, residents should stay tuned to the [National Hurricane Center](#) and [National Weather Service Charleston](#) websites, as well as local media and [SCEMD's SC Emergency Manager app](#).

In keeping with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), those needing assistance should contact Charleston County at (843) 202-6917 during regular business hours.

