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JB Charleston commander terminates limited evacuation order, recalls all personnel

JOINT BASE CHARLESTON, S.C. – The Joint Base Charleston Commander terminated the limited evacuation order and issued a recall order for all remaining personnel, with the exception of personnel residing in Georgetown and Horry Counties, at 12 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 15, 2018 after the governor's announcement that lifted the state's evacuation order.

Evacuees are authorized to return to their residence beginning 12 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 15, 2018. eastern time and no later than 11:59 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 18, 2018.

"I ask that all affected members route their questions through their chain of command for specific guidance pertaining to your situation," said Col. Terrence Adams, Joint Base Charleston commander. "Our base personnel have been working hard to assess facilities and infrastructure for the safe return of our personnel and families. Thank you for your continued patience and support."

In accordance with announcement by the governor to rescind the evacuation order, Col. Clint ZumBrunnen, the 437th Airlift Wing commander, announced the airfield shared by the base and Charleston International Airport will be open to commercial and general aviation as of the same time.

We urge Joint Base Charleston residents and personnel to travel safely as there may still be hazards on major roadways. Financial guidance regarding travel vouchers will be published by service specific finance offices.

The stop-movement for service members currently undergoing a Permanent Change of Station or Temporary Duty to Joint Base Charleston will be rescinded as of Monday, Sept. 17, 2018. All personnel affected by the Stop Movement Order can resume travel to Joint Base Charleston, but arrive no earlier than Monday, Sept. 17, 2018.

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Please refer to The 628th Medical Group and Naval Health Clinic Charleston Facebook pages for the updated re-opening hours and available medical services as we continue the return of personnel.

Please follow @JBCharlestonFSS on Facebook and <u>www.jbcharleston.com</u> for planned reopening hours of 628th Force Support Squadron facilities.

Each respective service has a hotline where family members can obtain information on military members who have evacuated affected areas. The number for Air Force personnel is: 1-800-435-9941; Navy personnel 1-800-946-9183; for Army personnel: 1-800-833-6622.

All Air Force personnel are reminded to update their personal information at the Air Force Personnel Accountability and assessment System at https://afpaas.af.mil

Navy personnel should update the Navy Family Accountability and Assessment System at https://navyfamily.navy.mil.

All Army personnel are reminded to update their personal information at the Army Disaster Personnel Accountability and Assessment System at https://adpaas.army.mil

Marine Corps and Coast Guard personnel should reach out to their chain of command on accountability reporting instructions.

For up to date hurricane condition information, service members and base residents can call the 628th Air Base Wing Public Affairs Straight Talk line at (843) 963-5581 go to https://www.facebook.com/TeamCharleston/ or https://www.jbcharleston.jb.mil/.

Members of JB Charleston can access the official termination of LEO memorandum at http://www.jbcharleston.jb.mil/

Useful resources:

2018 South Carolina Hurricane Guide is available for download on SC Emergency Management Division's website at www.scemd.org.

National Hurricane Center: http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/

Ready.gov: http://www.ready.gov

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