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JB Charleston prepares for hurricane, enters Hurricane Condition II

JOINT BASE CHARLESTON, S.C. – The Joint Base Charleston installation commander put the base on Hurricane Condition II alert status at 8 a.m. Sept. 13, 2018, due to weather conditions projected by the approaching hurricane.

Hurricane Condition II is in effect in accordance with precautions announced by the South Carolina governor's office due to expected 35+ knot winds.

A limited evacuation order was given Sept. 10, 2018, at 6 p.m. by Col. Terrence Adams, 628th Air Base Wing and Joint Base Charleston commander, which authorized the evacuation of military personnel, DOD civilians and families.

JB Charleston will continue precautionary preparations to secure property that may be exposed to storm conditions and continue the evacuation of non-essential personnel and their families during HURCON II. Essential personnel will also continue the evacuation of any remaining vessels.

A return time for military members and dependents has not yet been determined. Evacuees are ordered to not return until notified by their chain of command.

The 628th Medical Group and Naval Health Clinic Charleston are closed until further notice.

Please follow @JBCharlestonFSS on Facebook and <u>www.jbcharleston.com</u> for planned closing and re-opening 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.

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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 go to https://www.facebook.com/TeamCharleston/ or https://www.jbcharleston.jb.mil/.

Members of JB Charleston can access the official LEO 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

For more information, please call the Public Affairs office at (843) 963-1759.

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