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## **Pasco County Issues Local State of Emergency**

*~~Hurricane Michael expected to bring storm surge; high winds~~*

**PASCO COUNTY, FL** ---- The Pasco County Board of County Commissioners has issued a Local State of Emergency for Pasco County ahead of Hurricane Michael.

The declaration allows the County Administrator and Emergency Manager to waive everyday procedures and do what they feel is necessary to ensure the health, safety and welfare of the community. This includes: ordering evacuations, performing public work, making emergency purchases, renting equipment, hiring workers, using volunteers, etc.

The Local State of Emergency will be in effect for 7 days or until rescinded by the County Administrator if it's no longer needed.

Residents needing assistance should contact Pasco County Customer Service at 727.847.2411. If you have an emergency, please call 9-1-1.

For the latest storm updates, more information is available at: [www.mypasco.net](http://www.mypasco.net) and by downloading the **MyPasco App** which is available for download here: [bit.ly/2wwRGid](http://bit.ly/2wwRGid).

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