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Pasco County Non-Essential Offices Closing Sept. 1st at 3:00 p.m.

~~ PCPT bus service will be suspended at 7:30 p.m.~~

PASCO COUNTY, FL ---- Pasco County Government will close non-essential offices effective 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 1, 2016, due to severe weather associated with Hurricane Hermine. Other closed offices include the Pasco County Clerk & Comptroller and the Pasco County Property Appraiser's Office. Non-essential personnel will be released due to rain bands moving through Pasco County. The Pasco County Tax Collector's Office will remain closed.

Rain bands from Hurricane Hermine arrived in Pasco County around 1:00 p.m., reaching the outer areas of Pasco County. On Friday, September 2, 2016, coastal high tide will be 3.4 feet plus storm surge at 2:00 a.m., and 3.7 feet plus storm surge at 2:00 p.m. Here are some of the weather-related impacts of the storm:

Pasco County Parks and Recreation Department has closed Robert K. Rees (Green Key) Park and the west end of Green Key Road as of September 1, 2016, due to water covering the road.

Pasco County Public Transportation Department (PCPT) buses may be delayed due to road conditions, and service will be discontinued at 7:30 p.m. due to expected high winds.

Pasco County Public Works Department is taking the following action to assist with potential flooding in these low-lying or flood-prone areas:

- A pump was added to the Gainsboro location to assist in draw down.
- A vacator truck was added to assist in drawing down Ironbark Pond.
- The water elevation at the Duck Slough watershed just east of Little Road has risen less than one-inch since yesterday morning.
- The pump was turned on at Persea Court as water was visible in the basin.

The Pasco County Customer Service line is open 24 hours a day through 5:00 p.m. Friday, September 2, 2016. Please call 727.847.2411 with any questions or concerns. Citizens are encouraged to use social media to post flooding or other storm-related photos and information using the hashtags #pascocounty #pascostorm.

Citizens who would like more information about preparing for flooding, hurricanes or other disasters can go to the Pasco Emergency Management webpage at:

www.pascoemergencymanagement.com.

For more information go to www.pascocountyfl.net

