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## **Pasco County urges residents to prepare for severe weather**

*~~Tropical Depression 9 forecast to make landfall north of Pasco County Thursday~~*

**PASCO COUNTY, FL** ---- Pasco County Government's Office of Emergency Management wants to remind residents to be prepared for the possibility of severe weather as Tropical Depression 9 heads toward Florida through the Gulf of Mexico.

It's possible the system could bring heavy rain and potential flooding as current forecast projections call for the storm to make landfall north of Pasco County in the Cedar Key area midday Thursday, with heavy rain and high winds felt in the Pasco County area Wednesday into Thursday.

All Pasco County residents should start preparing for what could potentially be a heavy rain/high wind event:

- 1) **Have a plan** for you and family members. (Accommodations, child/elder/pet care, etc.)
- 2) **Secure loose items** around your home and yard. (Lawn chairs, umbrellas, trash cans, etc.)
- 3) **Stockpile disaster supplies** including food, water, medications, batteries, flashlights, etc.

Keeping you and your family safe through preparedness is our top priority. The Pasco County Office of Emergency Management encourages all Pasco County residents to review the Pasco County Disaster Planning Guide, which you can find here:

<http://www.pascocountyfl.net/DocumentCenter/Home/View/726>

The Pasco County Customer Service line is open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Please call 727.847.2411 with any questions or concerns.

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