# HURRICANE DORIAN UPDATES



#### Sen. Marco Rubio Urges POTUS to Approve Florida's Reimbursement Designation

On Thursday, September 5, U.S. Senator Marco Rubio urged President Donald Trump to approve Florida Governor Ron DeSantis' request to amend the Emergency Declaration to allow for Category B reimbursement from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), which allows for expenses related to shelters, removal of health and safety hazards, evacuation measures, etc.

Following a <u>letter</u> led by Senators Rubio and Rick Scott, President Trump approved Florida's request for an Emergency Declaration prior to Hurricane Dorian impacting the state. However, that designation only provided for direct federal assistance for emergency protective measures. The Governor estimates approximately \$197.3 million was expended in preparation for Hurricane Dorian, and requests Category B reimbursement be extended to the state and 24 counties.

Click here to read the <u>full text of the letter</u>.

#### Resources

FAC Hurricane Information DEP Hurricane Information FloridaDisaster.org GetAPlan.com

State Emergency Assistance Line: 1-800-342-3557

Executive Order 19-189 Executive Order 19-190 President's Declaration

<u>FMCSA Regional</u> <u>Transportation Waiver</u>

Emergency Bypass Memo

Emergency Road Use Permit Letter

FLHSMV Emergency Order

## Register for Policy Conference, Focusing on Disaster Response and Recovery

While the east coast of Florida was relatively lucky with Hurricane Dorian, other parts of the state are still reeling from the impacts of the past hurricane seasons. Last year when Category 5 Hurricane Michael roared into the Florida Panhandle, the devastating storm left thousands of citizens homeless and cost billions of dollars in property damage and agricultural losses. It impacted urban and rural communities unlike anything experienced before.

Join us in Bay County on September 25, 2019 for an 'on-the-ground' look at disaster response and recovery to get a clear picture of just what happened in the aftermath of Hurricane Michael. In addition, you will have the opportunity to visit some of the hardest hit areas and learn of the ingenuity local governments used to help citizens survive and begin the rebuilding process.



To learn more about the 2019 Innovation & Policy Conference, <u>click here</u>.



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### Final FAC Hurricane Update

This will be FAC's final Hurricane Dorian Update until more information is received regarding Florida's reimbursement designation.

As a reminder, since partnering with Everbridge through the Florida Division of Emergency Management (FDEM), FAC now has the capability to send out text notifications during times of a disaster. As it is still hurricane season, please ensure that your mobile number is updated in the <u>FAC Member Portal</u>. If you need assistance updating your information, please contact <u>Milan Clayton</u> at (850) 922-4300.

