



*County of Caroline*  
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**PRESS RELEASE**

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**Caroline County Feeling Flooding Impacts  
from Tropical Storm Lee Remnants**

Caroline, VA –Caroline County Virginia received heavy rainfall over a number of days caused by the remnants of Tropical Storm Lee. Caroline County has experienced widespread flooding, road closures and hazards as a result. This caused the closure of Caroline County Government Offices, Caroline County Public Schools and Caroline County Courts on Friday, September 9, 2011. The Caroline County Department of Fire-Rescue and Caroline County Sheriffs Office enhanced staffing and response procedures in order to ensure the safety of the citizens of Caroline.

Emergency providers responded to a number of stranded motorists throughout the county due to the high water.

The Sparta Fire Station flooded and apparatus was relocated to higher ground in order to preserve response services to the Sparta community. They are temporarily relocated to a church parking lot and are continuing to answer calls for service.

Approximately 30 roads remain closed throughout Caroline County. Some roads have creeks/streams flowing over creating an unsafe situation while others have been completely washed out. VDOT is assisting with signage with public notifications of necessary detours.

Emergency Managers in Caroline County urge all citizens and motorists to use extreme caution while traveling through Caroline County. DO NOT attempt to cross a flooded roadway as the condition of the road beneath the water may not be safe.

“Turn around, don’t drown”

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