

HOW WILL I KNOW IT IS SAFE TO RE-ENTER AFTER AN EVACUATION?

Horry County Government will issue a news release to local media.

Tune in to local news outlets and/or NOAA Weather radios.

Also, visit Horry County Emergency Management social media accounts for updates and information.

WHEN WILL THE RE-ENTRY PLAN BE ACTIVATED?

Re-entry will be conducted in phases beginning with public safety officials and personnel to restore essential services and infrastructure in the impacted areas.

WHO ACTIVATES THE RE-ENTRY PLAN?

The Horry County Emergency Management Director will activate the Re-entry Plan prior to the Governor rescinding the mandatory evacuation order.

WHEN WILL RE-ENTRY CHECKPOINTS BE ESTABLISHED?

Ground and/or aerial surveys of impacted areas will take place immediately following the disaster to identify and prioritize the most seriously damaged areas of the County.

Re-entry checkpoints and emergency routes will be established in the affected area(s) immediately after the damage assessment has been completed.

WHO WILL ESTABLISH CHECKPOINTS?

Local law enforcement agencies will have primary control over re-entry for their jurisdictions.

However, coordination will take place among other emergency management decision-makers.

WHERE WILL CHECKPOINTS BE ESTABLISHED?

Following a complete assessment, checkpoints will be established at pre-approved locations along major highways in the County.

WHO GRANTS RE-ENTRY ACCESS AT THE CHECKPOINTS?

Checkpoints must allow for the continual movement of traffic even if entry is denied.

Each checkpoint will be staffed by at least one supervisory officer of the jurisdiction with the authority to grant access under certain guidelines.

The re-entry decisions will be the sole responsibility of that supervisor.

RE-ENTRY ROUTES

SC Highway 9

US Highway 17

SC Highway 22

US Highway 501

US Highway 378

US Highway 701

For re-entry into coastal areas when the Intracoastal Waterway is used as a natural barrier, SC Hwy. 31 will be used as a means to ferry traffic between each jurisdiction to prevent unnecessary and unauthorized travel through a jurisdiction.

Traffic will be routed along SC Hwy. 31 to the appropriate checkpoint.

Horry County is at risk of severe weather events like tropical storms, hurricanes, storm surge, major flooding, tornadoes as well as other natural events like wild fires.



In addition, the County is at risk to man-made disaster events such as hazardous material accidents or terrorism from chemical, biological, radiological and explosive devices.



These events can lead to the evacuation of major portions of the County.

WHAT DO I NEED IN ORDER TO RE-ENTER HORRY COUNTY?

RESIDENTS

- o A valid government-issued photo ID card showing the location of your property

OUT-OF-STATE PROPERTY OWNERS

- o A valid government-issued photo ID card
- o Current documentation to verify the need for re-entry. (Utility bill, deed + property tax bill are examples of acceptable documentation.)

BUSINESS OWNERS/OPERATORS

- o A valid government-issued photo ID card
- o Current business license, company photo ID card or other official documents showing the location of the property

ESSENTIAL STAFF/EMPLOYEES

- o A valid government-issued photo ID card
- o Employee authorization letter on official letterhead/stationery provided by the business



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