



The Virginia Department of Emergency (VDEM) wants to ensure that everyone in Southwest Virginia is aware of the potential effects and impacts of Hurricane Florence as it turns north and heads up through Central and Southwest Virginia over the next two to five days. By sharing this information with as many people as possible, you will help ensure people are prepared for the flooding that could result from the heavy rain that is predicted for Southwest Virginia.

While Virginia's coast was spared a direct hit from Hurricane Florence, heavy rains capable of causing flooding will impact portions of Southwest Virginia over the next two to five days. Significant rainfall will cause creeks and streams to overflow. Homes and businesses in low-lying areas will experience flooding. Roads and bridges could be washed out, and emergency services will have difficulty reaching some areas. The time to prepare for this is now. The Virginia Department of Emergency Management encourages everyone to remain vigilant, keep informed about the weather conditions, and if you encounter flooded roads or bridges to turn around and not drive through the deep water.

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