



Public Service Announcement

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St. Simons Island Recovery & Re-entry Update – 1:15 p.m.

GLYNN COUNTY, Ga.- The cleanup crews made incredible progress yesterday. The Glynn County Public Works Department crews worked in conjunction with private contractors and managed to clear most main thoroughfares and some other roads on St. Simons Island.

As a result, Georgia Power was able to begin sending trucks to start repairs yesterday. Georgia Power returned early this morning with their crews. Their top priority is restoring power to the waste water system which currently has widespread power outages severely limiting the capacity of the sewer system. **The limited sewer capacity has created a potential severe public health issue.** Because of this, we are not able to allow additional people on St. Simons Island. There is also a boil-water advisory currently in effect for St. Simons Island.

At this time, the crews are also working to remove limbs from lines and untangle the power lines so power can be restored to homes and businesses. Glynn County public works crews are on the island removing debris and clearing the remaining roads.

While crews continue to work to remove downed power lines, it is still not safe to be out and about on the Island. The curfew is still in effect for all of Glynn County from midnight until 5 a.m. **Phase 1 of the Re-entry Plan is still in place for St. Simons Island and Glynn County Police will not allow people on the island.**

There is a possibility that we will be able to clear the Island for Phase 2 re-entry tomorrow, October 10.

We will update the re-entry timeline at 8:00 p.m. today, October 9, 2016 via www.glynncounty.org and Facebook.

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