



Press Release
For Immediate Release
Macon County Emergency Services
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Electrical and communication services are improving throughout Macon County. Service is slowly improving in many parts of the county. Residents are urged to be patient as the process continues and the final restorations are usually the most difficult.

Supplies and shipments are arriving in our area including routine fuel shipments but it may take several days for businesses to return to a more normal routine status.

9-1-1 calls are once again being received directly by Macon County as some networks are restored. Residents and visitors can still contact 9-1-1 by voice or text.

Many people want to make donations to affected areas or offer assistance. Information about such opportunities will be posted on Macon County's webpage at www.maconnc.org as they become available.

Damage assessments continue today. A couple of minor slope movements have been located and assessed as well as one small dam failure. More damages may become apparent throughout the week as isolated areas especially in the Highlands area become more accessible.

Roadways into and out of both Highlands and Franklin are open now, but residents are encouraged to avoid Highlands especially unless absolutely necessary to allow utility crews to work in the roadways. Highway 106 between Scaly Mountain and Franklin will be limited to one lane of travel in one area.

Be prepared for flooding events. Call 9-1-1 for emergencies but do not call 9-1-1 for road conditions or power outages. Report power outages to your utility provider.