

# Santa Rosa County Division of Emergency Management

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Creating an atmosphere of awareness and preparedness in Santa Rosa County for the safety of all our citizens

County activation level: **3**

State activation level: **3**

**Communication: Weekly Update**

**Phone:** 983.5360

**Web page:** [www.santarosa.fl.gov/emergency](http://www.santarosa.fl.gov/emergency)

**Email:** SRCUpdates@santarosa.fl.gov

**National Threat Advisory:**

**ELEVATED**



*Significant Risk Of Terrorist Attacks*

## Road Closures

<http://www.santarosa.fl.gov/roads/closures.html>

Date: 07/27/2011 **San Juan Street Closed**

San Juan Street in the Avalon Beach area is closed from North 15th Avenue to North 30th Avenue until further notice in preparation for paving.

Date: 04/20/2011 **Avalon Boulevard Open with Hazards**

Weather permitting; traffic on Avalon Boulevard (SR 281), between the Moors Lodge and CSX Railroad Bridge will encounter lane restrictions Sunday, August 14, and Monday, August 15, from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. Tuesday morning as crews from Roads, Inc. of NWF install a storm drain crossing. Drivers are reminded to use caution, watch for traffic flaggers and obey the posted speed limit.










## Bridge Closures

None

## Local Government

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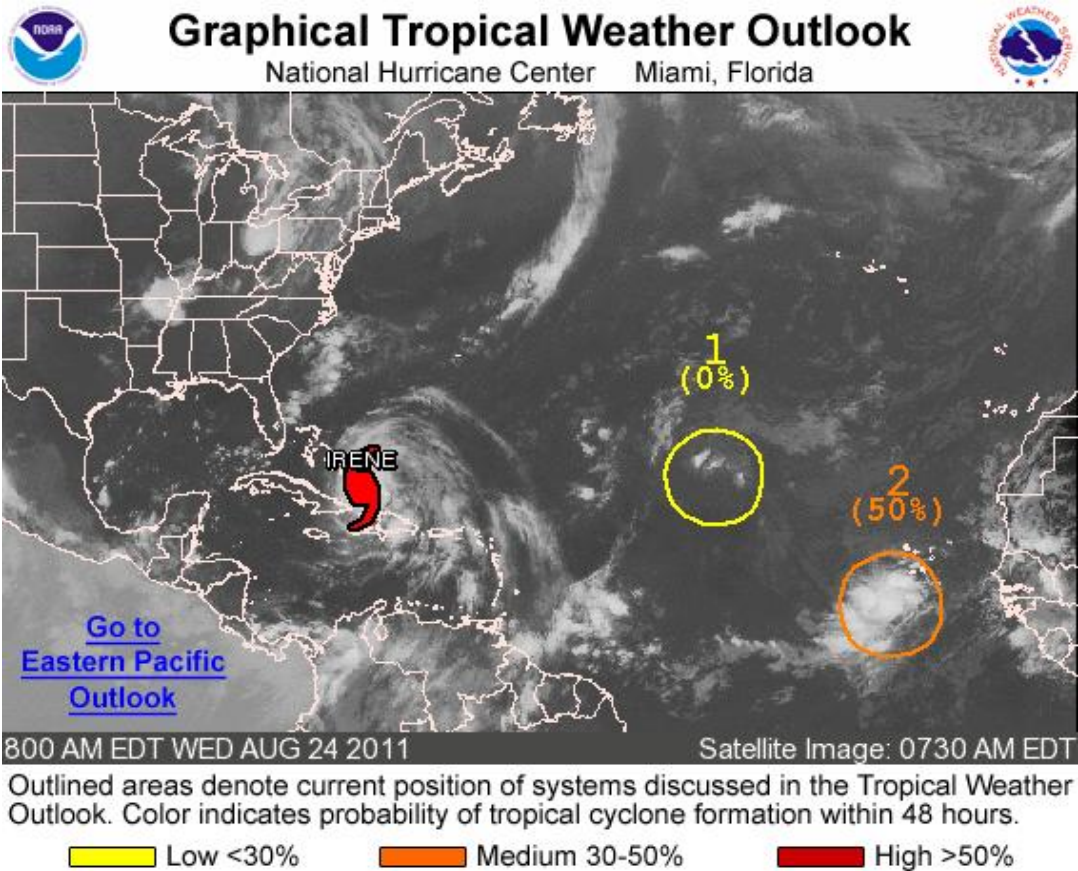
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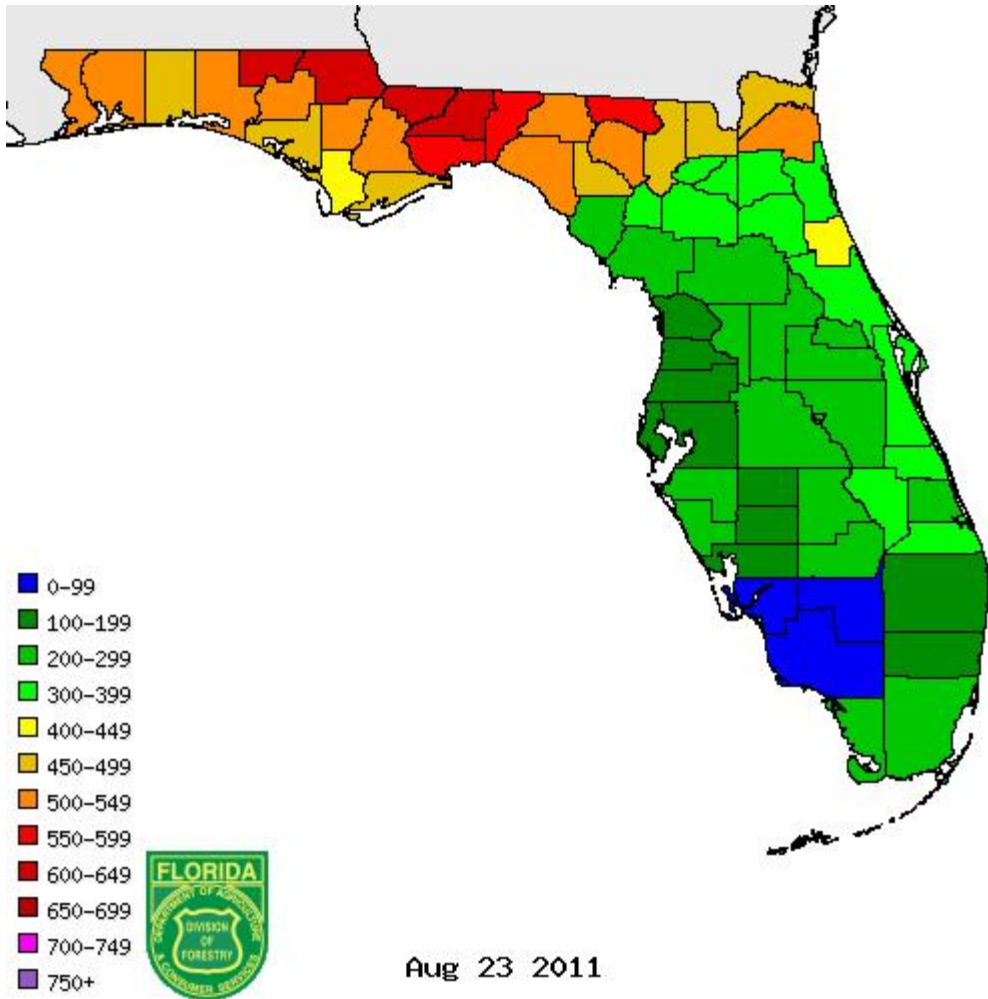
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Slight Chc Tstms Hi 96 °F	Mostly Clear Lo 75 °F	Mostly Sunny Hi 96 °F	Mostly Clear Lo 74 °F	Slight Chc Tstms Hi 99 °F	Partly Cloudy Lo 76 °F	Sunny Hi 96 °F	Mostly Clear Lo 70 °F	Sunny Hi 94 °F

<http://www.nws.noaa.gov/>

<http://www.weather.gov/forecasts/wfo/sectors/mob.php#tabs>

This map shows forecasts normally updated every hour. This is a product of the [National Digital Forecast Database](#), produced by NOAA's National Weather Service.



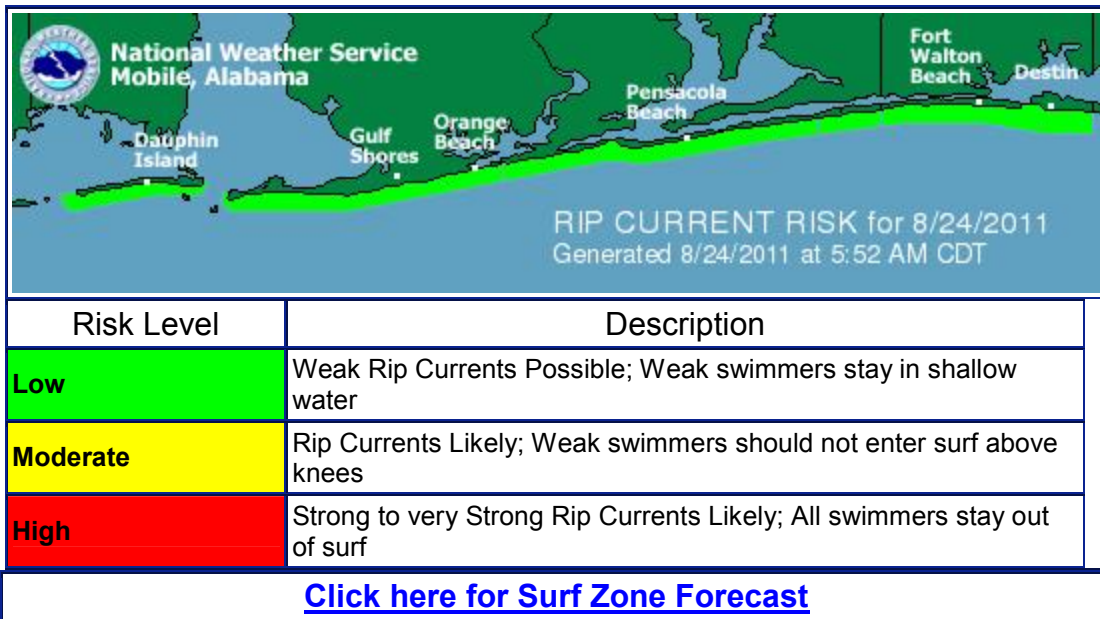


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**River Gauges**

Readings are from published date, for daily readings visit: <http://www.srh.noaa.gov/alr/index.shtml>

<b>Yellow River (at Milligan)– Current Level .47 ft</b>	<b>Blackwater (at Baker) – Current Level 2.73 ft</b>
<b>Flood Categories (in feet)</b> Major Flood Stage: 18 Moderate Flood Stage: 15 Flood Stage: 12 Action Stage: 7	<b>Flood Categories (in feet)</b> Major Flood Stage: 24 Moderate Flood Stage: 16 Flood Stage: 11 Action Stage: 6
<b>Big Coldwater (Milton)– Current Level 1.20 ft</b>	<b>Escambia River (Century)–Current Level 2.99 ft</b>
<b>Flood Categories (in feet)</b> Major Flood Stage: 23 Moderate Flood Stage: 15 Flood Stage: 10 Action Stage: 5	<b>Flood Categories (in feet)</b> Major Flood Stage: 37 Moderate Flood Stage: 25 Flood Stage: 17 Action Stage: 12



### Emergency Management

<http://www.santarosa.fl.gov/emergency/index.html>

### INCIDENT REPORTS

**No report this week**

### TRAINING/EXERCISES

#### **PER 259 SHARING INFORMATION AND INTELLIGENCE RELATED TO FOOD IMPORTATION AND TRANSPORTATION**

The Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services is collaborating with the Center for Agriculture and Food Security and Preparedness at the University of Tennessee-College of Veterinary Medicine, the University of Florida-Institute for Food and Agricultural Sciences, and the Regional Domestic Security Task Forces to offer these Department of Homeland Security (DHS) certified courses in Florida. **The courses are open to all United States Citizens, and are free of charge through DHS grant funding.**

#### **PER Course Offerings:**

#### **PER 259 Sharing Information and Intelligence Related to Food Importation and Transportation**

- Thursday, October 13, 2011 from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm with an hour lunch break at the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, 2331 Phillips Road, Tallahassee, FL 32308
- Tuesday, October 25, 2011 from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm with an hour lunch break at the Escambia County Public Safety Facility, 6575 "W" Street, Pensacola, FL 32505

***To register for this course or to get more detailed information, click on the following link: [www.flsart.org/mqtcourses](http://www.flsart.org/mqtcourses)***

If you have questions or comments regarding this course, please contact John Burkette with the Office of Agricultural Emergency Preparedness, Office of Agricultural Law Enforcement, Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services at [John.Burkette@freshfromflorida.com](mailto:John.Burkette@freshfromflorida.com) or (850) 245-1387

**NURSE ASSISTANT TRAINING CLASS**  
**CNA PREPARATORY COURSE**

**September 27 - December 15 Tuesdays & Thursdays from 8:00 am - Noon**  
**Red Cross Classroom - Pensacola**

***Imagine a job that is exciting and challenging...a job where you make a difference.***

Whether you're just starting your career or ready for a change, now is the time to consider becoming a nurse assistant.

The American Red Cross Nurse Assistant Training course helps you develop patient care and other job-related skills. Classwork includes learning:

- Medical terms
- Body systems and how they function
- Communication skills
- Nurse Assistant roles and responsibilities
- How to provide care to individuals in nursing homes and other settings

Course cost is \$1250 and includes state exam fee, background check and scrubs. Students meeting specific criteria can be eligible for a scholarship.

**[Click here for more information and registration!](#)**

If you have questions for the the course instructor, you can email him at:

[hasself@usa.redcross.org](mailto:hasself@usa.redcross.org)

**SOFT TARGET AWARENESS COURSE**

The Northwest Florida Domestic Security Task Force is proud to sponsor a free training opportunity, the *Soft Target Awareness Course (STAC)*, for members of state, local and private sector entities within Northwest Florida. This training opportunity is part of efforts to help increase awareness of the threat of terrorism to businesses and facilities, as well as to enhance organizational security awareness.

Developed by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, and taught by DHS-certified instructors, the 4-hour Soft Target Awareness Course will include an introduction to terrorism, surveillance, surveillance detection, and mechanisms for reporting suspicious behavior.

Throughout the course, participants will learn the importance of engaging in proactive security measures, and be able to better define individual roles in deterring, detecting and defending facilities against terrorist acts. The course will also provide an overview of prevention, response and recovery activities associated with soft targets.

The course is free, and will be held in Pensacola, Florida on September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2011 and in Panama City on September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2011. Participants can choose either the 8 AM or 1 PM session.

**(Please see the attached course flyer for registration information and additional details.)**



Soft Target

Awareness Pensacola



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Awareness Panama C

This training is open to representatives of businesses and industry, such as:

Agriculture and Food	Education/Schools	National Monuments/Icons
Attraction/Resort Security	Emergency Services	Nuclear
Banking and Finance	Energy	Places of Worship
Chemical Industry	Government Facilities	Port/Transit Authority
Citizen Corps	Government Officials	Postal and Shipping

Commercial Facilities	Hotels	Public Health/Healthcare
Communications	Information Technology	Transportation
Defense Industrial Base	Medical Facilities/Hospitals	Water/Sewer

We look forward to your participation and the opportunity to improve our collective efforts to prevent terrorism-related incidents within Northwest Florida

**4 FREE WEBINARS FOR EMERGENCY AND CRISIS COMMUNICATORS, CLINICIANS, HEALTH EDUCATORS, AND PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICERS**

**August 23 – Free Webinar** – Ethical Considerations for Emergency Preparedness

Join us on Wednesday, August 24 at 3:00 PM (ET) for a special webinar presentation “Expanding Capacity and Capability: Inclusion of Participatory Culture, Technology and Open Data in Crisis Management.” With shrinking resources, innovation becomes imperative. Partnerships provide one avenue for potential innovation. This webinar will address utilizing volunteer technology and open data for emergency preparedness and response, presented by Heather Blanchard, Co-Founder of CrisisCommons (<http://crisiscommons.org>).

Register here:

<http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?oeidk=a07e4e3j1ok8114fea7&llr=pf7m85dab>

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Register here:

<http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=pf7m85dab&oeidk=a07e4mwfdpud3ccb52c>

**August 25 – Free Webinar** – Brucellosis in the United States - Current Perspectives – COCA Webinar

Brucellosis is one of the most common zoonoses in the world. However, in the United States, due to eradication efforts in the veterinary and human public health sectors, the populations at risk have changed. Join us for this COCA call where a subject matter expert will review the current status of brucellosis, available diagnostics, and treatment regimens.

Register here: [http://emergency.cdc.gov/coca/calls/2011/callinfo\\_082511.asp](http://emergency.cdc.gov/coca/calls/2011/callinfo_082511.asp)

**August 29 – Free Webinar** – Tribal Outreach: Emergency Preparedness and Environmental Health Education

Join us on Monday, August 29th, 2011 1:00 PM (ET) for a special webinar presentation "Tribal Outreach: Emergency Preparedness and Environmental Health Education." Through a CDC/ATSDR funded cooperative agreement, the Society for Public Health Education (SOPHE) and the National Public Health Information Coalition (NPHIC) present a webinar on education and outreach to tribal nations in regards to emergency preparedness and environmental health.

Register here:

<http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=pf7m85dab&oeidk=a07e4mmiinc90c1b66b>

Emergency and Crisis Communicators, Clinicians, Health Educators, and Public Information Officers: CDC has launched a new official Facebook page for the Health Partners Outreach Team, part of the Division of Emergency Operations. This page will provide real time updates, guidance, and situational awareness for public health partners about how to prepare and respond to public health emergencies and disasters. Become a fan today! “Like” the page to

receive updates, participate in future conversations, and more  
<http://www.facebook.com/CDCHealthPartnersOutreach>

### **NAVARRE CERT AMATEUR RADIO CLUB OFFERS SKYWARN TRAINING**

The Navarre Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Amateur Radio Club (NCARC) will sponsor a SKYWARN Weather Spotter training session at their September 2 club meeting. SKYWARN is a voluntary program developed by the National Weather Service where volunteers serve as storm spotters for the National Weather Service and local emergency management programs. Keeping their eyes on the sky, these volunteers serve as the eyes and ears for the whole community. The National Weather Service needs real time reports of hail size, wind damage, flash flooding, heavy rain, and tornado development, in order to effectively warn the public. Even as new technology allows the National Weather Service to issue warnings with more lead time, spotters will always be needed as links between radar indications of severe weather and ground truth information.

SKYWARN training in severe storm identification comes from the National Weather Service. Often, other organizations, such as amateur radio operators, are the backbone of the SKYWARN effort in a particular community.

The Navarre CERT Amateur Radio Club meeting will be at the Holley-Navarre Fire Station #45 on **September 2 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.** Anyone wishing to become a SKYWARN trained weather spotter is encouraged to attend. All Amateur Radio operators are especially encouraged to attend.

For more information, please contact Steve VanDenAkker at 850-637-2496 or via email at [commo@navarre-cert.org](mailto:commo@navarre-cert.org)

### **NAVARRE CERT TRAINING**

Navarre CERT ([www.navarre-cert.org](http://www.navarre-cert.org)), in conjunction with Santa Rosa County Emergency Management, is sponsoring and conducting Community Emergency Response Team training. The class covers six sessions (two Friday evenings, two Saturdays, and two Sunday afternoons, weekends of September 16-18 and 23-25), all of which must be completed to be CERT-qualified. Students will receive a CERT backpack containing a CERT hard hat and vest, and other equipment/supplies, as well as the confidence to assist the community in times of a disaster. At the last session on Sunday, Sept. 25, students will be given the opportunity to practice new found skills by participating in a mock disaster scenario.

For more information and to register for the class, visit [www.navarre-cert.org](http://www.navarre-cert.org) and click on Training, or call Mike at 939-6973.

Prerequisite for this class is FEMA's online course, Independent Study 317: Introduction to Community Emergency Response Teams, which can be taken free of charge at [www.citizencorps.gov/cert/training\\_mat.shtml](http://www.citizencorps.gov/cert/training_mat.shtml). This course will give you a good idea of what will be covered in more detail and hands-on in the six sessions. Topics include:

- Disaster Preparedness
- Fire Safety
- Disaster Medical Operations
- Light Search and Rescue Operations
- CERT Organization
- Disaster Psychology
- Terrorism and CERT

CERT is a program under Citizen Corps, within the Dept of Homeland Security. For more information about the CERT program, see the website at [www.citizencorps.gov/programs/cert](http://www.citizencorps.gov/programs/cert).

### **FREE ONLINE TRAINING FOR PSYCHOLOGICAL FIRST AID**

See the flyer for information on how you can get trained in psychological first aid.



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### **ADDITIONAL READING**

DHS Daily Open Source Infrastructure Report  
[www.dhs.gov/xinfoshare/programs/editorial\\_0542.shtm](http://www.dhs.gov/xinfoshare/programs/editorial_0542.shtm)

National Situation Update  
<http://www.fema.gov/emergency/reports/natsitup.shtm>

### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

#### **FAMILY RESOURCE PROGRAM IS IN NEED OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:**

Children's underwear (all sizes)  
Children's socks (all sizes)

Diapers (all sizes)  
Meats for their food pantry.

\*Please do not donate adult clothing.

If anyone is doing extreme couponing, this is a great charity to build a stock pile for. Or if your church, business, agency or civic group would like to collect or do a drive to support them, that would be great!

Contact JoAnn at (850) 626-2054 or email [familyresourcemilton@yahoo.com](mailto:familyresourcemilton@yahoo.com).