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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

## **Two Hendry County Shelters Allowing Pets**

**(September 9, 2017 1pm) – LaBelle, Fla.** – As of 1pm Saturday, September 9, 2017, Hendry County shelters are allowing pets in 2 of the Hendry County shelters. One on each side of the county.

**Pets MUST be crated.**

**Shelters allowing pets are:**

- **Upthegrove Elementary School – 280 Main St. Labelle, Fl. 33935**
- **LAST RESORT shelter at Clewiston High School, located at 1501 S. Francisco Street at 1pm Saturday, September 9,2017**

Evacuating to a shelter should be a **LAST RESORT** as there is limited space available in the shelters.

Residents needing to evacuate are strongly encouraged to do so **IMMEDIATELY**.

Tropical storm force winds are expected by this evening at 8pm. Outer bands from the storm are already moving through the area. It is very important that you respect this order as emergency personnel will not respond once sustained winds hit 45mph.

If you choose to leave shelter after winds hit 35mph, **THIS COULD PUT MANY LIVES AT RISK.**

As a reminder to the public, the mandatory evacuation zone includes all of the **City of Clewiston, Hookers Point, Harlem, Flaghole, Montura Ranch Estates and the communities located within the Mid-County MSBU which includes Ladeca, Pioneer Plantation and Leon-Dennis Subdivision (Al Don Farming Road).**

Evacuees are strongly encouraged to take all important, personal documents and identification.

The County has set up a hotline for residents to call for information regarding, evacuation, shelters, transportation and all other related concerns.

- **Hendry County hotline number: [863-674-5410](tel:863-674-5410).**

Hendry County officials are in constant communication with State officials to continue monitoring the storm and will update the public as information becomes available.

For Hendry County updates, residents are encouraged to visit [www.preparehendry.com](http://www.preparehendry.com) and follow us on social media through our [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) accounts.

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***(Please feel free to contact us for an interview, discussion or questions.)***