



**EMERGENCY ORDER**  
**Removal of Boats and Debris from Critical Areas**  
**All Coastal Counties**  
**16-EO-HM4**

WHEREAS, the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control, Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management (SCDHEC-OCRM), an agency of the State of South Carolina, organized and existing under the authority of the South Carolina Coastal Zone Management Act, S.C. Code Ann. § 48-39-10 *et seq.* (1978 & Supp. 2004), finds that there exist emergency conditions due to the landfall of Hurricane Matthew within the jurisdiction of SCDHEC-OCRM, and

WHEREAS, SCDHEC-OCRM finds that these emergency conditions endanger the health, safety, welfare, and resources of the residents of the coastal zone as well as the general population of the State of South Carolina.

NOW, THEREFORE IT IS ORDERED that SCDHEC-OCRM, pursuant to the authority of section 48-39-130(D)(1) of the 1977 Coastal Zone Management Act (as amended), hereby issues an emergency order to the general public to remove boats and debris from the critical area(s) using all best practices and measures for removal.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that nothing herein is to be construed or implied as relieving the affected property owner of any responsibilities, duties or liabilities the property owner may have to other agencies (local, state, or federal) that have authority and jurisdiction over the affected area.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this emergency order is to cease to have any force and effect one year from the date of this order.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

  
Elizabeth B. von Kolnitz  
Chief, OCRM  
SC Department of Health and Environmental Control

October 8, 2016

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Date