

**CITY AND BOROUGH**

**OF WRANGELL**

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**NEWS RELEASE**

**For immediate release: 10-1-2021 at 3:00PM**

**Weather Warning for Wrangell**

Just a reminder to the Public, the National Weather Service has issued a hurricane force wind and rain advisory for Southeast Alaska, including Wrangell. Effects of the storm are predicted to begin at approximately 3:00pm today, lasting through 6:00am Saturday. Expect sustained winds between 25-45 mph, with gusts up to 75 mph. The wind is expected to shift from Southeast to a strong Westerly in the early morning hours. An additional 2-3 inches of rain is anticipated.

Please exercise caution. If possible, avoid traveling during this time and please report any hazards (fallen tree(s) or power lines) immediately to the Wrangell Police Department by calling 911.

Please be sure to check on family, friends, and neighbors who may need assistance to ensure they are prepared.

**Public Works:**

* Make sure to store and secure garbage cans, dumpsters, and any other personal items to keep from blowing over.

**Wrangell Municipal Light & Power:**

* If the power goes out, ensure that you have a flashlight or headlamp ready, with fresh batteries. Or if you choose to use candles, please be sure that they are placed at least one foot away from flammable objects, such as furniture, curtains, paper, plants, or electronics. Use a sturdy candle holder and place on a stable and heat-resistant surface.

**Ports and Harbors:**

* Boat owners – please check on vessels and make sure that the tie-lines are secure, bilge pumps are on, and tarps and personal belongings are tied down or stored inside the vessel.
* Check the marine weather forecast before heading out of the harbor. Hazardous marine conditions are expected.

In the event of an emergency such as a downed power line or fallen tree(s), please call 911 and the Police Department will assist you.

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