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Town Media & Resident Release:

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Ocean Ridge “King Tides” Cycle Flooding Alert

The Town of Ocean Ridge and surrounding areas are experiencing unusually high seasonal King Tides. Water levels from these tide cycles are unusually high and predicted to continue over the next one to two week period. At high tide, most of the Town’s storm drain systems are being overtopped from engineered capacity and causing areas of localized temporary flooding.

Town staff is aware of these conditions and working to minimize excess water as possible. However, expect localized street flooding in the 2-3 hour time slots straddling peak high tides. Link to area tide cycle: <https://tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov/noaatidepredictions.html?id=8722718>

Important things to remember:

- DO NOT cover stormdrains, swales and sidewalks with vegetative or bulk debris. Household trash, landscape trimmings, and construction debris must always be separated. Debris piles improperly placed may not be collected and can generate code violations to the property.
- We are working with contract trash and debris haulers to finish clearing the Town of Hurricane Irma storm debris, as well as co-schedule regular household, yard and bulk services through Republic Services, our normal hauler.
- Piles with comingled debris materials are being skipped over by our contract haulers and become the responsibility of the property owners to clear out. For regular household pickup, normal garbage, recycling and yard waste rules apply. The few areas still awaiting post hurricane debris clearing are being surveyed and picked up on a case by case basis. We anticipate the Town to be virtually clear of all public right of way storm debris this week.

Staff and town contractors are working cooperatively toward returning to normal service. We are ahead of most neighboring communities in our restoration efforts and truly appreciate everyone’s cooperation and patience. Please let staff know if there are any issues requiring additional attention, or log onto the website and utilize SeeClickFix to report same. Thank you!

James Titcomb
Town Manager

Chief Hal Hutchins
Ocean Ridge Police Department