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**The Lee County Hurricane Ian After-Action Report presented Lee Commissioners and published online**

Fort Myers, FL, Aug. 15, 2023 – The Lee County Hurricane Ian After-Action Report was presented Tuesday to the Lee Board of County Commissioners and was published online at [www.leegov.com/storm](http://www.leegov.com/storm).

The Lee County Hurricane Ian After-Action Report is a review of the County's preparedness, response and recovery efforts. The scope of the After-Action Report focuses on countywide operations and does not cover department-specific operations pertaining to Hurricane Ian. Observations and recommendations in the report are intended to contribute to Lee County's preparedness and readiness for future storm events.

Hurricane Ian made landfall on Cayo Costa, a Lee County barrier island, at 3:05 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 28 as a Category 4 hurricane. With \$112 billion in damages, it is the third costliest hurricane to date to make landfall in the United States behind Hurricane Katrina (2005) and Hurricane Harvey (2017).

The After-Action Report focuses on broad, policy-level issues or operational problems encountered as a result of the impact of Hurricane Ian. Due to the size and scope of the disaster, it is not meant to include all operational and or departmental challenges and does not document County department-level issues, adjustments and improvements taken during or after the event.

The report includes an executive summary, an overview of the storm with a timeline and a by-the-numbers look at the response.

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