

State of South Carolina  
Executive Department



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*Mark Hammond*  
SECRETARY OF STATE

Office of the Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO.

2016-34

**WHEREAS**, effective at 3:00 PM on October 5, 2016, the undersigned issued Executive Order 2016-31 ordering a mandatory evacuation of persons located in the specified Evacuation Zones of Colleton (Zone A), Charleston (Zones A,B,C), Dorchester (Zones B,D,E,F), and Berkeley (Zones B,C,F,G,I) counties because of the imminent danger imposed by Hurricane Matthew;

**WHEREAS**, effective at 4:00 PM on October 6, 2016, the undersigned issued Executive Order 2016-33, ordering a mandatory evacuation of persons in Zone B of Colleton County;

**WHEREAS**, it has been made known to me by county officials that the effects of Hurricane Matthew and conditions throughout these four counties no longer pose a threat to the life, health, safety or welfare of residents and visitors;

**WHEREAS**, conditions now exist which justify allowing re-entry of persons into all Zones existing in Berkeley, Charleston, Colleton and Dorchester so that citizens may return to their homes and a state of normalcy as quickly as possible while South Carolina continues to recover from the devastating effects of Hurricane Matthew; and

**WHEREAS**, despite rescission of the order to evacuate Berkeley, Charleston, Colleton and Dorchester counties, these counties may still identify and restrict areas of each county to insure the safety of residents and visitors.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me as Governor pursuant to the Constitution and Laws of South Carolina, I hereby rescind the evacuation provisions for Berkeley, Charleston, Colleton and Dorchester counties as set forth in Executive Orders 2016-31 and 2016-33, effective at 10 AM, October 9, 2016.

**FURTHER**, all persons may now return to these counties;

**FURTHER**, nothing in this order prohibits local officials from establishing a curfew or restricting access to areas of danger and thereby authorizes state officers to enforce local curfew for the welfare of and safety of residents and visitors during the recovery period.

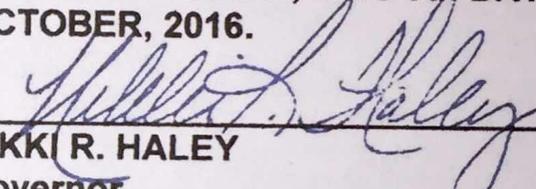
**FURTHER**, all residents and visitors traveling in these counties should take due caution to travel safely across roads and bridges in returning, and understand that portions of these areas and/or their home may be without power.

**FURTHER**, this Order does not rescind evacuation orders for counties not listed.

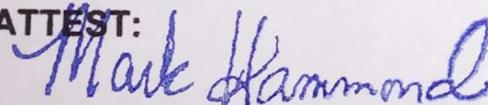
This Order shall take effect immediately.



GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE  
GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF  
SOUTH CAROLINA, THIS 9th DAY OF  
OCTOBER, 2016.

  
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NIKKI R. HALEY  
Governor

ATTEST:



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MARK HAMMOND  
Secretary of State