



SMALL TOWN, BIG BEACH

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**Hurricane Sally Update #5**

**Sally Upgraded to Hurricane Forcing Beach Closures and Governor to Recommended Evacuation of Low-Lying Areas**

Gulf Shores, Ala. – Due to the increasingly dangerous conditions anticipated from Hurricane Sally, Governor Kay Ivey has issued a supplemental State of Emergency forcing all City of Gulf Shores beaches and all public beach accesses to close at 3 p.m. In addition, those residing in flood-prone, low-lying areas are recommended to evacuate to locations with higher elevation. The combined effects from storm surge, significant rainfall amounts and tidal influence will create dangerous flooding conditions.

All City of Gulf Shores offices and facilities will be closed to the public today at 5 p.m. and remain closed until further notice. Police, Fire Rescue, Public Works and other essential services will remain open to ensure public safety and health.

As of 4 p.m. today, the City of Gulf Shores will discontinue issuing all Hurricane/Re-Entry Passes, per City of Gulf Shores Resolution 5642-16.

Due to the anticipated flooding conditions, the Gulf Shores Sportsplex and Jack Edwards National Airport are available for additional parking at a higher elevation throughout the duration of the storm.

To view the Governor’s supplemental State of Emergency, please visit <https://governor.alabama.gov/>.

For the latest updates and advisories, continue to follow local media and the National Weather Service Mobile at <https://www.weather.gov/MOB> for continued updates.

The City of Gulf Shores will continue to share updates through our City’s website and our social media channels. To receive updates via email or text message, please visit [www.gulfshoresal.gov](http://www.gulfshoresal.gov) and click on “Notify Me.”

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