



News Release

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Pensacola Beach Update

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- The Emerald Coast Utilities Authority (ECUA) has informed the Health Department that the area of Pensacola Beach described as the north side of Via DeLuna from Avenida 10 to Avenida 22 has the sewerage system activated. This area, however, remains under a boil/bottled water notice. The Health Department continues to work with ECUA in the review of bacteriological sampling and will notify the public, through the media, when the boil/bottled water notice for this area is lifted.
- The **core area**, from Avenida 10 (on the East) to La Caribe sub division (on the West) will open to the public to patronize businesses on November 1, 2004.
 - Traffic checkpoints will be moved to Avenida 10 and La Caribe to ensure safety and security for those areas still under recovery.
- Residents/leaseholders/owners for all areas of Pensacola Beach will be allowed on the beach daily from **6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.** to begin repairs, demolition or reconstruction.
 - Repair, demolition, and/or reconstruction may begin with the proper permitting.
 - Building, electrical and plumbing permits may be obtained from the Escambia County Building Inspections Department. This department currently is operating out of the Santa Rosa Island Authority (SRIA) temporary offices at the Hilton Garden Inn for Beach residents.
 - They may choose to live in Recreational Vehicles (motor homes and travel trailers) that are completely self-contained while repairs are being done.
 - RVs must be located on the resident's property. They cannot be located on the right-of-way.
 - RVs may be moved on to the island on Sundays only to reduce traffic congestion.
 - Leaseholders are asked to restrict their activities to their businesses and dwellings to reduce the traffic congestion.
 - Residents and contractors must park in the driveways or parking lots. No vehicles will be allowed to park on rights of way.
 - Generators are allowed, but must not be hooked up directly to the house.
 - Pick-up trucks and trailers are allowed to haul in supplies or remove personal property.

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- Debris cannot be placed on the right of way in such a manner that it covers water, electrical, cable, and sewer meters/boxes.
- Business owners are encouraged to begin repairs to their businesses and notify the county when they are ready to re-open to the public.
- Residents living in the **core area**, from Avenida 10 (on the East) to La Caribe sub division (on the West) and north on the Pensacola Beach causeway to the Bob Sikes Bridge, are not only able to begin recovery and repair of their dwellings, but may also move back into their dwellings as long as they have been approved to do so by the Escambia County Building Inspections Department.
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 - Business owners are encouraged to begin repairs to their businesses and notify the county when they are ready to re-open to the public.
 - Public access to the core area could begin in about 30 days.
- For more information on Pensacola Beach, you may call the Pensacola Beach Public Information hotline at (850) 932-1500.

Right of Entry Forms:

All residents/leaseholders/owners on Pensacola Beach and Perdido Key are required to sign right of entry forms to allow debris contractors to remove the debris and sand from their

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property. It is important to fill out this form and return it as soon as possible. All right of entry forms must have an original signature (copies will not be accepted). Those residents/leaseholders/owners who do not sign a right of entry form will be responsible for cleaning their own property and will be subject to county codes.

Forms can be obtained as follows:

- **Pensacola Beach** - Gulf Breeze Chamber of Commerce, 409 Gulf Breeze Parkway, Monday through Friday from 8:00am to 4:30pm.
- You can also call to have the form faxed to you and then mail it back, by calling the Gulf Breeze Chamber of Commerce at (850) 932-7888 for Pensacola Beach.
- Forms can be accessed via the Escambia County website, www.myescambia.com. Forms, bearing an original signature, must be mailed to Escambia County: County Administration, PO Box 1591, Pensacola, FL 32591.

Building Contractors

- All licensed Building Contractors must have a decal to work on the beaches.
- The Contractor pass station at the South Santa Rosa Recreational Center located at 800 Shoreline Drive, Gulf Breeze will close effective 4:00 p.m. October 15, 2004.
- Decals may still be obtained for Pensacola Beach beginning Monday, October 18, 2004 at the Building Inspections Office, located at 3300 Pace Boulevard, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Building Permits

- Escambia County Building Inspectors will be located at the SRIA temporary offices at the Hilton Garden Inn. Property owners can obtain building, electrical, and plumbing permits for demolition and reconstruction from 8:00 a.m to 4:30 p.m. No one will be able to begin any demolition and/or reconstruction without a permit and only in those areas that have been opened for demolition and/or reconstruction will be permitted.

As zones are cleared and deemed safe, the areas on Pensacola Beach will be expanded to begin reconstruction and/or demolition. All proper permits must be obtained before any work can begin. Areas will be announced as they are cleared.