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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

# Take Action during Flood Safety Preparedness Week

**WOODBINE, Ga. – March 6, 2023** – The Georgia Emergency Management Agency (GEMA) has declared March 6-10, 2023, to be Flood Safety Preparedness Week and Camden County Emergency Management Agency (EMA) urges all Camden County residents to take time to learn about and prepare for the possibility of flood events.

“We want to encourage all Camden County residents to plan and prepare for the possibility of flooding and what steps they can take to reduce the impacts,” said EMA Director Chuck White. “It is important to make plans and determine if flood insurance, or other actions, are needed for the safety of your home and property.”

A [Flood Awareness Tool](#) is available on the Camden County website. The online tool is designed to help planning officials, decision makers, and current and future residents make informed decisions to prepare for and reduce the impacts of flooding. Camden County experiences the effects of sea level rise, storm surge, regular riverine flooding, and king tides.

Throughout the week, Camden County citizens will learn about flood hazards, flood safety, and preparation steps including:

- **Flood Safety, Preparedness, and Awareness:** Make a plan, build a ready kit and communicate with your household and community to so you’re prepared in case of a flood.
- **Turn Around, Don't Drown:** Never attempt to drive through floodwaters. Two feet of moving water can carry away a full-sized car.
- **Flood Hazards:** Stay out of floodwaters if possible. The water can be contaminated or electrically stalls. However, if your car stalls in rapidly rising waters, leave the vehicle and seek higher ground.
- **NWS Water Resources and Services:** Many homeowner’s insurance policies don’t cover floods. Make sure you’re financially ready for a flood event by visiting [www.fema.gov/national-flood-insurance-program](http://www.fema.gov/national-flood-insurance-program) and remember: flood insurance takes 30 days to take effect, so sooner is better than later.

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- **Partners and Partner Services:** The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the National Weather Service (NWS) can provide you with resources and tips to help you prepare for a flood.

Specific flood safety preparedness information and tips will be posted throughout the week on the Camden County EMA’s [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) accounts. Camden County residents looking for more information on how to prepare for severe weather can visit the [Camden County EMA webpage](#) or [Ready Georgia](#).

**About Camden County:** Located in the extreme southeast corner of Georgia, Camden County truly is “Georgia’s Coastal Community of Choice.” Originally formed in 1777, Camden County is best known for its rich history, natural scenic beauty and Southern hospitality. Our vision is helping to make this the best place to live by preserving and enhancing the history and quality of life, while promoting smart growth and providing an efficient, effective and responsive government.

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