

October 27, 2012

The current track of Hurricane Sandy has the storm center going to the south of our area. This makes it highly likely that we will experience winds in excess of 60 miles per hour. Power outages are expected for the majority of Frelinghuysen's residents. JCP&L is forecasting a period of up to 10 days until power may be fully restored. JCP&L has a website to report power outages and monitor current conditions:

https://www.firstenergycorp.com/content/customer/outages_help/Sandy.html.

The highest winds are currently forecast to begin Monday morning and continue through Tuesday. For those without generators, please make certain you have ample water and food. It is suggested that you fill your bathtub with water prior to the expected power outage. For those of you with generators, please reach out to your neighbors who do not have them and offer your assistance.

For all emergency calls please dial 911. Please note it may not be possible for the local fire departments to pump flooded basements until conditions have stabilized. Please do not expect local emergency responders to compromise their safety by responding to situations that are not life threatening during the height of the storm.

The Frelinghuysen Emergency Operations Center (EOC) will be staffed beginning Monday at 6:00 a.m. The EOC is located at town hall in the rear meeting area. There will be frequent assessments of conditions throughout the township with regular reports to our citizens, especially closed roads and localized flooding. Not all citizens have access to email or have children in our schools. As a result it is difficult to reach them. Please be a good neighbor and share this information and help those who cannot help themselves.

If you have any questions please contact me directly on my cell phone at 908-256-6355. I will be available throughout this situation.

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