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**Hurricane Helene
NEWS RELEASE**

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Anderson County Hurricane Helene Wednesday Update

Anderson, SC ({October 2, 2024}) – Crews remain persistent in their around the clocks efforts to get Anderson County back to a state of normalcy following Hurricane Helene.

More than half of the county has their lights back on, with about 36% still out of power. That equates to about 41,000 people. A number for patients to have on hand is 864-276-8620 for those who are oxygen dependent. The line allows them to get in touch with an emergency management officials who will supply oxygen after the storm.

Roads and Bridges reports about 128 streets are not passable because power lines scattering the ground. All other roads have now been cleared entirely, with a dozen needing long term repairs. The South Carolina National Guard, in partnership with Public Works have covered an enormous amount of ground over the last couple of days, especially on Wednesday. Chainsaw and Debris crews stretching from Piedmont to Pelzer have helped clear main roads that serve as a dumping point for debris and even moving a tree out of the path of a blind man's ramp that allows him to get outside.

The Air National Guard has now joined the force, traveling from Florida with heavy machinery and more chainsaws to assist.

For those on well water and without power in the City of Belton and Honea Path areas, bottled water will be supplied, and state assistance is underway.

All Convenience Centers in the county, are open with the exception to Craytonville Convenience Center. Starr Landfill and Slabtown Convenience Center are the two locations open to drop off debris no larger than in 6-foot increments.

The Emergency Operations Center remains staffed with local, state and national entities working together as one. The website link on Anderson County Emergency Management's website has information regarding helpful links, school information, resources and more,

MORE INFORMATION: <https://www.emd.andersonsheriff.org/helene>

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