

ZONE C (Charlie)

Overview

Zone C is very vulnerable damaging effects of storm surge and high winds from a landfalling hurricane. Evacuation may be required for a major hurricane.

Boundaries

From the north, areas between Tamiami Trl N and Livingston Rd to Immokalee Rd. Then, area south of Immokalee Rd, between Airport-Pulling and Livingston Rds down to Radio Rd. From Radio Rd, between Airport-Pulling Rd and Santa Barbara Blvd down to Rattlesnake Hammock Rd. Finally, the area within the triangle formed by Rattlesnake Hammock Rd, Collier Blvd and Tamiami Trl E.

What Are the Most Dangerous Hazards?

While not closest to tidal water, Zone C is still vulnerable to storm surge flooding. Homes may fail when flooded. Damaging winds will also pose a danger to unprepared homes.

When Will I Be Ordered to Evacuate?

Zone C may be ordered to evacuate for a landfalling major hurricane. This will likely come early, when the skies are blue. When evacuations are called for, both sides of the boundary roadways are included in the evacuations.

What Might Happen if I Ignore Evacuation Orders?

You are gambling with your and your family's lives. Also, it is highly unlikely that you can protect your property if you stay. Emergency services will be unavailable for extended periods. If you get into trouble, you will have to wait for the storm to leave your area and rest of the County before help can come. If you still have communications after the storm passes, 9-1-1 emergency responses to your calls for aid may be delayed due to blocked roadways and downed power lines.

What Are Some Other Safety Concerns?

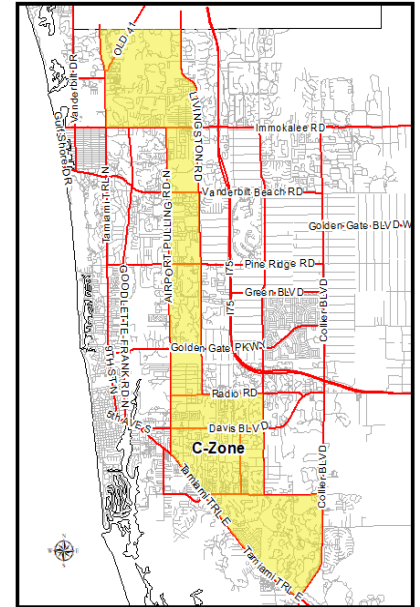
Any flood waters will rise quickly, but recede very slowly. That water and the ground may be contaminated with chemicals and raw sewage. Electricity will be out for a long time and, when restored, many houses will be unable to receive power due to damaged infrastructure.

Can't I Leave After the Storm Passes?

If you survive, leaving after the storm will be difficult and dangerous. Streets, major roads and bridges may sustain heavy damage or fail entirely due to surge flooding. These issues will also delay emergency response.

So, What Are My Safer Alternatives?

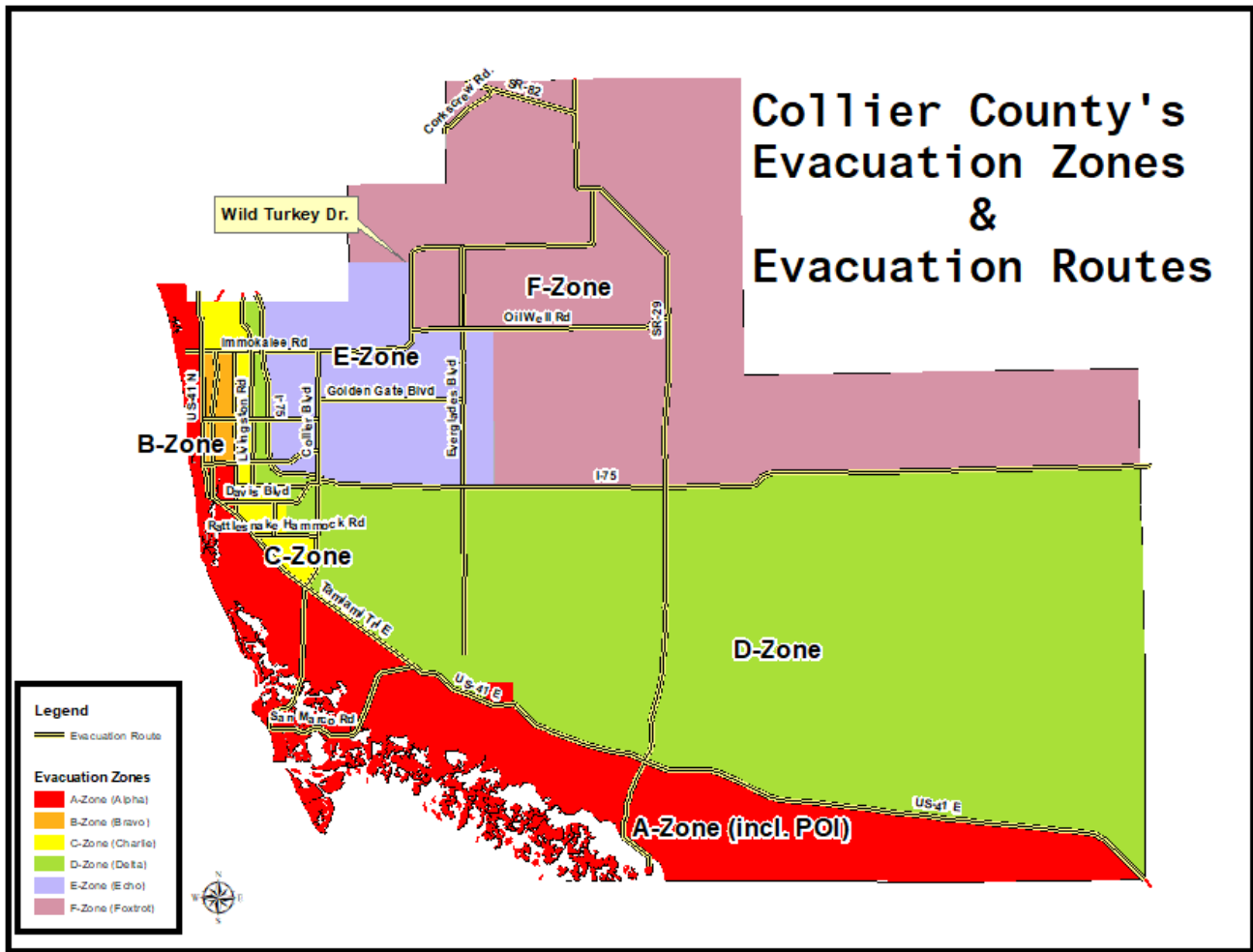
Evacuate if directed to do so. Know where you will go, how you will get there and what you will carry. Plan to return only when it is safe to do so. If you are not ordered to evacuate and stay home, make sure your home is above the expected surge height and all windows and doors are protected against the wind.



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