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## Matre Forestry Consulting, Inc.

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Dear Matre Forestry Newsletter Subscribers,

We pray you are well and safe after Hurricane Michael. We pray for all of those directly and indirectly hurt by Hurricane Michael. Please pray for those who lost loved ones, and those who have no power and those who have damaged houses. And for our landowners that lost crops and/or timber, please pray for them. And for our towns from Panama City and Mexico Beach to the smallest of rural Georgia towns such as Donalsonville and up through Albany and further north and east, please pray for them. Please pray that the electrical grid across this region gets fully restored as quickly as possible. And those in the Albany area that have suffered three catastrophic storms since January of 2017, please uplift them with prayer. I have seen and talked to some that are at their wits end, and they need your prayers.

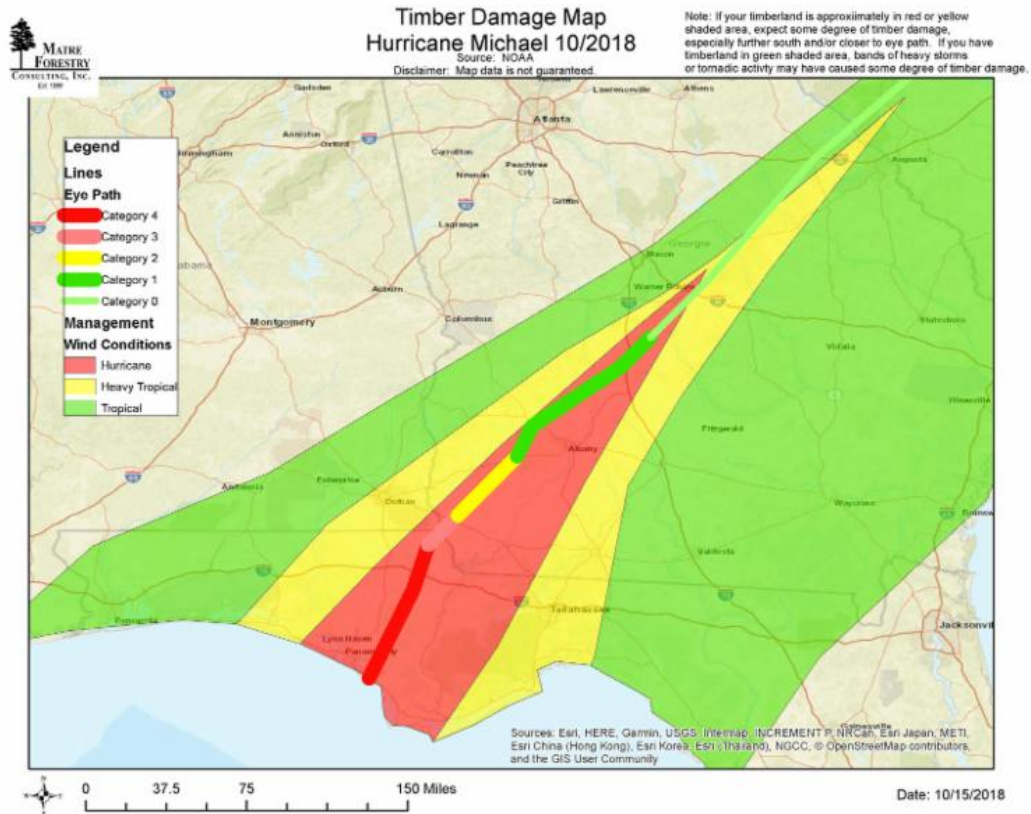
Volunteers and donations are needed. A great way to donate and/or volunteer is <https://www.samaritanspurse.org/>. Also, see this article: <http://www.walb.com/2018/10/15/albany-chain-gang-needs-more-donations-help-storm-victims/>. And/or give to the <https://www.salvationarmyusa.org/usn/> or <https://www.redcross.org/>. Not everyone can volunteer, but everyone can give, even if it is just \$5! There are other worthy organizations so there is no need to list them all - just give!

As a courtesy to land and property owners, especially absentee owners, we have produced a map using NOAA data that can help in determining the likelihood of damage to your property. We are using the map to prioritize inspecting client timberlands for timber damage, and using the map to plan for salvage timber sales. We thought the map may be helpful to others as well.

Please see the map below. If your property is approximately in the red or yellow shaded area, expect some degree of timber damage. For properties further south and/or closer to the eye path, expect significant timber damage.

Due to the nature of hurricanes with bands of heavy storms and sporadic tornado activity, timber damage intensity varies greatly, especially further inland, so do not assume the best or assume the worst. If your property is in the red or yellow shaded area, a timber inspection is highly recommended. If in the green area, an inspection is advisable.

**Salvage Logging:** This storm has a huge geographic footprint, so much of the down timber will not be salvaged. Larger stands of quality timber with heavy storm damage will likely get salvaged first. Smaller stands with moderate to light damage of younger and/or lesser quality timber are not likely to be salvaged. Finite logging production capabilities, mill capacity limits, and wood deterioration over time is the challenge we all face from a forestry prospective after Hurricane Michael.



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