

SPECIAL WEATHER STATEMENT
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE RALEIGH NC
1243 PM EDT SAT OCT 8 2016

NCZ086-088-089-082100-
HOKE-CUMBERLAND-SAMPSON-
INCLUDING THE CITIES OF...ANTIOCH...ASHLEY HEIGHTS...RAEFORD...
ROCKFISH...SILVER CITY...FAYETTEVILLE...FORT BRAGG...CLINTON
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...LIFE THREATENING WEATHER CONDITIONS OVERSPREADING CUMBERLAND,
SAMPSON AND HOKE COUNTIES WITH MORE THAN 8 INCHES OF RAIN
PRODUCING FLOODING, DAM BREAKS, AND CRASHING TREES...

SINCE MIDNIGHT...MORE THAN 8.5 INCHES OF RAIN HAS FALLEN AT THE
FAYETTEVILLE REGIONAL AIRPORT WITH EVEN HEAVIER RAIN ESTIMATED
JUST TO THE SOUTH AND EAST. RAINFALL RATES HAVE BEEN EXCEEDING 2
TO 3 INCHES PER HOUR. IT IS POSSIBLE FOR AN ADDITIONAL OF 2 TO 5
INCHES OF RAIN TO FALL IN THESE AREAS THROUGH TONIGHT. THIS
HEAVY RAIN COMBINED WITH 6 TO 10 INCHES OF RAIN THAT FELL LAST
WEEK WILL LEAD TO LIFE THREATENING FLASH FLOODING....ROAD
WASHOUTS AND DAM FAILURES. IN ADDITION...WIND GUSTS IN EXCESS OF
50 MPH WILL CONTINUE TO RESULT IN FALLING AND CRASHING TREES
ACROSS THE AREA.

THESE CONDITIONS POSE A RISK TO THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF THE
POPULATION IN THESE AREAS. IF YOU ARE AT HOME...STAY AT HOME. IF
YOU ARE ON THE ROAD...DO NOT DRIVE ACROSS FLOODED ROADS. FIND A
PLACE OF SAFETY OUTSIDE OF FLOOD ZONES. BE ESPECIALLY CAREFUL
TONIGHT WHEN IT WILL BE DIFFICULT TO TRAVEL AND SEE FLOOD
HAZARDS AND ROAD WASHOUTS. A FLASH FLOOD EMERGENCY IS IN EFFECT
THROUGH 530 PM.

THIS IS A SERIOUS SITUATION AND ONE THAT SHOULD NOT BE TAKEN
LIGHTLY.

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