# *High Wind Watch, High Surf Advisory, and Flood Watch for Grays Harbor*

**Local News**

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A High Wind Watch has been issued for the Washington Coast beginning at 4pm this evening and lasting through late tonight. Sustained South//Southeast winds could be close to 40 mph with gusts up to 60 mph. Peak winds are projected to be between 6pm and midnight.

A Flood Watch is in effect for Grays Harbor County from Noon today until Wednesday Afternoon. There is 3-6 inches of rainfall projected for the mountain areas which impact our rivers. At this time, NO RIVERS are projected to reach flood levels although some low lying roads may see some water accumulation due to the rainfall. There is a moderately high swell in the ocean with 15-18 foot swells which impacts drainage of the coastal rivers. The swell is projected to remain high for the next few days. Grays Harbor County Emergency Management is monitoring the situation.

Grays Harbor County Emergency Management is alerting all who live along the coast to be prepared for possible power outages and falling trees and limbs. Due to the continued rainfall, trees could be more susceptible to the impact of high winds and topple. Be extremely alert when walking around downed power lines and fallen trees.

Be prepared for power outages by checking your generators, flashlights and by checking your non perishable food and water supply for your family and pets. DO NOT use a portable generator indoors. DO NOT refill liquid fuel powered (kerosene, etc) portable heating units indoors and remember if using any type of fuel powered portable heating unit,(wood, kerosene, coal) to keep a window open at least ½ to 1 inch to prevent Carbon Monoxide poisoning. Symptoms of Carbon Monoxide Poisoning are fatigue, nausea & vomiting , lethargy and the possibility that a person could be difficult to awaken if sleeping. If you suspect that anyone in your family may have Carbon Monoxide poisoning, LEAVE THE PROPERTY IMMEDIATELY and call 911 from a neighbor’s home!