



CAT Alert #4: Saturday, August 27, 2011

Hurricane Irene Makes Landfall in North Carolina; Crawford & Company Adjusters are Ready to Assist

The National Hurricane Center reports that the eye of Hurricane Irene made landfall this morning at 7:30 a.m. (EDT) near Cape Lookout, North Carolina. The intensity of Irene at landfall was estimated to be a Category 1 with maximum sustained winds of 85 mph (140 km/h).

Irene is moving to the north-northeast at 14 mph (22 km/h) and is expected to remain on its current track for the next 24 hours. A slight reduction in intensification is expected as Irene crosses eastern North Carolina, but is forecast to remain a hurricane with a very large wind field as it moves near or over the Mid-Atlantic states and New England.

Irene is still a large tropical cyclone with hurricane force winds extending outward up to 90 miles (150 km) from the storm center and tropical storm force winds extending outward up to 260 miles (415 km). A hurricane warning continues in effect from Little River Inlet, North Carolina northward to Sagamore Beach, Massachusetts.

Crawford & Company has stationed adjusters near the areas that will likely be affected up the east coast and New England, with additional adjusters on standby to handle claims generated by Hurricane Irene. You can count on Crawford to handle your storm losses or back-fill any staff that may be mobilized as a result of this event.

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