



YOUR BEACON IN THE STORM

KICA's role before a storm is to **secure the common property** and take necessary precautions to the extent possible. Common property includes the roads, lakes, drainage system, boardwalks, docks and observation towers, trails, the Sandcastle, and the two security gate buildings. For example, the lakes department closes outside gates around the island to prevent tidal intake, and also lowers the lake levels to absorb anticipated rainfall and circumvent flooding.



common property and the **progress of cleanup efforts**. We will also be available to answer member questions.

KICA's immediate role after a major storm event is to open roads and see to the inspection and repair of the infrastructure, such as **roads, lakes and drainage**. (Due to liability

issues, KICA is not able to inspect your private property, but will make every attempt to work with your contractors to allow inspection as soon as possible.)

When the governor orders evacuation, all employees must leave the island. The security gates are not manned. The mayor will lift an evacuation when security is again available (among other considerations).

Communication with the membership is important. KICA is equipped for offsite operations of its website, members email discussion list, and instant news flashes to all enrolled members (if you are not enrolled, contact KICA). Any or all of these methods will be used to communicate to the members as needed and as available. After return to the island, we will provide information about the effects of the storm on the

All employees will be on site as soon as feasible after a storm. Land management focuses first on **clearing main roads**, then secondary streets. KICA has a contract with a local forester who himself has contracts with 5 major heavy equipment contractors who remain stationed closer to Charleston, so that equipment and labor is quickly available. The lakes department will maintain lake levels to provide maximum drainage while ensuring acceptable water quality to prevent fish kills.

KICA management will **meet regularly** with other island leaders in coordinating recovery efforts.

