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## P R E S S   R E L E A S E

### **New Bedford trash collection delayed one day beginning Wednesday, September 20 in preparation for storm conditions**

**New Bedford, Massachusetts**— Trash collection in the City of New Bedford will be delayed beginning Wednesday morning, September 20, 2017, due to the expected winds and impact of Hurricane Jose.

Residents should not leave garbage cans out on Tuesday evening, September 19.

Wednesday trash collection will be delayed to Thursday morning.

Thursday trash collection will be delayed to Friday morning, and Friday trash collection will be delayed until Saturday morning.

City officials are continuing to monitor the path of Hurricane Jose. Currently, Jose is a Category 1 hurricane. The National Weather Service has forecast that it will soon downgrade to a tropical storm. According to the latest forecast, wind gusts of 40 to 60 miles per hour may occur as the storm begins in our area Tuesday evening and into Wednesday.

Rainfall amounts are uncertain and could range from as low as 1-3 inches to as high as 5-7 inches. City residents are advised to begin preparing their homes this evening, before we feel effects of the storm tomorrow, by bringing in lawn furniture, flags, or other items that aren't secured. Please ensure all pets are indoors during the storm.

As the City continues to monitor the storm and its impact, more updates will be provided. Storm preparedness information is also located on the city website: <http://www.newbedford-ma.gov/emergency-management/prepared/>.

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