



THE CITY OF NEW YORK  
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
NEW YORK, N. Y. 10007

EMERGENCY EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 840

Declaration of Local State of Emergency

July 31, 2025

WHEREAS, the public safety is imperiled by flash flooding and heavy rain, occurring on Thursday, July 31, 2025 and continuing into Friday, August 1, that is anticipated to flood roads, disrupt mass transit, restrict the operation of emergency vehicles, and impede the delivery of goods and services; and

WHEREAS, the National Weather Service has issued a Flood Watch for New York City and contiguous counties through Friday morning, August 1;

WHEREAS, City Agencies have been preparing for extreme storms and flash flooding and are taking all necessary measures to protect the City and the public; and

WHEREAS, heavy rain and flash flooding risks damage to residential and commercial buildings and public infrastructure throughout the City, which could create unsafe conditions and further imperil public safety; and

WHEREAS, New Yorkers are encouraged to take all possible precautions to prepare for this potentially severe weather event;

NOW, THEREFORE, by the power vested in me as Mayor of New York City pursuant to law, including Executive Law § 24, I hereby proclaim a state of local emergency in New York City and order:

1. The Emergency Management, Fire, Police, Sanitation, Environmental Protection, and Transportation Commissioners shall take all appropriate and necessary steps to preserve public safety and to render all required and available assistance to protect the security, well-being and health of the residents of the City.
2. The public is urged to avoid all unnecessary driving effective July 31, 2025, 3 p.m. to Friday, August 1, 8 a.m. and to use public transportation wherever possible. Members of the public who must drive to an emergency shall use extreme caution.
3. This order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in effect until August 1 at 8 a.m. unless extended or sooner revoked.

Eric Adams  
MAYOR