

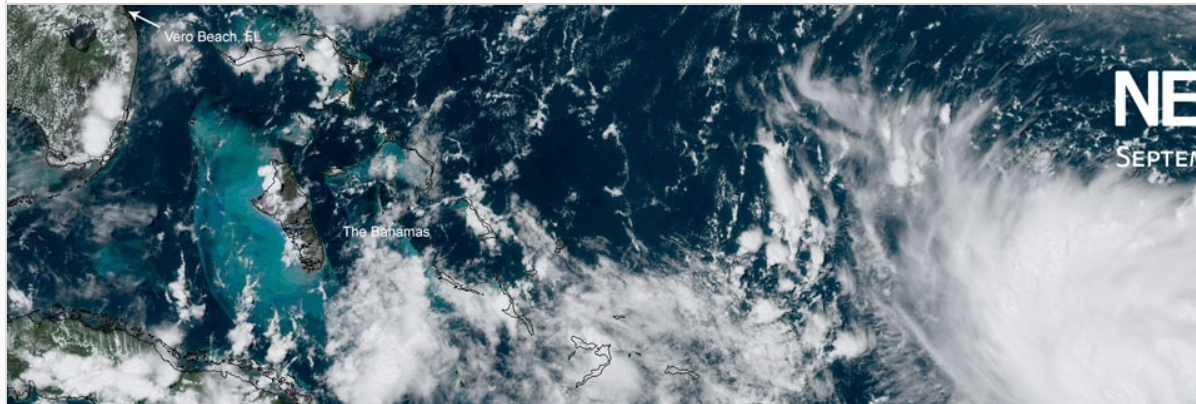
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## Hello Lisa,

Hurricane Dorian led the headlines this Memorial Day weekend. As meteorologists worked diligently to predict Dorian's path, we are reminded that the best way to combat the uncertainty of extreme weather is to have solid emergency plans in place. In this edition, we've published a step-by-step guide to getting this plan together. Along with National Preparedness Month, September brings NEEF's **National Public Lands Day**, the largest single-day volunteer effort for America's public lands. Interested in volunteering this year?

Read on to find out what you can expect. Finally, with classes back in session, we look at how to help kids get interested in a **career in environmental science**.

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### Health & Wellness



### **Make and Practice Your Hurricane Plan**

It's smart to think about your family's safety by making hurricane preparations. Perfect timing! Make an emergency plan now, since September is National Preparedness Month. Take advantage of the calm before the storm by taking key safety precautions. You'll need to plan how to protect your property and keep your family (including your pets) safe, among other action items. And, you'll need to establish how you'll communicate with one another, pinpoint a convenient family meeting place, and plan how to reconnect if you

get separated.

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### Conservation



#### **What to Expect at Your First NPLD Event**

If you're a first-timer at National Public Lands Day, you might be wondering what to expect at the event, what to bring, and how to parlay this experience into something bigger. Want to know what new NPLD volunteers can expect?

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### Education



#### **Preparing High School and College Students for a Career in Environmental Science**

Whether your kids are in high school or college, you can help them prepare for a career in environmental science. Find out a few activities that can help pave the way and spark interest.

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### Timely Tip



## Help Others Prepare!

Because emergencies and natural disasters impact you, your family, and your community, get prepared. First, follow the advice above to create your own emergency plan to protect your family and your property. Next, consider lending a hand to help protect your community when disaster strikes. You might take some educational workshops or attend training (such as CPR or first aid classes) from local hospitals, nonprofits, or civic organizations. Or consider volunteering with a community organization to help build capacity for first responders and expand your community's available resources. Learn more about [opportunities](#) with Community Emergency Response Teams, American Red Cross, Meals on Wheels Association of America, and others.

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