

Message from the Hanwell Emergency Measures Committee:

As Hurricane Lee approaches NB, we encourage our residents to be prepared for heavy rains, strong and possibly damaging winds.

The circulation of Hurricane Lee will be quite broad as it reaches our region, so impacts will occur not only near the track but up to 300 km away from it.

With the trees fully leaved out, no frost in the ground, and the soil is probably wetter and softer than normal for this time of year, we need to be concerned with the wind.

Winds of **70 km/h** or higher will start to initiate tree contact with power lines and power outages.

Winds of **80 km/h** or higher will result in tree damage and increased damage to power distribution infrastructure, resulting in longer during outages.

Prepare for 72 hours minimum!

Emergency Preparedness Tip #2- Generator

- o Make sure you have fresh fuel and operate it safely.
- o Never use a generator indoors or in enclosed spaces such as garages, carports, breezeways, crawl spaces, and basements.
- o Always use a portable generator at least 6 meters (20 feet) from the house, with the engine exhaust directed away from windows and doors.
- o Do not operate in the rain or snow; the generator is not sealed watertight and can cause an electrical fault or shock to anyone contacting the generator. **KEEP IT DRY!**
- o Don't re-fuel it when it's running. Spilled fuel can cause a fire.
- o Only connect to the generator outlets as recommended in the operator's manual, to prevent back feeding the electrical distribution grid and endangering utility workers.