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## **Gloucester Hires Emergency Management Coordinator**

Gloucester County Administrator, J. Brent Fedors announces the hiring of Mr. Brett Major as the new Emergency Management Coordinator. Mr. Major will begin work with the county on September 1, 2017 on a part-time basis. It is anticipated he will assume a full-time status on November 1, 2017 after completing the required separation process from his current employer.

Mr. Major, a resident of Gloucester County, is currently employed by the United States Coast Guard as Assistant Chief of Response for USCG Sector Hampton Roads. He has extensive experience in supervising personnel, operational and contingency planning, mission execution, and interagency coordination through unified efforts of federal, state, and local agencies. In his current job, Mr. Major oversees six Coast Guard stations, managing marine environmental protection for the world's largest naval port and overseeing hazard response throughout Virginia's maritime domain. He has extensive experience working with Emergency Operations Centers for hurricanes, including Katrina and Rita as well as numerous Florida hurricanes, and in the Gulf of Mexico for the Deepwater Horizon oil spill. In addition, Mr. Major has created, maintained, exercised and evaluated Emergency Operation Plans for numerous events and situations.

Mr. Major has a Master of Arts degree in Emergency and Disaster Management from the American Military University and a Bachelor of Science degree in Geology/English from Virginia Tech and is a qualified Master Training Specialist and Instructor.

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“I am proud to call Gloucester my home and am honored by the opportunity to serve the county and its residents for years to come,” states Major. Gloucester County Administrator J. Brent Fedors shares, “My sincere appreciation goes out to the Sheriff, our two local volunteer fire and rescue companies and the Virginia Department of Emergency Management, who assisted in the candidate evaluation and selection process. I am thrilled to have Mr. Major joining our organization and look forward to his contribution in service to our community.”

**## End of Announcement**