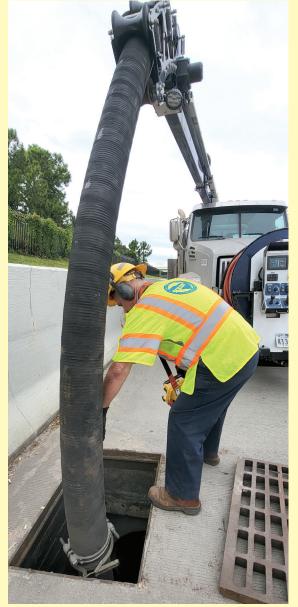
Crews get equipment ready before Hurricane Ian hits.





Drains are frequently vacuumed in flood-prone areas. Before the storm, extra drain cleaning was done to ensure drains could move water off roadways as quickly as possible.

Dump trucks, backhoes, chainsaws and other equipment were loaded and ready to deploy at maintenance facilities along the South Carolina coast before Hurricane lan hit.



Charleston Maintenance crew checks the battery on a backhoe on Thursday, Sept. 29. The crews made sure all equipment was ready to go on Friday when the storm was expected to hit.



Beaufort Maintenance team member makes sure all equipment was full of fuel on Sept. 29 to ensure they were ready to deploy.



All equipment was inspected and ready before the storm hit.

After Ian hit, crews repair coastal roadways... ... and remove debris.







At Garden City, Horry County maintenance crews took the sand SCDOT removed from streets and placed it back on the beach to repair damage from the storm.

to remove the sand from Waccamaw Drive.

SCDOT Maintenance workers from across the state traveled to the coast to assist with debris removal caused by Hurricane lan.

SCDOT crews from across the state were mobilized to coastal areas to prepare for the storm and to clean up after Hurricane Ian. Thanks to our hard working employees who worked to keep our highways passable. They worked from sunup to sundown every day since before the storm made landfall until the last bit of debris was removed. We are proud to have such a dedicated and talented team. Thanks also to our state and local partners that worked alongside us to keep our communities safe.