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Contractors working for the City of Crystal River begin inspecting damaged residential and commercial properties

Sunday, September 3, 2023 Building inspectors contracted by the City of Crystal River have started a citywide survey of residential and commercial properties damaged by Hurricane Idalia. These FEMA-mandated inspections will evaluate whether storm-damaged buildings are safe to occupy.

The inspectors work for a city-authorized contractor, EPCI, and will present an identification badge that features the city logo. City of Crystal River Centennial signs will be placed on the sides of each EPCI truck.

Inspectors will be evaluating the building's structural integrity, sanitary conditions and electrical safety, among other items. They will provide their inspection reports to property owners, as well as city officials.

Anyone with questions about these inspections can speak with an EPCI representative at 850-387-9882.

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