

Hurricane Safety – Clean Up Fatality File

Florida worker shocked while trimming trees after Matthew

PORT SALERNO, Fla. (AP) – Authorities in Florida say a parks and recreation department worker was shocked and burned when he touched a power line while cutting trees while cleaning up after Hurricane Matthew.

Officials with Martin County's fire rescue department and the sheriff's office tell local media outlets that the 47-year-old man was working on a lift when he touched the power line Monday morning.

He was flown to Jackson Memorial Hospital in Miami for treatment.

County spokeswoman Gabriella Ferraro says he was breathing and conscious.

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