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## Bertie Co. is 'orange' for COVID-19

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WINDSOR – COVID-19 cases are on the rise.

But it is not just in Bertie County, the numbers are increasing across the state and the country.

At press time, the latest COVID-19 update from Albemarle Regional Health Services shows a slight increase for cases in Bertie County.

There are currently 805 total lab confirmed cases, 49 active lab confirmed cases, 734 re-

covered lab confirmed cases and 22 deaths.

This is an increase of 28 cases in one week.

North Carolina Governor Roy Cooper held a press conference Tuesday afternoon to discuss the statewide increase in cases, and new measures being taken.

At the time of the press conference, the state had been a total of 317,495 COVID-19 cases statewide, 3,288 new cases in the last 24 hours, 1,501 people

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LEWIS HOGGARD / Windsor/Bertie Chamber of Commerce

The dock at the Cashie River where the River Rambling pontoon boat is docked was completely submerged after more than seven inches of rain fell in Windsor last week.

## Letters to Santa Deadline slated

BY THADD WHITE  
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Boys and girls, get out your pencils and paper. No, we're not giving a test.

Instead, its time for each youngster to take time to write his or her annual letter to Santa Claus.



Bertie Ledger-Advance Creative Service Director Michelle Leicester received a telephone call Monday morning from the North Pole. The call was from the Jolly Old

Elf himself, seeking this newspaper's help with information from all Bertie County boys and girls.

Santa said he wanted us to collect letters for him and forward them to the North Pole for his

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## Rainfall causes minor flooding in Bertie Co.

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WINDSOR – An area of heavy rainfall that passed through Bertie County caused several road closures and localized flooding with minimal damage last week.

According to Windsor Mayor Jim Hoggard, approximately 7 to 7.5 inches of rain fell last Thursday in the town prompting several areas of flooding.

The Cashie River flood gauge recorded the river cresting at approximately 11.6 ft. on Saturday. At press time the river had fallen to 7.2 ft.

The largest area affected was Livermon Park and Mini Zoo in the lowest areas where the animals are housed. The side with the playground equipment remained dry, without any standing water.

"We had time to prepare so most of the ani-

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Commerce Street in Aulander experienced flooding due to the excessive rainfall.

## N.C. Council of State races settled after final tally

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It appears North Carolina has elected a Council of State.

With all but minuscule votes reporting, the Associated Press has declared win-

ners in all Council of State races except that of Attorney General, but it appears over as well.

Some races were called on election night with Gov. Roy Cooper easily winning a second term, and Lt. Governor-elect Mark Robinson

grabbing a sizable victory, but others were left until the rest of the state met to do a canvass of the election.

As of Tuesday, all precincts had reported and only a few were left finishing any canvass.

Gov. Cooper was easily re-

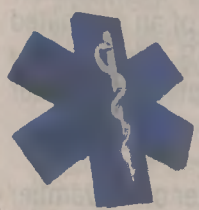
lected with 51.5 percent of the vote, compared to just 47 percent for Republican challenger Dan Forrest. Cooper was tabbed on 2,834,757 ballots compared to 2,586,531 for Forrest and 60,446 for Libertarian candidate Steven J. DiFiore. Constitution Party

Candidate Al Pisano garnered 20,933.

In the race for Lt. Governor, Robinson garnered 51.6 percent of the vote or 2,800,576 compared to 2,623,428 for longtime Democratic legisla-

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