

NEW CUMBERLAND

West Virginia fire department rescues elderly people from flooded vehicle

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(UPDATE – 1:15 p.m.) – The New Cumberland Volunteer Fire Department (NCFVD) conducted an emergency rescue this afternoon after two elderly people were stranded in flood water in their car in the downtown area.

Chief Chris White tells 7News the car was submerged in water on route 2 and Arthur Street.

Chief White, Assistant Fire Chief Bill White, Chief of the New Cumberland Police Department Lester Skinner and Hancock County Sheriff's Deputy Tyler Campbell assisted in the rescue.

New Cumberland City Employee Pat Jones drove the equipment that helped save the stranded driver and passenger.

Both of the individuals were rescued with no reported injuries and have since been transported to a safe location where they are waiting for family.

Gov. Jim Justice [amended](#) a recent State of Emergency to include Hancock County because of flooding and ongoing storm-related threats.

HANCOCK COUNTY, W.Va. ([WTRF](#)) – Hancock County officials confirm several road closures due to flooding.

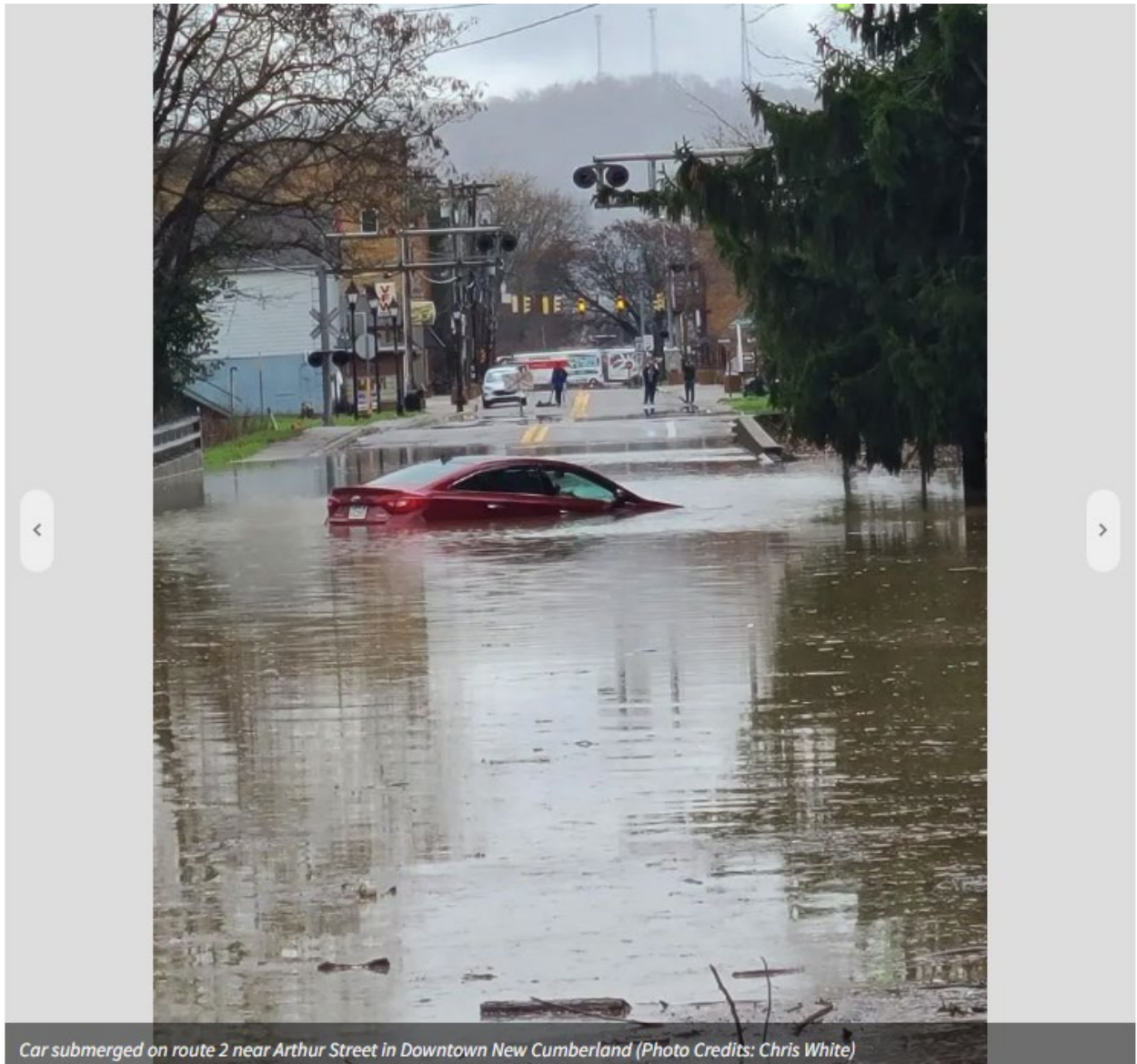
Avoid downtown New Cumberland.

Station Hill and Route 2 from the red light to Hancock County PSD building is closed off.

Sheriff Scott Gittings also confirms the Backwaters area of route 2 is closed.

The alternative route for passenger vehicles is Rolling Acres Road.

All commercial trucks must take Ohio Route 7.



Car submerged on route 2 near Arthur Street in Downtown New Cumberland (Photo Credits: Chris White)



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County Commissioners confirm with 7News all Hancock County offices and city offices will be closed today, April 4 and tomorrow, April 5.

The New Cumberland Volunteer Fire Department is helping the community by handing out supplies at the New Cumberland City Building and the C-House.

If you have any photos or videos of flooding in New Cumberland you would like to share, please email amurphy@wtrf.com or check out her social media pages.