Sec. 9-5-211. - Postdisaster debris collection.

(a) In the event of a natural or manmade disaster that has been declared a public emergency by the mayor or other authorized official, the town may exercise its authority to implement the measures set forth herein.

(b) The town manager shall have the authority and responsibility to protect the public health and safety. The town manager shall have the authority to remove debris which poses an immediate threat to life, public health and safety, significant damage to improved public and private property, and the economic recovery of the town.

(c) The town is hereby authorized to enter upon and remove debris from public and private roads, rights-of-way, storm drainage easements, and ingress/egress easements within town limits, including private communities, for the purposes of emergency vehicle travel, stormwater conveyance, protecting public health and safety, facilitating response and recovery operations, and for any other purpose the town manager determines is necessary to remove an immediate threat to life, public health and safety, significant damage to improved public and private property, and the economic recovery of the town.

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