

Recent Natural Disaster Activity and Recovery Efforts



Hurricane Ian: What Could the Economic Impact of the Storm Look Like? By AJ Fabino

 Hurricane Ian hit Florida causing widespread destruction. The nearly category 5 storm is forecasted to cost \$258 billion in damages, with \$149 billion in rebuilding and aid for Tampa Bay properties, based on estimates from CoreLogic. Disruptions to the supply chain and tourism industries are expected.

Source: www.benzinga.com

Hurricane Ian Could Boost Sales for Home Depot and Lowe's By Brian Sozzi

• Home improvement companies such as Home Depot* and Lowe's* may experience an increase in sales as Floridians buy materials to fix the damages caused by Hurricane lan. Customers could also look to generator company Generac* to prevent power outages during future storms.

Source: www.finance.yahoo.com

Biden Promises Federal Government Will Fully Cover a Month of Aid to Puerto Rico After Hurricane Fiona

By Emma Kinnery

• Hurricane Fiona pummeled Puerto Rico, as well as other Caribbean Islands, Bermuda and Canada. President Biden approved a month of complete federal funding for Puerto Rico to help with recovery efforts.

Source: www.cnbc.com

Global Natural Disasters in September:

- Wildfires continued to burn in California
- A major earthquake hit Mexico September 19th, the same date two powerful earthquakes previously struck
- Typhoon Nanmadol caused flooding, landslides, injuries, transportation closures in Japan
- Flooding devastated Pakistan
- Heat waves affected the US, Middle East and others



How To Invest in Water as Droughts, Shortages Dominate the News

By Myra P. Saefong

With droughts occurring all over the world, water is at the forefront of many investors' minds. There are several investment opportunities for those looking to participate in the demand for hydration including water futures, individual companies, or pure play exchange-traded funds. Another option is the Procure Disaster Recovery Strategy ETF (TICKER: FIXT) which tracks a portfolio of companies engaged in mitigating and recovering from natural disasters such as droughts. Xylem,* a water technology provider, is a constituent in the FIXT ETF.

Source: www.marketwatch.com

Each month we profile a company in the **Procure Disaster Recovery Strategy ETF**. This month we are highlighting Clean Harbors.*

Company:

Clean Harbors (TICKER: CLH)

Company Description:

Clean Harbors is one of the top emergency response companies when it comes to disaster services, particularly those involving hazardous materials or chemicals released into the environment such as oil spills. The company has been responding to hurricanes for more than 40 years including Hurricanes Katrina, Rita, Sandy and Harvey.

Services Provided:

- Pre-storm preparation such as removal of materials and equipment rentals.
- Post-storm response such as vacuum services for flooded locations, aerial assessment of damage, and provision of catering, lodging, sanitation, and power services.
- Post-storm recovery such as residential and commercial debris removal; decontamination and disposal services; and cleanup of hazardous and non-hazardous spills from punctured lines to excessive stormwater runoff.

Company Website:

www.cleanharbors.com



Procure Disaster Recovery Strategy ETF Constituent Snapshots

We're Seeing the Intersection of Climate Change and Aging Water Infrastructure, Says Xylem CEO

As droughts and floods intensify, solutions are available to combat water shortages and make it more affordable to those in need said the CEO of water technology provider Xylem.*

Source: www.cnbc.com

ICF Wins \$5.7B EPA Environmental and Climate Support BPA

The Environmental Protection Agency selected ICF* to provide environmental and consulting services under a \$5.7 billion blank purchase agreement.

Source: www.washingtonexec.com

Sterling Announces New Award for \$31 Million in its Transportation Solutions Segment

Sterling Infrastructure* received \$31 million for a Texas highway reconstruction project.

Source: www.finance.yahoo.com

VYRD Teams Up With Verisk By Pete Carvill

Verisk* and VYRD are working together to provide customers with a more accessible way of receiving homeowners insurance quotes.

Source: www.reinsurancene.ws

Cummins Grants to Help Create Mobile Grocery Markets to Counter Food Deserts

Cummins* is putting \$800,000 to turn large vehicles into traveling supermarkets used to bring healthy food to those in need.

Source: www.finance.yahoo.com

Sampling of US Natural Disasters Billion Dollar Damages (as of September 2022)

	Hurr	icanes Katrina & Rita	Hu	rricane Sandy	Co	lorado Flood	Ca	lifornia Wildfires
Year		2005		2012		2013	2	2018
Total Damages	\$	195,639,296	\$	59,010,643	\$	2,210,031	\$	17,805,178
Insured Damages	\$	(98,929,658)	-		\$	(232,635)	\$	(13,488,771)
FEMA* Spend Plan Estimates FY 2022	\$	(141,000)	\$	(261,000)	\$	(1,000)	\$	(59,000)
FEMA* Estimated Obligations	\$	(99,000)	\$	(332,000)	\$	(10,000)	\$	(46,000)

(Billion Dollars)

*Federal Emergency Management Agency

Sources: www.fema.gov, www.emdat.be

Newsletter courtesy of <u>FIXT ETF</u> <u>THE PROCURE DISASTER RECOVERY STRATEGY ETF</u>

The PROCURE DISASTER RECOVERY STRATEGY ETF (NASDAQ: FIXT) tracks a portfolio of companies engaged in recovering from natural disasters, such as hurricanes, wildfires, floods or earthquakes.

The FIXT ETF tracks the VettaFi Natural Disaster Response and Mitigation Index an equal weighted index of stocks that are involved with the recovery and mitigation of natural disasters. Included in the Index are companies with government contracts for natural disaster recovery and mitigation, companies involved with home improvement retail and companies that are materially engaged in emergency/backup power generators and batteries.

*As of October 31st, 2023, Clean Harbors (CLH) was a 2.09% holding, Cummins (CMI) was a 2.13% holding, Generac (GNRC) was a 1.59% holding, Home Depot (HD) was a 1.95% holding, ICF International (ICFI) was a 2.14% holding, Lowe's (LOW) was a 1.83% holding, Sterling Infrastructure (STRL) was a 2.08% holding, Verisk (VRS) was a 2.09% holding, and Xylem (XYL) was a 2.12% holding in the **Procure Disaster Recovery Strategy ETF (NASDAQ: FIXT)**.

For a complete list of holdings in the FIXT ETF, visit https://procureetfs.com/fixt/.

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