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The Lawton Fire Department has deployed its Swift Water Rescue Team to Orlando, Florida in preparation for Hurricane Milton.

A team of seven, consisting of six rescue technicians and one battalion chief, left Lawton at 5 a.m. this morning and is expected to arrive early Tuesday morning.

Their mission, anticipated to last between seven and 14 days, will focus on providing critical support to communities impacted by the storm. The Lawton team is joining forces with crews from Guymon and Coalgate, Oklahoma, to assist in this effort.

"Our priority is to ensure the safety and well-being of those in affected areas, and we're prepared to respond swiftly to any emergencies that arise," said Lawton Fire Chief Jared Williams. "Our team is trained and equipped to handle the challenges that come with floodwaters, and we're committed to providing the support needed to keep communities safe."

The Lawton Fire Department would also like to express gratitude to the City Council and City Manager for their support and trust in their ability to carry out this important mission.

For further updates, please follow the Lawton Fire Department on Facebook.

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