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Continued Scattered Showers Expected through Next Week; High Surf Advisory in Effect Saturday Morning

The National Weather Service (NWS) Guam Weather Forecast Office advised the latest forecast maintains a fairly wet and unsettled pattern with continued scattered showers through next week. Showers are expected to let up by mid-late morning before returning again this afternoon and evening.

Through this weekend and early next week, showers are expected to be largely episodic in nature, quickly approaching, bringing gusty winds and moderate to heavy rainfall.

The flash flood watch expired this morning since heavy showers were no longer expected. However, a continued overall wet pattern through next week, some smaller-scale rain-related impacts are still possible as showers occasionally move through. Another 1 to 3 inches of rainfall are possible through Sunday afternoon with higher rainfall amounts in the CNMI.

A **high surf advisory** will be in effect for Guam, Rota, Tinian, and Saipan, from 4 a.m. Saturday morning through Tuesday afternoon. Hazardous surf of 9 to 13 feet for Saipan and Tinian, and 8 to 11 feet for Guam and Rota are expected to cause dangerous swimming and surfing conditions and localized beach erosion. Large breaking waves can knock you down and cause serious injuries. Strong rip currents can drag people out to sea. Inexperienced swimmers should remain out of the water due to dangerous surf conditions. Avoid venturing near reef lines facing west.

The Offices of Guam Homeland Security and Civil Defense (GHS/OCD) remind the community to practice extreme caution while traveling in rainy conditions, driving below the speed limit and allowing enough braking distance between vehicles. Avoid hazardous seas, especially west facing reefs and beaches, until conditions subside. Heed the advice of lifeguards, beach patrol flags, and signs.

Visit the following links for the latest advisory information:

- NWS Website: <https://www.weather.gov/gum/>
- NWS Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/NWSGuam/>
- GHS/OCD Website: <https://ghs.guam.gov/>
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