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Flash Flood Warning in Effect; Drive with Caution

The National Weather Service (NWS) Guam Weather Forecast Office issued a flash flood warning, in effect until 8 p.m. this evening for central and southern Guam. Thunderstorms and heavy rain are impacting the area.

Between 1 and 2 inches of rain has fallen. Additional rainfall amounts of 1 to 3 inches are expected, resulting in flash flooding.

Residents and visitors are advised to take the following precautionary actions:

- Be aware of your surroundings and do not drive on flooded roads.
- If driving, be alert for low visibilities in heavy rain;
- Slow down where water is ponding on the road;
- Turn Around, Don't Drown. Avoid walking or driving through flood waters. Just 6 inches of moving water can knock you down, and 2 feet of water can sweep your vehicle away;
- Do not camp, park, or hike along streams and rivers. These areas can flood quickly and with little warning.

The Offices of Guam Homeland Security and Civil Defense (GHS/OCD) remind the community to practice caution while traveling in rainy conditions, driving below the speed limit and allowing enough braking distance between vehicles.

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/>
- GHS/OCD Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/GHSOCD/>

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