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### **Flash Flood Warning in Effect for Southern Guam; Avoid Flooded Roads**

The National Weather Service (NWS) Guam Weather Forecast Office has upgraded to a **flash flood warning** for southern Guam, in effect until 9:15 a.m. this morning. A flash flood warning means that flooding is imminent or occurring.

Heavy rain is falling along and south of Cross Island Road, mainly south of a line from Piti to Yona. Some areas have already received 1.5 to 2.25 inches of rainfall, with additional heavy rain moving into the area. Flash flooding is expected.

Some locations that will experience impact include Chalan Pago-Ordot, Barrigada, Yona, Talofofo, Inarajan, Asan, Merizo, Piti, Santa Rita, and Umatac.

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

- Do not cross flowing water in your vehicle;
- If driving, be alert for low visibilities and slippery roads 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;
- Stay away from streams, rivers, drainage ditches, culverts, and creeks. These areas can flood quickly and with little warning.

The Offices of Guam Homeland Security and Civil Defense (GHS/OCD) advise 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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