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Flood Warning in Effect; Practice Caution in Heavy Rain

The National Weather Service (NWS) Guam Weather Forecast Office issued a **flash flood** warning for Guam, in effect until 2:30 p.m. this afternoon. A flash flood warning means that flooding is imminent or occurring.

Developing showers will produce heavy rain in the area. Between 1 and 2 inches of rain has fallen. Additional rainfall amounts of 2 to 4 inches is possible.

Some locations that will experience flash flooding include Mangilao, Chalan-Pago Ordot, Merizo, Yona, Agana Heights, Talofofo, Inarajan, Asan, and Santa Rita.

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

- 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;
- Do not camp, park, or hike along streams, rivers, and creeks during heavy rainfall. 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/
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