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Flood Watch Remains in Effect; Practice Caution on the Roadways

The National Weather Service (NWS) Guam Weather Forecast Office maintains a flood watch, in effect for Guam through late Sunday night. Flash flooding caused by excessive rainfall is possible.

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 and rivers. These areas can flood quickly and with little warning.

Excessive runoff may result in flooding of rivers, streams, and other low-lying and flood-prone areas. A wet pattern looks to continue through the weekend, with at least a few opportunities for locally heavy rainfall.

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/

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