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Heavy Rainfall and Gusty Winds Possible Sunday Through Tuesday

The National Weather Service (NWS) Guam Weather Forecast Office advised a weak tropical disturbance is projected to develop along the eastern periphery of the monsoon trough in Chuuk State in the coming days. The monsoon trough is expected to shift northward and is expected to take this disturbance north and across the Marianas.

The heaviest showers are currently projected to be late Sunday through Monday night timeframe. Rainfall amounts remain highly uncertain, with rainfall amounts between 2 and 4 inches with locally heavier amounts in excess of 5 inches possible through Tuesday.

Localized flooding is possible in low-lying and poor drainage areas, while flash flooding will be possible in areas of heaviest rainfall, especially near steep terrain.

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

- Be mindful that heavy rains may hamper recovery efforts, plan accordingly;
- Clear drainage areas and unblock clogged storm drains in your area;
- Stay up to date with the latest information;
- 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, during heavy rainfall. 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 heavy rain, 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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