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Heavy Showers and Gusty Winds Over Guam; Practice Caution in Heavy Rain

The National Weather Service (NWS) Guam Weather Forecast Office issued a **special weather statement** for Guam. Through 7:30 p.m., a line of showers is moving across Guam, bringing heavy rainfall and winds gusting up to 35 mph. Thunderstorms are possible, especially over central Guam. Up to 1 inch of rain has fallen over central and northern Guam.

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

- Avoid driving on flooded roads;
- 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;
- Visit https://www.ready.gov/floods to learn more.

The Offices of Guam Homeland Security and Civil Defense (GHS/OCD) remind the community to practice caution while traveling on wet roads, 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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