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### Press Release - High Risk of Rip Current in Effect

The National Weather Service (NWS) Guam Weather Forecast Office issued a **Rip Current Statement**, in effect for East facing reefs of Guam until 6:00 p.m. this evening.

Rip currents can sweep even the best swimmers away from shore into deeper water.

The offices of Guam Homeland Security/Civil Defense remind residents:

- Swim near a lifeguard
- If caught in a rip current, relax and float.
- Don't swim against the current.
- If able, swim in a direction following the shoreline.
- If unable to escape, face the shore and call or wave for help.

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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