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High Risk of Rip Currents in Effect through Wednesday Afternoon

The National Weather Service (NWS) Guam Weather Forecast Office has a **high risk of rip currents** in effect for Guam, Rota, Tinian, and Saipan through Wednesday afternoon. Dangerous rip currents are expected for east facing reefs of the Marianas. Rip currents can sweep even the best swimmers away from the shore into deeper water. Inexperienced swimmers should remain out of the water due to dangerous conditions. If caught in a rip current, do not swim against the current. Swim in a direction following the shoreline, face the shore and call or wave for help.

The Offices of Guam Homeland Security and Civil Defense (GHS/OCD) remind the community to avoid dangerous rip currents. Heed the advice of lifeguards, beach patrol flags, and signs.

Visit the following links for the latest advisory information:

- NWS Website: <u>https://www.weather.gov/gum/</u>
- · NWS Facebook: <u>https://www.facebook.com/NWSGuam/</u>
- · GHS/OCD Website: <u>https://ghs.guam.gov/</u>
- · GHS/OCD Facebook: <u>https://www.facebook.com/GHSOCD/</u>

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