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Outdated Article Circulating; Check for Dates on Articles Before Sharing Further

The Offices of Guam Homeland Security and Civil Defense (GHS/OCD) is aware of an outdated news article circulating on chat groups and social media. The article, originally from 2015, states there is a “tropical storm warning issued for Guam,” which is inaccurate at this time.

The circulating article and image is outdated and is not a reflection of the current conditions. The community is reminded to check for dates on images or articles circulating and verify information before sharing further.

The National Weather Service (NWS) Guam Weather Forecast Office continues to monitor a tropical disturbance, Invest 98W, which is expected to slowly develop over the next few days as it approaches the Marianas. It is expected to move through the south of Guam, though this is subject to change as the circulation develops.

This disturbance is expected to bring increased showers and thunderstorms to the Marianas, especially Guam and Rota, over the weekend, with wet conditions likely Saturday into Sunday morning. Current rainfall estimates are for 2 to 4 inches of rain falling between Saturday and late Sunday night. Locally heavy showers could lead to urban and small stream flooding. Flash flooding is also possible Saturday into Sunday.

Those living in flood-prone areas should take action now; clear drainage areas and unblock storm drains to minimize flooding.

The Offices of Guam Homeland Security and Civil Defense (GHS/OCD) remind the community to stay up to date with the latest information and be prepared to take action, if warranted.

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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