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Rainfall Expected in the Coming Days; Watch for Potential Additional Advisories

The National Weather Service (NWS) Guam Weather Forecast Office issued a **special weather statement** for Guam, Rota, Tinian, and Saipan. An unsettled pattern is expected for the Marianas through Christmas weekend.

A weak tropical disturbance, Invest Area 94W, located southeast of Eauripik, will move northward toward the Marianas, bringing showers and thunderstorms to the region through Friday night. Additionally, a shear line will drift south toward CNMI Friday night and Saturday. A wet unsettled pattern is expected for the Marianas into next week.

Latest model guidance varies on expected rainfall but showers are expected to peak across the region on Friday into Christmas Eve, then slowly diminish through early next week. Rainfall totals of 2 to 4 inches, with locally higher amounts, are possible. Local weather forecasts could change over the next couple days as these systems evolve and timing becomes more certain.

Those living in flood-prone areas should be prepared to take action if there is an increase in expected rainfall amounts.

The Offices of Guam Homeland Security and Civil Defense (GHS/OCD) advise the community to stay up to date with the latest information and watch for additional advisories in the coming days.

Visit the following links for the latest advisory information:

- NWS Website: <u>https://www.weather.gov/gum/</u>
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