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Thunderstorm Advisory in Effect; Practice Caution on the Roadways

The National Weather Service (NWS) Guam Weather Forecast Office issued a **thunderstorm advisory**, in effect for the Guam International Airport until 8 p.m. this evening. Thunderstorms are possible or occurring within 20 nautical miles of the airport. Be alert and take precautions as required. If lightning is seen or thunder is heard, remain indoors.

A **high surf advisory** remains in effect for north facing reefs of Guam, Rota, Tinian, and Saipan, until 6 a.m. Monday. Large breaking waves of 7 to 9 feet in the surf zone are expected along north facing reefs.

A high risk of rip currents is in effect through Monday morning. Dangerous swimming and surf conditions and localized beach erosion are expected. 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 surf conditions. If caught in a rip current, do not swim against the current. Swim in a direction following the shoreline, then head for the beach when out of the current.

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/
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