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Thunderstorm Advisory in Effect this Evening; High Risk of Rip Currents through Friday

The National Weather Service (NWS) Guam Weather Forecast Office issued a **thunderstorm advisory**, in effect for the Guam International Airport until 9 p.m. this evening. Thunderstorms are possible or occurring within 20 nautical miles of the airport. Be alert and take precautions as required. These storms may produce occasional lightning.

A **high risk of rip currents** is in effect for Guam, Rota, Tinian, and Saipan through Friday afternoon. Dangerous rip currents are expected to continue along east facing reefs for the next few days. Rip currents can sweep even the best swimmers away from the shore into deeper water. 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, especially east facing reefs and beaches. Heed the advice of lifeguards, beach patrol flags, and signs.

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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