

HURRICANEPREPAREDNESS

2025

## 2025 HURRICANE SEASON OUTLOOK

	FORECAST	AVERAGE
NAMED STORMS	17	14
HURRICANES	9	7
MAJOR HURRICANES	4	3



11 hurricanes in 2024



## 2025 HURRICANE NAMES

Andrea

Barry

Chantal

Dexter

Erin

**Fernand** 

Gabrielle

Humberto

**Imelda** 

Jerry

Karen

Lorenzo

Melissa

**Nestor** 

Olga

Pablo

Rebekah

Sebastien

Tanya

Van

Wendy

## DECLARATIONS OF EMERGENCY

- PARISH PRESIDENT
- MAYORS
- TRIBAL CHIEF OF THE CHITIMACHA TRIBE
- GOVERNOR MAKES DECLARATION REQUEST
- TO THE PRESIDENT
- PRESIDENT OF U.S. DECLARES A NATIONAL EMERGENCY



### EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER

EMERGENCY MEETINGS
WILL BE HELD WITH PUBLIC
OFFICIALS AND SUPPORT
STAFF WHO GET BRIEFED BY
THE WEATHER SERVICE AND
GOHSEP.

DECISIONS ARE MADE AS TO RESOURCES, EVACAUATIONS, PLAN OF ACTION TO TAKE.

### PRE STORM



# EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT TRAINING PROGRAM

- 1. Roles + Responsibilities for State + GOHSEP + Local Officials
- 2. Contracting for Goods + Services Before, During and After a Disaster
  - Procurement Procedures
  - Reimbursement Requirements
  - Utilization of Pre-positioned Contracts
- 3. Submitting Requests for Resources + Services
- 4. Standards + Regulations for Disbursement of Public Assets + Diversion of Resources
- 5. Availability + Utilization of Nonprofits





# LOCAL GOVERNMENT PRE STORM ACTIONS

PARISH, MUNICIPALITIES, LAW/FIRE, REC/DRAINAGE, SEWER DISTRICTS PREPARE, STOCK UP ON NEEDED ITEMS. FOOD FOR WORKERS. FUEL FOR VEHICLES/PUMPS.

SANDBAGS, SAND/ GIVE US AND THE PUBLIC THE LOCATIONS AND HRS OF OPERATION PUT ON YOUR FACEBOOK PAGES.

TAKE STOCK IN WHAT YOU HAVE ON HAND AND GET WHAT'S NEEDED

GENERATORS, SERVICE THEM, HAVE REPAIR ITEMS ON HAND. WRITE DOWN INFOMRATION NEEDED FOR A REPLACEMENT GENERATOR OR PUMP KEEP IN RECORDS SHOULD ONE GO OUT DURING THE STORM YOU WILL BE ABLE TO GIVE THE INFORMATION TO OEP OR RENTAL COMPANY.

FUEL PLANS MUST BE MADE AHEAD OF TIME.

DOCUMENT, INVOICES, PHOTOS OF FLOOD FIGHTING ACTIVITIES, STORM PREPARATIONS, FEMA REQUIRED (6 MONTHS LATER FEMA WILL ASK FOR THE PHOTOS) EACH DEPT SECURE THOSE AND TURN IN TO RESPECTIVE CHANNELS. FEMA WILL ASK WHY AND YOU CAN SHOW THEM WITH PICS

UPDATE CALLOUT LIST FOR ALL DEPARTMENTS.

### TIDE AND STORM SURGE PROJECTIONS

THESE PROJECTIONS ARE IMPORTANT IN DETERMINING WHETHER AN EVACUATION ORDER IS TO BE ISSUED.

PROJECTIONS DO NOT TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE WORK DONE BY THE ST MARY PARISH LEVEE DISTRICT. THE LEVEE DISTRICT MONITORS THE FORECAST AND DETERMINES WHAT OUR RISK LIMITS ARE.

WE ALSO MONITOR STORM SURGE LEVELS WITH WATER GUAGES ALONG THE COAST. THESE GIVE US GOOD INDICATIONS FOR MONITORING.



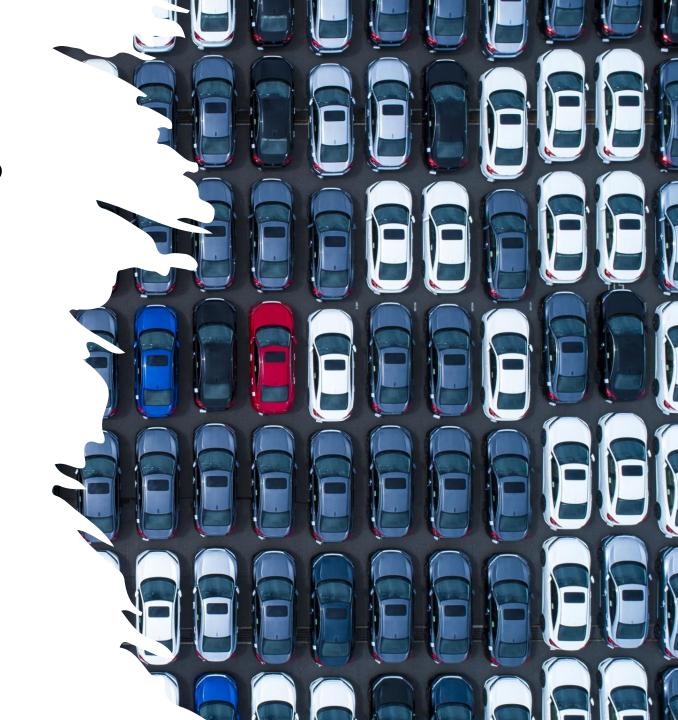
ADD 2 FEET FOR ELEVATION. THIS BOARD IS AT A -2 ELEVATION

### GET A GAME PLAN

- MEDICAL NEEDS, OXYGEN, O2 GENERATORS TELL YOUR VENDORS TO BRING YOU EXTRA TANKS ETC.
- OXYGEN EXCHANGE BOTTLES IF SITUATION DICTATES, SOME AT THE MC/FRANKLIN FIRE DEPT.
- POWER OUTAGES: GENERATORS/SAFETY/ CO2 DETECTOR
- FOOD AND WATER SUPPLY/PRESCRIPTIONS/EMERGENCY FUNDS
- TELL EVERYONE YOUR PLAN, FAMILIES CALL ONE PERSON OUTSIDE DANGER ZONE OF YOUR STATUS AND GIVE FREQUENT UPDATES.

## KNOW YOUR EVACUATION ROUTES

- TAKE HWY 90, HWY 182, HWY 14, HWY 70
- HWY 90 AT BALDWIN AND NEW IBERIA WILL BE JAMMED PLAN ON LONG DELAYS OR USE ALTERNATE ROUTE AND LEAVE EARLY.
- THE SOONER YOU LEAVE THE BETTER AND BE PATIENT, DRIVE WITH CAUTION. FILL UP CAR BEFORE LEAVING
- WATER/SNACKS/MEDICINE, PHONE CHARGERS FOR THE DRIVE.
- USE 511LA.ORG FOR TRAFFIC INFORMATION BEFORE LEAVING

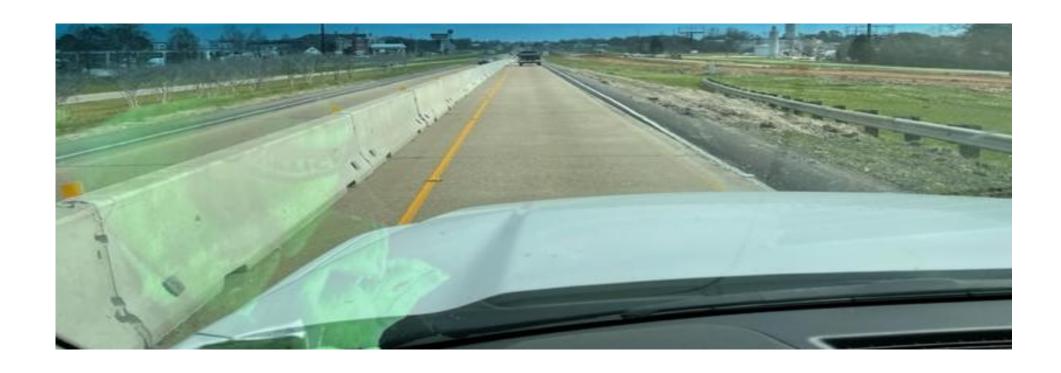


# EVACUATION CONCERNS

- THOSE WHO CAN, LEAVE EARLY DO NOT WAIT TILL LAST MINUTE. REMEMBER YOU ARE NOT THE ONLY ONE LEAVING, ROADS WILL GET CROWED.
- PARTS OF HIGHWAY 90 UNDER CONSTRUCTION TO ONE LANE ST MARY PARISH BALDWIN TO LA 318
- LITTLE TIME (STORM TRACKS SHIFT AND STORM INTENSIFIES AND SPEED INCREASES.)
- DON'T LET YOUR ESCAPE ROUTES GET FLOODED OR BLOCKED BY FALLEN TREES FROM HIGH WINDS BEFORE YOU DECIDE TO LEAVE.
- IF STORM COMES FROM THE EAST THE ROADS WILL GET CONGESTED FROM OTHER PARISHES BEFORE YOU LEAVE.

## HIGHWAY 90 CONGESTION BE READY FOR IT!

#### PORTIONS OF HWY 90 TO LOOK LIKE THIS



### SHELTERS

• THERE ARE NO PLANNED PRE STORM-SHELTERS IN THE PARISH

• SHELTERS USED FOR HURRICANE EVACUEES SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AS A LAST RESORT OPTION. ST MARY LAST RESORT SHELTER IS IN CENTRAL LOUISIANA, NOT A GYM IN ST MARY.

• BRING MEDICINE, CHANGE OF CLOTHES, SNACKS.

## **SHELTERING PLANS**

- NUSING HOME, HOMEBOUND ETC SHOULD LEAVE EARLY AS POSSIBLE AND CALL FIRE/POLICE/VOLUNTEERS, THEY CAN HELP PREPARE FOR YOUR MOVE FIRE MARSHALL HAS TO INSPECT BEFORE RETURN
- ST MARY PARISH SHELTER IS LOCATED IN CENTRAL LOUISIANA
- OUR PLAN IS TO USE LOCAL SCHOOL BUSES AND DRIVERS TO TRANSPORT THOSE THAT REQUIRE TRANSPORTATION TO A SHELTER.
- THERE WILL BE TWO PARISH PICK UP POINTS, FRANKLIN HIGH AND MORGAN CITY JR HIGH. CITY ADMIN PERSONNEL WILL BE NEEDED TO AID WITH REGISTRATION



### **POST STORM**

MAKE AN INTIAL ASSESSMENT
SURVEY. INFRASTRUCTURE
ASSESSMENTS (WATER, SEWER,
ELECTRICITY, GAS, STORES,
STREETS, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS,
HOSPITALS, BANKS) WE NEED TO
REPORT THIS TO GOHSEP

THIS ALSO HELPS US KNOW WHEN
TO BRING EVACUEES BACK HOME
AND THAT ESSENTIAL SERVICES
ARE IN OPERATION

LAW ENFORCEMENT, FIRE, CITY
MAKES LIST OF DAMAGES,
PHOTOS, ETC. SEND OHSEP COPY
OF THE INFORMATION.

DAMAGE REPORT EXAMPLE

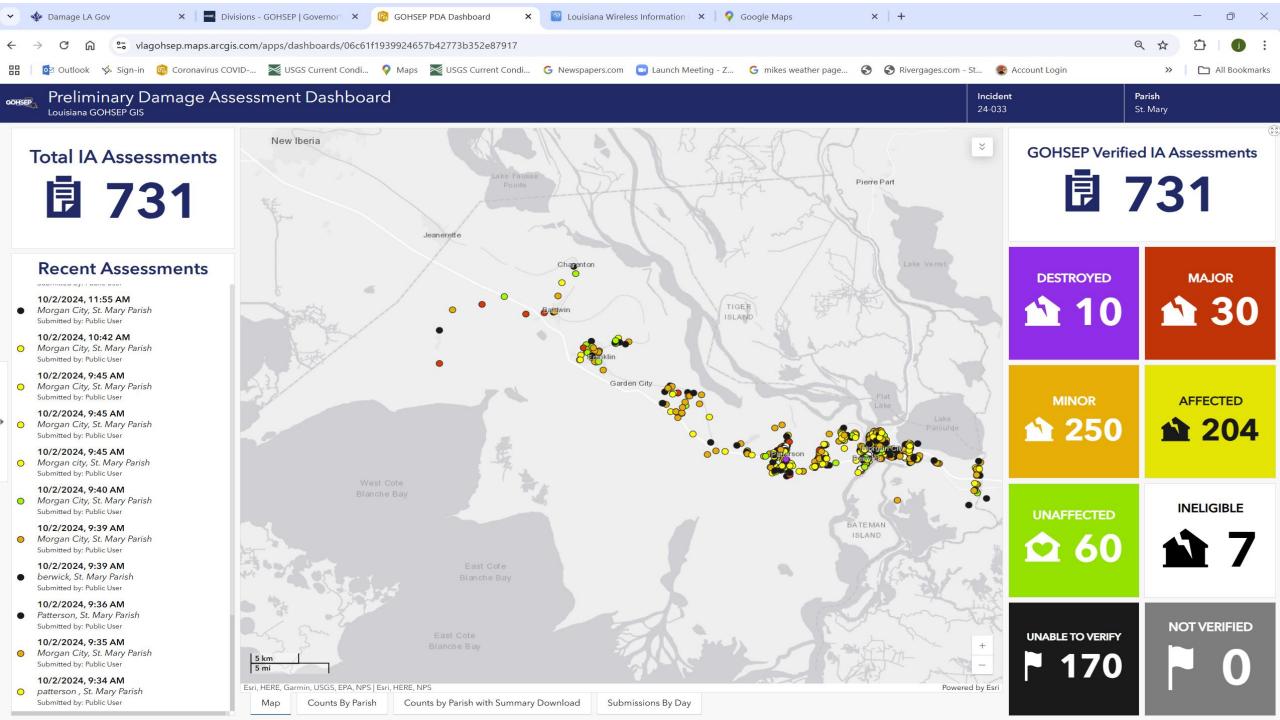
15 POWER POLES DOWN ACROSS
ROAD LA182 MILE MARKER OR
ADDRESS.

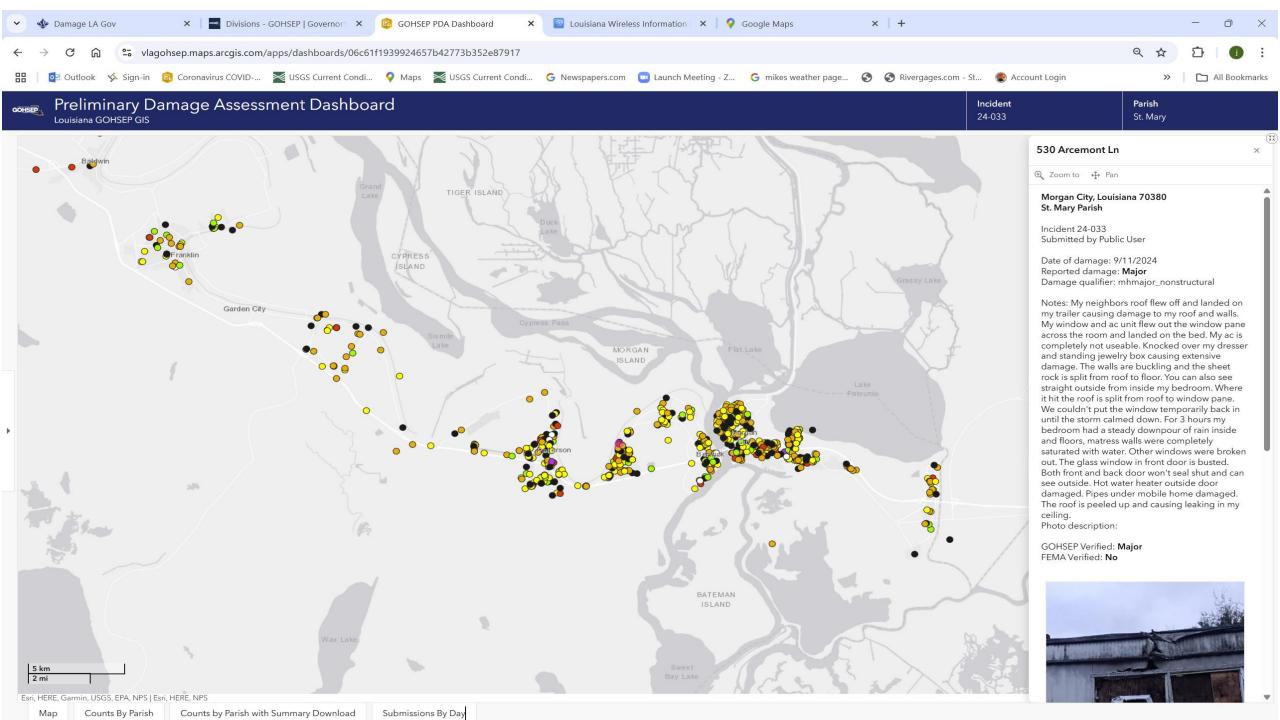
POST STORM SHELTER FACILITIES.
WILL ANY MUNICIPALITIES HAVE
PLANS TO OPEN ONE. THIS WILL BE
DETERMINED ON DAMAGES.

Please fill out this survey to report damage to your home in the aftermath of a significant weather event or disaster (residential structures only, no vehicles). Information collected here will help parish, state and federal authorities better understand the location and severity of damage impacts.

\*Homeowners should still file a claim with their insurance company. Submitting this information does not guarantee the availability of federal assistance.







A "POD" refers to a <u>Point of Distribution</u>, a centralized location where the public can access life-sustaining supplies, such as food and water, following a disaster or emergency.

Here's a more detailed explanation:

#### • What they are:

PODs are established as strategic locations to ensure that affected communities can access essential resources after a hurricane or other disaster.

Many organizations joined in on the POD in morgan city and issued their donations at the same time.

#### • What they offer:

These locations distribute commodities, which can include <u>shelf-stable food</u> and <u>drinking water</u>, as well as other necessary items.

#### Closure of a POD

The Pod starts shutting down when the power, water comes on and the stores open.

There weren't enough PODs. What is the work around for this. (municipal organizations and officials can bring trailers to the large pod and pick up enough supplies to make their own pod using their personnel)

There must be <u>preplanned</u> coordination, and It should be done <u>before</u> the pod lanes open.



### POST STORM CONT'D

- YOU MAY COME HOME TO NO ELECTRICITY
- YOUR CELL PHONES MAY NOT WORK
- YOUR HOUSE/BUSINESS PHONES MAY NOT WORK
- YOUR GROCERY STORES MAY BE CLOSED
- YOU GAS STATIONS MAY BE EMPTY
- YOU MAY NOT BE ABLE TO GET TO YOUR HOUSE (DEBRIS ETC)
- YOU MAY NOT HAVE DRINKING WATER
- YOU MAY NOT HAVE ELECTRICITY TO PUMP SEWAGE OUT
- YOUR HEALTH CLINICS AND HOSPITAL MAY BE CLOSED
- WAIT FOR YOUR MAYOR, PARISH PRESIDENT TELLS YOU THAT INFRASTRUCTURE IS UP TO COME BACK HOME.
- NURSING HOMES HAVE TO MAKE SURE UTILITIES(WATER/SEWER) ARE BACK UP.