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As of 2:00 pm

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STATE EOC ACTIVATION LEVEL: 4 Normal Operations

WebEOC Incident Name: 15-004 Winter Weather - Statewide, 7-10 January 2015

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**SITUATION: **A strong arctic high pressure system will build across the area today. Very cold air will be associated with this system, thus setting up a hard freeze warning criteria throughout most of the state. **This system will deliver the lowest temps the state has seen so far this winter season for the next couple of days. Residents and persons with interests in the area should monitor the latest forecasts concerning the upcoming weather. **

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**FORECAST for LOUISIANA **

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**Southwest Louisiana: A hard freeze warning has been issued for tonight into Thursday morning over most of the area. **After a hard freeze Thursday morning, temperatures will struggle to get out of the 30's for highs. Increasing cloudiness with an approaching upper level disturbance will commence Thursday night into Friday, with a chance of precipitation Friday and Saturday mornings.

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**Southeast Louisiana: A hard freeze warning is in effect for areas generally along and north of Interstate 10 and 12 corridors, including the New Orleans Metro area as well as the River Parishes to the southwest of Lake Pontchartrain including the Houma and Thibodaux areas. **A wind advisory is also in effect for all of southeast Louisiana today. These conditions will persist overnight only for areas south of Lake Pontchartrain to the Louisiana coasts. Additionally, these strong winds will produce