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As of: 4:45 pm

STATE EOC ACTIVATION LEVEL: CAT
WebEOC Incident: 15-006 Severe/Winter Weather Statewide, February 20-23, 2015

SITUATION: A strong cold front from the north with widely scattered showers began moving through the area last night and will continue through Tuesday afternoon. Considering the temperature trends and precipitation coverage, residents are urged to continue monitoring the latest statements and forecasts for additional information on this hazardous winter weather event.

FORECAST for LOUISIANA

Southeast Louisiana: A freezing Rain Advisory is in effect for areas north and west of Baton Rouge for tonight. Light freezing rain is expected to develop in the late evening and continue through the night. Ice accumulations of up to a tenth of an inch will be possible on exposed surfaces such as trees, power lines, and bridges. Travel could become hazardous as bridges and overpasses become ice covered.

Southwest / Central Louisiana: The chance of freezing rain and sleet will be the main weather threat today and tonight as temperatures continue to fall through the day and overnight hours. A Freezing Rain Advisory is in effect from 6:00 pm until noon Tuesday. The freezing line will continue southward and reach the Interstate 10 corridor by midnight through late tomorrow morning with total ice accumulations to range from 0.01 inch along the Interstate 10 corridor from Beaumont to Lake Charles, to around 0.15 inch in central Louisiana. Elevated roadways and bridges are most likely