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As of: 1400Hours

STATE EOC ACTIVATION LEVEL: Level 4 (Normal operations)

1. TROPICAL WEATHER UPDATE:

As of 1300 hours 24 October 2011, the NWS/NHC is reporting on the tropical features listed below. **None of these systems pose a threat to Louisiana.**

Hurricane Rina

The center of Hurricane Rina is located near Latitude 17.1N, Longitude 83.0W. Rina is moving toward the northwest near 5MPH and a turn toward the west-northwest is expected later today. Reports from an Air Force Reserve Hurricane Hunter Aircraft indicate that the maximum sustained winds have increased to near 75MPH with higher gusts. Rina is a Category One Hurricane on the Saffir Simpson Scale and additional strengthening is expected during the next 48 hours. Tropical Storm force winds extend outward up to 85 miles from the center. Estimated minimum central pressure is 1001mb, 29.56 inches. Rina will not affect Louisiana.

A broad low pressure area over the extreme southeastern Caribbean Sea is producing disorganized showers and thunderstorms over the Windward Islands, Bonaire and Curacao. These showers and thunderstorms could produce periods of locally heavy rainfall and gusty winds today and tonight. Upper level winds are only marginally conducive for development and this system has a less than 10 percent chance of becoming a tropical cyclone during the next 48 hours. The system is expected to dissipate by 10:00 hours on 25 October.