Gov. Jindal Urges Louisianians to Get Prepared for Tropical Storm Isaac, Encourages Voluntary Evacuations in Hurricane

Following a meeting of the Unified Command Group at the Governor’s Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness, Governor Bobby Jindal and Louisianians are urged to take steps to prepare for Tropical Storm Isaac which is continuing to track westward.

The Governor said, "Tropical Storm Isaac is in effect for 15 Louisiana parishes. This includes the New Orleans metro area and the parishes adjacent to Lake Pontchartrain. The National Weather Service expects the storm to make landfall near the Mississippi/Louisiana border late tonight and early tomorrow morning. Isaac is expected to cause heavy rainfall and bring widespread flooding." 

The Governor added, "National Weather Service forecasts show Isaac will track westward bringing landfall and rain on the Gulf Coast. Isaac is expected to cause widespread power outages and this could last several days. This storm is expected to produce coastal flooding, which is also expected to last several days. Over one million electrical customers have already lost power and many areas are under evacuation." 

The Governor urged Louisianians to get prepared for Tropical Storm Isaac and to take all necessary precautions.

The Governor said, "We are asking Louisianians to stay informed about Tropical Storm Isaac. We are monitoring the situation closely and will continue to provide updates as more information becomes available. We encourage Louisianians to follow local news sources and official social media accounts for the latest updates." 

The Governor added, "We are working closely with local and state officials to ensure that Louisiana is prepared for the impacts of Tropical Storm Isaac. We are deploying resources to areas most in need and will continue to monitor the situation closely." 

Louisianians are urged to get prepared for Tropical Storm Isaac. The Governor said, "We are asking Louisianians to stay informed about Tropical Storm Isaac. We are working closely with local and state officials to ensure that Louisiana is prepared for the impacts of Isaac. We are deploying resources to areas most in need and will continue to monitor the situation closely. If you are in an evacuation area, please evacuate. If you are not in an evacuation area, please stay informed and take all necessary precautions."