SEWER SYSTEM STATUS: We continue to ask residents cut down on sewerage usage as widespread power outages are causing sewer backups. This includes activities such as taking showers, washing clothes, washing dishes, flushing, etc. As residents return and the system gets more use, backups will become more of an issue. We will continue to request this of our residents until power is fully restored across the parish. Tap water remains SAFE in St. Charles Parish.

POWER UPDATE: Entergy is reporting 15,889 customers without power in St. Charles Parish as of Thursday night, or 74 percent. Entergy has 138 additional personnel in the area, including 184 linemen, 34 tree trimmers and 20 scouts. The current estimate to have power restored to the entire parish is by the end of the day Monday. Please note crews do not always have to be in your neighborhood to restore power to your home. We are posting areas where power has been restored at [stcharlesgov.blogspot.com](http://stcharlesgov.blogspot.com).

GARBAGE SERVICE: Regular garbage service will resume Friday, Aug. 31. This is for cans and items in bags ONLY. Please note this is NOT for debris pickup.

DEBRIS PICKUP: Debris pickup will begin on Tuesday. Please do not place debris near fire hydrants or on top of water meters. Responders need to be able to get to them if necessary. Residents should avoid piling storm debris on electric, cable or phone “pedestals,” which can be damaged in the debris pickup process.

ROAD CLOSURES: Evangeline Road in Montz is closed near Airline Highway due to high water. I-10 at US 51 in LaPlace is closed due to high water. This area is operating on generator power.