



# Louisiana GOHSEP

## EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER SITUATION REPORT

Situation Report #  
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Incident Name  
26-016 Tropical Weather - JUL19

Date Prepared  
07/20/2026

Operational Period  
07/19/2026 16:00:00 - 07/20/2026 08:00:00



### WEATHER FORECAST

The latest weather update indicates no significant changes overnight. Tropical Depression Two is expected to strengthen into Tropical Storm Bertha today, with increased confidence of a slow-moving system making landfall in southeastern Louisiana at tropical storm strength. The system is **not** expected to reach hurricane intensity. Current forecasts indicate the heaviest rainfall will likely remain offshore, and computer guidance is not showing a significant overland flooding threat at this time. Additional updates are expected this afternoon.

### INCIDENT

**WebEOC Incident:** 26-016 Tropical Weather

**Activation Level:** Level 4- Crisis Action Team

**State Declaration of Emergency:** No Declaration

### OPERATIONAL RHYTHM

**Coordination Call:** GOHSEP Statewide Call-20 JUL 2026 at 1030

**Weather Call:**

NWS New Orleans- 20 JUL 2026 at 1100 Webinar

NWS Lake Charles- 20 JUL 2026 at 1015 for EM and elected officials and at 1045 for all other partners

**Parish and ESF SITREPs Due in WebEOC:** 0600 and 1800

**SITREP Published:** 0800 and 2000

### OVERVIEW

The state continues to monitor the developing tropical threat while maintaining a heightened state of readiness across multiple ESFs. State agencies are coordinating preparedness activities, notifying response partners, reviewing emergency plans, and validating personnel and equipment. Below is a summary of the reports received from the ESFs ahead of the 0800 reporting period:

- ESF-1 (DOTD Transportation): Remains in contact with transportation assets contractor to ensure resources are available should they be needed.
- ESF-2 (Communications): LWIN remains fully operational, with all sites functioning under wide-area operations. Deployable communication assets are being inspected and readied for potential deployment. All ESF-2 partners remain in normal operations while continuing to monitor the situation and maintain readiness to support as needed.
- ESF-8 (LDH Public Health/Medical): Network notified of future operations.
- ESF-12 (LDH/OPH): Water advisory reports will be issued for the duration of the event.
- ESF-13 (Department of Corrections): Continues to actively monitor WebEOC and remains prepared to respond as needed. Correctional facilities have been directed to review their emergency plans and verify the availability of emergency supplies.

- ESF-16 (Louisiana National Guard): Continues preparedness operations and will deploy 20 personnel beginning Tuesday 21 JUL, to support ESF-7 Regional Staging Area (RSA) operations for the receipt and distribution of FEMA commodities if needed. Units are validating dual-use equipment, updating alert rosters, and preparing to issue a Warning Order (WARNORD) to confirm guidance to support personnel. Coordination efforts are ongoing to finalize ESF-7 staffing requirements, complete readiness validations, and ensure supporting units are prepared for potential activation.

PARISH UPDATES

Louisiana parishes are maintaining heightened situational awareness and monitoring the developing tropical system. Coordination with the National Weather Service and GOHSEP is underway, with several parishes scheduling planning meetings to assess potential impacts and determine operational actions if conditions worsen. Below is a summary of the reports received from Parishes ahead of the 0800 reporting period:

- Region 1: New Orleans Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (NOCEM) is actively monitoring the situation and establishing a preliminary battle rhythm for coordination meetings. The City Emergency Operations Center (CEOC) remains at Level III but may elevate to Level II as conditions warrant. Sandbag operations are scheduled to begin 20 JUL. The Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans (SWBNO) provided a status report on pump operations and continues to monitor conditions. New Orleans Health Department (NOHHS) is continuing water distribution operations in response to extreme heat, with those efforts expected to continue as long as necessary and weather conditions permit.
- Regions 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9: No significant operational updates were reported.

Lifelines Summary

All Lifelines are currently green as GOHSEP is currently monitoring Tropical Depression Two



Communications

GREEN



Energy

GREEN



Food, Hydration,  
Shelter

GREEN



Hazardous Material

GREEN



Health and Medical

GREEN



Safety and Security

GREEN



Transportation

GREEN



Water Systems

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