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AFTERMATH OF IDA

BATON ROUGE (November 10, 2009) – Today, the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (GOHSEP) Director Mark Cooper announced the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) has resumed normal operations following the landfall of Tropical Storm Ida. All local offices of emergency preparedness are also at normal operations.

“State and local officials stepped up to the plate and proved they were ready to handle Ida. We feel very fortunate that this late season storm did minimal damage to the State of Louisiana. It was, however, a reminder that we must never let down our guard during hurricane season,” said Cooper.

Ida made landfall at Dauphin Island near Mobile, Alabama early this morning and is expected to continue east over the Florida Panhandle as it weakens.

Here's the latest information on those local areas impacted by the storm:

Plaquemines Parish:

The Belle Chasse Auditorium (8398 Highway 23) received 85 evacuees. All returned home Tuesday. Phoenix High School, South Plaquemines Elementary School, South Plaquemines High School, and Boothville-Venice Elementary School are scheduled to re-open Wednesday.

Tangipahoa Parish:

Requested and received 52,000 sand bags.

Lafourche Parish:

LA1 at HWY 3090 was closed because of flood water but is now re-opened.

Orleans:

All public and parochial schools closed Monday are now re-opened

Jefferson Parish/Grand Isle:

Grand Isle School will re-open Wednesday

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