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Threat of Severe Weather Again This Weekend

Baton Rouge (April 16) – The Louisiana Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (GOHSEP) urges you to Get A Game Plan as another round of potentially dangerous weather is forecast for the next few days. The National Weather Service (NWS) 1-3 inches of rain could fall each day in certain areas. Much of the state remains under a Flash Flood Watch. There is a marginal risk for severe weather. The main threats will be large hail and damaging winds, but isolated tornadoes are not being ruled out.

"We urge you to monitor your local forecast and look for notices from the National Weather Service," said GOHSEP Director Kevin Davis. "Some areas this week have already dealt with issues like street flooding, wind damage and hail. Those conditions could be an issue again this weekend. Be safe and Get A Game Plan."

According to the NWS, flooding causes more deaths than any other thunderstorm related hazard. More than half of those drownings happen when a vehicle is driven through dangerous flood water. That's why the NWS urges you to **Turn Around Don't Drown**. 6 inches of fast-moving water can knock and adult off their feet. 12 inches of rushing water can carry away a small car.

You can receive emergency alerts on most smartphones and tablets by downloading the new ALERT FM App. It is free for basic service. You can also download the new Louisiana Emergency Preparedness Guide and find other important information at www.getagameplan.org. The Get a Game Plan App is available for download to your smart phones or tablets.

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