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Gov. Edwards Declares State of Emergency in Louisiana Due to Severe Weather and Flooding

BATON ROUGE — Today, Gov. John Bel Edwards issued a statewide emergency declaration in the wake of damage caused by the severe weather that moved across Louisiana on Wednesday, May 8, 2019. Current forecasts show the same line of storms will continue through Saturday, May 11, possibly bringing 4 to 8 inches of rain across the state.

“Fortunately, there has not been any loss of life, but the damage is extensive, and because we know the bad weather may not be over we are continuing to monitor the forecasts and ground conditions as well as work with the local officials,” said Gov. Edwards. “We stand ready to respond should the need arise. In addition, I urge all Louisianans to stay safe and prepare for the ongoing threat of severe weather across the state. Please avoid flooded roadways and continue to pay close attention to your local officials and media for the latest weather-related information.”

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