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June Rain Event Update #8

48-hour Rainfall Totals According to the National Weather Service

(Saturday 8 a.m. to Monday 8 a.m.)

- Pace- 6.70 inches
- Milton- 16.02 inches
- Gulf Breeze- 7.92

Swimming Advisory of Inland Swimming Areas

- The Santa Rosa County Health Department is advising residents to avoid water related activities in all areas except the Gulf of Mexico.
- Runoff from heavy rains may have washed contaminants into rivers and lakes that may expose those entering the water to waterborne diseases. Those with open wounds or weakened immune systems may be especially susceptible to illness.
- The Santa Rosa County Health Department will continue to monitor water quality in our area and will advise residents when testing indicates that it is safe to resume water related activities.
- For more information, contact the Santa Rosa County Health Department's Environmental Health Division at 850-983-5275.

Actions by Santa Rosa County

- Emergency management, fire department, road department, and law enforcement staff will continue to address issues, dispatch resources, and monitor weather conditions and throughout the week as additional rain is forecasted.
- Flood conditions on Santa Rosa County rivers are not anticipated at this time. However, staff will continue to monitor river levels closely.
- To help track the damage in the county, residents can email Santa Rosa County Emergency Management with information on damage from the storm at breakingnews@santarosa.fl.gov. Please provide your name, contact number, address of the location of damage, brief description of the damage and photos if available. A link is also available at www.santarosa.fl.gov. Residents without email service can report damage by calling (850) 983-5372 or 9-1-1 if emergency assistance from first responders is required.

Damage Summary

- Final damage estimates are not yet available.
- Damage to county roads and other infrastructure is anticipated as being less than \$20,000.
- Midway Fire District's assessments as of Monday, June 11 show that 31 homes incurred some level of flood damage; none were assessed as receiving major damage or as being destroyed.
- City of Gulf Breeze's preliminary estimates are \$10,000 in damage to roads and in pump rental fees. No homes reported flood damage. A shopping Center on Center Drive which was thought to have sustained damaged, was found to not have been impacted upon inspection.
- At approximately 10:30 a.m. on June 11, lightning reportedly struck a barn causing a fire in the 2600 block of Brook Forest Way in Chumuckla with Jay, Allentown and Berrydale fire departments responding. The structure is a total loss. Damage with the contents of the building is estimated at \$85,000.

- Fire crews responded to a commercial structure fire at Southern Raceway on June 10 located at 9359 Nichols Lake Road in Milton. The call was received at 2:04 p.m. and reportedly caused by a lighting strike. Damage is estimated at \$8,000-10,000.
- A home in the 5400 block of Woodsman Drive in Pace was struck by lightning about 7 a.m. on June 10. The roof sustained approximately \$2,000 in damage, but no fire occurred.

Traffic Conditions

- Roads that are currently clear may flood quickly with additional rain. Standing water creates a serious road hazard, even when only a portion of the roadway is flooded.
- No streets are currently closed or were closed on Monday, June 11.

Beach Conditions

- The risk of rip currents along the beaches remains high on Monday.
- Red flags are currently flying at Navarre Beach. Beachgoers and swimmers should heed the red flag warnings and stay out of the water as deadly rip currents and rough surf conditions are present.

General Safety Information

- www.santarosa.fl.gov or follow us on Twitter at @SRCBOCC
- Please monitor your home weather radio and local media outlets for the most up-to-date information.
- Your best defense in any disaster is a NOAA Weather radio.
- Citizens can sign up to automatically receive breaking news alerts from Santa Rosa County Emergency Management via e-mail or as a text message on their cell phone at: <http://www.santarosa.fl.gov/emergency/publicwarning.html>

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