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**Terrebonne Parish Hurricane Zeta**

Due to the potential of 2-4 feet of storm surge outside of the Terrebonne Levee and Conservation District Morganza to the Gulf Levee System and the coastal areas of Terrebonne Parish by Hurricane *Zeta*, Parish President Gordon Dove and Terrebonne Parish Sheriff Tim Soignet are calling for a **MANDATORY EVACUATION of Zone 1** of Terrebonne Parish, **effective at 10 a.m. Wednesday morning, October 28, 2020.** Zone 1 includes:

- a.) All areas south of the Pointe-aux-Chenes Floodgate
- b.) All areas south of the Bayou Terrebonne Floodgate in Lower Montegut
- c.) All of Isle de Jean Charles
- d.) All areas south of the Bayou Petit Caillou Floodgate including Cocodrie
- e.) All areas south of the Morganza to the Gulf levee road ramp on Four Point Road in Lower Dulac
- f.) All areas south of the Lower Dularge Floodgate

A **VOLUNTARY EVACUATION** of **ONLY** the Pointe-aux-Chenes area of Zone 2 effective at 10 a.m. Wednesday morning, October 28th. Residents can view their hurricane zones at [tohsep.com](http://tohsep.com).

Terrebonne Parish Gordon Dove and Terrebonne Parish Sheriff Tim Soignet will enforce a curfew of all areas south of the Morganza to the Gulf levee system (Zone 1) beginning at 6 p.m. today (Tuesday) till further notice.

All interests in the areas of evacuation are strongly urged to comply with this mandatory and voluntary evacuation order due the projected storm surge from Hurricane Zeta.

The Houma Municipal Auditorium located at 800 Verret Street in Houma will open as an evacuation shelter beginning at 10 a.m. Wednesday morning. Evacuees should bring sufficient food, water, bedding, baby formula, medicine, and hygiene supplies to last a couple of days.

If transportation to the Houma Municipal Auditorium is required, please call (985) 873-6357 to arrange pick-up **after 10 a.m. on Wednesday**. Household pets brought to the Houma Municipal Auditorium will be registered with the Terrebonne Parish Animal Shelter and kept at the animal shelter until reunited with owners.

Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government Offices will close at Noon on Wednesday, October 28<sup>th</sup> and all-day Thursday, October 29<sup>th</sup> and Friday, October 30<sup>th</sup>.

The Good Earth Transit System will suspend services at Noon on Wednesday and resume weekend schedule on Thursday.

Terrebonne Parish School System and Houma-Thibodaux Diocesan Schools will be closed on Wednesday.

Fletcher Technical Community College will operate remotely tomorrow, and all facilities will be closed. All classes and administrative services will be online.

Terrebonne Parish garbage collection will be conducted on Wednesday beginning at 4 a.m. on the southern end of the Parish and proceeding to the northern end until storm conditions force the cancellation of garbage collection. Regular garbage collection will resume on Thursday at 6:30 a.m..

City Court will be closed at Noon on Wednesday, all-day Thursday, and reopen Friday.

32<sup>nd</sup> Judicial Court and the Terrebonne Parish Clerk of Court Office will be closed at Noon on Wednesday. An announcement on Thursday's opening will be released on Wednesday.

The Regional Military Museum will close on Wednesday and reopen on Thursday, depending on storm conditions.

The Parish is continuing to monitor Hurricane Zeta and its effects. Updates will be provided as needed.

"Given what we have already experienced so far and the lessons we have learned, Terrebonne Parish is prepared for Hurricane Zeta," stated Parish President Dove. "We will continue to monitor the situation throughout this event and inform the public of developments which impact the parish and provide critical information necessary to ensure public safety."

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