



Parish of Ascension

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Pre-filled Sand Bags Available for Ascension Parish Residents

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GONZALES – Ascension Parish President Kenny Matassa announced this morning pre-filled sand bags are available to residents at various locations across the parish.

Major flooding is not expected during this afternoon's weather event; however, in the event of flash flooding over 25,000 pre-filled sand bags can be obtained from the seagoing containers positioned at the following locations:

- Prairieville Fire Department
14517 LA-73, Prairieville, LA 70769
- 5th Ward Fire Department
39110 LA-22, Darrow, LA 70725
- 7th District Fire Department Station 71
13432 Roddy Rd, Gonzales, LA 70737
- St. Amant Fire Department
44465 Stringer Bridge Rd, St. Amant, LA 70774
- Ascension Parish DPW West
725 Church Street, Donaldsonville, LA 70346
- Geismar Fire Department
12171 La. 73, Geismar, LA 70734

These locations are not locked and the public can help themselves to the sandbags if needed.

The public works department is preparing for this event by loading and preposition trucks, personnel and equipment.

The drainage department is monitoring the sandbag count at the seagoing containers and is assessing the waterway levels. This department is prepared to initiate flood control measures if required but it is not expected.

The Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness is coordinating with all local, state and federal agencies and is keeping the public informed through social media.

The parish administration and council is prepared to commit resources to bring this event under operational control.

For public inquiries please regarding this incident please direct calls to (225) 621-8360.



PICTURE CUTLINE – Ascension Parish Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness Director Rick Webre (left) is shown inspecting pre-filled sand bags that are available to the public at various locations across the parish. These sand bags are located at the 7th District Fire Department Station 71 on Roddy Road. Webre is joined by East Ascension Drainage Department employees Vanessa Giambrone and Darin Martin.