



# *Parish of Ascension*

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## **Ascension, Livingston Continue Waterways Closure to Recreational Boat Traffic**

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GONZALES – Ascension Parish President Tommy Martinez announced Friday Ascension and Livingston Parishes will remain closed to recreational boating traffic until further notice.

Rick Webre, director of the Ascension Parish Office of Homeland Security, said his office and the Livingston Parish Office of Homeland Security based their joint decision after reviewing the National Weather Service forecast for the next 72 hours.

“The Amite River and the Diversion Canal waterways continue to have high water and debris so they will remain closed,” Webre said.

The closure of the waterways began on Monday, Oct. 26 following heavy rainfall that passed through the area last weekend.

The Ascension Parish Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness is hereby designated as the point of contact for this action

For more information about waterway closures:

- Ascension 21, the parish’s governmental channel
- [www.ascensionparish.net/ohsep](http://www.ascensionparish.net/ohsep)
- Facebook [www.facebook.com/apohsep](https://www.facebook.com/apohsep)
- You may also contact their office at (225) 621-8360