PREPARING for the 2022 HURRICANE SEASON

BY CONGRESSMAN TROY A. CARTER, SR.



Dear Friend,

Forecasters are warning that this year's hurricane season will have above-normal activity, with a forecast of 19 named storms and 90 named storm days between June 1 and November 30.

Last storm season was a tough one, and Hurricane Ida once again reminded us first-hand of the destruction that can come when our communities are not properly protected or prepared for a natural disaster or its aftermath. That's why I am committed to ensuring that our communities receive the protection and risk reduction systems that they deserve.

In Congress, that involves being a strong advocate and voice for all of our communities, from Baton Rouge through the River Parishes to New Orleans, and using that voice to fight for the resources we need to fund protection projects. The recently passed Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act has provided unprecedented funding for our state's roads, bridges, levees and water systems, and I'll keep pushing for these funds to produce real, life-changing results protect our community from storms, and help improve everyday life.

I am also working to fix the National Flood Insurance Program, especially in light of Risk Rating 2.0 policies that are ratcheting up insurance premiums for Louisianians. It's unacceptable. I am committed to working with people on all sides of the aisle to come up with solutions for this issue.

Be Safe,



Congressman Carter meets with disaster survivors and first responders with President Biden, Governor John Bel Edwards, and St. John Parish President Jaclyn Hotard. Congressman Troy A. Carter, Sr. 506 Cannon House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

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"Keep yourself and your family safe should an emergency arise. Include consideration for specific needs of all members of your family – from our seniors to our pets. Here are the five most important steps you can take according to Ready.gov."

- Congressman Troy A. Carter, Sr.





Know your hurricane evacuation route. If you are ordered to evacuate, know the local hurricane evacuation route(s) to take and have a plan for where you can stay.

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Before you receive a hurricane watch or warning alert during the

upcoming hurricane season, I hope you've prepared your family by taking these steps.



Put together a go-bag: disaster supply kit, including a flashlight, batteries, cash, food, water, first aid supplies, medications, and copies of your critical information if you need to evacuate.

If you are not in an area that is advised to evacuate and you decide to stay in your home, plan for adequate supplies in case you lose power and water for several days and you are not able to leave due to flooding or blocked roads.

Make a family emergency communication plan. During a disaster, you will need to send and receive information from your family. Communication networks, such as mobile phones and computers, could be unreliable. Electricity could be disrupted. Plan to ensure that all the members of your household know how to reach each other and where to meet up in an emergency.

Know where you can get weather and evacuation alerts.

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Louisiana Homeland Security & Preparedness: www.gohsep.la.gov; (225) 925-6536 or (225) 925-7500

Louisiana State Police Road Closure Hotline: www.lsp.org/emergency.html; (800) 469-4828 or 511

Louisiana 511 Traveler Info: www.511LA.org; (888) 762-3511 or 511

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Office of Homeland Security & Emergency Preparedness: (504) 658-8700

Sheriff's Department: (504) 202-9339

Parish Information: 311

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National Hurricane Center: www.nhc.noaa.gov

National Weather Service: www.nws.noaa.gov

FEMA: www.disasterassistance.gov

Small Business Administration: disasterloanassistance.sba.gov/Ready.gov/plan