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(Jackson) - The Mississippi Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) is closely monitoring the projected path of Hurricane Lili. The following assistance is being provided to citizens to aid in their safe response to Hurricane Lili.

Harrison County Road Updates:

- Local County and City officials report that local roads that previously had standing water on them are now passable, with minor exceptions. The western portion of Harrison County and other low-lying areas may still have standing water on them, making them impassable. Motorists should not operate their vehicles into standing water found on roadways, as the water may be deeper than it appears. As before, motorists are advised to use extreme caution when operating their vehicles, as there is still a possibility of standing water, large areas of sand, and/or debris on the roadways. Motorists who encounter roads that are flooded or blocked by debris, should contact their local law enforcement.

Biloxi Roads have re-opened

- The city of Biloxi has announced that all roads in Biloxi have been opened to regular traffic. Motorists are reminded to use extreme caution while operating their vehicles as there could possibly be areas of standing water and piles of debris on the roadway.

Highway 90 Open to all traffic

- Highway 90 is open to all regular traffic. Motorists are advised to use extreme caution while driving, as there is a possibility of standing water, large patches of sand, and debris on the roadway.

Shelter Closing:

- The American Red Cross announces that the general population shelter established at the Donal Snyder Community Center in Biloxi and the Good Deeds Community Center in Gulfport are now closed.

Casino Opening:

- The Mississippi Gaming Commission has announced that all Mississippi Coast Casino's will be permitted to re-open at 3:00 P.M. once casino managers have confirmed operational status.

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