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**GADSDEN COUNTY ANNOUNCES SANDBAG LOCATIONS IN PREPARATION FOR
SEVERE WEATHER EVENT**

GADSDEN COUNTY, Fla.- Gadsden County Emergency Management is closely monitoring the expected severe weather conditions in the county's area.

The Gadsden County Department of Emergency Management and the Gadsden County Department of Public Works will open sandbag locations on Tuesday, September 24, and Wednesday, September 25, from 8 a.m. until 3 p.m. at the following locations below.

Eugene Lamb Park -258 Lakeview Dr. Havana

Post Plant Pit off Post Plant Road. (St. Hebron area)

Sawdust Park- 3355 Providence Road. (Sawdust area)

Clark Pitt off Edwin Clark Road. (Greensboro area)

Rosedale Park -166 Charity Davis Circle (Bonnie Hill area)

Sandbags are limited to 15 bags per household. Citizens need to bring shovels to fill bags themselves. Locations will not be staffed; crews will monitor and provide additional sand and bags as needed. The site will be open until the storm threat has passed and it is determined there is no longer a need.

Property owners who have experienced flooding problems can use sandbags to help protect stormwater from entering their property.

Gadsden County Emergency Management advises that residents monitor the latest forecasts and be prepared to take the necessary precautions to protect life and property. Drivers should use caution and adhere to any official signage.

The National Weather Service also warns that residents should not drive cars through flooded areas, turn around, and find another route if they see floodwaters. Residents are also encouraged not to attempt to walk through floodwaters. The most current road conditions and updates on road closures can be found on the Gadsden County website at www.gadsdencountyfl.gov.

Floodwater should be considered contaminated. Do not allow children to play in, wade through, or swim in floodwater.

Residents requiring more information or assistance should call Gadsden County Emergency Management at (850) 875-8833 or (850) 627-0899. Additionally, residents can sign up for emergency text alerts at Text AlertGadsden to 888777 for accurate and up-to-date weather and emergency alerts.

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