

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AMERICAN SAMOA GOVERNMENT

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GENERAL MEMORANDUM NO. 011 – 25

To:

Secretary of Samoan Affairs, CEOs, Presidents and Executive Directors of

Authorities, Directors, Agency and Office Heads

From:

Governor of American Samoa

Subject:

Response to High Winds and Flooding

Severe weather is affecting American Samoa, and a High Wind Warning has been issued. Some parts of our Territory are experiencing severe flooding and high winds, resulting in injuries and property damage. The following actions will help ensure the safety of the people of American Samoa. On Friday, January 10th:

- 1. Public Schools will be closed.
- Government offices lacking power or made unsafe by current conditions may be closed or limit operations. Supervisors are responsible for notifying employees regarding work site safety.
- 3. ASG Employees should follow their regular assigned schedule. If unsafe conditions prohibit you from reporting to work notify your supervisor.

Additionally, the Department of Health has issued a Respiratory Disease Alert. The school closure is intended to protect our children from the impacts of inclement weather that may exacerbate the current health situation. More information about the alert can be found on the DOH Facebook page.

The Governor will work with the appropriate Government agencies and update this response if necessary.

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Governor