ST. CHARLES PARISH UPDATE - TROPICAL STORM LEE

ST. CHARLES PARISH (September 3, 2011) - St. Charles Parish is dealing with a handful of flooded streets and downed trees and powerlines this morning due to Tropical Storm Lee.

Street flooding has occurred in the towns of Luling, St. Rose and Boutte. There are no reports of flooded homes in the parish and no road closures at this time.

St. Charles Parish continues to urge its residents to monitor weather reports and prepare for 10 to 15 inches of rainfall through Tuesday; and up to 20 inches in isolated areas. The parish will continue to see squalls pass through that could produce additional tornado warnings. Officials are asking residents to refrain from driving today, if possible.

Residents are asked to report any flooded streets, downed trees, power lines, debris piles and/or blocked culverts and drains to EOC (985) 783-5050.

In addition, residents are asked to refrain from sewer usage, such as clothes washing, dishwashing, etc. to prevent sewer backups within the parish.

Residents should also have an emergency supply kit stocked with nonperishable food, water and flashlights to be prepared for the possibility of power outages. As of 9:30 a.m., Entergy was reporting about 140 customers out of power in St. Charles Parish.