STATE EOC ACTIVATION LEVEL: Level 4 (Normal operations)

1. TROPICAL WEATHER UPDATE:

As of 1300 hours 13 September 2011, the NWS/NHC is reporting on the tropical features listed below. None of these systems pose a threat to Louisiana at this time.

Tropical Storm Maria:

Tropical Storm Maria is centered near 22.2N67.9W or about 280 miles east of southeastern Bahamas and about 645 miles south-southwest of Bermuda moving north-northwest at 8 mph. A gradual turn toward the north and an increase in forward speed are expected by early Wednesday with a turn toward the north-northeast and a further increase in forward speed expected by Thursday. Maximum sustained winds are near 50 mph with higher gusts. On this track the center of Maria will pass west of Bermuda on Thursday.

A Tropical wave is in the Atlantic from 20N56W to 10N58W moving west near 17 mph.