

## CITY OF PUNTA GORDA

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## Media Advisory

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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## City of Punta Gorda Urges Residents to Prepare for Incoming Storm

The City of Punta Gorda is closely monitoring a storm system with a 90% chance of development, which is expected to bring significant rainfall to Southwest Florida. The storm will likely intensify into a tropical depression or tropical storm, potentially becoming a named storm. The first advisories for this will likely be issued today, providing better information regarding impacts and timing. The primary threat continues to be rainfall.

In anticipation of heavy rain and potential flooding, residents are advised to secure all outdoor items. Please ensure that items from docks and yards, including dock boxes and chairs, are moved to higher ground or stored safely. Floating debris can become a hazard in our canals during severe weather conditions.

City officials are meeting with emergency operations leaders this afternoon. Further updates will be provided as new information becomes available. The City encourages all residents to stay informed through official weather channels and to prepare their homes and properties for adverse weather.

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