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## **TRAFFIC ADVISORY**

### **Severe thunderstorms expected today with damaging winds**

Newark Public Safety Director Anthony F. Ambrose reports that because severe thunderstorms are predicted today, drivers should avoid streets that may become flooded.

Showers and thunderstorms are predicted after 2 p.m. today and before midnight tomorrow. Some storms may be severe with hail, damaging winds and heavy rain. Winds may reach 29 mph.

Because motorists can become stranded by driving through flooded streets and high water, drivers are asked to avoid the below locations and to use alternative routes.

The following locations should be avoided due to flooding conditions or the potential for flooding:

- Clay Street and McCarter Highway
- South Street and Van Buren Street
- Jefferson and Chestnut Streets
- State Street near Broad Street
- Jabez and Backus Streets
- [357 Wilson Avenue](#)
- Manufacturers Place and Hyatt Street
- Magazine Street and Avenue L
- Avenue L and Wilson Avenue
- Ferry and Foundry Streets
- Norfolk Street
- Orange Street

- Nesbitt Street
- McClellan and Frelinghuysen Avenue, and
- Frelinghuysen Avenue and the Route 22 underpass

The Department of Public Safety is coordinating responses to burglar alarms, flooding conditions and other weather-related incidents through the combined use of Police, Fire and Office of Emergency Management Personnel. Special attention should be given to unsecured outdoor furniture, awnings, refuse and building materials. For fire safety, please utilize flashlights, instead of candles, should you lose electricity. For non-emergency weather issues, call: 973-733-6000. For emergencies, please dial 911.

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