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TRAFFIC ADVISORY

Severe thunderstorms expected today and tomorrow

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

Showers and thunderstorms are predicted this morning and this afternoon. Tonight, showers and thunderstorms are expected followed by fog after midnight. Showers and thunderstorms are likely tomorrow between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

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.