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VIDEO

Mayor Baraka and Public Safety Director O'Hara Report All Flooding Locations Cleared Following Tropical Depression Ida

No Streets Remain Closed to Traffic Due to Flooding

Newark Mayor Ras J. Baraka and Public Safety Director Brian A. O'Hara report that all flooding locations have been cleared following heavy thunderstorms related to Tropical Depression Ida.

"Thankfully, the City of Newark has successfully recovered following this weather emergency," Mayor Baraka said. "I am grateful that no injuries were reported and that our 24 Hours of Peace event, scheduled to begin at 6 p.m. today at Broad and Market streets, will go forward without any residual issues related to the storm."

"I commend the Newark Police and Fire Divisions and members of Office of Emergency Management for working throughout the night on Wednesday in rescuing 485 individuals trapped in flooded waters due to Tropical Depression Ida," Director O'Hara said. "I'm pleased that all flooding has been abated, our roadways are re-opened, and that power has been restored to all but a small number of households."

At the height of the storm, approximately 24,000 residents lost power. Currently, under 50 households are awaiting service to be restored by PSEG in the area of Spring Street near the Clay Street Bridge. PSEG is also addressing a single wires down issue at the 100 block of Brookdale Avenue.

A total of 185 abandoned vehicles required removal from Newark roadways. Each abandoned vehicle was moved to the side of the road yesterday to facilitate traffic flow.

Residents are advised to call: 973-733-6000 for non-emergency weather-related incidents. Dial 911 for emergencies.

VIDEO LINK: <https://youtu.be/K2y4EJOtkz8>