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### **Tropical Depression Lee Update**

**PEARL**—The Mississippi Emergency Management Agency has received a report of one death related to Tropical Depression Lee as well as numerous reports of damages and flooding across the state.

Officials in Tishomingo County say one person drowned after the vehicle they were traveling in was swept away while attempting to cross a flooded road. Two other people in the vehicle escaped unharmed.

Heavy rain will continue to produce flash flooding mainly east of U.S. Interstate 55 today as the remnants of the storm push slowly into Alabama. Gusty winds are also expected which could bring down trees and power lines.

Residents should avoid driving on flooded roadways and through standing water. Instead find an alternate route around the impacted roads.

The following counties are reporting damage:

**Hancock:** Several flooded roads.

**Harrison:** Several flooded roads, homes damaged.

**Hinds:** Several homes and apartments flooded, power outages due to downed trees, one shelter open on Robinson Rd. in Jackson.

**Jackson:** Several flooded roads, several homes with flood damage in Moss Point and Pascagoula.

**Prentiss:** At least one mobile home damaged and one road impacted by flood waters.

**Rankin:** Several roads impacted by flooding.

**Stone:** Several homes and one church with wind damage.

**Tishomingo:** One death due to drowning.

**Wilkinson:** Several roads flooded.

Detailed damage assessments will be conducted by county officials when weather conditions improve.

Residents should stay tuned to local media stations for the latest storm forecasts and information from county emergency managers.

MEMA will continue to release updated information about Tropical Storm Lee as necessary. For more preparedness information visit MEMA's Web site at [www.msema.org](http://www.msema.org). You can also follow us on Twitter and Facebook for updates.

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