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### **Board Memo 119-2024: Tropical Storm Hone in WestPAC Area**

#### **Executive Board,**

Below is an update from Michael Swigart, the Executive Director of Continuity and Preparedness, regarding tropical storm Hone that hit the WestPAC area on Friday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>.

#### **Situation:**

Tropical Storm Hone is approximately 670 miles East Southeast of Hilo and is forecast to pass near or south of the Big Island Saturday night into Sunday. Maximum sustained winds are near 45 MPH and extending outward up to 90 miles.

The Honolulu PDC is completing the 48-hour hurricane checklist and moving to the 24-hour checklist.

The HI District is finishing the 72 hour and moving to the 48-hour checklist.

Normal operations today and planned normal operations for tomorrow (Saturday).

A Tropical Storm Watch is in effect for Hawaii County.

#### **People:**

- Employee emergency contact information is being updated.
- Employee baseline numbers are being finalized.
- Accountability procedures being reviewed.
- All impacted areas are taking inventory of bottled water, reallocating and purchasing where needed.

#### **Property:**

- All potentially impacted facilities have or will complete preparations to secure facilities and protect mail, vehicles and assets in locations with flooding concerns.
- Vehicles are being topped off at the end of each day and re-location plans are being reviewed.
- All portable generators have been or will be tested and fueled.

#### **Product:**

- Normal operations today for the District; Processing and Logistics.
- Logistics: monitoring bridges, roads, airports and shipping docks for closures; with known 50% cap from Amazon; air lift is restricting some volume for emergency medical supplies specific to Hilo (Hawaii Island or Big Island)
- Potentially impacted Delivery and Retail facilities will move mail and assets off the floor tomorrow.
- Closely reviewing mail impacts due to Carrier Route Counts scheduled for Monday 8/26 (Hilo).

#### **Communications:**

- The Employee Emergency Hotline is being updated to reflect normal operations for today. Unions and Management Associations have been or are scheduled to be briefed daily.
- Satellite phones tested and ready for use.
  - Pre-hurricane stand up talks (SUTs) are being provided and will continue on a daily basis across all functions.

Please share this information with your membership.

Thank you, and be safe.

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