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Tropical Storm Cristobal Update

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New Orleans, LA – The Flood Protection Authority-East has completed its final preparations of the Flood Defense System as T.S. Cristobal impacts our area. The Emergency Operations Center is partially activated and our pump stations are fully manned. As of 9:00 AM this morning the Permanent Pump Stations at the 17th Street, Orleans Avenue and London Avenue Canals are all operating. We have closed 73 land-based gates and 8 complex structure gates. We do not anticipate closing any additional gates at this time. Lakeshore Drive has taken on water and is now completely closed in addition to the ongoing weekend closures due to Covid-19.

T.S. Cristobal continues to move north and is expected to make landfall in Louisiana late today and then up the Mississippi Valley into Tuesday with heavy rain, strong wind gusts, and coastal flooding. Currently a Flood Watch and Tropical Storm Warning remains in effect through Tuesday morning. We will continue to monitor the track and impacts of the storm. For up to date information on gate closures, please visit www.floodauthority.org or subscribe to our Everbridge text alerts by texting “floodgate” to 111333. **Messaging rates may apply**