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To protect, promote & improve the health
of all people in Florida through integrated
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HEALTH OFFICIALS PROVIDE FLOOD SAFETY TIPS DUE TO COASTAL FLOOD ADVISORY

Jacksonville, FL - The Florida Department of Health in Duval County (DOH-Duval) reminds individuals to avoid flooded areas in low-lying areas along the city's river and tributaries. The National Weather Service (NWS) – Jacksonville Office has issued a Coastal Flood Advisory and residents are encouraged to use caution when traveling in the San Marco, Southampton and Ortega neighborhoods, especially during high tides.

****FLOOD INFORMATION FACT SHEET****

Moving Flood Water

During flooding, the greatest threat comes from moving water. The deeper the moving water, the greater the threat. People should avoid driving in moving water, regardless of the size of their vehicle.

Pooling Flood Water

Heavy rain causes flood waters to rise and pool on streets and throughout neighborhoods. In these situations, be aware of the following:

- Road surfaces become obscured, and drivers can unknowingly steer into a deep body of water, such as a canal or pond.
- Electricity from streetlights and power poles may be conducted through standing water, causing a deadly shock to anyone coming in contact with it.
- Children playing in contaminated standing water can become sick or be bitten by snakes or floating insects.
- People coming into contact with floodwater should thoroughly rinse any exposed body parts with soap and clean water.

For more information, visit www.duval.floridahealth.gov.
Florida Emergency Information Line: 1-800-342-3557.

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