

Okaloosa County News Release

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Okaloosa County Residents Urged to Use Caution in Wet Conditions *Turn Around, Don't Drown*

The following county roads have closed due to flooding: Okaloosa Lane and Helms Farm Road. The following Intersections are temporarily closed:

Intersection of Valley Rd and E. First Ave, Crestview

Intersection of North Hwy 85 (South Bound Lanes) Thomas Rd in Laurel Hill

Antioch Rd and Ashley Dr Crestview.

Additionally prior to the current rain event, the westbound leg of Hollywood Boulevard from Mary Esther Cutoff to the first Santa Rosa Mall entrance remains closed. The closure is needed to complete drainage pipe installation for the ongoing construction project.

The Blackwater and Shoal Rivers are expected to crest and the closure of the following parks are expected: Cotton Bridge near Baker, Ray Lynn Barnes on Highway 90 East, and Shoal River Park on Highway 85 South.

Okaloosa County Public Works again urges residents to use extreme caution on slippery roads and flooded areas and remember: Turn Around, Don't Drown!

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