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State of Ascension Parish Following Hurricane Francine

Gonzales, LA - Ascension Parish continues recovering following Hurricane Francine's impact. Parish President Clint Cointment updated the parish's current state of affairs.

"Our Ascension Parish Office of Emergency Preparedness and Homeland Security (OHSEP) has been diligently monitoring conditions across the parish and coordinating cleanup efforts," said Parish President Clint Cointment. "I am incredibly proud of the swift and effective response from our parish employees and first responders who worked tirelessly to assist our residents during this challenging time."

Key updates from Ascension Parish Government include:

- * The Citizen Service Center remains operational and accepts calls from residents at 225-450-1200 for non-emergency needs.
- * Parish cut and push crews have actively cleared roadway debris to ensure residents' safe passage.
- * The Lamar-Dixon shelter housed 15 individuals during the storm and is now been closed.
- * All parish pumping stations are fully operational and functioning as required.
- * Significant power outages were experienced across the parish, and both Entergy and DEMCO are working diligently to restore power to affected areas.

"We are committed to continuing our response efforts and addressing the needs of our citizens as we recover from Hurricane Francine," added President Cointment.

Residents are encouraged to self-report any residual damage (excluding vehicles) caused by the storm at damage.la.gov. This information will help Ascension Parish, the state of Louisiana, and our federal partners better understand the severity of storm impacts in Ascension Parish. Residents are encouraged to take pictures to help evaluate the extent of any damages.