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Lafourche Parish Declares State of Emergency for Hurricane Ike: *Mandatory Evacuation Called for South of the Leon Theriot Floodgates*

Due to flooding conditions expected due to Hurricane Ike, Lafourche Parish President Charlotte Randolph has declared a State of Emergency for the Parish of Lafourche, effective at 5:15 P.M., Wednesday, September 10, 2008.

A MANDATORY EVACUATION is now in effect been called for all areas south of the Leon Theriot Floodgates in Golden Meadow, as well as the community of Pointe-Aux-Chenes. A Red Cross Shelter is currently open at the Larose Civic Center.

LA-1 will be shut down south of the floodgates when the water rises above a “safe” level.