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Governor Musgrove Declares State of Emergency for Gulf Coast Counties

(Jackson, MS) – Governor Ronnie Musgrove has declared a state of emergency for Hancock, Harrison and Jackson Counties along the Mississippi Gulf Coast, as well as any other areas that may be affected as a result of Tropical Storm Bill. Heavy flooding is expected today as the storm moves inland.

“It is important to make sure we are prepared for every possible scenario as this storm approaches,” Musgrove said. “We will be mobilizing our state resources to these areas and working closely with local emergency officials to ensure the safety and security of the people who live there.”

The Mississippi Emergency Management Agency has opened shelters in Hancock, Harrison and Jackson Counties, and is recommending the evacuation of low-lying areas in those counties as well.

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