September 14, 2020

## **INSURANCE INFORMATION NOTICE 2021-3**

## SUBJECT: Preparations for Tropical Storm Sally

Weather forecasts indicate Tropical Storm Sally will impact Louisiana. Current predictions are that Tropical Storm Sally will intensify to a Category 1 or Category 2 hurricane and make landfall Tuesday, September 15, 2020. Southeast Louisiana is expected to receive the brunt of this storm system. Be aware that this event could bring a dangerous storm surge and high winds. It is a slow-moving storm; therefore, there is a strong possibility of inland and urban flooding.

BE PREPARED! State agencies are encouraged to immediately take precautionary measures to elevate all movable property, including valuable papers, vehicles and heavy machinery, and equipment to higher ground to minimize the potential damage from rising water. Use sandbags or similar to help reduce interior water intrusion and, when possible, unplug electronics before leaving the building. Be ready and able to report property damage as soon as possible.

Should an agency sustain a loss to buildings, contents, vehicles, or equipment, they should promptly report their claims to **Sedgwick CMS.** Claim reporting instructions and forms are available online. The link to the claims reporting website is <u>http://www.laorm.com/</u>. The website will have **specific** instructions for reporting property claims due to a catastrophe event.

A new procedure was implemented in June 2020 to help expedite claim notification when multiple buildings are involved. Agencies should email <u>lastorms@sedgwick.com</u> with their agency name(s), agency location code(s), and contact information. Sedgwick will send an agency-specific form that will allow multiple claim reporting; it will take the place of the "1<sup>st</sup> Party Losses" form. If you are unable to access the internet or have questions on reporting your claim(s), contact Sedgwick at (225) 368-3500 or toll-free at (844) 717-5566.

Should an agency require emergency remediation services to deal with water extraction and dry out, refer to the Statewide Remediation Contract to obtain these services. The link for the Statewide Remediation Contract Insurance Information Notice is:

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If there are any questions relating to this bulletin, please contact:

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