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Date: Wed, Oct 14, 2026 at 3:36 PM

Subject: Request for Emergency Session on Bill No. 371-38 (LS) Relative to Emergency Fundings for Tropical Disturbance Invest 96W

To: Speaker Frank Blas, Jr. <speakerblas@guamlegislature.gov>

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Mario Crisostomo

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BILL NO.	SPONSOR	TITLE	DATE INTRODUCED	DATE REFERRED	CMTE REFERRED	FISCAL NOTES	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	NOTES
371-38 (LS)	Telo T. Taitague	AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE TEN MILLION DOLLARS (\$10,000,000) FROM THE RAINY DAY FUND TO <i>I MAGA'HĀGAN GUÅHAN</i> FOR EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, RESPONSE, MITIGATION, AND RECOVERY ASSOCIATED WITH TROPICAL DISTURBANCE INVEST 96W, AND TO REQUIRE THE DISBURSEMENT OF TWO HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$250,000) TO EACH MAYOR'S OFFICE, ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$100,000) TO THE MAYORS' COUNCIL OF GUAM, AND TWO HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$250,000) TO EACH GUAM DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SCHOOL ACTIVATED AS AN EMERGENCY SHELTER, SUBJECT TO THE TOTAL APPROPRIATION.	10/14/26 12:24 p.m.						

I MINA'TRENTAI OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2026 (SECOND) Regular Session

Bill No. 371-38 (LS)

Introduced by:

Telo T. Taitague 

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE TEN MILLION DOLLARS (\$10,000,000) FROM THE RAINY DAY FUND TO *I MAGA'HÅGAN GUÅHAN* FOR EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, RESPONSE, MITIGATION, AND RECOVERY ASSOCIATED WITH TROPICAL DISTURBANCE INVEST 96W, AND TO REQUIRE THE DISBURSEMENT OF TWO HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$250,000) TO EACH MAYOR'S OFFICE, ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$100,000) TO THE MAYORS' COUNCIL OF GUAM, AND TWO HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$250,000) TO EACH GUAM DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SCHOOL ACTIVATED AS AN EMERGENCY SHELTER, SUBJECT TO THE TOTAL APPROPRIATION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Emergency Appropriation from the Rainy Day Fund.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, and in addition to existing authorities under 5 GCA § 22402 and Public Law 38-60, the sum of Ten Million Dollars **(\$10,000,000)** is hereby appropriated from the Rainy Day Fund established pursuant to 5 GCA, Chapter 22, Article 9, to *I Maga'Hågan Guåhan* for emergency preparedness, response, mitigation, and recovery activities associated with Tropical Disturbance Invest 96W, including any escalation into a tropical

1 depression, tropical storm, or typhoon. Such expenses include, but are not limited
2 to, costs related to safety and security; food, water, and sheltering; health and
3 medical services; energy; communications; transportation, and hazardous
4 materials. Individual Assistance is authorized under this Section, supported by
5 survey and damage assessment data. *I Maga'håga* shall disburse Two Hundred
6 Fifty Thousand Dollars **(\$250,000)** to each Mayor's Office, which may utilize such
7 monies for the purposes identified above. Mayors shall report all expenditures
8 within forty-five (45) days of expenditure. *I Maga'håga* shall disburse Two
9 Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars **(\$250,000)** from the funds appropriated herein to
10 each Guam Department of Education school that is activated as a shelter for
11 residents. GDOE may utilize such monies for the purposes identified above. The
12 Superintendent of GDOE shall report all expenditures of funds provided herein to *I*
13 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the Public Auditor within forty-five (45) days of
14 expenditure. *I Maga'håga* shall disburse One Hundred Thousand Dollars
15 **(\$100,000)** from the funds appropriated herein to the Mayors' Council of Guam for
16 administrative costs. The Executive Director of the Mayors' Council shall report
17 all expenditures of funds provided herein to *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the Public
18 Auditor within forty-five (45) days of expenditure. *I Maga'håga* shall provide a
19 written report of all expenditures under this Section, including those expended by
20 the Mayors, to *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and the Public Auditor within sixty (60)
21 days of initial disbursement and every thirty (30) days thereafter.

22 **Section 2. Priority and Timely Disbursement of Funds.** *I Maga'håga*
23 shall make the disbursements herein in the following order: first, to the Mayoral
24 Offices; second, to the Mayors' Council of Guam; and third, to each Guam
25 Department of Education school activated as a shelter. The Department of
26 Administration shall make the funds available for disbursement within twenty-four

1 (24) hours of enactment of this Act, subject to the availability of funds and applicable
2 law.

3 **Section 3. Reversion of Unexpended Funds.** Any unexpended funds
4 appropriated to the Mayoral Offices, the Mayors' Council of Guam, or to a Guam
5 Department of Education school shelter pursuant to this Act shall revert to the Rainy
6 Day Fund.

7 **Section 4. Effective Date.** This Act shall be effective immediately.



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For Immediate Release

October 14, 2026, 11:30 a.m. (ChST)

Tropical Cyclone Formation Alert Issued for Invest 96W; Heavy Rain, Increasing Winds, and High Surf Possible This Weekend

During its 9:30 a.m. briefing, the National Weather Service (NWS) Guam Weather Forecast Office advised that a Tropical Cyclone Formation Alert (TCFA) had been issued for Invest 96W at 7 a.m. ChST today, indicating tropical cyclone development was likely within 24 hours of that issuance. When Invest 96W becomes a tropical depression, it will be designated 29W.

At 7 a.m. ChST, Invest 96W was centered near 10.1N 161.6E, about 275 miles northeast of Pohnpei and about 1,200 miles east-southeast of Guam. The system is still organizing, with winds of 20 knots.

Models continue to be in good agreement, with continued development as the system moves northwest. Model guidance favors a passage between Guam and Anatahan, with the main window from Saturday evening, October 17, through Sunday night, October 18. Track and intensity remain uncertain.

NWS advises the following potential impacts:

- **Rain:** Potential for locally heavy rain Saturday through Monday, October 17–19, 5 to 8 inches, with localized amounts up to 12 inches possible.
- **Wind:** Moderate trade winds through Friday, with increasing winds Saturday into Monday. Eventual track and intensity will dictate wind speed and direction this weekend. NWS advises preparing for at least a Category 1 typhoon. This is preparedness guidance; the system's eventual track and intensity remain uncertain.
- **Seas and surf:** Seas and surf will increase significantly Friday into the weekend as Invest 96W approaches, first from the east, then from the west as it passes the islands.

As of the Wednesday morning briefing, NWS indicated that tropical cyclone watches, if needed, could be issued as early as Thursday, October 15. Official track guidance will be available once the system develops into a tropical depression.

Residents and visitors are advised to take the following precautionary actions:

- Fill cars with fuel and park in protected areas;
- Stock up on non-perishable foods and fill containers with several days of drinking water;
- Secure windows; put up or close shutters;
- Remove or secure window air conditioners;
- Attain enough fuel for lamps, stoves, and generators;
- If living near streams and rivers, prepare to move items away from stream and river banks;
- Make sure storm drains nearby are not clogged, especially if living in low-lying areas.

The Offices of Guam Homeland Security and Civil Defense (GHS/OCD) remind the community to be alert for additional advisories in the coming days.

Visit the following links for the latest advisory information:

- NWS Website: <https://www.weather.gov/gum/>
- NWS Tropical Cyclones: <https://www.weather.gov/gum/Cyclones>
- JTWC: <https://www.metoc.navy.mil/jtwc/jtwc.html>
- NWS Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/NWSGuam/>
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