

Louisiana Citizen Awareness and Disaster Evacuation Guide

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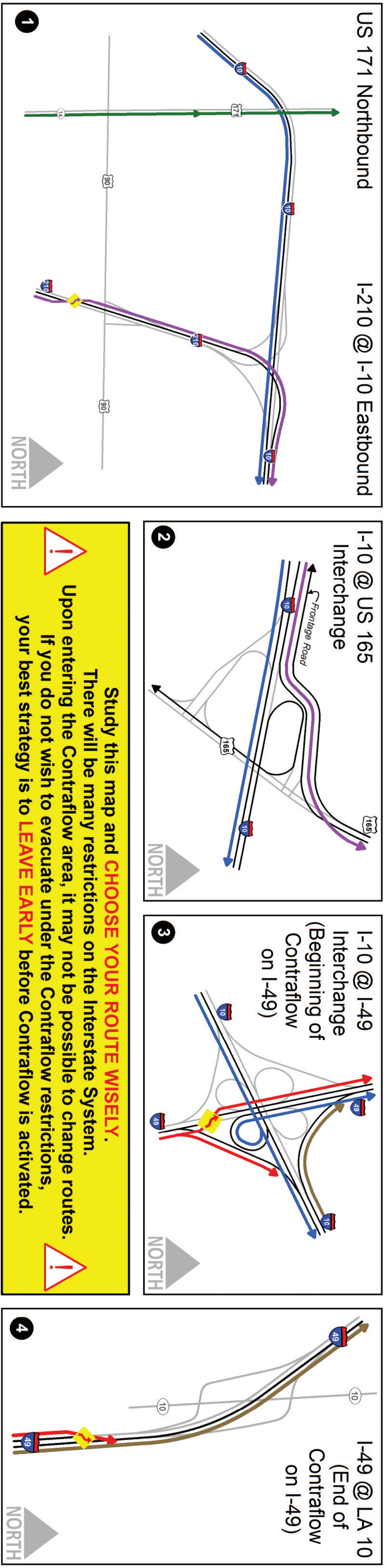
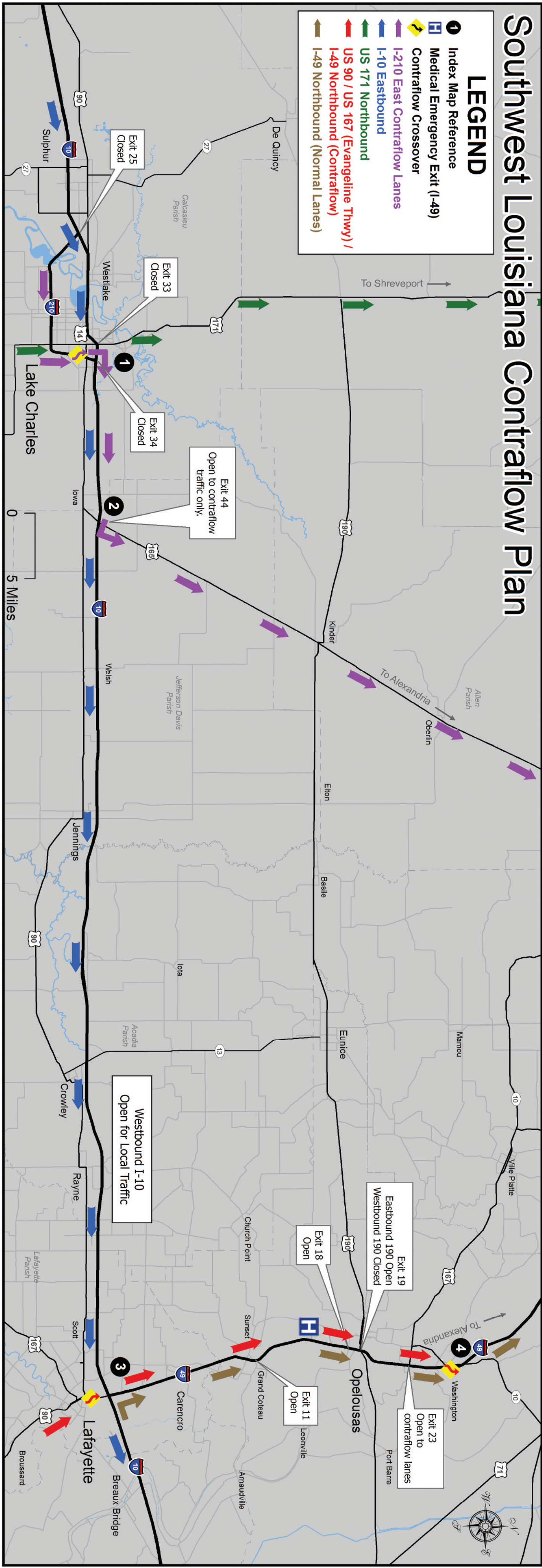
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Study this map and CHOOSE YOUR ROUTE WISELY.
 There will be many restrictions on the Interstate System.
 If you do not wish to evacuate under the Contraflow restrictions,
 your best strategy is to **LEAVE EARLY** before Contraflow is activated.

Lake Charles Area Instructions

I-210 East (contraflow lanes) - To Alexandria (PURPLE)
 Eastbound I-210 traffic will cross over to the westbound lanes of I-210 just before (south of) US 90.
 The crossover-ramp traffic will then contraflow (travel east) on the westbound lanes of I-10 to US 165 North.
 Traffic using the I-10 contraflow lanes will be diverted northbound onto US 165.

I-10 Eastbound - To Alexandria or Baton Rouge (BLUE)
 I-10 eastbound traffic (normal lanes) will not be allowed to exit at the following exits:
 Exit 25, I-210 East
 Exit 33, US 171
 Exit 34, I-210 West
 Exit 44, US 165
 All other exits along I-10 will be open.
 I-10 eastbound lanes will flow as normal to Lafayette through the Lake Charles area.

Lafayette Area Instructions

I-10 East and West - To Alexandria or Baton Rouge (BLUE)
 Eastbound I-10 traffic may continue East or travel North on I-49.
 Westbound I-10 traffic from Baton Rouge will be diverted to I-49 North if Lake Charles has begun contraflow.

US 90 / US 167 (Evangeline Thwy) / I-49 North (contraflow lanes) - To Alexandria / Shreveport (RED)
 Northbound traffic on US 90 / US 167 (Evangeline Thwy) through Lafayette
 will cross over to contraflow lanes just before (south of) the I-10-I-49 interchange.
 Northbound traffic on US 90 / US 167 (Evangeline Thwy) also will be allowed to travel East to I-10.
 Northbound I-49 traffic (contraflow lanes) will be allowed to exit at Exit 23 (US 167).
 All other exits along the I-49 North contraflow route, including US 190, will be closed.

I-49 North (normal lanes) - To Alexandria / Shreveport (BROWN)
 Northbound I-49 traffic (normal lanes) will be allowed to exit at Sunset / Grand Coteau Exit (11) and Crosswell Lane (Exit 18).
 All other exits on I-49 North (normal lanes) between I-10 and Washington will be closed.

I-49 South Traffic
 Southbound I-49 traffic will be diverted at the Meeker Exit (US 167). From there, drivers can use US 167 / LA 130US 71 to continue South.

FAMILY DISASTER SUPPLY KIT

Your family's disaster supply kit should include at least a three-day supply of:

- Water - One gallon of water per person per day
- Non-perishable food - Select food items that are compact and lightweight. Include the following items:
 - Ready-to-eat canned meats, fruits and vegetables
 - Canned juices
 - High energy foods
 - Vitamins
 - Comfort goods
 - Containers
 - Food for infant
- Clothing and bedding - include at least one complete change of clothing and footwear per person and the following:
 - Weather-appropriate items
 - Sundry shoes or work boots
 - Rain gear
 - Blankets or sleeping bags
 - Hat and gloves
 - Thermal underwear
 - Sunglasses
- First aid supplies - Assemble a first aid kit for your home and one for each car
 - Tools and emergency supplies
 - Emergency preparedness manual
 - Battery-operated radio and extra batteries
 - Cash or traveler's checks, change
 - First aid kit
 - Non-electric can opener, utility knife
 - Flashlight and extra batteries
 - Tablets
 - First aid kit
 - Maps
 - Compass
 - Matches in a waterproof container
 - Aluminum foil
 - Signal flare
 - Shovel
 - Shut-off wrench to turn off household gas and water
 - Plastic sheeting
 - Whistle
 - Sanitation supplies
 - Disaster Evacuation Guide
- Special Items
 - Infant and medical supplies: Remember supplies for family members with special requirements, such as infants, elderly, persons with disabilities and persons taking medication
 - Entertainment - Games and books
 - Important family documents
 - Wills, insurance policies, contracts, deeds, stocks and bonds
 - Passports, social security cards and immunization records
 - Bank account numbers
 - Credit card account numbers and company addresses
 - Inventories of valuable household goods and important telephone numbers
 - Family records (birth, marriage, death certificates)

Store your kit in a convenient place known to all family members. Keep a smaller version of the supply kit in the trunk of your car. Change your stored water supply every six months so it stays fresh. Replace your stored food every six months. Re-think your kit and family needs at least once a year. Replace batteries, update clothes, etc.

Travel Trailer/Mobile Home Safety

No travel trailer or mobile home - no matter how new it is - can be a safe shelter from storm force winds.

FEMA Travel Trailers and Mobile Homes are the property of the federal government.

- FEMA travel trailers and mobile homes may not be moved.
- The unauthorized movement, and any resulting damage, to FEMA travel trailers or mobile homes may be prosecuted under federal law.
- The state encourages all travel trailer and mobile home residents to follow all guidance from parish emergency managers.
- The state allows for privately owned travel trailers and RV vehicles to be moved during evacuations.
- The State of Louisiana strongly urges those who **must** move their personal trailer or RV to do so before an evacuation order is given.
- Privately owned trailers over 8'6" wide, 7'5" total height will not be permitted in evacuation traffic in either a voluntary or mandatory evacuation.

LEAVE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

- Make a Family Communication Plan.
- Tell someone outside of the storm area where you are going.
- Take emergency supplies, warm protective clothing, blankets/sleeping bags to shelter.
- Protect your home by unplugging appliances and turning off electricity and water.
- Turn off the main electrical power switch.
- Turn off the main water valve and disconnect the hose.
- Turn propane tanks off.
- Lock-up your travel trailer or mobile home and leave.

DURING A HURRICANE OR TROPICAL STORM WATCH OR WARNING

- Listen to radio/television for storm progress reports.
- Check emergency supplies.
- Fuel your car.
- Board up windows and check tie-downs on your travel trailer or mobile home.
- Turn refrigerator and freezer to coldest settings.
- Store drinking water.
- Review evacuation plan.

AFTER A STORM

- Stay tuned to local radio or television for information from your local or state officials.
- Return home only after state or local officials advise that it is safe to do so.

Any individual who lives in a travel trailer should pay close attention to radio and television reports to receive important information from local and state officials concerning hurricane precautions.