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Good morning everyone;

For those of you in the western and northern part of the state, please take a moment today to plan and prepare for heavy rains tonight and tomorrow. It doesn't sound like there will be a widespread wind event but there is a chance of tornados, along with localized flooding. Make sure that you are safe and be ready to help if called on.

Thanks to all of you for returning your vaccination verification forms. With the exception of just a couple of stragglers we received forms from everyone by the deadline so thank you all for making that happen. I am happy to see that we currently have 80% of the agency that is vaccinated. Thanks again to all of you for taking that step to protect yourselves and your coworkers and families. We are currently working on the routine COVID testing protocol for non-vaccinated employees and we will communicate directly with those employees in the week ahead to begin implementing that process.

After the remains of Hurricane Ida pass through this week it looks like we will have a pretty Labor Day weekend so enjoy the long weekend.

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