

We are currently planning another Disaster Recovery test.

We learned some valuable lessons in our last disaster recovery test with Hurricane Ralph. All lessons have been documented and additional backup measures will be taken. Now we are ready to plan the next test.

After some email discussions and phone calls to system administrators we have **set the date as Tuesday Aug. 18th through Thursday Aug. 20th**.

Here is the plan:

1. On the morning (midnight) of Tuesday August 18th, all sites will come down as they normally would for backups but the server will stay down and Workflows and iLink will be unavailable.
2. At 6:00 am Tuesday August 18th the disaster recovery process will start. Our intentions are to have the hotsite server located at Louisiana Tech transform into the production server by 8:00 am Tuesday August 18th.
3. By 8:00 am, Tuesday August 18th the seamless switch will be complete and we will give you to go ahead to log onto WorkFlows and iLink. Again, this should be seamless to you. You will not have to change any procedure you are already doing.
4. You will continue to work in this capacity until noon on Thursday August 20th. At that time the process to switch back from Louisiana Tech (hotsite) to Baton Rouge (production) will begin and continue to occur. You will be down from noon Thursday August 20th until sometime in the late evening Thursday.

This is the first of many messages to remind you of the procedure. Please spread the word to faculty and staff as well as students. The system will not be available midnight to around 8:00 am on Tuesday August 18th and noon to late evening Thursday August 20th.

As always, if you have any questions please feel free to ask.

Thanks,
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