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BAY ST. LOUIS, MS. â€“ Hollywood Casino Bay St. Louis, formerly Casino Magic, will open Thursday, August 31st at 11:00 a.m. much sooner than expected. Hollywood Casino officials had anticipated a fourth quarter opening for the storm damaged resort. â€œConstruction and restoration came together very quickly in these last few months, allowing us to open much earlier than anticipated,â€• said Marty Moore, senior director of marketing for Hollywood Casino. â€œWe are excited and delighted to get Hollywood Casino Bay St. Louis operational and back into the Mississippi economy,â€• said Moore.

â€œItâ€™s a wrap!â€• said John Jagunich, CEO and president of Hollywood Casino Bay St. Louis. â€œWeâ€™ve had incredible support from our parent company Penn National Gaming, our cast members, Roy Anderson Construction and local officials to pull this all together and open ahead of schedule,â€• said Jagunich. With over 75-percent of the original employees returning, he went on to say â€œOur cast members have been remarkable. Everyone is tremendously excited about opening and ready to serve our guests.â€•

Hollywood Casino will open with the Hollywood Hotel offering 291 guest rooms, 900 new slot machines, 20 unique table games, and a new 6-table poker room. Three of four restaurants will also open including, Tuscany Steaks and Seafood, Jackpot Java, and the all new Epic Buffet. The Bridgeâ€™s Clubhouse Grille will reopen with the Bridges Golf Course in mid-October.

The fully renovated casino operation, land-based, temporary facility has 17,000 square feet of function space and three private meeting rooms. â€œWeâ€™ve started booking meeting space which is important for the community as a whole,â€• said Jagunich. â€œWe were able to re-build our meeting space with three additional meeting rooms to compliment our original 10,000 square foot ballroom.â€•

The Hollywood Hotel is now accepting reservations for arrivals beginning August 31st. The Hollywood RV park has been open since February. Guest can call and make reservations at 1-866-7-LUCKY-1 or online at [www.hollywoodcasinobsll.com](http://www.hollywoodcasinobsll.com).

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