



Texas Department of Public Safety Texas Division of Emergency Management State Situation Report

Event Name	18-0012 June Severe Weather
Date	June 20, 2018
Time	0700 – 1800
Operational Period	June 19, 2018 – June 20, 2018
Report Number	2

Regions Affected	
DPS Regions Affected	2, 3 and 6
DDCs Active	DDC 17, DDC 21

STATEWIDE CURRENT SITUATION:

Ten state agencies and volunteer organizations active in disaster (VOAD) have activated resources in support of Coastal Plains flooding due to heavy rainfall starting on Tuesday, 6/19/18.

WEATHER:

NWS Austin/San Antonio: Tropical moisture will result in locally heavy rainfall mainly across the Coastal Plains today that could lead to minor flooding issues.

NWS Brownsville: A Flash Flood Warning is in effect for Cameron, Willacy, Hidalgo, Brooks, Kenedy, and Jim Hogg counties through Wednesday evening.

Showers and thunderstorms, some with heavy rainfall, will continue across portions of the Rio Grande valley and northern ranchlands through Thursday. Localized flooding will continue in heavier showers and thunderstorms.

An elevated risk of rip currents is expected through the period due to building swells across the western Gulf of Mexico.

The worst of the rain and flooding has been from Weslaco through La Feria, where modified radar data suggest more than a foot of rain has fallen in just a few hours.

The heaviest rain is now moving into the Harlingen area, which had already received more than 6 inches prior to the start of this event (near the center of town) and if low lying/poor drainage roads aren't under several feet of water now (745 AM) they will be soon.

NWS Corpus Christi: A Flash Flood Watch is in effect through tonight for the following zone locations: Aransas Islands, Bee, Calhoun Islands, Coastal Aransas, Coastal Calhoun, Coastal Kleberg, Coastal Nueces, Coastal Refugio, Coastal San Patricio, Duval, Goliad, Inland Calhoun, Inland Kleberg, Inland Nueces, Inland Refugio, Inland San Patricio, Jim Wells, Kleberg Islands, Live Oak, Nueces Islands and Victoria. Additional 1 to 3 inches, with isolated amounts in excess of 8 inches, will be possible through tonight, especially in thunderstorms.

There is a High Rip Current Risk until midnight for the following zones: Aransas Islands...Calhoun Islands, Kleberg Islands, Nueces Islands.

A Coastal Flood Advisory is in effect until midnight CDT for the following zones: Aransas Islands, Calhoun Islands, Kleberg Islands and Nueces Islands.

Scattered thunderstorms will produce rainfall rates of 3 or more inches per hour at time.

Jim Wells, Kleberg, and Nueces Counties: 5 to 10 inches with isolated areas of 15 inches of rain have fallen since Tuesday. Additional rainfall amounts of 2 to 4 inches possible, with isolated 10 additional inches possible.

NWS Houston/Galveston: Scattered to numerous showers and thunderstorms will be possible today. Locally heavy rain will be possible as rain bands move across the area. This may result in minor or flash flooding, especially in areas that saw heavy rain yesterday. Tropical funnel clouds may also be possible.

NWS Lake Charles: A Flash Flood Watch is in effect until 7 pm this evening for Jefferson, Orange, southern Jasper, and Newton counties in southeast Texas as well as Calcasieu and western Cameron parishes in southwest Louisiana. 4 to 8 inches of rain has fallen across these areas with isolated locations up to 10 inches. Additional rainfall is expected through the day, which may result in flash flooding.

OPERATIONAL PRIORITIES:

1. Protect life and property.
2. Support rapid & effective response.
3. Collect and disseminate accurate incident information to improve decision-making.
4. Accurately track incident costs associated with assigned resources for cost recovery.

Region 2 (Includes DDCs 14, 15, 16A, 16B, 16C, and 16D)

DDC 15 Beaumont: (Includes: Hardin, Jefferson, and Orange Counties)

Jefferson County: Street flooding reported in Port Arthur.

Region 3 (Includes DDCs 19, 20, 21, and 24)

DDC 20 Corpus Christi: (Includes: Bee, Brooks, Duval, Jim Wells, Kenedy, Kleberg, Live Oak, Nueces, Refugio, and San Patricio Counties)

Main concern for continued heavy rainfall is across the northern coastal bend into Victoria Crossroads where some locations near the coast have received 4 to 5 inches of rain in the past few hours. While the band of heaviest showers has broken up a bit, expect moderate to heavy rain to continue streaming northward from the coast for the next couple of hours. An additional 1 to 3 inches of rain is possible in this area over the next few hours. Elsewhere light to moderate rain will continue mainly along and east of Hwy 281 through the morning. Redevelopment of moderate to heavy showers will be possible once again this afternoon and possibly into tonight.

Nueces County: Port Aransas emergency officials report about 3 feet of water along Avenue A & Alister Streets.

Brooks County: Multiple water rescues occurred near Los Olmos Creek on Tuesday evening, 6/19/18.

DDC 21 Weslaco: (Includes: Cameron, Hidalgo and Willacy Counties).

Delayed opening of DPS offices until 1:00 pm 06/20/18. On-going rescue and evacuations are occurring in Cameron and Hidalgo Counties, approximately 100 people evacuated. DDC 21 has upgraded to Level II (Escalated Response) activation.

Cameron County: Sustained localized flooding resulted in the evacuation of two residences in the City of La Feria.

Region 6 (Includes DDCs 11, 12, 17, 18A, 18B, and 23)

DDC 17 – Victoria (Includes: Calhoun, DeWitt, Goliad, Gonzales, Lavaca, Jackson and Victoria Counties) DDC 17 and DeWitt County EOC increased readiness level to Level III (Increased Readiness Conditions) as of 12:00 PM on 06/19/18.

Goliad County: Minor street flooding and closures has occurred in Goliad, TX.



Significant River Flood Outlook



Valid: 6/19/2018 - 6/24/2018

West Gulf River Forecast Center 6/19/2018 12:13:52 PM



SIGNIFICANT RIVER FLOODING POSSIBLE.



SIGNIFICANT RIVER FLOODING LIKELY.



SIGNIFICANT RIVER FLOODING OCCURRING OR IS IMMINENT.

Significant River Flooding Impacts include:
Roads adversely affected. Residential, commercial, industrial, and/or agricultural areas affected. May require evacuation of people.

NOTE: Flash Flooding or Minor River Flooding will NOT be included in this outlook.

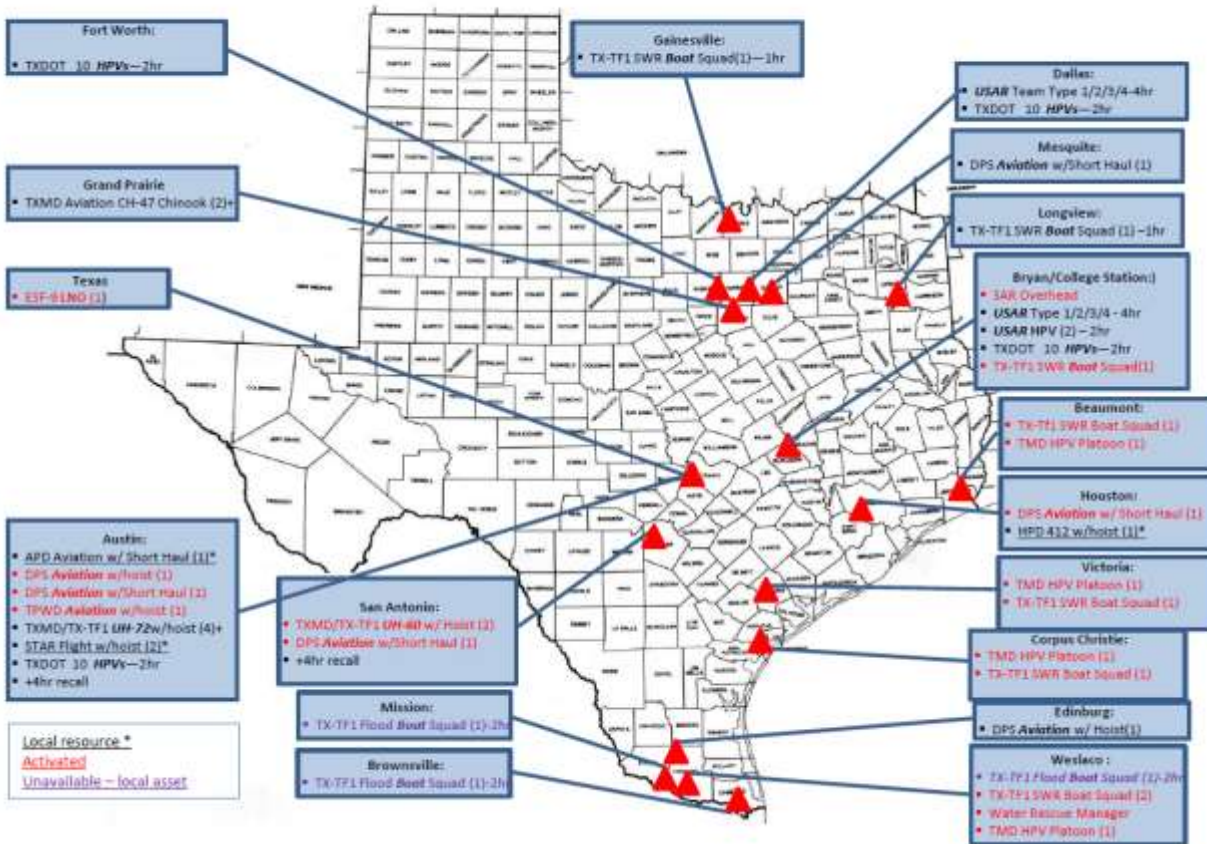
RESPONDING STATE AGENCIES/ORGANIZATIONS REPORTS

STATE RESOURCES COMMITTED

Agency	Resource Kind and Type	Quantity	Status	Resource Location
DPS	Hoist Equipped Aircraft	1	Staged	Austin
DPS	Short Haul Aircraft	1	Staged	Austin
DPS	Hoist Equipped Aircraft	1	Staged	San Antonio
DPS	Hoist Equipped Aircraft	1	Staged	Edinburg
DPS	Short Haul Aircraft	1	Staged	Houston
DPS	Short Haul Aircraft	1	Staged	Mesquite

Agency	Resource Kind and Type	Quantity	Status	Resource Location
TAHC	Agency SOC Representative	1	Assigned	Virtual
TAHC	Local DDC Liaison	1	Assigned (On Call)	DDC 21
TAHC	Animal Needs Assessment Team	2	Assigned	Region 3
TMD	SOC Military Desk	5	Assigned	Austin
TMD	Ground Transportation Company	1	Assigned	South Texas/ Upper Gulf Coast
TMD	Rotary Wing (UH-60)	2	Assigned	Laredo
TMD	Rotary Wing (UH-60)	1	Assigned	San Antonio
TMD	Rotary Wing (LUH-72)	1	Assigned	Austin
TMD	Public Affairs Officer	3	Assigned	Austin
TMD	Ground Transportation Company	1	Activated	Dallas/Ft Worth
TMD	Military District Coordinator	1	Assigned	Weslaco
TPWD	Hoist Equipped Aircraft	1	Staged	Austin
TPWD	Airboat	2	Assigned	Weslaco
TPWD	Airboat	8	Staged	Weslaco
TPWD	SWR Boat Squad	1	Assigned	Hidalgo
TPWD	SWR Boat Squad	2	Staged	Bastrop County
TPWD	SWR Boat Squad	1	Staged	Trinity County
TPWD	SWR Boat Squad	3	Staged	Central / South Texas
TPWD	Shallow Draft Boat	1	Assigned	Weslaco
TPWD	Shallow Draft Boat	2	Staged	Port Arthur
TPWD	LE Assistance	4	Staged	Rio Grande Valley
TxDOT	High Profile Vehicles	10	Staged	Austin
TxDOT	High Profile Vehicles	10	Staged	Bryan/College Station
TxDOT	High Profile Vehicles	10	Staged	Dallas
TxDOT	High Profile Vehicles	10	Staged	Fort Worth
TX-EMTF	Ambulance Strike Team	1	Assigned	Weslaco
TX-TF1	SWR Boat Squad	2	Activated	Weslaco
TX-TF1	Water Rescue Manager	2	Activated	Weslaco
TX-TF1	SWR Boat Squad	6	Activated	Corpus Christi
TX-TF1	SWR Boat Squad	1	Activated	Victoria
TX-TF1	SWR Boat Squad	1	Activated	Ellington Field, Houston
TX-TF1	Helicopter Rescue Swimmers	8	Activated	Laredo/McAllen
USAR	Type 1/2/3/4	1	Staged	Bryan/College Station
USAR	High Profile Vehicles	2	Staged	Bryan/College Station
USAR	Type 1/2/3/4	1	Staged	Dallas

SAR Resources 06-20-2018 1200 hours



Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT): TxDOT is reporting water over the roadways in low-lying areas of Brooks, Duval, Jefferson, Jim Wells, Nueces, Orange, and Refugio Counties. Please use extreme caution when driving on roadways with water over them.

TxDOT is reporting roadways closed in Brooks, Cameron, Jim Wells, Refugio, and San Patricio Counties due to flooding. Currently 71 state highway sections are affected by high water, 24 sections are fully closed, and 47 sections are flooded but passable.

For the most current information on Texas road conditions go to: www.Drivetexas.org.

Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS): Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) personnel, State and District Coordinators are monitoring the situation.

Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS): DSHS Public Health Region (PHR) 6/5S Regional Health and Medical Operations Center (RHMOCC) has activated to limited readiness and PHR 11 RHMOCC is monitoring the situation.

Texas Engineering & Extension Service (TEEX) Texas Task Force One (TX-TF1) TX-TF1 has strategically staged resources on standby in the affected areas to support local jurisdictions.

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD): Coastal area Texas Game Wardens are on standby for flood rescue needs to include five airboats with crew in the Houston/Galveston/Beaumont area and four airboats in the Corpus Christ and the Willacy County area. Local and out of area SAR swift water boat crews are on standby for deployment. TPWD aviation (SAR and hoist capable helicopter, daytime hoist only) is on standby for deployment from Austin.

American Red Cross (ARC): The ARC opened a shelter in the City of Orange.

The Salvation Army (TSA): Salvation Army Liason has deployed to the Corpus Christi EOC. Emergency shelter stood up in McAllen / Hidalgo County. On standby to support with Mass Care services as needed.

Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC): Regional personnel are in contact with local EOC's/DDC's to assist with issues in affected areas as needed. All TAHC field personnel in affected Regions have been assigned or placed on standby to respond to local requests.

FINAL COMMENTS: The State of Texas State Operations Center (SOC) increased the readiness level to Level III (Increased Readiness Conditions) as of 10:00 AM on June 19, 2018. The Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) continues to monitor the situation and will provide additional situation reports as needed.

The four levels of SOC activation are:

- Level I (Emergency Conditions)
- Level II (Escalated Response Conditions)
- Level III (Increased Readiness Conditions)
- Level IV (Normal Conditions)

This Situation Report can be found on the TDEM webpage at:
<https://www.dps.texas.gov/dem/sitrep/default.aspx>.

W. Nim Kidd, MPA, CEM, TEM
Chief
Texas Division of Emergency Management
Division Director
Texas Department of Public Safety