



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

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<b>Event Name</b>	18-0012 June Severe Weather
<b>Date</b>	July 07, 2018
<b>Time</b>	0700 – 0700
<b>Operational Period</b>	July 06, 2018 – July 07, 2018
<b>Report Number</b>	Final

<b>Regions Affected</b>	
<b>DPS Regions Affected</b>	3
<b>DDCs Active</b>	DDC 21

**STATEWIDE CURRENT SITUATION:** Governor Abbott issued a disaster proclamation stating that the severe weather and flooding event that began on 06/19/18, has caused a disaster in Aransas, Cameron, Hidalgo, Nueces, San Patricio and Willacy Counties. Water removal operations continue in the impacted areas of the Rio Grande Valley. Impacted local jurisdictions have begun damage assessments. Governor Abbott requested and the President approved a federal disaster declaration for Individual Assistance for Cameron and Hidalgo Counties on July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Additional counties impacted could be added as damage assessments are completed.

A list of Local Disaster Declarations and Disaster Summary Outlines received by the SOC can be found at <https://www.dps.texas.gov/dem/sitrep/default.aspx>

### **OPERATIONAL PRIORITIES:**

1. Recovery
2. Collection of local jurisdictional damage assessments
3. Collect and disseminate accurate incident information to improve decision-making
4. Accurately track incident costs associated with assigned resources for cost recovery

Provided below is a summary of the state's response activities:

### **STATE OPERATIONS CENTER (SOC) ACTIVATION**

#### **TIMELINE:**

- June 19, 2018 – SOC increased readiness level to Level III Increased Readiness Conditions.

- June 19 thru June 21, 2018 – Heavy rainfall across the Coastal Plains and the Lower Rio Grande Valley.
- June 25, 2018 – SOC returned to Level IV Normal Conditions.

**RESPONSE AGENCIES REPRESENTED IN THE SOC:**

American Red Cross	Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
Department of State Health Services	Texas Department of Public Safety
Health & Human Services Commission	Texas Department of Transportation
The Salvation Army	Texas Division of Emergency Management
Texas A&M Forest Service	Texas Engineering Extension Service/TXTF1
Texas Animal Health Commission	Texas Military Department
Texas Parks and Wildlife	

**SUMMARY OF RESPONSE OPERATIONS:**

**Search and Rescue:** Rescues: 616

**Human Services (Mass Care):**

**Sheltering**

10 shelters were opened with a population of 2,018.

**Feeding**

Texas Feeding Task Force provided more than 35,681 meals and snacks, 7,386 clean up kits, 1,804 comfort kits and 5,869 bulk items.

The task force is comprised of the following organizations:

- American Red Cross
- Salvation Army
- Southern Baptists of Texas Convention
- Texas Baptist Men

**Military Support**

- Vehicles: 42
- Boats: 20
- Aircrafts: 11

**Infrastructure:**

**Road Closures**

- A peak of 40 road closures on June 22, 2018.

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

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

DDC 21 remains at Level III (Increased Readiness)

**Hidalgo County:** Pumping operations continue in the cities of Edinburg and McAllen.

**RESPONDING STATE AGENCIES/ORGANIZATIONS REPORTS**

**STATE RESOURCES COMMITTED**

<b>Agency</b>	<b>Resource Kind and Type</b>	<b>Quantity</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Resource Location</b>
TxDOT	Small Water Pumps	6	Assigned	Pharr
TDEM	PA PDA Team	3 personnel	Assigned	RGV
<b>2 Agencies</b>	<b>6 Pieces of Equipment</b>	<b>3 Personnel</b>		

**SEARCH AND RESCUE MISSIONS CONDUCTED TO DATE:**

<b>AGENCY</b>	<b>NUMBER OF RESCUES/EVACUATION ASSISTS</b>
TPWD	315
TX-TF1	151
TMD	150
<b>Total</b>	<b>616</b>

**Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT):** TxDOT is supporting the pumping operations and the pump staging area in Pharr. For the most current information on Texas road conditions, go to [www.Drivetexas.org](http://www.Drivetexas.org)

**Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM):** Field Response continues to work with local, state, federal agencies, as well as volunteer partners as recovery operations continue. The State Operations Center (SOC) has processed 53 State of Texas Assistance Requests (STARs) and 85 actions for the June Severe Weather Incident. The TDEM Public Assistance (PA) Primary Damage Assessments (PDA) team continued assessments in Cameron County on Tuesday 07/03/18. The TDEM PA PDA teams will begin their assessment in Jim Wells County on 07/09/18, Hidalgo County on 07/10/18, Willacy County on 07/11/18 and Starr County on 07/12/18.

**Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) Texas Highway Patrol (THP):** THP continues to assist local law enforcement with increased patrols of the affected areas.

**Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ):** Regional staff continues to assess drinking water and wastewater facilities in impacted areas to determine operational status and address any significant incidents.

**Department of State Health Services (DSHS):** DSHS is coordinating with local jurisdictions who have requested assistance with mosquito / vector control.

**Shelters:**

<b>Shelter Location</b>	<b>Headcount</b>	<b>Agency</b>	<b>Status</b>
First Baptist Church Weslaco	66	ARC	Open
<b>Total Shelters: 1</b>	<b>66</b>		

**American Red Cross (ARC):** To date, ARC has opened and operated a total of six shelters with 2,018 overnight stays, 25,119 meals and snacks served from six Emergency Response Vehicles (ERV's), distributed 3,822 clean up kits, 1,804 comfort kits and 5,089 bulk items. Opened 779 cases serving 3,098 individuals, 1,628 health and mental health contacts and 232 volunteers responded.

**The Salvation Army (TSA):** TSA continues to support sheltering operations in Weslaco and Mercedes as well as recovery operations with supplies. To date TSA has served 2,677 meals, 7,885 snacks/drinks, 3,564 clean up kits, 480 mold sprayers with solution and 300 tarps. TSA has logged over 1,000 volunteer hours. TSA will continue to support recovery operations in conjunction with the other Volunteer Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD) partners providing support in those areas.

**Southern Baptist Texas Convention (SBTC):** SBTC remains based at the First Baptist Church in McAllen, Hidalgo County, with three IMT Members, two assessors, two laundry units with two members, one Chaplain, two feeding team members and two Cleanup/Recovery Units with 12 members. One hundred five mud-out requests have been received, 51 have been assessed and ready to work and 23 homes were completed.

**Texas Baptist Men Disaster Relief (TBM):** TMB has responded to both Weslaco and Orange areas. In Weslaco; the following assets are deployed, an Incident Management Team (IMT), Flood Recovery units, shower/laundry units, and assessors and chaplains. To date, 265 work requests have been received, 156 assessed, and 115 closed. 368 volunteer days and 3,177 volunteer hours have been recorded.

**FINAL COMMENTS:** The State of Texas State Operations Center (SOC) returned to Level IV (Normal Operations) at 6:00 PM on June 25, 2018. 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)

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