

# Texas Division of Emergency Management State Situation Report

#### **New Information in Blue Text**

Event Name	24-0004 21JAN Severe Weather					
Date	February 1, 2024					
Time	10:00 AM					
<b>Operational Period</b>	8:00 AM January 31 to 8:00 AM February 1, 2024					
Report Number	10					

Regions Affected	
<b>TDEM Regions Affected</b>	3, 4
DDs Active	14, 16

**STATEWIDE CURRENT SITUATION:** The Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) continues to urge Texans to report property damage by submitting an online damage assessment survey.

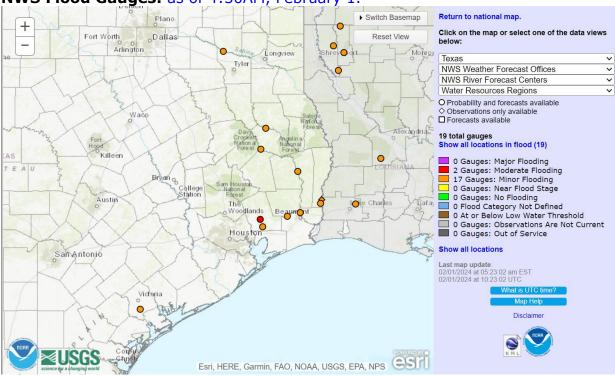
Texans can report weather damage to homes and businesses using the Individual State of Texas Assessment Tool (iSTAT) damage survey. The iSTAT damage survey can be filled out in English and Spanish online by visiting damage.tdem.texas.gov and clicking on "January 21st - Ongoing Flooding Event." The details provided to TDEM in the iSTAT damage survey help emergency management officials gain an understanding of damages that have occurred and identify any immediate resource needs. Survey information also aids officials in determining whether the state meets federal requirements for various forms of disaster assistance.

Reporting damage through the iSTAT tool is a voluntary activity and is not a substitute for reporting damage to your insurance agency. It does not guarantee disaster relief assistance. English and Spanish tutorial videos explaining how to fill out iSTAT surveys are available at <u>https://damage.tdem.texas.gov/</u>.

Texans are encouraged to remain prepared and informed, continue to monitor local weather reports, and follow instructions from local officials. Texans can access additional flood safety information by visiting <u>www.TexasReady.gov</u>.

While the bulk of the forecasted rain has ended, runoff is expected to continue to create moderate-to-major flood stages across Texas rivers, which could impact

Texas communities and property owners. To view the latest flood gauge data visit <u>www.TexasFlood.org</u>.



## NWS Flood Gauges: as of 4:30AM, February 1.

#### **River Flooding:**

A moderate flood stage is being reported along Trinity River at Liberty, in Liberty County.

A minor flood stage is being reported along the Angelina, Neches, Sabine, San Bernard, and Trinity rivers.

## **OPERATIONAL PRIORITIES:**

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

#### **Region 4 (Includes DD 16)**

**DD 16 – Houston** (Includes Austin, Brazoria, Chambers, Colorado, Fort Bend, Galveston, Harris, Liberty, Matagorda, Montgomery, Walker, Waller, and Wharton Counties)

On January 31, the San Jacinto River Authority stated that the Lake Conroe dam is discharging at a rate of 530 cubic feet per second (cfs).

### **RESPONDING STATE AGENCIES/ORGANIZATIONS REPORTS**

Texas Division of Emergency Management, Texas A&M University System (TDEM):

**TDEM Mass Care:** Mass Care was activated at the SOC.

The Incident Support Task Force (ISTF): ISTF had two personnel at the SOC.

Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service (TEEX) Texas Task Force 1 & 2 (TX-TF1 / TX-TF2): As of January 31, all TX-TF1 and TX-TF2 resources have demobilized.

**Texas Military Department (TMD):** TMD has a SOC MRP assigned to this incident. TMD released the Ground Transportation Platoon in Liberty on January 31.

**American Red Cross (ARC)**: The ARC has closed all shelters and Points of Distribution (POD) in Montgomery County and emergency supplies were distributed to 108 families. ARC shelter teams are now on standby for the Neches River flooding and damage assessment teams are in the Conroe, Humble, and Liberty areas. Coordination has begun to establish a service center this weekend in Conroe.

Agency	Resource Kind and Type	Personnel	Equip	Status	Location
TDEM	ESF 6 Liaison	1	0	Assigned	Austin
TDEM	ISTF HQ Staff	2	0	Assigned	Austin
TDEM	VOAD	1	0	Assigned	Virtual
TEEX TX-TF1	Swift Water Boat Squad	6	2	Released	Liberty County
TEEX TX-TF1	Water Group Supervisor	2	1	Released	TDEM Region 4
TEEX TX-TF1	ESF 9 Overhead	10	0	Released	Brazos County
TEEX TX-TF1	ESF 9 SOC LNO	1	0	Released	Austin

#### STATE RESOURCES COMMITTED

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TEEX TX-TF1	TX-TF2 Water MRP	17	3	Released	Liberty County
TMD	SOC MRP	3	0	Assigned	Austin
TMD	Ground Transportation Platoon C	10	5	Released	Liberty

**FINAL COMMENTS:** The remains on SOC activation Level II (Escalated Response Conditions) in response to the heavy rainfall and flash flooding. The SOC will continue to provide 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://tdem.texas.gov/response/state-operations-center#tab-3

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