



## Texas Division of Emergency Management State Situation Report

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### New Information is in Blue Text

Event Name	25-0019 01APR Severe Weather
Date	April 5, 2025
Time	10:00 AM
Operational Period	8:00 AM April 4, 2025, to 8:00 AM April 5, 2025
Report Number	1
TDEM Regions Affected	1
DDs Active	

**STATEWIDE CURRENT SITUATION:** On April 4, Governor Greg Abbott directed TDEM to activate additional state emergency response resources ahead of increased threats of severe weather and flash flooding in large portions of the state beginning today through the weekend, as well as snow potential in the Panhandle.

### 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 1 (Includes DDs 1, 2, and 7)

DD 1 – Amarillo (Includes Armstrong, Briscoe, Carson, Castro, Childress, Collingsworth, Dallam, Deaf Smith, Donley, Gray, Hall, Hansford, Hartley, Hemphill, Hutchinson, Lipscomb, Moore, Ochiltree, Oldham, Parmer, Potter, Randall, Roberts, Sherman, Swisher, and Wheeler Counties)

**DDEOC 1 Amarillo:** Activated to Readiness Level III (Increased Readiness Conditions) on April 4.

DD 2 – Lubbock (Includes Bailey, Cochran, Crosby, Dickens, Floyd, Garza, Hale, Hockley, King, Lamb, Lubbock, Lynn, Motley, Terry, and Yoakum Counties)

**DDEOC 2 Lubbock:** Activated to Readiness Level III (Increased Readiness Conditions) on April 4.

## RESPONDING STATE AGENCIES/ORGANIZATIONS REPORTS

**Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT):** TxDOT crews and emergency staff are rostered and prepared to respond statewide. Crews continue clearing debris, managing drainage, repairing damaged roadways, and providing traffic control. TxDOT is supporting response efforts by staffing the State Operations Center during the activation. As of April 4, TxDOT reports nine (9) state-maintained road closures due to flooding—one (1) in Hopkins County (Region 3) near Jim Chapman Lake and eight (8) in Region 5. Several additional roadways in the Rio Grande Valley remain affected by floodwaters. Amarillo, Lubbock and Childress Districts are prepared with equipment and crews to respond to winter weather this weekend.

**Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD):** Texas Parks and Wildlife Department has prepared department resources consisting of Texas Game Wardens and State Park Police Officers ready to support as needed in response to the increased Severe Weather threat. TPWD continues to work closely with TDEM and other state/federal partners through the State Operations Center to ensure TPWD resources and first responders are available should they be needed. TPWD personnel are continuously being advised of the current weather conditions and maintaining a state of readiness.

TPWD has Texas Game Wardens and State Park Police Officers ready to support operations as needed and is currently staffing the State Operations Center during the Level II Escalated Response activation. TPWD has positioned statewide resources to support ongoing response efforts. Currently, one liaison is assigned to the State Operations Center. Assets include a helicopter based in Austin, State Game Wardens, State Park Police Officers, Search and Rescue (SAR) boat teams, as well as 4x4 vehicles and both swift water and shallow-running boats, ready for deployment as needed.

TPWD Game Wardens responded to multiple severe weather incidents, including a tornado south of Clarksville in Red River County (no injuries reported), and another tornado north of Hawkins in Wood County. TPWD Search and Rescue Teams also responded to flooding incidents in Smith and Upshur Counties. In Smith County, four individuals were reported trapped in high water, but the incident was resolved prior to arrival. In Upshur County, a man was reported trapped on the roof of his car at Lake Gilmer. While responding, a TPWD Game Warden struck a washed-out roadway, sustaining minor injuries and damaging the patrol vehicle. On April 4, TPWD teams evacuated 5 individuals and 1 pet/animal.

**Texas Emergency Medical Task Force (EMTF):** As of April 5, EMTF 7 is on awareness, while SWX Package EMTF 4 is on standby. EMTF assets currently activated in support of the severe weather response include: one SWX Package with an

Ambulance Strike Team (AST) in Cameron County, one MIST deployed to the RELLIS campus in Brazos County, one SWX Package at Hensley Field in Dallas County, and one SCO and one MIST supporting operations at the State Operations Center in Travis County.

**STATE RESOURCES COMMITTED**

<b>Agency</b>	<b>Resource Kind and Type</b>	<b>Personnel</b>	<b>Equipment</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Location</b>
EMTF	SOC Liaison	2	0	Assigned	Austin
EMTF	SWX PKG	11	5	Assigned	Cameron County
EMTF	SWX PKG	21	5	Activated	Hensley Field
EMTF	MIST	1		Assigned	Rellis – Brazos
EMTF	MIST	1		Assigned	SOC
TxDOT	SOC liaison	1	0	Assigned	Austin
TxDOT	TxDOT District Staff	58	42	Assigned	TxDOT Districts
TPWD	SOC Liaison	1	1	Assigned	SOC
TPWD	TPWD Aviation	2	3	Available	Austin
TPWD	Game Wardens/State Park Police	30	30	Available	TDEM Region 2 & 3
TPWD	SAR Boat Teams	10	15	Available	McLennan, Trinity, Montgomery, Tyler & Smith

**FINAL COMMENTS:** The State Operations Center (SOC) is at Level II (Escalated Response Conditions). 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://tdem.texas.gov/response/state-operations-center#tab-2>

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