



Texas Division of Emergency Management State Situation Report

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| Event Name | 25-0018 26MAR Severe Weather |
| Date | April 16, 2025 |
| Time | 10:00 AM |
| Operational Period | 8:00 AM April 15, 2025, to 8:00 AM April 16, 2025 |
| Report Number | 20 |

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| TDEM Regions Affected | 5 |
| DDs Active | None |

STATEWIDE CURRENT SITUATION: On March 31, Governor Abbott [directed](#) the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) to request that Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) officials join state and local partners in conducting joint preliminary damage assessments in South Texas communities impacted by recent flooding. These assessments will help determine whether Texas meets the federal threshold for disaster assistance.

On March 29, Governor Greg Abbott [issued](#) a disaster declaration for four South Texas counties impacted by rainfall and flooding that continues to affect homes, businesses, and the agricultural industry throughout the region. The counties included in the Governor's declaration are Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr, and Willacy. Additional counties may be added as conditions warrant.

On March 26, Governor Greg Abbott directed the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) to [activate state emergency response](#) resources ahead of increased threats of severe weather and flash flooding in large areas of the state through the weekend.

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 5 (Includes DDs 19-21)

DD 21 – Weslaco (Includes Cameron, Hidalgo, and Willacy Counties)

DDEOC 21 Weslaco: [Returned to Level IV \(Normal Conditions\) on April 15.](#)

RESPONDING STATE AGENCIES/ORGANIZATIONS REPORTS

Texas Emergency Medical Task Force (EMTF): As of April 14, SWX PKG Teams have had 295 encounters, treated 240 individuals, and have had 173 transports.

Volunteer Organizations Active in Disasters (VOAD):

American Red Cross (ARC): The American Red Cross continues to have resources on standby to respond to humanitarian needs arising from expected severe weather and other disasters in Texas. Food and Disaster Emergency Services (DES) distribution operations are ongoing in Cameron, Pharr, and Hidalgo Counties. Additionally, the ARC has initiated client casework and is distributing Immediate Assistance to those affected. [The American Red Cross is currently operating two shelters in Bowie and Cameron Counties, providing shelter for seven individuals.](#)

Texans On Mission (TXM): In response to extensive rains and flooding in the Rio Grande Valley, TXM deployed to First Baptist Church in Weslaco. The Mennonite Disaster Relief team began assistance efforts in Cameron County on April 11. Additionally, First Baptist Church Weslaco organized a volunteer team. [To date, 449 work orders have been processed, with 236 still pending. TXM has conducted 127 Assessments, completed 9 Tear Out, provided 166 Volunteer Showers, and processed 111 Loads of Laundry for volunteers.](#)

STATE RESOURCES COMMITTED

| Agency | Resource Kind and Type | Personnel | Equip | Status | Location |
|--------|------------------------|-----------|-------|----------|-----------------|
| EMTF | SWX PKG | 11 | 6 | Assigned | Cameron County |
| EMTF | MIST | 1 | | Assigned | RELLIS – Brazos |

FINAL COMMENTS: The State Operations Center (SOC) is at Level III (Increased Readiness 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:

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| 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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