

# Texas Division of Emergency Management State Situation Report

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

Event Name	25-0018 26MAR Severe Weather
Date	April 18, 2025
Time	10:00 AM
Operational Period	8:00 AM April 17, 2025, to 8:00 AM April 18, 2025
Report Number	21

TDEM Regions Affected	None
DDs Active	None

**STATEWIDE CURRENT SITUATION:** On March 31, Governor Abbott <u>directed</u> 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 <u>issued</u> 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 <u>activate state emergency response</u> 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.

### RESPONDING STATE AGENCIES/ORGANIZATIONS REPORTS

Texas Emergency Medical Task Force (EMTF): As of April 17, SWX PKG Teams have had 328 encounters, treated 270 individuals, and have had 196 transports.

# **Volunteer Organizations Active in Disasters (VOAD):**

American Red Cross (ARC): The American Red Cross continues to coordination with local emergency managers to identify unmet community needs. One shelter remains open with a population of two in Bowie County. The Cameron County shelter has closed, concluding mass care services for the Rio Grande Valley. Client casework and Immediate Assistance distribution are ongoing.

Texans On Mission (TXM): Operations are currently focused on reviewing and assessing work requests in preparation for the arrival of four flood recovery units. All activities will pause for Easter weekend and resume on April 21. As of April 17, TXM has processed 451 work orders, with 179 remaining. The team has completed 127 assessments, 14 tear-outs, and 15 mold remediation jobs. Additionally, TXM has provided 237 volunteer showers, 609 volunteer meals, and processed 152 loads of laundry for volunteers.

#### STATE RESOURCES COMMITTED

Agency	Resource Kind and Type	Personnel	Equip	Status	Location
None					

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:

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

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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