



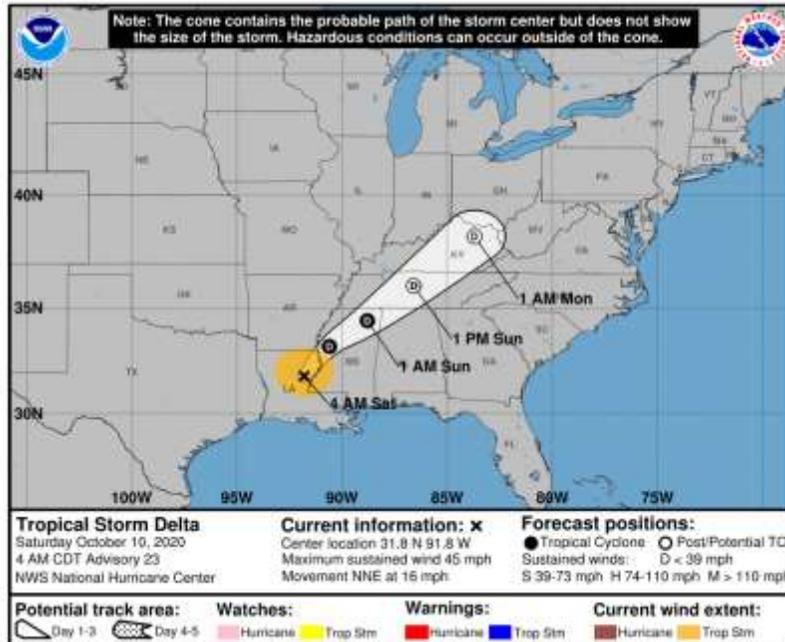
**Texas Division of Emergency Management  
State Situation Report**

**New Information is in Blue Text**

<b>Event Name</b>	20-0016 Hurricane Delta
<b>Date</b>	October 10, 2020
<b>Time</b>	0800
<b>Operational Period</b>	October 9 – October 10, 2020
<b>Report Number</b>	2

<b>Regions Affected</b>	
<b>DPS Regions Affected</b>	2 & 3
<b>DDCs Active</b>	DDC 15

**STATEWIDE CURRENT SITUATION:** Hurricane Delta, now a tropical storm, made land fall this evening in Creole Louisiana at approximately at 6 pm. Currently the storm is moving away from South East Texas, and the winds are settling down. Galveston has seen wind gusts of 58mph, while Houston has topped out at 40mph gusts. Tide levels have been running higher than normal, but they will start coming down now that Delta is inland.



## Summary of 400 am CDT 0900 UTC information

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Location 31.8N 91.8W

About 45 mi 70 km SSE of Monroe Louisiana

Maximum sustained winds 45 MPH (75 KM/H)

Present movement NNE or 25 degrees at 16 MPH (26 KM/H)

Minimum central pressure 990 MB (29.24 inches)

## WATCHES AND WARNINGS

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### CHANGES WITH THIS ADVISORY:

The Tropical Storm Warning along the coast from High Island Texas to the mouth of the Pearl River, including New Orleans, Lake Pontchartrain and Lake Maurepas has been discontinued.

### SUMMARY OF WATCHES AND WARNINGS IN EFFECT:

No coastal watches and warnings are in effect.

For storm information specific to your area, including possible inland watches and warnings, please monitor products issued by your local National Weather Service forecast office.

## DISCUSSION AND OUTLOOK

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At 400 AM CDT (0900 UTC), the center of Tropical Storm Delta was located near latitude 31.8 North, longitude 91.8 West. Delta is moving toward the north-northeast near 16 mph (26 km/h). A motion toward the northeast is expected to begin later today and continue through Sunday night. On the forecast track, the center of Delta should move across northeastern Louisiana this morning and then across northern Mississippi and into the Tennessee Valley later today and Sunday.

Maximum sustained winds have decreased to near 45 mph (75 km/h) with higher gusts. Additional weakening is forecast, and Delta is expected to become a tropical depression later today.

Tropical-storm-force winds extend outward up to 90 miles (150 km) from the center. A sustained wind of 39 mph (63 km/h) with a gust to 63 mph (102 km/h) was recently reported in Alexandria, Louisiana. A sustained wind of 37 mph (59 mph) with a gust to 63 mph (102 km/h) was recently observed in Monroe, Louisiana.

The estimated minimum central pressure based on surface observations is 990 mb (29.24 inches).

## HAZARDS AFFECTING LAND

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Key messages for Delta can be found in the Tropical Cyclone Discussion under AWIPS header MIATCDAT1, WMO header WTNT41 KNHC, and on the web at [www.hurricanes.gov/text/MIATCDAT1.shtml](http://www.hurricanes.gov/text/MIATCDAT1.shtml).

**STORM SURGE:** Water levels will continue to subside today along the Louisiana coast. Consult products issued by your local National Weather Service forecast office for additional information.

**RAINFALL:** For northern Louisiana, southeast Arkansas, and western Mississippi, Delta is expected to produce an additional 2 to 5 inches of rain, with isolated storm totals of 10 inches. These rainfall amounts will lead to flash, urban, small stream, and minor river flooding.

**SURF:** Swells from Delta are gradually subsiding along the northern Gulf coast. Please consult products from your local weather office for additional information.

The Texas Division of Emergency Management and the Texas State Operations Center (SOC) has been activated to Level II (Escalated Response Conditions) in support of the ongoing response to COVID-19 and Hurricane Delta.

Governor Abbott and the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) pre-positioned previously rostered resources as Hurricane Delta crosses the Yucatan Peninsula and enters the Gulf of Mexico as a Category Two Hurricane. Areas of southeast Texas are expected to see tropical storm forced winds, coastal flooding, life-threatening storm surge, rough seas, rip currents, and potential flash flooding. The Texas State Operations Center (SOC) has been activated to Level II (Escalated Response Conditions) in support of the ongoing response to COVID-19 and Hurricane Delta.

#### **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 2 (Includes DDCs 13, 14, 15, 16 Houston, 16 Texas City, 16 Conroe, and DDC Pierce)**

**DDC 13 – Bryan** (Includes: Brazos, Burleson, Grimes, Leon, Madison, Robertson and Washington).

DDC-13 is in contact with the local Red Cross, 211 and EMCs across the District.

**Brazos County:** 15 Large animals from Texas Coastal areas were boarded in a local facility.

**Washington County** – 68 residents and 25 staff from Sulfur, Louisiana were relocated to High Hope NH, a sister facility located in Brenham, TX.

**DDC 14 – Lufkin** (Includes: Angelina, Houston, Jasper, Nacogdoches, Newton, Polk, Sabine, San Augustine, San Jacinto, Shelby, Trinity and Tyler Counties)

**Jasper County:** Jasper County is activated at Level III. Jasper County has submitted a Disaster Declaration.

**Newton County:** Newton County has submitted a Disaster Declaration.

**DDC 15 – Beaumont** (Includes: Hardin, Jefferson, and Orange Counties)

A hurricane watch was issued for Orange and Jefferson Counties while DDC 15 Beaumont monitors Hurricane Delta and its current path.

DDC 15 Beaumont is activated at Level III.

**Jefferson County:** Jefferson County submitted a Disaster Declaration & Letter to the Governor. Sandbags are available for citizens. [Jefferson County is activated at Level I.](#)

City of Bevil Oaks submitted a Disaster Declaration & Letter to the Governor.

[City of Nederland submitted a Disaster Declaration.](#)

City of Port Arthur: submitted a Disaster Declaration.

Pleasure Island and Sabine Pass issued voluntary evacuation orders.

**Orange County:** Orange County submitted a Disaster Declaration. Sandbags are available for citizens.

Cities of Bridge City, Pinehurst and Vidor submitted Disaster Declarations.

**DDC 16B – Texas City** (Includes: Galveston and Brazoria Counties)

**Galveston County:** [TxDOT temporarily suspended the Galveston-Bolivar Ferry operations on October 9 at 2:30pm to minimize damage to the landings, Ferry service was resumed at 7:00 PM](#)

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

**DDC 20 – Corpus Christi** (Includes: Aransas, Bee, Brooks, Duval, Jim Wells, Kenedy, Kleberg, Live Oak, Nueces, Refugio and San Patricio Counties)

**City of Port Aransas:** The City of Port Aransas submitted a disaster declaration & Letter to the Governor.

**RESPONDING STATE AGENCIES/ORGANIZATIONS REPORTS**

**Texas Division of Emergency Management, Texas A&M University System (TDEM):** The State of Texas State Operations Center (SOC) remains at Readiness Level II Escalated Response Conditions, Daily Operations staff continues to process disaster declarations, letters to the Governor, Disaster Summary Outlines, State of Texas Assistance Requests (STARs), as well as disseminating severe weather messages, preparing Snapshots and the State SITREP. The State Management Team (SMT) continues conducting operations in the alternate State Operations Center, working together with activated members of the State's Emergency

Management Council. TDEM District Coordinators are working closely with their local emergency management partners to assist with any unmet needs and resources.

**Texas Division of Emergency Management Communications Coordination Group (CCG):**

The Communications Coordination Group has alerted public, private and volunteer sector partners to be on alert for possible communications response due to Hurricane Delta.

TDEM ESF 2 / Communications Coordination Group is monitoring the situation and prepared resources in the event of communications outages. Our partners across the public, private and volunteer sectors daily assess and adjust their resources in accordance with the situation.

Amateur Radio operators from multiple groups such as Amateur Radio Emergency Services (ARES), Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service (RACES) and unaffiliated groups, activated VHF / UHF repeater networks from East / Southeast Texas, into Central Texas. Successful communications check-ins were conducted throughout the network. Information was processed via WINLINK, which provides email via radio and internet interface and across the Shared Resources (SHARES) federal HF radio network.

The Commission on State Emergency Communications (CSEC) has reached out to PSAP / 9-1-1 centers in the affected areas. The Port Arthur PD experienced structural damage to their roof. Their back-up 9-1-1 network activated and there was no loss of service.

The Texas Association of Broadcasters (TAB) is reviewing pre-landfall RF Spectrum scans conducted by the FCC to establish pre-landfall radio and TV broadcast conditions.

Successful communications tests were conducted between the SOC and local EOCs via MSAT mobile satellite systems.

The Texas SWIC continues to coordinate and consolidate frequency issues and ICS 205s.

Our private sector partners have resources pre-staged in the event there are outages. They have provided PSAs on their websites for their customers.

Our federal partners through FEMA ESF 2 provided pre-landfall scans and assessments of the broadcast spectrum and cellular networks. They are conducting daily coordination conference calls.

There were no reports of major communications outages / interruptions that were not due to power outages.

**Texas Division of Emergency Management Mass Care:** As of Friday, October 9th, there are 2,256 (+185) evacuees in 5 non-congregate shelters throughout the State in 842 (-13) hotel rooms.

American Red Cross has staffing and supplies for two congregate shelters on stand-by to support local jurisdictions for evacuees seeking shelter from Hurricane Delta. Although they ARC has received calls from evacuees seeking shelter, no one has arrived at the facility they were directed to.

**Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service Texas Task Force 1 (TEEX/TX-TF1):** Search and Rescue (SAR) assets have been activated and staged. HPV, Swift Water Rescue Squads and Type 3 Water Capable rescue assets are prepositioned along the projected path of Hurricane Delta to support local jurisdictions.

**Texas A&M Forest Service (TFS):** TFS mobilized Incident Management Team (IMT) personnel to provide support to the Jefferson County EOC in preparation for Hurricane Delta Response. TFS has identified three IMT and three Saw Teams available for potential mission assignments throughout affected areas of Texas.

**Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS):** DSHS provided a SOC Liaison to support 24-hour operations as the SOC responds to Hurricane Delta. The storm has made landfall in LA with flash flood threats continuing in east and south east Texas today. EMTF has four Severe Weather Package Teams on standby ready to support Hurricane Delta response activities.

**Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT)** TxDOT has rostered and is ready to deploy high profile vehicles and flood protection water-barriers. TxDOT is standing by to assist with any requests and crews are prepared to respond to any highway condition related issues.

- There are currently eight locations on state roadways with flooding, none of which are closed.
- A total of 20 HPV crews are on standby in Bryan (10) and Houston (10).
- TxDOT Courtesy Patrol is providing assistance to motorists along major routes in Southeast Texas on state roadways.
- Ferry operations at Galveston-Bolivar Peninsula have been suspended due to high seas operations resumed at 7:00 PM.
- TxDOT Digital Message Signs are providing shelter information to Louisiana evacuees.
- TxDOT is staffing the SOC virtually on a 24-hour basis.

**Texas Military Department (TMD):** TMD activated 64 personnel in support of the Hurricane Delta response including four Ground Transportation Platoons and 16 High Profile Vehicles (HPVs). TMD has received 2 STAR requests.

**Texas Department of Public Safety (TXDPS):** TXDPS has rostered and staged Texas Highway Patrol (THP), Aircraft Operations Division (AOD), and THP Tactical Marine Unit (TMU) personnel and equipment. Southeast Texas Region (STR) is patrolling area of responsibility monitoring the storm and standby ready to respond.

**Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD):** TPWD boat crews deployed to support water rescue operations. Task Force One and Two Boat Squads Search and Rescue assets have been activated and staged. HPV, Swift Water Rescue Squads and Type 3 Water Capable rescue assets are prepositioned along the projected path of Hurricane Delta to support local jurisdictions.

**Power Outages: as of 0400**

Brazoria	225
Chambers	585
Galveston	335

Hardin	2,645
Harris	399
Jasper	9
Jefferson	73,069
Newton	3
Orange	26,880
Shelby	151
<b>Total</b>	<b>107,301</b>

\*Source: poweroutage.us

### STATE RESOURCES COMMITTED

Resources				
BUSES	AIRCRAFT	BOATS	HIGH-PROFILE	AMBULANCES
				
2	6	38	37	20 Ambulances 4 AMBUS

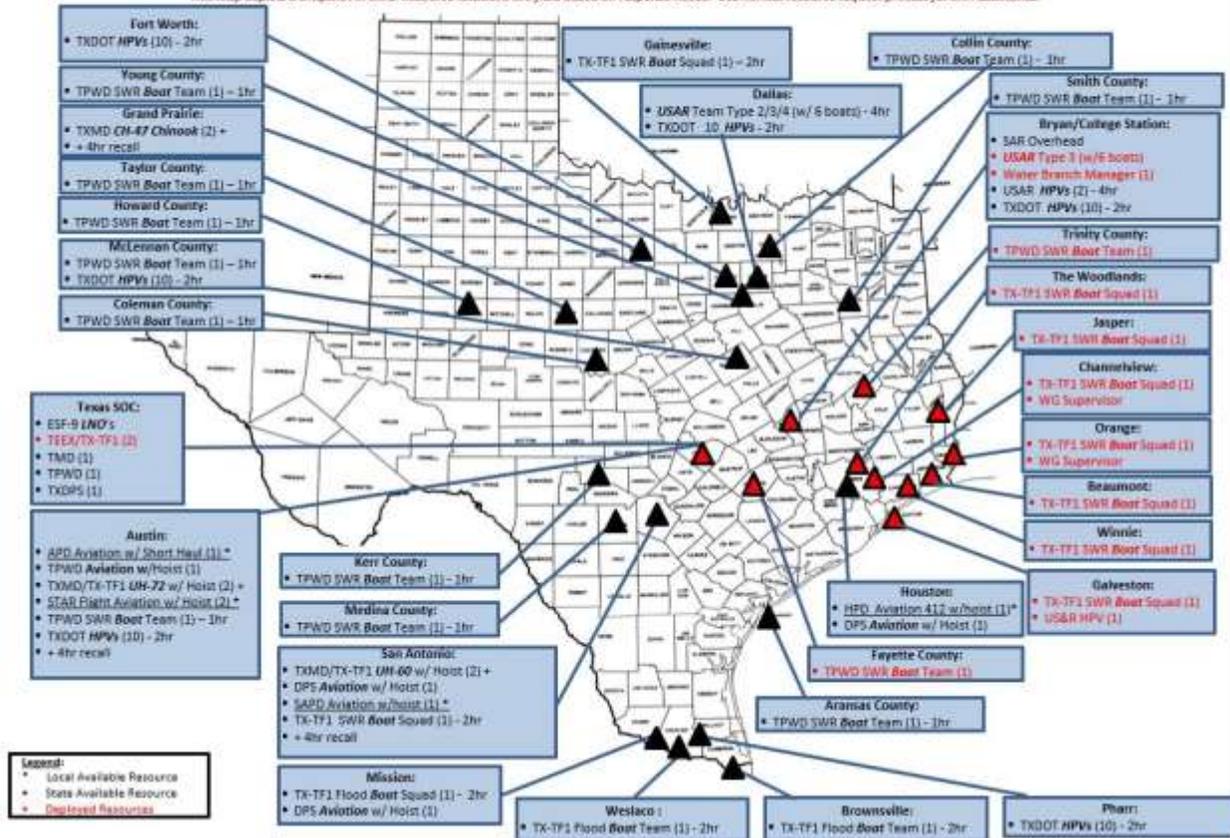
Agency	Resource Kind and Type	Personnel	Equipment	Status	Location
TEEX	SOC Liaisons	2		Activated	Remote SOC, Austin, TX
TEEX	TX-TF1 Type-3	44	6	Activated	College Station
TEEX	Water Group Supervisor	2		Activated	College Station
TEEX	Water Group Supervisor	2		Activated	Channelview
TEEX	Water Group Supervisor	2		Activated	Orange
TEEX	HPV	4	1	Activated	Galveston
TEEX	SWR Boat Squad	6	2	Activated	Galveston
TEEX	SWR Boat Squad	12	4	Activated	Beaumont
TEEX	SWR Boat Squad	6	2	Activated	Orange
TEEX	SWR Boat Squad	6	2	Activated	Winnie
TEEX	SWR Boat Squad	6	2	Activated	Woodlands
TEEX	SWR Boat Squad	6	2	Activated	Channelview
TAMU TFS	Planning Module	2		Assigned	Jefferson County EOC
TAMU TFS	Saw Teams	6		Identified	Statewide
TAMU TFS	Incident Management Teams	15		Identified	Statewide
DSHS	SWX Package	84	36	Standby	Standby
DSHS	SOC Liaison	1		Deployed	SOC
TMD	Battalion Mission	12	16	Activated	Huntsville

	Command				
TMD	Ground Transportation Co HQ	12	5	Activated	Houston
TMD	Ground Transportation Platoons	40	20	Activated	Houston
TxDOT	HPV	20	10	Standby	Houston
TxDOT	HPV	20	10	Standby	Bryan
TxDOT	SOC Liaison	2		Assigned	Virtual
TXDPS	Helicopter with Hoist	9	3	Assigned	Austin Houston McAllen
TXDPS	Fixed Wing	6	3	Assigned	Austin Houston McAllen
TXDPS	TMU Boat / Trucks / Fuel Tankers / UAS	19		Assigned	Rockport Port Lavaca Weslaco
TXDPS	TMU Dive Team/ Personnel / Boats / Trucks	7	2	Assigned	Southeast and South Texas
TXDPS	THP Commissioned Personnel and Vehicles	62	62	Assigned	Central and South Texas

**FINAL COMMENTS:** The State Operations Center (SOC) remains 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.

## SAR Resources 10-10-2020 (3:00 am)

This map depicts a snapshot in time. Resource locations are fluid based on response needs. Use normal resource request process for SAR assistance.



### 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/situation-reports/>

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