



## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

Date: June 1, 2016

Subject: Brazoria County Flood Update

Brazoria County – Brazoria County is preparing for a major flood event. As the Brazos River continues to break record high water levels in Fort Bend County, we are preparing for what will be a significant flood event. Search and Rescue Task Force has organized within Brazoria County consisting of Brazoria County Sheriff's Office, local fire departments and emergency medical services, Texas Task Force 1, Texas State Guard, and Texas Parks and Wildlife Game Wardens. Gulf Coast Rescue Squad and Brazoria County Military Museum are assisting with local and state resources. Search and Rescue Task Force are staging high profile vehicles and rescue boats in the county.

Residents need to make last minute preparations for a flood event that will last well into next week and beyond. The river gauge at Rosharon indicated that a major flood crest of 51.3 feet was achieved at noon on June 1<sup>st</sup>. The National Weather Service is predicting heavy rainfall Thursday into Friday. This will increase local and river flooding. The National Weather Service has raised the projected crest level to 53 feet and is predicting a long extended period above major flood status. Water is beginning to affect areas in and around FM 1462, and continue to flow along County Road 25.

The amount of water flowing into the Brazos and any additional rain will cause a widespread event. County Officials are asking residents to make your final preparations. Roads along the Brazos and Oyster Creek Floodplains will be impacted by river flood waters. Do not attempt to cross flooded roads. Heed all road closure signs. Turn Around Don't Drown.

### **ROAD CLOSURES:**

Cow Creek Bridge at County Road 25  
County Road 25 from County Road 764 to Cow Creek Bridge  
County 380A is closed at County Road 380  
County Road 25 from County Road 23 to County Road 18  
County Road 385J from County Road 385H to Brazos River County Park  
County Road 31A from County Road 31 to End of Road  
County Road 42 from FM 1462 to FM 521  
County Road 380 from County Road 764 to End of Road

County Officials are asking residents to take this Flood Event seriously and to have a plan in place before flood waters start to impact their area.

Shelters are in place in Angleton and Lake Jackson. Please refer to the Brazoria County website and social media for updates. These are updated as information is available.

If you have questions you can contact the Brazoria County Emergency Management Call Center at 979-864-1064. The call center will be open 24-hours a day.

Best regards,

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