

HURRICANE SEASON 2024

JUNE 1st - NOVEMBER 30th

BE PREPARED, YOUR LIFE MAY DEPEND ON IT

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Hurricanes are among nature's most powerful and destructive phenomena. On average, 12 tropical storms, 6 of which become hurricanes form over the Atlantic Ocean, Caribbean Sea, or Gulf of Mexico during the hurricane season which runs from June 1 to November 30 each year. In the Central Pacific Ocean, an average of 3 tropical storms, 2 of which

become hurricanes form or move over the area during the hurricane season, which runs from June 1 to November 30 each year. Guam, the Northern Marianas and Micronesia experience typhoons all year round but the main season in July through November with a peak from mid-August to mid-September. Over a typical 2-year period, the U.S. coastline is struck

by an average of 3 hurricanes, 1 of which is classified as a major hurricane (winds of 111 mph or greater). By knowing what actions to take before the hurricane season begins, when a hurricane approaches, and when the storm is in your area, as well as what to do after a hurricane leaves your area, you can increase your chance of survival.

Rio Grande Valley Evacuation Routes and Information



When a hurricane threatens the Rio Grande Valley, your county judge may call for a mandatory west on U.S. Expressway 83 toward Laredo or take U.S. Highway 281 north toward San Antonio. Another alternative is to evacuate to into the interior of Mexico if you are familiar with the roads and/or have family there.

Local radio stations such as KFRQ 94.5 FM, KGBT 98.85 FM, KURV 710 AM and KGBT 1530 AM all broadcast emergency alerts. The phone number for road conditions on state highways is 1-800-452-9292.



Image Source: TxDOT

Alternate Hurricane Evacuation Routes for Rio Grande Valley

A. SH 100 from SPI/Port Isabel travel to US 77/83 northbound, then to US 77 to Raymondville, continue North on US 77 to I-37 in Corpus Christi and continue to San Antonio – Green Solid & *Dashed Route * Available only if Corpus Christi is not evacuating.

B. SH 48 from SPI/Port Isabel west to US 281 (Military Highway) in Brownsville and continue west on US 281. In Hidalgo turn north on US 281 to Pharr then west on US 83 to Laredo – Red Route E US 281 will not be able to handle all traffic evacuation g from the Rio Grande Valley

C. CONTRA-FLOW ROUTE- US 77/83 northbound from Brownsville to Harlingen then west on US 83 to the Pharr Interchange then North on US 281 to I-37 to San Antonio– *Dashed Blue Route *Motorists could be re-routed from I-37 to US 281 near San Antonio as traffic demands it.

D. SH 186 from Port Mansfield/Raymondville – travel west to US 281 and continue west on FM 1017 to SH 285 in Hebbronville, then continue west on SH 359 to Laredo or north on SH 16 to San Antonio - Orange Route

E. SH 285 in Falfurrias travel west to SH 16 in Hebbronville and continue north on SH 16 to San Antonio – Maroon Route

Hurricane Evacuees need to consider the travel path of the hurricane and their destination in choosing evacuation routes. Listen to local authorities and emergency broadcasts about weather and highway conditions. TxDOT will have courtesy patrols on Highways and the surrounding areas. Evacuees should consider alternate routes.

2024 Storm Names

Alberto	→ Beryl	→ Chris	→ Debby	→ Ernesto	→ Francine
Gordon	→ Helen	→ Isaac	→ Joyce	→ Kirk	→ Leslie
Milton	→ Nadine	→ Oscar	→ Patty	→ Rafael	→ Sara
Tony	→ Valerie	→ William			