

URGENT - IMMEDIATE BROADCAST REQUESTED
HURRICANE DOLLY LOCAL STATEMENT
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE BROWNSVILLE TX
154 PM CDT WED JUL 23 2008

...THE EYEWALL OF CATEGORY TWO HURRICANE DOLLY CROSSING SOUTH PADRE ISLAND AND EASTERN CAMERON COUNTY...

.AT 12 PM CDT...THE CENTER OF HURRICANE DOLLY WAS LOCATED NEAR LATITUDE 26.2 NORTH...LONGITUDE 97.0 WEST OR ABOUT 35 MILES NORTHEAST OF BROWNSVILLE TEXAS.

DOLLY IS MEANDERING OVER THE PAST ONE TO TWO HOURS...BUT WILL RESUME A MOVEMENT TOWARD THE WEST-NORTHWEST NEAR 7 MPH. ON THE CURRENT FORECAST TRACK...THE CENTER OF DOLLY WILL MOVE INLAND OVER EASTERN CAMERON COUNTY AND EASTERN WILLACY COUNTY THIS AFTERNOON.

MAXIMUM SUSTAINED WINDS ARE NEAR 100 MPH...WITH HIGHER GUSTS. DOLLY IS CURRENTLY A CATEGORY TWO HURRICANE ON THE SAFFIR-SIMPSON SCALE.

HURRICANE FORCE WINDS EXTEND OUTWARD UP TO 25 MILES FROM THE CENTER OF DOLLY...AND TROPICAL STORM FORCE WINDS EXTEND OUTWARD UP TO 140 MILES.

MINIMUM CENTRAL PRESSURE ESTIMATED FROM AIRCRAFT RECONNAISSANCE DATA IS 967 MB.

DOLLY IS EXPECTED TO PRODUCE TOTAL RAIN ACCUMULATIONS OF 6 TO 10 INCHES...WITH ISOLATED AMOUNTS OF 10 TO 15 INCHES...OVER PORTIONS OF DEEP SOUTH TEXAS AND NORTHEASTERN MEXICO OVER THE NEXT FEW DAYS.

COASTAL STORM SURGE FLOODING OF 6 TO 8 FEET ABOVE NORMAL TIDE LEVELS...ALONG WITH LARGE AND DANGEROUS BATTERING WAVES...CAN BE EXPECTED NEAR AND TO THE NORTH OF WHERE THE CENTER MAKES LANDFALL.

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HIDALGO-INLAND WILLACY-INLAND CAMERON-
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...HURRICANE WIND WARNING NOW IN EFFECT UNTIL MIDNIGHT CDT THURSDAY NIGHT...

...NEW INFORMATION...

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...WATCHES/WARNINGS...

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FLOOD WATCH.
TORNADO WATCH.

...STORM SURGE AND STORM TIDE...

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ALL RESIDENTS LIVING ON SHORELINES CAN EXPECT SOME WATER INCURSION INTO THEIR HOMES. THOSE IN TYPICALLY FLOOD PRONE AREAS MAY HAVE A FOOT OR TWO OF WATER IN THEIR HOMES...CAUSING MINOR TO MODERATE DAMAGE. SHORELINE ROADS MAY BRIEFLY CLOSE WITH UP TO TWO FEET OF WATER ACROSS...EXCEPT THOSE IN FLOOD PRONE AREAS WHICH COULD HAVE UPWARDS OF 4 FEET OF WATER ACROSS THEM. MODERATE TO SEVERE BEACH EROSION IS POSSIBLE...BECOMING MORE LIKELY IF CONDITIONS EXTEND THROUGH MULTIPLE HIGH TIDE CYCLES.

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...WINDS...

HURRICANE FORCE WINDS ARE OCCURRING OVER EASTERN WILLACY AND CAMERON COUNTIES. TROPICAL STORM FORCE WINDS WILL MOVE INTO HIDALGO COUNTY OVER THE NEXT COUPLE OF HOURS.

...PROBABILITY OF HURRICANE/TROPICAL STORM CONDITIONS...

THE PROBABILITY OF TROPICAL STORM WINDS IS NEAR 100 PERCENT TODAY. THE PROBABILITY OF HURRICANE FORCE WINDS IS FROM 45 TO 50 PERCENT IN EASTERN CAMERON AND WILLACY COUNTIES TODAY. THE PROBABILITY OF TROPICAL STORM WINDS IN HIDALGO COUNTY TODAY IS 75 TO 95 PERCENT. THE PROBABILITY OF HURRICANE FORCE WINDS IN HIDALGO COUNTY TODAY IS FROM 15 TO 30 PERCENT WITH THE HIGHEST PROBABILITY OVER NORTHERN HIDALGO COUNTY.

...INLAND FLOODING...

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...TORNADOES...

ISOLATED TORNADOES REMAIN A POSSIBILITY TODAY AS THE CENTER OF HURRICANE DOLLY MOVES ACROSS THE LAGUNA MADRE NEAR THE WILLACY AND CAMERON COUNTY LINE. THE BEST CHANCES WILL BE IN AREAS TO THE NORTH OF THE CENTER. A TORNADO WATCH IS IN EFFECT FOR HIDALGO...WILLACY AND CAMERON COUNTIES.

...NEXT UPDATE...

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HURRICANE DOLLY WILL CONTINUE TO PRODUCE TROPICAL STORM FORCE AND
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SEAS CURRENTLY RANGE BETWEEN 20 TO 24 FEET OFFSHORE AND WILL
REMAIN AT THESE HEIGHTS THROUGH THE AFTERNOON. BEAUFORT SCALE 12
CONDITIONS ARE LIKELY WITHIN THE CORE OF THE STRONGEST WINDS
DURING THIS PERIOD.

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...PROBABILITY OF HURRICANE/TROPICAL STORM CONDITIONS...

THE PROBABILITY OF TROPICAL STORM FORCE WINDS IS NEAR 100 PERCENT ACROSS THE LOWER TEXAS BAY AND GULF WATERS...WHILE THE PROBABILITY OF HURRICANE FORCE WINDS IS FROM 50 TO 100 PERCENT ACROSS THE SOUTHERN HALF OF THE LAGUNA MADRE. THE PROBABILITY OF HURRICANE FORCE WINDS FOR THE GULF WATERS OF WILLACY AND CAMERON COUNTIES WILL RANGE FROM 50 TO 100 PERCENT.

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ISOLATED WATERSPOUTS ARE A POSSIBILITY AS DOLLY MOVES OVER THE SOUTHERN END OF THE LAGUNA MADRE.

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POORLY CONSTRUCTED OR UNSECURED MOBILE HOMES WILL LIKELY BE DESTROYED. OTHERS MAY RECEIVE SUBSTANTIAL DAMAGE TO ROOFS... WALLS...AND WINDOWS...AND COULD BECOME UNINHABITABLE. HOUSES OF POOR TO AVERAGE CONSTRUCTION MAY HAVE PARTIAL WALL AND ROOF FAILURE...AS WELL AS BLOWN OUT WINDOWS. UNSECURED LIGHT TO MODERATE WEIGHT OUTDOOR ITEMS WILL BECOME PROJECTILES...CAUSING ADDITIONAL DAMAGE AND POSSIBLE INJURY. MANY AREAS COULD HAVE POWER OUTAGES...HUNDREDS OF WIRES MAY FALL...TRANSFORMERS COULD POP...AND SOME POWER POLES MIGHT BE PULLED DOWN.

ROTTING LARGE TREES WILL BE UPROOTED...MOST COMMON ON SATURATED GROUND. NUMEROUS LARGE BRANCHES OF HEALTHY TREES WILL SNAP...AND MODERATE DAMAGE IS POSSIBLE IN CITRUS ORCHARDS. UP TO ONE HALF OF NEWLY PLANTED CROPS MAY BE DAMAGED.

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