



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

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Event Name	26-0023 30 AUG Tropical Weather
Date	September 2, 2026
Time	10:00 AM
Operational Period	8:00 AM September 1, 2026, to 8:00 AM September 2, 2026
Report Number	1

TDEM Regions Affected	3, 4, 8
Disaster Districts Activated	11, 13, 15, 16, 23

STATEWIDE CURRENT SITUATION: On August 31, Governor Greg Abbott held a briefing and press conference at the Texas State Emergency Operations Center (SOC), where he announced that he directed TDEM to activate additional state resources in anticipation of tropical weather conditions expected to impact the State of Texas. He also announced 24-hour operations had begun at the SOC, and provided an update to Texans ahead of the storm threat.

State agencies continue to support local response operations across Southeast Texas and remain connected to local officials.

OPERATIONAL PRIORITIES:

- Protect life and property.
- Support rapid & effective response.
- Collect and disseminate accurate incident information to improve decision-making.

- Accurately track incident costs associated with assigned resources for cost recovery.

Region 3 (Includes DDs 5, 6, 14, and 15)

As of September 1, there are multiple Texas A&M Task Force 1 Swiftwater Boat Squads staged in DD 14 for potential response. Texas A&M Task Force has also staged a Swiftwater Boat Squad in Beaumont for potential response. The Water Group Supervisor will continue to adjust posture as conditions warrant. Widespread power outages are the primary issue for DD15. Field personnel and ESF 9 support are closely monitoring the Trinity River corridor for potential flooding issues.

DD 14 – Lufkin (Includes Angelina, Houston, Nacogdoches, Newton, Polk, Sabine, San Augustine, San Jacinto, Shelby, Trinity, and Tyler Counties): DDEOC 14 activated to Level III (Increased Readiness Conditions)

DD 15 – Beaumont (Includes Hardin, Jasper, Jefferson, and Orange Counties): On September 1, DDEOC 15 activated to Level II (Escalated Response Conditions) status.

Region 4 (Includes DD 16)

As of September 2, Region 4 and DD 16 remain activated at Level II (Escalated Response Conditions) in response to Tropical Storm Edouard. There have been no reports of major impacts from local jurisdictions. Rainfall of nearly 10 inches have been recorded in Liberty County over the last 24 hours, with 3 to 4 inches of rainfall recorded in the City of Cleveland within the last hour.

The Water Group Supervisor for the boat squads in Liberty and Conroe reported no calls for service overnight. The Liberty boat squad has moved to TDEM Region 3 and the Conroe boat squad has moved to the City of Cleveland. The All-Hazards Group Supervisor has also reported no overnight activity for the All-Hazards Group located in Huntsville.

DD 16 – Houston (Includes Austin, Brazoria, Chambers, Colorado, Fort Bend, Galveston, Harris, Liberty, Matagorda, Montgomery, Walker, Waller, and Wharton Counties): On September 1, DDEOC 16 activated to Level II (Escalated Response Conditions) status.

Region 8 (Includes DDs 11, 12, 13, and 23)

Region 8 remains postured to respond and provide assistance to local jurisdictions that may experience impacts from Tropical Storm Edouard.

Region 8 has established and maintained positive contact with state resources and partners. Coordination is ongoing to strategically position resources where they can provide the greatest benefit to potentially impacted jurisdictions. The region is also actively tracking resources pre-positioned at Region 8 headquarters, including 15 commercial buses and one fuel tender, to ensure readiness for deployment.

DD 11 – Waco (Includes Bosque, Falls, Freestone, Hill, Limestone, and McLennan Counties): On September 1, DDEOC 11 activated to Level III (Increased Readiness Conditions)

DD 13 – Bryan (Includes Brazos, Burleson, Grimes, Leon, Madison, Robertson, and Washington Counties): On August 31, DDEOC 13 activated to Level III (Increased Readiness Conditions) status.

DD 23 – Killeen (Includes Bell, Coryell, Hamilton, Lampasas, Milam, Mills, and San Saba Counties): DDEOC 23 activated to Level III (Increased Readiness Conditions)

RESPONDING STATE AGENCIES/ORGANIZATIONS REPORTS

Texas Division of Emergency Management, Texas A&M University System (TDEM):

The State Operations Center (SOC) maintains Level II (Escalated Response Conditions) status in support of this tropical weather. The SOC is directing interagency coordination to maintain unified communication, deploy necessary resources, and support response operations in affected regions across Texas.

Communications Coordination Group (CCG):

The Communications Coordination Group (CCG) partners continue to respond to issues resulting from Tropical Storm Edouard.

Cellular operations providers are actively preparing their networks and response resources for the impact of Tropical Storm Edouardo.

Land Mobile Radio (LMR) partners are preparing mobile communications centers, trailers, and towers, Site on Wheels (SOW) with repeaters, radio caches to support Public Safety bands and Communications Unit (COML) personnel.

The Commission on State Emergency Communications (CSEC) is verifying issues and needs of Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) and 9-1-1 centers.

ESF-5 Incident Support Task Force (ISTF):

The Incident Support Task Force (ISTF) stands ready to support response efforts for Tropical Storm Edouardo.

ISTF remains on standby to deploy and assist any requesting jurisdictions that may be

affected by any forecasted tropical weather, with 18 members rostered as 'available to deploy'.

ESF-6 Mass Care ISTF:

Monitoring continues for potential Mass Care activities throughout this event. Partner agencies remain on standby and are prepared to provide support as community needs are identified, and requests for assistance are made. Mass Care resources are staged and ready to support transportation and accountability/tracking operations should they be requested for this event.

Sheltering:

- Standby: 4 sheltering teams upon local request in Harris County

Transportation:

- 15 Buses being activated and staged in Brazos County for possible evacuations. ETN devices to be activated for each bus.

Feeding:

- Feeding Texas: Houston and Southeast Texas Food Banks are in coordination with local partners for possible feeding support.
- The Salvation Army: The Orange, Harris, and Jefferson local feeding units are monitoring and preparing to support if requested.
- Other Texas Feeding Task Force members are actively monitoring and on standby to support if requested.

ESF-18 Higher Education:

Higher Education is monitoring school districts and University Systems for closures and needs during Tropical Storm Edouardo.

September 1

Texas Education Agency reports 52 school districts predicted to be impacted by tropical weather and three University Systems closed due to tropical weather.

Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT):

TxDOT is working to maintain safe roadways for the traveling public during adverse conditions by Tropical Storm Edouard.

As of September 1, there are no state-maintained road closures. Beaumont crews inspected roadways and removed debris through the night. The Beaumont District EOC experienced power outages. TxDOT continues to staff the State Operations Center and is closely monitoring the storm for potential flooding and wind impacts.

Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service – Public Works Team (TX-PWRT):

Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service (TEEX) / Texas A&M Public Works Response Team (TX-PWRT) continues to support and coordinate operations and monitor for any requests for assistance.

Texas A&M Forest Service (TAMFS):

TAMFS is dedicated to provide for the safety of personnel, responders, and the public with Tropical Storm Edouard. TAMFS is ensuring clear communication and information flow with incident resources to identify and mitigate hazards.

As of September 1, TAMFS has one Texas Intrastate Fire Mutual Aid System (TIFMAS) Strike Team, and one TIFMAS All Hazards Group Supervisor assigned to response.

Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS):

The State Medical Operation Center (SMOC) is at Limited Activation and is monitoring tropical weather development and any related resource requests. On 08/31/2026, the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) requested Texas Emergency Medical Task Force (TX EMTF) assets to be prepositioned due to potential tropical weather conditions.

September 1

EMTF has assigned one SCO and one MIST to the SOC for EMTF resource coordination in support of tropical weather from Tropical Storm Edouard. Components of All Hazards Package (SWX) Alpha were assigned to Huntsville. The Southeast Texas Regional Advisory Council (SETRAC) Catastrophic Medical Operations Center (CMOC) moved to Level 2 in response to Tropical Storm Edouard. As of 6:00 pm, September 1, there are nine healthcare facilities without power.

Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC):

HHSC is supporting tropical weather response operations by actively monitoring Tropical Storm Edouard.

Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service Texas Task Force 1 (TEEX/TX-TF1):

TX-TF1 is monitoring and staging resources to mitigate and protect Texans during Tropical Storm Edouardo.

September 1

- TX-TF1 has activated and staged seven Swift Water Rescue boat squads and one Type-3 Water Capable Urban Search and Rescue team. A TX-TF2 Type 3

Water Capable Urban Search and Rescue Team has also been activated. The resources are staged in expected heavy rain areas and will integrate with local resources as needed.

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD):

TPWD and Game Wardens have identified statewide sources that are ready to support response operations as needed due to the increased tropical weather threat affecting Texas. These resources include swift water rescue boat teams, helicopters with hoist capabilities, and UAS teams.

TPWD State Parks Division is closely monitoring the current Tropical Weather conditions and State Park Police Officers are on standby and ready to respond as needed.

Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT):

The PUCT is monitoring and sharing forecasts and updates with utilities and is sharing public messaging related to downed power lines and outages.

Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS):

Texas DPS is monitoring the impact of Tropical Storm Edouard as it makes landfall. Multiple personnel and assets across the agency are being placed on standby and are ready to respond.

September 1

- DPS has deployed a liaison to DDEOC 15 – Beaumont.
- The DPS Infrastructure Operations Division has resources on standby such as a drivable command platform, a Site on Wheels, 40 cache radios, and response technicians.
- The Tactical Marine Unit is on standby with resources such as floodwater boats, airboats, and swift water boats.

Texas Military Department (TMD):

TMD is supporting State Agency Partners in response to Tropical Weather.

September 1

- TMD has activated Ground Transportation Platoon Mission Ready Packages with high profile vehicles and crew to provide direct support to agency partners for tropical weather response.
- TMD has activated 20 personnel and 10 vehicles in support of this event.

Texas Cyber Command (TXCC):

Texas Cyber Command is monitoring the situation and stands ready to support the state's response efforts. Texas Cyber Command is monitoring the situation using cybersecurity tooling and threat intelligence feeds. No cyber threats related to this event have been identified.

Volunteer Organizations Active in Disasters (VOAD)**The American Red Cross (ARC):**

The ARC is monitoring and preparing for the landfall response of Tropical Storm Edouard. ARC's Texas Gulf Coast Region remains in a heightened readiness posture with sheltering.

Emergency Response Vehicles, Logistics, and Mass Care resources being staged to support rapid activation. Coordination is ongoing with state, county, and local emergency management partners. Additional volunteers are being moved into the response areas to support Mass Care capacity.

The Salvation Army:

The Salvation Army is actively monitoring Tropical Storm Edouard. There are local field units in Harris, Jefferson, and Orange Counties that are preparing for the storm. One Salvation Army liaison has been deployed to assist state agency partners.

STATE RESOURCES COMMITTED

Agency	Resource Kind and Type	Personnel	Equipment	Status	Location
TDEM	ESF-6 SOC Liaison	1	0	Assigned	Austin
TDEM	VAL SOC Liaison	1	0	Assigned	Austin
TDEM	ESF-18	2	0	Activated	Austin
TxDOT	EMC	1	1	Assigned	Austin
TxDOT	SOC Liaison	1	1	Assigned	Austin
TxDOT	Local District Support	80	35	Assigned	Beaumont/Houston Districts
TPWD	SOC Liaison	2	2	Assigned	Austin

Agency	Resource Kind and Type	Personnel	Equipment	Status	Location
TPWD	Game Wardens/State Park Police w/ Floodwater Boats	250	40	Assigned	TDEM Regions 3 & 4
TPWD	SAR Boat Teams	10	4	Available	Walker, Jackson, Tyler, & San Patricio Co
TPWD	Helicopter	6	2	Available	Ingleside/Austin
TAMFS	TIFMAS Strike Team	24	6	Assigned	Huntsville
TAMFS	TIFMAS AH Supervisor	1	1	Assigned	Huntsville
DSHS	AH Alpha	22	11	Assigned	Walker Co
DSHS	SCO	1	1	Assigned	Travis Co
DSHS	MIST	1	1	Assigned	Travis Co
DSHS	SOC LNO	1	1	Assigned	Travis Co
TMD	GTP I-1	10	5	Assigned	Walker Co
TMD	GTP I-2	10	5	Assigned	Walker Co
HHSC	SOC Liaison	1	0	Assigned	Austin
Salvation Army	SOC Liaison	1	0	Assigned	Austin
PWRT	SOC Liaison	2	2	Assigned	Austin
DPS	THP Troopers	450	450	Available	DPS Region 2
DPS	THP Captain	1	1	Assigned	DDEOC 15
DPS	Tactical Marine Units	8	8	Available	TDEM Regions 4 & 6
DPS	THPS Captain and Major	2	0	Assigned	Austin
DPS	Hoist Helicopters	7	7	Available	Statewide
PUCT	SOC Liaison	1	0	Assigned	Austin
ARC	SOC Liaison	2	0	Assigned	Austin
TXCC	SOC Liaison	1	0	Assigned	Austin
TX-TF1	WS Euless/Bedford	6	2	Activated	Brazos Co
TX-TF1	Type 3 WC US&R	45	10	Activated	Brazos Co

Agency	Resource Kind and Type	Personnel	Equipment	Status	Location
TX-TF1	WS Fort Worth	6	2	Activated	Liberty Co
TX-TF1	WS San Antonio	6	2	Activated	Liberty Co
TX-TF1	WS Conroe	6	2	Activated	Walker Co
TX-TF1	WS Dallas	6	2	Activated	Walker Co
TX-TF1	WS WCEMS/HC	6	2	Activated	Jefferson Co
TX-TF1	WS Austin	6	2	Activated	Brazos Co
TX-TF2	Type 3 US&R	41	4	Activated	Dallas Co

FINAL COMMENTS: The State Operations Center (SOC) is 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.

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/response/state-operations-center#tab-3>

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