



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

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| <b>Event Name</b>         | <b>26-0023 30 AUG Tropical Weather</b>                  |
| <b>Date</b>               | September 3, 2026                                       |
| <b>Time</b>               | 10:00 AM                                                |
| <b>Operational Period</b> | 8:00 AM September 2, 2026, to 8:00 AM September 3, 2026 |
| <b>Report Number</b>      | 2                                                       |

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| <b>TDEM Regions Affected</b>        | 3, 4, 8            |
| <b>Disaster Districts Activated</b> | 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)**

Region 3 is monitoring weather-related issues due to Tropical Storm Edouard. Widespread power outages are the primary issue within DD15, with sporadic impacts in DD14. Field personnel and agency partners 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 Level III (Increased Readiness Conditions)

Additional resources are staged in Lufkin, including an All-Hazards Group, five charter buses, and Texas Task Force-1 (TX-TF1).

The following counties in DD14 have submitted Disaster Declarations:

- Newton County
- Polk County
- Tyler County

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

The following counties in DD15 have submitted Disaster Declarations:

- Hardin County
- Jasper County
- Orange County

Additionally, the following cities have submitted Disaster Declarations:

- City of Beaumont
- City of Bevil Oaks
- City of Nederland
- City of Port Arthur

### **Region 4 (Includes DD 16)**

Region 4 is monitoring all weather-related incidents within the area. There have been no reports of major impacts from local jurisdictions. Rainfall of approximately 10 inches was recorded in Liberty County, with 3 to 4 inches of rainfall recorded in the City of Cleveland.

The following counties in TDEM Region 4 have submitted Disaster Declarations:

- Chambers County
- Liberty County

Additionally, the following cities in TDEM Region 4 have submitted Disaster

### Declarations:

- City of Dayton
- City of Cleveland

**DD 16** – Houston (Includes Austin, Brazoria, Chambers, Colorado, Fort Bend, Galveston, Harris, Liberty, Matagorda, Montgomery, Walker, Waller, and Wharton Counties): On September 2, DDEOC 16 decreased to Level III (Increased Readiness 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): DDEOC 11 activated Level III (Increased Readiness Conditions)

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

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

## 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 Edouard.

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 Edouard.

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.

### **September 2**

#### **Sheltering:**

- Open: 2
  - Tyler County Nutrition Center at 201 Veterans Way, Woodville, Texas
  - Dunbar Gym at 1103 Dunbar Ave, Livingston, Texas
- Standby: 2

#### **Feeding:**

- American Red Cross (ARC) is supplying 1,000 meals to the city of Port Arthur
- The Salvation Army will be providing feeding support in Livingston starting September 2.
- Feeding Texas: Houston and Southeast Texas Food Banks are coordinating with local partners for possible feeding support.
- Other Texas Feeding Task Force members are actively on standby to support if requested.

#### **Transportation:**

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

### **ESF-18 Higher Education:**

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

[September 2](#)

Texas Education Agency reports that [25](#) 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.

[September 2](#)

There are [10](#) state-maintained road closures. Beaumont crews inspected roadways and removed debris through the night.

### **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.

[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 A&M AgriLife Extension Service (AgriLife):**

[Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service \(AgriLife\)](#) is monitoring weather conditions for Tropical Storm Edouard in TDEM Regions 3 and 4. [AgriLife is on standby to support agency partners associated with animal response in the impacted areas.](#)

[September 2](#)

AgriLife received reports including 6 entries from the State of Texas Assessment Tool portal from landowners with agricultural damage to fencing, crops, livestock and equipment. One landowner has requested assistance from the AgriLife Extension Service. County Extension Agents in the affected county will contact the landowner to provide relief assistance.

### **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 2**

- The Silsbee Oaks Nursing Home in Hardin County was operating on generator power due to a downed utility pole. The local fire department and electric company worked together to remove the downed pole. All Hazards Team Alpha was on scene assisting and returned to the staging area when the assignment was completed.
- Multiple facilities in Disaster Districts 14 and 15 reported power outages. None of the facilities report any unmet needs.
  - Spindletop Nursing Home
  - Harmony Care at Brickyard, Beaumont
  - Silsbee Oaks Health Care, Silsbee
  - Paradigm at the Pines, Silsbee

#### **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 were 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 Edouard.

### **September 2**

The seven boat squads deployed throughout the Southeast region were involved in multiple operations, including investigations and evacuations. Local responders were able to handle many of the calls for assistance.

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 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.

### **September 2**

The Texas Game Wardens conducted one swift water rescue and assisted in the evacuation of 21 non-ambulatory patients from an assisted living facility.

## **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.

### **September 2**

Overnight outages peaked at approximately 100,000 connections. Hardin and Jefferson Counties were the most heavily impacted. Assistance crews were able to make a heavy impact on approximately 50,000 connections. Debris and flooding are affecting restoration efforts. The estimated completion date is September 7.

## **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 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. 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.

September 1

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 active in 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.

September 2

The ARC has two shelters on standby:

- St Simon and Jude Catholic Parish, 26777 Glen Loch Dr, Woodlands, Texas
- San Jacinto County Community Shelter, 255 Live Oak St., Coldspring, Texas

The ARC is assessing referrals and scheduling follow-up actions as needed. Sheltering,

feeding, and recovery resources are available as needed.

### 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.

September 2

The Salvation Army has local units on standby and are prepared to respond in coordination with ARC.

### STATE RESOURCES COMMITTED

| Agency   | Resource Kind and Type                             | Personnel | Equipment | Status    | Location                   |
|----------|----------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------------------------|
| TDEM     | ESF-6 SOC Liaison                                  | 1         | 0         | Assigned  | Austin                     |
| TDEM     | VOAD SOC Liaison                                   | 1         | 0         | Assigned  | Austin                     |
| TDEM     | ESF-18                                             | 2         | 0         | Activated | Austin                     |
| TDEM     | ISTF HQ                                            | 1         | 0         | Assigned  | Austin                     |
| AgriLife | SOC Liaison                                        | 1         | 1         | Assigned  | Austin                     |
| AgriLife | Administration                                     | 2         | 2         | Activated | Brazos Co                  |
| AgriLife | Marketing and Communications                       | 1         | 1         | Activated | Brazos Co                  |
| AgriLife | DAR Specialist/Area Chief                          | 29        | 15        | Activated | Statewide                  |
| AgriLife | DDEOC Representatives                              | 3         | 0         | Assigned  | TDEM DD 12, 15, & 16       |
| 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                     |
| TPWD     | EOC Liaison                                        | 2         | 2         | Released  | Polk Co                    |
| TPWD     | Game Wardens/State Park Police w/ Floodwater Boats | 250       | 40        | Assigned  | TDEM Regions 3 & 4         |

| Agency         | Resource Kind and Type | Personnel | Equipment | Status    | Location                 |
|----------------|------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--------------------------|
| TPWD           | SAR Boat Teams         | 12        | 18        | Available | Bryan, Polk, & Hardin Co |
| TPWD           | Helicopter             | 6         | 2         | Released  | Austin                   |
| TAMFS          | TIFMAS Strike Team     | 24        | 6         | Assigned  | Lufkin                   |
| TAMFS          | TIFMAS AH Supervisor   | 1         | 1         | Assigned  | Lufkin                   |
| DSHS           | AH Alpha               | 22        | 11        | Assigned  | Angelina Co              |
| DSHS           | SCO                    | 1         | 1         | Assigned  | Travis Co                |
| DSHS           | MIST                   | 1         | 1         | Assigned  | Travis Co                |
| DSHS           | SOC LNO                | 1         | 0         | Assigned  | Travis Co                |
| TMD            | GTP I-1                | 10        | 5         | Assigned  | Lufkin Co                |
| TMD            | GTP I-2                | 10        | 5         | Assigned  | Lufkin 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  | 9         | 9         | Available | TDEM Regions 4 & 6       |
| DPS            | THP 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 | Angelina Co              |
| TX-TF1         | Type 3 WC US&R         | 45        | 10        | Activated | Brazos Co                |
| TX-TF1         | WS Fort Worth          | 6         | 2         | Activated | San Jacinto Co           |
| TX-TF1         | WS San Antonio         | 6         | 2         | Activated | Liberty Co               |
| TX-TF1         | WS Conroe              | 6         | 2         | Activated | Houston Co               |

| Agency | Resource Kind and Type | Personnel | Equipment | Status    | Location                  |
|--------|------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---------------------------|
| TX-TF1 | WS Dallas              | 6         | 2         | Activated | <a href="#">Polk Co</a>   |
| TX-TF1 | WS WCEMS/HC            | 6         | 2         | Activated | Jefferson Co              |
| TX-TF1 | WS Austin              | 6         | 2         | Activated | <a href="#">Jasper Co</a> |
| 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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