



VILLAGE OF BAILEY'S PRAIRIE



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RE: Brazos River Flooding Update

Dear Bailey's Prairie Resident:

City staff has been in close communication with the Brazoria County Office of Emergency Management regarding the ongoing Brazos River flood.

With the water levels continuing to rise in our community, this morning I signed a Declaration of Disaster for the Village of Bailey's Prairie. The Disaster Declaration states there is imminent danger to the health and safety of our residents and/or their property.

Any residents who experience flooding of their homes or significant property damage are encouraged to call the Brazoria County Office of Emergency Management at (979) 864-1201 to report.

The Disaster Declaration **DOES NOT** guarantee assistance from FEMA, but starts the process of documenting what is happening. It is very important that all residents who experience home flooding or significant property damage report such information.

There are currently NO evacuation orders in place for the Village of Bailey's Prairie. However, residents are urged to closely monitor the situation and be prepared to take action if warranted. If you feel unsafe or threatened by rising water, do not wait for an evacuation order to leave.

State Hwy 35 is closed in both directions between FM 521 and CR 25 on the West Columbia side of the Brazos River.

CR 609 has water over the roadway but is still passable. Residents in the Oakwood Creek subdivision are advised to closely monitor the situation and be prepared to act to protect life and property.

Please continue to monitor the river levels and look for the latest information on the Village of Bailey's Prairie website and Facebook page. We will be providing updated information as often as possible.

To keep up with the latest information from the Brazoria County Office of Emergency Management download the Ready Brazoria County app from your app store and/or follow Brazoria County on Facebook.

As always, the safety of our residents is our primary concern. Do not drive through floodwaters – Turn Around, Don't Drown.

Tammy Mutina, Mayor of Bailey's Prairie