



Austin/Travis County Emergency Operations Center Media Advisory



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City and County Officials Prepare for Severe Weather

Due to the forecast for heavy rain and possible flooding, Fire, EMS, law enforcement, public works personnel and other key city and county departments have bolstered their staff and are ready to respond if flooding or other hazardous weather conditions develop. The Austin/Travis County Emergency Operations Center is activated and will be monitoring conditions throughout the weekend.

While no flooding is imminent and no evacuation has been ordered, the Dove Springs Recreation Center (located at 5801 Ainez Drive, Austin, TX 78744) will open at 5 p.m. for residents who feel unsafe in their homes in the Onion Creek area, which experienced historic flooding during the Halloween Floods of 2013.

Officials also urge residents and visitors to monitor media reports, as well as the city and county social media accounts for emergency alerts and updates. Current flood information and emergency road closures are updated at www.atxfloods.com.

As storms move through the area, residents are reminded that this is a good time to update their personal preparedness by having a family emergency plan and an emergency kit available. For more information, visit <http://austintexas.gov/department/materials>.

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