

STATE OF TEXAS, STATE OPERATIONS CENTER (SOC)

SUBJECT: Hurricane Ike

SITUATION REPORT # 3

**DATE AND TIME COVERED: Monday, September 8, 2008, 6:00 p.m. through
Tuesday, September 9, 2008, 6:00 p.m.**

1. CURRENT PRIORITIES:

- a. Prepare for the strike of IKE somewhere along the Port O'Connor to Brownsville on or about Saturday, September 13th. Time: On or about 4:00 p.m.
- b. Re-Position, Re-Organize and Re-Constitute the State's logistical support.
- c. Verify and confirm with evacuating jurisdictions the number of Medical Special Needs (MSN) citizens that require assistance with evacuation.
- d. Determine all methods of assistance to provide state VOAD organizations.

2. CURRENT SITUATION: Hurricane Ike will impact our area in some form late this week into the weekend. As the track has pushed farther south along the Texas Coast the threat for our area has increased. Of importance as well is a cold front that is forecast to move into the State by Sunday morning. The combination of the tropical moisture from Hurricane Ike and the front could lead to flooding over the impacted area and along the frontal boundary.

3. CONTINGENCY TIMELINE IKE:

- a. H-120: Occurred Sunday, September 7th. Time: 11:00 a.m.
- b. H-72: Occurs Tuesday, September 9th, Time: 11:00 a.m.
- c. H-48: Occurs Wednesday, September 10th, Time: 11:00 a.m.
- d. H-36: Occurs Wednesday, September 10th. Time: 11:00 p.m.
- e. H-0: Occurs Friday, September 12th. Time: 1100 a.m. Arrival of Tropical Storm Winds.

4. PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS: (Current)

- a. Based on Lessons Learned from Gustav there will be a higher number of MSN evacuees than currently estimated.
- b. Pre-deployment of Response and search and rescue (SAR) capability could occur as early as, on or about PM, Tuesday, September 9th.
- c. Evacuation of Special Needs Citizens to begin on or about Wednesday, September 10th. Completed no later than Thursday, September 11th.
- d. Statewide Shelter Network activation complete on or about Wednesday, September 10th.
- e. Statewide Volunteer Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD) Organizations will require state and private sector assistance to optimize capability.
- f. Hurricane Ike strikes the Texas Coast as a Category 4/5 Hurricane.

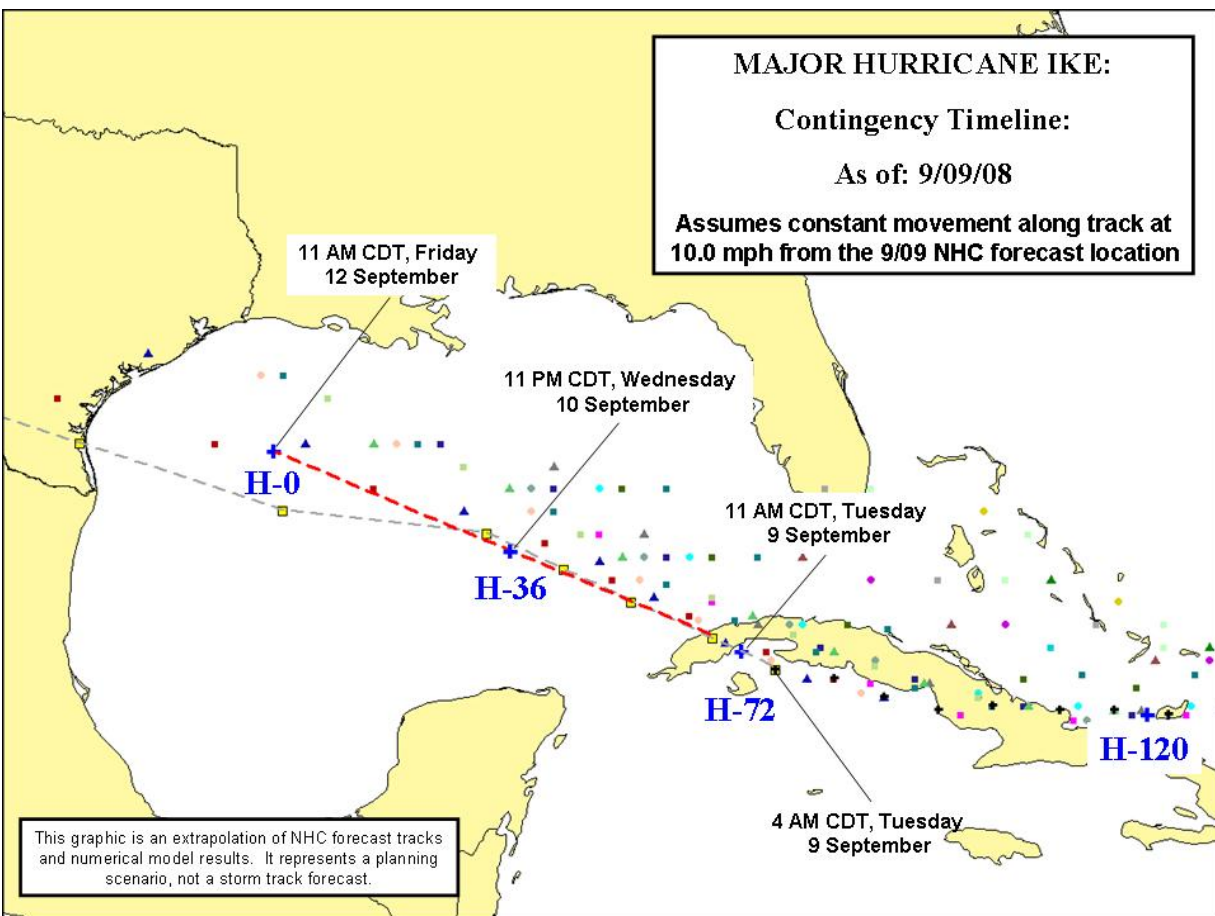
5. ACTIONS/TASK:

- a. Texas Military Forces (TMF), SAR, Texas Forest Service (TFS), Baptist Child & Family Services (BCFS) are to bring all capability and capacity up to Level I Readiness. Report progress and unmet needs NLT 4:30 PM Monday, September 8th.
- b. Alamo Area Regional Command (AARC) and Lufkin Resource Staging Area (RSA) report status and unmet needs no-later than noon, Monday, September 8th.
- c. Department State Health Services (DSHS) report unmet Medical Special Needs (MSN) requirements NLT 4:30PM, Monday, September 8th.
- d. Mass Care: Report VOAD and Shelter Operations unmet needs no-later-than 4:30 PM, Monday, September 8th. Recommend time for full activation of Statewide Shelter Network.

6. COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS:

- a. Activation of Emergency Management Council will be 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, September 9th. Full 24/7 activation: To-Be-Determined.

7. **SUMMARY:** State of Texas prepares for the strike of a catastrophic hurricane, Ike, on the Texas Coast, on or about Saturday, September 13th. Strike Location: Unknown.



Alamo Area Regional Command (AARC): The AARC is currently repositioning, reorganizing, and reconstituting all resources, deployed during Hurricane Gustav, in preparation for response to Hurricane Ike.

Texas Forest Service (TFS): TFS has staffed an RSA in Lufkin to support shelter operations, and are coordinating the preparation of an additional RSA and the Lone Star State Incident Management Team for immediate deployment. Five Type 3 Regional Incident Management Teams have been activated for deployment to affected areas. TFS personnel are deployed to various DDC's and local EOC's assisting with planning functions. Fire personnel are assigned to the SOC assisting with coordination and GIS. TFS is processing Texas Intrastate Fire Mutual Aid System (TIFMAS) requests for ambulances and medical firefighters to support DSHS.

Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS): DPS THP Division continues to maintain situational awareness and is making preparations for possible evacuations, including contraflow operations on IH-37. CVE troopers continue to conduct bus inspections in San Antonio prior to repositioning for evacuation. THP DDC 3A has requested an additional 100 troopers and 4 sergeants to support operations and to assist with bus staging and dispatch as well as evacuation fueling stations. Personnel needs for post-landfall command and control re-entry functions are being determined.

Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ): TDCJ has made plans to move four (4) facilities. Two (2) facilities in Edinburg, one (1) in Raymondville and one (1) in San Diego. Total offender count is 3867. Busses will be staged in Beeville at midnight. TDCJ has also made plans for high risk parolees. A total number is not yet available.

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD): TPWD Liaison (SAR) officers are preparing a schedule to meet with Overhead Team at South Texas College for 24 hours staffing commencing 12 noon Thursday September 11th. Activation and deployment of State Agency LNO'S to support search and rescue overhead and joint air ground coordination team. Region 10 Corpus Christi is making all preparations for Hurricane Ike. 65 Game wardens in the region are activated with 30 boats fueled and prepared for Hurricane Ike. All assets including fuel trailers and communications trailers are in safe locations prepared to respond for SAR. Region 4 Houston is prepared to respond for Hurricane Ike. Personnel include 55 Game Wardens with 27 boats/trailers. Region 5 San Antonio is prepared to respond for Hurricane Ike. Personnel include 55 Game Wardens with 25 boats/fuel trailers. In addition a strike team is assembling and will deploy to Game Warden Choke Canyon camp house no later than H36 in response to Hurricane Ike.

Texas Department of Assistive and Rehabilitative Services (DARS): DARS service delivery staff are on call in the event a request for deaf interpreter services is made.

Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT): TxDOT has activated messages on dynamic message signs along the entire Texas coast to encourage the public to fill their tanks with fuel. Crews are sweeping shoulders along potential evacuation routes, in preparation for evacuation traffic. Districts are preparing to remove avoidable lane closures along potential evacuation routes. All coastal districts and support districts are standing by with materials and personnel ready.

General Land Office (GLO): GLO is providing 2 personnel for support of TTF-1 Overhead Team, Veteran's Land Board, map production and support for TTF-1 for Texas Coast. The McAllen and Floresville State Veteran's Homes have activated their emergency response plans. Bed availability is being reported to the DADS Five System. Nederland-Jefferson Co equipment staged at Port Neches Warehouse Reg 2 La Porte-Harris Co staged at La Porte Warehouse Reg 3 Corpus Christi -Nueces Co. staged at TXDOT Beeville and C.C. Leopard St. Warehouse Reg 4 Brownsville-Cameron Co. staged at Brownsville Warehouse Reg 5 Port Lavaca-Calhoun Co. staged at TXDOT Victoria and Port Lavaca Warehouse.

Texas Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS): DFPS has issued instructions for offices and personnel in the vulnerable areas to protect agency assets get critical equipment and records off the floor and evacuate as instructed. Communication protocols have been initiated to stay in contact with staff and clients. DFPS Regional teams are on stand-by to provide support to shelters, as needed. The DFPS Evacuation Hotline and survey will be activated today at 1 and monitored by CPS Staff. The hurricane section of the DFPS public website (<http://www.dfps.state.tx.us>) is updated. The section

includes information for DFPS clients and staff. Information will include contact information for clients. In addition protocols for staff to stay in contact with the agency will be included. Emergency plans for the affected areas have been updated with planned coordination for support from other areas of the agency if needed. DFPS has sent out formal communications to Foster Families and residential facilities. Individual contact with foster families include advising them to follow their evacuation plans and notifying DFPS when they arrive at their destination.

Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC): Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC): HHSC has contacted all of their private contractors and received an inventory of water and ice throughout the State. HHSC has contacted their Regional Disaster Coordinators and put them on standby. HHSC has 2 logistic staff in route to RSA Corpus Christi and AARC San Antonio. HHSC requested 5 truckloads of water to be delivered to the San Antonio AARC in support of the Buses. HHSC ordered 1 ice trailer, 1 reefer trailers and 1 dry freight trailers to support the kitchens at the AARC in San Antonio. We currently have 1 ice, 10 water and 5 dry freight trailers on site in Beaumont standing by to support the RSAs. We currently have 2 truckloads of ice, 8 dry freight trailers on standby to support the RSA in Lufkin. HHSC currently has 20 loads of water and 1 load of ice in the warehouse at the RSA in Lufkin. HHSC has 15 loads water and 15 loads ice going to be stationed in AARC San Antonio and 15 loads water 15 loads ice going to be stationed at RSA Corpus Christi.

Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS): 46 ambulances on DSHS contract have been deployed to San Antonio. 12 ambulances and 25 EMTs/paramedics are being provided by TIFMAS and will go to San Antonio for staging and further deployment. Rotor wing and fixed wing air support for transport of critical care or neonates has been requested. Five Federal Medical Stations (FMS) will be opened to shelter individuals with medical special needs. Two will be located in Bryan College Station at the Reed Arena. One will be located in Dallas for potential redeployment where needed. Two, equipment only FMS, will be set up at Tri Point in San Antonio. BCFS will staff the 2 San Antonio FMS. A Texas Task Force Ike has been developed for post event recovery.

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ): TCEQ is working on extending authorization for the current fuel waivers and is prepared to respond to impacts from Hurricane Ike. The TCEQ Emergency Response Strike Team has been placed on standby. TCEQ has also compiled lists of the public water supply and wastewater facilities in the potentially impacted areas and have updated vital emergency information needed for post storm assessments.

Department of Information Resources (DIR): In response to an Activation Order, deployed DIR staff (NOC, Orders, Solutions, Executive Management, Texas Online, etc.) to begin duty at the EOC. DIR is in contact with 2-1-1 to discuss ramping up their bandwidth (based on their projections) to accommodate their anticipated increase in call volumes. DIR's GIS staff will work with vendor partners, our SOC neighbor (PUC) and our federal partner NCS/FEMA to identify and map critical telecommunications infrastructure (i.e. cell towers, landline switches, COs, 9-1-1 Call Centers, etc.) in the anticipated impact region to track for damage assessments. In contact with state agency customers to determine if they need their data backup tapes secured to a safe location or backup their data to Austin and/or San Angelo's data centers. DIR is coordinating the procurement of 1,000 car chargers for mobile phones.

Public Works Response Team (PWRT): Currently garnering resource and assessment team commitments and availability to support Texas Taskforce Ike. PWRT resources and assessment teams are alerted statewide and a LNO is staffed at the SOC.

Office of Attorney General (OAG): All Sectors of the fuel industry have been notified of the state's request to push fuel into the Corpus Christi and Valley areas. The Sector for Southeast US is stressed, but recovery from Gustav is occurring (4 refineries are down and 6 are operating at reduced capacities.) TxOGA and TCEQ are contacting refining and petrochemical facilities in the Corpus Christi area to confirm that they are taking safety precautions in anticipation of a Category 4 hurricane strike. A status of shut down plans is being gathered by TxOGA and TCEQ. Increased demand is being reported in the Corpus Christi area. Two terminals are reporting current outages of some grades of fuel. Companies are working to obtain fuel to continue to respond to the increase demand.

Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC): Personnel from TAHC, along with the United States Department of Agriculture's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service's Veterinary Service (USDA-APHIS-VS), are standing by to assist as needed for Hurricane Ike response operations. Field personnel are beginning to staff the various disaster district committees (DDC's), as needed, and a representative is now staffing the State Operations Center (SOC). The TAHC Area Command will be activated at the TAHC Central Office, if required. The executive director of the Texas State Animal Resource Team (TXSART) is supporting TAHC by coordinating with the member organizations on its Advisory Council, as well as with other animal care agencies, to prepare for animal sheltering in the hosting areas and for eventual reentry operations into the impacted areas.

Texas Education Agency (TEA): TEA stands ready to assist school districts that may be impacted by Hurricane Ike.

Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA): TDA offices on coastline have been advised to start closing and securing offices and facilities. The USDA commodity program remains on stand-by to receive requests for bulk food items from Mass Care.

Texas AgriLife Extension Service (ALEXT): Texas AgriLife Extension Service personnel in Jim Wells and Zavala counties report they are supporting local efforts large and small animal sheltering and care. Rogelio Mercado, AgriLife Extension Service county Extension agent in Wells County, reports he is working with local officials to house a limited number of horses, cattle, sheep and goats at the local auction barn. By 3pm today, a decision will be made whether to reschedule an animal show this weekend at the Jim Wells County Fairgrounds. Crops assessment in Jim Wells Co began this morning. Mercado continues meeting with county officials in response to the threat of Ike. Multi-county training with Head Start parents continues. Marcel Valdez, county Extension agent in Zavala County reports the Zavala County Animal Issues Committee called a special meeting late Monday to discuss preparations for possible evacuees arriving in their area. Valdez is also assessing early animal evacuations to their area. Public household and farmstead mitigation and recovery information are available at <http://texashelp.tamu.edu>.

Texas Procurement & Support Services (TPASS): TPASS continues to acquire bus transport assets from state contracted bus operators. TPASS is also in contact with contingency contract holders to ensure delivery of goods/services.

Sun Coast Resources: Sun Coast Resources continues to provide fuel support for San Antonio, Corpus Christi, Lufkin and Beeville.

Resources Staging Area (RSA) in Lufkin is prepared for response to Hurricane Ike.

Texas Military Forces (TXMF): The TXMF were activated on 07 September 2008 at the request of the Governor in support of Hurricane Ike. The TXMF has been tasked to activate up to 7,500. The TXMF are moving to support the Coastal Bend and the RGV areas. They will be supporting bus staging areas, ground evacuation hubs, temporary fuel points, air evacuations hubs, ground/air SAR operations and shelter operations. The TXMF is also planning on supporting re-entry operations (Mass Care Strike Teams Resource Staging Areas and Points of Distribution) and Task Force Ike. TXMF is deploying a Search and Rescue ground support package of approximately 60 high profile vehicles and 150 personnel along with 10 UH-60's and 5 OH-58 helicopters.

Texas Engineering & Extension Service/Texas Task Force One (TEEX/TX-TF1): Search & Rescue assets have been activated and are in the process of mobilizing. Multiple staging locations are being identified along the Texas Coast to stage all US&R to pre-position assets based on the ever-changing storm track. The following teams have been activated and are in the process of assembling, planning, and mobilizing: ESF-9 Overhead Teams & Joint Air-Ground Coordination Team with LNOs from supporting State and Federal Agencies. TX-TF1 Type I US&R, TX-TF1 Quick Response Force, TX-TF1 Swiftwater Teams (10), TX-TF1 Helicopter Rescue Specialists (8) and TX-TF2 Type III US&R Team.

There are 9 FEMA US&R teams available in Houston and we are coordinating with the FEMA IST to insure a coordinated State/Federal response. We are also coordinating with our Federal partners to secure SAR aviation support. There are approximately 22 additional SAR helicopters available for response in Houston, Corpus Christi, Meridian, MS, and Mobile, AL

2-1-1: Calls taken so far: 1,660. Top caller needs: Transportation Assistance Registry, Evacuation Information, FEMA Financial Assistance, Expedited Food Stamp Benefits and Gas Money.

Deaf Link: Deaf Link has issued AHAS and AHAS-IN info alerts for TXDPS to "Keep your gas tanks full" Deaf Link staff is currently positioned at the SOC in Austin and the AARC in San Antonio. We are standing by to receive any information for public dissemination to be processed through AHAS for Broadcasters in the affected areas and for individual notification to Texans with disabilities.

Baptist Child and Family Services (BCFS): Will be at a high level of readiness to respond to needs by tomorrow September, 8th.

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA): The FEMA Region 6 RRCC is at level 1 with all federal ESFs activated. Additionally, a Joint Field Office, in Austin, is being staffed for the coordinated response to Hurricane Ike. A key priority is to assist the State with potential evacuation of South Texas.

State Fuel Coordination Team: Is making preparations to move fuel to impacted areas.

Volunteer Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD): The American Red Cross (ARC), Salvation Army (SA), and Texas Baptist Men (TBM) are coordinating efforts and assets to respond as needed. Texas is activating the Statewide Shelter plan. Local jurisdictions are asked to seek public assistance for donations and food stuffs for VOAD organizations.

The State of Oklahoma: Is prepared to shelter 12,500 medical special needs patients.

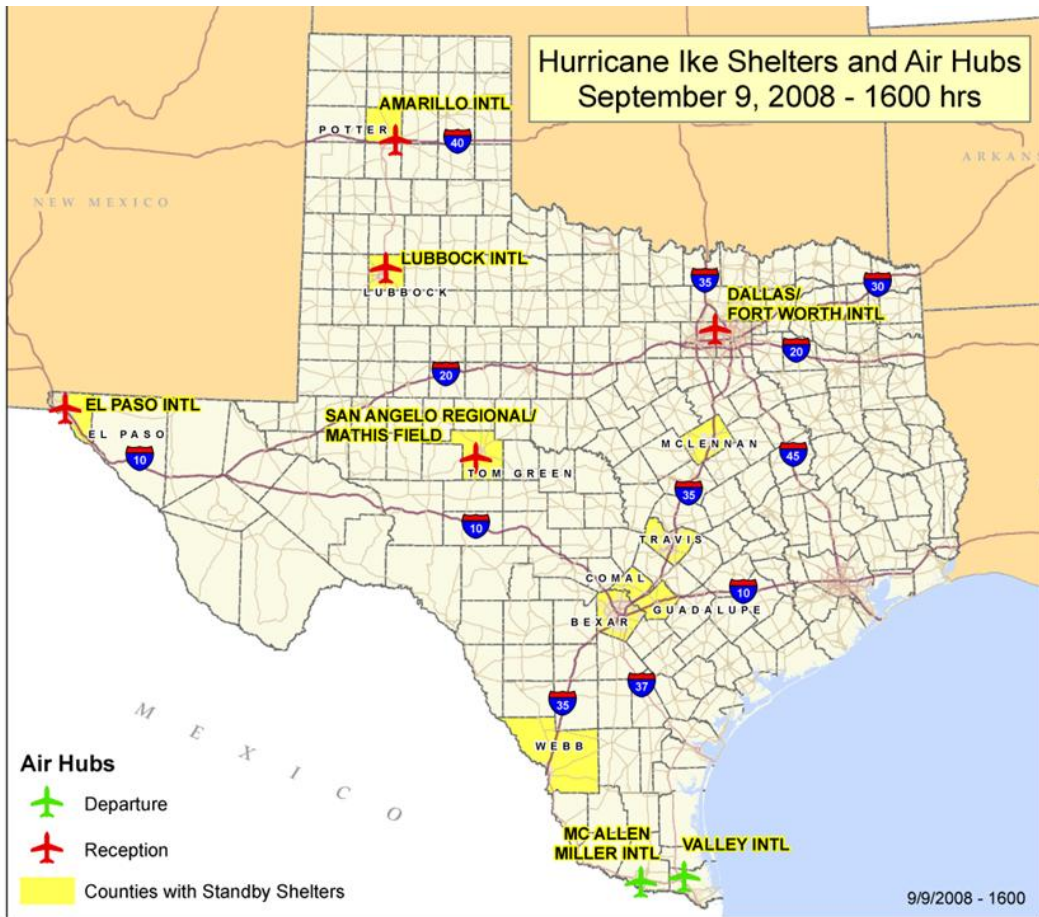
DDC 3A Corpus Christi: DDC 3A has been activated.

DDC 1A Garland: DDC 1A Garland will be activated on Wednesday September 10, 2008.

DDC 3B San Antonio: DDC 3B has been activated.

DDC8A McAllen: DDC 8A will be activated tomorrow at 08:00 and will be co-locating with the MACC at the McAllen EOC located at 1300 Houston Avenue in McAllen.

8. SHELTER INFORMATION:



9. RESPONDING AGENCIES/ORGANIZATIONS AND RESOURCES COMMITTED:

Agency/Organization	Resources Committed
Texas Forest Service (TFS)	5 Type 3 Regional Incident Management Teams deployed Personnel to support shelter operations Lone Star State Incident Management Team Personnel to various DDC's & EOC's 5 LNO's stationed in the SOC
Texas Department of Public Safety (TXDPS)	100 Highway Troopers 4 Sergeants
Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ)	LNO's stationed in the SOC Providing Shelter for 100 DPS Officers in Beeville
Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD)	30 Game Wardens 4 Air Boats 6 Flat bottom boats 1 Supply trailer Radio Techs and communication officer
Coca-Cola	67 Trailers of Water
Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT)	Dynamic Message Signs Personnel
Health & Human Services Commission (HHSC)	15 truck loads of ice & water stationed in Corpus Christi 15 truck loads of ice & water stationed in San Antonio 20 truck loads of water & 3 loads of ice in Lufkin 8 Dry Freight Trailers on Standby in Lufkin

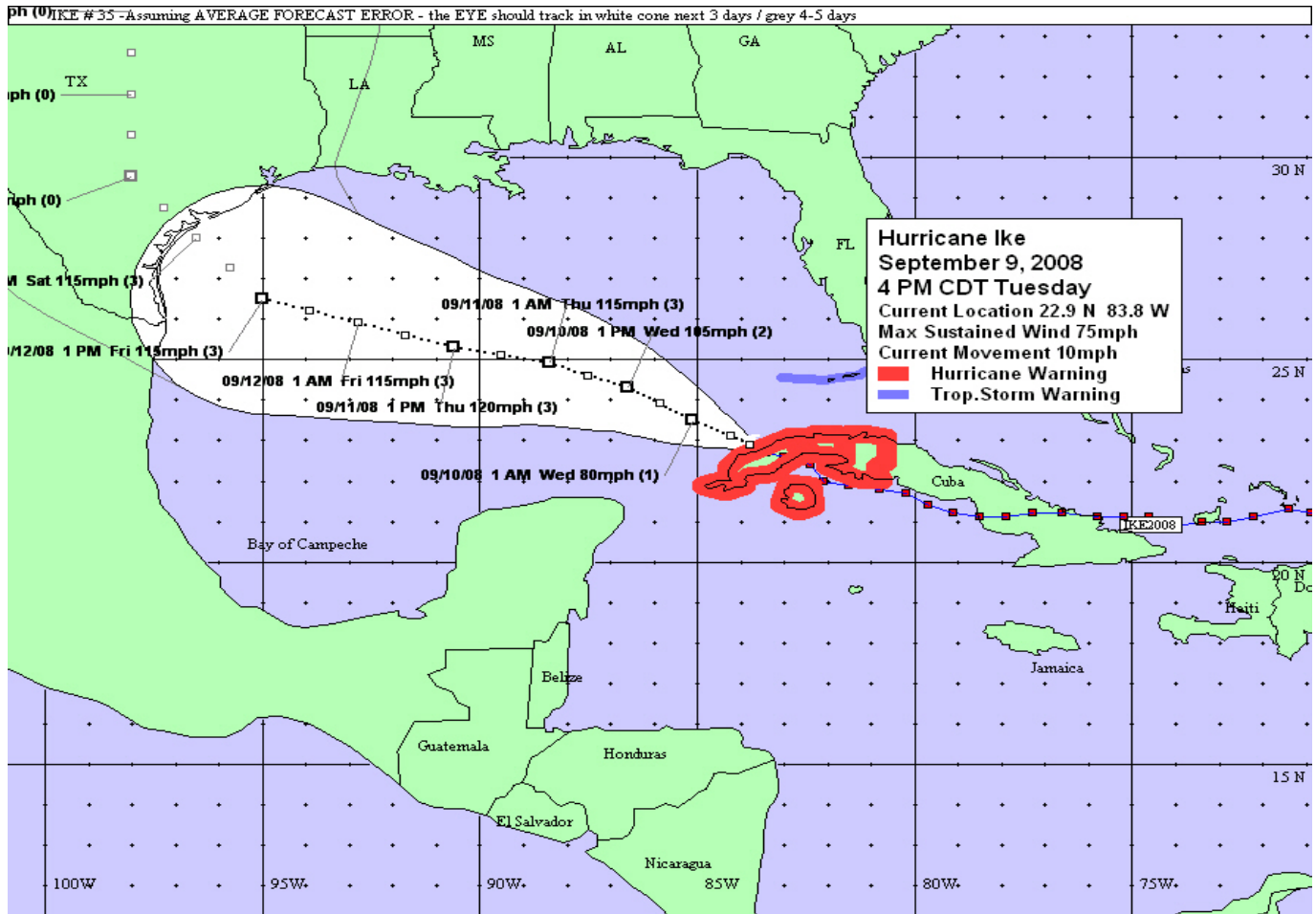
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Public Works Response Team (PWRT)	LNO stationed in Austin at the SOC
Sun Coast	Providing fuel support for San Antonio, Corpus Christi, Lufkin & Beeville
Texas Military Forces (TMF)	10 UH-60 Helicopters 5 OH-58 Helicopters 5 C130 Aircraft High Profile Vehicles Personnel
Texas Engineering & Extension Service/Texas Task Force One (TEEX/TX-TF1)	ESF-9 Overhead Team Joint Air-Ground Coordination Team with LNO's TX-TF1 Type 1 US& R Team TX-TF2 Type III US&R Team Quick Response Force TX-TF1 Swiftwater Teams TX-TF1 Helicopter Rescue Specialists TX-TF2 Type III US&R Team

At 4:00 pm CDT the center of Hurricane Ike was located near latitude 22.9 north and longitude 83.8 west or about 90 miles west southwest of Havana Cuba.

Ike is moving toward the west northwest near 10 mph and this motion is expected to continue for the next day or two.

Maximum sustained winds are near 75 mph with higher gusts. Ike is a category one hurricane on the Saffir-Simpson Scale. Now that Ike has emerged into the Gulf of Mexico, strengthening is expected and could become a major hurricane in the central Gulf of Mexico.

Hurricane force winds extend outward up to 70 miles from the center and tropical storm force winds extend outward up to 175 miles. The estimated minimum central pressure is 968 mb or 28.59 inches of Mercury. An Air Force Reserve Unit Reconnaissance Aircraft will reach the center of Ike later this afternoon.



In preparation for the impact of Hurricane IKE to the State of Texas, the State Operations Center (SOC) began readiness conference calls on Sunday, September 7th, 2008. The SOC is continuing to monitor the situation and coordinating preparedness efforts with the National Weather Service Southern Region Headquarters, State, Federal, Private Industry Partners and local jurisdictions as the situation progresses.

10. COMMENTS:

The Governor’s Division of Emergency Management is monitoring the situation and will issue additional reports as necessary. The next Hurricane Ike conference call will be Wednesday, September 10th, 2008, at 10:30 a.m. The SOC is at Level I (Emergency Conditions) to support Hurricane Ike operations.

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)

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