URGENT - IMMEDIATE BROADCAST REQUESTED HURRICANE DOLLY LOCAL STATEMENT NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE BROWNSVILLE TX 1133 AM CDT WED JUL 23 2008

... THE EYE OF CATEGORY TWO HURRICANE DOLLY NEARING THE CAMERON COUNTY COASTLINE...

.AT 10 AM CDT...THE CENTER OF HURRICANE DOLLY WAS LOCATED NEAR LATITUDE 26.0 NORTH...LONGITUDE 97.0 WEST OR ABOUT 30 MILES EAST NORTHEAST OF BROWNSVILLE TEXAS.

DOLLY IS MOVING TOWARD THE NORTHWEST NEAR 7 MPH. A SLIGHT DECREASE IN THE WEST-NORTHWEST FORWARD SPEED IS EXPECTED LATER TODAY. ON THE FORECAST TRACK...THE CENTER OF DOLLY WILL MOVE INLAND OVER EASTERN CAMERON COUNTY THIS AFTERNOON.

MAXIMUM SUSTAINED WINDS ARE NEAR 100 MPH...WITH HIGHER GUSTS. DOLLY IS CURRENTLY A CATEGORY TWO HURRICANE ON THE SAFFIR-SIMPSON SCALE.

HURRICANE FORCE WINDS EXTEND OUTWARD UP TO 25 MILES FROM THE CENTER OF DOLLY...AND TROPICAL STORM FORCE WINDS EXTEND OUTWARD UP TO 140 MILES.

MINIMUM CENTRAL PRESSURE ESTIMATED FROM AIRCRAFT RECONNAISSANCE DATA IS 964 MB.

DOLLY IS EXPECTED TO PRODUCE TOTAL RAIN ACCUMULATIONS OF 6 TO 10 INCHES...WITH ISOLATED AMOUNTS OF 10 TO 15 INCHES...OVER PORTIONS OF DEEP SOUTH TEXAS AND NORTHEASTERN MEXICO OVER THE NEXT FEW DAYS.

COASTAL STORM SURGE FLOODING OF 6 TO 8 FEET ABOVE NORMAL TIDE LEVELS...ALONG WITH LARGE AND DANGEROUS BATTERING WAVES...CAN BE EXPECTED NEAR AND TO THE NORTH OF WHERE THE CENTER MAKES LANDFALL.

TXZ253>255-241645-/O.EXT.KBRO.HI.W.0001.000000T0000Z-080725T0300Z/ HIDALGO-INLAND WILLACY-INLAND CAMERON-1133 AM CDT WED JUL 23 2008

...HURRICANE WIND WARNING NOW IN EFFECT UNTIL 10 PM CDT THURSDAY...

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...WATCHES/WARNINGS...

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CONDITIONS WILL BE WORSENED BY BATTERING WAVES. SUCH WAVES WILL INCREASE THE LIKELIHOOD OF PROPERTY DAMAGE...ESPECIALLY TO STRUCTURES ON OR VERY NEAR THE SHORELINE NEAR AND TO THE NORTH OF THE LANDFALL LOCATION.

...WINDS...

HURRICANE FORCE WINDS ARE IMMINENT OR ALREADY OCCURRING OVER WILLACY AND CAMERON COUNTIES. TROPICAL STORM FORCE WINDS WILL MOVE INTO HIDALGO COUNTY OVER THE NEXT COUPLE OF HOURS.

... PROBABILITY OF HURRICANE/TROPICAL STORM CONDITIONS...

THE PROBABILITY OF TROPICAL STORM WINDS IS NEAR 100 PERCENT TODAY. THE PROBABILITY OF HURRICANE FORCE WINDS IS FROM 45 TO 50 PERCENT IN CAMERON AND WILLACY COUNTIES TODAY. THE PROBABILITY OF TROPICAL STORM WINDS IN HIDALGO COUNTY TODAY IS 75 TO 95 PERCENT. THE PROBABILITY OF HURRICANE FORCE WINDS IN HIDALGO COUNTY TODAY IS FROM 15 TO 30 PERCENT WITH THE HIGHEST PROBABILITY OVER NORTHERN HIDALGO COUNTY.

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... TORNADOES...

ISOLATED TORNADOES ARE A POSSIBILITY TODAY AS THE CENTER OF HURRICANE DOLLY MOVES CLOSER TO EASTERN CAMERON COUNTY. THE BEST CHANCES WILL BE IN AREAS TO THE NORTH OF THE CENTER. A TORNADO WATCH IS IN EFFECT FOR HIDALGO...WILLACY AND CAMERON COUNTIES.

...NEXT UPDATE...

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GMZ130-132-135-150-155-170-175-241645-/O.CON.KBRO.HU.W.0001.000000T0000Z-000000T0000Z/ LAGUNA MADRE FROM THE PORT OF BROWNSVILLE TO THE ARROYO COLORADO-LAGUNA MADRE FROM THE ARROYO COLORADO TO 5 NM NORTH OF PORT MANSFIELD TX-LAGUNA MADRE FROM 5 NM NORTH OF PORT MANSFIELD TO BAFFIN BAY TX-COASTAL WATERS FROM PORT MANSFIELD TO THE RIO GRANDE OUT 20 NM-COASTAL WATERS FROM BAFFIN BAY TO PORT MANSFIELD OUT 20 NM-WATERS FROM PORT MANSFIELD TO THE RIO GRANDE EXTENDING FROM 20 TO 60 NM- WATERS FROM BAFFIN BAY TO PORT MANSFIELD EXTENDING FROM 20 TO 60 NM-1133 AM CDT WED JUL 23 2008

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ALL MARINERS SHOULD BE IN PORT NOW.

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THIS STATEMENT RECOMMENDS ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN BY PERSONS IN... THE GULF OF MEXICO AND THE LAGUNA MADRE.

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ISOLATED WATERSPOUTS ARE A POSSIBILITY AS DOLLY MOVES OVER THE SOUTHERN END OF THE LAGUNA MADRE.

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POORLY CONSTRUCTED OR UNSECURED MOBILE HOMES WILL LIKELY BE DESTROYED. OTHERS MAY RECEIVE SUBSTANTIAL DAMAGE TO ROOFS... WALLS...AND WINDOWS...AND COULD BECOME UNINHABITABLE. HOUSES OF POOR TO AVERAGE CONSTRUCTION MAY HAVE PARTIAL WALL AND ROOF FAILURE...AS WELL AS BLOWN OUT WINDOWS. UNSECURED LIGHT TO MODERATE WEIGHT OUTDOOR ITEMS WILL BECOME PROJECTILES...CAUSING ADDITIONAL DAMAGE AND POSSIBLE INJURY. MANY AREAS COULD HAVE POWER OUTAGES...HUNDREDS OF WIRES MAY FALL...TRANSFORMERS COULD POP...AND SOME POWER POLES MIGHT BE PULLED DOWN.

ROTTING LARGE TREES WILL BE UPROOTED...MOST COMMON ON SATURATED GROUND. NUMEROUS LARGE BRANCHES OF HEALTHY TREES WILL SNAP...AND MODERATE DAMAGE IS POSSIBLE IN CITRUS ORCHARDS. UP TO ONE HALF OF NEWLY PLANTED CROPS MAY BE DAMAGED.

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