



# National Weather Service

## Storm Data and Unusual Weather Phenomena



October 2003

Location	Date	Time Local/ Standard	Path Length (Miles)	Path Width (Yards)	Number of Persons Killed	Number of Persons Injured	Estimated Damage Property	Estimated Damage Crops	Character of Storm
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### TEXAS, South

#### Cameron County

**Harlingen**

**07 1510CST  
1700CST** **0** **0** **50K** **Flash Flood**

Heavy rains produced flash flooding of roadways and businesses in Harlingen. Several cars stalled in high water near the expressway and the heavy rain caused a roof failure to a local business.

#### Brooks County

**Falfurrias to  
Encino**

**12 0810CST  
1000CST** **0** **0** **75K** **Flash Flood**

Heavy rains produced flash flooding in the region. The Falfurrias Fire Department had to rescue residents in Falfurrias due to rising waters. Flash flooding of roadways was taking place in Encino.

#### Jim Hogg County

**Hebbronville**

**13 0225CST  
0430CST** **0** **0** **Flash Flood**

Flash flooding of numerous roadways in and around Hebbronville was reported by the Jim Hogg county Sheriff's Office.

#### Brooks County

**Encino**

**13 0445CST  
0730CST** **0** **0** **Flash Flood**

A National Weather Service observer reported flash flooding with rising water to the level of the hoods of many automobiles in Encino.

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#### Jim Hogg - Brooks - Starr - Hidalgo - Willacy - Cameron

**13 0900CST  
27 1200CST** **0** **0** **21.9M** **Flood**

A strong weather disturbance combined with abundant tropical moisture across the region to produce intense rainfall across Deep South Texas during the period. The heaviest rains fell across Brooks, Jim Hogg, Starr, Hidalgo, Cameron and Willacy counties.

La Joya in western Hidalgo county received over 13 inches of rain, Harlingen received 11 inches, with 10 inches falling at Mc Cook and Falfurrias. Unofficial reports of 14 inches of rain falling over southern Brooks county.

The heavy rains over Starr county caused a rise of Los Olmos Creek. The creek crested at 13 feet at Rio Grande City, on Oct 14, flood stage is 10 feet. The creek quickly fell from flood stage that same afternoon. Numerous homes along Los Olmos Creek suffered water damage. The heavy rains across the rest of Deep South Texas caused flooding over mostly low lying, flood prone areas.

Over 550 homes across Deep South Texas suffered minor to moderate damage due to the rising flood waters. The flooding in Brooks county resulted in the closure of U.S. Highway 281 for several days. Emergency shelters were established in Hidalgo, Brooks and Starr counties to house evacuees.

#### Cameron County

**Brownsville**

**26 0100CST  
0900CST** **0** **0** **Flash Flood**

Heavy rains in Cameron county resulted in the flash flooding of the Resaca Calmada over its banks in the Paseo de la Resaca development.