

URGENT - IMMEDIATE BROADCAST REQUESTED
HURRICANE LOCAL STATEMENT
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE BROWNSVILLE TX
836 PM CDT TUE JUL 22 2008

...HURRICANE DOLLY BEARING DOWN ON THE RIO GRANDE VALLEY...

.DAMAGING WINDS UP TO 60 MPH WITH GUSTS TO 80 MPH OR HIGHER ARE EXPECTED NEAR THE COAST BY WEDNESDAY MORNING. THIS INCLUDES SOUTH PADRE ISLAND...PORT ISABEL...PORT MANSFIELD...AND SECTIONS OF BROWNSVILLE AND LOS FRESNOS.

MOST MOBILE HOMES WILL EXPERIENCE MODERATE TO SUBSTANTIAL DAMAGE. SOME OF POOR CONSTRUCTION WILL BE UNINHABITABLE UNTIL REPAIRED. HOUSES OF POOR TO AVERAGE CONSTRUCTION WILL HAVE DAMAGE TO SHINGLES...SIDING...AND GUTTERS. SOME WINDOWS WILL BE BLOWN OUT. UNFASTENED HOME ITEMS OF LIGHT TO MODERATE WEIGHT WILL BECOME AIRBORNE...CAUSING ADDITIONAL DAMAGE AND POSSIBLE INJURY. SEVERAL POWER LINES WILL BE BLOWN DOWN PRODUCING LOCAL POWER OUTAGES THAT WILL AFFECT ENTIRE NEIGHBORHOODS.

MANY LARGE BRANCHES OF HEALTHY TREES WILL BE SNAPPED...AND ROTTING SMALL TO MEDIUM SIZED TREES WILL BE UPROOTED. DOZENS OF PALM FRONDS WILL BE BLOWN DOWN...AND MINOR DAMAGE WILL OCCUR TO CITRUS ORCHARDS AND NEWLY PLANTED LOWLAND CROPS.

STORM SYNOPSIS: AT 700 PM CDT...0000Z...THE CENTER OF HURRICANE DOLLY WAS LOCATED NEAR LATITUDE 24.9 NORTH...LONGITUDE 95.7 WEST OR ABOUT 130 MILES...205 KM...EAST-SOUTHEAST OF BROWNSVILLE TEXAS.

DOLLY IS MOVING TOWARD THE NORTHWEST NEAR 11 MPH. THIS MOTION SHOULD BRING THE CORE OF DOLLY NEAR NORTHEASTERN MEXICO OR EXTREME SOUTHERN TEXAS LATE MORNING OR MIDDAY WEDNESDAY.

MAXIMUM SUSTAINED WINDS REMAIN AT 75 MPH WITH HIGHER GUSTS. DOLLY IS A CATEGORY ONE HURRICANE ON THE SAFFIR- SIMPSON SCALE. ADDITIONAL STRENGTHENING IS FORECAST BEFORE LANDFALL.

HURRICANE FORCE WINDS EXTEND OUTWARD UP TO 15 MILES FROM THE CENTER...AND TROPICAL STORM FORCE WINDS EXTEND OUTWARD UP TO 160 MILES. TROPICAL STORM FORCE WINDS SHOULD BEGIN TO REACH THE COASTS OF NORTHEAST MEXICO AND SOUTHERN TEXAS BY 10 PM TONIGHT.

MINIMUM CENTRAL PRESSURE REPORTED BY A HURRICANE HUNTER AIRCRAFT WAS 982 MB...29.00 INCHES. DOLLY IS EXPECTED TO PRODUCE TOTAL RAIN ACCUMULATIONS OF 6 TO 10 INCHES...WITH ISOLATED AMOUNTS OF 15 INCHES...OVER MUCH OF SOUTH TEXAS AND NORTHEASTERN MEXICO OVER THE NEXT FEW DAYS.

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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-
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...HURRICANE WARNING REMAINS IN EFFECT...

...NEW INFORMATION...

OUTER RAIN BANDS ARE MOVING ACROSS THE COASTAL WATERS WITH
TROPICAL STORM FORCE WINDS IMMINENT. HURRICANE FORCE GUSTS WINDS
WILL REACH THE 60 NM MARKER AROUND MIDNIGHT WITH SUSTAINED
HURRICANE WINDS BETWEEN 2 AND 5 AM...PERHAPS CONTINUING THROUGH
MID MORNING WEDNESDAY BEFORE DIMINISHING BACK TO TROPICAL STORM
FORCE FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE DAY ON WEDNESDAY.

SEAS WILL BUILD TO 15 TO 20 FEET OR PERHAPS A BIT HIGHER LATE
TONIGHT AND CONTINUE THROUGH WEDNESDAY...ALONG WITH VERY ROUGH
CONDITIONS AND SIGNIFICANT WHITE CAPS. BEAUFORT SCALE 12
CONDITIONS ARE LIKELY WITHIN THE CORE OF THE STRONGEST WINDS
DURING THIS PERIOD.

MARINERS SHOULD RUSH TO COMPLETION LAST MINUTE PREPARATIONS
IMMEDIATELY! THOSE OUT IN THE GULF SHOULD SEEK SAFE HARBOR AS
SOON AS POSSIBLE...AND REMAIN IN PORT THROUGH THE DURATION OF
DOLLY`S WINDS AND SEAS. THOSE IN PORT SHOULD FINISH MOVING THEIR
CRAFT TO SAFE STORAGE OR SECURELY TYING DOWN BOATS AND RAISING
THEM SUFFICIENTLY ABOVE THE WATER LEVEL BEFORE 9 PM TONIGHT.

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SEAS CONTINUE TO RISE QUICKLY JUST OFFSHORE...AND WAVES ARE REACHING PAST THE DUNE LINE ALONG SOUTH PADRE ISLAND AS OF THIS EVENING. SIGNIFICANT BEACH EROSION IS POSSIBLE OVERNIGHT AS NORTH TO NORTHEAST WINDS CONTINUE TO DRIVE INCREASING WAVES INTO THE COAST. SHOULD DOLLY SLOW FURTHER...SEVERE BEACH EROSION COULD DEVELOP WEDNESDAY AND WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

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