Storm Data and Unusual Weather Phenomena - January 2008

Location	Date/Time	Deaths & Injuries	Property & Crop Dmg	Event Type and Details
TEXAS, South				
(TX-Z249) JIM HOGG, (TX-Z252) STARR				
	01/31/08 12:00 CST		0	Wildfire
	01/31/08 23:59 CST		0	
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Windy and very dry conditions followed a cold front during the afternoon of the 31st. Sustained northwest winds 20 to 25 mph, gusting up to 35 mph in some locations, combining with relative humidity dropping to 10 percent or lower, increased the likelihood of rapid wild fire spread. At least two notable fires developed and rapidly spread during the afternoon. Despite welcome rains during the middle of the month, the western portion of the lower Rio Grande Valley remained in moderate drought at month's end.

(TX-Z248) ZAPATA, (TX-Z249) JIM HOGG, (TX-Z250) BROOKS, (TX-Z252) STARR, (TX-Z253) HIDALGO						
01/02/08 23:00 CST	0	Frost/Freeze				
01/03/08 09:00 CST	0					

Strong high pressure with Canadian origins settled over Deep South Texas overnight on the 2nd and into the 3rd, resulting in prolonged sub freezing conditions in mainly rural areas north of the populated lower Rio Grande Valley.

(TX-Z248) ZAPATA			
	01/20/08 14:00 CST	0	Wildfire
	01/20/08 18:00 CST	0	

Just enough gusty winds, near 25 mph, on the back side of chilly high pressure moving into the western Gulf of Mexico, combined with marginally low humidity to spread a small wild fire near the Rio Grande River in Zapata County, TX.

Storm Data and Unusual Weather Phenomena - February 2008

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TEXAS, South				
(TX-Z249) JIM HOGG, (TX-Z253) HIDALGO	1			
	02/01/08 00:00 CST		0	Wildfire
	02/01/08 15:00 CST		0	

Dry air and strong gusty winds ignited several wild fires in the central Lower Rio Grande Valley to close January. One of these fires, in Jim Hogg County, continued to burn into the first day of February before being contained.