



KLEBERG COUNTY
TEXAS

ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE RUDY MADRID
REGARDING VOLUNTARY EVACUATION OF CERTAIN AREAS DUE TO TROPICAL STORM HANNA
ISSUED JULY 24, 2020 @ 12:00 P.M.

WHEREAS, due to the impending arrival of TROPICAL STORM HANNA, which presents an imminent threat of damage, injury, loss of property, and economic and social disruption due to high winds, tidal surges, and other public calamity resulting therefrom, requiring imminent voluntary action; and

WHEREAS, the National Weather Service currently forecasts that TROPICAL STORM HANNA continues to strengthen and is expected to make landfall as a strong Tropical Storm on Saturday, July 25, 2020. There remains uncertainty regarding its landfall location. Wind gusts to hurricane force will be possible near the center. Heavy rainfall is expected to occur across South Texas beginning tonight through Sunday. Due to the slow movement of Hanna, rainfall could be significant and dangerous flooding may result. The combination of increasing swell height, swell periods, and wind speeds may result in minor to moderate coastal flooding and an increased threat of dangerous rip currents along Gulf-facing beaches of the Middle Texas Coast this weekend. Hanna has a predicted total rainfall amounts of 4 to 6 inches with isolated amounts of up to 10 inches. Isolated tornadoes will be possible on Saturday; and

WHEREAS, due to the imminent threat of TROPICAL STORM HANNA the County issues this warning to the public and asks for a VOLUNTARY EVACUATION OF CERTAIN AREAS to protect lives and property; and

WHEREAS, County Judge Rudy Madrid has activated Kleberg County's Emergency Management Plan.

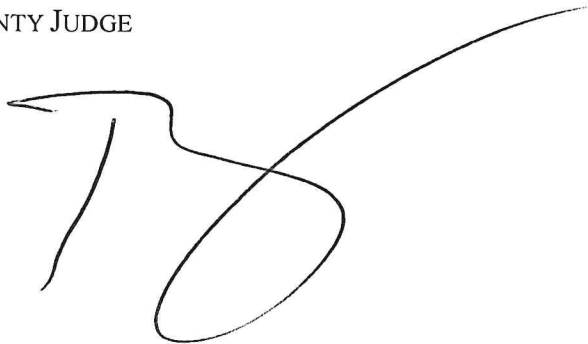
NOW THEREFORE, UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 418.108, KLEBERG COUNTY JUDGE RUDY MADRID ORDERS:

Effective immediately and continuing until Sunday, July 26, 2020, 11:59 p.m., unless extended, modified, amended, rescinded or superseded by the County Judge:

1. There is an imminent threat of danger due to an approaching storm named TROPICAL STORM HANNA. All above-recitals are hereby incorporated for all purposes.
2. As County Judge Rudy Madrid, I find that in order to preserve life, mitigate the damage that may be caused, and to protect the public's health, safety and welfare, it is necessary to warn the public and ask for a VOLUNTARY EVACUATION of these areas:
 - BAFFIN BAY;
 - LOYOLA BEACH;
 - RICARDO, TEXAS; AND
 - RIVIERA, TEXAS.
3. This Order and Request does not apply to Essential Emergency Personnel.
4. The County of Kleberg must promptly file this Order with the County Clerk and provide copies of this Order by posting on the Kleberg County website and given general publicity. If any subsection, clause, paragraph, or word of this Order or any application of it to any person, structure, gathering, or circumstance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, then such decision will not affect the validity of the remaining portions or applications of this Order.

SIGNED this 24th day of July, 2020.

RUDY MADRID
KLEBERG COUNTY JUDGE

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'R. Madrid', written over a horizontal line.