



PROCLAMATION DISASTER DECLARATION RENEWAL ORDER

PROCLAMATION ORDER #PO-13-2021

WHEREAS, On September 12, 2021, the National Weather Service forecast Tropical Storm Nicholas ("Nicholas") to become a strong tropical storm approaching the Texas Gulf Coast sometime Monday, September 13, 2021, with bands of unassociated rainstorms, storm surges, and possible coastal flooding prior to its arrival. There is a possibility of it developing into a Category 1 hurricane before making landfall;

WHEREAS, Greg Abbott, Governor of the State of Texas, certified that "[t]he State of Texas has deployed resources ahead of this tropical system, which is expected to impact the Gulf Coast beginning on Sunday...We will continue to closely monitor this storm and take all necessary precautions to keep Texans safe. I encourage Texans to follow the guidance and warnings of their local officials and be mindful of potential heavy rain and flooding."

WHEREAS, as a result of Nicholas, Aransas County, Texas may suffer widespread or severe property damage, and threatens injury or loss of life resulting from the severe weather and flooding, occurring in the County beginning on September 13th and continuing through the storm's exit;

WHEREAS, this event may also cause significant damage to roads and community infrastructure;

WHEREAS, the excess flooding and water may cause a major outbreak of disease carrying pests and mosquitos posing a significant threat to public health; and

WHEREAS, Aransas County, Texas, has determined that it will take extraordinary measures to alleviate the suffering of people and to protect community assets and rehabilitate property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED by Judge C.H. "Burt" Mills, Jr. of Aransas County, Texas:

That a local state of disaster is hereby declared for Aransas County pursuant to §418.108(a) of the *Texas Government Code*.

Pursuant to §418.108(b) of the *Texas Government Code*, the state of disaster shall continue for a period of not more than seven days from the date of this declaration unless continued or renewed by Aransas County.

Pursuant to §418.108(h) of the *Texas Government Code*, the jurisdiction and authority of the County Judge includes the incorporated and unincorporated areas of Aransas County.

Pursuant to §418.108(c) of the *Texas Government Code*, this declaration of a local state of disaster shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the Aransas County Clerk.

Pursuant to §418.108(d) of the *Texas Government Code*, this declaration of a local state of disaster activates the Aransas County Emergency Management Plan.

That this Proclamation shall take effect immediately from and after its issuance.

PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED this 13th Day of September, 2021.



C.H. "Burt" Mills, Jr., Aransas County Judge

FILED
AT 9:35 A.M.
SEP 13 2021
CARRIE ARRINGTON
COUNTY CLERK, ARANSAS CO., TEXAS