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Hardin County Prepares for Possible Tropical Storm

[Kountze, Texas] -- From the Hardin County Office of Emergency Management, County Judge Wayne McDaniel and Emergency Management Coordinator Aaron Tupper want to assure all residents that Officials throughout the County are prepared for the worst, while hoping for the best when it comes to the possibility that a tropical storm will make landfall in the Southeast Texas Region this weekend. We encourage all citizens to do the same.

If you have not already made preparations for hurricane season, the time to do so is now! Stock up on nonperishable food and enough water to last your family for at least seven (7) days, and keep your vehicle full of fuel. Visit www.Ready.gov for additional preparedness tips.

Although we do not anticipate a county-wide mandatory evacuation at this time, I want to remind anyone who may need assistance with evacuating to register by calling 2-1-1.

The confidence level of forecasting for the low pressure system located in the northeastern Gulf of Mexico is very low at this time. We will be monitoring this situation very closely, and encourage you to do the same. However, be mindful that there are many false reports posted to social media in times like these, so please ensure you are obtaining credible information from sources such as National Hurricane Center, National Weather Service, local news media outlets and Hardin County Emergency Management.



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