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City Prepares Emergency Operations Center

New Braunfels, Texas — With the assistance of the New Braunfels Community Emergency Response Team (NBCERT) the City of New Braunfels has staged its Emergency Operations Center (EOC) in preparation for a potential heavy rainfall event in the area. The EOC will be staffed by City personnel, with officials from other entities participating should the need arise for a broader-based response to conditions.

The National Weather Service has issued a Flash Flood Watch until Sunday for our area.

Should emergency alert sirens system sound, residents should tune to AM 1420 for instructions and additional information. Residents are advised to remain alert to the possibility of flash flooding caused by rain upstream from the New Braunfels area.

The Emergency Notification System would be the second tier of notification. This system will notify residents who have registered their telephone numbers with the system. In areas of immediate impact, first responders (Police & Fire) will go door-to-door with information as the third tier approach to the City's alert notification system.

Residents and visitors should stay aware and monitor changing weather situations via local television and radio media, including KGNB radio AM 1420, and by viewing www.noaa.gov.

The City holds in-house EOC training monthly in preparation for an actual emergency, and staff members and elected officials have various certifications and trainings they have obtained via Texas Department of Public Safety Emergency Management, FEMA, the National Weather Services and other agencies. Areas within the EOC include: Public Works, Fire Fighting, Operations, Planning, Logistics, Finance/Administration, Emergency Public Information, Mass Care, Resource Management, Public Health, Energy & Utilities, Public Safety & Security, Transportation, Communication and Long Term Recovery.

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