



# Orange County Emergency Management

## Press Release #1

Please publish the following to the General Public:

Orange County Emergency Management continues to monitor flooding in Orange County. We urge citizens to stay off all roadways due to flooding waters. There are many dangers of driving into flooded roadways. When there's water across a road, drivers should always turn around and choose a different route. Texas Department of Transportation has the following tips:

- Six inches of water can cause tires to lose traction and begin to slide.
- Twelve inches of water can float many cars. Two feet of rushing water will carry off pick-up trucks, SUVs and most other vehicles.
- Water across a road may hide a missing segment of roadbed or a missing bridge.
- In flash floods, waters rise so rapidly they may be far deeper by the time you are halfway across, trapping you in a vehicle.
- Flash floods are especially treacherous at night when it is very difficult to see how deep waters may be or how fast water is rising.
- Floodwater weakens roadbeds. Drivers should proceed cautiously after waters have receded, since the road may collapse under the weight of the vehicle.

**Here is a list of flooded roads in Orange County currently: this list is quickly growing please view our Facebook page, search for: Orange County Office of Emergency Management.**

### **Bridge City/Orangefield area :**

- **Bell Avenue**
- **Turner Road, off of FM 1442**
- **Hillcrest**
- **Texas Avenue**
- **FM1442 @ 105**
- **105@ Oilla**

### **Vidor area:**

- **Michelle Ave**
- **Claiborne**
- **Mansfield Ferry Road**
- **Orange Street**

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