



Orange County Emergency Management

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TO: Media

DATE: August 27, 2017

SUBJECT: Hurricane Harvey (NR #9)

Partnering Agencies:



A disaster declaration has been issued for Orange County. After meeting with representatives from each city, Orange County Judge Brint Carlton released the following statement:

Hurricane Harvey's greatest impacts to Orange County began today and will continue into next week. Based on the flooding impacts county-wide today and the latest National Weather Service forecasts into next week, Orange County and all seven incorporated cities issued disaster declarations effective today, August 27, 2017. Each disaster declaration covers the entirety of the Hurricane Harvey event as determined by the Federal Emergency Management Administration and the Presidential Disaster Declaration issued by President Trump. Orange County and each city believes we have met or will shortly meet the minimum threshold for uninsured, unreimbursed costs.

I want to thank every individual, agency, and jurisdiction who has worked to provide services to the people of Orange County throughout this historic event. The work of law enforcement, first responders, volunteers, and local, state, and federal officials has been nothing short of exceptional. Every effort has been and will continue to be made to ensure the lives, safety, and property of our residents. I encourage each of you to keep your fellow residents, Texans, and Americans in your thoughts and prayers as this event continues.