



# BRAZOS COUNTY

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## DECLARATION OF DISASTER

**WHEREAS**, on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of July 2024, Acting Governor, Dan Patrick, of the Great State of Texas issued a disaster declaration that included 40 counties certifying that Hurricane Beryl poses a threat of imminent disaster, including widespread and severe property damage, injury and loss of life due to widespread flooding, life-threatening storm surge, damaging wind, and heavy rainfall; and

**WHEREAS**, on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of July 2024, the disaster declaration issued by Acting governor, Dan Patrick, was amended and added additional counties which included but was not limited to Brazos County, Texas; and

**WHEREAS**, I, Duane Peters, the County Judge and presiding officer of Brazos County, have determined that extraordinary and immediate measures must be taken to respond quickly to prevent and/or mitigate property damage, injury and loss of life due to widespread flooding, life-threatening storm sure, damaging wind, and heavy rainfall and potentially assist other agencies and political subdivisions to do the same; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Texas Disaster Act of 1975, Sec.418.08 of the Texas Government Code the County Judge may declare a local state of disaster in and for the County, and may exercise the powers granted therein on an appropriate local scale; and

**WHEREAS**, by this declaration, I declare all rules and regulations that may inhibit or prevent prompt response to this threat suspended for the duration of the incident; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the authority granted to the County Judge under the Texas Disaster Act of 1975, I authorize the use of all available resources of state government and political subdivisions to assist in the County's response to this situation.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DECLARED BY THE COUNTY JUDGE OF THE COUNTY OF BRAZOS:**

1. That a state of disaster is declared for the County of Brazos, pursuant to Sec. 418.108(a) of the Texas Government Code.

2. Pursuant to Sec. 418.108(b) of the Texas Government Code, the state of disaster shall continue for a period of not more than seven (7) days from the date of this declaration unless continued or renewed by the Brazos County Commissioners Court.
3. Pursuant to Sec. 418.108(c) of the Government Code, this declaration of a local state of disaster shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the County Clerk.
4. Pursuant to Sec. 418.108(d) of the Texas Government Code, this declaration of a local state of disaster does activate the Brazos County's Emergency Management Plan.
5. Pursuant to the authority granted under the laws of the State of Texas, this declaration authorizes Brazos County to take any actions necessary, including transferring funds and arranging for emergency repairs to bridges and road infrastructure.

**This declaration shall take effect immediately from and after its issuance and be in full force and effect for the next seven (7) days unless and until extended by Commissioners Court.**

**DECLARED and ORDERED** this **7th** day of **July 2024**.

  
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Duane Peters, County Judge