



# Press Release

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## **Tropical Storm Imelda**

### **From the Office of Chambers County Judge Jimmy Sylvia**

Tropical Storm Imelda is forecast to bring torrential rainfall to Chambers County starting this evening and ramping up in coverage and amount through Friday. The heaviest rainfall is expected to be South of I-10.

T.S. Imelda went ashore near Lake Jackson earlier this afternoon bringing heavy rain into the entirety of the Houston region. Chambers County is located on the East side of the storm, which tends to be the area of heaviest rainfall.

Rainfall amounts totaling 6" – 10" over the next 3 days are likely, with higher amounts where the training of storm cells occur.

Chambers County residents can expect ponding and minor flooding of streets and highways. Flooding will most likely occur in typical locations such as underpasses and historically flooding low-lying areas.

Heavy rainfall during rush hours will likely increase commute time and low visibility will increase the chances for traffic accidents. Patience on the roadways for the next few days will be essential.

**DO NOT DRIVE THROUGH STANDING WATER UNLESS YOU CAN SEE THE BOTTOM AND KNOW HOW DEEP THAT WATER IS!** It takes only a few inches of standing water to destroy your car's engine or transmission.

Please stay informed as to the progress of T.S. Imelda and its impacts on our area!

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