



**NEWS RELEASE**

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## **The Woodlands Township closely monitoring remnants of Imelda**

***Please note:*** *The Woodlands Township Board meeting scheduled for tonight at 6 p.m. is still being held as scheduled. It is NOT cancelled.*

THE WOODLANDS, TX (September 19, 2019) - Montgomery County is under an extreme flash flood warning and is under a flash flood watch until 7 p.m. this evening. The Woodlands Township is closely monitoring the situation.

As of 6 a.m. this morning, Montgomery County has seen intense rainfall of 13 inches, mostly in east Montgomery County. An axis of strong low level convergence extends WNW from Winnie to Conroe. This has caused new storms to develop over NE Harris and Southeast and Central Montgomery Counties.

"The Woodlands Township through our Fire Department is closely monitoring the situation," said Township Chairman Gordy Bunch. "We will be issuing updates throughout the day."

Significant rainfall amounts for Montgomery County will happen throughout this morning with the potential hourly rates of 3-5 inches. "This is a very dangerous and potentially life threatening developing flash flood situation," Chairman Bunch said. "We encourage our residents to plan accordingly."

Information on this news release is from the Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management in Montgomery County and The Woodlands Fire Department.

The Woodlands Township encourages you to keep up with the weather through local television stations or your favorite weather app, and stay safe! The Township will share relevant partner agency notifications as we receive them through the link below.

### **Informational Links**

- [Traffic and Transit information](#) is also available.
- [Partner Agency Notifications](#)
- [Montgomery County Office of Homeland Security Facebook Page](#)
- [Montgomery County Live Weather Hazards Map](#)



**NO TRASH PICKUP TODAY.** Waste Management reports they are unable to access The Woodlands from Conroe due to flooding. All waste services will be pushed one day. Thursday service will occur on Friday. Friday service will occur on Saturday. View additional information.

**Creek Levels as of 9:30 a.m.** According to information from The Woodlands Fire Department, creek levels are noted below. "We're closely monitoring all the flood gauges in areas that impact The Woodlands," Chairman Bunch said.

- Spring Creek @ Kuykendahl, Currently - 111.73', Flooding possible - 124.9'
- Bear Branch Res @ Kuykendahl, Currently - 149.68', Flooding Possible - 153.26'
- San Jacinto River @ SH 242, Currently – 85.41', Flooding Possible – 96'
- Spring Creek @ I-45, Currently – 77', Flooding Possible – 88.2'
- Alden Branch @ Alden Bridge, Currently – 167.99', Flooding Possible – 169.31'

**Trolley Service is cancelled for today.** Transit notifications can be viewed at this link: <http://thewoodlandstowship-tx.gov/975/RoadLane-Closures>

**The Woodlands Express:** For the safety of passengers and drivers, MIDDAY SERVICE for The Woodlands Express is CANCELLED. We will continue to provide updates as the afternoon progresses. View updates and transit notifications. **2:15 p.m. UPDATE:** Our goal is to run buses as soon as possible as roads re-open, flooding subsides, and areas are accessible. Be mindful these runs will be off schedule. Stay tuned to Twitter for real-time updates. **3 p.m. UPDATE:** Service is still suspended due to road conditions and flooding. We will run buses as soon as possible (off schedule) once roads reopen and notify you when this happens. Our goal is to get everyone home this evening as roads allow. **4:30 p.m. UPDATE:** We are monitoring the traffic situation and will start service as soon as possible. We are aware areas around TMC/GWP/DT are starting to clear up. Our concern is the freeways and alternate routes. We will start service as soon as it's safe to do so. Please continue to monitor the links above for updates.

**Creek levels as of noon:** Please remember these measurements are from sea level. Light rain continues from our northwest and is moving on a southeast path. At this time no significant changes are expected. The Woodlands Fire Department is continuing at an increased readiness level and will continue to monitor.

- Spring Creek @ Kuykendahl, Currently - 115.64' and holding, Flooding possible - 124.9'
- Bear Branch Res @ Kuykendahl, Currently - 151.34' and holding', Flooding Possible - 153.26'
- San Jacinto River @ SH 242, Currently – Currently – 94.35', continuing to rise, Flooding Possible – 96
- Spring Creek @ I-45, Currently – 85.41' continuing to rise, Flooding Possible – 88.2'



- Alden Branch @ Alden Bridge, Currently – 167.43’ continuing to recede, Flooding Possible – 169.31’

**Creek levels as of 5 p.m.:** Last update for the evening. Rain has cleared out. No significant rainfall is expected throughout the night but we may experience scattered showers in some areas

- Spring Creek @ Kuykendahl, Currently - 114.75’ and falling, Flooding possible - 124.9’
- Bear Branch Res @ Kuykendahl, Currently - 152.14 and rising but has capacity to spare, Flooding Possible - 153.26’
- San Jacinto River @ SH 242, Currently – Currently – 98.19’ and holding, Flooding Possible – 96
- Spring Creek @ I-45, Currently – 83.75 and receding, Flooding Possible – 88.2’
- Alden Branch @ Alden Bridge, Currently – 166.77’ and holding, Flooding Possible – 169.31’