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Army Corps of Engineers prepares for Tropical Storm Alex

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Galveston District, began executing its hurricane preparations mission as Tropical Storm Alex formed in the Gulf of Mexico. The anticipated path of Tropical Storm Alex may impact facilities at the Brownsville Resident Office. The District established emergency operations June 28.

The priorities for the District are threefold, according to Colonel David C. Weston, Galveston District commander.

“Our priorities are supporting efforts to safeguard lives and property; sustaining lives through immediate relief in the form of shelter and water; and setting conditions for recovery,” he said. “These conditions include such actions as cleanup, restoring infrastructure and navigation.”

Under the National Response Plan, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers provides support to the Department of Homeland Security’s Federal Emergency Management Agency by executing assigned missions such as providing water, power, debris removal, temporary housing, temporary roofing and logistical support.

The Galveston District is also responsible for maintaining navigation in its area of operation, which includes the entire Texas coastline as well as a portion of the Louisiana coastline, and has completed a plan to assess damage after the storm, according to Weston.

“The Galveston District stands ready to assist local communities and the Nation, while ensuring that we accomplish our Emergency Management, Navigation, Flood Risk Management and other missions,” Weston said.

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