



City of Wharton

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City of Wharton Flood Advisory

Wharton, TX, August 26, 2017

As the City of Wharton continues to monitor now Tropical Depression Harvey, reports have been received from the National Weather Service that now due to the projected rainfall amount from the storm, the Colorado River could experience historic flood levels. The projections show the river could reach major flood stage by Sunday evening with a possible crest of 50.2 feet. The City of Wharton is currently under a voluntary evacuation and is urging all residents to take heed of this warning. If the projections are correct, it would be the highest level the Colorado River has experienced and could cause citywide flooding. There is also a possibility of flooding for the North side of the City due to runoff going to the San Bernard River. There will be a shelter in place by the American Red Cross, only for residents without any other resources for shelter. The shelter will be located at the Holy Family Catholic Church located on Briar Lane in Wharton and it will open Sunday, August 27, 2017 at 10 a.m. If you have questions, please feel free to call 979-532-2491, calls will be answered 24 hours a day.

The City of Wharton has begun preparations for possible river flooding and will continue to monitor the situation. Please stay informed by tuning into local radio stations or television stations.

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