

# Update 1: Texas, United States of America - Hurricane Hanna Causes Flash Floods and Power Outages Amid COVID-19 Crisis

- Hurricane Hanna, with winds of 90 miles per hour (mph), has impacted South Texas leading to power outages, flooding of roads, and damaged structures
- The region is already reeling from unprecedented COVID-19 deaths and a lack of resources to treat cases
- The Category 1 hurricane made landfall around 5 p.m. on Saturday (July 25) in North Padre Island and then began a slow southward slog through South Texas
- The hurricane was later downgraded to a tropical storm
- A tornado warning was also issued for Hidalgo County
- Residents were reporting calls to 911 and 311 going unanswered as emergency crews were overwhelmed and most communication and cellphone service out in the region
- Texas has so far reported 404,179 COVID-19 cases and 5,252 deaths
- United States of America has reported a total of 4,433,410 COVID-19 cases, 2,136,603 recoveries, and 150,444 deaths
- Supply Wisdom is continuously monitoring the situation and will alert you to any relevant developments
- Please consult the United States Department of Health and Human Services (<https://www.hhs.gov/>) for the latest information on COVID-19 in the United States of America

## Source(s)

- <https://wgno.com/weather/tracking-the-tropics/hanna-smacks-south-texas-flash-flood-warnings-remain-in-effect/>
- <https://www.latinousa.org/2020/07/27/hurricanehanna/>
- <https://www.worldometers.info/coronavirus/country/us/>

## Targets Affected:

United States of America

### Guidance

#### *Actions to consider:*

- It is important for SW Subscribers to determine if procedures for evacuating employees to safe locations are in place, if required
- Determine if all staff and travelers in Texas, US are monitoring local weather, government warnings, and updates
- Firms with operations in the region should review their measures to mitigate the risk posed by such natural calamities
- Determine if current Business Continuity Plans of third parties/captive units account for sudden shortage or unavailability of resources in the event of several team members being unable to commute to the workplace due to adverse weather conditions
- It is advised to determine if alternate power supplies and network connections are available to deal with large-scale power outages and network failures (if any)
- SW Subscribers should ensure appropriate Business Continuity Plans and Programs are activated
- Consider implementing more detailed actions related to 'Increase in Positive Cases/Deaths' under the 'COVID-19: Actions to Consider' section below / next page

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# Impact level Definitions

Impact Level	Definitions
Immediate	<b>Certain</b> - Supply Wisdom recommends considering prompt action. Examples of Immediate level alert events may include bankruptcy filings, data breaches, unexpected curfews, strikes, power black-outs, major geo-political events etc.
High	<b>Highly likely to occur in the near term (within 3 months)</b> - Supply Wisdom recommends being in a state of readiness to take quick action. Examples of High level alert events may include withdrawal of rating by ratings agencies, hostile takeover, multiple cyber-attacks, new business policies causing significant hardship etc.
Medium	<b>Likely to occur in the mid-term (within 3 to 6 months)</b> - Supply Wisdom recommends reviewing current mitigation steps and being ready to take proactive actions if and when situation deteriorates further. Examples of Medium level alert events may include unplanned C-level exits, suppliers caught in bribery cases, economy slipping into recession.
Low	<b>Possible in the long-term (after 6 months)</b> - Supply Wisdom recommends taking proactive action if situation does not resolve. Examples of Low level alert events may include lawsuits filed against suppliers, client losses, air pollution alerts issued by country's local authorities, unexpected holidays announced for the location etc.
Informational	The event is pertinent information but does not have a risk element associated with it. Examples of Info level alert events may include launch of new solutions, partnerships signed, industry outlook, positive changes in government policies, announcements regarding launch of software parks/ free trade zones/special economic zones etc.