



# National Emergency Management Organization

## Preserving Life and Property ”

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ADVISORY NO. 11

FLOOD SITUATION IN BELIZE

MONDAY 16th NOVEMBER 2015 as at 6:00 p.m.

The National Emergency Management Organization (NEMO) hereby informs the general public that as the water recedes slowly in the Cayo District communities along the Mopan and Macal must take the necessary actions to save life and property. People in the following villages must take note of the threat of flood waters heading their way; St. Paul's Bank; Willows Bank; Double Head Cabbage; Bermudian Landing; Isabela Bank; Flowers Bank; May Pen; Scotland half-moon; Burrell Boom; Lord's Bank; and Ladyville. Also of concern are Bomba, Maskall, St. Anns; Santana; Lucky Strike; Rockstone Pond and Boston. Farmers with livestock MUST take the necessary actions before it is too late. The Willows bank livestock facility is available for use.

The ministry of Human Development and the BDF is currently assisting people along the old northern highway. The Coast Guard remains on standby. Members of the BDF boat section will be deployed on Wednesday to assist people in need. A BDF coastal patrol will visit Punta Negra and Monkey River Town in the morning. today in the Toledo District people in shelter in Bladden, Trio and Bella Vista received cooked food. As the water recedes some people are returning home. All Shelterees in Cow Pen returned to their home. Assessment of homes, farms, follow-up relief and medical checks continue through the work of NEMO relief, housing and shelter, medical and other District committees.

Road conditions: The Philip Goldson, George Price and the Southern Highways are open to traffic from border to border. The coastal road is closed to all traffic. In Bomba the road is impassable to small vehicles. Other impassable roads are those leading into Gracie Rock, Spanish lookout via Baking Pot Ferry and Iguana Creek Bridge. The access route through Bullet Tree Falls village via the Bullet Tree Bridge is passable. The Roaring Creek Bridge is still open. ATM and Barton Creek caves are closed. The wooden bridge across the Macal River is closed. People using the Hammock bridge in Calla Creek needs to be careful. The Succothz ferry remain closed. Digging of drains must be done only after consultation with the utility companies. The ministry of works have completed their initial emergency assessments and works will continue in the coming days.

People at risk are being strongly encouraged to protect life, seek shelter with family or friends or go to a community shelter. Get out of areas likely to flood. Do not cross flood waters especially at night. Do not: touch power lines, electrical wires and electrical equipment in areas that are flooded, and turn on lights or appliances until an electrician has checked the circuit. Drivers are reminded to drive with due care and attention. NEMO continues to assist people affected by floods.

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