



# National Emergency Management Organization

*“Preserving Life and Property”*

## ADVISORY NO. 12A

### FLOOD SITUATION IN BELIZE

**TUESDAY 17<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2015 as at 6:00 p.m.**

The National Emergency Management Organization (NEMO) hereby urges people in 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; Ladyville; **Belama Phase 4**, and **Crooked Tree** to maintain a state of heightened alert. People on the edge of the lagoon be informed that the water is rising. One family had to be relocated this evening. Take action and protect life and property. Tomorrow a BDF Boat with NEMO personnel will deploy to the area.

In the Toledo District the shelter in Trio is closed Shelterees remain in the Bladden and Bella Vista shelters. Assessment of homes, and clean up are underway. Farms assessed so far by the Ministry of Agriculture personnel, indicate that cattle farmers will be needing assistance in Bella Vista and the Belize River Valley. Farmers with livestock are being asked to take the necessary precautions.

The Coastal Road is closed to all traffic. In Bomba the road remain impassable to small vehicles. Gracie Rock road remains closed. In Cayo, as the Macal River recedes, the following crossings are still closed to the traffic: the Spanish lookout roads via Baking Pot Ferry and the Iguana Creek Bridge; Succothz ferry and the low-lying wooden bridge that’s across the Macal River. ATM and Barton Creek caves remain closed. The Buena Vista road is closed but the access route through Bullet Tree Falls village via the Bullet Tree Bridge is passable; the Roaring Creek Bridge remains open. La Clarissa falls road is now open to traffic. People using the Hammock bridge in Calla Creek needs to be careful. Digging of drains must be done only after consultation with the utility companies.

People at risk to flooding are being strongly encouraged to protect life, seek shelter with families or friends or go to a community shelter. Get out of areas likely to flood. Do not cross flood waters especially at night. Drivers are reminded to drive with due care and attention.

**NEMO continues to monitor the Belize River Valley and assist flood victims in the affected communities.**

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