



National Emergency Management Organization

“Preserving Life and Property”

FLOOD ADVISORY NO. 1

WEDNESDAY 10TH AUGUST 2022, AS AT 5:00 PM.

FLOODING DUE TO CONSISTENT RAIN

The National Emergency Management Organization (NEMO) hereby informs the general public that due to rainfall occurring over the last couple days flooding is occurring at different levels across the country. A flood warning is in effect for parts of Orange Walk, Belize, Stann Creek and the Toledo Districts.

FLOOD WARNING: Flash flood is occurring in parts of Orange Walk town, Manatee River (soldier creek bridge flooded), and Silk grass (Region 11). Medium flash flood risks exist for the eastern slopes of Maya mountain area which can affect hummingbird community, Mullins River, and Gales Point. Low risk of flooding exists for Rockville, and Mahogany Heights including Freetown Sibun, Hattieville. The villages of Jordan, San Pedro Colombia, Crique Sarco are on flood alert. 24 persons are currently being rescued in the area of Manatee. 1 section of BDF, Coast Guard and 2 BATSUB trucks are being coordinated to link up and conduct the rescue. 30 persons are in shelter in Silk Grass due a flash flood. They are safe and dry.

The public is not advised to travel on secondary roads in the rural areas due to risks of flash flood. If you do not need to travel, **STAY HOME**, as only emergency (lifesaving) travel is recommended if flooding is occurring in your area. Do not drive through flooded waters. Parents are advised to monitor their children and do not let them play or walk in floodwaters. All are advised not to cross flooded rivers and creeks. **SIX INCHES OF FLOOD WATERS CAN SWEEP YOU OFF YOUR FEET** and push a vehicle into flood waters. If where you are is not safe before nightfall it is advised that you move to higher grounds, move away from creeks, streams and riverside.

Motorists are asked to drive with extreme caution when driving on the highways. **DO NOT DRIVE THROUGH FLOOD WATER, IT CAN BE VERY DANGEROUS.**

The NEMO Emergency Hotline is 936. NEMO's Emergency Coordinators contact information (see attached).

NEMO advises the general public to stay tune to their local radio and television stations for updates from NEMO and to take the necessary action to safeguard life and property as the rains are expected to continue.

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NEMO's Emergency Coordinators Contact Information

NAME	Area	CONTACT
Mr. Ronnie Hernandez	DEC-Corozal	422-0262/614-7140
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Mr. Lionel Smith	DEC-Belize Rural	205-9058/614-4735
Mr. Kevin Pollard	DEC-Belize Rural	205-9058/614-3244
Ms. Vanessa Parham	DEC- San Pedro	226-4824(4821)/614-5865
Col. Javier Castellanos	DEC-Belmopan	614-6913
Mr. Javier Habet	DEC-Cayo	824-3201/614-5891
Mr. David Cruz	DEC-Stann Creek	522-0061/614-8514
Mr. Kenton Parham	DEC-Toledo	702-2354/614-2158