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PREPARATIONS FOR HURRICANE BERYL

At approximately 4:30 a.m. this morning, Hurricane Beryl, a category 1 storm, made landfall near Matagorda, Texas, a coastal community roughly 90 miles southwest of Houston. With sustained winds of 80 MPH, Hurricane Beryl has caused severe damage and localized flooding. By 8:00 a.m. on Monday, July 1, 2024, over 1.5 million Texas households were without power. At this point, we have been advised that three people have died. We extend our thoughts and prayers to the families of the deceased and to all Texas communities impacted and dealing with the effects of Hurricane Beryl.

Beginning Monday, July 1, 2024, the Cameron County Judge's Office, County Administration and the Cameron County Judge's Division of Emergency Management began preparation for an anticipated direct hit by Hurricane Beryl. The Cameron County Judge's Division of Emergency Management hosted daily preparedness calls to ensure that every city in Cameron County had the latest hurricane forecast to allow for precise preparation. Our Cameron County Public Works precincts coordinated and held pre-filled sandbag distribution efforts on July 3rd and July 5th and distributed a total of 35,017 pre-filled sandbags to the residents of Cameron County.

"I would like to thank all the residents of Cameron County for taking precaution and preparing for Hurricane Beryl in an orderly manner. I would also like to acknowledge and give thanks to our Cameron County offices and personnel for assisting all cities, communities and residents prepare for what looked like a potential direct hit of Hurricane Beryl. Together, we have demonstrated the strength of community. Let us keep the communities impacted by Hurricane Beryl in our thoughts and prayers," stated Cameron County Judge Eddie Treviño, Jr.

Hurricane season began June 1, 2024, and continues through November 30, 2024. Please stay vigilant and have a plan in place for the next weather event including making every effort to save and reuse sandbags for homes and businesses.

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