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Heavy Rainfall Update and Forecast for Fort Bend County

(FORT BEND, TX) - Fort Bend County experienced heavy rainfall over the past 24 hours, with the most significant precipitation occurring along and just east of the Brazos River watershed. Notably, an area near Mexia recorded rainfall exceeding 10 inches, situated in the upper end of the Navasota River watershed, which eventually drains into the Brazos River.

Previous updates had the Brazos River at Richmond forecasted to steadily rise to approximately 42 feet by the end of the forecast period, Tuesday, May 7th, 2024. Currently, no other watersheds in Fort Bend County are anticipated to experience significant rises.

The EOC is closely monitoring conditions, and based on current assessments, there are no indications of flood conditions. Furthermore, there are no active flood warnings or storm warnings for Fort Bend County at present.

"Despite heavy rainfall in the Brazos River watershed, current conditions in Fort Bend County do not indicate imminent flood risks. Rest assured, we are prepared to respond swiftly if conditions change," stated Judge KP George.

However, in the event that conditions worsen over the weekend, and any indications of a flood warning emerge, the EOC will escalate its activation level to level 3. Currently, the crested river projection for the weekend has stabilized and dropped a point on the gauge.

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