



# COUNTY OF RAINS

**BRENT D. HILLIARD**

COUNTY JUDGE

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## LOCAL STATE OF DISASTER DECLARATION

Rains County, Texas

WHEREAS, severe winter weather conditions, including prolonged freezing temperatures, freezing rain, sleet, snow, and icy road conditions, are imminent and are expected to pose a substantial threat of widespread property damage, disruption of critical infrastructure, injury, and loss of life within Rains County, Texas; and

WHEREAS, such conditions may endanger public health and safety, impair transportation, disrupt utility services, and hinder the ability of local governments to provide essential services; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Division of Emergency Management and the National Weather Service have forecast hazardous winter weather conditions affecting Rains County; and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.108(a) of the Texas Government Code, a County Judge may declare a local state of disaster if a disaster is imminent or has occurred;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRENT HILLIARD, County Judge of Rains County, Texas, do hereby declare a Local State of Disaster for all areas of Rains County due to the imminent threat posed by severe winter weather.

## FURTHER ORDERS

1. This declaration shall take effect immediately and shall continue for a period of not more than seven (7) days from the date of execution unless continued or renewed by action of the Rains County Commissioners Court, in accordance with Section 418.108(b) of the Texas Government Code.
2. This declaration shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the Rains County Clerk, as required by Section 418.108(c) of the Texas Government Code.

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3. This declaration activates the Rains County Emergency Management Plan, and authorizes the implementation of all applicable emergency response and recovery measures in accordance with Section 418.108(d) of the Texas Government Code.

4. The use of all available and necessary resources of Rains County is hereby authorized to respond to this disaster and to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public.

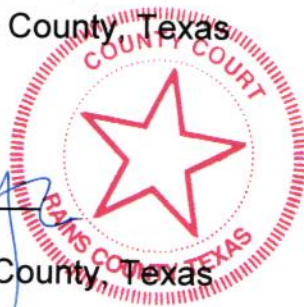
5. To the extent permitted by law, any county orders, rules, or procedures that would prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with this disaster are hereby suspended for the duration of this declared disaster.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of Rains County to be affixed at my office in the City of Emory, Texas, this 23rd day of January, 2026 at 9:50am.

  
BRENT D. HILLIARD  
County Judge, Rains County, Texas

ATTEST:

  
MANDY SAWYER  
County Clerk, Rains County, Texas

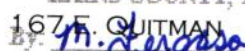


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