



McMULLEN COUNTY

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COUNTY JUDGE

Date: July 16, 2026

The Honorable Greg Abbott
Governor of Texas
c/o State Coordinator TDEM
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Dear Governor Abbott,

On behalf of McMullen County, I respectfully request that you issue a disaster declaration for McMullen County due to the imminent flood threat posed by significant flooding occurring upstream along the Frio and Nueces Rivers.

Exceptional rainfall across the upper watersheds has produced major flooding upstream, with elevated river flows progressing toward McMullen County. Forecasts indicate the potential for prolonged high-water levels, inundation of low-lying areas, road closures, damage to public infrastructure, and impacts to residences, agricultural operations, and critical public facilities. Given the county's location downstream, McMullen County remains at substantial risk as floodwaters continue to move through the river basins.

A disaster declaration would provide critical support to enhance preparedness, pre-position emergency resources, protect life and property, and expedite response and recovery efforts should significant flooding occur. Early state assistance will strengthen the county's ability to mitigate the anticipated impacts and safeguard residents, businesses, and essential infrastructure.

Thank you for your prompt consideration of this request and for your continued commitment to protecting the citizens and communities of Texas.

Respectfully,

James E. Teal