

# **Hays County Precinct 2 E-News: December 2013 Edition**



I just wanted to take a moment and update the residents of Hays County on projects that are have been completed, ones that are in construction, and those that are in the planning stage.

## **\*Hays County Halloween 2013 Flood Information\***

The organizations listed below attended the November 5, 2013, disaster resource event at Barton Middle School and have offered their services to Hays County flood victims. If you were unable to attend that event, please contact any agency that you feel can assist you in recovering from the flood based on your individual needs.

**American Red Cross:** Contact Terry Faglie, 1-800-928-4271,  
[terry.faglie@americanredcross.org](mailto:terry.faglie@americanredcross.org)

Provides emergency assistance, disaster relief and education to affected victims.

**Barnabas Connection:** Contact Harold Tannahill, 512-847-1664,  
[barnabasconnection@gmail.com](mailto:barnabasconnection@gmail.com)

A Wimberley United Methodist Church outreach organization that offers referrals to resources that can assist with a variety of issues.

**Hays County Food Bank:** Contact Jim Wagner, 512-392-8300x222,  
[jwagner@haysfoodbank.org](mailto:jwagner@haysfoodbank.org). Provides food to residents in need in the greater Hays County area.

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**WIC (Women, Infants & Children):** Contact Amanda Yazbek, 512-268-0003, email [ayazbek@sanmarcostx.gov](mailto:ayazbek@sanmarcostx.gov) (countywide service).

Provides supplemental nutritious foods, education, counseling, screening and referrals to other health welfare and social services. Primarily targeting Women, Infants and Children.

**Salvation Army:** Contact Kathy McNeil, 512-754-8541, [Katheryn\\_mcniel@uss.salvationarmy.org](mailto:Katheryn_mcniel@uss.salvationarmy.org). Provides meals, temporary lodging and disaster relief to victims.

**Texas A&M AgriLife Extension:** Contact Richard Parrish, 512-393-2120, [re-parrish@tamu.edu](mailto:re-parrish@tamu.edu). Provides education and information for Disaster Preparation/Recovery of crops, livestock and structures.

**United Methodist Church Disaster Services:** Contact Eugene Hileman, 210-557-8698, email [aehileman@umcswtx.org](mailto:aehileman@umcswtx.org). Provides disaster relief to affected victims, including response specialist and relief materials.

**Wimberley Intercommunity Network:** Contact Cookie Hagemeyer, [cookiemon1@vownet.net](mailto:cookiemon1@vownet.net). Provides assistance and connections to local organizations for services that citizens may require.

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## **SBA Offers Disaster Assistance to Texas Residents and Businesses Affected by the Severe Flooding**

**SACRAMENTO, Calif.** – Low-interest federal disaster loans are available to Texas residents and business owners affected by the severe storms and flooding that occurred from October 30 - 31, 2013, U. S. Small Business Administration (SBA) Acting Administrator Jeanne Hult announced today. SBA acted under its own authority to declare a disaster in response to a request SBA received from Gov. Rick Perry on November 20, 2013.

The disaster declaration makes SBA assistance available in the primary Texas counties of Caldwell, Hays and Travis and the neighboring counties of Bastrop, Blanco, Burnet, Comal, Fayette, Gonzales, Guadalupe and Williamson.

“The U. S. Small Business Administration is strongly committed to providing Texas with the most effective and customer-focused response possible, and we will be there to provide access to federal disaster loans to help finance recovery for residents and businesses affected by the disaster,” said Hult. “Getting our businesses and communities up and running after a disaster is our highest priority at SBA.”

“Low-interest federal disaster loans are available to homeowners, renters, businesses of all sizes and private, nonprofit organizations whose property was damaged or destroyed by this disaster,” said SBA’s San Antonio District Director Pamela Sapia. “Beginning Monday, November 25, SBA representatives will be on hand at the following Disaster Loan Outreach Centers to answer questions about SBA’s disaster loan program, explain the application process and help each individual complete their application,” Sapia continued. The centers will be open on the days and times indicated until further notice. No appointment is necessary.

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## CALDWELL COUNTY

Disaster Loan Outreach Center  
Caldwell County Scott Annex  
Caldwell County Office of  
Emergency Services  
1403 Blackjack Street, Suite E  
Lockhart, TX 78644

## HAYS COUNTY

Disaster Loan Outreach Center  
Hays County Precinct 2 Office  
5458 FM 2770  
Kyle, TX 78640  
(corner of Crystal Meadow Drive  
across from Barton Middle School)

## TRAVIS COUNTY

Disaster Loan Outreach Center  
Dove Springs Recreation Center  
5801 Ainez Drive  
Austin, TX 78744

*Opens Thursday, December 5 at 9 am*

*Opens Tuesday, December 3 at 9 am*

*Opens Monday, Nov. 25*

Thursdays & Fridays, 9 am – 6 pm

Mondays - Wednesdays, 9 am – 6 pm

Mon. Nov. 25, 12 pm – 6 pm

Tues. Nov. 26, 9 am – 6 pm

Wed., Nov. 27, 9 am – 12 pm

*(closed Thanksgiving weekend)*

*Closes Thurs., Dec. 12*

*Closes Wed., Dec. 11*

*Re-opens Tuesday, Dec. 3 at 9 am*

Mondays – Fridays, 9 am – 6 pm

*until further notice*

Disaster loans up to \$200,000 are available to homeowners to repair or replace damaged or destroyed real estate. Homeowners and renters are eligible for up to \$40,000 to repair or replace damaged or destroyed personal property.

Businesses of any size and private, nonprofit organizations may borrow up to \$2 million to repair or replace damaged or destroyed real estate, machinery and equipment, inventory, and other business assets. SBA can also lend additional funds to homeowners and businesses to help with the cost of making improvements that protect, prevent or minimize the same type of disaster damage from occurring in the future.

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For small businesses, small agricultural cooperatives, small businesses engaged in aquaculture, and most private, nonprofit organizations of any size, SBA offers Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDLs) to help meet working capital needs caused by the disaster. EIDL assistance is available regardless of whether the business suffered any property damage.

Interest rates can be as low as 2.25 percent for homeowners and renters, 2.625 percent for private, nonprofit organizations and 4 percent for businesses, with terms up to 30 years. Loan amounts and terms are set by SBA and are based on each applicant's financial condition.

Applicants may apply online using the Electronic Loan Application (ELA) via SBA's secure Web site at <https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela>.

Disaster loan information and application forms are also available from SBA's Customer Service Center by calling (800) 659-2955 or e-mailing [disastercustomerservice@sba.gov](mailto:disastercustomerservice@sba.gov).

Individuals who are deaf or hard-of-hearing may call (800) 877-8339. For more information about SBA's disaster assistance programs, visit <http://www.sba.gov/disaster>.

The filing deadline to return applications for property damage is **January 21, 2014**. The deadline to return economic injury applications is **August 22, 2014**.

SBA Field Operations Center - West, P.O. Box 419004, Sacramento, CA 95841

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## **\*Pass-Through Finance Projects Construction Updates\***

- **FM 1626 North Project**
- **Activities for 12/09/2013 to 12/20/2013**
  - RM 967 to Jerry's Lane will have construction activity related to topsoil and seeding.
  - These activities will cause minimal traffic impact.
  - Jerry's Lane to McKinnon Loop will have construction activity related to topsoil and seeding.
  - This will have minimal impact to traffic
  - McKinnon Loop to the Travis County Line will have construction activity at the bridge related repair of abutment #1 and installation of rebar. The bridge deck pour is pending weather. Roadway work will include the continued **closure of north McKinnon Loop**, select fill, earthwork, and base for roadway left.
  - The closure of McKinnon Loop will have moderate impacts to traffic while all other impact will be minimal.
  - No driveways will be impacted.

## **\*Priority Road Bond Projects Construction Updates**

- **Lakewood Dr.**
  - Project complete and will open near the completion of the FM 1626 North project.

## **\*TXDOT Partnership Projects\***

- **Buda Truck Bypass**
  - The design process has begun.
- **FM 2001 Realignment**
  - The design process in under way

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- FM 150 from I-35 to Arroyo Ranch Road
- A design engineer has been chosen for this project.

## **\*Precinct 2 Completed Projects\***

- Comprehensive Transportation Plan for Hays County through excellent input from the public
- Dacy Lane Phase I Reconstruction
- Dacy Lane and Bebee Rd. intersection changed from a two-way to four-way stop
- Intersection improvements complete at SH 21 and High Road
- Intersection improvements complete at SH 21 and FM 2001
- HERO Program with CTRMA (512)-974-HERO(4376)
- The HERO Program provides assistance to stranded motorists, provides for the removal of debris, expedites the clearance of vehicular crashes, and removes disabled vehicles on I-35.
- I-35 Frontage Rds. Changed from two-way to one-way from FM 1626/Kyle Parkway to FM 150/Center St.
- Kai Vista Reconstruction
- Kohler's Crossing at Dryhole Road changed from a two-way to four-way stop
- Leisure Woods Subdivision Phase I Drainage Project
- Precinct 2 Office Construction
- Reconstruction of Rhode and Graef Rds.
- RM 150 Realignment behind the Dairy Queen in Kyle
- Stop signs and speed tables added in Cimmaron Park
- Construction of Turnersville Rd. to U.S. Foods

## **\*SH 45 SW Project\***

- A CAMPO Task force has been put in place to determine how the road will be built not whether to build it.

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- The committee is moving forward and working hard compiling ideas to get the road designed and built in a timely manner.
- Public Meeting December 10<sup>th</sup>, Bowie High School, 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

## **\*Proposition 12 Projects\***

- **Proposition 12 projects to improve conditions on I-35, in Precinct 2**
  - Preconstruction meeting was held in December 2013.
  - Construction expected to begin 01/06/2014

## **\*TXDOT Projects\***

- TXDOT is discussing a continuous turn lane of FM 2770 in front of the softball/soccer fields.
- TXDOT is looking to increase the speed limit along FM 2770 to 55 mph from Buda to Hays High School.
- **Turn lanes and shoulders on FM 967 from Onion Creek to FM 1626**
- This project is currently in design

## **\*Hays County Transportation Department Projects\***

- **Reconstruction of Satterwhite Rd.**

## **\* Projects in the Works\***

- **Dacy Lane Phase II from Bebee Road to Windy Hill**
- Commissioners' Jones and Ingalsbe preparing to approve the contract for engineering services in the near future.
- **Hillside Terrace Septic Project**



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- Recently, Hays County and the City of Buda submitted an application for financial assistance with this project in Hillside Terrace Subdivision in Buda.
  
- Hudson Ranch Project
- Dahlstrom Ranch Project
  
- Leisure Woods Drainage Project Phase II
  
- Hays County forces will be working on these improvements.
  
- Onion Creek Flood Study
  
- This flood study is currently underway. Maps have been made available to my office. If you would like an electronic copy you may contact Jennifer Scott at 512-262-2091 or via email at [Jennifer.scott@co.hays.tx.us](mailto:Jennifer.scott@co.hays.tx.us).
  
- Turnersville Rd. Phase II
  
- I am working with Travis County Commissioner Gomez to get the road extended.
  
- Realignment of Old Black Colony Rd.

Please pass this information on to your friends and neighbors. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve as your Hays County Precinct 2 Commissioner. If you have any questions please contact my office at 512-262-2091.

Thank you,  
Mark Jones  
Commissioner  
Precinct 2