

Hurricane Beryl Update  
July 5, 2024 5:30pm

Status and Expected Conditions:

- As of 5pm, Matagorda County is under a hurricane watch up to the Sargent Coast. Additional watches may be issued.
- The track forecast has continued to shift northward and now shows a 70% of hitting Matagorda Bay.
- Coastal areas should expect a 3-5' storm surge and hurricane force winds.
- Inland areas could experience 5-10" and up to 15" of rain leading to localized flooding.

Preparations:

- The city is actively monitoring and preparing for the storm.
- Public Works is making efforts to clear ditches and properties, and to also mitigate flooding.
- Sand bags can be picked up from the Coun

What can you do?

- Start preparing your property for the rain and winds. Secure loose items.
- Check your emergency supplies, including flashlights, batteries, food, water, and necessary emergency supplies.
- Power outages are possible. Prepare to have backup sources of power and light. Remember to not use generators indoors.
- Make a plan for evacuation if it becomes necessary.

Stay Informed:

- Facebook: Follow the Matagorda County Emergency Operation Center and City of Bay City Facebook accounts for updates.
- Website: The City of Bay City website contains a stream of the city's Facebook updates. [www.cityofbaycity.org](http://www.cityofbaycity.org)
- HyperReach: Sign up for HyperReach for emergency notifications. Link is available on the city website.
- In case of emergencies, call 9-1-1.