Discharge Monitoring Reports and Hurricane Harvey Impacts

If your facility experienced any deviations from permit condition required sampling, reporting, or effluent limits due to Hurricane Harvey impacts and the subsequent flooding, please include a comment on your Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) describing the event. Please continue to submit DMRs through the TCEQ's electronic reporting portals (NetDMR, STEERS) or by mail, providing as much information as possible.

Texas law provides for a defense against an enforcement action where the regulated entity can establish that the violation was caused solely by an act of God, war, strike, riot, or other catastrophe (TEX.WATER CODE § 7.251). Regulated entities should keep records of all activities that they believe are covered by this defense.

For additional questions related to DMRs submitted through NetDMR, please contact the NetDMR helpline at 512-239-3367 or email <u>NetDMR@tceq.texas.gov</u>.

For additional information on regulatory considerations related to impacts, please see the TCEQ's <u>hurricane page</u>.

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