



**ARE YOU
PREPARED**

FOR

**FLOOD
SEASON?**

Script 1: BEFORE the Flood – “Are You Ready for Flood Season?”

For use ahead of major rainstorms or during Texas Flood Awareness Week

Hey there, Central Texas! This is [Station Name], checking in with something important for everyone living near the Leon River and Cowhouse Creek—places like Gatesville, Copperas Cove, and our neighbors at Fort Cavazos.

Spring storms are rolling in, and with them comes the very real risk of flooding. Now, you can't stop a flood—but you *can* be ready for one. That's why folks from Texas A&M AgriLife and the American Conservation Foundation are teaming up with local leaders to get ahead of the game.

So, what can you do? First, know if your home, land, or travel route is in a flood zone. It only takes a few minutes to check, and it could save your life. Next, make sure you're signed up for an emergency alert—text, phone, email—whatever works best for you.

And don't forget the basics: keep an emergency kit with food, water, and flashlights ready to go. If you're out on the road and see water covering it, **turn around, don't drown**[®]. Even just six inches of fast-moving water can sweep your vehicle away.

This community is no stranger to tough weather—but we're stronger when we're prepared together. Visit [website or link] for more info on local flood monitoring and how to stay safe.

We'll keep bringing you timely updates right here on [Station Name]. In the meantime, keep your phone charged, listen to local officials, and check on your neighbors if you can do so safely.

Together, we'll get through this.



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ROADS,

STAY SAFE

Script 2: DURING the Flood – “Stay Off the Roads, Stay Safe”

For use during an active flood warning or ongoing storm

This is [Station Name] with an important emergency update for residents across Coryell, Bell, Hamilton, and surrounding counties.

A flash flood warning is now in effect. That means rising water is already causing dangerous conditions, especially near low-water crossings in areas like Fort Cavazos, Gatesville, and Copperas Cove.

We know it’s tempting to get where you’re going, but please—**do not try to drive through flooded roads**. It might not look deep, but water can rise fast and sweep cars off the road before you even realize what’s happening.

Local teams are monitoring real-time flood gauges, part of a new safety network designed to help keep us all informed. But they need your help too. If you’ve been told to evacuate—**don’t wait. Go**. If you’re safe at home, stay there and avoid unnecessary travel.



**NEXT
STEPS
FOR
RECOVERY**

Script 3: AFTER the Flood – “Next Steps for Recovery”

For use in the days following a flood event

You’re listening to [Station Name], and we want to start by saying—we see you. If you were affected by the recent floods here in the Leon River and Cowhouse Creek areas, our hearts go out to you.

As the water begins to recede across Coryell, Bell, and surrounding counties, it’s time to shift into recovery mode. But let’s be careful about how we do that.

Roads might look clear, but they can be unstable or washed-out underneath. If you’re cleaning up your property, be on the lookout for hidden dangers in standing water—sharp debris, chemicals, even bacteria. Safety first.

If your home or land was damaged, report it to your county’s emergency management office. This info helps local officials prioritize cleanup and future mitigation efforts.

For help with cleanup, supplies, or shelter, just dial [local help/emergency number] or visit [resource hub link]. We’ll keep sharing recovery info here on [Station Name], because rebuilding happens one step at a time, and we’re in this together.