Texas is a land of perennial drought, broken by the occasional devastating flood.

*State Meteorologist, National Weather Service, 1927*
“Flash Flood Alley”
Flooding Events in The City of Austin
The Halloween Flood
10/31/2013

Credit: Reagan Hackleman
Halloween 2015
About ATXfloods

- Partnership with Code for America
- Notifies public of low water crossing closures
- Desktop and mobile browsers
Current flood information and emergency road closures in Austin and partner communities in Central Texas.

Sunny in Central Texas on Friday. Slight chance of rain on Saturday.

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ATXfloods Closures

Save yourself! Turn Around, Don't Drown! If there's water over the road, go back and find another route.

It is illegal to drive around barricades at a flooded low water crossing.

28 crossings currently closed (of 1453)
Click a crossing below to zoom in to it.

- County Line Rd @ South of 290E
  Travis County, TX
- Gregg Ln @ Wilbarger Creek
  Travis County, TX
- Colton Rd @ Cottonmouth Creek
  Travis County, TX

Low Water Crossing Status

- open
- closed
FloodPro
www.atxfloodpro.com
Regional Notification System Registration

CAPCOG's Regional Notification System (RNS) uses a "reverse dialing" method to notify residents in the 10-county region of critical emergency information in situations where property or human life are in danger. It also can be used to notify residents of other events that affect them.

The system has the ability to notify land-line and cell phone users if there is an emergency near their home, business or other locations. Notifications from CAPCOG's RNS only work in Bastrop, Blanco, Burnet, Caldwell, Fayette, Hays, Lee, Llano, Travis and Williamson counties.

RNS provides enhanced notification capabilities to cell and land-line phones. The system can send automated messages for certain types of weather events such as severe thunderstorms, tornadoes, and flash floods. Cell and land-line phones can receive warnings by checking the appropriate box on the registration form.

Register New or Update Existing Contact Information

Forgot your Password

People can register their cell number to one or more locations within the 10-county CAPCOG region, including their homes, businesses or the homes of relatives. To register multiple locations, create a separate record for each address using the same cell numbers.

If a participating local government activates the system for an area that contains a location registered to a particular cell number, the system will attempt to send the emergency message to that cell phone.

Regional notification messages are initiated by local public safety agencies as one of several methods of communicating vital information to their residents.
Flooding Notifications: Roads and Creeks

Austin’s in the heart of Flash Flood Alley and subject to flooding even in a drought.

You are the one best able to protect yourself, your family and your neighbors from flooding. ATXFloods Alerts will help you know when to keep an eye on changing conditions, so you can take action to protect yourself.

Roads: Subscribers to ATXFloods Alerts will be notified of Austin’s first road closure during a storm by text and/or email. Additional updates on road closures will be posted in real-time at www.ATXFloods.com.

Creeks: To help you be aware when a creek is rapidly rising near you, subscribers will be notified once by text, email and/or phone. This notification means you should begin monitoring weather and creek conditions through NOAA weather radio, television and radio reports, etc.

* Required Field

1. Enter your contact information

   *First Name: ____________________________
   *Last Name: ____________________________
   *Address Line 1: ____________________________
   Address Line 2: ____________________________
   *City: ____________________________
   *State: TX - Texas
   *Zip Code: ____________________________

2. *How do you want to receive alerts?

   [ ] Email
   [ ] Text
   [ ] Call

atxfloods.com/alerts
Objectives

- Learn about the types of flooding in the Austin area and how they can be mitigated.
- Learn why Austin and Central Texas is susceptible to dangerous flash flooding.
- Learn the meaning of basic hydrologic terms like "impervious cover," "watershed," and "100-year flood" so you can understand and participate in discussions about flooding.