

FEMA: Week in Review



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Announcements

2012 Hurricane Preparedness Roundup

With the official start of hurricane season just around the corner, the Gulf region will see a number of preparedness activities in the coming months. Here are some of the events occurring in May and June.

Governor's Hurricane Conference From May 13 through May 26, emergency managers from around the area are participating in the 26th Annual Governor's Hurricane Conference in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Hurricane Preparedness Week The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's National Hurricane Center will hold their Hurricane Preparedness Week from May 27 through June 2.

SBA Hurricane Forecast and Preparedness Webinar The Small Business Administration and Agility Recovery will host a hurricane preparedness webinar on May 29 from 1:00 to 2:00 pm (CDT). During the webinar, Dr. Gerry Bell of the NOAA Climate Prediction Center will share with participants the official NOAA Forecast for the 2012 Atlantic Hurricane Season.

Gulf States Hurricane Conference Mississippi will host this year's Gulf States Hurricane Conference from June 6 through June 8 in Biloxi, Miss. The educational conference will feature state and nationally-recognized speakers on the impacts of tropical weather disasters.

Preparedness - Are Your Kids Ready?

Help your family get prepared for the unexpected. Visit www.ready.gov/kids and use this website to create a plan that will help you be ready for many different kinds of unexpected situations. Teach your children how and when to call 9-1-1 or your local emergency medical services number for help. No matter what type of emergency, we must have the tools and plans in place when disaster strikes.



FEMA urges all Americans to: build a kit of emergency supplies; make a plan for what you will do in an emergency; and be informed about what might happen.

Click this box for tips and tools for kids to take an active role in getting prepared. These fun and engaging activities from Ready Kids can help!

After your family makes a plan, take the Readiness quiz and print your certificates from [Readiness U!](http://ReadinessU)

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Katrina Changed Everything: New Software for Flooding Protection



Homeland Security's Science & Technology Directorate and Dams Sector partners team up to develop new software systems for fast simulation of catastrophic flooding. Powerful software tools have been combined into a seamless Web application, combining speed with sophisticated technology to visualize a flood, address consequences, and properly train emergency responders. Read more at: <http://www.dhs.gov/files/programs/st-snapshots-katrina-changed-everything.shtm>

www.Ready.gov

Calendar

May 20-25: Association of State Floodplain Managers 2012 National Conference; San Antonio, Texas

May 26-27: Sales tax holiday for hurricane preparedness items

May 27 - Jun. 2: Hurricane Preparedness Week 2012

May 28: National Memorial Day Observance

Jun. 1: Official Start of 2012 Hurricane Season

Jun. 6-8: Gulf States Hurricane Conference; Biloxi, Mississippi

Housing Update

Gustav/Ike: 1 unit

