

## Storm Data and Unusual Weather Phenomena - February 2008

Location	Date/Time	Deaths & Injuries	Property & Crop Dmg	Event Type and Details
<b>TEXAS, Mid - South</b>				
<b>(TX-Z241) JIM WELLS</b>				
	02/01/08 00:00 CST	0		Wildfire
	02/01/08 03:00 CST	0		
<p>The Salado Creek Fire began on January 31st and continued into the morning hours of February 1st. The fire burned 250 acres in rural south-central Jim Wells County. (N 27 28.167, W 98 06.138) Several oil and gas pumps were threatened and saved. The Texas Forest Service and Premont Fire Department responded.</p>				
<b>(TX-Z229) LA SALLE</b>				
	02/01/08 00:00 CST	0		Wildfire
	02/02/08 18:00 CST	0		
<p>The Cotulla Fire burned over 19,000 acres near and in the town of Cotulla. (N 28 31.215 W 099 18.708) The wildfire began on January 31st and was finally contained on the evening of February 2nd. 7 homes were destroyed, almost 30 damaged and nearly 70 threatened. The fire crossed Interstate 35 from the Northwest to the Southeast of Cotulla. An additional fire was situated Southeast of Cotulla on Martinez St and Dobie Rd, and threatened propane storage tanks plus numerous surrounding dwellings Numerous local, state and federal resources responded.</p>				
<b>(TX-Z229) LA SALLE</b>				
	02/04/08 15:00 CST	0		Wildfire
	02/04/08 23:30 CST	0		
<p>The Corazon #37 Fire burned 1000 acres in rural La Salle County off of Farm to Market 624. (N 28 18.445 W 098 51.583) The fire was a continuation of the fire on February 3rd named the Herradura Fire on the Herradura Ranch. Three homes and numerous outbuildings were theatedned and saved. Several local fire departments responded, as well as the Texas Forest Service.</p>				
<b>(TX-Z245) ARANSAS</b>				
	02/06/08 01:00 CST	0		Wildfire
	02/06/08 06:00 CST	0		
<p>The Tatton Aide Fire was a large grass fire North of Holiday Beach off Highway 35 near Cavasso Creek in Aransas County. The exact acreage was unknown at the time of this writing. Due to the rural area no structures were threatened and the fire was allowed to burn.</p>				
<b>(TX-Z242) KLEBERG, (TX-Z243) NUECES</b>				
	02/06/08 15:00 CST	0		Wildfire
	02/07/08 18:00 CST	0		
<p>The 3000 acre King-Ranch/Laureles fire began as a prescribed burn on the King Ranch before control was lost as winds shifted. The fire began near Farm to Market 70, five miles east of Highway 285 (N 27 35.274 W 97 21.930) and burned into Nueces county 5 miles south of Corpus Christi. Two homes were threatened and saved. Extensive media coverage occurred due the proximity to Corpus Christi and smoke from the wildfire affecting the south side of the city of Corpus Christi. Two Texas Military Forces UH-60 Helicopters, two Texas Forest Service Air Attack Teams, and two TFS dozer strike teams, along with local fire departments, responded to the fire.</p>				
<b>(TX-Z243) NUECES</b>				
	02/26/08 11:00 CST	0		Wildfire
	02/26/08 15:00 CST	0		
<p>The FM 1694 Fire, located near the City of Robstown at the intersection of State Highway 44 and Farm to Market Road 1694 (N 27 46.937 W 97 37.772), burned 100 acres. Three mobile homes and one junk yard were destroyed. One home and six outbuildings were threatened and saved. Several local fire departments and the Texas Forest Service responded.</p>				
<b>LIVE OAK COUNTY --- 1.3 NE SWINNEY [28.25, -97.92]</b>				
	02/16/08 19:10 CST	0		Hail (0.88 in)
	02/16/08 19:10 CST	0		Source: Public
<b>DUVAL COUNTY --- SAN DIEGO [27.77, -98.25]</b>				
	02/16/08 19:30 CST	0		Hail (1.50 in)
	02/16/08 19:30 CST	0		Source: Trained Spotter

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Lots of pea size hail fell, in addition to a few large hail stones.

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**NUECES COUNTY --- ROBSTOWN [27.78, -97.67]**

02/16/08 20:56 CST	0	Hail (0.88 in)
02/16/08 20:56 CST	0	Source: Trained Spotter

**Elevated severe thunderstorms developed behind a cold front across South Texas.**

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**(TX-Z229) LA SALLE, (TX-Z230) MCMULLEN, (TX-Z231) LIVE OAK, (TX-Z232) BEE, (TX-Z233) GOLIAD, (TX-Z239) WEBB, (TX-Z240) DUVAL, (TX-Z241) JIM WELLS, (TX-Z242) KLEBERG, (TX-Z243) NUECES, (TX-Z244) SAN PATRICIO, (TX-Z245) ARANSAS, (TX-Z246) REFUGIO**

02/01/08 00:00 CST	0	Drought
02/29/08 23:59 CST	0	

Lack of significant rainfall resulted in an expansion of drought conditions across South Texas. In February only a trace of rainfall fell at Laredo, 0.04" at Cotulla, 0.16" at Corpus Christi and 0.24" at Alice. By the end of February severe drought conditions had developed across Webb, La Salle and portions of Duval and McMullen counties. (per the U.S. Drought Monitor: <http://www.drought.unl.edu/dm/monitor.html>) Moderate drought conditions existed across Live Oak, Jim Wells, Bee, Goliad, Refugio, Aransas, San Patricio, Nueces and Kleberg counties.

The primary impact of the drought through February continued to be a wildfire threat as well as agricultural impacts.

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### TEXAS, Mid - South

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	03/31/08 23:59 CST		0	

Beneficial rainfall finally fell across central and eastern portions of South Texas during the middle part of March, with a lack of significant rainfall occurring across the Rio Grande Plains through the month. In March only 0.14" of rain fell at Laredo, 0.27" at Alice and 0.64" at Cotulla, while 1.58" of rain fell at Corpus Christi. By the end of March extreme drought conditions had developed across western portions of La Salle and Webb counties. (per the U.S. Drought Monitor: <http://www.drought.unl.edu/dm/monitor.html>) Severe drought conditions existed across Live Oak, McMullen, Duval, and eastern portions of La Salle and Webb counties. Moderate drought conditions existed across northwest Bee, southeast Live Oak, Jim Wells, and western Kleberg counties. Conditions across central Bee, western San Patricio, western Nueces and central Kleberg counties improved to abnormally dry by the end of March. By the middle of March, rainfall had alleviated abnormally dry and moderate drought conditions in Goliad, Refugio and Aransas counties.

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