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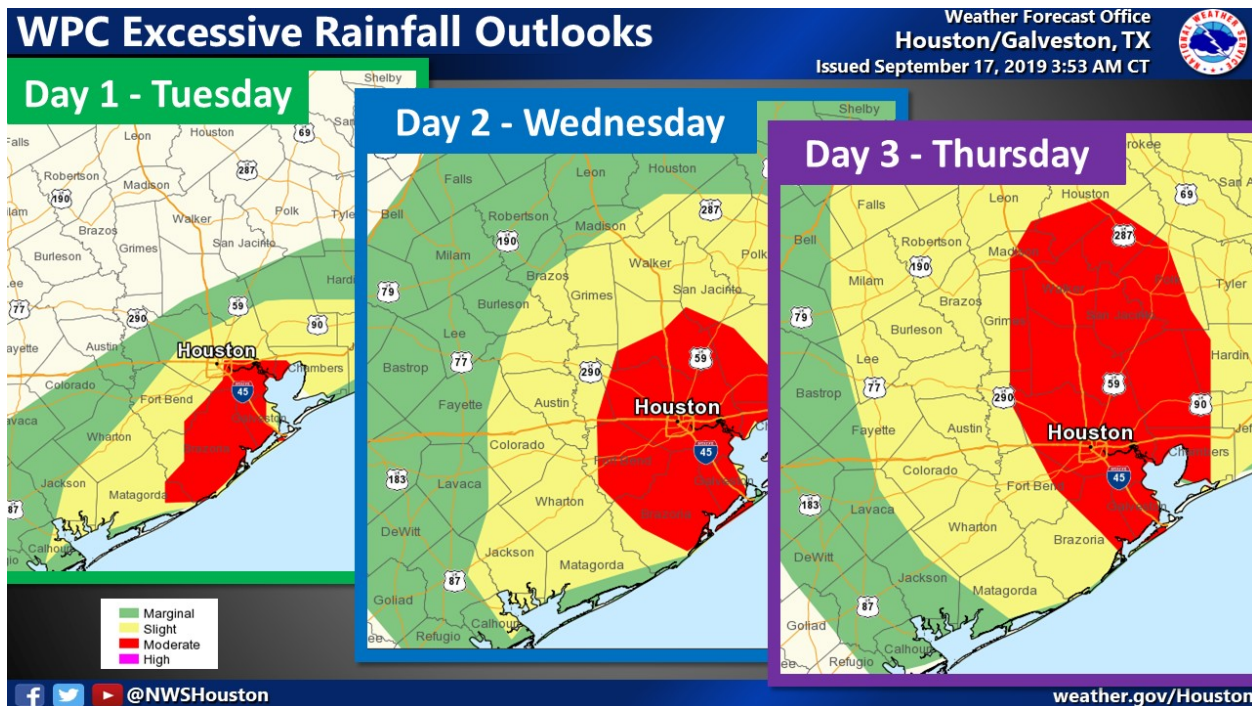
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Update on Heavy Rainfall Threat to Montgomery County

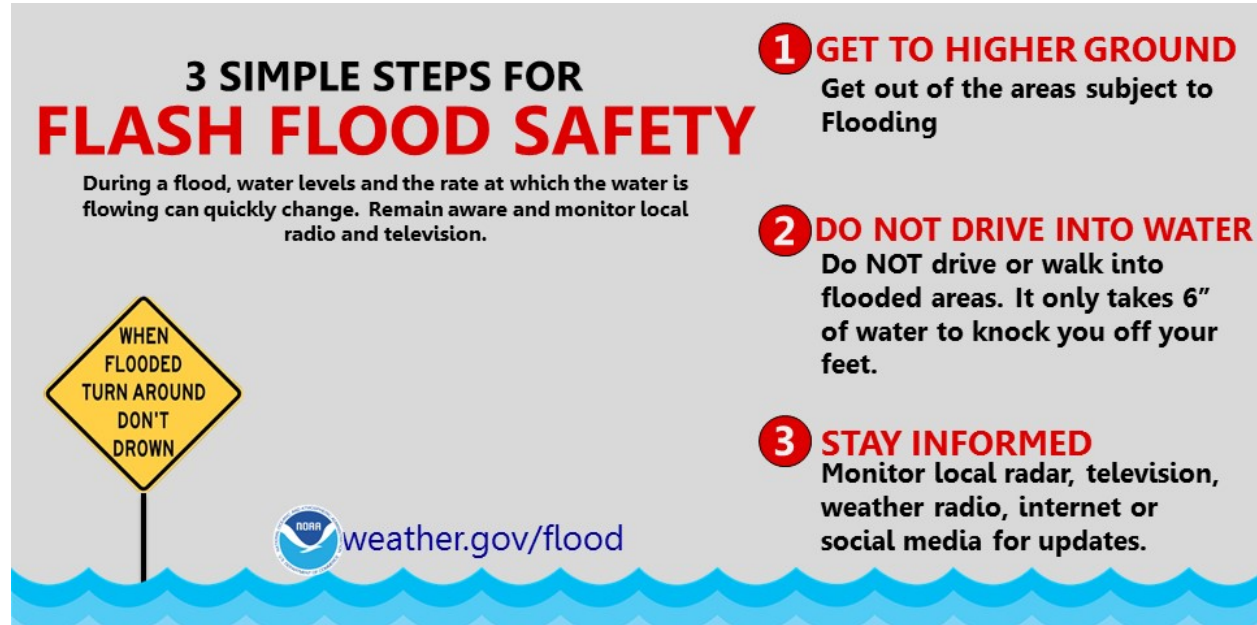
Status Update from the Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management

Showers and thunderstorms will gradually move inland today and areas near the coast could receive periods of heavy rain. A Flash Flood Watch is in effect starting at 1 PM this afternoon for areas along and south of a Wharton to Houston to Cleveland line.

Montgomery County will begin to see heavy rain on Wednesday that will carry into Thursday. As tropical moisture is pulled into our area, the county could see anywhere from 4-6 inches of rain over the next few days.



Due to current dry conditions, river flooding is a minimal risk at this time. Heavy downpours and high rain rates could lead to street and small stream flooding. It is important to remember these 3 simple steps for Flash Flood Safety:



**3 SIMPLE STEPS FOR
FLASH FLOOD SAFETY**


During a flood, water levels and the rate at which the water is flowing can quickly change. Remain aware and monitor local radio and television.

1 GET TO HIGHER GROUND
Get out of the areas subject to Flooding

2 DO NOT DRIVE INTO WATER
Do NOT drive or walk into flooded areas. It only takes 6" of water to knock you off your feet.

3 STAY INFORMED
Monitor local radar, television, weather radio, internet or social media for updates.

WHEN FLOODED
TURN AROUND
DON'T DROWN

 weather.gov/flood

The Montgomery County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management will continue to monitor the upcoming weather conditions, and provide updates as conditions change.

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