

Dr. Burgess Weekly Video Address June 19, 2015

“Tropical Depression Bill and recent storms”

Hello, this is your Congressman, Michael Burgess. Over the past days, Hurricane Bill made landfall on the Texas coast. When it hit our District, it had downgraded to Tropical Depression. Yet still, it has created flash floods across the area – reminiscent of recent severe weather.

Over the past month, as many as thirty people have died due to low water crossings and flash floods. As our district falls under yet another group of flash flood warnings, we must be reminded to be respectful of nature’s power. Please, if you come to a dangerous low water crossing, turn around.

I want to recognize the emergency professionals and weather experts providing the region with up-to-date information.

In particular, I’d like to pay special thanks to the members of the Fort Worth Army Corp of Engineers. They are tasked with monitoring and controlling the levels of lakes Grapevine, Ray Roberts, Lewisville, and all man-made water systems created to mitigate the impact of ground saturation and flooding in the area.

Before, during, and after the storms in May – and through yesterday’s weather – they have been nothing less than top-notch in their roles of protectors and informers. They have been in constant contact with state and local officials. And, they have readily provided safety information to the public through the media and their website.

They deserve our deepest thanks and appreciation for their dedication.

And though I am thankful that this weekend’s storms have not caused the same level of distress as May’s, it is still of utmost importance for you and your family to be prepared for the worst.

If you are in need of assistance, please find resources for severe weather assistance on my facebook page – at “Michael C Burgess,” Or, Call my district office at (940) 497-5031

As always, I welcome your questions and comments on this issue. Thank you for taking the time to listen. May God bless you and your family, and as always, may God bless Texas.