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## Hurricane Hanna Impact to the Port Preparing for Post-Storm Recovery

**Corpus Christi, TX, USA** – The Port of Corpus Christi remains in **Port Condition One** and is implementing initial Post Storm Recovery actions in accordance with its 2020 Hurricane Readiness Plan. Port personnel are continuing to assess the impacts of Hurricane Hanna with initial assessments indicating light damage and debris. Reopening the Corpus Christi Ship Channel to restore commerce—which was closed July 24 at 10:00AM by the United States Coast Guard (USCG) Captain of the Port in anticipation of the hurricane—is priority for the Port of Corpus Christi.

Tropical weather conditions still exist with potential for continued flooding. The Port’s Emergency Operations Center (EOC), Security Command Center and Harbormaster’s Office continue to maintain uninterrupted operations and are not damaged.

The Port of Corpus Christi EOC continues to work in partnership with various state and federal agencies, local officials and emergency services organizations in the region to assess needs and/or damage. The Port Police and security teams have maintained all primary security access control points and remain on patrol at all port facilities. Maintaining active coordination of all aspects of the Corpus Christi Ship Channel to resume normal maritime commerce remains a priority. The Incident Management Team and Harbormaster’s Office is supporting coordination efforts for possible obstructions in the Corpus Christi Ship Channel in cooperation with the USCG. The USCG maintains representation in the Port EOC to assist with coordination efforts.

The Port is prepared for post storm recovery but continues to monitor all impacts from Hurricane Hanna in and around the Corpus Christi Ship Channel and La Quinta Ship Channel. All Port users shall continue to adhere to the requirements and recommendations set forth by the most current USCG Marine Safety Information Bulletin 56-20.

“The Port of Corpus Christi is focused on reopening the ship channel and getting the wheels of commerce turning again. Our customers depend on our Port to maintain business continuity so that they may deliver vital goods and services needed to power the world. While we are committed to restoring operations for Port users, we continue to employ all COVID-19 protocols, as well as monitor any new potential impacts of Hurricane Hanna,” said **Sean Strawbridge, Chief Executive Officer for the Port of Corpus Christi**. “The safety of all Port personnel, stakeholders and our community remains our top priority.”

For storm updates and the latest weather advisories, please visit <https://www.nhc.noaa.gov/>.

### About Port Corpus Christi

*As a leader in U.S. Crude Oil export ports and a major economic engine of Texas and the nation, Port Corpus Christi is the 3<sup>rd</sup> largest port in the United States in total revenue tonnage. Strategically located on the western Gulf of Mexico with a 36-mile, soon to be 54-foot (MLLW) deep channel, Port Corpus Christi is a major gateway to international and domestic maritime commerce. The Port has excellent railroad and highway network connectivity via three North American Class-1 railroads and two major interstate highways. With an outstanding staff overseen by its seven-member commission, Port Corpus Christi is “Moving America’s Energy.”*  
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