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### **Hurricane Ike Situation Report #2**

- Hurricane Ike has emerged into the southeastern Gulf of Mexico. It is still a Category 1 storm with winds of 75mph. The storm is moving west northwest at 10 mph.
- Now that Hurricane Ike has emerged into the Gulf of Mexico, strengthening is expected. It is expected to make landfall between Port Oconner and Brownsville as a Category 4 Hurricane late Friday night or early Saturday morning.
- Currently, 1263 commercial buses have been contracted to come to San Antonio.
- 559 commercial buses have arrived with 471 buses in staging.
- Fifty school buses and 13 wheelchair vans are ready for deployment.
- A responder facility has been opened to support more than 2,000 responders.
- The San Antonio Volunteer Organizations Active in Disaster (SAVOAD) is seeking volunteers. Members of the community wishing to help with the response to Hurricane Ike are asked to go to the Coliseum Frontier Room beginning at noon on September 10. For more information, contact (210) 224-5365.

- Medical volunteers are also needed. Those able to assist are asked to contact the Medical Volunteer Coordination Center at (210) 233-5910.

