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FREEZING WEATHER EXPECTED DON'T GET CAUGHT UNPREPARED!

ROCKPORT, TX – NOAA Weather forecast is predicting freezing temperatures for Thursday night December 22, 2022, and Friday night December 23, 2022. Please remember the duration of the freezing temperatures could be harmful to People, Pets, Plants, and Pipes.

During Winter Storm Uri we suffered through a large water loss due to frozen and busted plumbing which caused a strain of our water supply and impaired our ability to deliver service. Please protect your home, this is especially true for houses that will be unoccupied. Know how to turn off the water supply to your residence during an emergency or when leaving on vacation. This can help you avoid water damage from leaking pipes, dripping water heaters, frozen pipes, or other causes of leaking, or burst pipes. A shut off valve should be located directly after your water meter (residence side) and can be shut off and the pipes drained to the lowest point to prevent freezing of vulnerable plumbing. This is especially a concern for structures that are elevated. If you need assistance locating and/or turning your water valve off, you can contact the utility department at (361) 729-2213 ext. 234, and for a service fee of \$25.00, the staff can come to your location to turn the water valve off.

Again, we are not expecting this winter blast to be as severe or have the duration of Winter Storm Uri, but the best course of action is to be prepared.