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We had two very simple high water rescues and one evacuation between 5 a.m. and 6 a.m. today.

At 5 a.m. firefighters rescued the occupant of a car stranded in high water at Lakewood Drive and Wilshire Boulevard/Hwy. 174. Firefighters took that occupant to Fire Station #3, located on Lakewood Drive.

At 5:10 a.m., firefighters rescued two occupants of vehicles in high water at Wicker Hill and Wilshire Boulevard/Hwy. 174. Those rescued were taken to the police department.

At 5:48 a.m. residents were evacuated due to high water at Bowden Circle. Some residents were evacuated and some elected to stay. The firefighters checked on all residents before clearing the call.

The City of Burleson had 18 reports of high water, citywide, early Sunday morning. These were at our normal low water crossing areas. The City's public works department put up barricades to keep people from driving through the water.

The City's Emergency Operations Center was activated at 4:35 a.m. to monitor the weather. The center was deactivated shortly before 9 a.m.

City of Burleson rainfall totals measured 9.18 inches between Thursday, Sept. 10, and Sunday, Sept. 13. The heaviest rainfall came Saturday, Sept. 12, with 5.35 inches. The City's rainfall totals are gathered by our facilities maintenance department.