

## Personal Hazard Geography

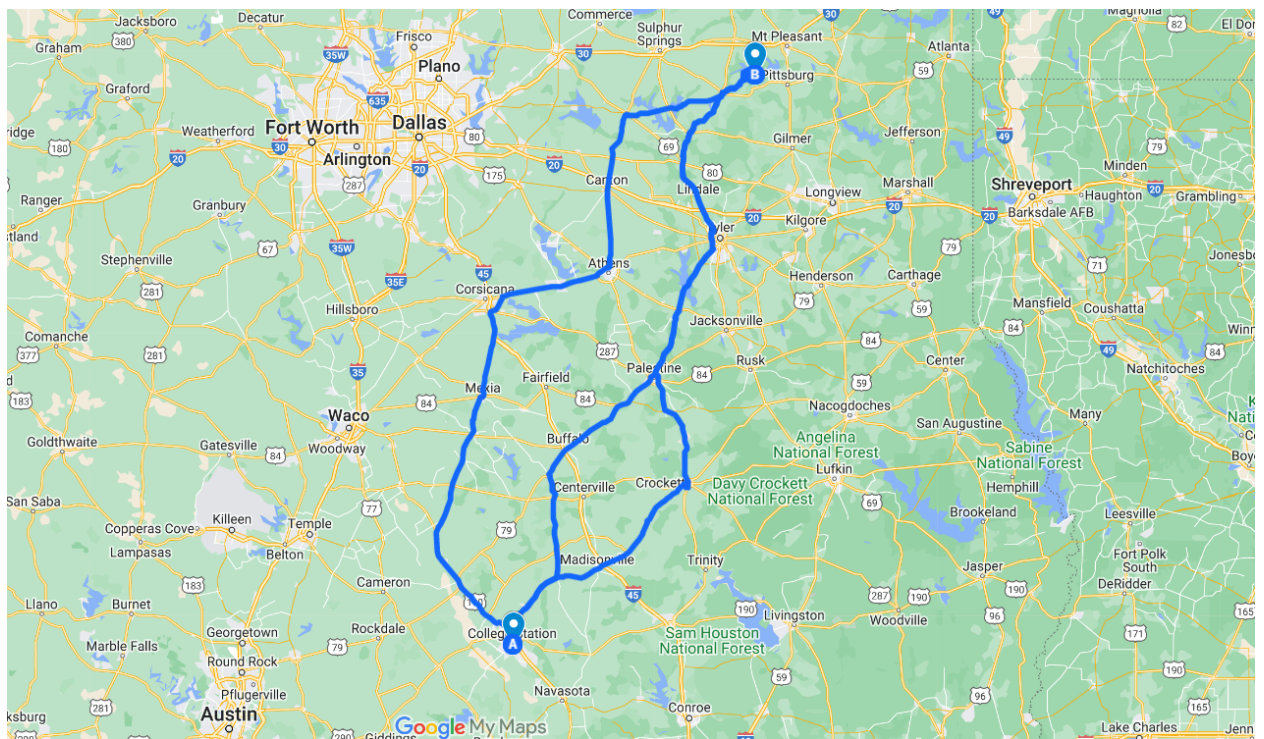
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In College Station, the most likely forms of natural disaster are tornados, floods, and effects from hurricanes. Where I am from in North East Texas, the most likely forms of natural disasters are also tornados, and floods, however there is very rarely any hurricane impacts. With both locations being over 100 miles from the ocean, hurricane effects are usually seen in the form of rain showers from the tails of the hurricanes.

My current level of preparedness is low, of the recommended items on the Disaster Supplies Kit, I have 7 out of the 14 recommended items. If there was an emergency in College Station, with no time to evacuate, I would not be as well prepared as I should be. If there was a tornado in College Station, I would go into my closet and seal the double doors shut with a belt. If there was a disaster that would require evacuation of College Station, I would go to my family home in North East Texas. There is an emergency supply of food, water, cash, and a safe with most of my important documents, excluding my ID. If I was stuck in College Station, my preparedness is not great, if I had time to go to my parents house, I would be better prepared.

If there were to be a hurricane heading towards College Station, I would first consult my parents on what their thoughts are on me evacuating, or staying. If I were to stay, I would begin to fill as many containers as I can with fresh water, and seal them off. I would take inventory of my food, and estimate how long it would take for me to run out of it. As opposed to going to the grocery store, I would go to a small market inside of a gas station, there is usually a section of food in most of these stores.

I would first prioritize food. During the ice storm that hit College Station, my food supply got very low. Luckily I was able to bargain with friends that did not have electricity, invite them to my apartment, and we were able to all have a good few meals. After prioritizing food, I will fill containers with water. Following food and water, I will plug all of my devices in, to bring them to full charge. During this 48 hour period, College Station will likely be more chaotic than a game day, traffic will be bad, lines will be long, and stores will be very crowded.



I chose the destination point to be my parents house in Scroggins, Texas. I chose this location because of their disaster preparedness. On top of that, the routes that I have specified avoid long lengths on I-45 which would be very crowded with people leaving from Houston. I picked these routes as well because I am familiar with many of the roads on the routes.