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With a storm as intense as Dennis barreling toward the Gulf Coast, it's more important than ever to keep a watchful eye on its progress. The Harris County Flood Control District's interactive hurricane tracking chart let's users do just that, and with the ease of automatic, real-time data, storm stats, animated tracks and projections delivered right to their desktop.

It's a robust, on-demand tracker that displays on users' computer screens, and it's also filled with valuable, educational content to keep citizens informed... and prepared.

This Flash-powered, interactive hurricane tracker is easy to use and is downloadable from the District's website in both PC and Mac formats. Users should go to [www.hcfcd.org/hurricanetracker.html](http://www.hcfcd.org/hurricanetracker.html) to proceed with the download.

## Packed With Features

The full version 2005 Hurricane Tracking Chart includes:

- An automatic tracker, with new inset tracking map that displays the Atlantic Ocean and tracks storms from the coast of Africa
- Path projections, plus additional storm data, including speeds, coordinates, and more
- A printable tracking chart
- Interactive, animated historical storms
- Hurricane & flood safety info, including printable evacuation routes
- Downloads/PDFs
- Contact info & more!

"Once again, we're pleased to provide this free educational tool for Harris County citizens, and the interactive tracker is useful for citizens anywhere," said Mike Talbott, Director of the Harris County Flood Control District. "While we're not an emergency management agency, we want to leverage our ability to help educate and prepare local citizens to better cope with the dangers and seriousness of hurricanes and flooding."

For more information on flooding and the District's efforts to reduce flooding in Harris County, log on to [www.hcfcd.org](http://www.hcfcd.org)

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