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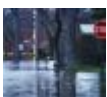
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[Public Health Emergency in Southeastern Texas](#)

By [Stephen Lendman](#), August 31, 2017

Houston and surrounding areas face a likely public health disaster because of huge amounts of toxins released into the air and water, turning the area into a dangerously polluted

swamp.



[Two Explosions at Flooded Arkema Chemical Plant in Texas, Evacuation Zone, Devastating Consequences?](#)

By [Tyler Durden](#), August 31, 2017

As Arkema stores organic peroxides at several locations on the site, the threat of additional explosions remains, it said, adding that the best course of action is to let the fire burn itself out.



[As Historic Flooding Grips Texas, Groups Demand Nuclear Plant Be Shut Down](#)

By [Jon Queally](#), August 31, 2017

“This storm and flood is absolutely without precedent even before adding the possibility of a nuclear accident that could further imperil millions of people who are already battling for their lives.”



[Houston, Hurricane Harvey and Capitalism’s ‘Unnatural Disaster’. We Need a New System of Political Governance](#)

By [Party for Socialism and Liberation](#), August 31, 2017

The immediate cause of the crisis is record rainfall, in some places over 50 inches in just a few days. But like Katrina and virtually every other major natural disaster, the crisis has been worsened by an abject lack of government readiness.



[Hurricane Harvey Shows What Climate Disruption-Amplified Flooding Can Do](#)

By [Dahr Jamail](#), August 31, 2017

What made Harvey so brutal? Scientific studies have shown for quite some time that Anthropogenic Climate Disruption (ACD) amplifies the impacts of hurricanes by causing them to have larger storm surges, higher wind speeds and greater rainfall amounts. All of these are driven by the amount of heat in the oceans.

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