

## ZONE B (Bravo)

### Overview

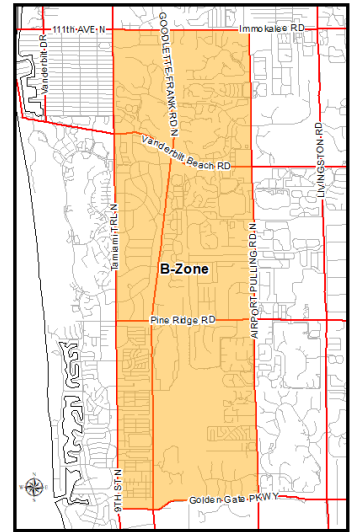
Zone B is very vulnerable to dangerous winds and storm surge flooding from a landfalling storm. Evacuation will often be required for a tropical cyclone coming from the Gulf.

### Boundaries

North boundary is Immokalee Road. South boundary is Golden Gate Parkway. West boundary is Tamiami Trail N. (US-41). The East boundary is Airport-Pulling Road N.

### What Are the Most Dangerous Hazards?

While not the lowest in elevation or closest to tidal water, Zone B is still vulnerable to potentially fatal levels of storm surge and some wave action. Since foundations here may not be as strong as areas closest to the water, homes may fail when flooded. Wind will also pose a danger, especially to unprepared homes.



### When Will I Be Ordered to Evacuate?

Zone B will be among the first areas ordered to evacuate for a hurricane. This will likely come early, when the skies are “blue”. When ordered to evacuate both sides of the boundary roadways will be expected to evacuate.

### What Might Happen if I Ignore Evacuation Orders?

You are gambling with your and your family’s lives. Also, it is highly unlikely that you can protect your property if you stay. Emergency services will be unavailable for extended periods. If you get into trouble, you will have to wait not only for the storm to leave your area, but for it to pass through the rest of the County before help can come. If you still have communications after the storm passes, 9-1-1 emergency responses to your calls for aid may be delayed due to blocked roadways and downed trees and power lines.

### What Are Some Other Safety Concerns?

Any flood waters will rise quickly but recede very slowly. That water and the ground may be contaminated with chemicals and raw sewage. Electricity will be out for a long time and, when restored, many houses will be unable to receive power due to damaged infrastructure.

### Can’t I Leave After the Storm Passes?

If you survive, leaving after the storm will be difficult and dangerous. Streets and major roads may sustain heavy damage or fail entirely due to storm surge flooding. Roads that survive will be covered in flood water and/or debris. These issues will also delay emergency response.

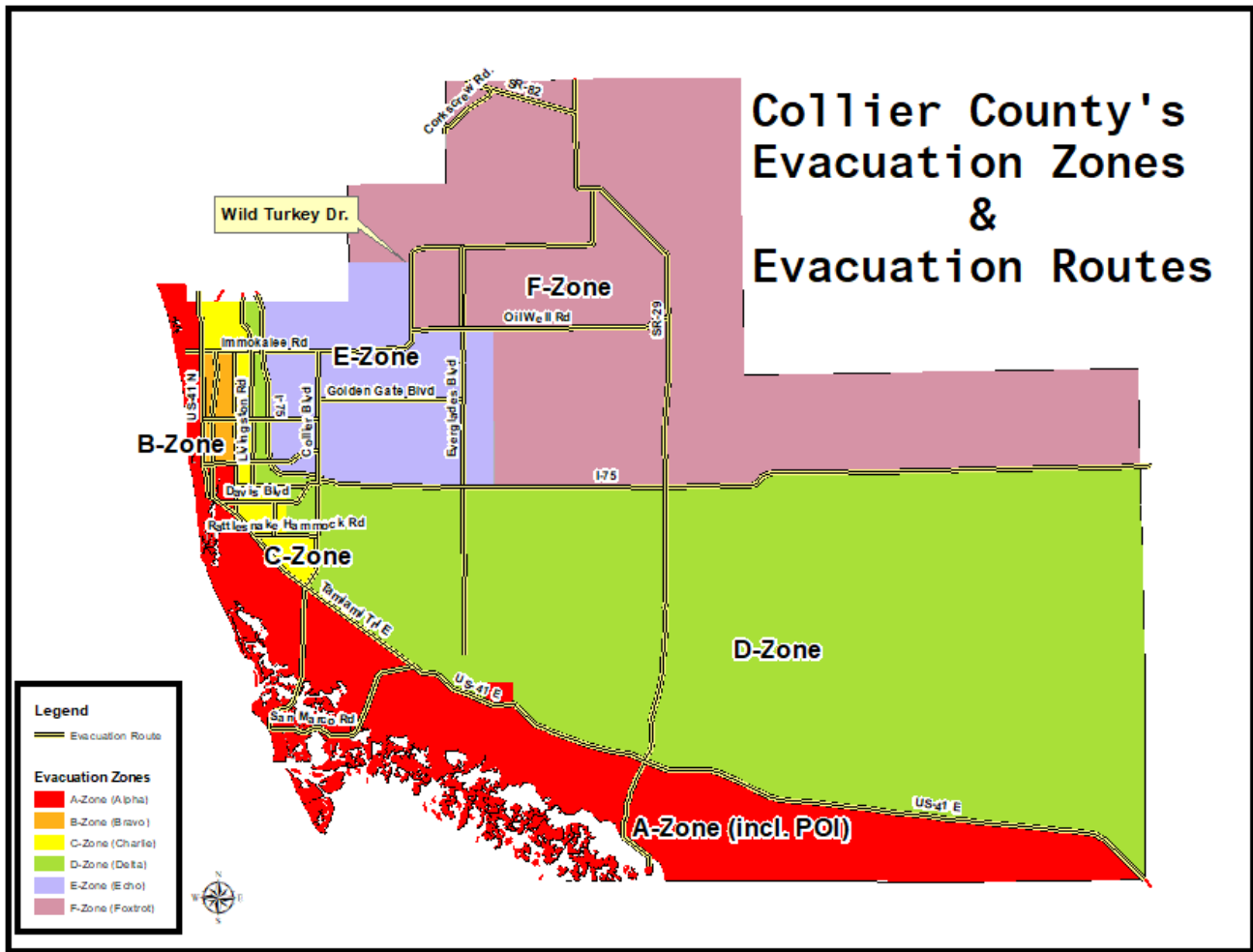
### So, What Are My Safer Alternatives?

Evacuate when directed to do so. Know where you will go, how you will get there and what you will carry. Plan to return only when it is safe to do so. If you are not ordered to evacuate and stay home, make sure your home is above the expected surge height and all windows and doors are protected against the wind.

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