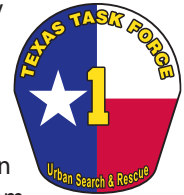


SEVERE WEATHER EXTENDS FROM I-10 CORRIDOR TO TEXAS/OKLAHOMA BORDER

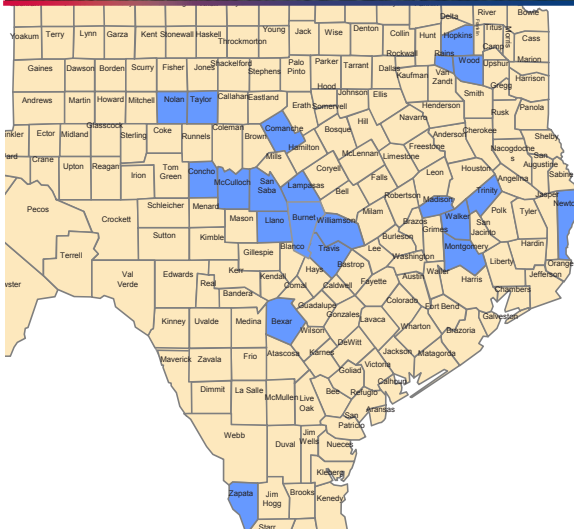


Timing: Late this evening (7-8p) through early morning Wednesday (3-4a).

Some isolated flash flooding possibility over TX Hill Country. (1-3")



On May 13th, 2008, the Governor's Division of Emergency Management (GDEM) directed Texas Task Force 1 (TX-TF1) to prepare to deploy for possible severe weather. The National Weather Service (NWS) predicted a series of potential severe weather events across north Texas. The most severe weather was predicted beginning on Tuesday, May 13th from approximately 7 pm through 4 am on Wednesday, May 14th. In advance of the severe weather and possible hail and tornados, TX-TF1 deployed ESF-9 Liaison Officers across the state. Personnel were deployed to the regional emergency operation centers in Granbury, Abilene, Wichita Falls, and Garland.



Isolated flash flooding of one to three inches was possible over the central Texas. Once in their respective areas, the ESF-9 Liaison Officers worked to support the Regional Liaison Officers (RLO's) and Disaster District Chairman as required. By 1pm on May 14th, the storm system was centered of north east Texas, with a line of storms from the I-10 corridor north to the Texas/Oklahoma border.

On the morning of May 15th, after the threat of tornados and flooding in north east Texas had subsided, GDEM released the Task Force personnel to return to College Station.

Deployment Statistics

• Incident involved 4 personnel deployed for 2 day

May 13th distribution of personnel:

- 1 ESF-9 Coordinator assigned to the Texas Forest Service in Granbury
- 1 ESF-9 Coordinator assigned to the Abilene DDC
- 1 ESF-9 Liaison assigned to the Wichita Falls DDC
- 1 ESF-9 Liaison assigned to the Garland DDC

May 14th redistribution of personnel:

- 1 ESF-9 Coordinator assigned to the Texas Forest Service EOC in College Station
- 1 ESF-9 Coordinator assigned to the Beaumont DDC
- 1 ESF-9 Liaison assigned to the Texarkana DDC
- 1 ESF-9 Liaison assigned to the Garland DDC
- UH-60 Blackhawks helicopters staged in Austin and San Antonio
- High Profile Vehicles from the Texas Military Forces on standby
- 1 ESF-9 Coordinator assigned to the State Operations Center
- ESF-9 Coordination Center in College Station was activated for this deployment



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