

## TEXAS ENGINEERING EXTENSION SERVICE'S TEXAS TASK FORCE 1 ACTIVATES IN ADVANCE OF POTENTIAL FLOODING

## SEVERE WEATHER AND HEAVY RAIN PREDICTED ACROSS CENTRAL TEXAS





At approximately 7:30 a.m. on June 9, 2010, Texas Task Force 1 (TX-TF1) was activated by the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) to prepare for severe weather and heavy rains across central Texas. The National Weather Service (NWS) predicted severe weather and heavy rain activity would produce flooding in Central, North, and Southeast Texas. Rainfall totals were predicted to range from 2 to 4 inches, with local amounts of 5 to 8 inches,



and isolated amounts up to 8-12 inches. The weather was predicted to be concentrated east of I-35 and north of I-10 until the evening of June 10.

The Task Force mobilized seven water rescue teams to locations throughout central and North Texas. Additionally, the Task Force mobilized and pre-staged four Helicopter Search and Rescue (SAR) Technicians in San Antonio. The SAR personnel and water rescue teams worked with local officials throughout the event to provide assistance to jurisdictions when requested.

On the evening of June 10, after the threat of flooding across Texas had subsided, TDEM released all TX-TF1 personnel from standby status.

## **Deployment Statistics**

- Incident involved 44 personnel deployed for 2 days
  - 7 Water Rescue Teams
    - 2 Water Rescue Managers staged in New Braunfels
    - 3 Teams staged in New Braunfels
    - 1 Team staged in Austin
    - 1 Team staged in Ft. Worth
    - 2 Teams staged in College Station
  - 2 UH-60 Blackhawk helicopters staged in San Antonio
    - 3 TX-TF1 helicopter SAR technicians staged in San Antonio
    - 1 TX-TF1 helicopter SAR manager staged in San Antonio
- ESF-9 Coordination Center in College Station was activated for this deployment