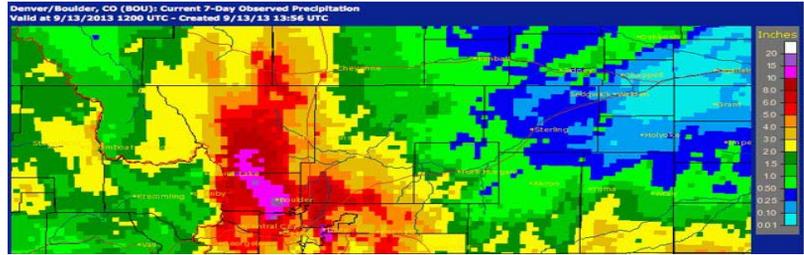


TEXAS TASK FORCE 1
 SUPPORTS FEMA IST

TX-TF1 Personnel Deploy as part of the Red IST to Assists with Colorado Flooding



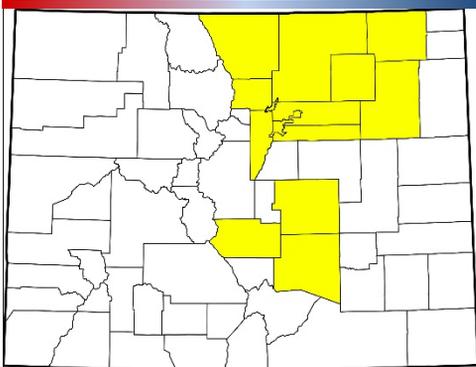
On September 9, 2013 a slow moving cold front stalled across the state of Colorado clashing with a warm humid air mass resulting in heavy rain and catastrophic Flooding along Colorado's Front Range from Colorado Springs north to Fort Collins.



The rain continued for days with upwards of 18 inches of rain between September 14-16. The rain recorded during this month was 1.7 times higher than any other month Colorado had ever seen since they began tracking rain in 1897.



In Boulder County alone, flooding damaged over 19,000 residences and destroyed more than 1,500 entirely. Because of the terrain, the loss of roadways left many mountain communities and their residents isolated and trapped as floodwaters rose around them. In narrow river valleys, mudslides and mudflows trapped people and cars on roadways leading into and out of small communities.



On September 13, FEMA activated the White Incident Support Team (IST), the Central IST cache, as well as NE-TF1 as a federal resource and UT-TF1 as a state resource. A total of 7 Support Specialists from TX-TF1 were sent as part of the IST. A few days later MO-TF1 and NV-TF1 were also activated. The task forces worked tirelessly conducting search and rescue operations in multiple counties rescuing at least 1,750 people and 300 pets by air and ground

A total of 18 counties were declared a disaster before the rain came to an end on September 16. Finally, on September 20, after many successful search and rescue missions, UT-TF1 and NE-TF1 were demobilized. The following day CO-TF1 and NV-TF1 were also demobilized. On September 22, MO-TF1 was demobilized, and finally on September 24 the White IST and the Central IST Cache were demobilized.



Deployment Statistics:

- Incident involved 7 TX-TF1 personnel deployed for 12 days in support of the FEMA White IST and the IST Central cache

