Texas Division of Emergency Management

Preparedness Update

Helping to prepare the Texas emergency management community

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The *Preparedness Update* alerts the Texas emergency management community to planning, training and exercise opportunities while providing updates on Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) preparedness initiatives and activities. For more information, or to receive the *Preparedness Update,* contact william.wahlgren@dps.texas.gov.

Building Partnerships Before an Emergency

To watch the related video, click on this link.

When disasters occur, established partnerships, throughout the public and private sectors, are critical to an effective response. A typical example is a shelter hub plan in which schools, houses of worship, voluntary organizations active in disaster (VOADs), local government and state agencies partner to provide shelter and support to disaster evacuees. Having partnerships and plans in place supports successful collaboration among all involved entities. A partnership can be formalized in written agreements, such as mutual aid agreements (MAAs), memoranda of understanding (MOUs) and memoranda of agreement (MOAs). Using VOAD core values, the Four C's—Cooperation, Communication, Coordination and Collaboration—allows for networking, education and developing operational plans while

Partners in emergency management from state agencies, FEMA, Texas Military, VOADs and others convene in the State Operations Center after Hurricane Harvey.

allowing individual organizations to maintain autonomy. Mutual understanding and cooperation among the private sector, emergency management efforts and all branches of government are important in building strong relationships. The result is a more resilient community that is better prepared in the face of a disaster. For more information, or to comment, contact Chuck Phinney.

September is National Preparedness Month

The devastating hurricanes and wildfires of 2017 reminded the nation of the importance of preparing for disasters. Often, we will be the first ones in our communities to take action after a disaster strikes and before first responders arrive, so it is important to prepare in advance to help yourself and your community. For more information, go to ready.gov.

Exercise Program Spotlight

Featured exercise for September

Date	Sponsor	Name/Type	Description	Location
September 24 - 25	DHS Office of Academic Engagement / University of Texas at San Antonio	2018 National Seminar and Tabletop Exercise for Institutions of Higher Educations (NTTX)	Threats of campus disorder during a large event	San Antonio, Region 6

Local and Regional Plans Spotlight

The Local and Regional Plans Unit is collaborating with the Texas School Safety Center (TxSSC) to update current school-related emergency management courses, as well as provide a resource to share information and assist in plan development for school districts. These courses are being updated to provide emergency management training and security information to a Texas/regional-specific audience.

TxSSC is an official university-level research center at Texas State University in San Marcos and serves as a clearinghouse for the dissemination of safety and security information for K-12 schools and junior colleges throughout Texas. For more information, contact Mario Chapa.

Local and Regional Plans Review
In July, the unit reviewed **210** plan documents.

Hazards Unit Spotlight

The Technological Hazards Unit has several missions. One of those missions involves coordinating the HMEP grant. This grant is specifically for first responders, offering them hazardous materials training free of charge. Courses range from hazardous materials awareness all the way to trench rescue. If you are a first responder and would like free training in your area or for more information, please contact Michelle Huckabee.

State of Texas Emergency Management Plan and Annex Updates

The State of Texas Emergency Management Plan (State Plan), which includes the Basic Plan, all emergency support function (ESF) annexes and hazard annexes, has been posted to the Preparing Texas website.

Below is a list of each document within the State Plan and its current status. As plans are updated, the State and Federal Plans Unit will replace the old version. For more information, contact Josh Bryant.

State of Texas Emergency Management Plan and Annexes	Revised	Revising?
Basic Plan	2012	Yes
Transportation Annex (ESF 1)	2016	
Communications Annex (ESF 2)	2015	
Public Works and Engineering Annex (ESF 3)	2012	Yes
Firefighting Annex (ESF 4)	2014	
Emergency Management Annex (ESF 5)	2012	Yes
Mass Care Annex (ESF 6)	2014	
Logistics Mgmt. and Resource Support Annex (ESF 7)	2016	
Public Health and Medical Annex (ESF 8)	2015	
Search and Rescue Annex (ESF 9)	2016	
Oil and Hazardous Materials Response Annex (ESF 10)	2013	Yes
Agriculture and Natural Resources Annex (ESF 11)	2012	Yes
Energy Annex (ESF 12)	2017	
Public Safety and Security Annex (ESF 13)	2013	Yes
Recovery Annex (ESF 14)	2013	
Public Information Annex (ESF 15)	2013	Yes
Hurricane Annex	2018	Yes
Drought Annex	2014	
Wildland Fire Annex	2014	
Radiological Incident Annex	2013	
Terrorism Annex	2013	Yes

Preparedness Quiz

Determine whether each statement is *True* or *False* regarding how the National Response Framework uses the engaged partnership concept to communicate and support engagement with the whole community.

1. As incidents change in size, scope, and complexity, response efforts must adapt to meet evolving requirements.

2. Unified command does not allow each participating agency to maintain its own authority, responsibility, and accountability.

3. Since many threats and hazards occur with little or no warning, they must be handled as isolated incidents.

4. Effective response requires a readiness to act that is balanced with an understanding of the risks and hazards responders face.

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Training Calendar

Note: the dates of the classes listed below are subject to change. Check our website, www.preparingtexas.org, for current dates, locations and new course offerings. Click here for a map of DPS regions. Click the course code for course descriptions.

Region 1

Code	Course Name	Location	Dates
AWR-118	Biological Incidents Awareness	Denton	11/28
AWR-122-1	Law Enforcement Prevention and Deterrence of Terrorist Acts (Train the Trainer)	Fort Worth	10/30 – 10/31
AWR-136	Essentials of Community Cyber Security	Garland	09/26
AWR-136	Essentials of Community Cyber Security	Dallas	10/03
G-191	ICS - EOC Interface	Dallas	11/08
G-200	Texas Public Officials Workshop	Granbury	09/06
G-300	Intermediate Incident Command System for Expanding Incidents	Dallas	09/10 – 09/12
G-317	Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Course	Euless	07/26 – 09/13
G-318	Local Mitigation Planning Workshop	Dallas	10/10 – 10/11
G-557	Rapid Needs Assessment	Dallas	10/18
G-775	EOC Management and Operations	Grapevine	09/20 – 09/21
H-100	HazMat Awareness	Rankin	09/07
H-202	Pipeline Emergencies - Awareness / Operations	Southlake	11/05 – 11/07
H-302	HazMat Refresher Training	Lewisville	10/23
H-302	HazMat Refresher Training	Lewisville	10/24
H-302	HazMat Refresher Training	Fort Worth	10/25
H-302	HazMat Refresher Training	Lewisville	10/25
H-500	HazMat Technician - Texas Commission on Fire Protection (TCFP) Certification	Longview	10/29 – 11/09

Code	Course Name	Location	Dates
MGT-384	Community Preparedness for Cyber Incidents	Garland	09/26 – 09/27
O-305	All-Hazards Incident Management Team	Coppell	10/15 – 10/19
PER-213	Wide Area Search	Fort Worth	10/19 – 10/21
PER-318	Preventive Radiological/Nuclear Detection Team Operations Course	Dallas	09/24 – 09/27
PER-335	Critical Decision Making for Complex Coordinated Attacks	Benbrook	11/06 – 11/07
T-600.a	Disaster Accounting 101 (Module 1)	Dallas	09/07
T-600.a	Disaster Accounting 101 (Module 1)	Winnsboro	09/26

Region 2

Code	Course Name	Location	Dates
AWR-147	Rail Car Incident Response	Jasper	09/08
AWR-160-SAT	Standardized Awareness Training	Addicks Barker	09/08
E/L-960	NIMS ICS All-Hazards Division/Group Supervisor (DIVS) Course	Grand Prairie	09/18 – 09/20
ENV - 501	Hazardous Materials Instructor	Houston	09/11 – 09/14
G-200	Texas Public Officials Workshop	Port Arthur	09/07
G-300	Intermediate Incident Command System for Expanding Incidents	Houston	09/08 – 09/09
G-300	Intermediate Incident Command System for Expanding Incidents	Cypress	09/22 – 09/23
G-300	Intermediate Incident Command System for Expanding Incidents	Beaumont	09/24 – 09/26
G-300	Intermediate Incident Command System for Expanding Incidents	Bryan	09/24 – 09/26
G-300	Intermediate Incident Command System for Expanding Incidents	Dickinson	10/13 – 10/14
G-300	Intermediate Incident Command System for Expanding Incidents	Dickinson	10/23 – 10/24
G-400	Advanced Incident Command System, Command and General Staff	Cypress	09/06 – 09/07
G-400	Advanced Incident Command System, Command and General Staff	Beaumont	09/26 – 09/27
G-400	Advanced Incident Command System, Command and General Staff	Dickinson	10/25 – 10/26
H-100	HazMat Awareness	Magnolia	09/08

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H-100	HazMat Awareness	Calvert	11/17
H-301	HazMat Emergency Response Technician	Lufkin	11/05 11/09
H-302	HazMat Refresher Training	Spring	09/26
H-303	Pipeline Emergencies - Technician	College Station	09/17 – 09/21
H-306	NFPA 1006 Trench Rescue (Non-Certification)	Willis	09/04 – 09/07
H-501	NFPA 472 HazMat Technician - Pro-Board Certification	League City	10/01 – 10/05
H-502	NFPA 472 Incident Command - Pro-Board Certification	Stafford	09/28 – 09/29
H-504	NFPA 1006 2008 Edition Trench Rescue Levels I and II Pro-Board Certification	Conroe	11/27 – 11/30
H-509	NFPA 472 HazMat Transportation Specialist - (Pro-Board Certification)	College Station	11/26 – 11/30
MGT-315	Critical Asset Risk Management	Grand Prairie	10/08 – 10/09
MGT-342	Strategic Overview of Disaster Management for Water and Wastewater	Houston	09/12
MGT-381	Business Continuity Planning	Jasper	11/13
MGT-414	Advanced Critical Infrastructure Protection	Grand Prairie	10/10
PER-211	Medical Management of Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear, and Explosive (CBRNE) Events	College Station	10/09 – 10/11
T-600.a	Disaster Accounting 101 (Module 1)	Richmond	09/12
T-600.a	Disaster Accounting 101 (Module 1)	Fulshear	09/26
T-600.b	Disaster Accounting 101 (Module 2)	Fulshear	10/10
T-600.d	Disaster Accounting 101 (Module 4)	Fulshear	10/18
T-600.e	Disaster Accounting 101 (Module 5)	Fulshear	11/07

Region 3

Code	Course Name	Location	Dates
G-108	Community Mass Care and Emergency Assistance	Laredo	09/22 – 09/23
G-191	ICS - EOC Interface	Laredo	10/06
G-200	Texas Public Officials Workshop	Del Rio	10/17
G-300	Intermediate Incident Command System for Expanding Incidents	Rio Grande City	09/25 – 09/27
G-400	Advanced Incident Command System, Command and General Staff	Kingsville	09/06 – 09/07

Code	Course Name	Location	Dates
H-302	HazMat Refresher Training	Mission	09/27
H-401	HazMat Incident Command System	Mission	10/03 – 10/04
MGT-310	Jurisdictional Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment	Robstown	10/10 – 10/11
MGT-318	Public Information in an All-Hazards Incident	Roma	10/10 – 10/11
MGT-341	Disaster Preparedness for Hospitals and Healthcare Organizations Within the Community Infrastructure	Harlingen	11/01 – 11/02
MGT-346	Emergency Operation Center (EOC) Operations for All-Hazards Events	Roma	10/30 – 11/01
MGT-405	Mobilizing Faith-Based Community Organizations in Preparing for Disaster	Kingsville	10/20
PER-211	Medical Management of Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear, and Explosive (CBRNE) Events	McAllen	11/13 – 11/14
PER-211	Medical Management of Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear, and Explosive (CBRNE) Events	McAllen	11/15 – 11/16
PER-320	Personal Protective Measures for Biological Events	Corpus Christi	09/14
PER-334	Search and Rescue in Community Disasters	Laredo	09/28 – 09/29
T-600.a	Disaster Accounting 101 (Module 1)	Leakey	09/06
T-600.b	Disaster Accounting 101 (Module 2)	Beeville	10/11

Region 4

Code	Course Name	Location	Dates
G-205	Recovery From Disaster: The Local Government Role	El Paso	09/11 – 09/12
G-449	Incident Command System (ICS) Curricula (Train-the-Trainer)	El Paso	10/08 – 10/12
H-501	NFPA 472 HazMat Technician - Pro-Board Certification	Odessa	11/05 – 11/09
MGT-317	Disaster Management for Public Services	Odessa	09/27 – 09/28
MGT-346	Emergency Operation Center (EOC) Operations for All-Hazards Events	El Paso	10/16 – 10/18
MGT-348	Medical Preparedness and Response to Bombing Incidents	El Paso	09/18 – 09/19
MGT-439	Pediatric Disaster Response and Emergency Preparedness	Odessa	09/04 – 09/05
T-517	CERT Master Instructor Course	El Paso	10/31 – 11/02

Region 5

Code	Course Name	Location	Dates
ALERT	AMBER, Blue, Silver and Endangered Missing Persons Alert Course	Abilene	11/07
ALERT	AMBER, Blue, Silver and Endangered Missing Persons Alert Course	Abilene	11/08
G-202	Debris Management	Lubbock	10/02 – 10/05
G-205	Recovery From Disaster: The Local Government Role	Wichita Falls	09/25 – 09/26
G-235A	Advanced Emergency Planning	Wichita Falls	10/09 – 10/10
G-300	Intermediate Incident Command System for Expanding Incidents	Sweetwater	09/17 – 09/19
G-400	Advanced Incident Command System, Command and General Staff	Sweetwater	09/19 – 09/20
G-557	Rapid Needs Assessment	Wichita Falls	10/24
H-503	NFPA 1006 2013 Edition Confined Space Rescue Levels I and II Training (Pro-Board Certificates)	Lefors	09/11 – 09/14
MGT-319	Medical Countermeasures: Points of Dispensing (POD), Planning and Response	Lake Brownwood	09/19 – 09/20

Region 6

Code	Course Name	Location	Dates
AWR-140	Introduction to Radiological/Nuclear WMD Operations Course	Georgetown	11/27
AWR-147	Rail Car Incident Response	Cibolo	09/06
AWR-209	Working with the Media: A Short Course for Rural First Responders	Waco	10/01
AWR-213	Critical Infrastructure Key Resources Awareness Course	Austin	10/10
AWR-350	Introduction to Radiological/Nuclear WMD Operations for Emergency Medical Services/Healthcare	Georgetown	11/27
E/L/G-428	Community Emergency Response Team Train the Trainer	San Antonio	10/20 – 10/21
E/L-102	Science of Disaster	Austin	09/10 – 09/12
E/L-103	Planning: Emergency Operations	Austin	09/13 – 09/14
E/L-105	Public Information and Warning	Austin	10/10 – 10/11
G-200	Texas Public Officials Workshop	Austin	10/19

G-200	Texas Public Officials Workshop	Kerrville	11/08
G-288	Donations Management Course	Victoria	09/26 – 09/27
G-288	Donations Management Course	Austin	10/09 – 10/10
G-290/ G289/G291	Basic Public Information Officer Course(G290)/Public Information Officer Awareness Course(G289)/JIS/JIC Planning for Tribal, State, and Local PIOs(G291)	New Braunfels	10/23 – 10/25
G-300	Intermediate Incident Command System for Expanding Incidents	Pearsall	09/10 – 09/12
G-300	Intermediate Incident Command System for Expanding Incidents	Cuero	09/18 – 09/27
G-300	Intermediate Incident Command System for Expanding Incidents	Round Rock	10/01 – 10/03
G-300	Intermediate Incident Command System for Expanding Incidents	Austin	10/15 – 10/17
G-300	Intermediate Incident Command System for Expanding Incidents	San Antonio	10/17 – 10/19
G-300	Intermediate Incident Command System for Expanding Incidents	Georgetown	10/22 – 10/23
G-300	Intermediate Incident Command System for Expanding Incidents	San Antonio	11/17 – 11/18
G-317	Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Course	Del Valle	08/13 – 09/01
G-400	Advanced Incident Command System, Command and General Staff	Pearsall	09/12 – 09/13
G-400	Advanced Incident Command System, Command and General Staff	Round Rock	10/03 – 10/04
G-400	Advanced Incident Command System, Command and General Staff	Austin	10/17 – 10/18
G-400	Advanced Incident Command System, Command and General Staff	Cuero	10/23 – 10/30
G-400	Advanced Incident Command System, Command and General Staff	Georgetown	10/29 – 10/30
G-489	Management of Spontaneous Volunteers in Disasters	Austin	10/11
H-200	HazMat First Responder Operations	Austin	09/05 – 09/06
H-302	HazMat Refresher Training	Temple	09/25
H-302	HazMat Refresher Training	Temple	09/26
H-501	NFPA 472 HazMat Technician - Pro-Board Certification	Bulverde	09/17 – 09/21
H-502	NFPA 472 Incident Command, Pro-Board Certification	Austin	10/03 – 10/04
H-503	NFPA 1006 2013 Edition Confined Space Rescue Levels I	San Antonio	11/06 – 11/09

	and II Training (Pro-Board Certificates)		
L-146	INDIRECT DELIVERY - Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program (HSEEP) Basic Course	Austin	10/08 – 10/09
L-548	Continuity of Operations Planning (COOP) Program Manager Train-the-Trainer Course	Austin	11/05 – 11/06
L-550	Continuity of Operations Planning (COOP) Train-the-Trainer	Austin	11/07 – 11/09
MGT 460	Planning for Disaster Debris Management	Austin	09/18
MGT-310	Jurisdictional Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment	Austin	10/11 – 10/12
MGT-315	Critical Asset Risk Management	Austin	11/07 – 11/08
MGT-319	Medical Countermeasures: Points of Dispensing (POD), Planning and Response	Round Rock	11/13 – 11/14
MGT-342	Strategic Overview of Disaster Management for Water and Wastewater	Victoria	10/03
MGT-345	Disaster Management for Electric Power Systems	Canyon Lake	09/19 – 09/20
MGT-414	Advanced Critical Infrastructure Protection	Austin	11/09
MGT-433	Isolation and Quarantine for Rural Communities	Taylor	11/15
MGT-440	Enhanced Sports and Special Events Incident Management	Waco	11/27 – 11/29
PER-228	Advanced Forensic Investigations for Hazardous Environments	San Antonio	11/05 – 11/08
PER-243	Primary Screener/Personal Radiation Detector (PRD)	Georgetown	11/28
PER-308	Rural Isolation and Quarantine for Public Health and Healthcare Professionals	Taylor	11/15
SOC-101	Texas State Operations Center (SOC) Workshop	Austin	09/25

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