

# Texas Division of Emergency Management State Situation Report

#### **New Information in Blue Text**

<b>Event Name</b>	24-0001 Wildfire Season 2024				
Date	March 8, 2024				
Time	10:00 AM				
Operational Period	8:00 AM March 7 to 8:00 AM March 8, 2024				
Report Number	9				

Regions Affected	
TDEM Regions Affected	1
DDs Active	1 & 2

#### STATEWIDE CURRENT SITUATION:

On March 7, Governor Abbott directed the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) to request officials from the U.S. Small Business Administrations (SBA) to join with state and local partners to conduct preliminary damage assessments in communities impacted by wildfires to determine if Texas has met the threshold for additional federal disaster assistance.

On March 5, Governor Abbott held a briefing with state and local officials and provided an update on Texas' continued wildfire response efforts at a press conference in Canadian.

At the press conference, the Governor highlighted resources the State of Texas has provided to impacted communities as state and local emergency personnel continue responding to historic wildfires in the Texas Panhandle. Additionally, Governor Abbott emphasized the increasing need for livestock resources such as fencing materials, cattle cubes, and hay in the Panhandle. The Governor also honored Fritch Volunteer Fire Chief Zeb Smith who lost his life while responding to a structure fire in Hutchinson County for his heroic service, as well as the many firefighters who continue to risk their lives in the line of duty to protect their fellow Texans.

On March 1, Governor Abbott held a briefing with state and local officials and provided an update on the state's ongoing response to wildfires impacting Texans and communities across Texas during a press conference in Borger.

During the press conference, the Governor offered the full support of the State of Texas to impacted communities as they continue to experience dangerous wildfire conditions. Additionally, the Governor highlighted the extensive work state and local officials and emergency response personnel have done to respond to wildfire activity throughout the Panhandle region and provide assistance. The Governor also addressed Texas' plan to expand air support and debris removal services in affected regions as dangerous weather threats persist in the coming days.

On February 29, the Governor granted waivers for the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ), Texas Department of Motor Vehicles (TxDMV), and Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) as Texas continues surging all available resources to support Texans and communities impacted by wildfires across the state.

Texans impacted by devastating wildfires are encouraged to complete TDEM's Individual State of Texas Assessment Tool (iSTAT) self-reporting damage survey to help state and local officials identify damages and determine the state's eligibility for federal disaster assistance. The survey is available in both English and Spanish and can be accessed by visiting: damage.tdem.texas.gov.

Information provided in the self-reported damage assessment surveys help emergency management officials identify any immediate resource needs and understand the extent of damage that has occurred. Survey information also aids officials in determining the state's eligibility for various forms of federal disaster assistance. Reporting damage through the iSTAT tool is a voluntary activity and is not a substitute for reporting damage to your insurance agency. It does not guarantee disaster assistance.

Texans are urged to heed guidance from their local officials, limit activities that may cause sparks or flames, and keep emergency supplies easily accessible. Texans can visit TexasReady.gov for wildfire tips, tfsweb.tamu.edu for safety information, and tdem.texas.gov to report wildfire damage.

On February 28, 2024, Governor Abbott directed the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) to deploy additional state emergency response resources to support wildfire response operations as ongoing wildfires impact the Texas Panhandle. The Governor also directed TDEM to increase the readiness level of the Texas State Emergency Operations Center (SOC) to Level II (Escalated Response) in support of the state's around-the-clock response.

In response to a request from the State of Texas, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has approved a Fire Management Assistance Grant (FMAG) request for the Smokehouse Creek Fire and Windy Deuce Fire, meaning that Texas will be eligible for 75% reimbursement from the federal government for costs associated with fighting those fires.

According to the Texas A&M Forest Service (TAMFS), a high volume of dry, freeze cured grasses will continue to support fire spread on Wednesday. As the weekend approaches, the fire environment will trend warmer and drier, resulting in the potential for additional wildfire activity across the Texas Panhandle this weekend. Portions of South Texas continue to face increased wildfire risk, as well as East Texas, amid active burns. Additionally, the Texas A&M Forest Service raised the Wildland Fire Preparedness Level to Level 3 on Wednesday due to an increase in current and expected wildfire activity over the next several days.

On February 27, Governor Abbott issued a <u>disaster declaration</u> for 60 Texas counties in response to widespread wildfire activity throughout the state. Additional counties may be added if conditions warrant. Governor Abbott also directed the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) to activate additional state emergency response resources to support local firefighters responding to multiple wildfires burning Texas.

#### **OPERATIONAL PRIORITIES:**

- 1. Protect life and property.
- 2. Support rapid & effective response.
- 3. Collect and disseminate accurate incident information to improve decisionmaking.
- 4. Accurately track incident costs associated with assigned resources for cost recovery.

## Region 1 (Includes DDs 1, 2, and 7)

Disaster District (DD) 1 – Amarillo (Includes Armstrong, Briscoe, Carson, Castro, Childress, Collingsworth, Dallam, Deaf Smith, Donley, Gray, Hall, Hansford, Hartley, Hemphill, Hutchinson, Lipscomb, Moore, Ochiltree, Oldham, Parmer, Potter, Randall, Roberts, Sherman, Swisher, and Wheeler Counties)

DDEOC 1 activated to Level II on February 27.

**Carson County:** A disaster declaration was issued for the entire county by the County Judge on February 28.

**Childress County:** Evacuated livestock are being housed at the Mashburn Event Center.

**Gray County:** Gray County issued a disaster declaration on February 28. County officials submitted a Disaster Summary Outline to TDEM on March 1. Evacuation from the city of Pampa is voluntary for residents and an emergency shelter is located at First Baptist Church and at the Gray County Animal Supply Point in Pampa.

The Grapevine Creek Fire has burned 34,882 acres and is 77% contained.

**Hemphill County:** Hemphill County submitted a Disaster Summary Outline to TDEM on March 3. Hemphill County issued a disaster declaration on February 27. The shelter at the high school in Canadian closed on February 29.

**Hutchinson County:** The County Judge issued a disaster declaration on February 27, a Disaster Summary Outline on March 1, an update submitted on March 2, a disaster declaration continuation and Letter to the Governor on March 4. A request for a Fire Management Assistant Grant (FMAG) was submitted and approved by FEMA on February 27 for the Smokehouse Creek Fire (FM-5488-TX). Mandatory evacuation orders were issued for Meadowlark, Arroyo Verde, Sage Mesa, Bugbee, Double Diamond, Arrowhead, Sanford, Miami, and Maverick Village. The city of Borger relocated the agriculture supply point from the current location at the Hutchinson County Airport to 407 Industrial Blvd in Borger. A shelter at the Johnson Park Youth Center in Borger remains open. There will be a USDA meeting in Hutchinson County on March 7 for animal carcass removal.

The 687 Reamer Fire burned 2,000 acres before joining the Smokehouse Creek Fire, 14 homes and seven outbuildings have been lost with 10% containment.

The Smokehouse Creek Fire has burned 1,078,638 acres with 44% containment. The cities of Canadian, Miami, and Skellytown have been secured with both fire lines and blackline fire breaks. The city of Glazier remains under a mandatory evacuation for all occupants.

**Moore County:** A request for a Fire Management Assistance Grant (FMAG) was submitted and later approved by FEMA on February 27 for the Windy Deuce Fire (FM-5487-TX).

The Windy Deuce Fire has burned 144,206 acres with 81% containment.

**Ochiltree County:** Mandatory evacuation orders remain in effect for residents from HWY 83 North to South River Road, to the Ochiltree County line.

**Oldham County:** The Boys Ranch has been evacuated to the Vega Community Center due to fires out west.

The Magenta Fire has burned 3,297 acres with 100% containment.

**Potter County:** Potter County issued a Letter to the Governor requesting a declaration of a state of emergency on February 27. A mandatory evacuation order was issued for Mesilla Park and a shelter is open at 1330 NW 18<sup>th</sup> Street. The city of Amarillo issued a disaster declaration on February 27. First Methodist Church of Amarillo has announced that the church is open to evacuees.

Randall County: Randall County issued a disaster declaration on February 27.

**Roberts County:** Roberts County issued a disaster declaration on February 27 and a Disaster Summary Outline on March 4.

**Wheeler County:** Wheeler County Judge issued a disaster declaration on February 29. The shelter in Wheeler was relocated to the Childress City Auditorium in Childress.

**DD 2 – Lubbock** (Includes Bailey, Cochran, Crosby, Dickens, Floyd, Garza, Hale, Hockley, King, Lamb, Lubbock, Lynn, Motley, Terry, and Yoakum Counties)

DDCEOC 2 activated at Level III at 8:00 AM on March 7.

#### **RESPONDING STATE AGENCIES/ORGANIZATIONS REPORTS**

**Texas Division of Emergency Management, Texas A&M University System (TDEM):** TDEM worked with AgriLife Extension, Daisy Farms, and Logistics to move hay from Daisy Farms location to the Panhandle for the Animal Supply Centers. Continuing to communicate with our Private Sector Partners to provide situational awareness. TDEM collaborated with Mass Care and Boeing to help them with a proposed monetary donation for the wildland fire response. Texas Oil and Gas Association (TXOGA) met with TDEM representatives to strengthen situational awareness for refineries located in the panhandle. TDEM alongside AgriLife contacted feed companies and big box retailers for donated resources designated for incident recovery.

TDEM has communicated with Private Sector Partners (HEB and Walmart) to obtain their response posture. This included a survey of the retail environment to obtain awareness for open and closed locations in the affected area. TDEM has worked with the Texas Food and Fuel Association to secure fuel in affected areas.

TDEM continues working with Mass Care and HEB to aid in maximizing their planned donations for the affected area and coordinating with Walmart regarding four associates affected by the wildfire in Fritch. Walgreens continues to provide information on the Smokehouse Creek Fire, and TDEM has connected the United Supermarkets with American Red Cross to support donations.

**TDEM Communications Coordination Group (CCG):** Cisco Systems is providing networking equipment and Starlink high performance units at the Incident Command Post (ICP) in Amarillo and to the (2) base camps in Borger and Canadian.

Amateur Radio operators (RACES/ARES) are supporting the Panhandle with the wildfire situation. Amateur Radio operators have identified personnel and resources to be deployed. High Frequency (HF) nets have been activated and are providing public service information to residents with amateur radios in isolated areas.

The Commission on State Emergency Communications (CSEC) reported Public Safety Access Points (PSAP) in the Panhandle have contingency plans in place to reroute 9-1-1 calls. Several circuits have been re-routed due to non-fire issues with back-up connections due to interruptions from high winds.

TDEM Communications Division will be supporting internal and external communications requests through the deployment of Iridium satellite phones and hand-held land mobile radios (LMR). Other Private Sector Partners have reached out to offer assistance and resources.

The National Emergency Management Response (NEMR) group has a communications platform deployed to the Borger Base Camp.

**Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service (AgriLife):** AgriLife agents arrived and will be assisting TAMFS and seven (7) County Extension Agents to undertake damage assessments. AgriLife is coordinating with Texas Search and Rescue (TEXSAR) to bring in donation management teams to augment existing AgriLife representatives at Hemphill and Hutchinson Animal Supply Points. TEXSAR representatives worked with HEB to donate \$30,000 for hay. A total of eleven requests for AgriLife assistance have been received and were forwarded to AgriLife field representatives to contact the affected landowners.

A State of Texas Assistance Request (STAR) was submitted on behalf of the Gray County Judge by the AgriLife SOC Liaison Officer (LNO). The request was for Disaster, Assessment and Recovery (DAR) Agents to stand up and staff an Animal Supply Point and Shelter in response to the wildfires in the Texas Panhandle. AgriLife Extension Liaisons have participated in situational weather awareness call, tactics, and Industry stakeholder coordination call. AgriLife agents are operating a shelter and food distribution of 109 round bales, and 80 50lb. feed bags were distributed. AgriLife Extension DAR Communications continues to provide the public information and response materials via the news media and social media accounts. AgriLife developed a DAR publication *Returning Home After a Wildfire* hosted on the www.texashelp.tamu.edu website. A press release was made on <u>Recognizing Mental Health Challenges and Symptoms following Wildfires</u>.

AgriLife is coordinating with TEXSAR to get additional resources to all three animal supply points. As of March 6, there have been 34 AgSTAT reports with 13 reports requesting AgriLife Extension assistance. AgriLife is working to get field reps in contact with those landowners. On March 6, AgriLife Extension coordinated with Texas A&M PWRT for a United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) meeting in Canadian to speak to affected ranchers and offer services for carcass disposal. There will be another USDA meeting in Hutchinson County on March 7. As of March 7, we have 13 personnel working the Pampa Animal Supply point, 5 personnel working the Borger Animal Supply Point, 5 personnel supporting the Canadian Animal Supply Point, 2 personnel assisting the Texas A&M Veterinarian Emergency Team in Canadian, and 1 liaison in the IST. AgriLife is coordinating efforts with

TEXSAR to get additional resources to all three animal supply points. Also, there have been 37 AgSTAT reports with 14 of those reports requesting AgriLife assistance. AgriLife is working on getting our field reps in contact with those landowners.

**Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service (TEEX/TX-PWRT):** Crews assigned to Fritch have completed their mission of shutting off water to 200 affected connections and will now address chlorinator troubleshooting and repairs. TEEX/TX-PWRT coordinated with Texas A&M AgriLife Extension for carcass remediation operations. Additional team members are rostered and available to assist local and state partners as requested.

A SOC LNO has been assigned to support, monitor requests, and coordinate operations. Two TEEX/TX-PWRT strike teams are responding to TDEM Region 1 to stage for Public Works assistance and one TEEX/TX-PWRT lead is on site in Canyon (TDEM Region 1 District 1 DDEOC). Utilities team responded to the city of Canadian to evaluate a site for generator transfer power needs. A current total of twelve personnel for field response and one staff member at the SOC in Austin for Liaison and coordination of teams.

One TEEX Liaison is on site in Amarillo (TDEM Region 1 District 1 DDEOC). The Liaison at DDEOC and SOC are monitoring WebEOC for requests and attending briefings. One PWRT member has been assigned to Texas A&M Forest Service for logistics transportation support, two LNO's at the SOC, and 14 for field response.

**Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service (TEEX) Texas Task Force 1 (TEEX/TX-TF1) and Texas Task Force 2 (TEEX/TX-TF2):** TX-TF1 and TX-TF2 were assigned to collect photos of all destroyed structures within their assigned areas and currently there are 1,700 structures damaged and 396 are classified as destroyed. On February 28, TEEX activated TX-TF1 Type 1 Urban Search and Rescue (US&R) and Texas Task Force 2 (TX-TF2) Type 3 US&R teams to assist with any search and rescue requests. On March 2, (3) TX-TF1 hoist trained personnel were assigned to a Texas Military Department UH-60 w/hoist for rescue missions within TDEM Region 1.

Both US&R Task Forces are relocating to Region's 2 and 8 due to forecasted severe weather. TX-TF1 and TX-TF2 will monitor fire conditions within the state and Task Force Leaders will maintain contact with local and state partners within their assigned region.

**Texas A&M Forest Service (TAMFS):** Three Large Air Tankers (LAT) are available in Abilene awaiting deployment to assist in fire control. Local and State firefighters continue suppression efforts on several large wildfires burning across the Texas Panhandle. Strong winds, dry conditions, and warm temperatures contribute to active fire behavior and growth.

**Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC):** TAHC is actively coordinating with state veterinarian offices in New Mexico and Oklahoma to facilitate documenting interstate movement for livestock producers. TAHC has begun to distribute animal agriculture focused publications addressing carcass disposal guidance, state, and federal resources, and AgriLife supply point information.

TAHC is working with AgriLife Extension to incorporate animal agriculture losses from the drop location identified in Pampa and is communicating with the Texas and Southwest Cattle Raisers Association for numbers reported by producers. The total animal losses: 6,661.

TAHC will remain ready to supply response support if conditions worsen and will continue to communicate with Texas A&M Veterinary Emergency Team (VET) to assist with animal needs.

See the <u>TAHC Natural Disasters webpage</u> for updated information and resources for the 2024 Texas Panhandle Wildfires.

**Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ):** TCEQ has staff available to respond to any air/water/waste issues including drinking water and wastewater or emergency response. TCEQ staff continue to provide technical assistance on debris and waste management operations.

**Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS):** The DPS Aviation Operations Division remains on call for continued aerial assistance as requested.

Texas Highway Patrol (THP) Troopers alongside local and county law enforcement continued 24-hr security coverage for the city of Fritch. THP Troopers are conducting patrol duties and traffic control in Hemphill and Hutchinson County.

**Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT):** All 25 districts are monitoring weather, fire, road conditions, and crews are ready to respond. The TxDOT Amarillo and Childress Districts are staffed to provide 24-hour operations to support fire response and incoming winter weather. A TxDOT LNO has been assigned to the SOC. TxDOT's mobile mechanic is now supporting both the Borger and Canadian staging locations to support firefighting equipment for TAMFS and cooperative partners.

In anticipation of winter weather conditions in Region 1, crews have begun conducting pre-treating operations on March 6 and 7. Local crews in Hemphill County have started repairs of delineation markers on March 6. TxDOT has provided a total of 1,495 gallons of fuel to firefighters and emergency responders.

TxDOT contractors are aware of extensive damage and are working to acquire additional materials. TxDOT Amarillo District has identified over 4,400 safety barriers, signs, delineators, and other roadway devices lost. Over 1,100 items were lost in the Windy Deuce fire and over 3,300 items were lost in the Smokehouse Creek fire. Local crews have begun recovery efforts and roadway restoration as materials become available and crews can safely enter.

All major highways are open and flowing, however, motorists are encouraged to drive with caution and check <u>DriveTexas.org</u> for the most current road conditions, visibility warnings and road closures.

### **Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS):**

A request from TDEM-Recovery was submitted for DSHS to present a Fire-Reentry Safety briefing targeting survivors and responders during the Recovery and Coordination call.

On February 28, the State Medical Operations Center (SMOC) was activated due to the wildfire activity in TDEM Region 1. Numerous evacuations of residents, nursing homes, assisted living centers and hospitals have been conducted.

#### **DSHS Texas Emergency Medical Task Force (DSHS/EMTF):**

On February 28, three Wildland Fire Support Packages (WLFS) were deployed to Amarillo and were assigned to Hutchinson, Moore, and Randal Counties. Three additional WLFS were deployed on March 1. DSHS/EMTF currently has nine WLFS teams deployed to north Texas for wildfire support operations.

**Texas Military Department (TMD):** TMD has activated one CH-47 and two UH-60 rotary wing aircraft and crews to provide direct support to TAMFS with aerial fire suppression capability and one UH-60 rotary wing aircraft with lift capabilities to support TX-TF1 medics in response to critical fire weather. One MQ-9 Remote Piloted Aircraft has been activated to provide aerial reconnaissance and situational awareness of fire operations and fire progression. An LNO to TAMFS, a Winter Weather MRP and a SOC Support team are also activated. TMD CH-47 helicopters have dropped a total of 100,800 gallons of water. TMD has 42 personnel, eight vehicles, and five aircraft activated.

**Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD):** TPWD returned to Level IV (Normal Operations) on March 7. All resources assigned to the wildfire mission have been released.

**Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC):** HHSC has deployed a 6-person Rapid Behavioral Health Assessment Team (RBHAT) to Amarillo to evaluate both the incident situation and to assess the behavioral health resources needed. On February 28, HHSC has one liaison at the SOC and the 2-1-1 Texas Information and Referral Network is distributing relevant information about disaster response, including shelter locations.

**Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation (TDLR):** TDLR staff are at the SOC and stand ready to assist as requested.

American Red Cross (ARC): The ARC closed the Johnson Park Youth Center shelter located in Borger on March 7. The ARC has positioned a team of responders, including staff and volunteers, to assist with response and recovery efforts. ARC is supporting the Disaster Assistance Center by distributing sifters, blankets, teddy bears, snacks & water to community members. ARC mobile supply distribution started on Saturday March 2, handing out supplies in the cities of Fritch, Canadian, and Stinnett as weather conditions permit. The ARC has distributed 1,167 meals, 45 clean up kits, 15,441 DES, and 214 households have been provided with DES to date.

#### Texas Baptist Men (TBM):

An initial team arrived on March 3 and have been assessing the damage. TBM has received requests for debris cleanup assistance and 40 pending cleanup requests for fire recovery, chainsaw, and heavy equipment. Services provided by TBM as of March 7, include 2,392.5 hours logged by volunteers, 803 meals prepared, 51 damage assessments have been completed, 116 hours of heavy equipment operations, 144 showers, and 53 loads of laundry provided to volunteers and victims.

**The Southern Baptist of Texas Convention (SBTC):** SBTC has prepared 1,625 meals as of March 7. The states of Kentucky and Arkansas have sent several loads of hay, and one load was received from Waxahachie, TX. A Quick Response Feeding Unit continues to support the operation. Clean up and Recovery Units are arriving March 5, and will work through March 14. Three clean-up assistance jobs have been completed by SBTC, nine clean-up assistance jobs were completed by other groups and 28 requests remain open.

The Salvation Army (TSA): As of March 7, TSA has distributed 1,715 meals, 2,192 snacks, 2,104 drinks, 158 comfort/hygiene kits and 15 TSA store vouchers. TSA Pampa Service Unit is serving first responders and survivors with food, hydration, and relief supplies in Gray, Carson, and Roberts Counties. The Pampa Service Unit continues to manage donations and provide relief items to first responders. TSA Borger Service unit is engaged and serving first responders and survivors with food, hydration, and relief supplies in Hutchinson County. The Borger Service Unit continues to accept in-kind donations to be distributed locally. Both Borger and Pampa Service Units are coordinating and collaborating locally with city and county officials, as well as VOAD and other community partners. TSA will continue to partner and collaborate locally with community agencies as well as local and state emergency management. The city of Pampa has requested TSA provide hydration services for first responders at the Armory in Pampa.

## STATE RESOURCES COMMITTED

	Resource Kind						
Agency	and Type	Personnel	Equip	Status	Location		
TDEM	Mass Care ESF6	1	0	Assigned	SOC		
TDEM	ISTF HQ Staff	2	0	Assigned	SOC		
TDEM	ISTF	1	0	Assigned	SOC		
TDEM	VOAD	0	0	Assigned	SOC		
AgriLife	SOC LNO	2	0	Assigned	Austin/SOC		
AgriLife	Administration	3	0	Assigned	College Station		
AgriLife	Marketing and Comms PIO	1	0	Assigned	Pampa		
AgriLife	DAR Agents	13	0	Assigned	Pampa		
AgriLife	DAR Agents	5	0	Assigned	Hemphill		
AgriLife	DAR Agents	2	0	Assigned	Hemphill/VET Team		
AgriLife	DAR Agents	5	0	Assigned	Hutchinson		
TAMFS	TIFMAS Strike Team	15	5	Assigned	Carson		
TAMFS	TIFMAS Strike Team	15	5	Assigned	Childress		
TAMFS	TIFMAS Strike Team	15	5	Assigned	Collingsworth		
TAMFS	TIFMAS Strike Team	15	5	Assigned	Gray		
TAMFS	TIFMAS Strike Team	15	5	Assigned	Hemphill		
TAMFS	TIFMAS Strike Team	15	5	Assigned	Hutchinson		
TAMFS	TIFMAS Strike Team	15	5	Assigned	Ochiltree		
TAMFS	TIFMAS Strike Team	15	5	Assigned	Oldham		
TAMFS	TIFMAS Strike Team	15	5	Assigned	Potter		
TAMFS	TIFMAS Strike Team	15	5	Assigned	Randall		
TAMFS	TIFMAS Strike Team	15	5	Assigned	Wheeler		
TAMFS	TIFMAS Strike Team	15	5	Assigned			
TAMFS	TIFMAS Strike Team	225	75	Assigned			
TAMFS	Hand Crews	16	2	Assigned			
TAMFS	TIFMAS Strike Team	15	5	Assigned			

Agency	Resource Kind and Type	Personnel	Equip	Status	Location
TEEX TX-PWRT	SOC Support	2	2	Assigned	Austin/SOC
TEEX TX-PWRT	Strike Teams	10	5	Assigned	Amarillo
TEEX TX-PWRT	DDEOC Members	1	1	Assigned	Canyon
TEEX TX-TF1	TX-TF1 Rescue Medic	3	0	Assigned	Randall County
TEEX TX-TF1	ESF 9 Overhead	9	0	Released	Brazos County
TEEX TX-TF1	ESF 9 SOC LNO	1	0	Released	Austin/SOC
TAHC	SOC LNO	1	0	Assigned	Austin/SOC
TAHC	Emergency Management	1	0	Assigned	Virtual
TAHC	Field Staff	2	2	Assigned	Pampa
TAHC	Policy	4	0	Assigned	Virtual
TAHC	Regional Management	1	1	Released	Gray and Hutchinson Counties
TAHC	Veterinarian	1	1	Assigned	Amarillo
TAHC	Communications	2	0	Assigned	Virtual
TAHC	Livestock Inspectors	2	2	Assigned	Cities of Borger, Canadian, and Pampa
DPS	SOC LNO	2	2	Assigned	Austin/SOC
DPS	Helicopter	1	1	Assigned	Amarillo
DPS	Troopers	11	11	Assigned	Hemphill and Hutchinson Counties
TxDOT	SOC Liaison	1	0	Assigned	Austin/SOC
TxDOT	Mobile Mechanic & Haul Driver	1	1	Assigned	Fleet Division
TxDOT	EMC	1	0	Assigned	TxDOT HQ
TxDOT	Forklift	0	1	Assigned	TAMFS
DSHS EMTF	[6] WLFS PKG	30	30	Assigned	Smokehouse Creek
DSHS EMTF	[2] WLFS PKG	10	10	Assigned	Windy Deuce
DSHS EMTF	[1] WLFS PKG	5	5	Assigned	Grape Vine Creek
DSHS EMTF	[2] MIST	2	2	Assigned	Austin

Agency	Resource Kind and Type	Personnel	Equip	Status	Location
DSHS EMTF	[2] MIST	2	2	Assigned	SCO
DSHS EMTF	[2] SOC LNO	1	0	Assigned	Austin
HHSC	SOC LINO	11	0	<i>A</i> Asssiiggmeedd	AAussttiny/SSOOCC
HHSC	RBHAT	6	0	Assigned	Amarillo
TMD	CH-47 Fire Suppression	13	1	Assigned	Amarillo
TMD	UH-60 Lift Capable	6	1	Assigned	Amarillo
TMD	UH-60 Fire Suppression	6	2	Assigned	San Antonio
TMD	SOC Support Team	7	0	Assigned	Austin
TMD	Winter Weather MRP	18	8	Assigned	Lubbock
TMD	LNO for TAMFS	1	0	Assigned	College Station
TMD	MQ-9 RPA	6	1	Activated	Houston
TMD	MQ-9 RPA LNO	2	0	Activated	College Station
TMD	MQ-9 RPA LNO	1	0	Activated	Austin
TPWD	SOC LNO	1	1	Assigned	Austin/SOC
TPWD	DDEOC LNO	1	1	Assigned	Amarillo/DDEOC
TPWD	Game Wardens	4	4	Assigned	TDEM Region 1

**FINAL COMMENTS:** The State Operations Center (SOC) is at Level II (Escalated Response Conditions). The Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) continues to monitor the situation and will provide additional situation reports as needed.

#### The four levels of SOC activation are:

Level I (Emergency Conditions)
Level II (Escalated Response Conditions)
Level III (Increased Readiness Conditions)
Level IV (Normal Conditions)

This Situation Report can be found on the TDEM webpage at: https://tdem.texas.gov/response/state-operations-center#tab-3

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