

STATE OF TEXAS WILDFIRE UPDATE

Labor Day Weekend Fires, DR-4029-TX

January 16-20, 2012

Incident Period: Aug. 30-Dec. 31, 2011

Joint Field Office (JFO) Hours of Operation: Tuesday-Friday, 7:30 am to 6:00 pm, Closed Monday for MLK Jr. Day

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Timeline (Nov. 2010 - Dec. 2011)

- Nov. 15 Texas wildland fire season begins.
- **Dec. 21** The Governor issues initial proclamation for Wildfires for 244 counties (Governor continues to issue monthly wildfire proclamation renewals from his initial Dec. 21 proclamation)
- **Sep. 9** Governor requests disaster declaration for individual assistance
- Sep. 9 President approves declaration for FEMA-4029-TX with Individual Assistance (IA) for Bastrop County
- Sep. 10 Texas requests FEMA's Transitional Shelter Assistance (TSA) program
- Sep. 10 Texas requests IA program add-ons for Colorado, Houston, Leon, Travis and Williamson Cos.
- Sep. 10 State requests Hazard Mitigation statewide
- Sep. 10 Texas requests Public Assistance, Category A (debris) for Bastrop County and Category B (emergency protective measures) for Anderson, Bastrop, Bexar, Cass, Cherokee, Colorado, Coryell, Denton, Fayette, Grayson, Gregg, Grimes, Harrison, Henderson, Hill, Houston, Hunt, Leon, Madison, Marion, Mason, Montgomery, Nacogdoches, Navarro, Palo Pinto, Rusk, Smith, Travis, Upshur, Van Zandt, Walker, Waller and Williamson Cos.
- Sep. 11 Texas requests IA add-ons for Gregg, Grimes, Montgomery, Walker and Waller Cos.
- **Sep. 13** Texas requests IA add-ons for Cass and Marion Cos.
- Sep. 14 FEMA approves IA add-ons for Colorado, Houston, Leon, Travis and Williamson Cos.
- Sep. 15 Texas requests all categories (A-G) of Public Assistance for Bastrop County
- Sep. 16 FEMA approves IA add-ons for Gregg, Grimes, Montgomery, Walker and Waller Cos.
- **Sep. 19** FEMA approves IA add-ons for Cass and Marion Cos.
- Sep. 20 Texas requests IA add-ons for Harrison, Palo Pinto, Smith, and Upshur Cos.
- Sep. 21 FEMA approves all categories of work (A-G), including direct federal assistance, for Bastrop County
- Sep. 21 FEMA approves Hazard Mitigation statewide
- Sep. 21 Texas requests FEMA's TSA for additional declared counties and 30-day extension for Bastrop
- **Sep. 23** FEMA approves additional IA add-ons for Harrison, Smith, and Upshur Cos.
- **Sep. 23** Texas requests IA add-ons for Anderson, Caldwell, Fayette, Henderson, Hill, and Rusk Cos.
- Sep. 23 Texas requests PA add-ons (all categories) for Colorado, Leon and Walker Cos.
- Sep. 23 Texas submitted Crisis Counseling Immediate Services Program (CCISP) grant application to FEMA.
- Sep. 24 Transitional Sheltering is approved for the additional 12 declared counties and 30-day extension for Bastrop until November 9
- Sep. 28 FEMA approves additional IA add-ons for Anderson, Caldwell, Fayette, Henderson, Hill, and Rusk Cos.
- Sep. 28 FEMA approves additional PA add-ons for Colorado, Leon and Walker Counties
- Sep. 30 Texas requests additional PA add-ons for Cherokee, Gregg, Harrison, Houston and Rusk Cos.
- **Oct. 04** FEMA approves all categories of work (A-G), including direct federal assistance, for Cherokee, Gregg, Harrison, Houston and Rusk Cos.
- Oct. 04 Texas requests IA add-on for Navarro County.

- Oct. 07 FEMA approves IA add-on for Navarro County.
- Oct. 07 FEMA approved Crisis Counseling Immediate Services Program (CCISP) grant application from Texas.
- **Oct. 13** FEMA approves all categories of work (A-G), including direct federal assistance, for Anderson, Henderson, Hill, Marion, Smith, and Upshur Counties.
- Oct. 14 Texas submitted request to FEMA to extend registration deadline until December 8, 2011.
- Oct. 14 Texas submitted request to FEMA to extend Transitional Sheltering Assistance (TSA) program until Dec. 9, 2011 for Bastrop, Cass, Marion, Montgomery, Travis and Waller Cos.
- **Oct. 14** Texas submitted request to FEMA to extend Case Management for Bastrop, Cass, Marion, Montgomery, Travis and Waller Cos.
- **Oct. 14** Texas submitted request to FEMA to change the incident period for DR-4029 from August 30, 2011 and continuing to August 15, 2011 and continuing.
- **Oct. 17** FEMA approved extension of Transitional Sheltering Assistance (TSA) program to Dec. 9. 2011 for Bastrop, Cass, Marion, Montgomery, Travis, and Waller Cos.
- Oct. 19 Texas requested PA add-ons (all categories) for Cass, Morris, Navarro and Panola Cos.
- Oct. 20 FEMA approved extension of Case Management for Bastrop, Cass, Marion, Montgomery, Travis, and Waller Cos. to December 9, 2011
- Oct. 21 FEMA approved extension of IA registration deadline until December 8, 2011
- Oct. 25 FEMA approved additional PA add-ons for Cass, Morris, Navarro, and Panola Cos.
- Oct. 26 Texas requested PA add-ons for Briscoe, Clay, Coryell, Edwards, Hall, Howard, Kimble, Menard, Montague, Nolan, Sutton, and Wise Counties
- **Nov. 03** FEMA approved PA add-ons for Briscoe, Clay, Coryell, Edwards, Hall, Howard, Kimble, Menard, Montague, Nolan, Sutton, and Wise Counties
- Nov. 08 Texas submitted Crisis Counseling Regular Services Program grant application to FEMA.
- Nov. 16 Texas submitted request to FEMA to extend IA registration until January 6, 2012
- **Nov. 22** Texas submitted request to FEMA to extend Transitional Sheltering Assistance (TSA) to Jan. 8, 2012 for Bastrop, Cass, Marion, Montgomery, Travis, and Waller Counties.
- Nov. 28 FEMA denied IA add-on for Palo Pinto County.
- **Nov. 30** FEMA approved extension for Transitional Sheltering Assistance (TSA) to Jan. 8, 2012 for Bastrop, Cass, Marion, Montgomery, Travis, and Waller Counties.
- Dec. 02 FEMA approved 30-day extension for IA registration deadline until January 6, 2012.
- **Dec. 19** Texas submitted Disaster Case Management grant application to FEMA.
- **Dec. 30** FEMA notified Texas that incident period for disaster is closed effective Dec. 31, 2011.

Individual Assistance (IA)

Individual Assistance programs provide assistance to individuals, families and business owners in declared disaster areas whose property has been damaged or destroyed and whose losses are not covered by insurance. The assistance may be in the form of loans, grants, temporary housing, tax relief, legal services, crisis counseling or unemployment assistance.

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REGISTRATION CLOSED: January 6, 2012

TRANSITIONAL SHELTERING ASSISTANCE ENDED: Jan. 8, 2012 in Bastrop, Cass, Marion, Montgomery, Travis and Waller Counties.

- DRCs saw a cumulative total 5,525 individuals.
- Crisis Counseling Regular Services Program (RSP) was approved with conditions that are due Feb. 1, 2012 on the same day that the RSP begins.

	Last Reporting Period 12-29-11 thru 1-04-12	Current Reporting Period 1-05-12 thru 1-11-12	Cumulative for disaster
Total registrations	17	41	4,111
Housing Referrals	9	17	2,873
Disbursed	\$31,866.36	\$60,819.29	\$10,884,040.86
ONA Referrals	7	18	1,877
Disbursed	\$44,118.83	\$5,837.04	\$2,542,568.04
SBA Apps. Received	1	2	177
SBA Disbursed	\$14,000	\$83,600	\$19,582,400.00
DUA Filed	0	0	191
DUA Disbursed	\$5,481	\$632.00	\$78,573.00

Public Assistance (PA)

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Total number of declared counties for Public Assistance: 31

Total number of Requests for Public Assistance (RPAs) received: 58

Total number of Eligible Applicants: 57; 1 requires additional documentation

Total number of Approved Applicants: 57; includes 4 withdrawn

Total number of completed Preliminary Damage Assessments (PDAs): 22

(Anderson, Bastrop, Cass, Cherokee, Colorado, Coryell, Gregg, Harrison, Henderson, Hill, Houston, Leon, Marion, Morris, Nacogdoches, Navarro, Panola, Rusk, Smith, Upshur, Walker, and Waller Counties)

PDAs scheduled this week: 0

Applicant briefings scheduled this week (Jan. 16-20): 0

(No further applicant briefings are scheduled at this time and will not be scheduled until such time as additional counties are declared eligible for Public Assistance.)

Applicant briefings completed: 21

(Anderson, Bastrop, Briscoe, Cass, Cherokee, Clay, Colorado, Coryell, Edwards, Gregg, Hall, Harrison, Henderson, Hill, Houston, Howard, Kimble, Leon, Marion, Menard, Montague, Morris, Navarro, Panola, Rusk, Smith, Sutton, Upshur, Walker, Wise; and State Agencies)

Total Obligated Amount (as of Jan. 12, 2012): \$3,043,916.45

Breakdown of approved funding (as of Jan. 12, 2012)

Debris	Emergency	Roads/	Water	Buildings &	Utilities	Parks,	State
Removal	Protective Measures	Bridges	Control Facilities	Equipment		Recreational Facilities & Other	Management
\$1,873,278.17	\$44,9233.45	\$17,512.32	\$0	\$518,907.91	\$262,067.60	\$0	\$327,227.00

Categories of Public Assistance to Eligible Applicants

(31 Counties Total: Anderson, Bastrop, Briscoe, Cass, Cherokee, Clay, Colorado, Coryell, Edwards, Gregg, Hall, Harrison, Henderson, Hill, Houston, Howard, Kimble, Leon, Marion, Menard, Montague, Morris, Navarro, Nolan, Panola, Rusk, Smith, Sutton, Upshur, Walker, and Wise Counties)

Category	Description			
Α	Debris Removal – Clearance of trees and woody debris; building wreckage, sand, mud, silt and g			
	vehicles; and other material deposited on public and, in very limited cases, private property.			
В	Emergency Protective Measures – Measures taken before, during and immediately after a disaster t			
	save lives, protect public health and safety, and protect improved public and private property.			
С	Roads and Bridges – Repair of roads, bridges, shoulders, ditches, lighting and signs.			
D	Water Control Facilities – Repair of irrigation systems, drainage channels and pumping facilities;			
	repair of levees, dams and flood control channels is eligible but limited.			
E	Buildings and Equipment – Repair or replacement of public buildings, including contents and systems;			
	heavy equipment; and vehicles.			
F	Utilities – Repair of water treatment and delivery systems; power generation facilities and			
	distribution lines; and sewage collection and treatment facilities.			
G	Parks, Recreational Facilities, Other – Repair and restoration of parks, playgrounds, pools, cemeteries			
	and beaches; work otherwise not covered in categories A-F.			

Hazard Mitigation

Wendy Kirby, Mitigation Specialist

Hazard Mitigation funding is available statewide as a result of the Texas wildfires. Hazard Mitigation is sustained action taken to reduce or eliminate long-term risk to people and their property from hazards and their effects.

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Mitigation Section Notice of Interest (NOI) deadline was Dec. 2, 2011. Notice of Interest prioritizing is in process and will go to the State Hazard Mitigation Team for review and approval. Responses will be mailed to applicants. **Hazard Mitigation application deadline is March 23, 2012.**

This report covers DR-4029 (wildfires that occurred Aug. 30-Dec. 31, 2011).

For information about our other open disaster declaration, DR-1999 (wildfires that occurred Apr. 6-Aug. 29, 2011), please visit: http://www.txdps.state.tx.us/dem/documents/recovery/dr1999.htm.

FEMA-4029-DR, Texas Disaster Declaration as of 11/03/2011

