SAR Operations

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TEEX ESF-9

• **TEEX** is Lead Agency
  – Develops Annex R to State Plan
  – Coordinates State SAR Response

• **State Support Agencies Include:**
  – TMD, TFS, TPWD, GLO, DPS, TXDOT, others

• **ESF-9 Overhead Component – Joint Management Structure**
  for SAR Ops
TEEX ESF-9 Staffing

- Coordination Center
- State Operations Center
- DDC Liaison
- EOC Liaison
- Search and Rescue Overhead Team
- Air Coordination Group
- Tactical Joint Air/Ground Coordination Team
TEEX ESF-9 Responsibilities

• Provide / coordinate resources
• Support personnel, equipment, & supplies
• Coordination with local government
• Response Capability
• National Guard support
• Regional Response Teams
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- TEEX is Sponsoring Agency
- Over 60 Participating Agencies
- Over 700 members
- Structural Collapse
- WMD
- Swiftwater and Flood Emergencies
Situation and Assumption

• Texas has always been plagued by various weather systems that have a potential for large-scale disasters.
• Because of the diverse topography in Texas, flash flooding can be expected with every rainstorm that strikes.
• With a large influx of new residents and increased commercial and residential development throughout Texas, the potential for mass-casualty disaster is ever present.
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Situation and Assumption

• Statistics show that 90 percent of all savable victims of disasters are saved within the first few hours following such an occurrence.

• Pre-staged state US&R teams, increase the opportunity to successfully rescue victims of natural disasters.

• Water Strike Teams and aviation assets will provide more immediate relief to victims and the communities they live in.
Incidents

• Notice
  – Hurricane
  – Severe Weather, Flood, Swiftwater Preposition
  – Special Security Events

• No-notice
  – Severe Weather, Evolving Swiftwater, Tornado
  – Technological
  – Nefarious actions
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Operational Units

• Type I TF:
  – Operations at most structural collapse incidents, CBRNE capable – 24hr ops

• Type II TF:
  – No CBRNE component – 24hr ops

• Type III TF:
  – Weather-related incidents with limited structural damage -12hr ops
Operational Units

• Type IV TF:
  – Technical rescue limited to 12 hour operational periods

• Water Assets

• Helicopter SAR Technicians
Operational Units

• Force multipliers:
  – All ancillary personnel and equipment outside of the teams organic capability that adds capacity