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TEXAS ALL HAZARDS INCIDENT MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE

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George W. Bush
**Hurricanes:**
Bret (1999, Texas)
Isidore (2002, Louisiana)
Lili (2002, Louisiana)
Claudette (2003, Texas)
Isabel (2003, North Carolina)
Erika (2003, Texas)
  • Charley (Aug.)
  • Frances (Sept.)
  • Ivan (Sept.)
  • Jeanne (Sept.)
Katrina (2005, Louisiana)
Rita (2005, Texas)
*Dean (2007, Texas)
Humberto (2007, Texas)
*Dolly (2008, Texas)
*Gustav (2008, Louisiana)
*Ike (2008, Texas)
*Alex (2010, Texas)
*Hurricane Irene (New York, 2011)
*Hurricane Sandy (New York, 2012)

**Tropical Storms:**
Charley (1998, Texas)
Frances (1998, Texas)
Allison (2001, Texas)
Faye (2002, Texas)
Erin (2007, Texas)
*Edouard (2008, Texas)

**Flooding:**
Guadalupe River (1987)
Del Rio (1998)
Victoria, Cuero, San Antonio (1998)
San Antonio/Hill Country (2002)
Liberty County (2002)

**TFS All-Risk Responses**
Robertson and Brazos County (2004)
San Antonio/Central Texas (2004)
Thanksgiving (2004)
Houston (2006)
Southwest Texas (2006)
*North and Central Texas (2007)
*San Augustine/Sabine (2008)
Wichita County (2008)
*Presidio County (2008)
East Texas (2009)
Laredo (TD #2) (2010)
Eagle Pass (2013)

**Tornadoes:**
Jarrell (1997)
Fort Worth (2000)
Hondo (2001)
Corpus Christi (2002)
Rusk County (2003)
Tulia/Cactus (2007)
Eagle Pass (2007)
North Texas (2013)

**Law Enforcement:**
Republic of Texas Standoff (1997)
*Latter Day Saints Support (2008)

**Petrochemical:**
Corpus Christi Exxon Oil Spill (1992)
Alon Refinery Explosion (2008)

**Sporting Events:**
Super Bowl XXXVIII (2004)
MLB All-Star Game (2004)
World Series (2006)
Super Bowl XLV (2011)

*Formula One Race (2012)

**Miscellaneous:**
A&M Bonfire Collapse (1999)
Y2K FEMA Support (1999)
September 11th (2001)
*Nat'l Strategic Stockpile (2009)
*West Fertilizer Plant Explosion (2013)
*Texas Winter Weather Event (2013)
H1N1 Flu Response (2009)

**Type 3 IMT Assists to TFS on Wildfires:**
*Georgia State Fires (2007)
*Texas Fires (2008)
*North Texas Fire Siege (2009)
*Texas Fires (2009)
*Trans Pecos Fires (2010)
*Texas Fire Response (2011)
*New Mexico State Fire Support (2012)

*Asterisk (*) indicates participation by T-3 local gov't resources.
Texas and beyond
So where do we go from here?
Complacency Kills

Don’t relax
Don’t quit training

Texas WILL provide opportunities to be innovative
The view from where I stand

• Serve on the National Association of State Foresters Fire Committee

• On this committee are National Fire Managers for the Department of the Interior and USDA Forest Service

• The nation is losing its capacity for large incident response (Type 1 & Type 2) and they are looking drastically for solutions
Already in motion are changes in terms:

- Initial Attack
- Extended Attack
- Complex incident Management

Moving away from Type 1 & Type 2
A BIG part of the solution is in this room

TYPE 3 TEAMS
“Evolving Incident Management”
In Texas – we aren’t waiting
WE CAN’T AFFORD TO WAIT
We began with 8 IMT’s – we now have 16

KEEP DOING WHAT YOU ARE DOING – THE NATION WILL FOLLOW!
Let me leave you with this...
REMEMBER WHY WE TRAIN
REMEMBER WHO WE SERVE

RELATIONSHIPS ALWAYS MATTER