



**Texas
Commission on
Fire Protection**



TEXAS INTRASTATE FIRE MUTUAL AID SYSTEM

HISTORY, ACTIVATION, QUALIFICATIONS, GRANTS
AND WHAT'S AHEAD



SEC. 418.111. CREATION OF THE TEXAS STATEWIDE MUTUAL AID SYSTEM

- Established in the 2007 Legislative Session
 - The Texas Statewide Mutual Aid System is established to provide integrated statewide mutual aid response.
 - Is an opt out system, does not require an MOU.
 - Is intended to provide support to any jurisdiction that needs it after local/regional resources have been exhausted.

TEXAS INTRASTATE FIRE MUTUAL AID SYSTEM WAS DESIGNED TO:

- Mobilized by the Texas A&M Forest Service (ESF 4)

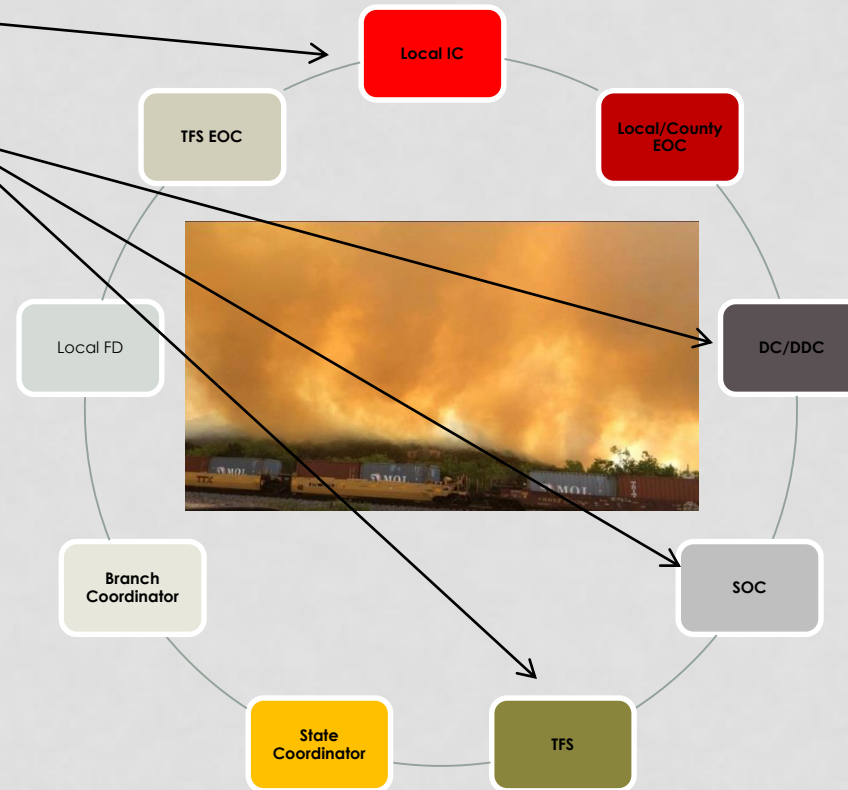


ACTIVATION - WHAT TRIGGERS THIS AND WHERE DOES IT START?

Activation can start at the local or State level or

The system can be activated on State authority when current conditions pose an imminent threat to the Citizens of Texas

An activation of the system occurs when the resource needs have exceeded available local and regional resources.



- Before requesting TIFMAS use local and regional mutual aid.
- TIFMAS is not intended to replace local and regional agreements.

THE STATE COORDINATOR REACHES OUT TO THE RESOURCE COORDINATORS

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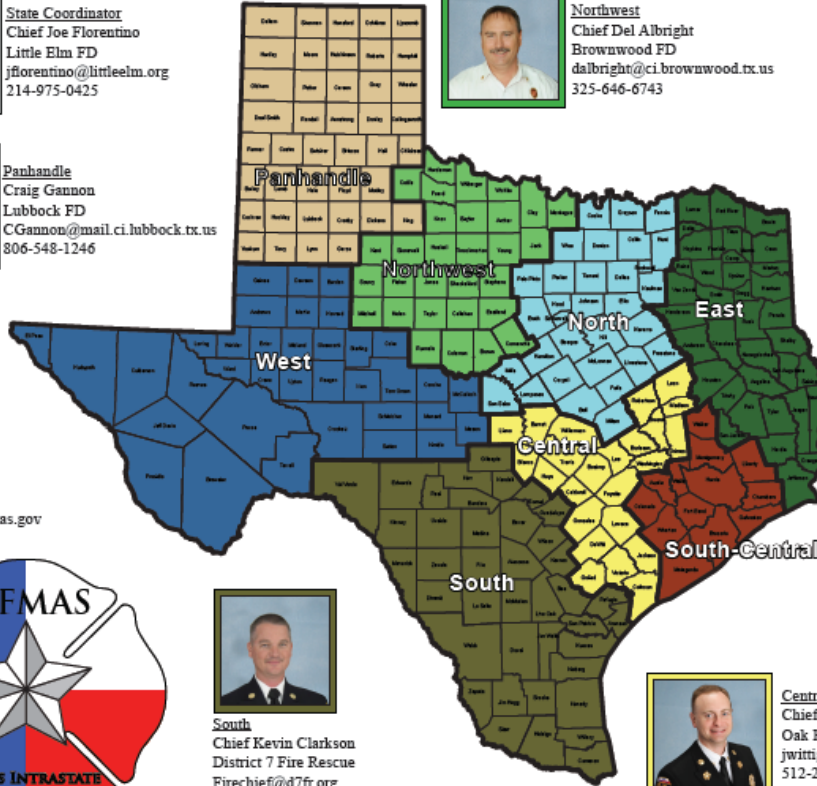
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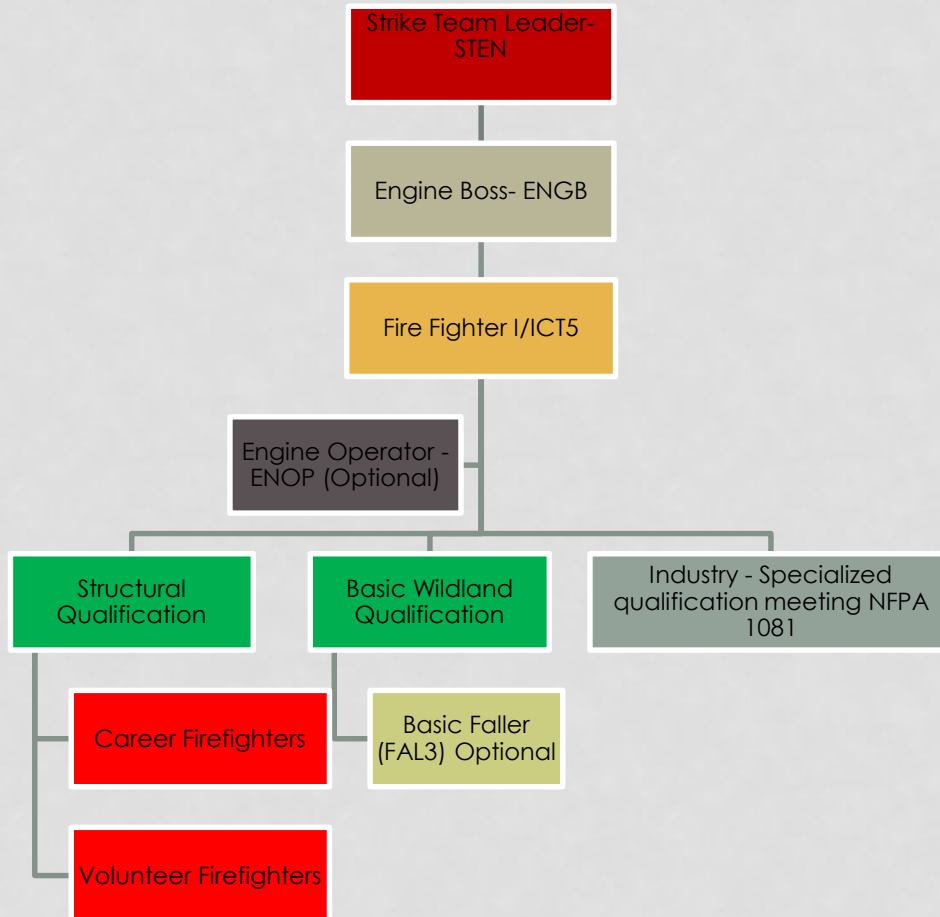
- Hurricanes
- Wildfire
- Tornados
- Flooding
- Backfill fire stations
- And ?



QUALIFICATIONS

STANDARDS AND PROCESS

QUALIFICATIONS



Qualifications under TIFMAS follow the NWCG/NFPA Crosswalk Model.

BASIC FALLER

- All TIFMAS Basic Fallers shall have appropriate training (NWCG S-212) to operate a chainsaw while engaged in TIFMAS business and maintain currency. **A TIFMAS certifier for chainsaw operators shall be appointed and approved by the TIFMAS Certification Lead. The lead certifier will choose their delegates to assist in annual refresher training.** These delegates must be given their currency refreshers prior to being used as local certifiers, and may be used only to certify Class 3 Fallers.
- TIFMAS personnel can also work under a TFS or other RED Card qualified Faller to obtain qualified signatures in the PTB and attending a TFS refresher will also qualify for the 2 year currency requirement.

BASIC FALLER

- Chainsaw refresher training will be required every two years to maintain currency. See Chainsaw refresher training guidelines for instructors in this document. Documentation of chainsaw refresher training and certification will be maintained by the AHJ. Only prior approved individuals are authorized to instruct refresher training.
- Refer to pages 49 to 52 in Business Manual

TIFMAS GRANTS

APPARATUS - TRAINING

FUNDING

- Funded at one million annually by the State.
- The Stakeholder group working together agreed on how the funds would be allocated.
 - Annually provide \$200,000 in training grants.
 - Annually provides \$800,000 in equipment grants.

TIFMAS PPE CACHE

100 PERSON IN NACOGDOCHES AND AUSTIN; 25 PERSON
CACHE IN MCKINNEY; DEVELOPING A 4TH IN MIDLAND



APPARATUS BUILD OUT

North Branch

Type III	Frisco FD
Type III	FEPP – Highland Village
Type III	Not Filled
Type VI	Weatherford Fire
Type VI	Lewisville Fire
Type VI	Cedar Hill Fire
Type VI	Flower Mound Fire
Type VI	Plano Fire
Type VI	Stephenville FD
Tactical Tender	Not Filled

Northwest

Type III	FEPP - Brownwood Fire
Type III	Not Filled
Type III	Not Filled
Type VI	Vernon Fire
Type VI	Brownwood Fire
Type VI	Abilene FD
Type VI	Not Filled
Type VI	Not Filled
Tactical Tender	Not Filled

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West

Type III	FEPP - Big Spring Fire
Type III	Not Filled
Type III	Not Filled
Type VI	Big Spring Fire
Type VI	Midland Fire
Type VI	Not Filled
Type VI	Not Filled
Type VI	Not Filled
Tactical Tender	Not Filled

Pan Handle

Type III	Lubbock Fire
Type III	Not Filled
Type III	Not Filled
Type VI	Borger Fire
Type VI	Not Filled
Type VI	Not Filled
Type VI	Not Filled
Type VI	Not Filled
Tactical Tender	Not Filled

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Central

Type III	Austin Fire
Type III	FEPP - Austin FD
Type III	FEPP - TEEX
Type VI	Travis County ESD 3 Oak Hill FD
Type VI	Travis Co. ESD 6
Type VI	Georgetown Fire
Type VI	Bryan FD
Type VI	Not filled
Tactical Tender	Travis County ESD 4

East

Type III	FEPP - Nacogdoches Fire
Type III	Longview
Type III	Not Filled
Type VI	Paris Fire
Type VI	Nacogdoches Fire
Type VI	Mt Pleasant FD
Type VI	Lufkin Fire
Type VI	Beaumont FD
Tactical Tender	Not Filled

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South

Type III	FEPP - San Antonio FD
Type III	Not Filled
Type III	Not Filled
Type VI	Mission fire
Type VI	Pharr Fire
Type VI	Weslaco Fire
Type VI	New Braunfels FD
Type VI	San Antonio FD
Tactical Tender	Not Filled

South Central

Type III	FEPP - Galveston Fire
Type III	Not Filled
Type III	Not Filled
Type VI	Galveston Fire
Type VI	Tomball FD
Type VI	Montgomery County ESD 1
Type VI	Not Filled
Type VI	Not Filled
Tactical Tender	Not Filled

RED CARD

- MOU
 - Has been implemented
 - Allows department to teach NWCG courses with instructors meeting 901-1.
 - Allows department to recommend individuals for red cards.
- MOA
 - Being developed
 - Will be tied to the TFS Master agreement with USFS
 - Provide process for TFS to reimburse local FD's on Federal Assignments.

QUESTIONS

