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Regional Disaster Finance Program

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- How many of you in this room are responsible for Emergency Management in your jurisdiction?
- How many of you have had to manage an actual disaster in your area?
- How many of you have had the challenge of being reimbursed for expenses related to a disaster in your area?
- How many of you felt that you didn't have enough tools in the toolbox to complete this task
- As an IMT member, how many of you feel comfortable tracking a local jurisdictions finances or daily burn rate?



Regional Disaster Finance Program

- Do you know what the Regional Disaster Finance Program is?

- How many of you knew we have this program?
 - Do you know the details of the program?
 - During what phase do you think disaster finance should be introduced



Regional Disaster Finance Program

PURPOSE

The Regional Disaster Finance Coordination Program:

- ✓ Is a new, innovative, proactive pilot program.
- ✓ Is designed to give local jurisdictions the financial tools needed to help recover from a disaster before a disaster occurs.
- ✓ Facilitates collaboration and communication between disaster responders and financial managers prior to an emergency occurring.
- ✓ Helps to develop financial guidelines for jurisdictions to follow during an event, which aid in seeking reimbursement when the event has ended.



Why Focus on Local Jurisdictions

Federally Declared Disasters in Texas from 1989 - 2014:

- **Total - 287**
 - ✓ Emergency Declarations – 13
 - ✓ Major Declarations – 40
 - ✓ Fire Management Assistance Declaration (FMAG) – 234



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T-600 Course

The T-600 course is an in-depth analysis of the financial capabilities of each jurisdiction during a disaster or emergency. It will:

- Analyze the accounting practices of individual finance departments during disasters and emergencies by reviewing accounting systems.
- Identify gaps in policies and procedures when accounting for a disaster or emergency.
- Establish financial standard operating procedures (SOPs) to be used during a disaster.
- Exercise financial SOPs.



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Topics Covered

- Accounting System
- Time
- Procurement
- Contracts
- Equipment
- Risk Management
- Review of ICS structure
- Review of the finance section in ICS structure
- Review state reimbursement forms
- Overview by emergency manager on operations
- Resource tracking



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Capstone Exercise

It is important to exercise the policy and procedures that have been established to:

- Identify gaps
- Revise procedures to correct gaps

***This course can be tailored to fit the needs
of your jurisdiction***



Accomplishments since September

- Hired 5 of the 8 Positions
 - Regions hired – 1, 5, 6, 1 for Region 2, and the State Agency Coordinator
 - Interviews will be held in March for the 3 open positions
- They have been in contact with 59 different entities



T-600 Training

- T-600 Course
 - Broken into 3 modules over 3 months with an exercise
 - 15 courses have either been completed or scheduled (249 trained or in the process of being trained)
 - To date – student training hours = 1,862

- First Training Class
 - Beaumont – October 15, 2014
 - 14 participated in modules 1 and 2
 - Concluded with an exercise that had 65 participants



T-600 Training

- Largest Class – City of El Paso – Region 4
 - 41 in attendance
 - El Paso County and City
 - Hudspeth County
 - Ysleta del Sur Pueblo
 - El Paso ISD
 - El Paso Water District
 - University of Texas



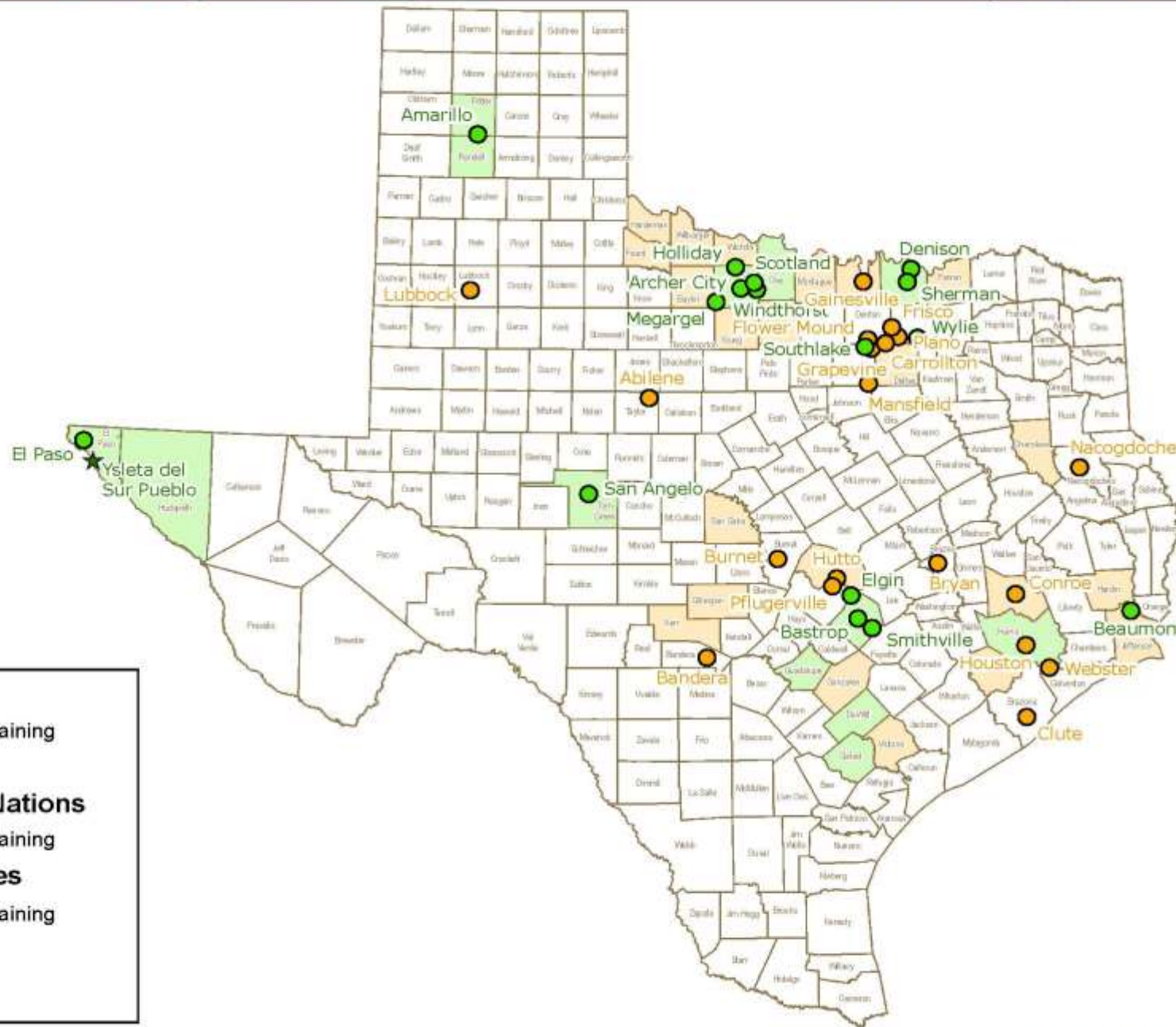
Summary Sheet – Regional Disaster Finance Program

	Expressed Interest / Contacted	Communication in Progress	Planning Meeting Set	Class Dates Set / In Progress	Complete	Not Interested	Total
Region 1	6	6	2	4	0	0	18
		14			4		
Region 2	1	9	0	1	1	0	12
		10			2		
Region 3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		0			0		
Region 4	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
		0			2		
Region 5	7	2	1	3	0	0	13
		10			3		
Region 6	3	5	2	4	0	0	14
		10			4		
SMT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		0			0		
Totals	17	22	5	14	15	0	59
		44					

Student Through Put By Class and Region

	Class 1		Class 2		Class 3		Exercise		Totals	
	#	Hrs	#	Hrs	#	Hrs	#	Hrs	#	Hrs
Region 1	39	312	14	112	0	0	0	0	53	424
Region 2	14	112	14	112	14	112	65	390	107	726
Region 3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Region 4	41	328	0	0	0	0	0	0	41	328
Region 5	23	184	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	184
Region 6	18	144	7	56	0	0	0	0	25	200
SMT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	135	1080	35	280	14	112	65	390	249	1862





Training Status - Cities

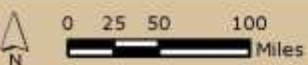
- Completed / Confirmed Training
- In Progress

Training Status - Tribal Nations

- ★ Completed / Confirmed Training

Training Status - Counties

- Completed / Confirmed Training
- In Progress
- Counties



Data Sources:
 Training Status - TDEM Regional Disaster Finance Section
 Counties - TxDOT

Critical Information Systems
 February 20, 2015
 This map is for informational purposes and may not have been prepared for or be suitable for legal, engineering, or surveying purposes.



Deployment

- **When?**

- When a local jurisdiction has to track cost and they do not have the personnel or skill to even start
- We are the Finance Calvary

- **How?**

- Request through the DDC

- **Responsibility?**

- They will assist the local jurisdiction in ensuring that the local jurisdiction can compute their Daily Financial Burn Rate.
- Financial Response (3-5 days only)
- They are not Recovery Subject Matter Experts



Outreach

- Conferences
 - EMAT
 - Texas Emergency Management Conference

- Speaking Engagements
 - County Treasurers' Annual Meeting
 - Government Finance Officers Association of Texas Spring Meeting

- Training Video

