On January 22, 2007, GDEM requested TX-TF1 to assist along the Texas/Mexico Border. TX-TF1 was requested to provide water rescue capabilities, on-water visibility, and safety observation/reconnaissance at Lake Amistad near Amistad National Recreation Area in Del Rio, Texas. Operation Wrangler was a coordinated effort between TPWD, the Val Verde County Sheriff’s Office, and TX-TF1 to create a border presence along the Texas/Mexico border.

Task force personnel travelled to Del Rio, TX, on January 22, soon after receiving their activation notice, and upon arrival in Lake Amistad, TX-TF1 command personnel met with TPWD personnel to develop an operational plan. TX-TF1 Water Rescue Squads were stationed on Lake Amistad and provided support to TPWD and the Val Verde Sheriff’s Office. While deployed to the Lake Amistad area, the task force conducted operations from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. from January 22 through January 29. During the course of the deployment, TX-TF1 personnel logged over 800 miles using response vehicles and 102 hours of boat operations on the water. TX-TF1 was demobilized on January 29 and returned safely back to College Station, TX.

Deployment Statistics
Lasted a total of 8 days
6 Personnel activated supporting the following resources:
• 2 Water Rescue Squads
• Command personnel

Type - SECURITY SENSITIVE (WATER)