Late in the evening of June 12, 2016, a line of thunderstorms moved its way through North Texas with Corsicana, Texas, receiving more than 8” of rain in 6 hours. During the previous flash flooding event, many of the local resources had damaged their water rescue boats, leaving Corsicana residents vulnerable. As a result, Corsicana requested assistance from TX-TF1, in which they responded by deploying 2 Water Rescue Squads and 1 Water Rescue Manager.

The Water Rescue Squads arrived early in the morning of June 13 and met with the Navarro Office of Emergency Management to coordinate and plan responses to life safety threats in Navarro County and its local jurisdictions. During this deployment, squads monitored local flooding reports and prepared to respond to any calls for assistance. Flooded areas in Corsicana included an 8 mile stretch of Interstate 45.

TX-TF1 resources responded to 1 call of assistance regarding a woman and a small child in water near a gas station. TX-TF1 assisted by ensuring the safety of the individual and collaborating with the local fire department to assists in the evacuation of the stranded motorists.

Fortunately, no additional calls were requested and no residents were affected, allowing Corsicana to release and demobilize all TX-TF1 resources the following day on June 13.