

Deployment Statistics

Lasted a total of 7 days

79 Personnel activated supporting the following resources:

- 8 Water Rescue Squads
- 6 Helicopter search and Rescue Specialists
- Type III USAR Team

Teams completed:

- 2 Shelter-in-place

Type - **RAIN**



In early May a series of thunderstorms traveled east across Texas with the threat of dropping 1-11 inches of rain causing flash flooding, hail, and tornadoes. On May 7, 2019, TX-TF1 deployed three Water Rescue Squads, one Water Group Supervisor, and one Support Specialist to stage in College Station and Huntsville to assist locals. TDEM also activated a Texas Task Force 2 Type III US&R Team to stage in Wichita Falls, and a Texas Task Force 1 Type I US&R Team as backup.

From May 8-9, additional Water Rescue Resources were staged across Texas, bringing the total activated to eight Water Rescue Squads, with two Water Group Supervisors, and two Support Specialists. The overhead team was based at Gateway, and the Air Operations Center was based at the State Operations Center.

All TX-TF1 and TX-TF2 personnel were demobilized and returned to their home stations by May 13. Throughout this deployment, the teams completed many welfare checks while offering backup to local responders.

