Disaster Response Plan
Building Official Association of Texas

• Non-profit professional organization of Building Officials, building inspectors, code officials and industry professionals from the built environment.
  – Membership of over 300.

• TML Affiliate
  – Over 1100 jurisdictions are TML members.

• State Chapter for the International Code Council.
Disasters in Texas

- Floods – Wichita Falls, Austin
- Wild Fire – Amarillo, Bastrop
- Hurricane – Galveston, etc...
- Tornado – Cleburne, Glen Rose, etc...
- Earthquake – Irving 3.4, West Dallas 3.1
- Explosion or Terrorist Attack – West
- Extreme Heat, Drought, Thunderstorms (lighting)
  – Not likely – Volcanoes, Tsunami, Landslide, Extreme Cold
BOAT’s Goal

• Regardless of the scope of disaster or damage:
  – Provide rapid or detailed evaluation safety assessment of all structures in damaged area. By Certified Disaster Response Inspectors.
    • Condition of the building for re-entry.
      – Unsafe, Restricted Use, or Inspected.
      – Other hazards, environmental or other.
    • Estimated % of damage.
    • Determine if structural engineering analysis is needed.
    • Reconnection of utilities to structures.
  – Provide post-disaster recovery aid in permitting repairs and inspection of repairs or reconstruction.
Initiating Damage Assessment Response

**Local Official**
- Establishes Need for Assistance - may be IC or City Official.
- Contact TDEM for large disaster or may contact BOAT directly for smaller disaster where TDEM may not be involved.

**TDEM**
- TDEM contacts BOAT to request deployment.
- Lead Responder may deploy to area prior to TDEM contact based on size of disaster or contact with local official.

**Lead Responder**
- Will evaluate damage assessment needs.
- Will activate call tree for needed teams.
- Will be point person to NIMS Section Officer under IC.

**Team Leader(s)**
- Will lead teams in performing post-disaster evaluations.
- Will insure proper placarding of structures.
- Will submit reports to Lead Responder.

*NTC COG or PWERT could make request*

*Working with SEER to include as resource for teams.*
Post Damage Assessment Recovery Assistance

Local Official
- Determines need for assistance.
- Meets with Lead Responder

Lead Responder
- Lead Responder determines:
  - Staffing & equipment needs

Lead Responder
- Contacts Recovery Responders
- Arranges equipment and RR team deployment.

Recovery Team
- Maintains communication with local official
- Communicates status to Lead Responder
Disaster Response Equipment

Lead Responder Equipment Locker and/or Trailer

Jobsite trailer for extended response or post assessment recovery work.

Housing trailer for extended assessment or post assessment recovery.

Water/waste water trailer for extended assessment.