

Texas Division of Emergency Management State Situation Report

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Event Name	25-0001 Wildfire Season 2025			
Date	April 23, 2025			
Time	10:00 AM			
Operational Period	8:00 AM April 21, 2025, to 8:00 AM April 22, 2025			
Report Number	49			

TDEM Regions Affected	None
DDs Active	None

STATEWIDE CURRENT SITUATION: On March 20, Governor Abbott <u>announced</u> that the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) approved the state's request for a Fire Management Assistance Grant for the Pauline Road Fire in San Jacinto and Montgomery Counties. The approval of this Fire Management Assistance Grant makes Texas eligible for a 75 percent reimbursement from the federal government for costs associated with fighting the Pauline Road Fire. Fire Management Assistance Grants are available to states and local jurisdictions for the mitigation, management, and control of fires on publicly or privately owned forests or grasslands, which threaten such destruction and would constitute a major disaster.

OPERATIONAL PRIORITIES:

- 1. Protect life and property.
- 2. Support rapid & effective response.
- 3. Collect and disseminate accurate incident information to improve decision-making.
- 4. Accurately track incident costs associated with assigned resources for cost recovery.

RESPONDING STATE AGENCIES/ORGANIZATIONS REPORTS

Texas Division of Emergency Management, Texas A&M University System (TDEM):

Texas A&M Forest Service (TAMFS): TAMFS continues to closely monitor fire weather conditions and has prepositioned heavy equipment, engines, and personnel—along with fixed-wing and rotor-wing aircraft.

STATE RESOURCES COMMITTED

Agency	Resource Kind and Type	Personnel	Equip	Status	Location
TAMFS	TIFMAS Strike Team	18	5	Assigned	Alice
TAMFS	TIFMAS Strike Team	18	5	Assigned	Beeville
TAMFS	TIFMAS Strike Team	18	5	Assigned	Victoria
TAMFS	Out Of State (Field Operations)	103	25	Assigned	TDEM Regions 5, 6, 7
TAMFS	Firefighting Resources (Field Operations and C&G)	131	17	Assigned	TDEM Regions 5, 6, 7
TAMFS	Aircraft		17	Assigned	TDEM Regions 1, 3, 4, 5, 7

FINAL COMMENTS: The State Operations Center (SOC) is at Level III (Increased Readiness Conditions). The Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) continues to monitor the situation and will provide additional situation reports as needed.

The four levels of SOC activation are:

Level I (Emergency Conditions)

Level II (Escalated Response Conditions) Level III (Increased Readiness Conditions)

Level IV (Normal Conditions)

This Situation Report can be found on the TDEM webpage at: https://tdem.texas.gov/response/state-operations-center#tab-3

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