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**FIRST AMENDMENT TO  
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN  
THE TEXAS A&M ENGINEERING EXTENSION SERVICE  
THE SPONSORING AGENCY OF TEXAS TASK FORCE 1 AND  
THE PARTICIPATING AGENCY EMPLOYER**

This FIRST AMENDMENT of the Memorandum of Understanding Between The Sponsoring Agency and the Participating Agency Employer is made and entered into by and between FORT BEND COUNTY, TEXAS, a body politic, acting herein by and through its Commissioners Court and Texas Task Force 1, a division of Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service (TEEX) .

## RECITALS

WHEREAS, on or about February 6, 2018, the Parties entered into a Memorandum of Understanding Between The Sponsoring Agency and the Participating Agency Employer attached which is incorporated by reference;

WHEREAS, the Parties now desire to amend a certain portion of the Agreement in accordance with Section V(B)(1) and Section IX (A) of the MOU.

NOW THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the mutual benefits to be derived by the parties hereto, County, and Contractor agree as follows:

- I. Employer has approved an additional Member for participation in TX-TF1 training, meetings, and emergency response activities under the same terms and conditions for current participating Members. Agency Chief approval has been provided by signing the Participating Agency Individual Member Letter of Endorsement, Attachment D, which will be provided at the time the additional Member's administrative documents are submitted.
- II. Except as modified herein, any prior executed document remain in full force and effect and has not been modified or amended. In the event of conflict, the contents of this First Amendment shall prevail.

III. Execution

IN TESTIMONY OF WHICH, THIS AMENDMENT shall be effective upon execution of all parties.

FORT BEND COUNTY

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
KP George, County Judge

ATTEST:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Laura Richard, County Clerk

TEXAS A&M ENGINEERING EXTENSION SERVICE (TEEX)

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Attachments:

Exhibit D: Individual Letter of Endorsement

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## Exhibit D:

### Individual Letter of Endorsement

**Texas Task Force 1  
Urban Search and Rescue (US&R)  
Participating Agency/Employer (Fort Bend County Fire Marshal's Office)  
Individual Member Letter of Endorsement**

**Date:** 12/20/2019

**To:** [Fort Bend County Fire Marshal's Office]

**From:** TX-TF1 Operations Chief

**Re:** Participation in Texas Task Force 1

Texas Task Force 1 (TX-TF1) a State and Federal Emergency Response Task Force requests TX-TF1 membership endorsement for [Greg Najvar].

TX-TF1 functions as one of the 28 federal teams under the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)'s National Urban Search and Rescue System and as a statewide urban search and rescue team under direction of the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM). TX-TF1 also coordinates the state's swiftwater rescue program and the helicopter search and rescue team which works in conjunction with Texas Military Forces.

By signing this authorization letter you are approving participation of the listed individual in TX-TF1 activations and trainings and affirm the Employer's support of the Member's participation in TX-TF1 training, meetings, and emergency response activities. Local significant emergency situations or disasters affecting your jurisdiction may take priority over TX-TF1 activations or trainings.

Following are the participation requirements for Members of TX-TF1:


Members must be in good standing with the Employer.

1. Members must be of good moral character and may not have been convicted of any felony or any other criminal offense involving moral turpitude.
2. Members serving in a TX-TF1 position that requires the individual to hold a license, registration, certificate or other similar authorization to lawfully engage in an activity must hold such authorization, which must be current and validly issued.
3. Members must follow all TX-TF1 Standard Operating Guidelines that are available at <https://texastaskforce1.org>.
4. Members must meet medical/fitness standards, and be physically capable of performing assigned duties required in the position description requirements for the assigned position in a wide range of environments per TX-TF1 Standard Operating Guidelines.
5. Members must maintain knowledge, skills, and abilities necessary to operate safely and effectively in the assigned position.
6. Members must advise Employer of TX-TF1 activities that may require time off work.

7. Members must notify TEEX of any change in the notification process, i.e. address or phone number changes, and maintain current personal profile in the "Task Force Personnel Records System."
8. Members must ensure availability for immediate call-out during the period the Member's assigned team is first on the rotational model for call-out. Members who are not on the team that is first on the rotational model may be requested to fill the position of another team member who is not available to deploy to ensure the team is fully staffed for the mission.
9. Members must respond immediately to call-out with acceptance or refusal of current mission request and arrive within 3 hours from time of call-out to the assigned point of assembly.
10. Members must maintain all equipment issued by TX-TF1 in a ready state and advise TEEX **immediately** of any lost, stolen or damaged items.
11. Members must be prepared to operate in the disaster environment for up to 14 consecutive days.
12. Members must provide documentation of the required immunizations as listed below:
  - Diphtheria/Tetanus (or Tetanus only if there is a contra-indication to Diphtheria)
  - Hepatitis A
  - Hepatitis B
  - Measles/Mumps/Rubella (if born after 1957)
  - Polio

Costs and requirements associated with TX-TF1 by the Employer are addressed through your Participating Agencies/Employer Memorandum of Understanding with TX-TF1.

Membership on TX-TF1 is an honor and significant accomplishment and requires a large commitment of time and effort from both the Member and their Employer.

<u>MARK FLATHOUSE</u> TX-TF1 Participating Agency Chief or designee (Print)	<u>FIRE MARSHAL</u> Rank/ title
	<u>1/13/2020</u>
TX-TF1 Participating Agency Chief or designee (Signature)	Date

I acknowledge that I have read and agree with the requirements as listed in this Letter of Endorsement.

<u>Greg Najvar</u> Member Name (Print)	<u>Rescue Specialist</u> Task Force Position
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	<u>1-30-2020</u>
TX-TF1 Member (Signature)	Date