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MEDIA ADVISORY

Members of the media wishing to request a seat on the helicopter, must contact and coordinate details with the state Public Affairs Office no later than 12:00 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 8, 2014. Please note seats on the helicopter are limited and will be granted on a first come, first serve basis.

The state Public Affairs Office can be reached at 512-782-5620 or email at ng.tx.txarng.mbx.pao@mail.mil.

FOR IMMEDIATE PUBLIC RELEASE:

Texas National Guard Partners with Texas Task Force 1 for Swift Water Rescue Training

AUSTIN, Texas (Oct. 3, 2014) –Members of the Texas Army National Guard will partner with Texas Task Force 1 to conduct joint swift water rescue training exercises at San Luis Pass in Brazoria County from Oct. 28-30, 2014.

On Wednesday, Oct. 29, 2014, members of the media will receive the opportunity to view the joint-training exercise from a UH-60 Black Hawk helicopter. Seats will be limited and are a first come, first serve basis.

The joint training will demonstrate the partnership between the Texas Military Forces and Texas Task Force 1 while conducting helicopter rescue familiarization and capability training with boat squads and rescue hoist training with the Helicopter Search and Rescue Team (TX-TF1 HSART).

“These scenarios will test our ability to react and help improve communication and coordination with our civilian partners.” said Brig. Gen. Patrick Hamilton, Domestic Operations Task Force Commander, Texas Military Forces. “Because the Texas Military Forces is involved with our local communities, this joint/interagency training builds mutual support in the event of a crisis and further enables us to better serve and defend the citizens of Texas.”

For more information on the media day or to request a seat on the UH-60 Black Hawk during a portion of the training, please contact the state Public Affairs Office at 512-782-5620 or email at ng.tx.txarng.mbx.pao@mail.mil. Please note, video and photography opportunities will be available from the ground as well, should a seat on the aircraft be unavailable.

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The mission of the Texas Military Forces (TXMF) is to provide the Governor and the President with ready and trained forces in support of the citizens of Texas and State and Federal civil/military authorities at home and abroad.

The Texas Military Forces are commanded by the Adjutant General of Texas, the state's senior military official appointed by the governor, and is comprised of the Texas Military Department (formerly the Adjutant General's Department), the Texas Army National Guard (TXARNG), the Texas Air National Guard (TXANG), the Texas State Guard (TXSG) and the Domestic Operations Command (DOMOPS).

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