



DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT
Office of the Governor

RICK PERRY
Governor

Mailing Address:
PO Box 4087
Austin, Texas 78773-0220

Contact Numbers:
512-424-2138 Duty Hours
512-424-2277 Non-Duty Hours
512-424-2444 Fax

Physical Address:
5805 N. Lamar Blvd.
Austin, Texas 78752

STEVEN McCRAW
Director
Office of Homeland Security

JACK COLLEY
Chief

March 12, 2007

Dear Colleagues,

Hurricane Awareness Week 2007 has been set for May 20-26. I would like to invite you to join the Governor's Division of Emergency Management and the National Weather Service in reminding the Texas public about the dangers of hurricanes striking the Texas coast.

The greatest single natural threat to Texas is a catastrophic hurricane. Hurricanes can have widespread consequences throughout our state. They can spawn tornados and floods that strike hundreds of miles inland. They also require the coordination of resources and response in many inland communities as residents evacuate from the endangered coast.

Hurricane Awareness Week is an excellent opportunity to work with your local media, voluntary agencies, private sector representatives, community groups and area officials to get prepared for storms.

A packet of Hurricane Awareness Week materials can be found at the Governor's Division of Emergency Management Web page at: <www.txdps.state.tx.us/dem>. The Web site also includes information on the Texas Hurricane Conference, a key part of our efforts to plan and prepare.

Please feel free to use these public awareness materials to meet your local needs during Hurricane Awareness Week as our "Team Texas" continues to be the best emergency management community in the nation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jack Colley". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end of the last name.

Jack Colley
Chief