ROLE OF LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIALS IN EMERGENCIES

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DISASTER PRIORITIES

- Unity of Effort
- Life Safety
- Incident Stabilization
- Protect Property and Environment
- Recovery

“ALL DISASTERS ARE LOCAL”

-FEMA

PLANNING ROLES

- Defining goals/objectives
- Shape local policies to support plans
- Bring partners to the table
- Support for mutual aid agreements

RESPONSE ROLES

- Keep the government running
- Activate/delegate authority
- Be the face of the event
- Request support
- Lead a team of teams

RECOVERY ROLES

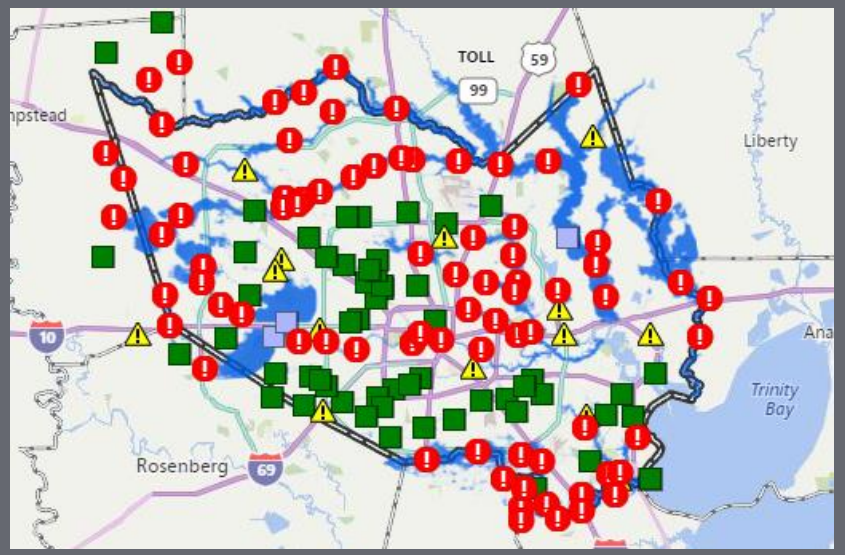
- Recovery support functions
- Political cover for actions

RECOVERY ROLES (cont.)

- Fighting policy fights at state/national level
- Public Assistance
- 75/25 cost share

REGIONAL COLLABORATION

Shared Resources

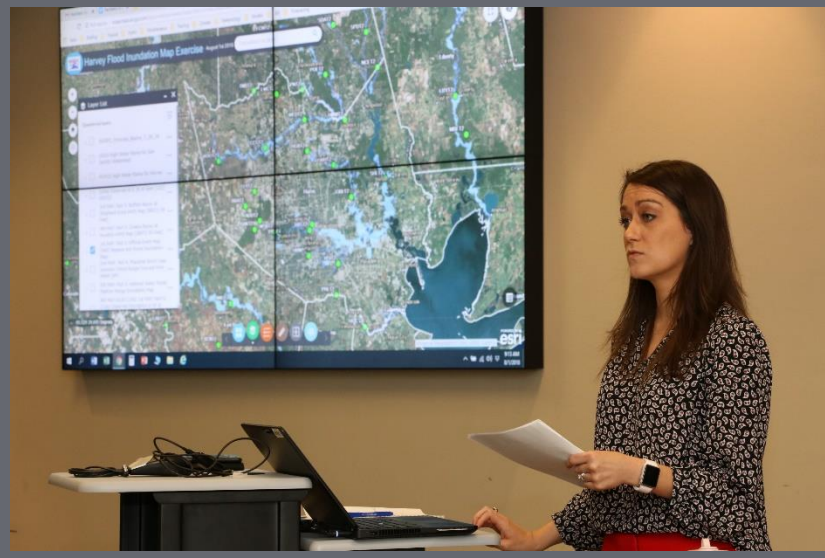


Regional Flood Warning System

One Voice

Regional Joint Information Center

Team Work



Training and Exercises

POLICY BEST PRACTICES

Know Your Jurisdiction

Players and Partners

Communication

Required vs. Expected

QUESTIONS?

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