

# Disaster Preparedness & Flooding Response Fact Sheet



## About Us

The Coastal Bend Council of Governments (CBCOG) serves 11 counties in South Texas, coordinating regional planning, emergency preparedness, and public safety. Through strategic partnerships, grant support, and data-driven initiatives, CBCOG enhances disaster resilience, infrastructure, and community development—aligning local efforts with state and federal priorities to strengthen the region’s capacity for response, recovery, and growth.



**11**  
Coastal  
Bend  
Counties



10,273  
Square Miles



586,102  
Texans  
Served

## How we prepare:

### Strategic Partnerships

- Regional Resilience Partnership with Texas A&M–Corpus Christi’s Harte Research Institute
- Collaboration with Texas Statewide Interoperability Coordinator
- Coastal Bend Bays & Estuaries to address mitigation strategies

### Regional Leadership in Emergency Preparedness

- Provides regional coordination for emergency preparedness, response, and recovery.
- Addresses flooding impacts in vulnerable communities
- Development of the Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA)
- Annual Stakeholder Preparedness Review (SPR) and Improvement Plan
- Alignment with the Texas Homeland Security Strategic Plan (THSSP)

## Natural Disaster Preparation & Recovery

- Manages State Homeland Security Program funds for regional Type 3+ Incident Management Teams
- Facilitates mutual aid agreements and cross-jurisdictional coordination
- Leads THIRA, SPR, and Improvement Plan development
- Includes Emergency response and mitigation in Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS), I-Plan, Criminal Justice, and Regional Transportation Plans

## Emergency Communications

- Coordinates interoperable communications across jurisdictions
- Leads regional exercises to test flood response coordination
- Supports technology upgrades in emergency operations centers
- Supports Public Service Answering Points (PSAPs) for 911 operations outside of urban areas
- Works with State Broadband Office to facilitate access to broadband in rural communities

## Pending Initiatives

- Application pending with General Land Office for Regional Flood Study for High LMI rural communities
- Application pending with GLO for Disaster Situational Awareness Tool for quick citizen response



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