Readout of Administrator Brock Long's Tour for Hurricane Preparedness Week

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WASHINGTON – Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Administrator Brock Long spent Hurricane Preparedness Week meeting with stakeholders in preparation for the 2018 Hurricane Season. After the unprecedented 2017 Hurricane Season, FEMA and its partners continue to urge communities, businesses and residents in potentially affected areas to prepare now.

Beginning in Beaumont, Texas, Administrator Long participated in a Hurricane Awareness Event with Texas Division of Emergency Management Chief W. Nim Kidd; NOAA National Hurricane Center Director, Ken Graham; NOAA Weather Prediction Center Director David Novak; and Jefferson County Judge Jeff Branick. The Administrator then met with Texas Governor Greg Abbott's Chief Operating Officer Reed Clay and Chief Kidd to discuss the status of recovery in Texas. Administrator Long then met with local first responders at Lamar University for a discussion on response operations during Hurricane Harvey.

Before departing Texas, Administrator Long held a townhall meeting with FEMA employees at the Beaumont branch office.

Kicking off the next leg of the Hurricane Awareness Event, Governor John Bel Edwards, New Orleans Mayor LaToya Cantrell joined Administrator Long and National Hurricane Center Officials in a public awareness event in Baton Rouge. The Administrator then met with the Governor's Unified Command Group, including representatives from Louisiana State Police, National Guard, Wildlife and Fishery, Agriculture and Forestry, Department of Transportation and Development, Children and Family Services, Department of Health, and local emergency management officials. The discussion centered around state and local preparations for the 2018 hurricane season and the partnerships between all levels of government.

He closed his visit with a FEMA townhall meeting at the Louisiana Recovery Office in Baton Rouge.



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