

Important Information for ISO Rating and Structure Fire Response Plans

The Organization

The Hays County Emergency Services District #6 provides Fire, Rescue and EMS First Response services as North Hays County Fire Rescue.

Our Fire District is 245 square miles of northern Hays County including the City of Dripping Springs and the Village of Bear Creek.

We have 6 Fire Stations strategically located throughout the district.

We are a combination department, with both career and volunteer firefighters serving together in our organization.

Our Fleet

7 Engines

3 Pumper/Tenders

4 Tenders

9 Brush Trucks

1 Service Truck

1 Ladder Truck

1 UTV

5 Support Vehicles

ISO Classifications

Our ISO Rating 2/3/10 split classification with hauled water qualification. Please see below for an explanation.

Class 2 - All properties located within the City of Dripping Springs corporate limits

Class 3 - All Properties outside of the City of Dripping Springs corporate limits but within 5 miles of a fire station

Class 10 - All Properties outside the City of Dripping Springs corporate limits and located greater than 5 miles from a fire station

Please note that everyone in the 78620 (Dripping Springs) postal code is not necessarily located within the City of Dripping Springs. If you are unsure if you are within the City of Dripping Springs, you can look on your property tax bill to confirm that you pay tax to the City.

Structure Fire Response Plan

Areas with Fire Hydrants

The first alarm response plan for a structure fire on a property with fire hydrants includes 4 engines, 1 service truck, 1 ladder truck and 1 chief officer. The combined pumping capacity is 7,500 gallons per minute and the total on-board water supply is 5000 gallons. There will be a minimum of 18 personnel initially assigned with additional apparatus and personnel requested as needed.

Areas without Fire Hydrants

The first alarm response plan for a structure fire on a property without fire hydrants includes 3 engines, 3 tenders, 1 service truck and 1 chief officer. The combined pumping capacity is 4,500 gallons per minute and the total on-board water supply is 9000 gallons. There will be a minimum of 18 personnel initially assigned with additional apparatus and personnel requested as needed.

Hauled Water Operations

For areas without fire hydrants, a water supply for firefighting purposes is created with a tender shuttle operation. A drop tank is set at the fire scene and the water tenders dump their water into the tank and go to the nearest hydrant, refill and return to the fire and dump their water. This operation is continued until the fire is extinguished.

Additional Assistance:

For any fire exceeding the capabilities of our personnel and apparatus, we will request additional alarms which will continue to bring apparatus and personnel until there are enough resources on location to mitigate the incident. Initially, we will utilize assistance from organizations within Hays, Travis and Blanco Counties.

For any large-scale incidents, we participate in the Texas Intrastate Fire Mutual Aid System.