Coast Guard Responds with Unified Command to Flooding Near Kerrville, Texas



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AUSTIN, Texas – The Coast Guard, along with a unified command, is responding to an area affected by flash flooding near Kerrville, Texas.

Sector New Orleans watchstanders received a report July 4th at approximately 5:57 am from Texas A&M Task Force 1 personnel requesting assistance for rescue operations in response to flooding near Kerrville, Texas.

An MH-65 Dolphin helicopter aircrew and an HC-144 Ocean Sentry Aircraft aircrew was launched from Air Station Corpus Christi

along with an Air Station Houston MH-65 Dolphin helicopter aircrew to provide assistance with rescue operations.

The Coast Guard has conducted 12 flights to the affected area, and rescued 15 campers from Camp Mystic in Hunt, Texas, yesterday. A Coast Guard rescue swimmer remained with victims of the flooding, providing medical assistance to and aiding with the evacuation efforts of 230 victims into assisting agencies air assets.

Additionally, today, three people were rescued, and four were assisted from a mobile home community in Leander, Texas.

Agencies also responding to the flooded area are:

- Texas Task Force 1
- Texas Dept of Public Safety
- Texas National Guard
- Texas Parks and Wildlife
- Country STAR Flight
- Local Police Department

“The preservation of life during this incident is our top priority,” said Capt. Ulysses S. Mullins, The Coast Guard Heartland District Chief of Staff, “which is why the Coast Guard is working with the State of Texas alongside other responding agencies to ensure that every asset on scene is able to coordinate, communicate and respond as safety and

quickly as possible”

Any media networks seeking information about the Coast Guard’s rescue and response operations are encouraged to contact the Texas Public Affairs Detachment Duty line at 832-293-1293.