

**EMERGENCY DEBRIS MANAGEMENT SITE CERTIFICATION FORM
HURRICANE RITA, FEMA-1606-DR-TX & FEMA-3261-EM-TX**

This form is to be used as a checklist for local officials who want to meet Federal environmental requirements for reimbursement by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). The completion of this form will facilitate the Federal environmental and historic preservation reviews as required by law. **It is the applicant's responsibility to comply with the requirements of Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) letter dated September 30, 2005, authorizing outdoor burning of storm related debris. Any sites where the applicant plans long-range storage, other than permitted landfills, without burning or reduction for recycling must have individual approvals from TCEQ.** If the creation or use of this emergency burning, processing and/or stockpiling site will include **ground disturbance**, including the creation of temporary roads, burying of burn residue, or will **impact structures over 45 years old**, the applicant must coordinate with and receive clearance (see **Ground Disturbance form on page 18**) from the Texas Historical Commission (THC) prior to the start of any ground disturbance. The applicant must attach this form to their public assistance project worksheet. **Individual certifications are required for each burning, burial, disposal, and/or staging or stockpiling site.**

City/Town to be served: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip _____

County: _____ Phone #: _____ FAX #: _____

Landfill Permit #: _____ Landfill name and location: _____

If a proposed temporary staging or stockpiling site, legal description/GPS Lat- Long _____

Directions to Site: _____

APPLICANT OFFICIAL

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**REQUIREMENTS FOR EMERGENCY DEBRIS STAGING, PROCESSING OR DISPOSAL SITES
OTHER THAN APPROVED LANDFILLS**

- Site is located above the 100-year floodplain, or has a permit from the local floodplain administrator. (The floodplain map used for locating the site must be from an original Flood Insurance Rate Map prepared by FEMA, a copy of the Flood Prone Area Map prepared by the U.S. Geological Survey or an equivalent constructed map that depicts the limits and elevations of any 100-year floodplain on or adjacent to the proposed site.)
- Site is located outside any known wetlands.
- Site is located at least ¼ mile from a public or private water supply (surface or ground).
- If the site will receive any putrescible waste that may attract birds, it is located at least 5000-feet (1524 meters) from any airport runway used only by piston-engine aircraft, and at least 10,000-feet (3048 meters) from any airport runway used by turbojet aircraft, with any exceptions approved by the U.S. Federal Aviation Administration.
- The site has security to minimize uncontrolled dumping.
- Site is a minimum of ½ mile from any known caves, springs, streams, and bayous.
- Any burn or debris residue disposed of in a landfill uses an existing, permitted and approved landfill.

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**GROUND DISTURBANCE
FOR
HURRICANE RITA
FEMA-1606-DR-TX
FEMA-3261-EM-TX**

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Texas Historical Commission Certification

I certify that the above referenced site:

- Is not located on any known archeological site or historical property.
- Is located on an archeological site and an alternate area needs to be considered.

THC OFFICIAL

DATE

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