



National Weather Service
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Fort Worth, TX 76137
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Sarah Somers
Grayson County Emergency Manager
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Dear Sarah,

On behalf of the North Texas StormReady Advisory Board, I am writing to congratulate you and Grayson County on your StormReady recognition. This is a result of the continued vision, effort, and commitment you and the County's leadership have to the citizens of all of the cities in the County. Residents of the County should take a great deal of pride and comfort in having achieved this recognition. To a great degree, they have you to thank for it.

The StormReady recognition for Grayson County will be valid for a period of three years. Expiration date of the current recognition will be November 2, 2013 (three years from the initial approval of recognition). I recommend applying for the next renewal at least six months prior to the expiration date.

As you are aware, the StormReady recognition is provided to those communities who have voluntarily gone "above and beyond" the minimum standards of severe weather preparedness and operations. The StormReady advisory board evaluated the county in six main areas: NWS information receipt, local weather and water monitoring, local warning dissemination, communication of information to the NWS in Fort Worth, community preparedness, and administrative tools. Grayson County met and exceeded the criteria in all of these areas. In most cases, the criteria were met many times over.

Congratulations again Sarah, on the recognition and for your continued efforts to keep the residents of North Texas safe. We are proud to have you as part of the StormReady team.

Sincerely,

Mark A. Fox
Warning & Coordination Meteorologist
StormReady Advisory Board