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While we face continued uncertainty with COVID-19, there is no doubt that we need to address flooding and resilience to hurricanes and severe storms in our region and across the state. The Texas Water Development Board has had an expansion of their role in flood planning from the Texas Legislature and Governor Abbott.

We invite you to join us on August 27 from 12-1:30 to hear from the Water Development Board about the regional flood planning process and their planned first state flood plan that is slated for completion by September 1, 2024. The panel will address all aspects of the planning, implementation and financing of the state flood plan.

Hanadi Rifai,
Director of **HuRRI**

Texas in the Spotlight: The Texas State Flood Plan

About the Event

In response to its greatly expanded role in flood planning after the 2019 legislative session, the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) is developing the first state flood plan for Texas, with flood planning regions based on river basins. The panel discussion will focus on TWDB's efforts in coordinating across the established 15 flood planning regions and what the State Flood Plan means for Texas and its resilience to flooding.

About the Speakers

Caimee Schoenbaechler, Manager Coastal Science, Texas Water Development Board, will lead a panel discussion entitled, "At the Resilience Frontier: The Texas State Flood Plan."

Panelists include:

- Reem J. Zoun, PE, CFM, Director, Flood Planning
- Saul A. Nuccitelli II, PE, CFM, Director, Flood Science and Community Assistance
- Lee Huntoon, Outreach Team Lead (focus on Flood Financing)
- Taylor Christian, Water Data Scientist

With moderator: Hanadi Rifai, Ph.D., P. E., Fellow ASCE, John and Rebecca Moores Professor, Director Hurricane Resilience Research Institute (HuRRI).

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Friday, August 27

Noon - 1:30 p.m.

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