

The image features the Texas state flag as a background. It consists of a dark blue vertical stripe on the left side containing a large white five-pointed star. The rest of the flag is divided into two horizontal stripes: a white stripe on top and a red stripe on the bottom.

**Texans Serving**  
**TEXAS**

**MARTY MARTINEZ ALL  
HAZARDS INCIDENT  
MANAGEMENT  
CONFERENCE**

**2019**

IMT Doesn't Stand For  
“*Invading My Town*”

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  - (2) maintaining incident management teams to respond to all-hazard events, including natural, man-made, and planned events.
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- (c) The Texas Forest Service may mobilize an incident management team for a wildfire response operation.
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# “Evolving Incident Management”



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**So where do we go  
from here?**



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**We Review, Revise, Change  
& Improve**



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# Complacency Kills

**Don't relax**

**Don't quit training**

**Texas **WILL** provide  
opportunities to be  
innovative**



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# The view from where I stand

- Serve on the National Wildfire Coordinating Group (NWCG) Operation & Training Committee
- On this committee are representatives of the Department of the Interior, USDA Forest Service, National Association of State Foresters, DHS - U S Fire Administration, and the International Association of Fire Chiefs.
- The nation is continuing to lose its capacity for large incident response (Type 1 & Type 2) and they are looking drastically for solutions

# Already in motion are changes in terms:

- NWCG looking reorganizing the Operation & Training Committee into an Incident Management Committee to focus on doing business day-to-day like we do on an Incident

# The view from where I stand

- Served on the DHS-USFA Type III IMT Development Team and Lead Instructor for All-Hazard Incident Management Team Course and Position-Specific courses

# Already in motion are changes in terms:

- DHS-FEMA looking at how to enhance and improve the IMT Program nationally.
- Conceptually looking at tiers for IMTs
- Update Training and Standards for IMTs
  - This includes Instructor Qualifications and Credentials

**A BIG part of the solution  
is in this room**

**Texas AHIMTs**



**In Texas – we aren't waiting**

**WE CAN'T  
AFFORD TO  
WAIT**



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**We began in 2005, Started training teams in  
2007**

**KEEP DOING WHAT YOU ARE  
DOING – THE NATION WILL  
FOLLOW!**

**Let me leave you with this...**



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**REMEMBER WHY WE ARE HERE**

**REMEMBER WHY WE TRAIN**

**REMEMBER WHO WE SERVE**

**COMMITMENT, SERVICE &  
RELATIONSHIPS ALWAYS MATTER**

**THANK YOU**  
**for**  
**Being a part of the IMT**  
**Program**

