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MEDIA ADVISORY

SOUTH TEXAS HURRICANE CONFERENCE & WATER ISSUES

Press Briefings to be held Wednesday and Thursday at 10 am

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
TUESDAY, MAY 7, 2013

McAllen, Texas – The onset of hurricane season and the ongoing pervasive drought are two seemingly contradictory topics that will converge this week as County leaders gather to inform and educate the community on hurricane preparedness and consider solutions to deal with the water shortage affecting our area. **County leaders will host two separate press briefings at 10 am on Wednesday and Thursday at the McAllen Convention Center to discuss these important issues.**

On **Wednesday, May 8, 2013**, the 2013 South Texas Hurricane Conference will commence with an opening session at 8:30 am with County leaders and local, state and federal officials. A press briefing will immediately follow the opening session, scheduled for **10 am**; leaders will be available to discuss the hurricane conference, highlighting and the importance of regional coordination in preparing for the 2013 hurricane season.

On **Thursday, May 9, 2013**, Hidalgo County is convening a meeting with local community leaders to discuss the issue of drought conditions and the water shortage in South Texas. The topic is, *"Where's the Water? Planning for today and tomorrow."* A press briefing will be held at **10 am**, and will be an opportunity for members of the media to hear from meeting organizers and local leaders about potential solutions for addressing this issue.

All media are encouraged to attend and cover these important briefings.

DETAILS

Who: Hidalgo County Officials and Local Leaders

What: Press Briefings

- 2013 Hurricane Conference
Wednesday, May 8, 2013
10 am
- "Where's the Water?" Meeting
Thursday, May 9, 2013
10 am

Where: McAllen Convention Center
700 Convention Center Blvd.
McAllen, TX

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