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GLO mobile information unit on Bolivar Peninsula

Answers to your questions about the MLT+ 200ft line, FEMA buyouts, permits and more

AUSTIN — Coastal homeowners with questions about rebuilding their beachfront properties, FEMA buyouts or other permitting issues can get answers at the General Land Office's mobile Hurricane Response Information Unit, which will on the Bolivar Peninsula from August 27-29.

The trailer will be at The Big Store, 2385 Hwy. 87 on Crystal Beach from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Representatives from the General Land Office will answer questions about the transition from the 4.5-foot line of elevation to the mean low tide plus 200 feet line (MLT+200ft.), which Patterson announced Monday with the debut of TexasBeachAccess.org.

The mean low tide line is the average of all the daily low tide lines over a 19-year period. The 200 foot mean low tide line (MLT+200ft) is a line 200 feet landward of the average low tide line.

Deployment of the Hurricane Response Information Unit is another effort by Texas Land Commissioner Jerry Patterson to help coastal homeowners rebuild after Ike.

"These trailers carry vital information from the Land Office straight to your community," said Patterson. "You'll find friendly folks eager to help you understand your rebuilding rights."

In another effort bring information to coastal property owners and beachgoers, the Land Office launched TexasBeachAccess.org, a one-stop shop for interactive maps detailing the post-Ike boundary of the public beach. The site also offers answers to questions about FEMA buyouts, dune restoration and a schedule of upcoming mobile information unit stops.

For more information, visit www.TexasBeachAccess.org.

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