Mitigation specialists invite all Texans to talk preparedness July 9-14

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AUSTIN, Texas – Join the more than 47,000 Texans who have learned from FEMA mitigation specialists at local home improvement stores how to better prepare their homes for natural disasters.

Hurricane season began in June, making it a great time to meet with a FEMA expert and learn how to prepare for extreme weather. Our mitigation specialists will provide tips and techniques on how to repair and build more hazard-resistant homes using proven methods to mitigate against future flood damage.

Specialists are eager to meet with anyone who has questions about disaster preparedness, even if Hurricane Harvey did not affect them. Topics covered include making a family disaster plan, disaster supply kits and the importance of flood insurance. FEMA mitigation specialists will be available at these stores:

County	Locations	Dates	Hours
Harris	Lowe's (Store #6506) 6800 Highway 6 North, Houston, 77084	Mon. July 9-Sat. July 14	8 a.m5:30 p.m.



Harris	Home Depot (Store #6838) 12727 FM 1960 West, Houston, 77065	Mon. July 9-Sat. July 14	8 a.m5:30 p.m.
Harris	Home Depot (Store #576) 20360 Highway 59, Humble, 77338	Mon. July 9 Tues. July 10-Sat. July 14	11 a.m5:30 p.m. 8 a.m5:30 p.m.
Harris	Home Depot (#534)	Mon. July 9-Sat. July	8 a.m5:30
	1111 N. Fry Road, Katy, 77449	14	p.m.
Harris	Home Depot (Store #568)	Mon. July 9-Sat. July	8 a.m5:30
	20131 N. I-45, Spring, 77373	14	p.m.

For Texas-specific disaster mitigation information, visit www.fema.gov/texas-disaster-mitigation. For additional mitigation information, visit www.fema.gov/what-mitigation. For information on protecting properties from disaster, visit www.fema.gov/protect-your-property.

For more information on Hurricane Harvey and Texas recovery, visit the FEMA Hurricane Harvey disaster web page at www.fema.gov/disaster/4332, the FEMA Harvey Facebook page at www.facebook.com/FEMAharvey, the FEMA Region 6 Twitter account at twitter.com/FEMARegion6 or the Texas Division of Emergency Management website at www.dps.texas.gov/dem/.

