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TARRANT COUNTY 9-1-1 DISTRICT

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## **9-1-1 Veteran Named Assistant Director - Operations**

Tarrant County 9-1-1 District (the 9-1-1 district) announces the appointment of Greg Petrey as assistant director for operations.

Petrey has been involved in the 9-1-1 industry for over 18 years. Most recently he served as executive director of the Brazos County 9-1-1 District in Bryan-College Station while simultaneously serving as communications manager for the combined dispatch center in the area.

“Tarrant County 9-1-1 District has always been a leader in the 9-1-1 industry and I am honored to be joining the team of such an outstanding organization”, said Petrey.

Petrey says he looks forward to addressing the more recent challenges facing 9-1-1 including the Next Generation 9-1-1 system and Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP). “No matter what we do in addressing these issues, we must always consider the telecommunications professionals that answer that 9-1-1 call”, said Petrey. “We have to provide them the best equipment and information available without overloading them with complexity.”

Prior to Brazos County 9-1-1, Petrey was director at the Potter-Randall County 9-1-1 District in Amarillo. There he implemented the first “small” district system in Texas while managing all aspects of operations including calltaker training. In Brazos County, Petrey managed a complete system upgrade from analog to a PC based 9-1-1 system. In addition, he implemented Phase I and is nearing completion of Phase II wireless location technology. Petrey co-managed the implementation of the City of Bryan’s \$4.5 million radio system along with its \$1.5 million computer aided dispatch system (CAD).

Petrey is a member of industry professional organizations; National Emergency Number Association (NENA) and the Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials (APCO). He is a former regional coordinator of the Texas chapter of NENA and immediate past treasurer, having served three terms.

Petrey, who joins the 9-1-1 district June 1, has been active in public safety for more than 28 years. He has been a dispatcher, police officer, firefighter, paramedic, fire marshal, code enforcement officer, building official and a reserve deputy sheriff.

Tarrant County 9-1-1 District is the second largest 9-1-1 system in Texas, providing 9-1-1 service for 46 cities. The 9-1-1 district and its board work to ensure the district’s 1.9 million citizens are provided the most reliable and technologically advanced 9-1-1 telecommunications system available.