NUMBER OF AIRCRAFT

- **HELICOPTERS (15)**
  - American Eurocopter ASTAR
  - 1 x EC-145

- **AIRPLANES (8)**
  - 1 Gulfstream Commander 1000 Twin Engine Turboprop
  - 1 Cessna 210 SEL
  - 6 Cessna 206 SEL
  - Pilatus PC-12 *
  - Kodiak *
NUMBER OF PILOTS

62 CREWMAN IN 15 DIFFERENT STATIONS

TEXAS DPS AIRCRAFT SECTION
2011
AIRCRAFT STATIONS (15)

- Austin
- Garland
- Houston
- Waco
- San Antonio
- Corpus Christi
- McAllen
- Midland
- Lubbock
- Amarillo
- El Paso
- Alpine
- Del Rio
- Laredo
- Longview
CURRENT STATIONS

46 Pilots
16 TFO’s

TEXAS DEPT. OF PUBLIC SAFETY
AIRCRAFT SECTION

AMARILLO
1 Lieutenant
2 Pilots
1 TFO

LUBBOCK
1 Lieutenant
2 Pilots
1 TFO

GARLAND
1 Lieutenant
3 Pilots
(2 GPD TFOs)

HOUSTON
1 Lieutenant
3 Pilots
1 TFO

LUBBOCK
1 Lieutenant
2 Pilots
1 TFO

WACO
2 Pilots
1 TFO

GARLAND
1 Lieutenant
3 Pilots
(2 GPD TFOs)

LONGVIEW
2 Pilots
1 TFO

EL PASO
1 Lieutenant
2 Pilots
1 TFO

MIDLAND
2 Pilots
1 TFO

AUSTIN
Chief / Asst. Chief Training Officer
1 Lieutenant / 4 Pilots
1 TFO

ALPINE
2 Pilots
1 TFO

DEL RIO
1 Training Officer
2 Pilots
1 TFO

SAN ANTONIO
1 Border Captain
1 Lieutenant
3 Pilots
2 TFOs

HOUSTON
1 Lieutenant
3 Pilots
1 TFO

LAREDO
2 Pilots
1 TFO

MCALLEN
1 Lieut.
5 Pilots
1 TFO

CORPUS CHRISTI
1 Training Officer
2 Pilots
1 TFO
SPECIALIZED EQUIPMENT

- FLIR Systems (Wescam)
- NightSun Searchlights
- VHF, UHF AND 800 MHZ Radios
- Night Vision Goggles
- Water Bucket
- Hoist Capability
- Aerial Gunnery
- Downlink Capability
Gulfstream Commander 1000 Twin Engine Turboprop
AS 350 B3
Cessna 206
TYPES OF MISSIONS

- Searches (Manhunts, Stolen Vehicles, Lost Persons, Downed Aircraft)
- Surveillance (Criminal and Traffic)
- Photo Missions
- General Transportation (Investigations, Building Inspections, Prisoner Transport, Evidence Transport, Special Teams)
- Disaster Reconnaissance (Tornado, Fire, Flood, Hurricane)
- FLIR Missions
- Water Rescues / Evacuations
- Border Security
- Aerial Gunnery
Search and Rescue
Tactical Flight Officer Jeff Evans gives the signal that a swimmer is being deployed as rescue swimmer Captain Dan Edwards jumps in to the water. Evans is a TFO with the TX DPS while Edwards is a member of the TX Army National Guard's C. Company, 5th Battalion, 19th Special Forces Group. The men are participating in an inter-agency water rescue exercise/scenario led by the Texas Department of Public Safety. Photographed on 4 August 2009. © 2009 Greg L. Davis, Aviation
WESCAM – Thermal Camera
D.T.O Members in raft returning to Mexican side.
DPS SWAT TEAM
DPS SWAT TEAM
Fast Rope Insertion
On Call Pilots 24/7
Training

- 3 full time training officers
- Initial / Re-currency / NVG
- Simulator
- PIC Requirements
- Special Missions
Maintenance

- TX Dept of Transportation
- Outside facilities
- Travis County Partners
NTSB – DPS - ALEA