

Speaker Ryan: Tomorrow: Speaker Ryan, Congressional Delegations to tour Hurricane Harvey damage in Houston

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HOUSTON—U.S. Senator John Cornyn (R-TX), Senator Ted Cruz (R-TX), House Speaker Paul Ryan (R-WI), House Appropriations Committee Chairman Rodney Frelinghuysen (R-NJ), House Homeland Security Appropriations Subcommittee Chairman John Carter (R-TX), and members of the Houston congressional delegation will be in Houston tomorrow for a briefing on Hurricane Harvey recovery efforts, an aerial tour of storm devastation and flood mitigation infrastructure, and to help local residents clean out damaged homes.

Sens. Cornyn and Cruz, Speaker Ryan, and the Congressional delegation will first receive a briefing from federal, state, and local officials including the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Texas National Guard, Harris County Flood Control District and others on Hurricane Harvey recovery efforts in Houston. The delegation will then participate in an aerial tour highlighting existing and proposed USACE projects to mitigate future flooding in the region.

Following the briefing and tour, the delegation will visit with Team Rubicon, a non-profit organization that pairs military veterans with first responders to deploy emergency response teams, to help clean out storm-damaged homes in the

Friendswood neighborhood.

Sens. Cornyn and Cruz, Speaker Ryan, and Chairman Frelinghuysen, and the congressional delegation will then hold a joint press conference.

WHO:

U.S. Senator John Cornyn (R-TX)

U.S. Senator Ted Cruz (R-TX)

House Speaker Paul Ryan (R-WI)

Representative Rodney Frelinghuysen (NJ-11), Chairman, House Appropriations Committee

Representative John Carter (TX-31), Chairman, House Homeland Security Appropriations Subcommittee

Representative Michael McCaul (TX-36), Chairman, House Homeland Security Committee

Representative Kevin Brady (TX-08), Chairman, House Ways and Means Committee

Representative John Culberson (TX-07)

Representative Ted Poe (TX-02)

Representative Blake Farenthold (TX-27)

Representative Sheila Jackson-Lee (TX-18)

Representative Gene Green (TX-29)

Representative Pete Olson (TX-22)

WHEN:

Thursday, September 21, 2017

8:50 a.m. CT - Briefing on recovery efforts at Coast Guard Air Station Houston (b-roll opportunity)

11:00 a.m. CT - Members join Team Rubicon in Friendswood

11:30 a.m. CT - Press conference in Friendswood

Please RSVP to Libby Hambleton at libby_hambleton@cornyn.senate.gov by 6 p.m. CT Wednesday to receive location details.