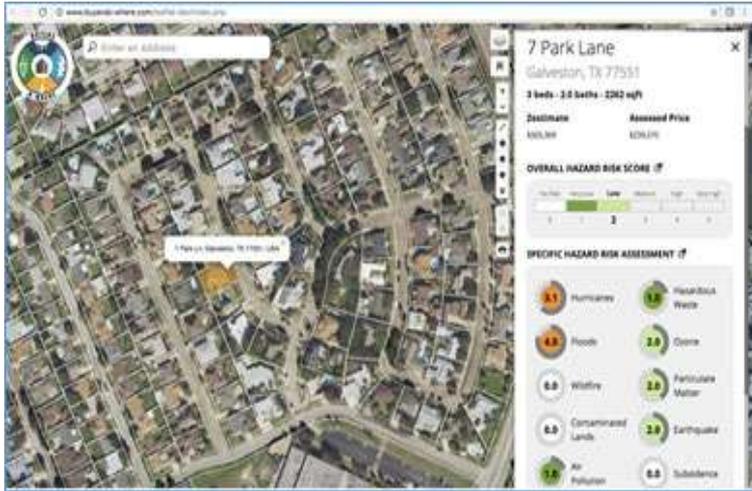


CTBS Launches Buyers Be-Where



Buyers Be-Where is an on-line system to help prospective home buyers and sellers understand their risk relative to other properties in the area. Anyone with an Internet connection can enter a street address and receive a graphic and statistical risk assessment for a specific property. Comprehensive, easy to understand information delivered on-the-fly will provide a critical resource for existing and future property owners interested in making sound and safe investment decisions. Access

the website at: <http://www.texascoastalatlasc.com/buyersbewhere/>. From there, you can enter an address or click on a specific parcel to obtain your risk score. The selected property will be evaluated along multiple natural and human induced hazards. A color-coded risk score will be generated for each hazard as well as an overall risk score combining all the factors. The Buyers B-Where system offers access to critical information about a property's risks and its potential long-term value before purchase or sale is executed. The website link can also be found on our website www.tamug.edu/ctbs/ on the home page or under the 'Atlas' tab.

NSF PIRE Trip

On June 1, the class of 2017 NSF PIRE flood risk reduction program embarked for the research trip to the Netherlands. This multidisciplinary research group consists of sixteen sublime students from Texas A&M, Rice, and Jackson State University. They were selected to conduct individual research and at the same time, as members of teams, they were grouped by four case studies for collaboration. These teams helped the students to expand their knowledge across various disciplines and research interests. The students were given a variety of resources to use for their studies including information from several Dutch experts, translated Dutch documents, and advising from professors at PIRE's partnering colleges. The trip included field visits to each of the four case study sites, a flood risk reduction workshop, lectures, interviews, and research meetings and presentations. The students made remarkable research progress in two weeks. The attendees for the final presentation, held in TU Delft on the last day of the trip, were highly impressed by the students' work. The students have been continuing their research after they got back to the States and the final papers of their work will be published by the end of the summer.

