To Whom It May Concern,

I am pleased to provide this letter of recommendation for Dynamo Dusty's Tree Service and its owner, Dusty Drake.

I first met Dusty and his crew during the Kerr County flood relief efforts this past summer, where they volunteered their time, equipment, and expertise in support of recovery operations in Hunt. From the outset, it was evident that this was not simply a group of volunteers offering assistance, they were a highly capable, professional team accustomed to operating effectively in dynamic, high pressure environments.

After observing their organization, discipline, and technical proficiency, I assigned Dusty and his crew to lead a major debris clearing operation at a low water crossing spanning approximately 10–15 acres. What initially appeared to be an overwhelming task was executed with precision over the course of two weekends. During this period, Dusty and his team coordinated and directed a volunteer workforce that ultimately grew to roughly 65 people, safely and efficiently clearing the entire area and staging a substantial volume of debris for removal.

Throughout the operation, Dynamo Dusty's demonstrated exceptional leadership, composure, and situational awareness. Disaster response environments are often chaotic, particularly when large numbers of volunteers are seeking direction. Despite these challenges, Dusty and his team remained calm, proactive, and solutions oriented. They worked seamlessly with the Hunt Volunteer Fire Department, maintained consistent communication, and ensured that every additional volunteer or piece of equipment was integrated into the operation productively and safely.

As the effort progressed, it became clear that volunteers naturally gravitated toward Dusty and his crew for guidance. Their confidence, clarity of instruction, and ability to manage complex work under pressure inspired trust and set the tone for the entire site.

Dusty made it clear that his team was not seeking recognition, viewing their contribution as a responsibility to the community. Nonetheless, their performance during the flood relief efforts demonstrated a level of leadership, professionalism, and operational capability that far exceeds what is typically expected of a volunteer response. They proved themselves to be, quite literally, the calm in the storm.

I recommend Dynamo Dusty's Tree Service without hesitation for complex tree work, large-scale land clearing, or emergency response operations. Their leadership, work ethic, and ability to coordinate people and resources effectively make them an asset in any demanding environment.

Please feel free to contact me if you require any additional information.

Sincerely,

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