

## **COCHRAN COUNTY EARNS PRESTIGIOUS GOLD STAR SAFETY AWARD**

Cochran County has earned a 2014 Gold Star Safety Award from the Texas Association of Counties Risk Management Pool (TACRMP) for its record of excellence in involvement and commitment to safety in the workplace, as well as for controlling Workers' Compensation claims. Pictured with the award are County Treasurer Doris Sealy and County Judge Pat Sabala Henry.

Only eleven Texas counties received the 2014 Gold Star Safety Award this year, which is reserved for counties with the highest degree of safety commitment and success. The award was presented to the Commissioners Court.

Cochran County is one of approximately 300 governmental entities that participate in TAC Risk Management Pool. The Pool awards the prestigious Gold Star Safety Award to only those Pool members that have taken proactive measures to implement policies and procedures for effective risk management.

TAC RMP Risk Control consultants evaluate county safety programs and work with counties to develop risk control and safety initiatives. When they begin the selection process for the annual Safety Awards, they consider the following criteria:

- Implementation of safety award criteria.
- Improvement in the basic safety award criteria.
- Activity and success of program in the 2014 calendar year.
- Support for the program by upper management, a governing board or a commission that directs the operations of the entity; and
- Recent loss history.