

FEMA National Watch Center

Daily Operations Briefing

Saturday, February 15, 2025

8:30 a.m. ET



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National Current Ops / Monitoring

New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Ops

- Atmospheric River – California (*Final*)
- Flooding – Regions III, IV, V, & VI

Hazard Monitoring

- Heavy Rain / Flash Flooding – Lower Mississippi Valley to Appalachians
- Severe Thunderstorms – Southern Plains to Tennessee Valley
- Freezing Rain – Northern Intermountain Region; Central Plains to Northeast
- Heavy Snow – Northern Intermountain Region; Great Lakes to Northeast
- Elevated Fire Weather – Southern Plains

Disaster Declaration Activity

- No new declaration activity

Event Monitoring

- No significant events



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Atmospheric River – California (Final)

Situation and Impacts: The atmospheric river event has come to an end and a drying trend continues across the state. There are still 20k mandatory evacuations in effect in the Palisades Fire burn scar area due to continued runoff. There are no requests for FEMA assistance.

State / Local Response:

- CA SEOC is at Normal Operations

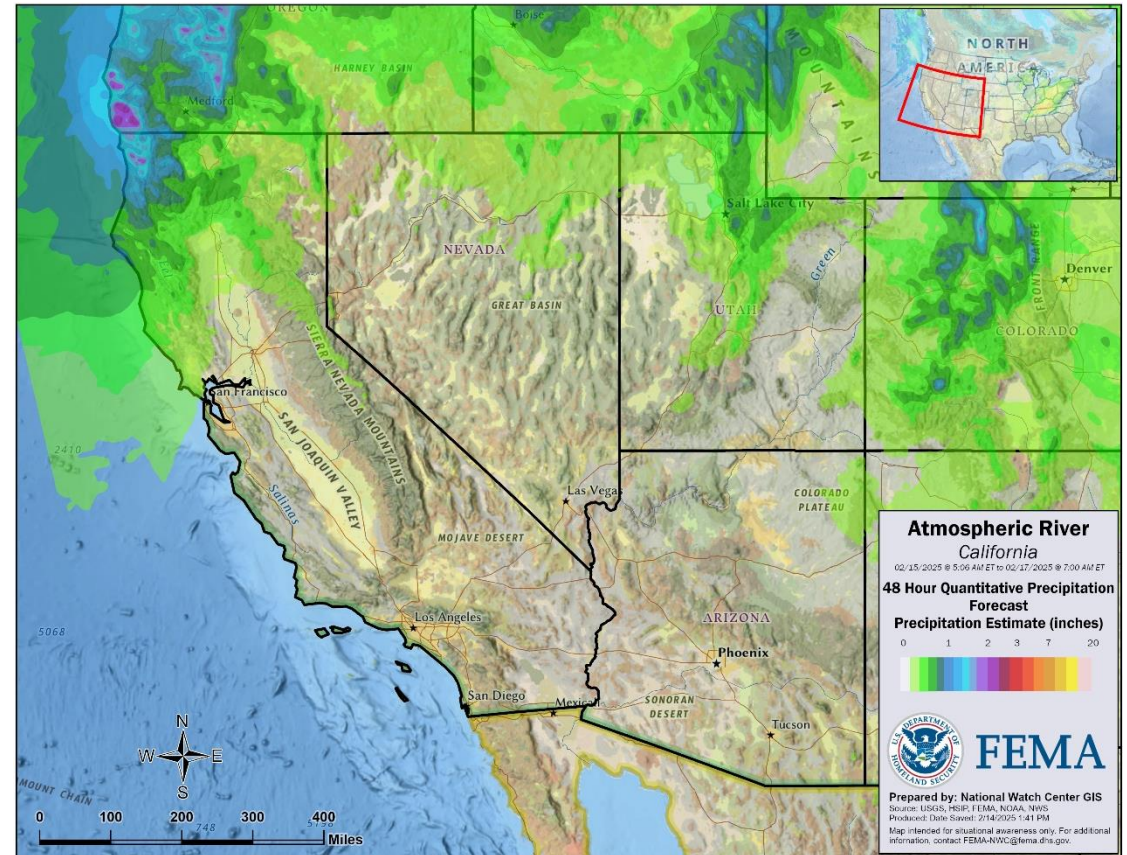
FEMA Regional Response:

- R-IX RWC is monitoring; RRCC is Rostered

FEMA HQ:

- National Watch Center (NWC) is Monitoring; NRCC is at steady state

NWC continues to monitor in coordination with Region IX; barring any significant updates, this is the final report.



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Flooding – Regions III, IV, V, & VI

Situation: A life-threatening flash flooding event emerges over the Lower Mississippi, Tennessee, and Ohio Valleys and into parts of the Appalachians this weekend. The system is moving across the Mississippi Valley through Saturday with widespread intense thunderstorms and increased rainfall rates.

Potential Impacts:

- Greatest threat of considerable impacts forecast from northwest Tennessee through central Kentucky
- Potential rainfall rates of 1-2" per hour with isolated total amounts reaching 8 inches of rain.
- Considerable flash, small stream, and moderate to isolated major river flooding, is expected across portions of central and eastern Kentucky, Middle Tennessee, and West Virginia
- Flash and urban flooding, along with new and renewed river flooding, is expected due to multiple rounds of potentially heavy rainfall from East Texas into the Ohio Valley
- Rainfall combined with melting snow may lead to isolated small stream and riverine flooding impacts across the Mid-Atlantic
- A high risk of excessive rainfall is in effect for northwestern Tennessee and western Kentucky with potential life-threatening flash flooding
- Moderate risk of excessive rainfall exists for portions of the Mid-South to the Ohio Valley

State / Local Response: (Regions III, IV, V, & VI Flooding IAB No. 1 and DSAR/OSAR, as of 6:00 a.m. ET)

Region III:

- DC, DE, and WV SEOCs are at Monitoring (Winter Storms)
- VA SEOC is at Partial Activation (Winter Storms)
 - PA SEOC will move to Partial at 11:00 a.m. ET, Feb 15

Region IV:

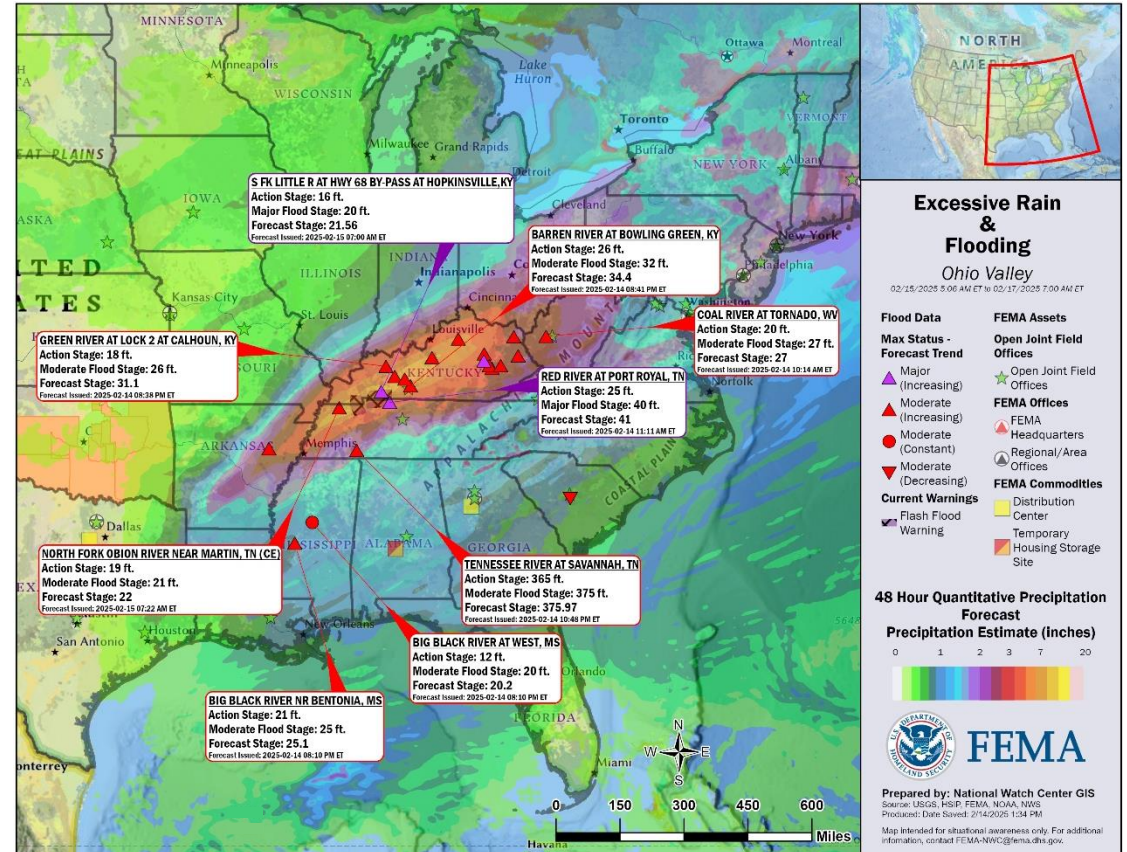
- KY SEOC is at Full Activation (Winter Storms)
 - KY National Guard staged high-water vehicles

Region V:

- All state EOCs are at Normal Operations

Region VI:

- TX SEOC is at Monitoring (Winter Storms)



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Region III:

- RWC is at Monitoring; RRCC is Rostered
- Region III IMAT is FMC

Region IV:

- RWC will go to Enhanced Watch on 2/15; RRCC is Rostered
- Region IV IMAT-2 is FMC

Region V:

- RWC is at Monitoring; RRCC is Rostered
- Region V IMAT is FMC
- LNOs are available

Region VI:

- RWC will go to Enhanced Watch at 1:00 p.m. ET, 2/15; RRCC is Rostered
- Region VI IMAT-1 is FMC; IMAT-2 is PMC
- FEMA Integration Teams (FIT) are in place and monitoring

FEMA / Federal Response:

HQ:

- NWC is at Monitoring
- NRCC is at Steady State; Blue Team is Rostered
- Response Geospatial Office (RGO) coordinating with regional GIS and is standing by for support

US&R:

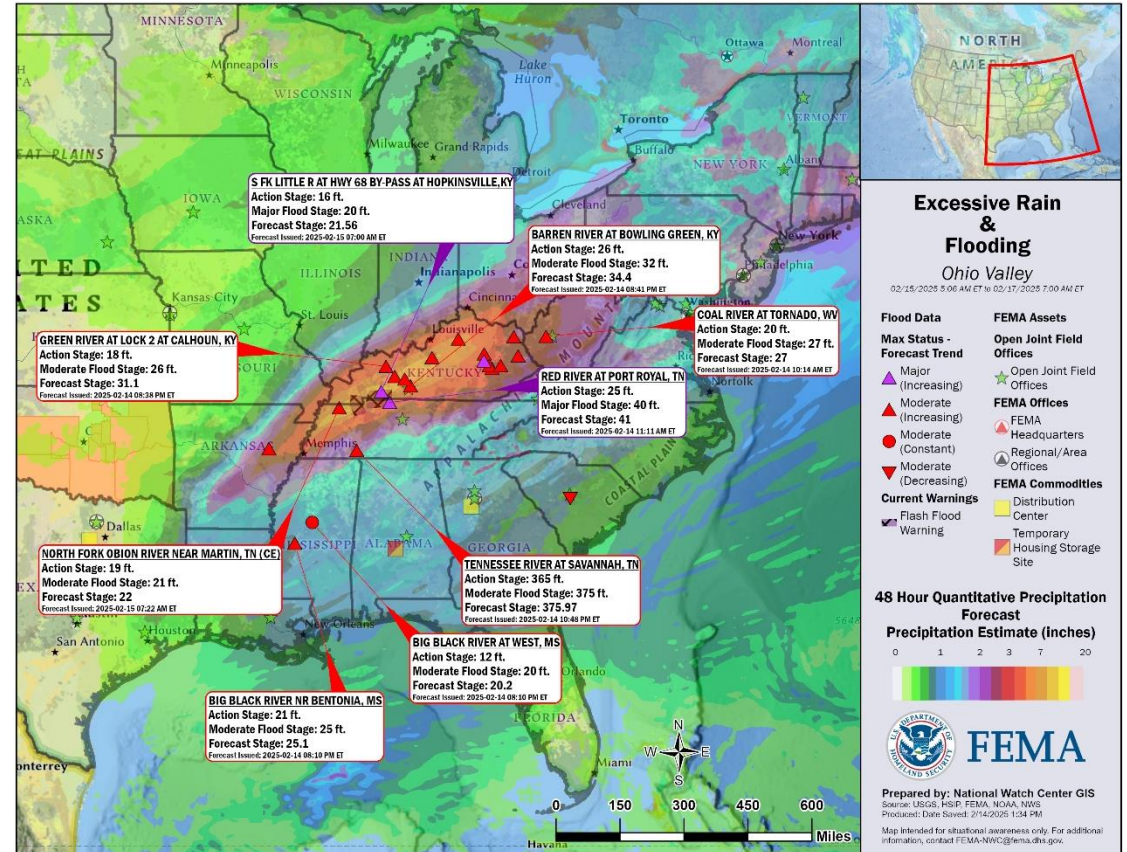
- US&R issued an ESF-9 advisory
- Incident Support Team (IST) Red Rostered; 27 US&R teams available

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- MERS detachments are FMC

Logistics

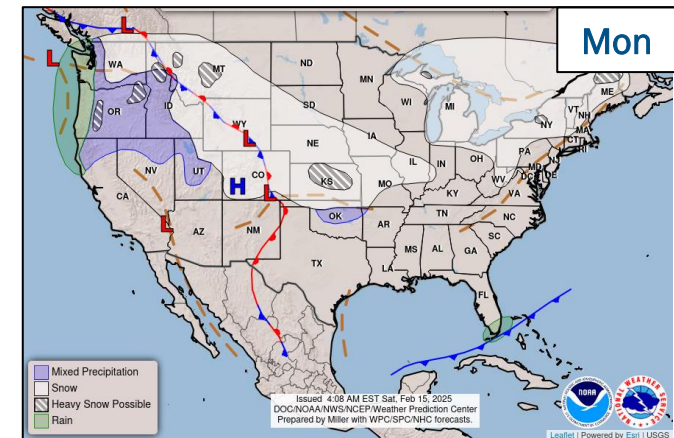
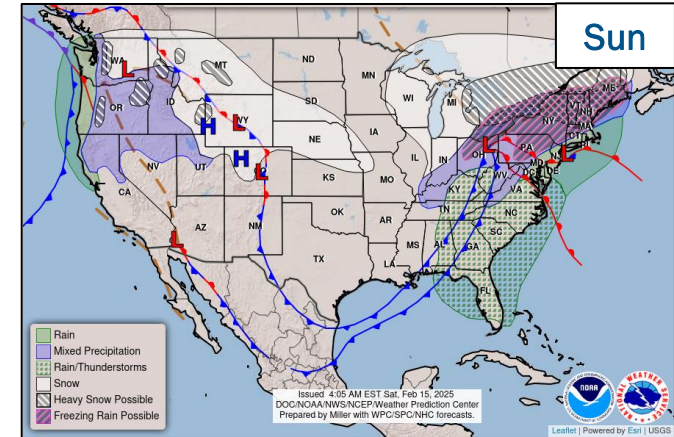
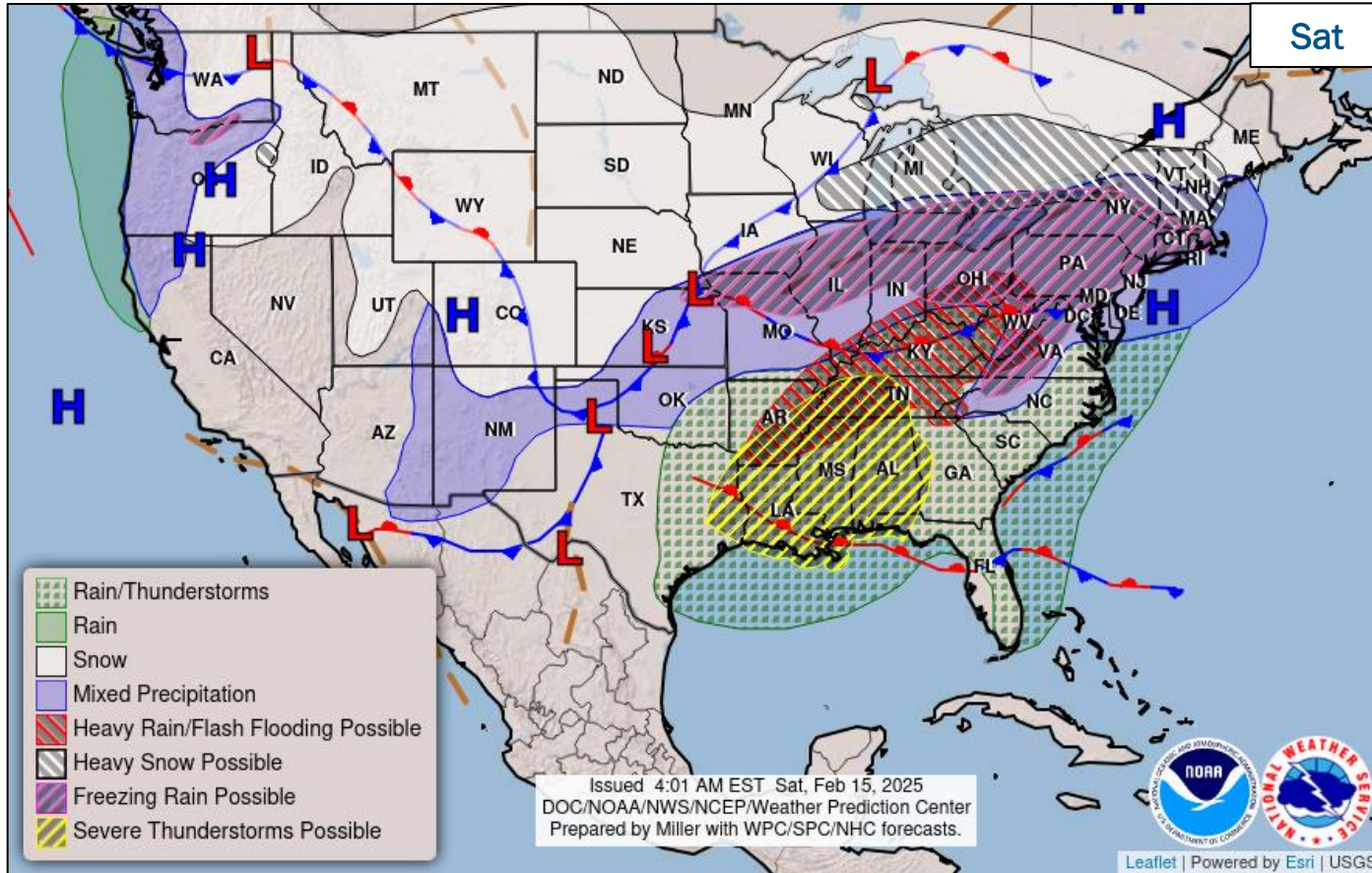
- Distribution centers are stocked and ready to provide commodities or equipment
- SMT Fort Worth postured to deploy; ISB Bravo is the backup



NWC will continue to monitor in coordination with Region III, IV, V, and VI. The next report will be in the National Situation Report at 5:00 p.m. ET.



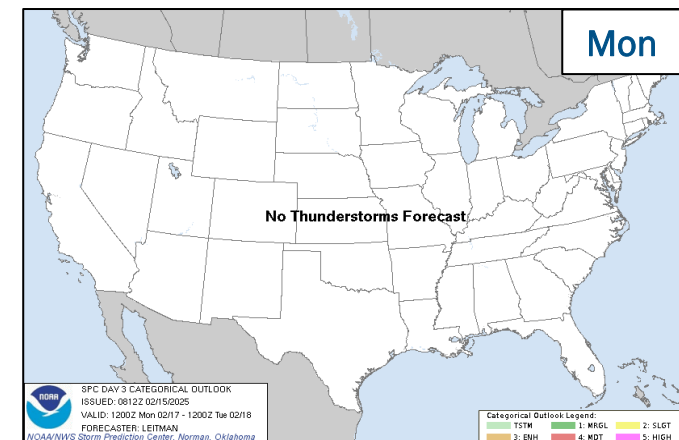
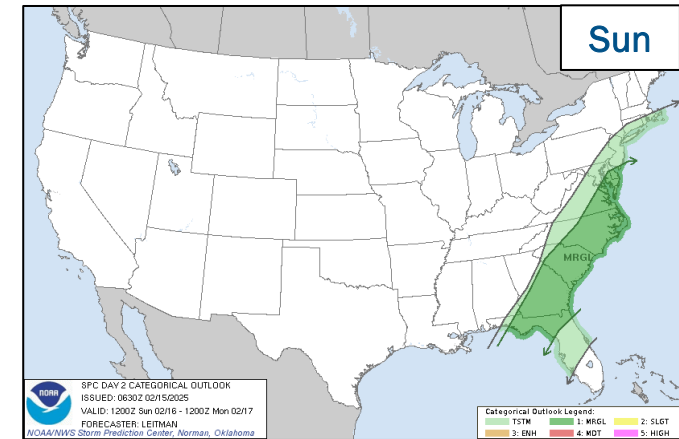
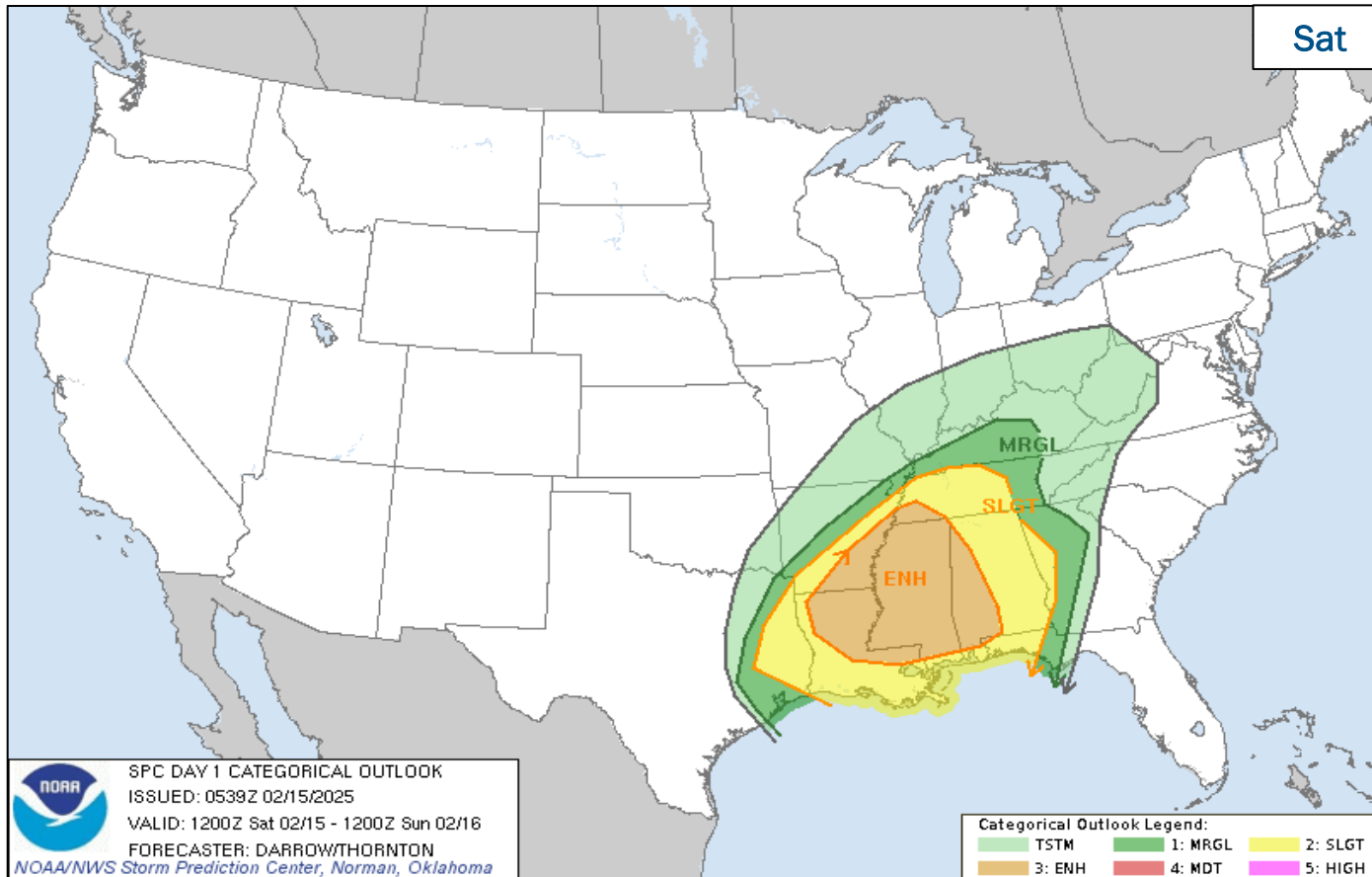
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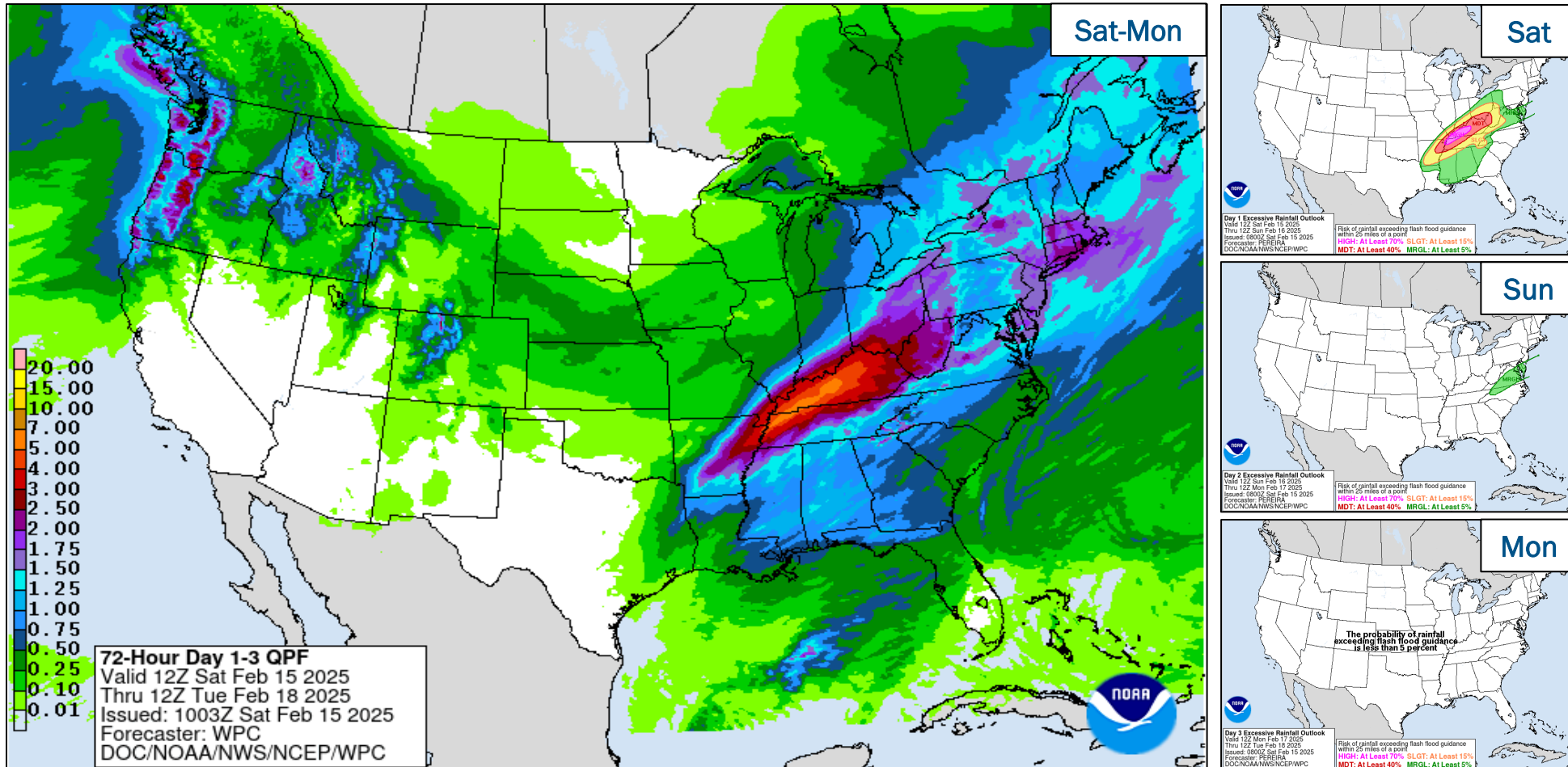
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Severe Weather Outlook



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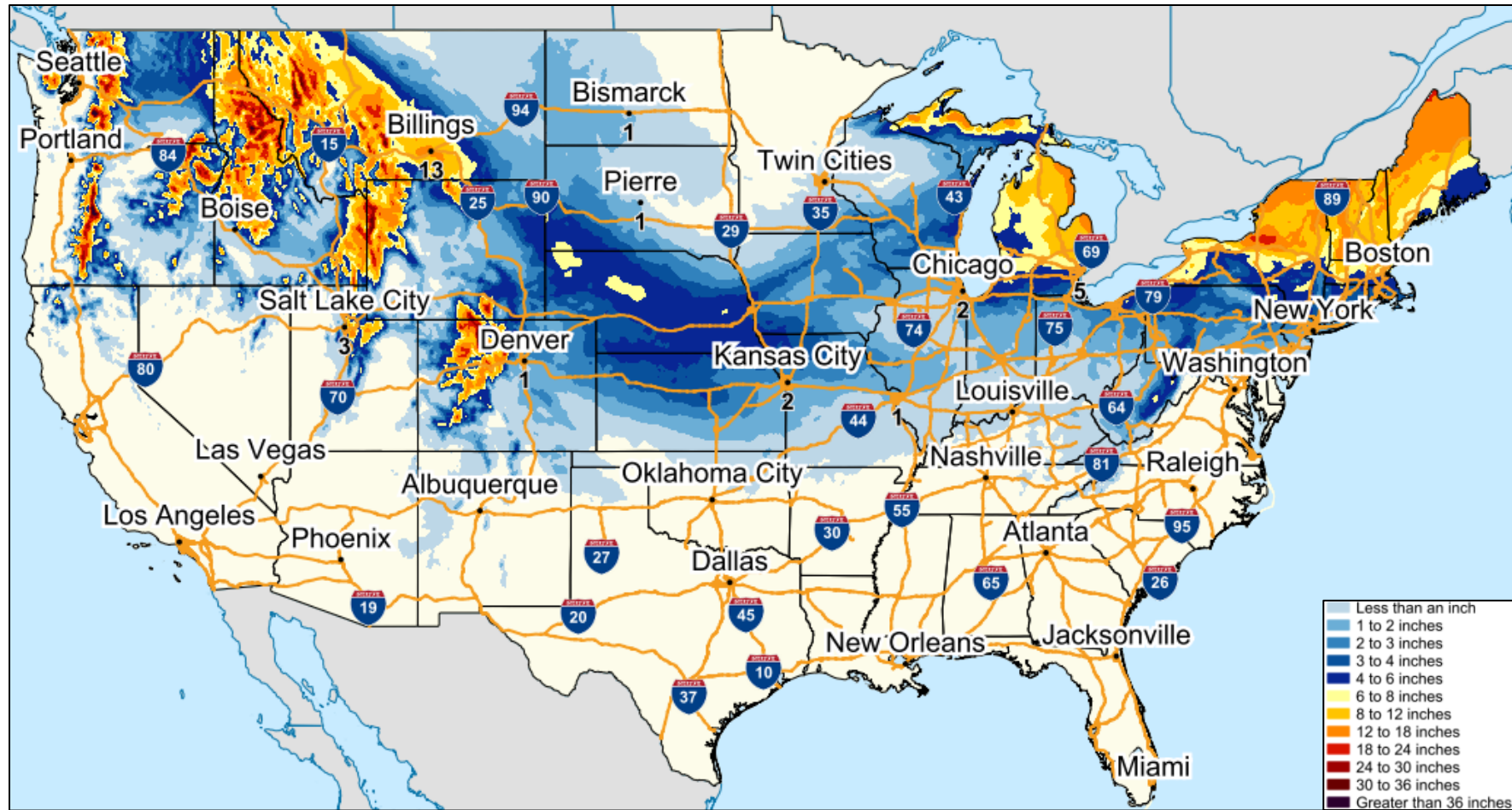
Precipitation & Excessive Rainfall



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Snowfall Forecast



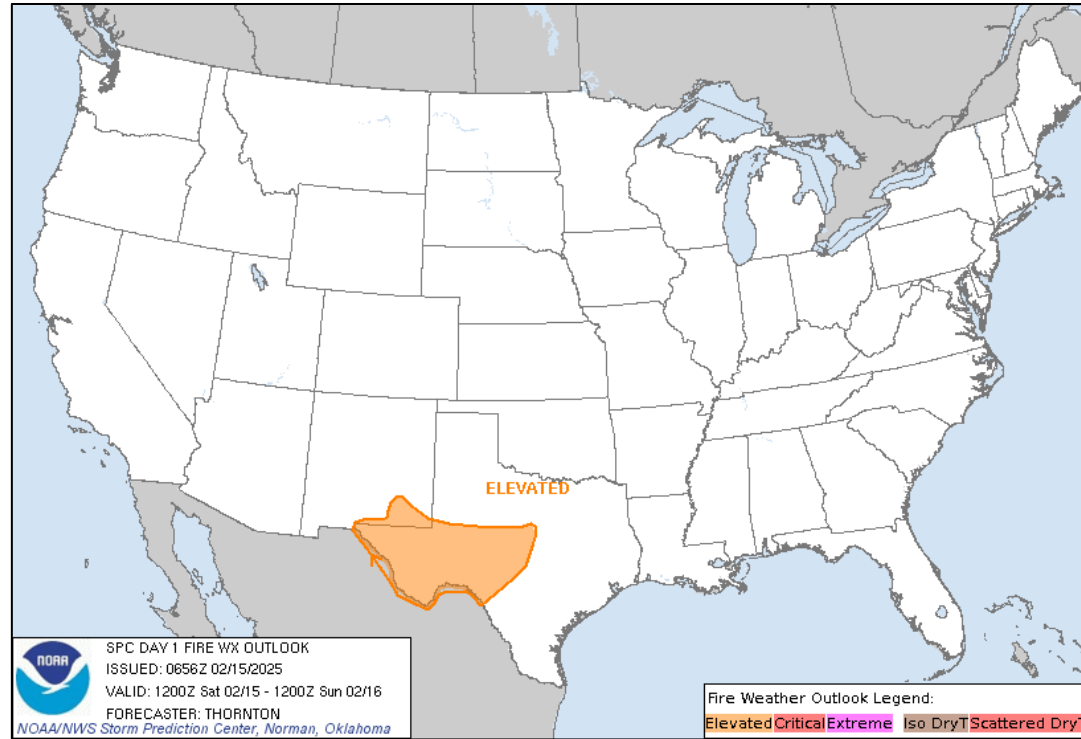
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Ice Accumulation Forecast

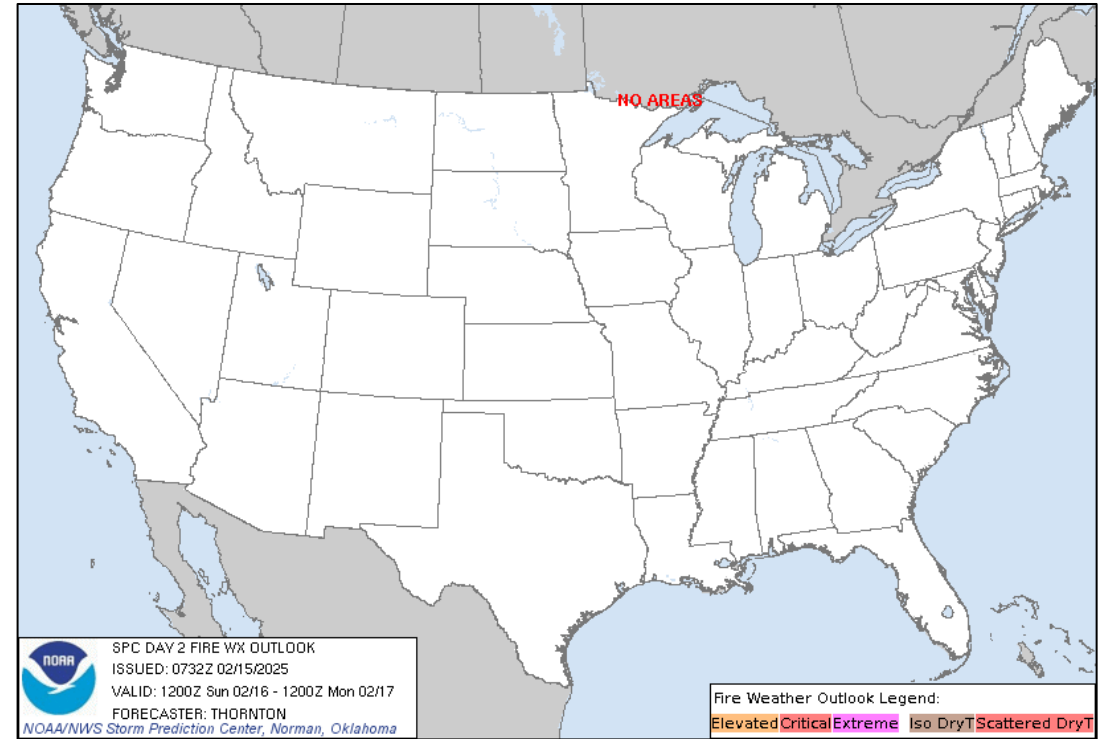


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Fire Weather Outlook



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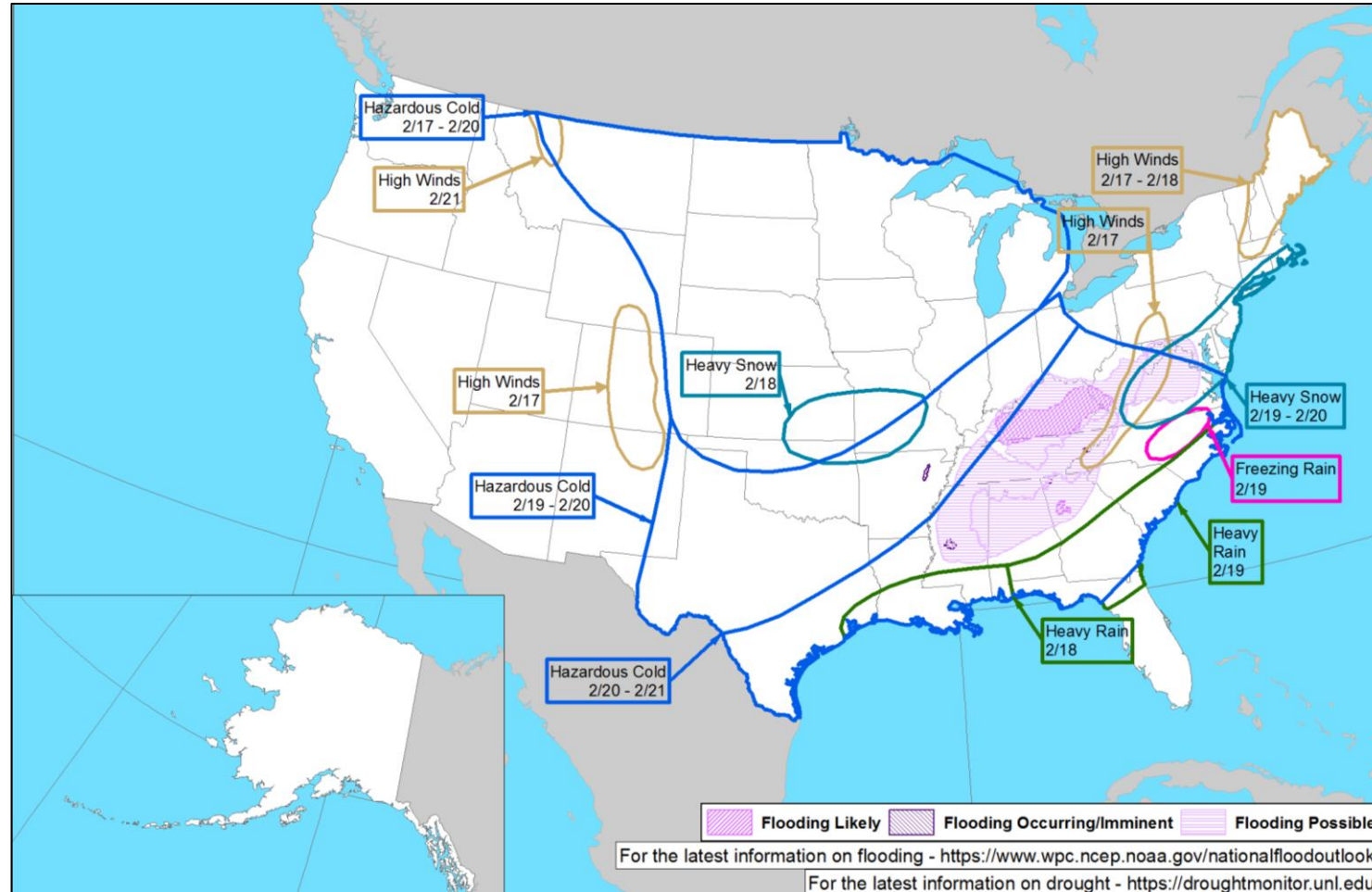
Tomorrow



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Hazards Outlook – Feb 17-21



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FEMA Common Operating Picture

33 Joint Field Offices **33** Supporting Major Disasters **99** + **9** Emergency Declarations **16** Direct Housing Missions **29** RSF-Supported Disasters **6** Joint Recovery Offices

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NWC	NRCC
Monitoring	Steady State

FEMA REGIONS

Watch	RRCC
Monitoring I	Rostered
Monitoring II	Rostered
Monitoring III	Rostered
Enhanced IV	Rostered
Monitoring V	Rostered
Monitoring VI	Rostered
Monitoring VII	Rostered
Monitoring VIII	Rostered
Monitoring IX	Rostered
Monitoring X	Rostered

Notes:

NRCC/RWCs/RRCCs:	State EOCs:
• RIV RWC: Flooding	• HI: Wildfires
	• AL/DC/DE/KY/NC/OR
	• TN/TX/WV: Winter Storms
	• FL/NC: Previous Incidents

N-IMATs

2-5 Teams Available

Red	
White	NC (Sep 30)
Blue	
Gold	
HS	DC (Jan 28)

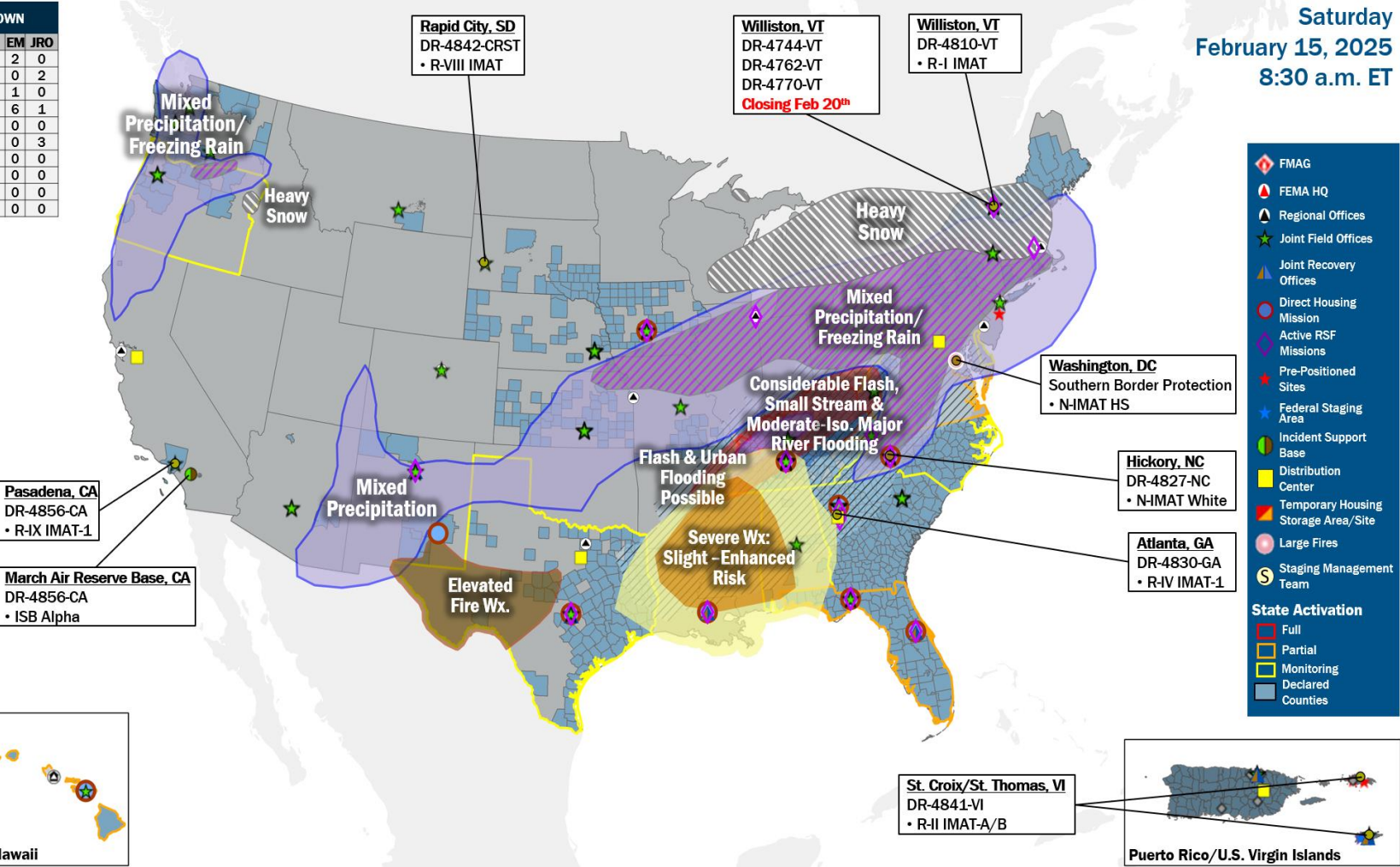
R-IMATs

≥ 7 Teams Available

I	VT (Jan 6)
II	USVI (Oct 30)
III	
IV-1	GA (Oct 5)
IV-2	
V	1
VI-1	2
VI-2	Personnel
VII	Personnel
VIII	SD (Nov 18)
IX-1	CA (Jan 8)
IX-2	
X	3

REGIONAL BREAKDOWN

	JFO	DR	EM	JRO
I	3	17	2	0
II	4	8	0	2
III	2	6	1	0
IV	7	28	6	1
V	0	0	0	0
VI	2	5	0	3
VII	4	14	0	0
VIII	3	3	0	0
IX	3	7	0	0
X	5	11	0	0



Legend

- FMAG
- FEMA HQ
- Regional Offices
- Joint Field Offices
- Joint Recovery Offices
- Direct Housing Mission
- Active RSF Missions
- Pre-Positioned Sites
- Federal Staging Area
- Incident Support Base
- Distribution Center
- Temporary Housing Storage Area/Site
- Large Fires
- Staging Management Team

State Activation

- Full
- Partial
- Monitoring
- Declared
- Counties

Volunteer Force

Rostered	Deployed
7,895	0

Surge Capacity Force

Rostered	Deployed
8,924 (+2)	9

Fully Mission Capable (FMC)
Partially Mission Capable (PMC)
Not Mission Capable (NMC)
Deployed

IM Workforce

14,189 Assigned
4,637 (-7) Unavailable
6,913 (-60) Deployed

18% / 2,639 (+67) Available

IM Cadre Availability

17 Cadres ≤ 25% Availability

Civil Rights: 19% (34/179) Disability Integration: 20% (8/40); External Affairs: 5% (20/394); Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation: 16% (147/884); Field Leadership: 14% (21/149); Financial Management: 18% (42/230); Hazard Mitigation: 10% (121/1,207); Human Resources: 15% (29/186); Individual Assistance: 14% (365/2,654); Interagency Recovery Coordination: 23% (78/342); Information Technology: 19% (138/714); Logistics: 10% (174/1,675); Operations: 20% (73/371); Public Assistance: 14% (316/2,308); Planning: 8% (38/468); Safety: 17% (16/94); Security: 11% (15/136)

MERS

≥ 66%

36 Assigned
0 Unavailable
0 Deployed

36 Available

US&R

≥ 66%

28 Assigned
1 Unavailable
0 Deployed

27 Available

FCO

≥ 9 Type I & II

54 Assigned
6 Unavailable
44 (26 (+1) FCOR) Deployed

4 Available

Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

Region	State / Location	Incident	IA	Number of Counties		Start - End
			PA	Requested	Complete	
VI	LA	Winter Weather January 20-23	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	22	0	2/12 - TBD



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Declaration Requests in Process – 5

State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Type	IA	PA	HM	Requested
NY – Severe Storms, Tornadoes, Straight-line Winds, and Flooding	EM		X		Jul 20
CA – Park and Borel Fires (Appeal)	DR	X	X	X	Dec 2
OK – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, and Flooding	DR	X		X	Dec 20
WA – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides	DR		X	X	Jan 14
KY – Severe Winter Storms and Snowstorms	DR		X	X	Jan 30



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