

FEMA National Watch Center

Daily Operations Briefing

Tuesday, February 18, 2025

8:30 a.m. ET



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National Current Ops / Monitoring

New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Ops

- Flooding – Ohio Valley

Hazard Monitoring

- Arctic Air – Central U.S.
- Heavy Snow – Central Plains to the Ohio Valley
- Freezing Rain – Southern Plains to the Mid-Atlantic

Disaster Declaration Activity

- Request: Major Disaster Declaration – WV

Event Monitoring

- No significant events



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Flooding – Ohio Valley

KY



Situation: Widespread minor to moderate river flooding, along with isolated major flooding, is ongoing and expected to continue throughout the week in parts of Kentucky, Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia. Most small streams have crested, but larger rivers are forecast to crest mid-week.

Lifelines:

Safety & Security:

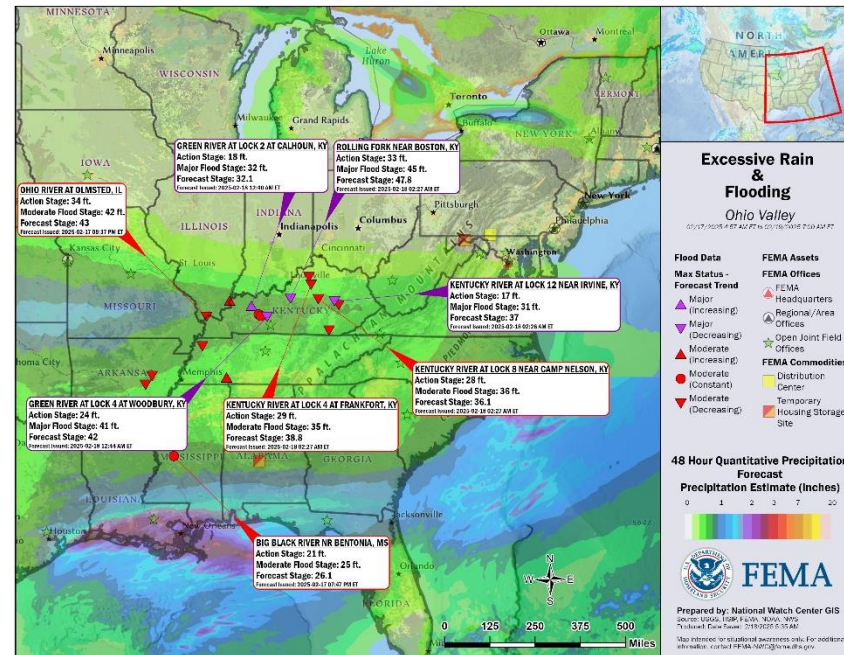
- KY: Swiftwater teams and National Guard assisted with over 1k rescues (KY Governor, as of 10:00 a.m. ET, Feb 17)
- VA: Swiftwater rescue operations have ended, 150 rescues conducted (FEMA Region III SPOTREP, as of 5:00 a.m. ET, Feb 18)
- WV: Search continues for 3 reported missing

Food, Hydration & Shelter: (ARC Shelter Report, as of 6:54 a.m. ET)

- KY: 23 (+17) shelters open / 501 (+328) occupants
- VA: 2 shelters open / 20 occupants
- TN: 2 shelters open / 3 (-4) occupants
- WV: 3 shelters open / 71 (+54) occupants

Health & Medical: (Region IV SLB, as of 6:39 p.m. ET, Feb 17)

- KY: 11 (+2) fatalities reported
 - Evacuated facilities are reopening, and patients transferred are returning to their original facilities
- GA: 1 fatality reported (Region IV, as of 9:44 p.m. ET, Feb 17)
- WV: 1 fatality reported (Region III, as of 9:44 p.m. ET, Feb 17)



Water Systems: (Region IV SLB, as of 6:39 p.m. ET, Feb 17)

- KY:
 - 2 (+1) water treatment facilities non-operational; 25 operating at reduced capacity
 - 33k (+8k) customers under a Boil Water Advisories (BWAs) and 21k (+11k) are currently without water service
 - 2 wastewater treatment facilities non-operational; 37 (+15) are operating at a limited capacity
- VA: Boil Water Advisories have been reported in Wise County (pop. 36k) and Buchanan County (pop. 20k); water outages have been reported in portions of Dickenson County (pop. 14k) and the Town of Clintwood (pop. 1k) (Region III SPOTREP, as of 2:07 p.m. ET, Feb 17)

Transportation:

- KY: 344 road closures, particularly in eastern and southern Kentucky (Region IV SLB, as of 6:39 p.m. ET, Feb 17)
- VA: 9 primary roads impacted, with no impacts to interstate roadways (Region III SPOTREP, as of 8:00 p.m. ET, Feb 17)
- WV: Several major and auxiliary roads impacted and impassible (Region III SPOTREP, as of 8:00 p.m. ET, Feb 17)



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State / Local Response: (Regions III and IV DSAR, as of 3:30 p.m. ET)

Region III:

- VA SEOC is at Partial Activation (Winter Storms); Gov requested Major Disaster Declaration, Feb 16
- WV SEOC is at Full Activation (Flooding); Gov requested Major Disaster Declaration, Feb 17

Region IV:

- KY SEOC is at Full Activation (Severe Weather); Emergency Disaster Declaration (FEMA-3624-EM-KY) approved Feb 16

FEMA Regional Response: (Regions III and IV DSARs, as of 3:30 p.m. ET)

Region III:

- RWC is Monitoring; RRCC is Rostered; R-IMAT is FMC; LNOs deployed to WV and VA SEOCs

Region IV:

- RWC is Monitoring; RRCC at Level II (Severe Weather/Flooding) with all ESFs and DCO/DCE;
- R-IMAT-2 Deployed (EM-3624-KY)

FEMA / Federal Response: (OPORD 05-2025 Amendment 2, as of 1:51 p.m. ET, Feb 16)

HQ:

- NWC is Monitoring
- NRCC is at Steady State; Blue Team is rostered
- Region V IMAT is deployed to Region IV RRCC (Atlanta, GA)

US&R:

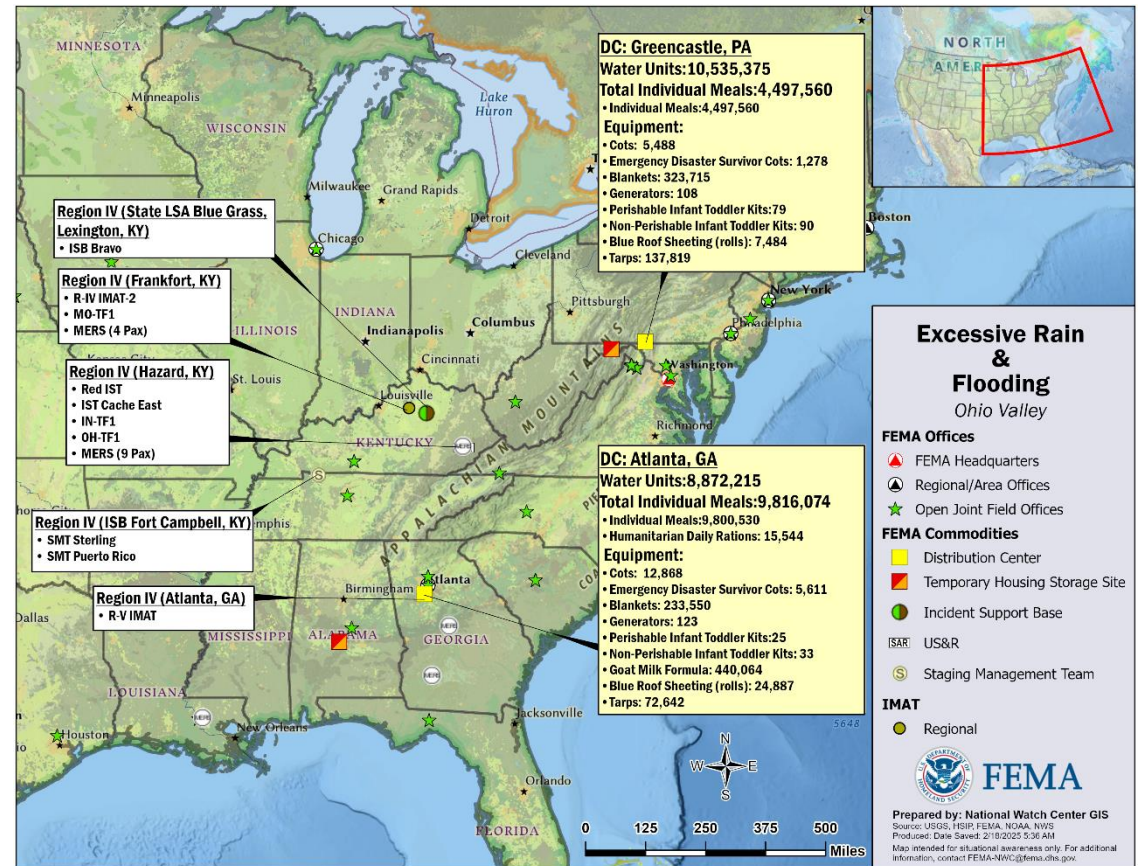
- Red Incident Support Team (IST); IN-TF1, and OH-TF1 deployed to Hazard, KY; MO-TF1 is in Frankfort, KY

MERS:

- MERS detachments FMC; Thomasville MERS assets deployed to Hazard and Frankfort, KY

Logistics:

- Staging Management Team (SMT) Puerto Rico and Sterling deployed to Fort Campbell, KY
- Incident Support Base (ISB) Bravo is deployed to Blue Grass Army Depot, Lexington, KY



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NWC will continue to monitor in coordination with Regions III and IV. Reporting will continue in the Daily Operations Brief (8:30 a.m. ET) and the National Situation Report (3:00 a.m. / 5:00 p.m. ET).

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Declaration Request – West Virginia

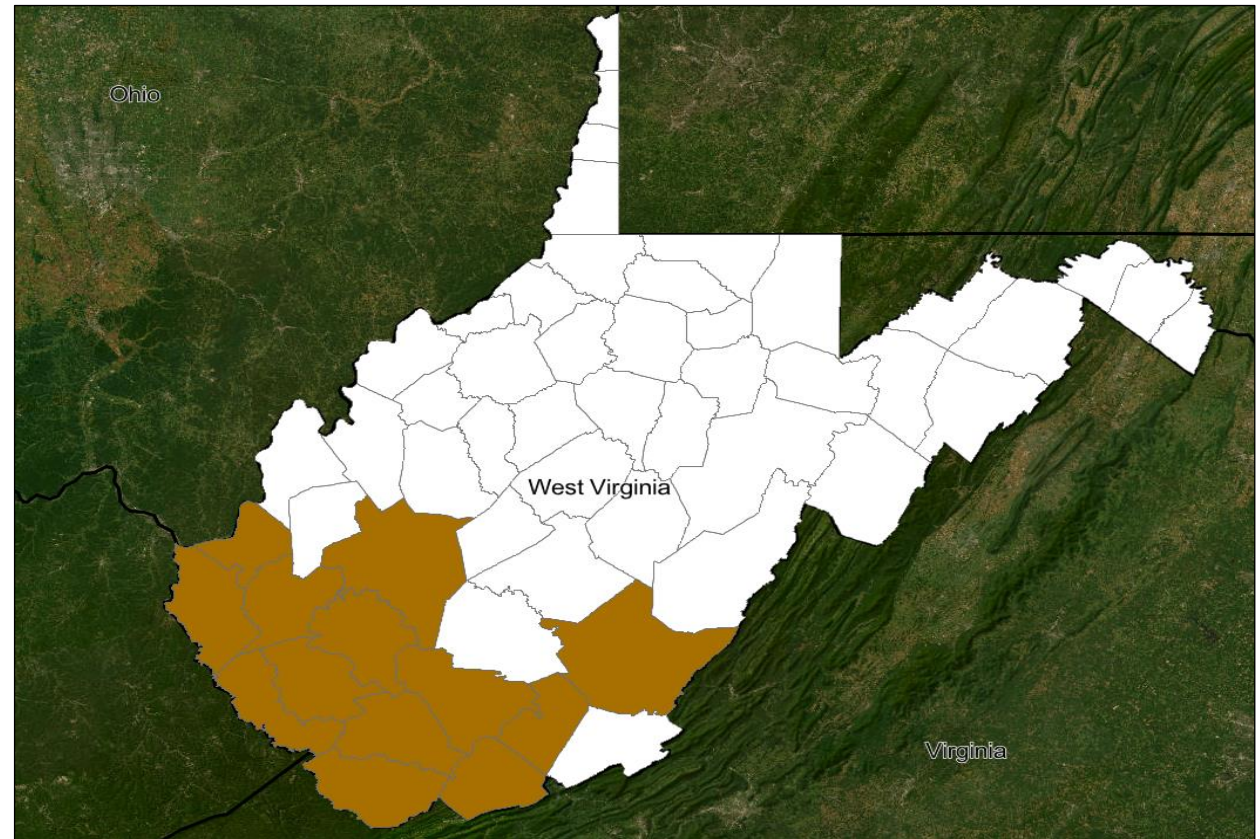
Declaration Type: Major Disaster Declaration – WV
Requested: Feb 17

Incident: Severe Winter Storm, Straight-line Winds, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides

Incident Period: Feb 15 and continuing

Requested:

- **IA/PA:** 13 counties
- **Hazard Mitigation:** Statewide

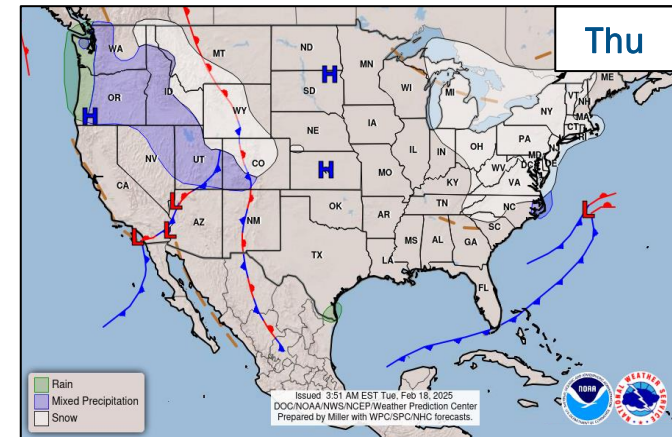
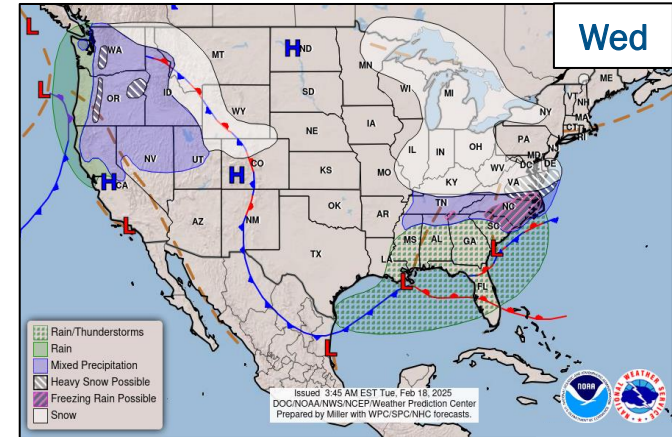
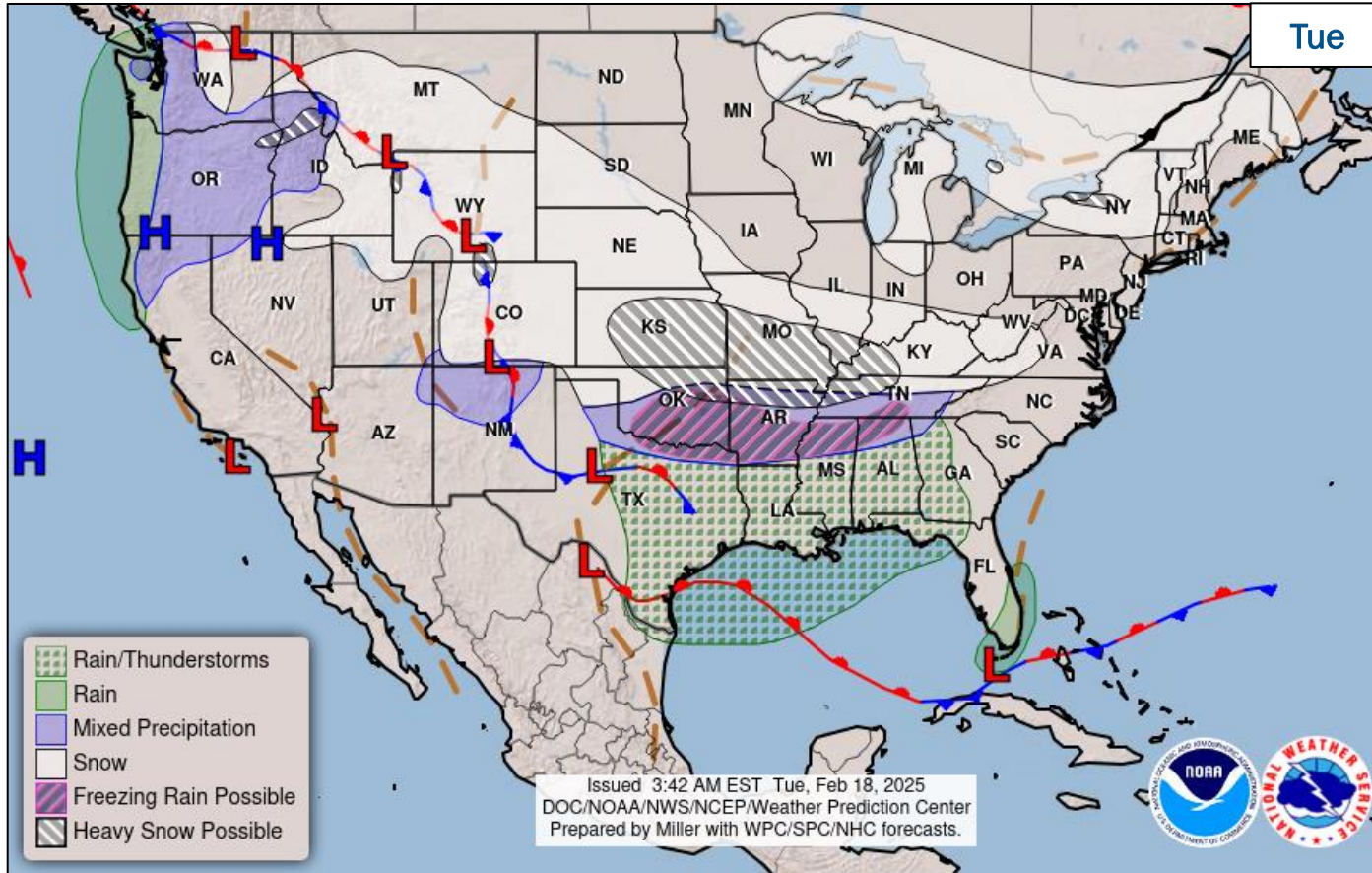


■ IA/PA



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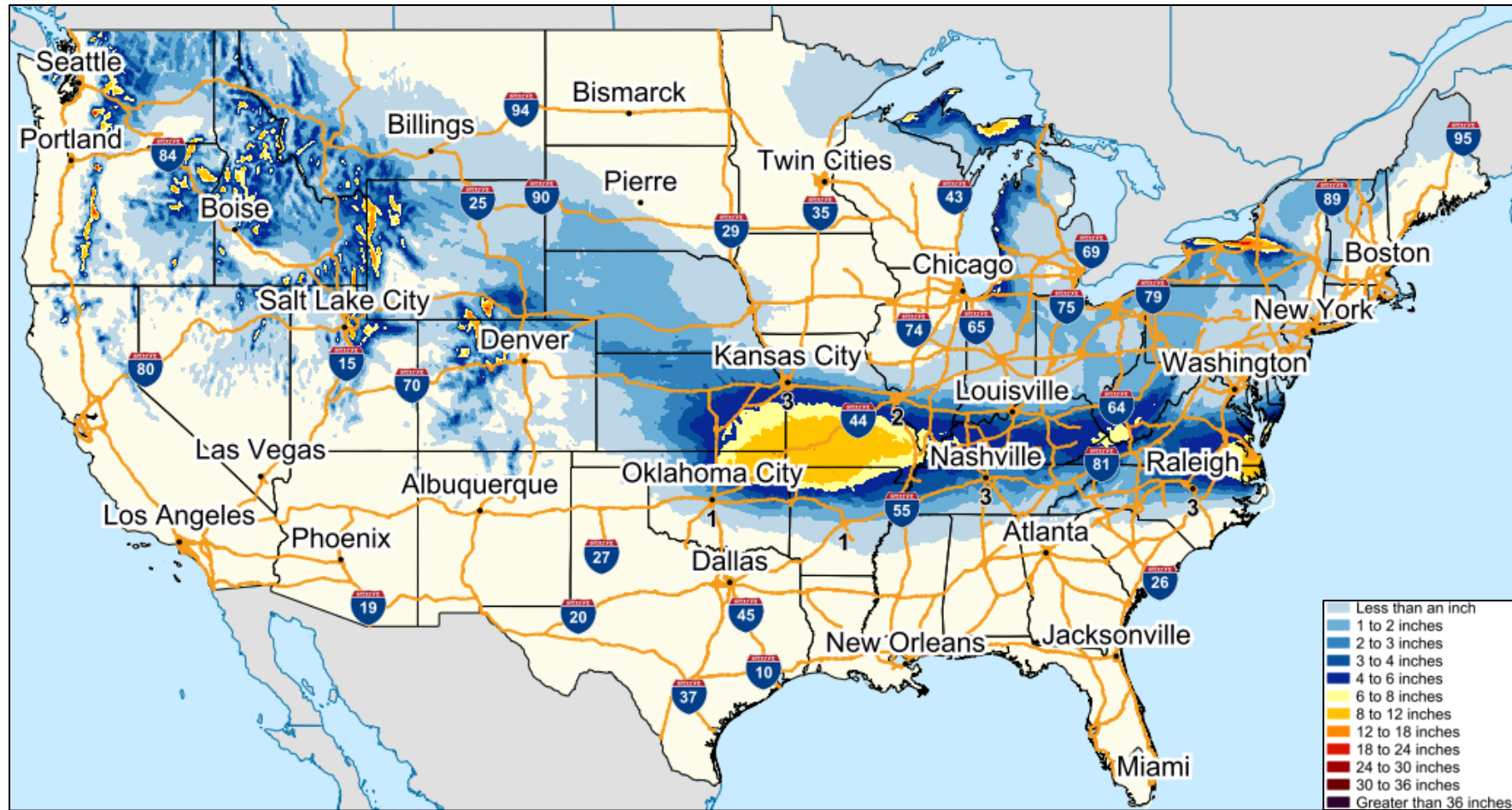
National Weather Forecast



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Snowfall Forecast



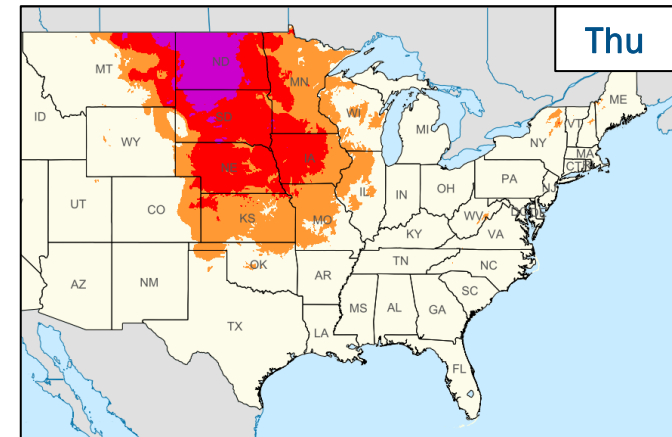
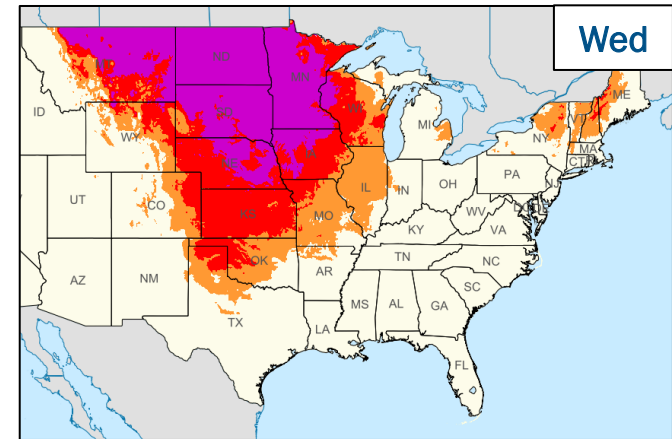
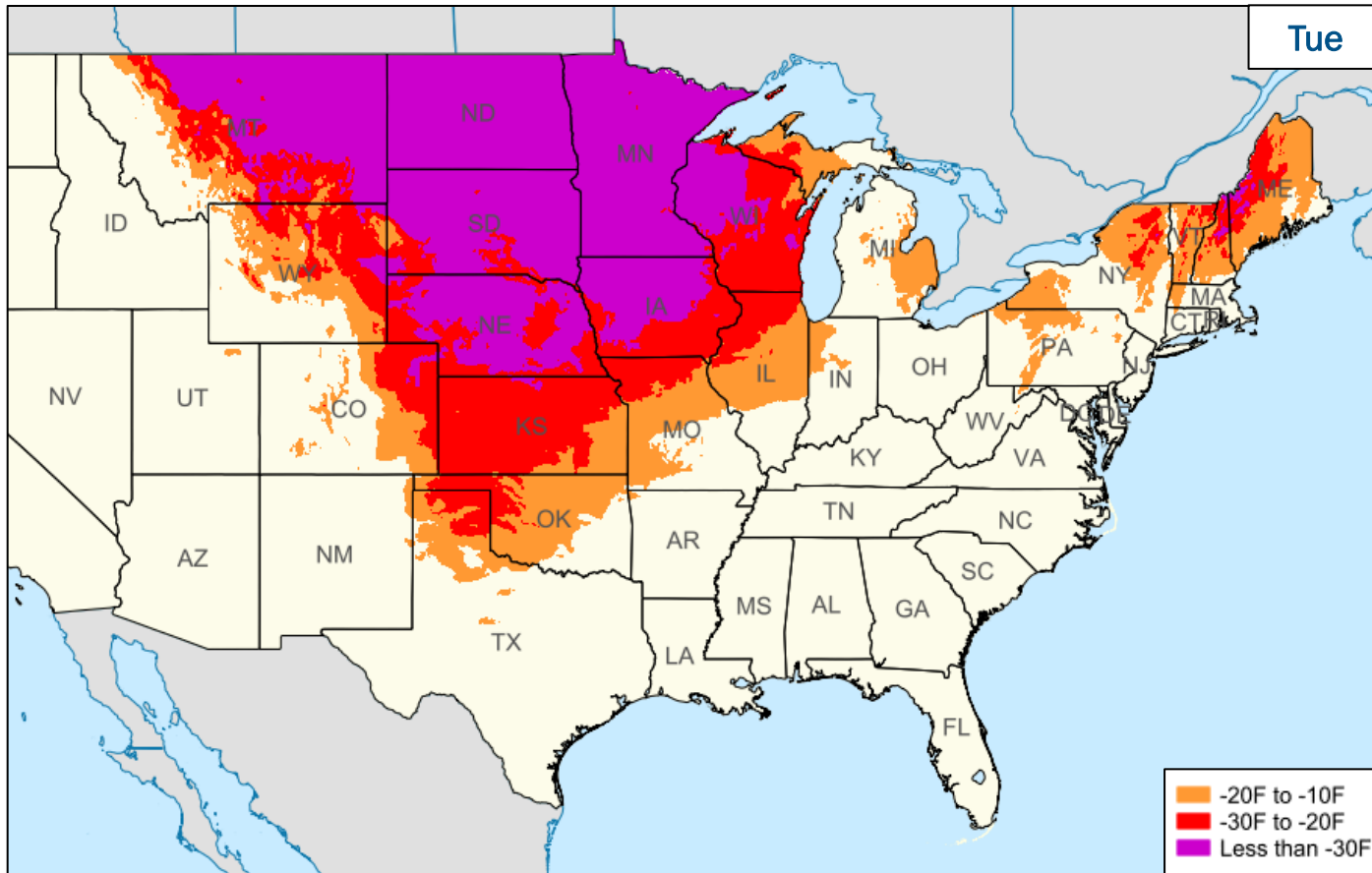
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Ice Accumulation Forecast



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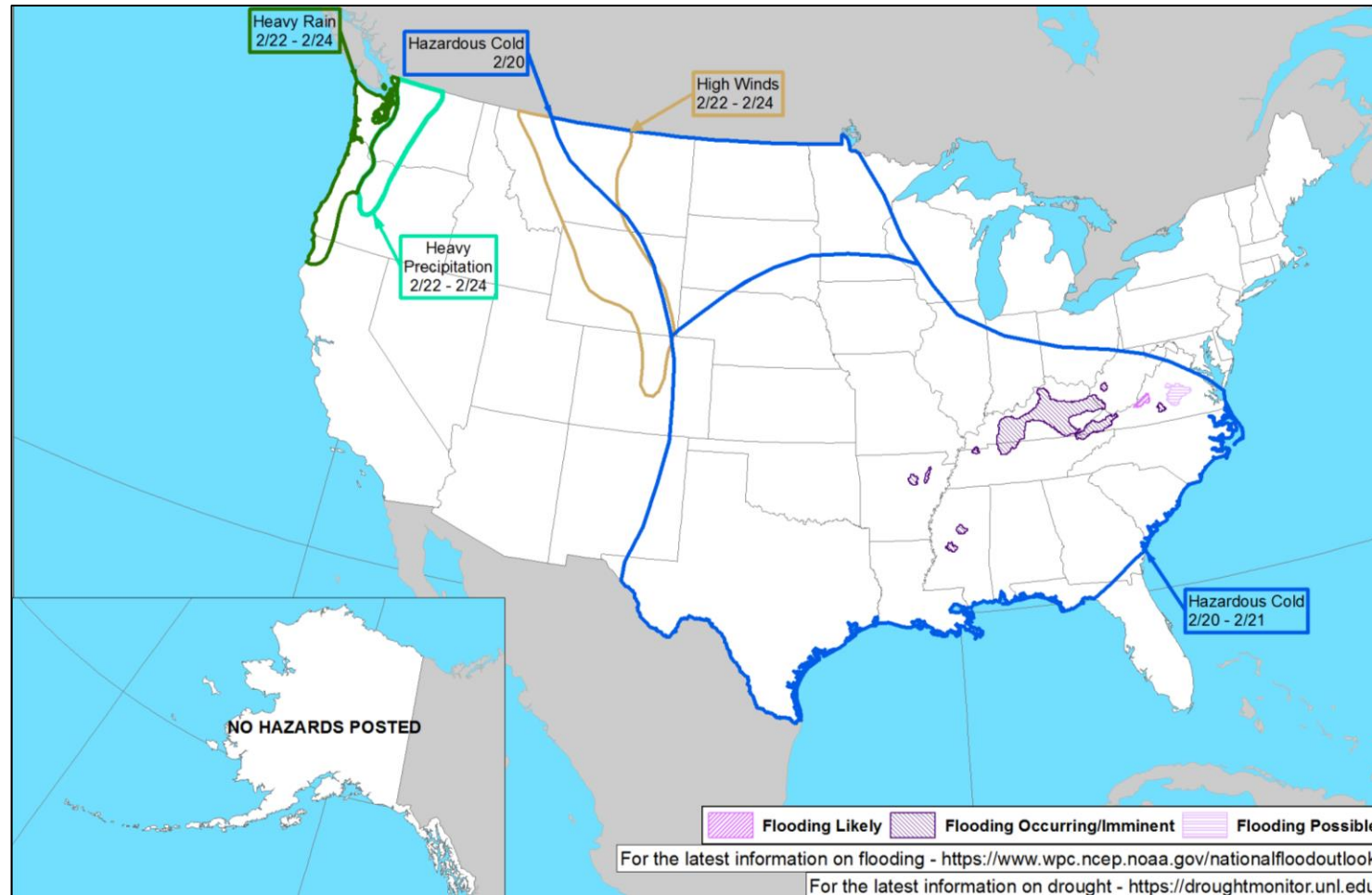
Significant Cold



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Hazards Outlook – Feb 20-24

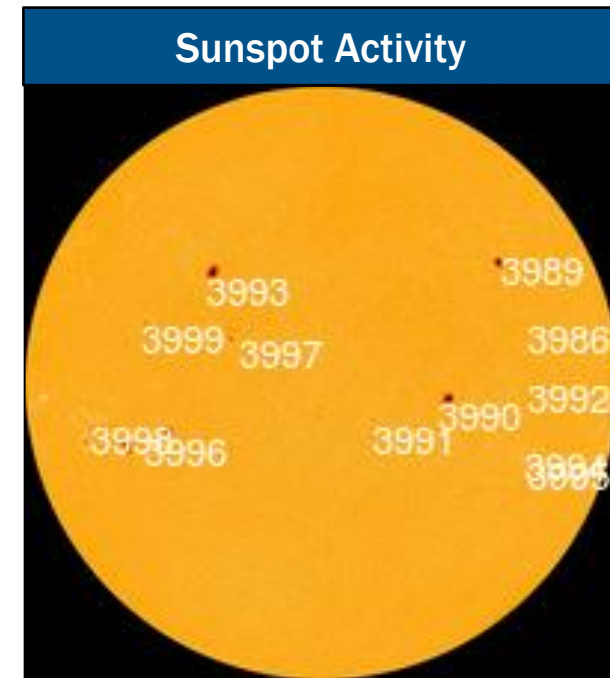
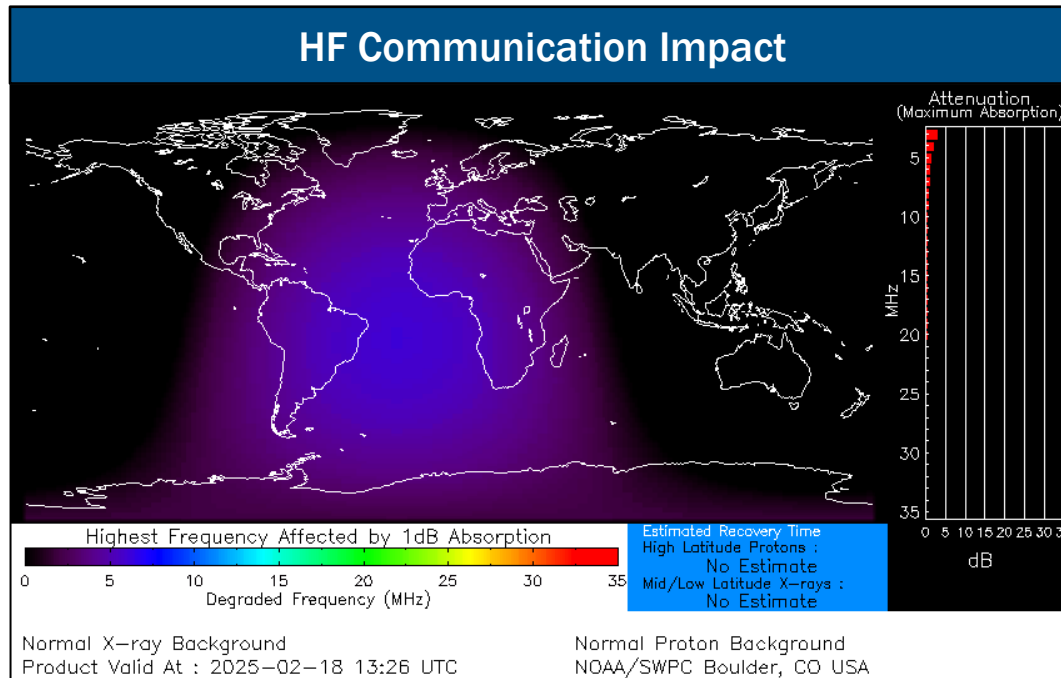


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Space Weather Outlook

Minor	Space Weather Activity	Geomagnetic Storms	Solar Radiation	Radio Blackouts
Past 24 Hours	Minor	None	None	R1
Next 24 Hours	None	None	None	None

For further information on NOAA Space Weather Scales refer to: <http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/noaa-scales-explanation>
 For further information on Sunspot Activity refer to: <https://www.swpc.noaa.gov/phenomena/sunspotssolar-cycle>



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FEMA Common Operating Picture

33 Joint Field Offices **Supporting** **98 + 9** Major Disasters 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
Monitoring IV	Level II
Monitoring V	Rostered
Monitoring VI	Rostered
Monitoring VII	Rostered
Monitoring VIII	Rostered
Monitoring IX	Rostered
Monitoring X	Rostered

Notes:

NRCC/RWCs/RRCCs:
• R-IV RRCC: Flooding and Severe Weather

State EOCs:
• HI: Wildfires
• DC/DE/NC/TN/TX/VA/WV/OK/MD: Winter Storms
• NC: TC Helene
• AL/KY: Severe Weather
• FL/TN: Previous Incidents
• WY: I-80 Tunnel Incident

Volunteer Force

Rostered	Deployed
7,895	0

Surge Capacity Force

Rostered	Deployed
8,924	9

N-IMATs

2-5 Teams Available

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

R-IMATs

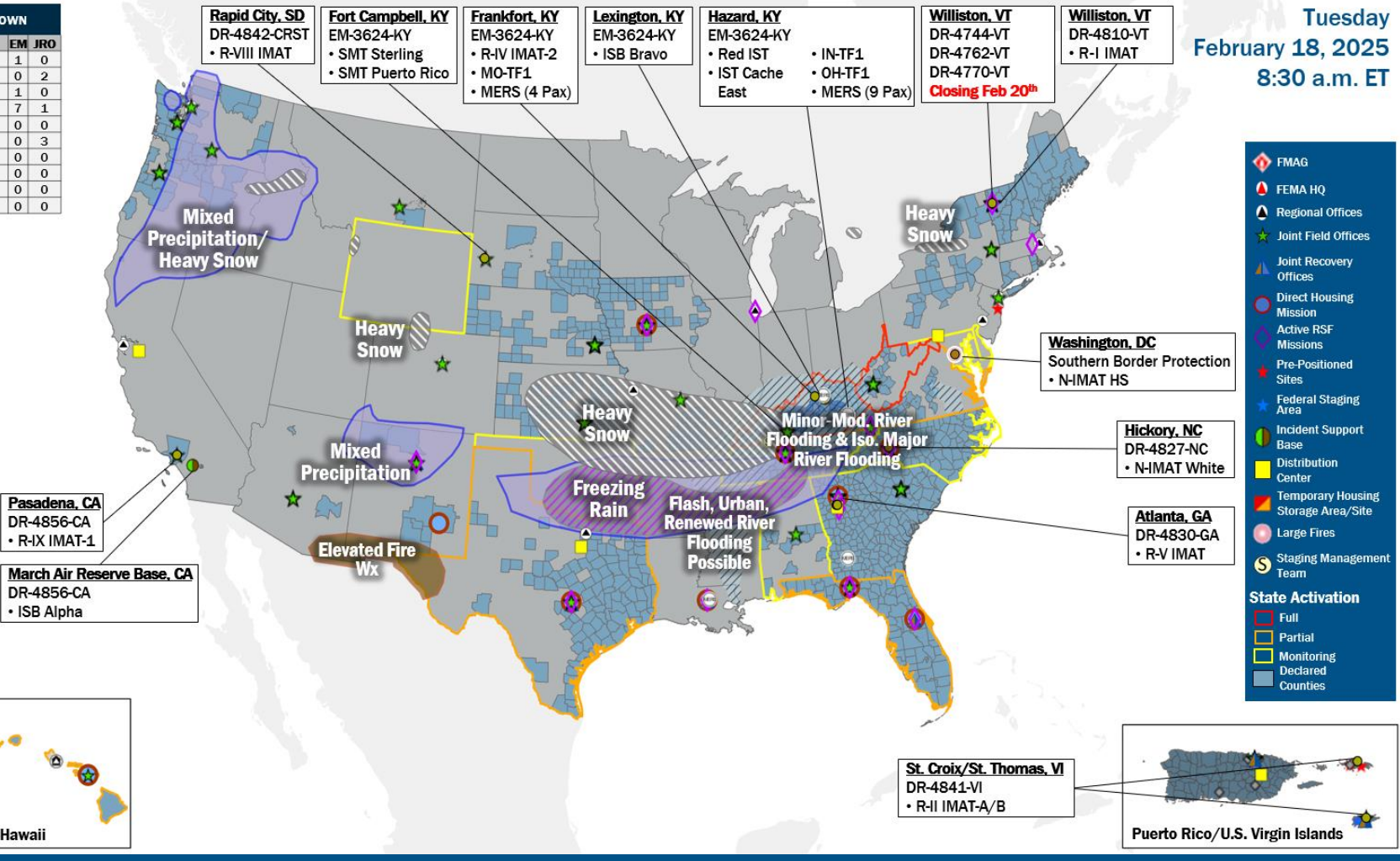
4 - 6 Teams Available

I	VT (Jan 6)
II	USVI (Oct 30)
III	
IV-1	GA (Oct 5)
IV-2	KY (Feb 16)
V	GA (Feb 17)
VI-1	1
VI-2	Personnel
VII	Personnel
VIII	SD (Nov 18)
IX-1	CA (Jan 8)
IX-2	
X	2

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

REGIONAL BREAKDOWN

	JFO	DR	EM	JRO
I	3	16	1	0
II	4	8	0	2
III	2	6	1	0
IV	7	28	7	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



IM Workforce

14,189 Assigned
4,757 (-34) Unavailable
7,094 (+80) Deployed

16% (-1) / 2,338 (-46) Available

IM Cadre Availability

18 Cadres ≤ 25% Availability

Civil Rights: 20% (35/179); Disaster Field Training Operations: 22% (22/98); Disability Integration: 13% (5/40); External Affairs: 7% (28/394); Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation: 14% (120/884); Field Leadership: 15% (22/149); Financial Management: 19% (43/230); Hazard Mitigation: 10% (123/1,207); Human Resources: 17% (32/186); Individual Assistance: 14% (341/2,654); Interagency Recovery Coordination: 22% (74/342); Information Technology: 18% (131/714); Logistics: 10% (164/1,675); Operations: 15% (57/371); Public Assistance: 12% (284/2,308); Planning: 9% (42/468); Safety: 17% (16/94); Security: 11% (15/136)

MERS

≥ 66%

36 Assigned
0 Unavailable
2 Deployed

34 Available

US&R

≥ 66%

28 Assigned
1 Unavailable
3 Deployed

24 Available

FCO

2 Type I

54 Assigned
6 Unavailable
44 (26 FCOR) Deployed

4 Available

Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

Region	State / Location	Incident	IA	Number of Counties		Start - End
			PA	Requested	Complete	
III	VA	Flooding, Severe Storms, Tornadoes, and Winter Storms	IA	7 (+4)	0	2/10 - TBD
			PA	7 (+4)	0	2/10 - TBD
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 – 7

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
VA – Severe Winter Storms, Tornadoes, and Flooding	DR	X	X	X	Feb 16
WV - Severe Storm, Straight-line Winds, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides	DR	X	X		Feb 17



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