

FEMA National Watch Center

Daily Operations Briefing

Thursday, March 9, 2023

8:30 a.m. ET



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National Current Ops / Monitoring

New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Ops

- Heavy rain and potential flooding - California

Hazard Monitoring

- Heavy snow – Pacific Northwest to Northern Intermountain and California; Northern Plains; Upper Mississippi Valley and Great Lakes
- Heavy rain and flash flooding – California
- Freezing rain – Great Lakes to Central Appalachians

Disaster Declaration Activity

- Approved: Major Disaster – Tennessee
- Approved: Major Disaster – Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria

Event Monitoring

- No significant events



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Heavy Rain and Potential Flooding – California

Current Situation: A strong atmospheric river storm system is expected to impact portions of California and Nevada tonight through Friday night bringing strong winds, heavy rain, and higher elevation snow. Additional rainfall is forecast for next week. Rainfall totals of 4-6 inches with locally higher amounts are possible. The combination of heavy rain and snowmelt will increase the flooding threat. There is a Moderate risk of excessive rainfall and flash flooding. Flood Watches are in effect through Sunday morning.

Potential Impacts:

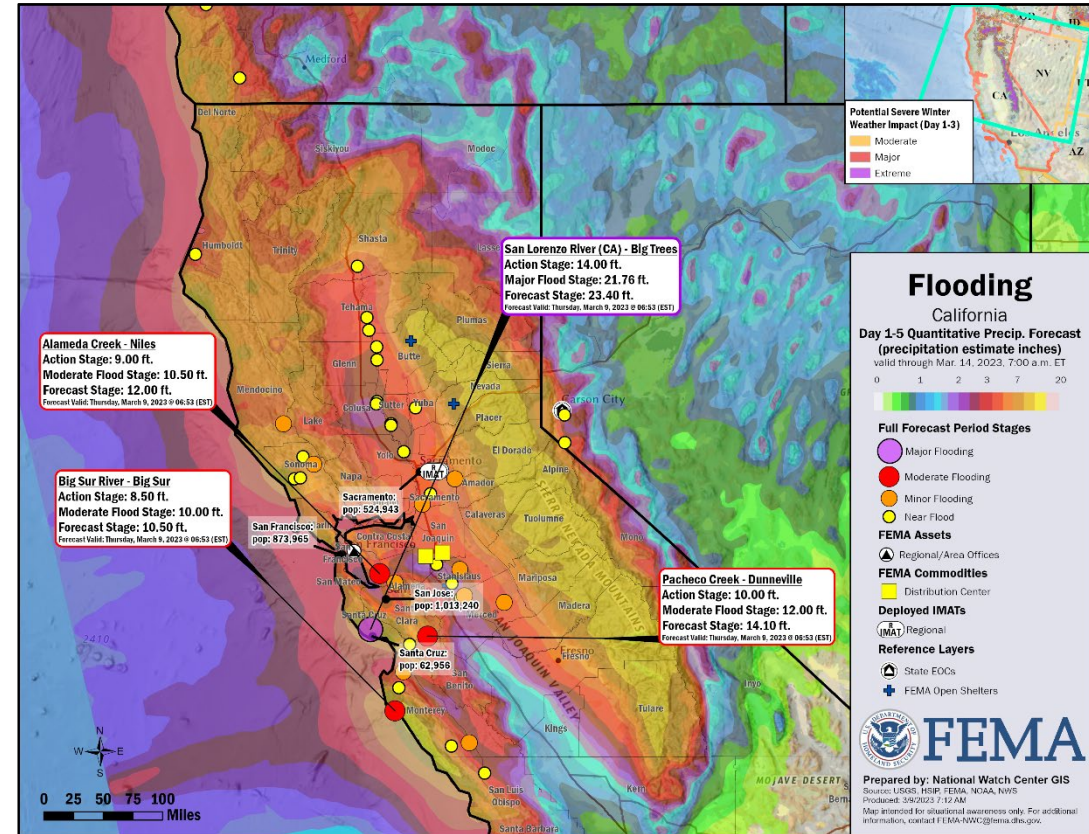
- Flash, urban, and small stream flooding, minor to moderate river flooding, and shallow mudslides or debris flows on burn scars are possible; storm drains and ditches may become clogged with debris
- Difficult to impossible travel conditions due to reduced visibility, high snowfall rates, and strong winds of 60-80 mph with higher gusts
- Additional snowfall of 2-5 feet on top of already heavy snowpack could increase snow-load on structures
- With the first round of storms (Thu-Fri); flooding concerns will be along smaller, uncontrolled streams with additional rainfall forecast for next week, rises on larger rivers are possible
- San Joaquin and Sacramento valleys are the areas most likely to exceed monitor or flood stage

State / Local Response:

- CA EOC at Full Activation (COVID-19, Seismic Activity, Flooding); Stanislaus County issued Evacuation Orders and Warnings in the Newman area along the San Joaquin River
- NV EOC at Partial Activation (COVID-19)

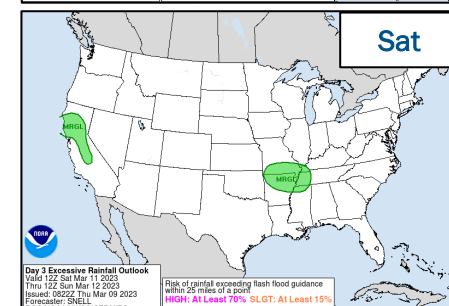
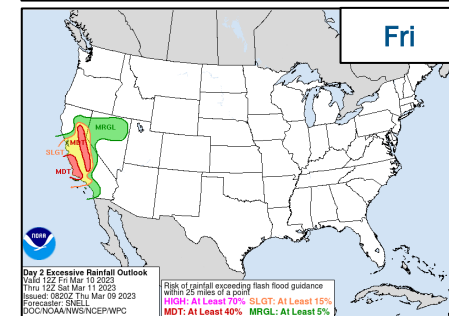
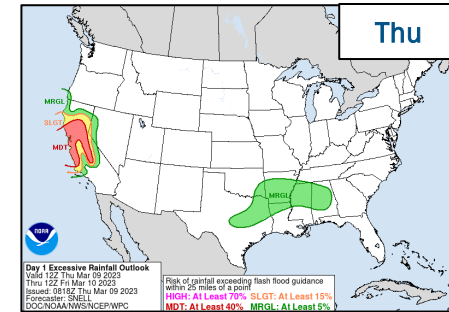
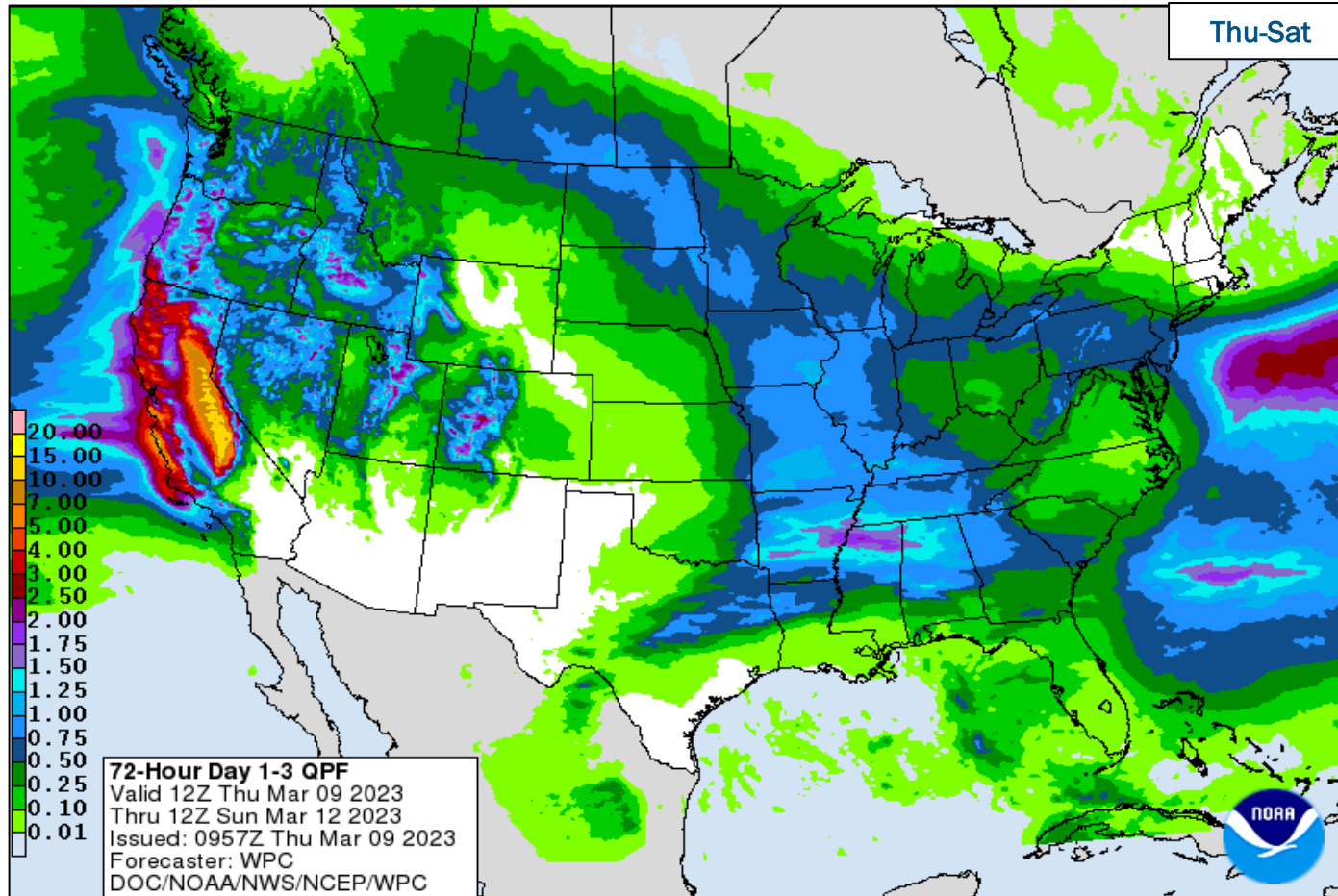
FEMA / Federal Response:

- Region IX RWC and the NWC continue to monitor; Region IX continues to coordinate closely with CA and NV EOCs and the NWS
- Region IX IMAT-1 and IMAT-2 deployed to CA EOC (FEMA-4683-DR-CA)
- No requests for FEMA assistance



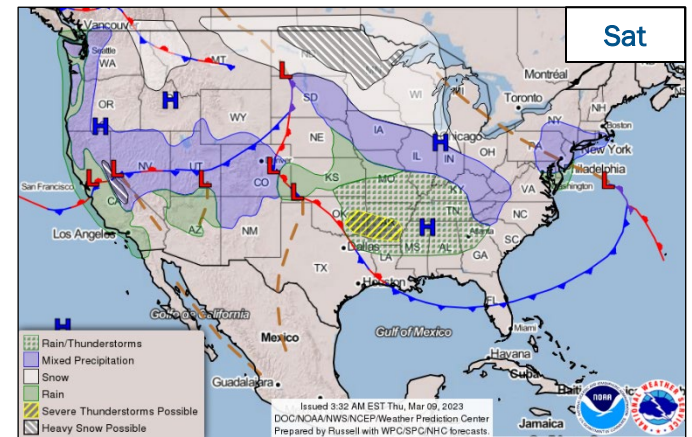
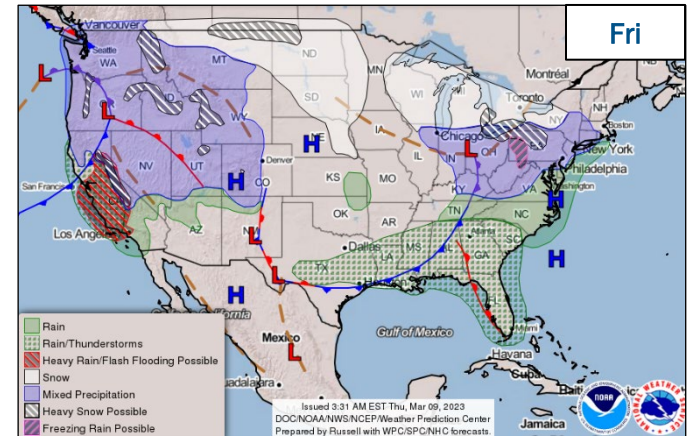
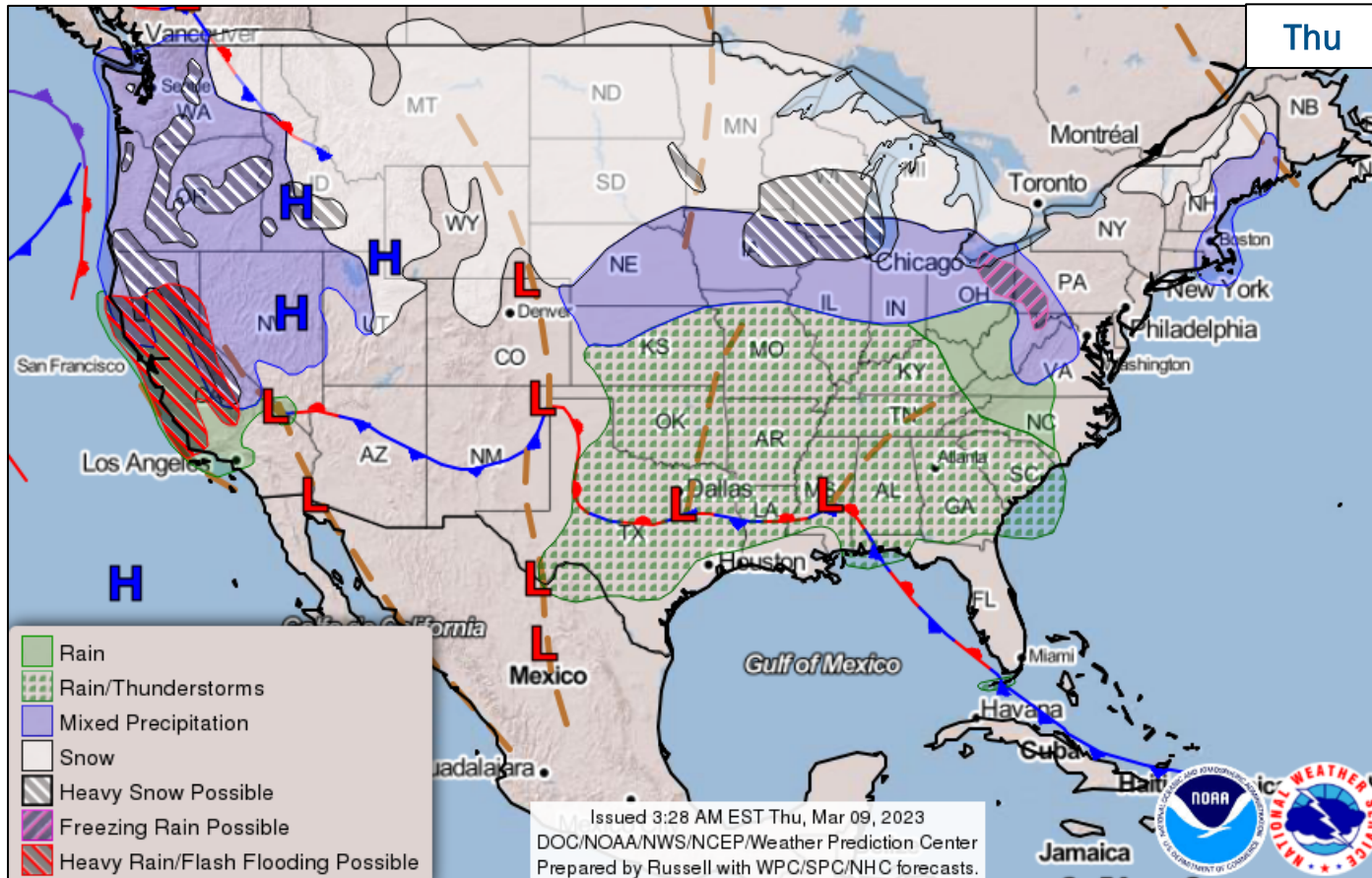
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Precipitation & Excessive Rainfall



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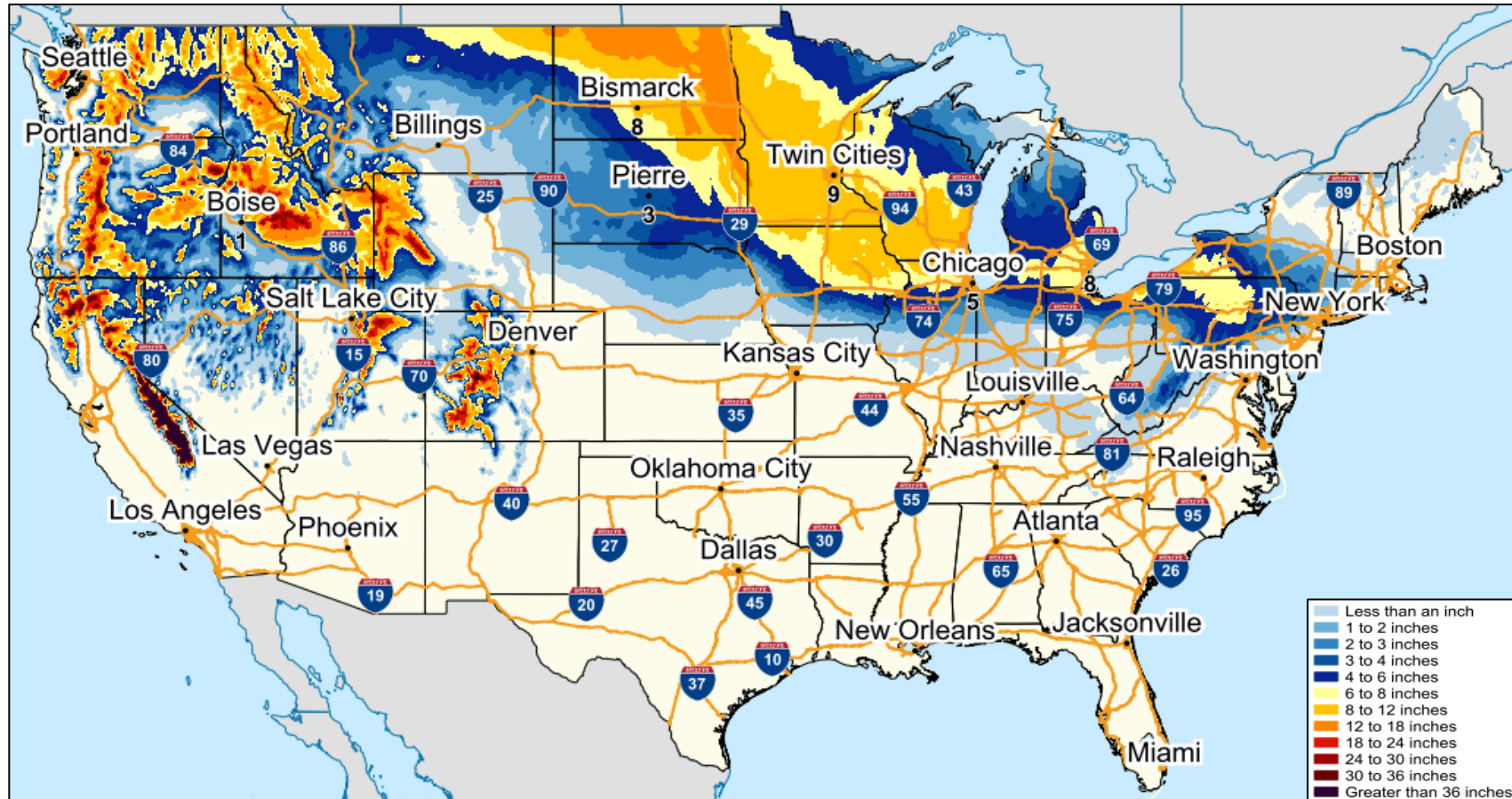
National Weather Forecast



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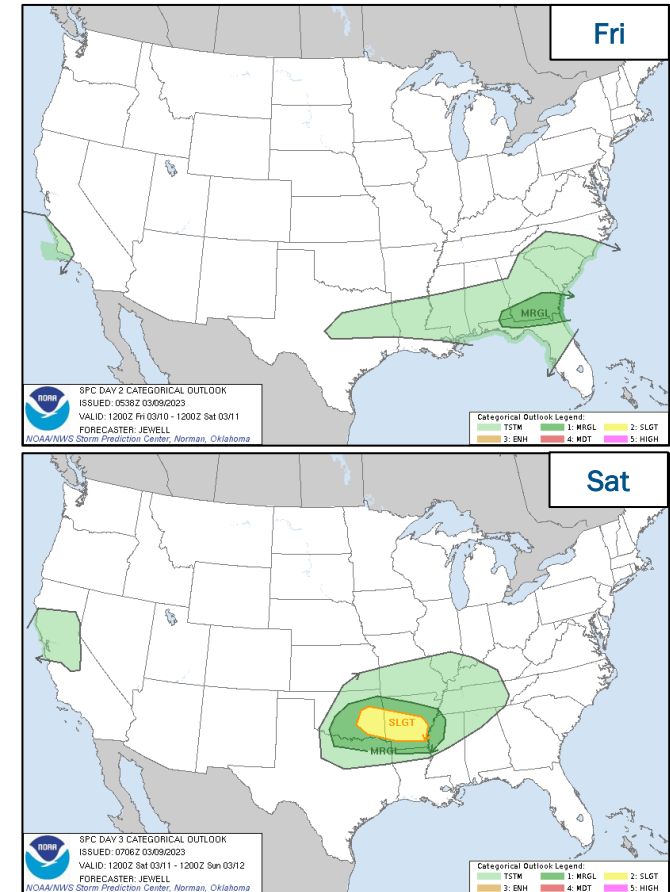
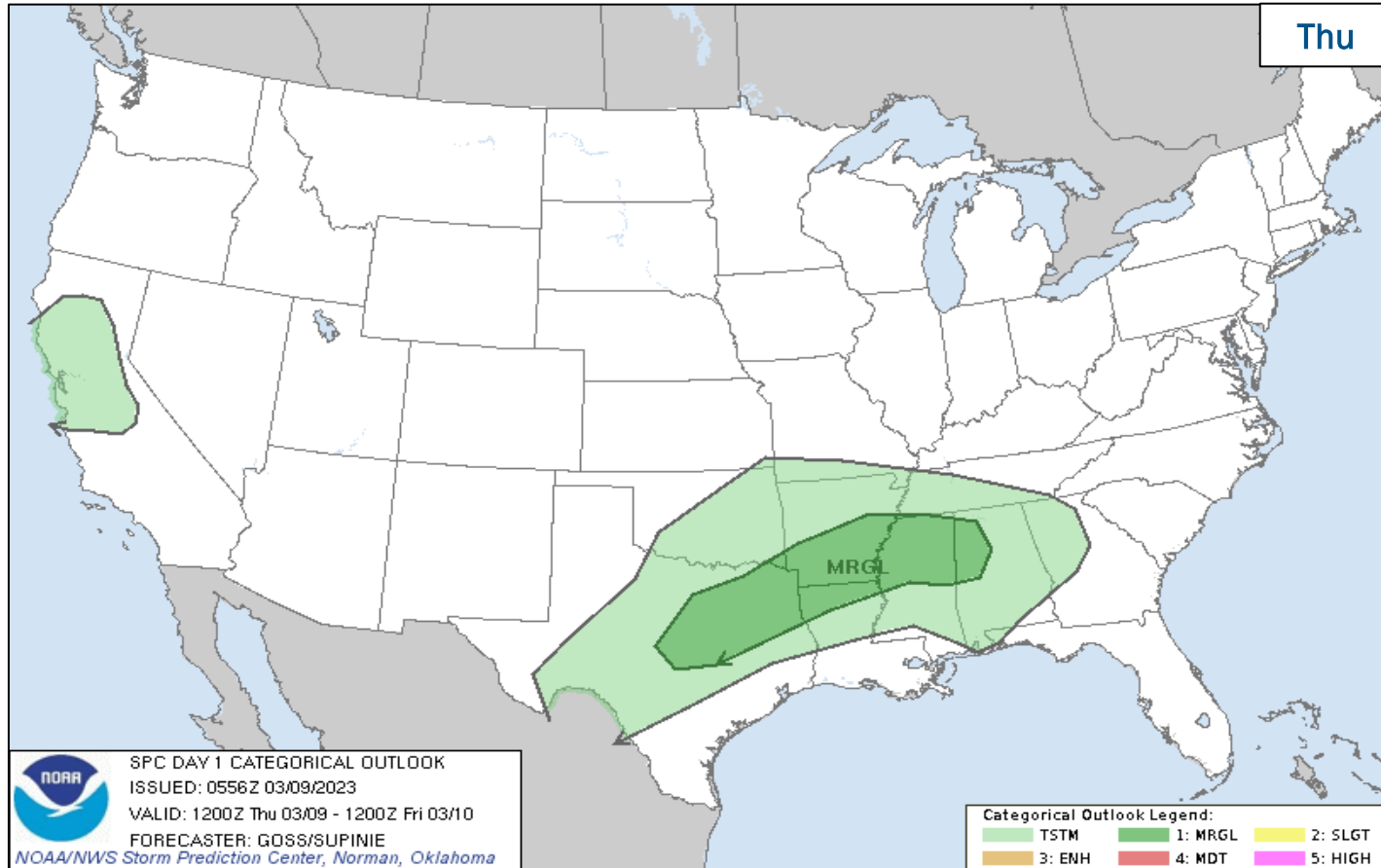
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Snowfall Forecast



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Severe Weather Outlook



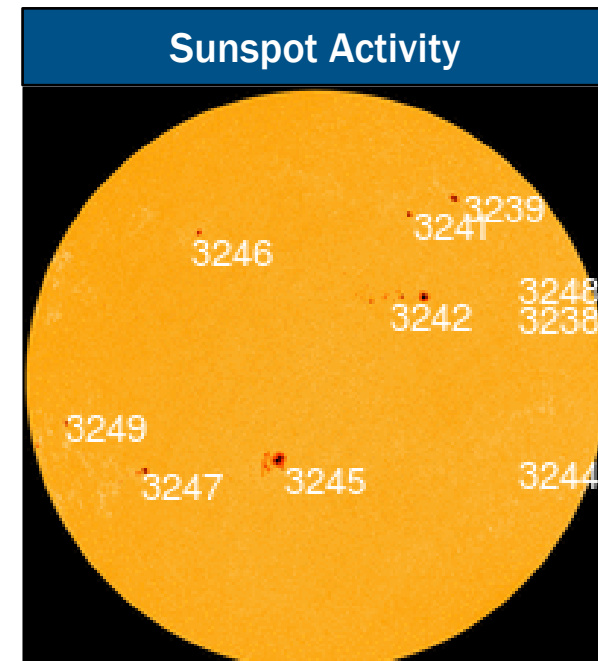
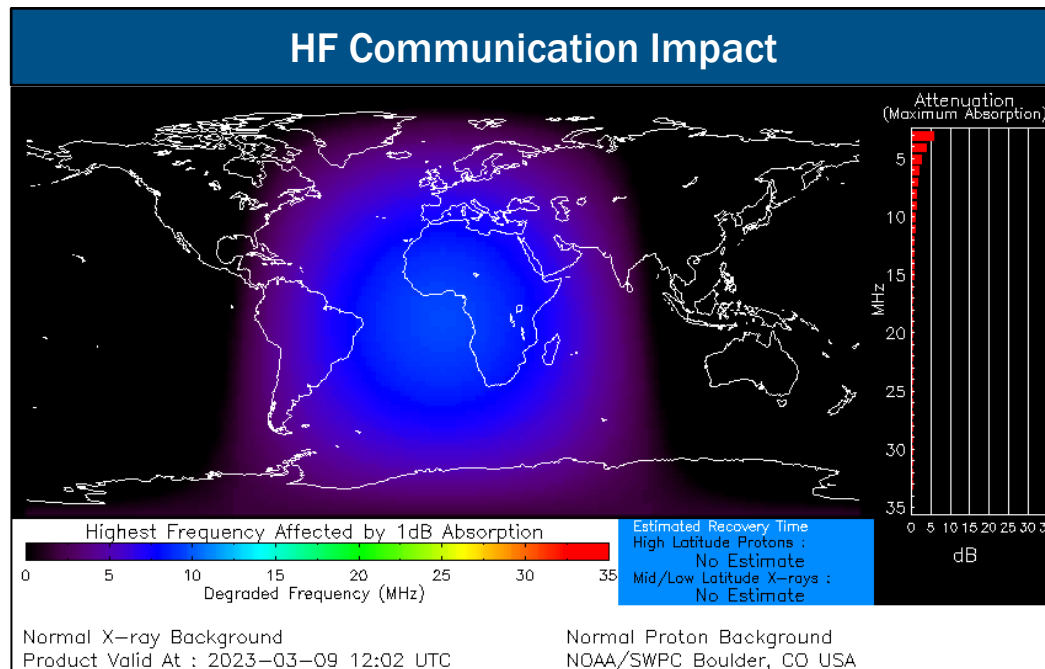
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Space Weather Outlook

	Space Weather Activity	Geomagnetic Storms	Solar Radiation	Radio Blackouts
Past 24 Hours	Minor	None	None	R1
Next 24 Hours	Minor	G1	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

11
Joint Field
Offices

9
Virtual Joint
Field Offices

51
Major
Disasters

10
Emergency
Declarations

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FEMA HQ	
NWC	NRCC
Monitoring	Rostered
FEMA REGIONS	
Watch	RRCC
Monitoring	I Rostered
Monitoring	II Rostered
Monitoring	III Rostered
Monitoring	IV Rostered
Monitoring	V Rostered
Monitoring	VI Rostered
Monitoring	VII Rostered
Monitoring	VIII Rostered
Monitoring	IX Rostered
Monitoring	X Rostered
Notes:	
RWCs/RRCCs: All at Monitoring/Rostered	STATE EOCs: PR: TC Fiona AL/GA/WV/KY/TN/TX/WY: Severe Weather FL: TC Ian CO: Avian Influenza, Public Health Support and Suncor Refinery AZ/CO: SW Border Coordination AS/CA: Seismic Activity CA/HI: Flooding OR: Respiratory Illness (RSV & Influenza) TX: Fire Weather (5) State/Territory EOCs activated for COVID Support
Surge Capacity Force	
Rostered 7,626	Deployed 51 (-2)

N-IMATs	
2-4 Teams Available	
Red	
White	
Blue	
Gold	
R-IMATs	
≥ 7 Teams Available	
I	1
II	
III	
IV-1	Personnel
IV-2	AL
V	OH
VI-1	
VI-2	
VII	2
VIII	
IX-1	CA
IX-2	CA
X	Personnel

REGIONAL BREAKDOWN			
	JFO/VJFO	DR	EM
I	1/0	3	0
II	2/3	3	4
III	0/0	3	0
IV	3/1	10	3
V	2/0	4	0
VI	1/1	3	3
VII	0/1	0	0
VIII	0/1	5	0
IX	0/1	8	0
X	2/1	12	0

Alaska

Northern Mariana Islands

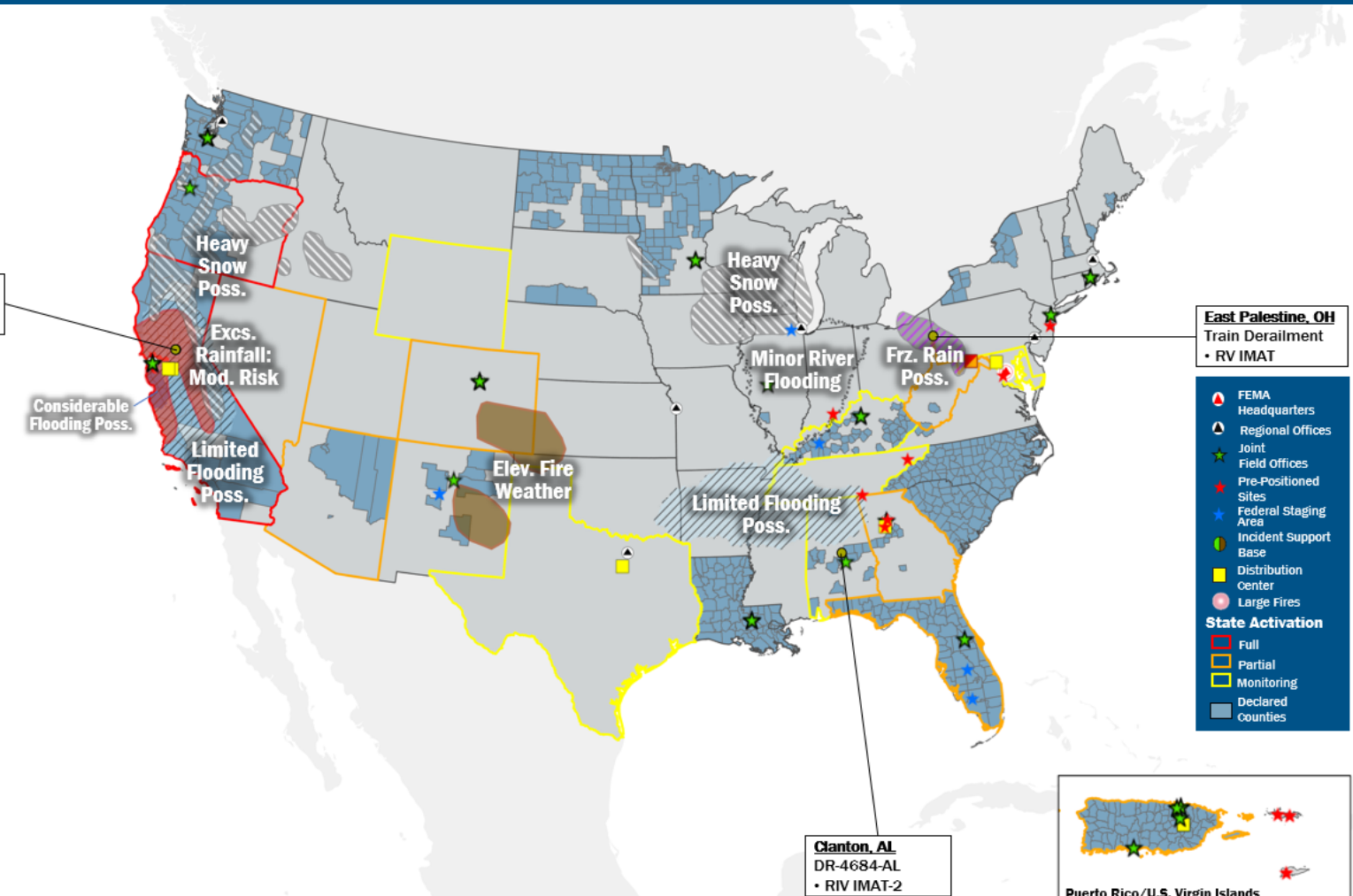
Guam

American Samoa

Hawaii

Sacramento, CA
DR-4683-CA
• RIX IMAT-1/2

Clanton, AL
DR-4684-AL
• RIV IMAT-2



East Palestine, OH
Train Derailment
• RV IMAT

- FEMA Headquarters
- Regional Offices
- Joint Field Offices
- Pre-Positioned Sites
- Federal Staging Area
- Incident Support Base
- Distribution Center
- Large Fires

State Activation

- Full
- Partial
- Monitoring
- Declared Counties

Puerto Rico/U.S. Virgin Islands

IM Workforce

13,403 (+3) Assigned
3,926 (-35) Unavailable
5,526 (+3) Deployed

29% / 3,951 (+35) Available

IM Cadre Availability ≤ 25% Availability

Civil Rights: 20% (25/122); Disability Integration: 11% (7/61); Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation: 20% (170/830); Field Leadership: 18% (26/143); Hazard Mitigation: 17% (206/1,213); Human Resources: 20% (32/161); Operations: 18% (64/357); Public Assistance: 10% (223/2,175); Planning: 16% (72/463); Safety: 15% (12/79)

MERS
≥ 66%

36 Assigned
0 Unavailable
0 Deployed

36 Available

US&R
≥ 66%

28 Assigned
3 Unavailable
0 Deployed

25 Available

FCO
≤ 1 Type I

49 Assigned
2 Unavailable
38 (24 FCOR) Deployed

9 Available

Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

Region	State / Location	Incident	IA	Number of Counties		Start - End
			PA	Requested	Complete	
II	NY	Severe Winter Storm Dec 23-25	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	5	0	1/24 - TBD
IV	KY	Severe Storms Feb 14-24	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	22	3 (+3)	3/3 - TBD
		Severe Storms & Tornadoes Mar 3-5	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	24	0	3/8 - TBD
VI	TX	Winter Storm Jan 29 to TBD	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	23	1 (+1)	TBD
	AR	Winter Storm Jan 30 to TBD	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	13 (+3)	11 (+6)	3/6 - TBD



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Declaration Approved – Tennessee

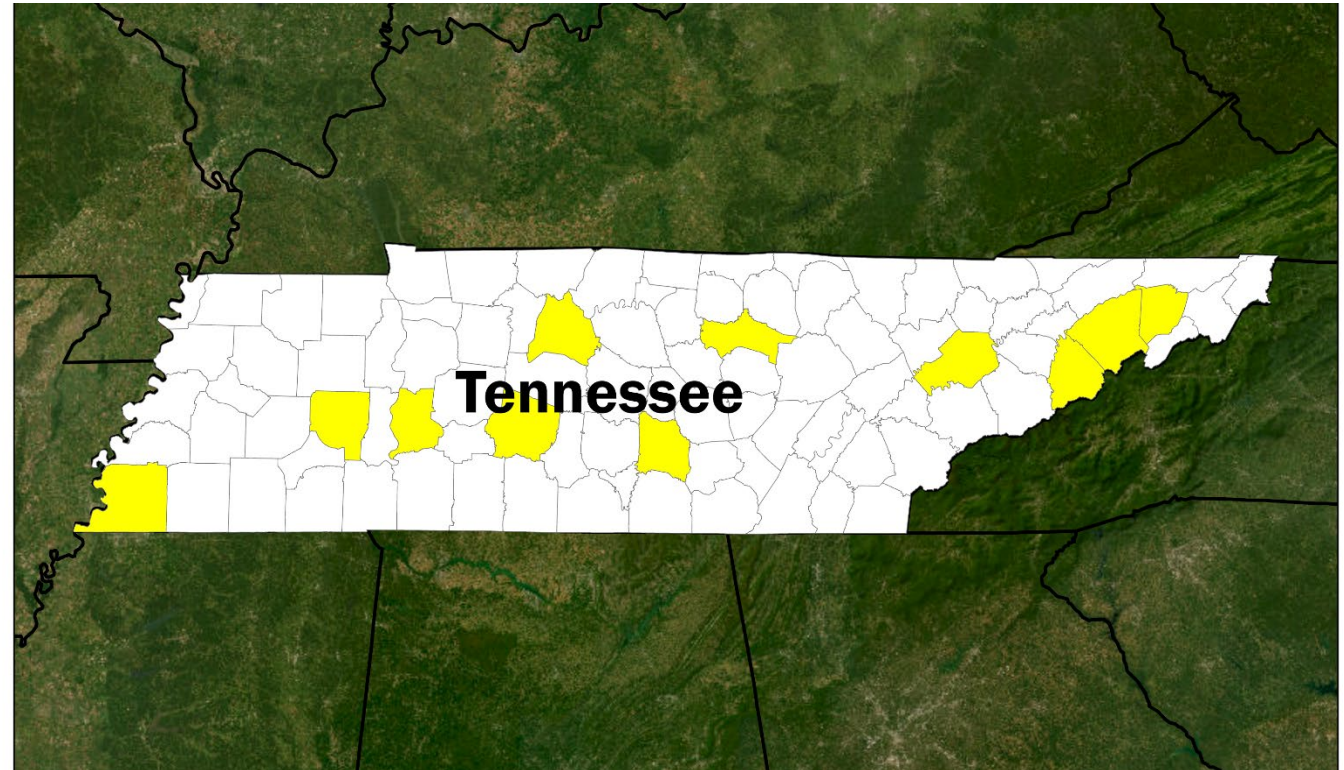
Declaration: Major Disaster – FEMA-4691-DR-TN
Date Requested: Feb 17, 2023

Date Approved: Mar 8, 2023
Incident: Severe Winter Storm
Incident Period: Dec 22-27, 2022

Provides:

- **PA:** 11 counties
- **Hazard Mitigation:** Statewide

FCO: Brian F. Schiller



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Declaration Approved – Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria

Declaration: Major Disaster – FEMA-4692-DR-Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria

Requested: Feb 16, 2023

Date Approved: Mar 8, 2023

Incident: Earthquake

Incident Period: Dec 20, 2022 to Jan 1, 2023

Provides:

- **PA:** Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria
- **Hazard Mitigation:** Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria

FCO: Benigno Bern Ruiz



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Declaration Requests in Process – 10

State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Type	IA	PA	HM	Requested
Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma – Tornadoes	DR		X	X	Jan 3
WV – Severe Storms, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides (Appeal)	DR	X	X	X	Jan 27
TX – Severe Storms and Tornadoes	DR	X		X	Feb 7
ME – Severe Storms and Flooding	DR		X	X	Feb 16
NH – Severe Storms and Flooding	DR		X	X	Feb 17
TX – Severe Winter Storm	DR		X	X	Feb 21
VT – Severe Winter Storm and Flooding	DR		X	X	Feb 21
TN – Severe Winter Storm - APPROVED	DR		X	X	Feb 17
Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria – Earthquake - APPROVED	DR		X	X	Feb 16
NY – Severe Winter Storm and Snowstorm	DR	X	X	X	Feb 23
OR – Severe Winter Storm, Straight-line Winds, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides	DR		X	X	Feb 27
CA – Heat Dome and Wildfires (Appeal)	DR		X	X	Mar 5



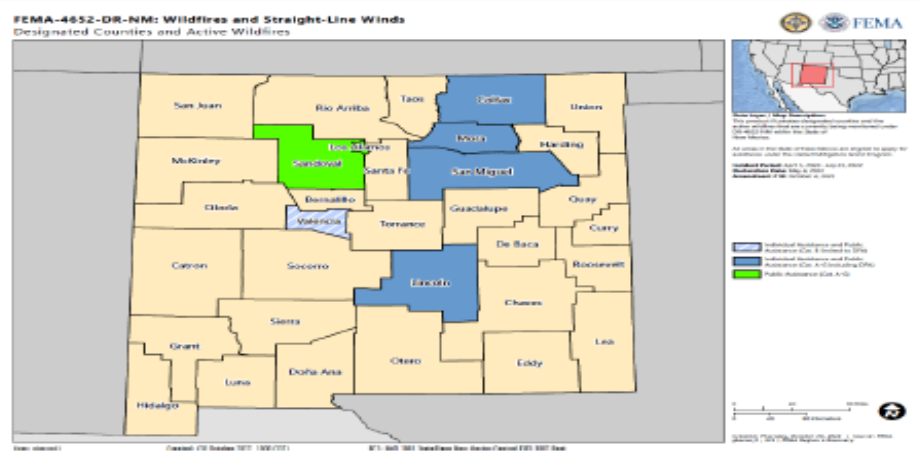
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INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE SUMMARY (03/08/2023, 1100)

Valid Registrations >4k <i>(60-day period complete)</i>	Individuals and Households Program >\$7M
Small Business Admin Loans >\$8M	Housing Assistance >\$5M
NFIP Payouts \$12K	Other Needs Assistance >\$1M
Direct Housing P4: 17; Licensed In: 15; Waiting: 2; RFO: 3	

INCIDENT SUMMARY

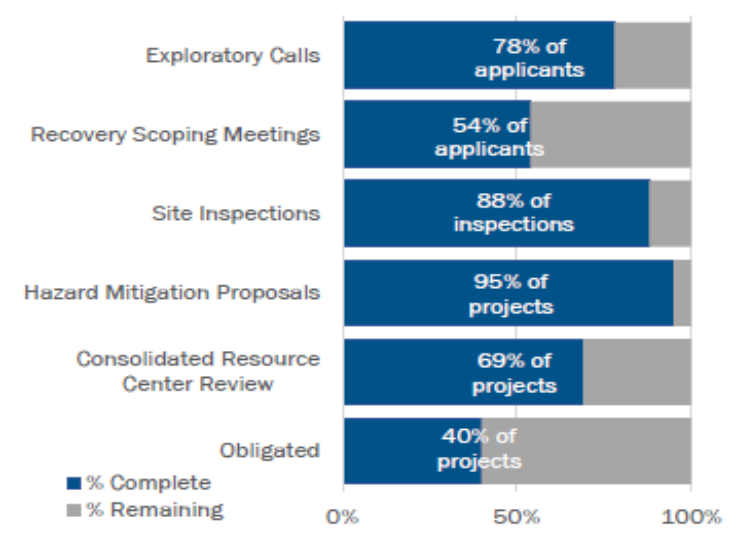
Beginning April 5, 2022, and continuing New Mexico saw numerous wildfire starts. One month later, with 234,977 acres burned, fires continued to rage. With those fires, livestock perished, homes and businesses were destroyed. On May 4th, the State of New Mexico requested and received a major disaster declaration for 5 counties, Colfax, Lincoln, Mora, San Miguel and Valencia for Individual Assistance, Public Assistance and Hazard Mitigation statewide. In addition to the original Declaration, 12 amendments were issued which included the addition of Sandoval and Los Alamos counties.



PUBLIC ASSISTANCE SUMMARY (03/08/2023, 1100)

Applicants 64	Projects 136
\$ Obligated >\$9M	Life of Disaster \$106M

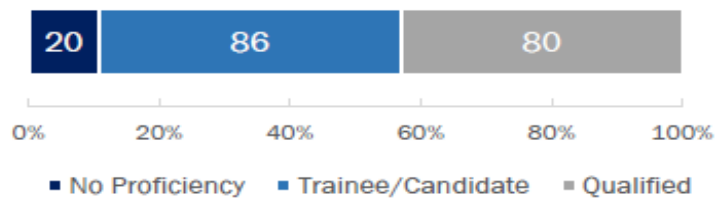
% of Phase Complete



STAFF SUMMARY (03/08/2023, 0800)

Total Staff: 186 | Coach/Evaluators: 62

Staff by Proficiency Level



FCO ASSESSMENT

Priorities

- Ensure safety and accountability of all personnel.
- Provide the highest quality of service to local governments, survivors, and businesses.
- Establish and sustain an inclusive and integrated joint-planning process to fill unmet needs.
- Coordinate all public/stakeholder messaging using regular multi-media and ground-based methods.
- Optimize delivery and benefit of all federal assistance programs through a proactive, "can do" approach.

Outcome

- Housing: Increase participation and number of families housed through existing programs and analyze unmet needs to inform new program solutions.

TRANSITION TIMELINE



FCO Senior Leadership COP Brief: FEMA-4652-DR-NM

Lines Of Effort

Recovery Outcomes	
Housing	Housing: Increase participation and number of families housed through existing programs and analyze unmet needs to inform new program solutions.
	1 Households affected by DR-4652-NM are provided resources and support including a pathway to housing stabilization through a portfolio of short-to long-term solutions.
	2 A best effort is made to contact all households affected by DR-4652-NM are through multiple outreach methods, including in-person, digital, and physical resources.
	3 Clear building codes, standards, and recommendations are defined in coordination with broader watershed mitigation strategies to enhance the resilience of the housing stock.
	4 Long-term affordable housing stock increases in availability as a sub-product of activities to facilitate housing stabilization.
Economic	Economic: Businesses and governments are positioned to access federal resources and be supported by a state and local workforce.
	1 Strategic planning and coordination is conducted with broad input and considers regional economic recovery, market conditions, and resiliency.
	2 Increase access to capital and resources so that private and public sector actors have information they need to make informed decisions about recovery.
	3 Increase capacity to receive and implement funding, as well as facilitate project prioritization and development.
	4 Workforce development, entrepreneurial, and business development initiatives are in place; jobs are created and retained.
Community Assistance	Community Outreach : A clear structure is in place to coordinate information and share resources.
	1 Establish a clear and actionable network of local, state, federal, and Tribal contacts to disseminate information to communities via trusted sources.
	2 Define a set of reliable products which will be made available on a regular basis to both internal and external stakeholders.
	3 Support accurate and consistent resource development, as well as coordination of training opportunities, across all Lines of Effort so that community leaders have a robust –but not overwhelming –range of resources at their disposal.

Recovery Outcomes	
Infrastructure Systems	Drinking Water: Establish augmented capacity and available network to address both current drinking water needs, as well as long-term preparedness.
	1 Develop preparedness capabilities ahead of future disasters, adapting lessons learned and best practices, including through training and capacity building that augments access to available federal programs.
	2 Coordinate temporary water sourcing based on identified local needs by facilitating connections to key resources.
	3 Facilitate build-back-better techniques that enhance sustainable and protected resources. Coordinate and provide guidance to access funding for efforts such as use of innovative and green technologies.
Health & Social Services	HSS: A portfolio of training, resources, and direct support are available for impacted individuals and supporting workforces.
	1 Evaluate the impact to individuals served through grant programs, as articulated in program reporting.
Historical & Cultural Resources	HCR: The partnership network and community around historical resources is established and beginning to identify long-term recovery projects.
	1 Develop an inventory of historic resources and subsequently review historic integrity to inform federal funding requests. This is normal work for the SHPO office, done on a property-by-property basis.
	2 SHPO to continue to engage in consultation with Tribes and local groups as appropriate to facilitate preservation of archaeological sites.
	3 Monitor private property debris removal contract for observation/response to any sites suspected in debris removal and develop treatment/response for any sites identified.
Water Mitigation	WS: There's a unified strategy connecting and supporting active working groups which are positioned to create a list of fundable mitigation projects.
	1 Improve watershed resilience through slope stabilization, reforestation, and watershed health projects.
	2 Engage with communities to install mitigation projects that support traditional lifeways, including Tribes, acequias, and land grants.
	3 Maintain water quality standards in the long term.



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Recovery Outcomes

E1: Strategic planning and coordination is conducted with broad input and considers regional economic recovery, market conditions, and resiliency.

- EDA funds timber equipment for community sharing.

DW3: Facilitate build-back-better techniques that enhance sustainable and protected resources. Coordinate and provide guidance to access funding for efforts such as use of innovative and green technologies.

- Water Supply Resiliency of Mutual Drinking Water Consumer Associations (MWDCAs)
- City of Las Vegas, NM Water Treatment System

WM1: Improve watershed resilience through slope stabilization, reforestation, and watershed health projects.

- Post-Fire Recovery Action Strategy (PFRAS) developed by the Natural and Built Infrastructure Task Force
- Holistic Watershed Mitigation and Restoration



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