

FEMA National Watch Center

Daily Operations Briefing

Friday, March 13, 2026

8:30 a.m. ET



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National Current Operations / Monitoring

New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Operations

- Potomac Interceptor Spill – Washington, D.C.

Hazard Monitoring

- Heavy Snow – Northern CONUS
- Excessive Rainfall / Flash Flooding – Hawaii
- Fire Weather – High Plains

Disaster Declaration Activity

- No new declaration activity

Event Monitoring

- No new significant events



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Potomac Interceptor Spill – Washington, D.C.

Situation: On Feb 20, the President approved a Federal Emergency Declaration providing federal assistance to Washington, D.C., Maryland, and Virginia following the Jan 19, Potomac Interceptor (PI) sewer line collapse, which discharged 240 million gallons of untreated sewage into the Potomac River. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is the designated lead federal agency for response to the PI sewer line collapse.

State / Local Response: (*Potomac Interceptor SITREP #19, as of 5:00 p.m. ET, March 11*)

DC HSEMA is Monitoring (PI Sewer Line)

- DC Water continues daily water sampling efforts at 10 sites along the Potomac
- Work continues to waterproof and seal excavated sites
- The pipe's geopolymer lining is fully cured upstream and downstream (*EM-3643 FCO, as of 7:30 a.m. ET*)
- DC Water continues to make progress in Area 1W with approximately 30% work completed
- DC Water has reinforced the Potomac Interceptor on both sides of the collapse and plans to return flow back into the pipe as early as this weekend (*EM-3643 FCO, as of 7:30 a.m. ET*)
- DC Water to hold media event in anticipation of flow restoration into the Potomac Interceptor
- Repairs scheduled for completion by Mar 20

Maryland Department of the Environment

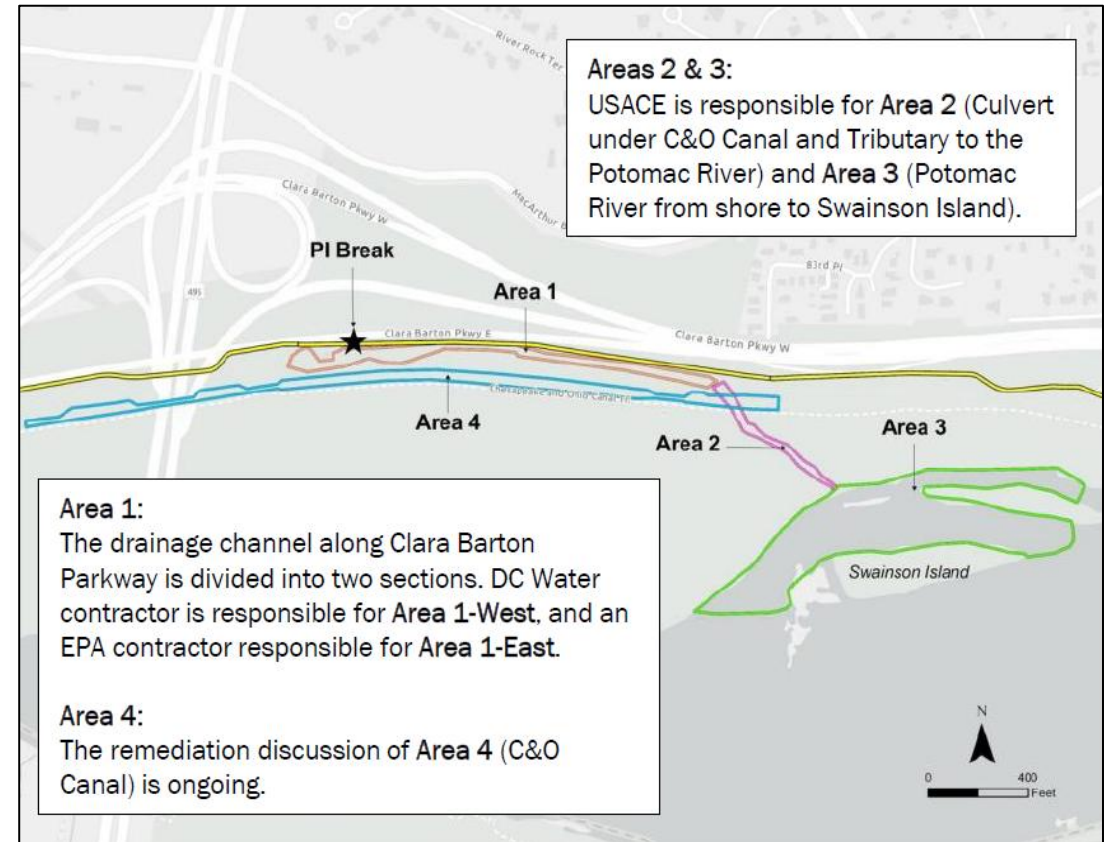
- Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) lifted the precautionary shellfish harvesting closure on Mar 10

FEMA / Federal Response: (*Potomac Interceptor SITREP #19 as of 5:00 p.m. ET, March 11*)

- A joint regulatory inspection is set for Mar 13 to confirm readiness to restore flow (*EM-3643 FCO, as of 7:30 a.m. ET*)
- EPA completed brush removal in Area 1E and is conducting soil sampling in Areas 1 and 2
- EPA will take over daily surface-water sampling from DC Department of Energy and the Environment (DOEE) on Mar 16 (*EM-3643 FCO, as of 7:30 a.m. ET*)
- USACE will continue soil sampling in Area 2
- USACE placed sandbags and installed a pumping system as part of the preplanned remediation effort; Sandbags and pumps will remain in place throughout remediation efforts

FEMA Region 3: RWC is Monitoring; R-IMAT is deployed to D.C.

HQ: NWC is Monitoring

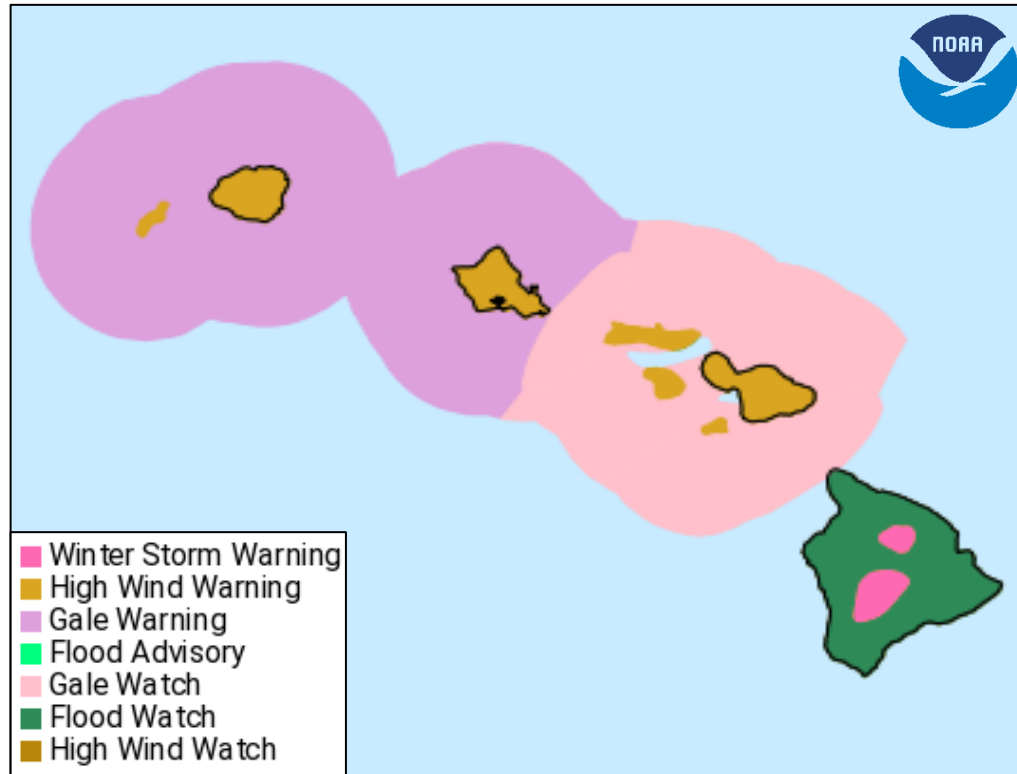


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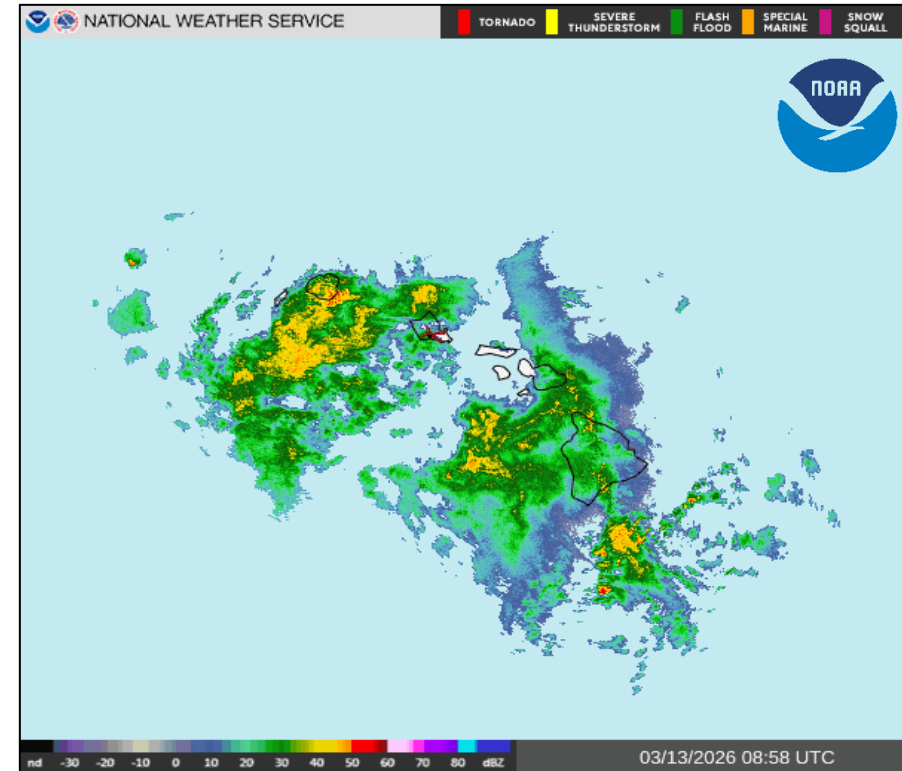


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Hawaii Weather Outlook



Watches and Warnings

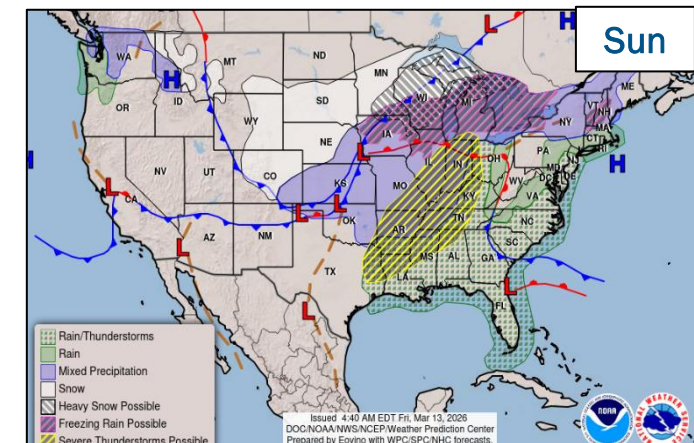
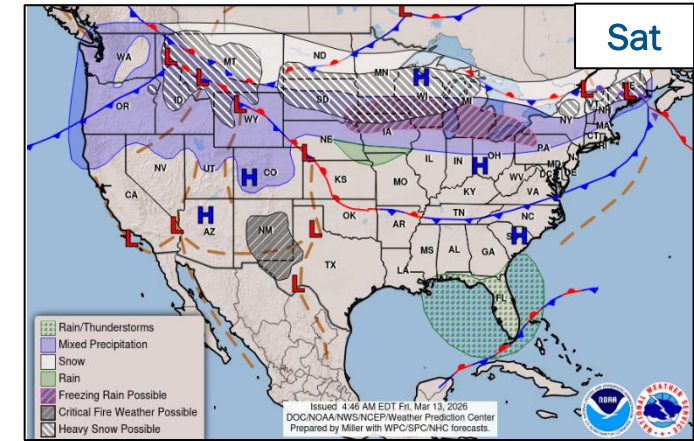
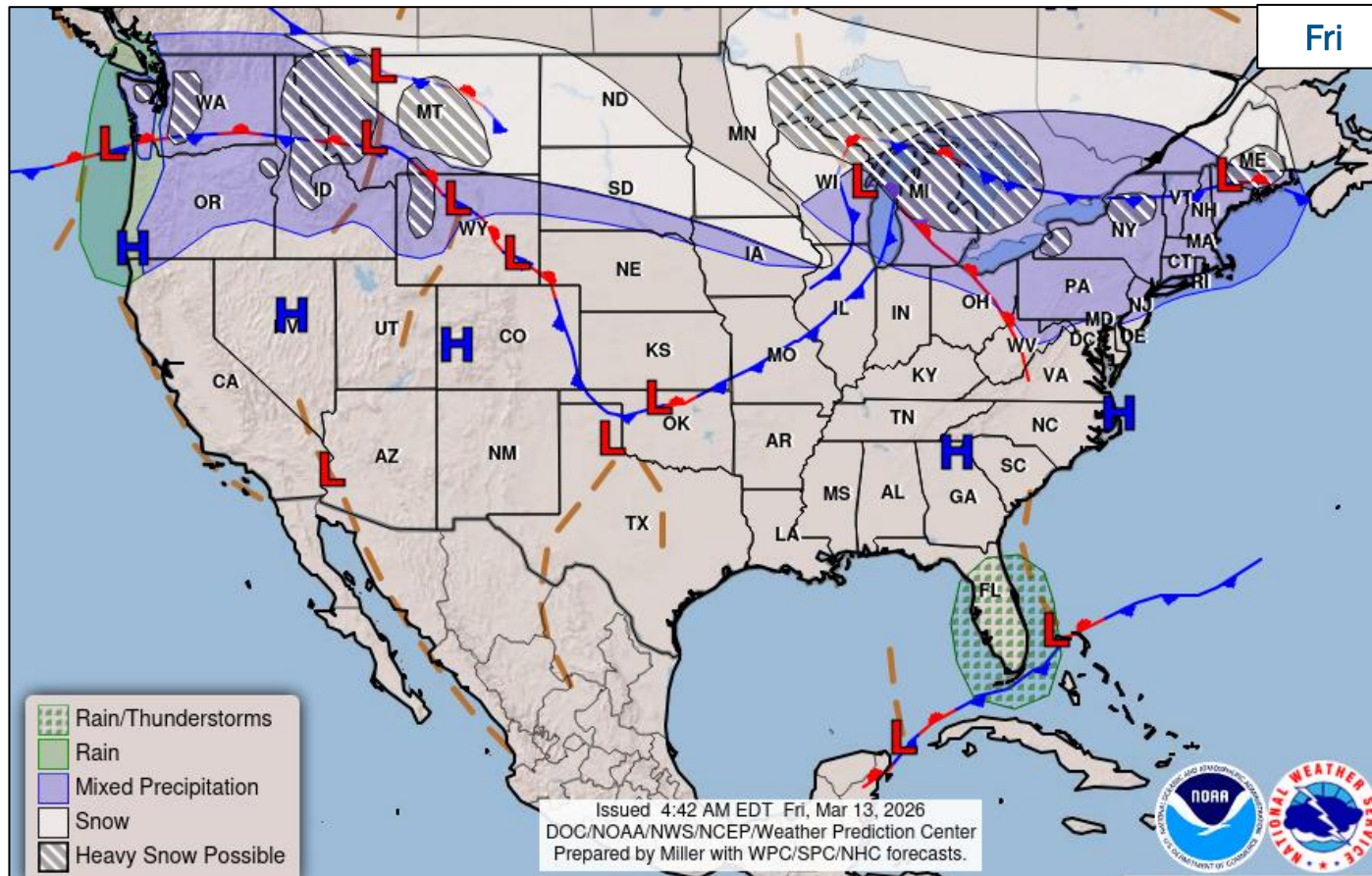


Weather Radar



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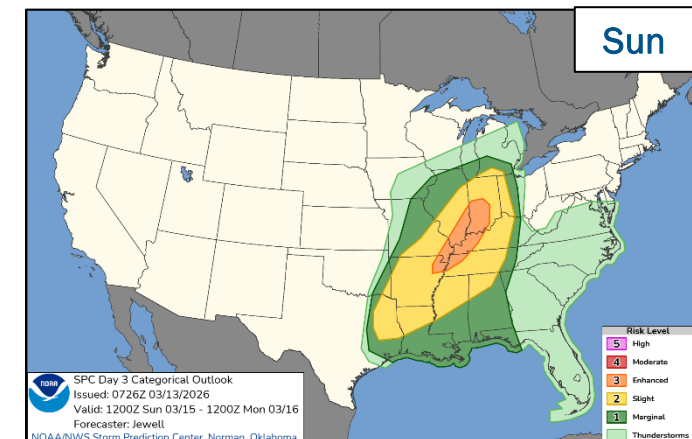
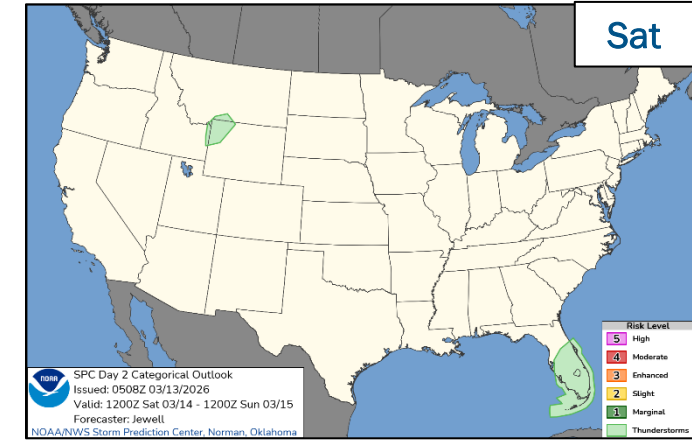
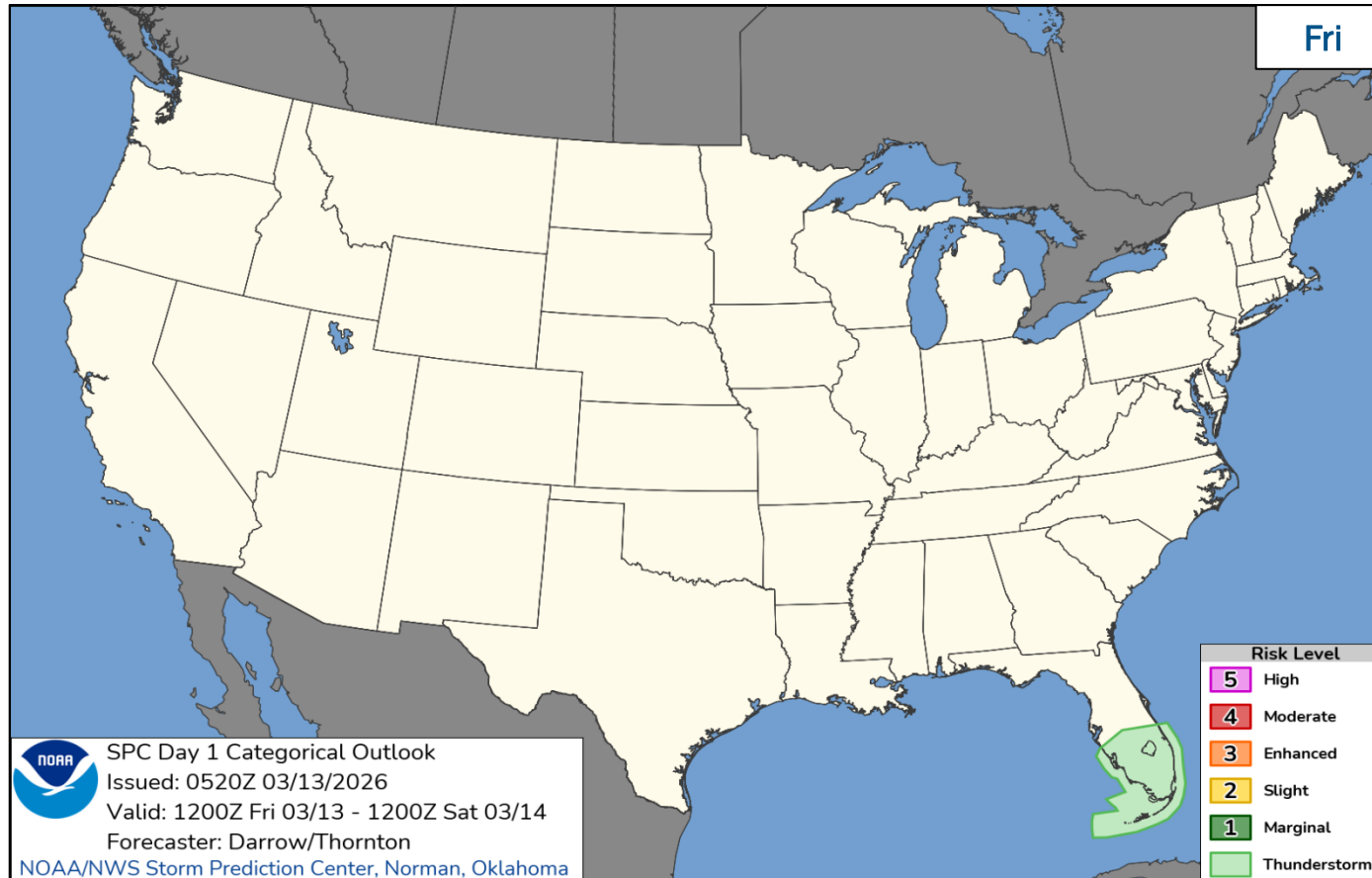
National Weather Forecast



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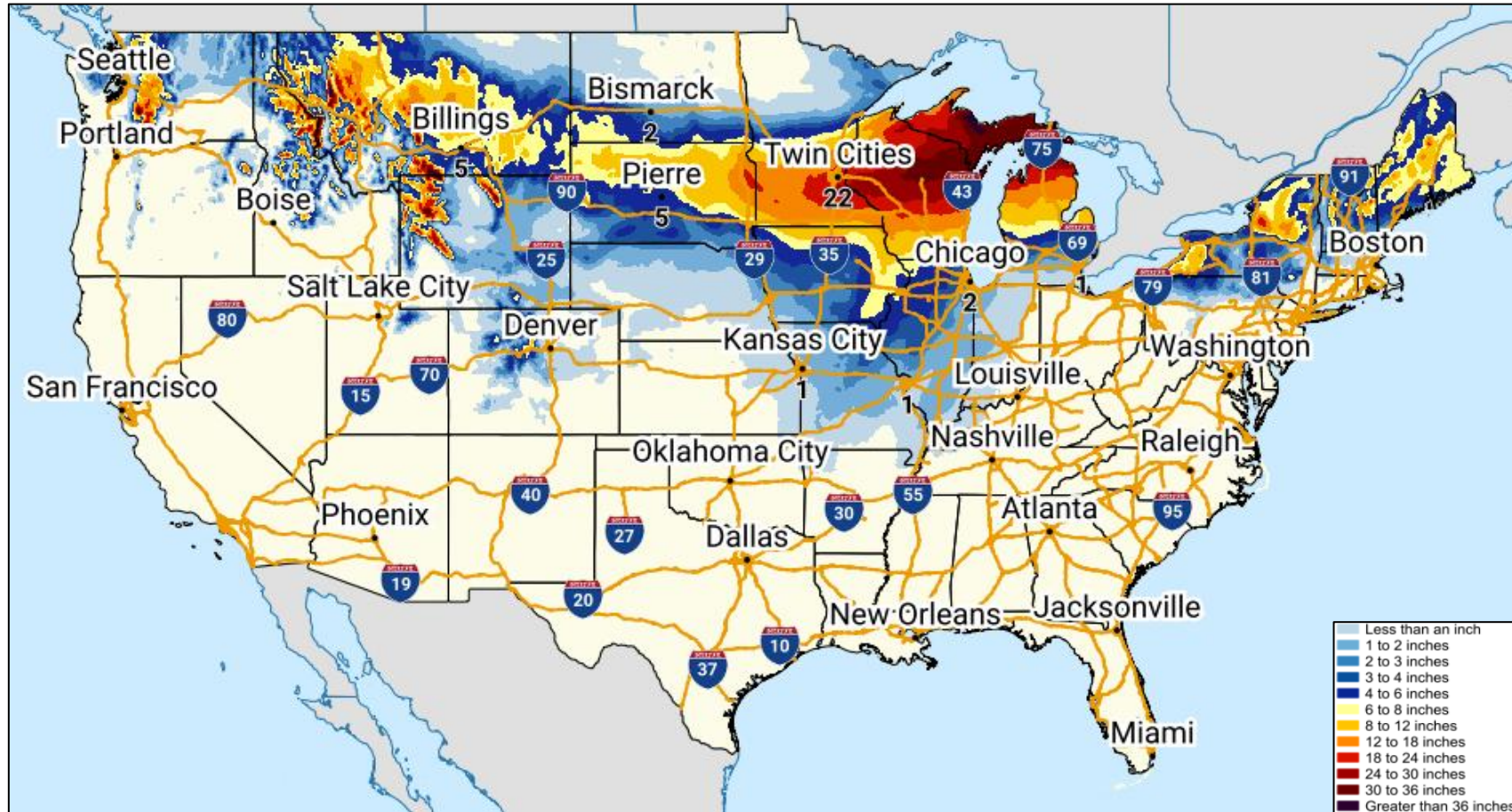
Severe Weather Outlook



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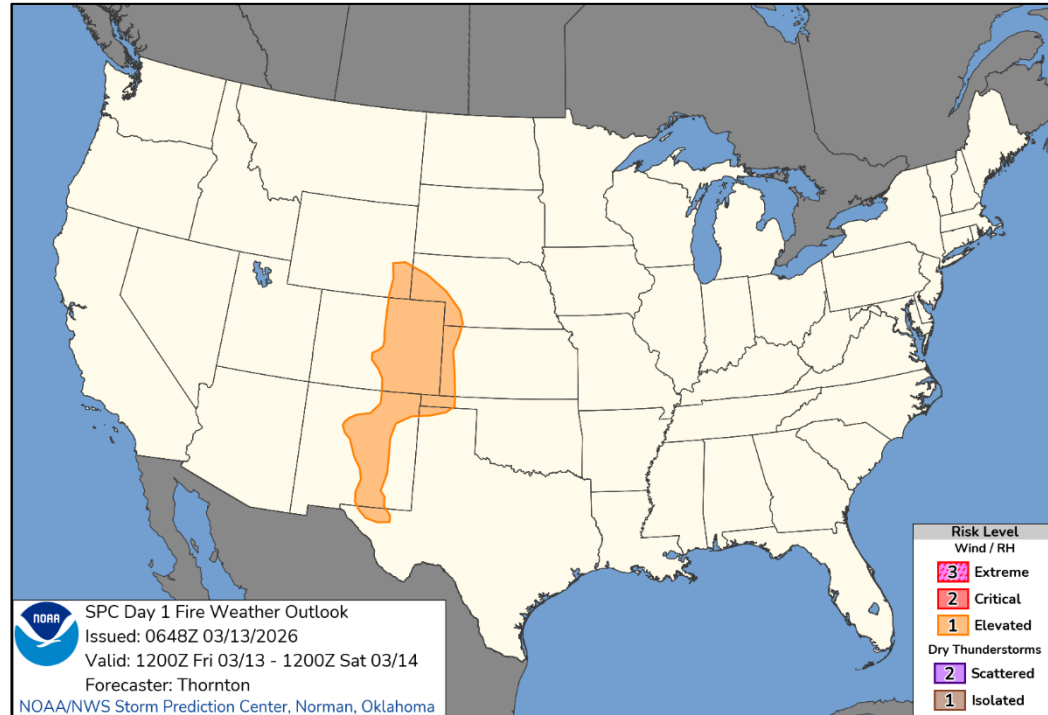
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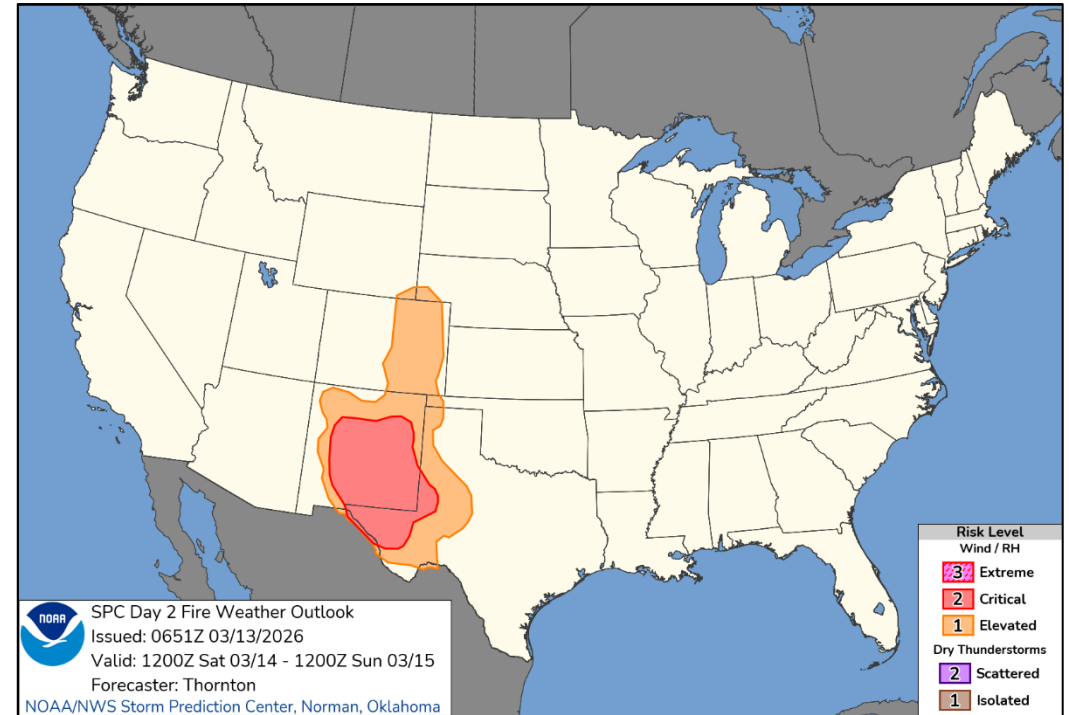


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Fire Weather Outlook



Today



Tomorrow



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FEMA Common Operating Picture

14

Joint Field
Offices

Supporting

24

Major
Disasters

+

11

Emergency
Declarations

8

Direct Housing
Missions

5

RSF-Supported
Disasters

6

Joint Recovery
Offices

FEDERAL HQ

NWC

Monitoring

NRCC

Steady State

FEDERAL REGIONS

Watch

Monitoring

RRCC

R1 Rostered

Monitoring

R2 Rostered

Alt. Location

R3 Rostered

Monitoring

R4 Rostered

Monitoring

R5 Rostered

Monitoring

R6 Rostered

Monitoring

R7 Rostered

Monitoring

R8 Rostered

Monitoring

R9 Rostered

Monitoring

R10 Rostered

Notes:

NRCC/RWCs/RRCCs:

• R3 RWC: Alternate location effective Feb 22, 2026, for approximately 4 weeks

• R5 RWC: Staffing (Dayshift Only)

IMATs:

• NSTR

State EOCs:

• DC: Potomac Interceptor Sewer Line

• HI/KS/NE: Wildfires

• FL: Previous Incidents

• MS/TN: Winter Storm

• PR: Influenza Epidemic

• OK/TX: Wildfires and Severe Weather

• MD/NY: Repatriation

• AL/IL/IN/KY/MT: Severe Weather

N-IMATs

2-5 Teams Available

Red

White

Blue

Gold

HS

R-IMATs

≥ 7 Teams Available

R1

R2

R3

DC (Feb 24)

R4 (1)

R4 (2)

MS (Jan 26)

R5

R6 (1)

R6 (2)

R7

MO (Feb 15)

R8

1

R9 (1)

R9 (2)

3

R10

2

Fully Mission Capable (FMC)

Partially Mission Capable (PMC)

Not Mission Capable (NMC)

Deployed

Surge Capacity Force

Rostered

7,972

Deployed

0

REGIONAL BREAKDOWN

	JFO	DR	EM	JRO
R1	0	0	0	0
R2	0	0	0	2
R3	2	1	1	0
R4	6	17	7	1
R5	0	0	0	0
R6	4	4	2	3
R7	0	0	0	0
R8	1	1	1	0
R9	0	0	0	0
R10	1	1	0	0

Alaska

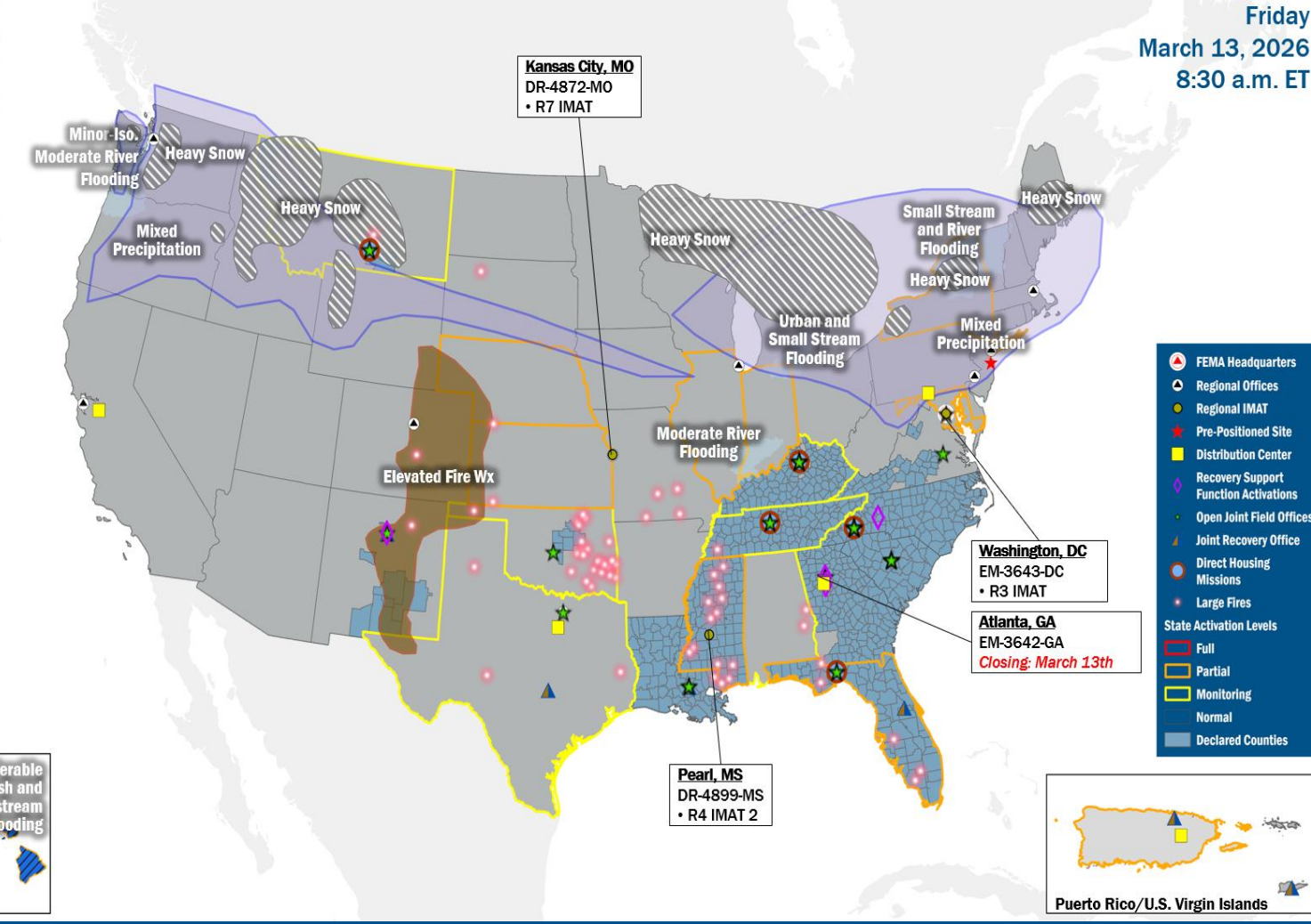
Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands

Guam

American Samoa

Hawaii

Considerable flash and small stream flooding



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IM Workforce

11,268 Assigned

4,135 (+6) Unavailable

2,588 (-18) Deployed

40% / 4,545 (+12) Available

IM Cadre Availability

6 Cadres ≤ 25% Availability

Disability Integration: 19% (3/16); External Affairs: 24% (65/270); Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation: 19% (121/641); Field Leadership: 17% (20/117); Hazard Mitigation: 20% (156/765); Planning: 19% (66/345)

MERS

≥ 66%

36 Assigned

6 Unavailable

0 Deployed

30 Available

US&R

≥ 66%

28 Assigned

0 Unavailable

0 Deployed

28 Available

FCO

2 Type I

35 Assigned

3 (+1) Unavailable

27 (+1) (14 FCOR) Deployed

5 (-2) Available

Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

Region	State / Location	Incident	IA	Number of Counties		Start – End
			PA	Requested	Completed	
R1	MA	Severe Winter Storm Feb 22-23	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	14	0	3/11 – TBD
	MWT*	Severe Winter Storm Feb 22-23	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	1	0	TBD – TBD
	RI	Severe Winter Storm	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	5	0	3/12 – TBD
R3	DE	Severe Winter Storm Feb 22-23	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	3	0	3/16 – TBD
R5	MI	Severe Weather and Tornados Mar 6	IA	3	0	3/16 – TBD
			PA	0	0	N/A

*Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe



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Declaration Requests in Process – 20

State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Type	IA	PA	HM	Requested
AZ – Severe Storms and Flooding – Appeal	DR		X	X	Oct 24
IL – Severe Storms and Flooding – Appeal	DR	X			Nov 21
SCA* – Severe Storms and Flooding	DR	X	X	X	Nov 26
SCA* – Severe Storms and Flooding	DR	X	X	X	Dec 15
MT – Severe Storms and Flooding	DR		X	X	Jan 10
NVK* – Severe Storms, Flooding, and Remnants of Typhoon Halong	DR		X	X	Jan 11
MT – Severe Winter Storms and Straight-line Winds	DR		X	X	Jan 15
CO – Severe Storms, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides – Appeal	DR		X	X	Jan 16
CO – Lee and Elk Fires, Flooding, and Mudslides – Appeal	DR		X	X	Jan 16
WA – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides	DR	X			Jan 21
SD – Straight-line Winds	DR		X	X	Jan 27
AK – Severe Storms and Straight-line Winds	DR		X	X	Jan 30
KY – Severe Winter Storm	DR		X	X	Feb 5
ID – Straight-line Winds	DR		X	X	Feb 6
FPA & ST* – Severe Storm and Straight-line Winds	DR	X		X	Feb 11
CTM* – Straight-line Winds	DR	X		X	Feb 12
FBIC* – Severe Storms and Straight-line Winds	DR	X		X	Feb 13
OR – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides	DR		X	X	Feb 18
WA – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides	DR		X	X	Feb 17
SC – Severe Winter Storm	DR		X	X	Feb 25

*San Carlos Apache Tribe / Native Village of Kipnuk / Fort Peck Assiniboine & Sioux Tribes / Crow Tribe of Montana / Fort Belknap Indian Community



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