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## **FEMA**

## **Daily Operations Briefing**

Thursday, March 19, 2020

8:30 a.m. ET

### National Current Operations & Monitoring



#### **Significant Incidents or Threats:**

- COVID-19
- Severe thunderstorms possible Central/Southern Plains to Mississippi and Ohio valleys
- Heavy rain and flash flooding possible Tennessee and Ohio valleys
- Freezing rain possible Northern Plains, Upper Mississippi Valley and Northeast
- Heavy snow possible Central Rockies to Central Plains
- M5.7 Earthquake UT

#### **Declaration Activity:**

Request: Major Disaster - Mississippi

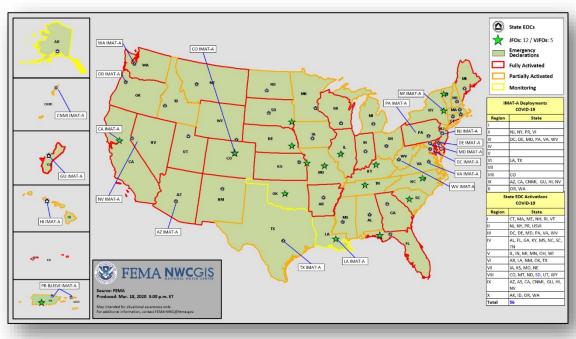
### COVID-19 Update



<u>Situation</u>: FEMA continues to support HHS in its role as the lead federal agency for the COVID-19 response, assisting with the planning for future requirements, situational awareness products, and the operational structure required to support a nationwide incident.

#### **FEMA Response:**

- POTUS declared National Emergency on Mar 13
- 57 Emergency Declarations were declared in support of the nationwide emergency
- NRCC at Level I (day shift)
- All RRCCs at Level III (day shift)
- IMAT-As deployed to 21 (+1) locations (states, territories, DC)
- LNOs deployed to 30 (+6) locations (states, territories, and DC)



### M5.7 Earthquake – Utah



#### Situation:

- At 9:09 ET on March 18, 2020, a magnitude 5.7 earthquake occurred 3 miles NNE of Magna, UT (population 26.5k), 10 miles west of Salt Lake City, UT (Population 193k) at a depth of 6 miles
- Yellow PAGER alert was issued for economic loses and a Green PAGER alert was issued for shaking-related fatalities; initial reports indicate minimal damage, no reports of fatalities or injuries
- Level VII on the Modified Mercalli Intensity scale; approximately 410k exposed to very strong or strong shaking
- Numerous aftershocks have occurred, the largest which was a M4.6 which occurred at 3:12 p.m. ET on March 18
- Minimal power outages statewide (peak 75k) (As of 6:45 pm EDT. Customer outage data is provided by the Department of Energy's EAGLE-I system. Comprehensive National coverage of all electrical service providers is not available.)
- · Salt Lake City International Airport has resumed normal operations

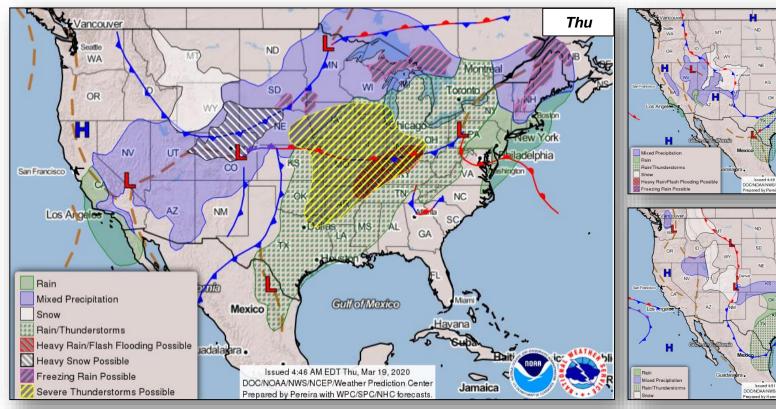
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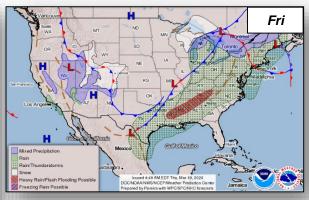
- UT EOC at Full Activation (Earthquake and COVID-19)
- Region VIII RWC and NWC are monitoring



### National Weather Forecast



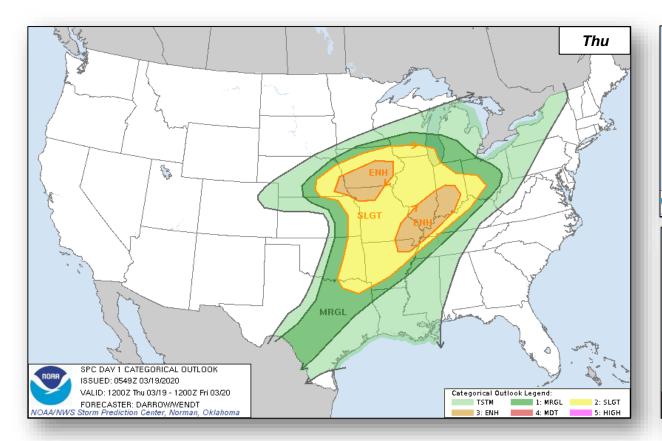


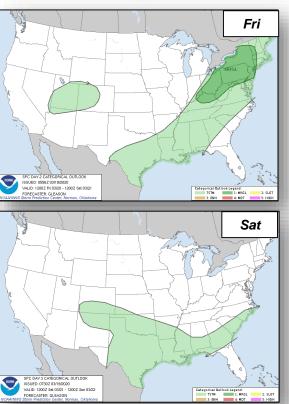




### Severe Weather Outlook







### **Declaration Request**

**Declaration:** Major Disaster – Mississippi

Requested: March 17, 2020

**Incident:** Severe storms, flooding, and mudslides

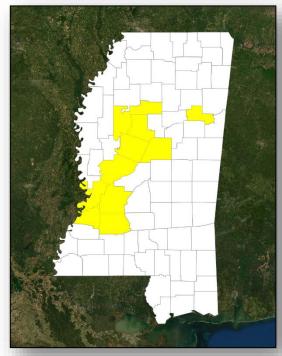
Incident Period: Feb 10 - 18, 2020

#### Includes:

• PA Only: 11 counties

Hazard Mitigation: Statewide







### Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments



Pogia	State /	Event	IA/PA	Number of Counties		Start – End
Region	Location			Requested	Completed	Start - End
	No	Severe Storms, Flooding, Tornadoes and Straight-line Winds Feb 5-9, 2020	IA	0	0	
IV.	NC		PA	28 (+9)	19	3/9 - TBD

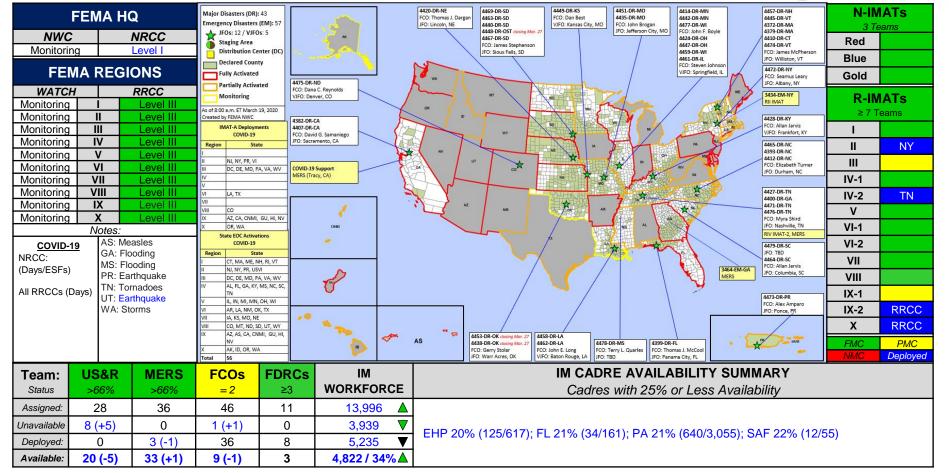
### Declaration Requests in Process – 5



State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Туре	IA	PA	нм	Requested
TX – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, and Tornadoes	DR		Χ	Х	Jan 13
AR – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, and Tornadoes (Appeal)	DR		Х	Х	Feb 20
OR – Severe Storms, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides	DR	Χ	Х	Х	Mar 6
NY - COVID-19	DR	Χ	Χ	Х	Mar 17
MS - Severe Storms, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides	DR		X	X	Mar 17

### FEMA Common Operating Picture







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