

FEMA National Watch Center

Daily Operations Briefing

Thursday, March 26, 2026

8:30 a.m. ET



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National Current Operations / Monitoring

New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Operations

- No new significant incidents / operations

Hazard Monitoring

- Critical Fire Weather – Northern Rockies to the Plains
- Enhanced Risk Severe Thunderstorms – Mid Mississippi Valley to Central Appalachians

Disaster Declaration Activity

- No new declaration activity

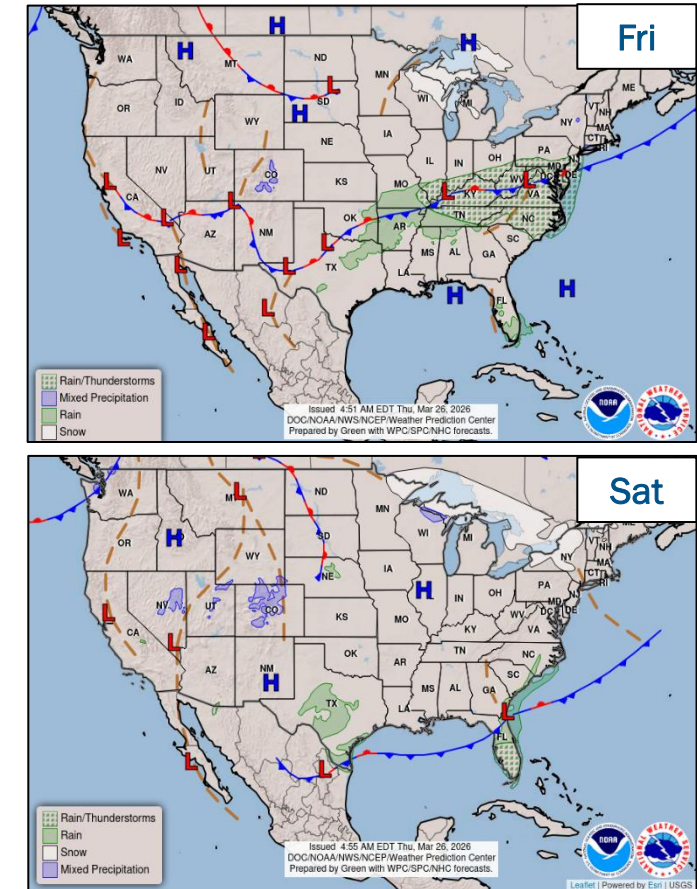
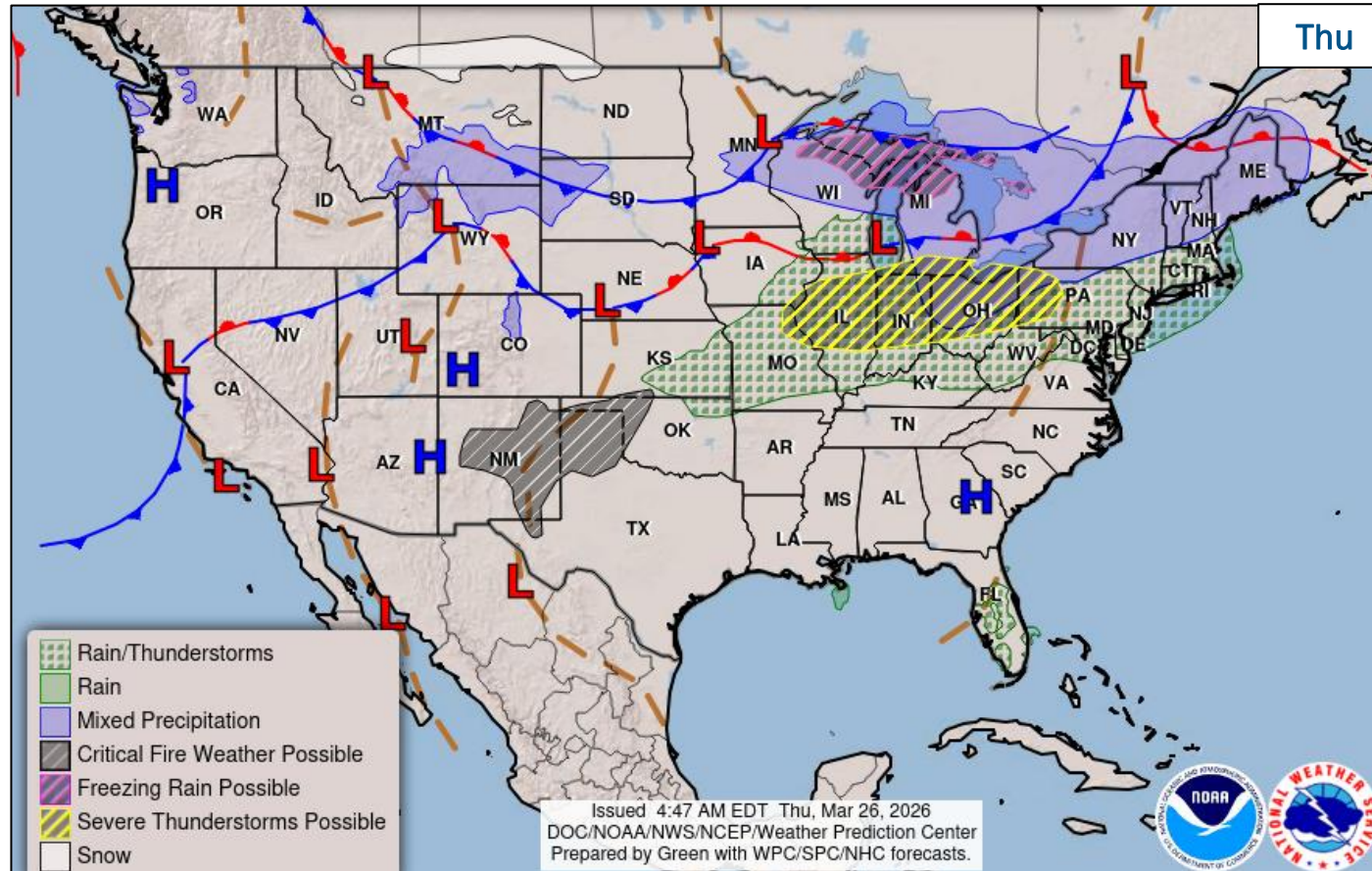
Event Monitoring

- No new significant events



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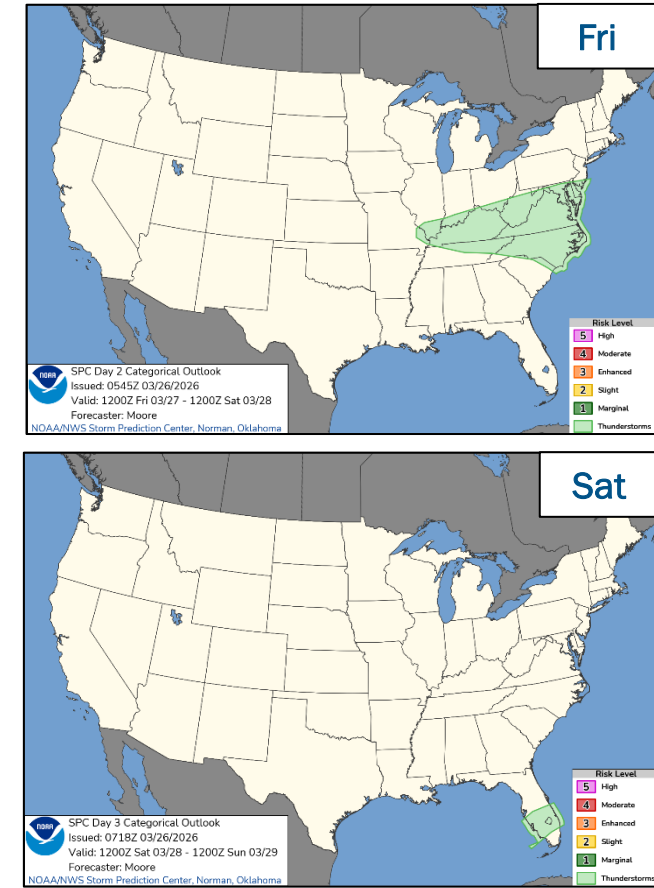
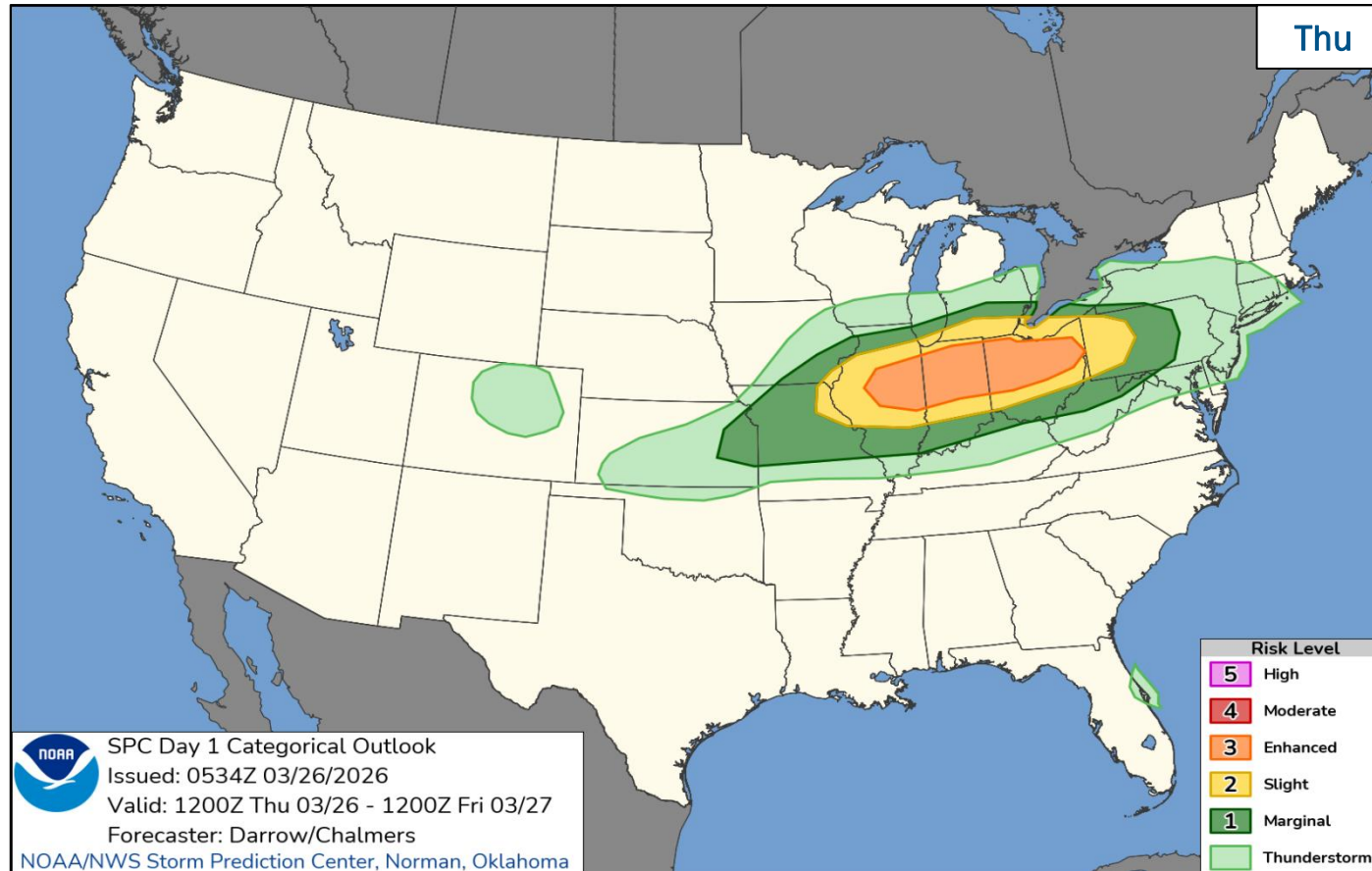
National Weather Forecast



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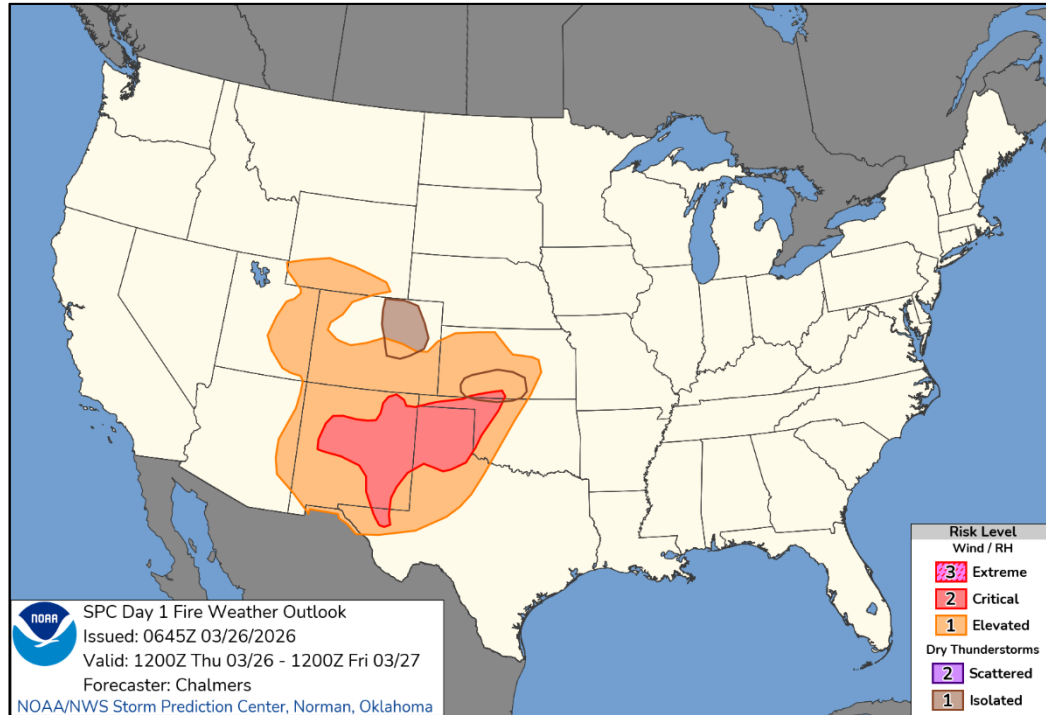
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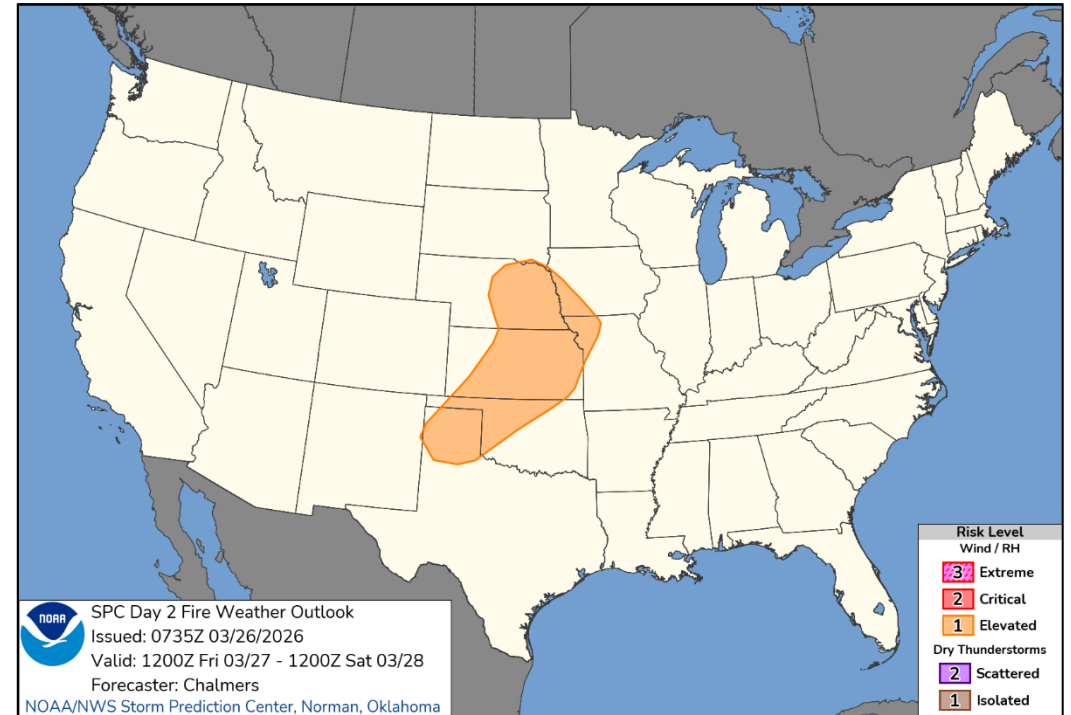
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Fire Weather Outlook



Today



Tomorrow



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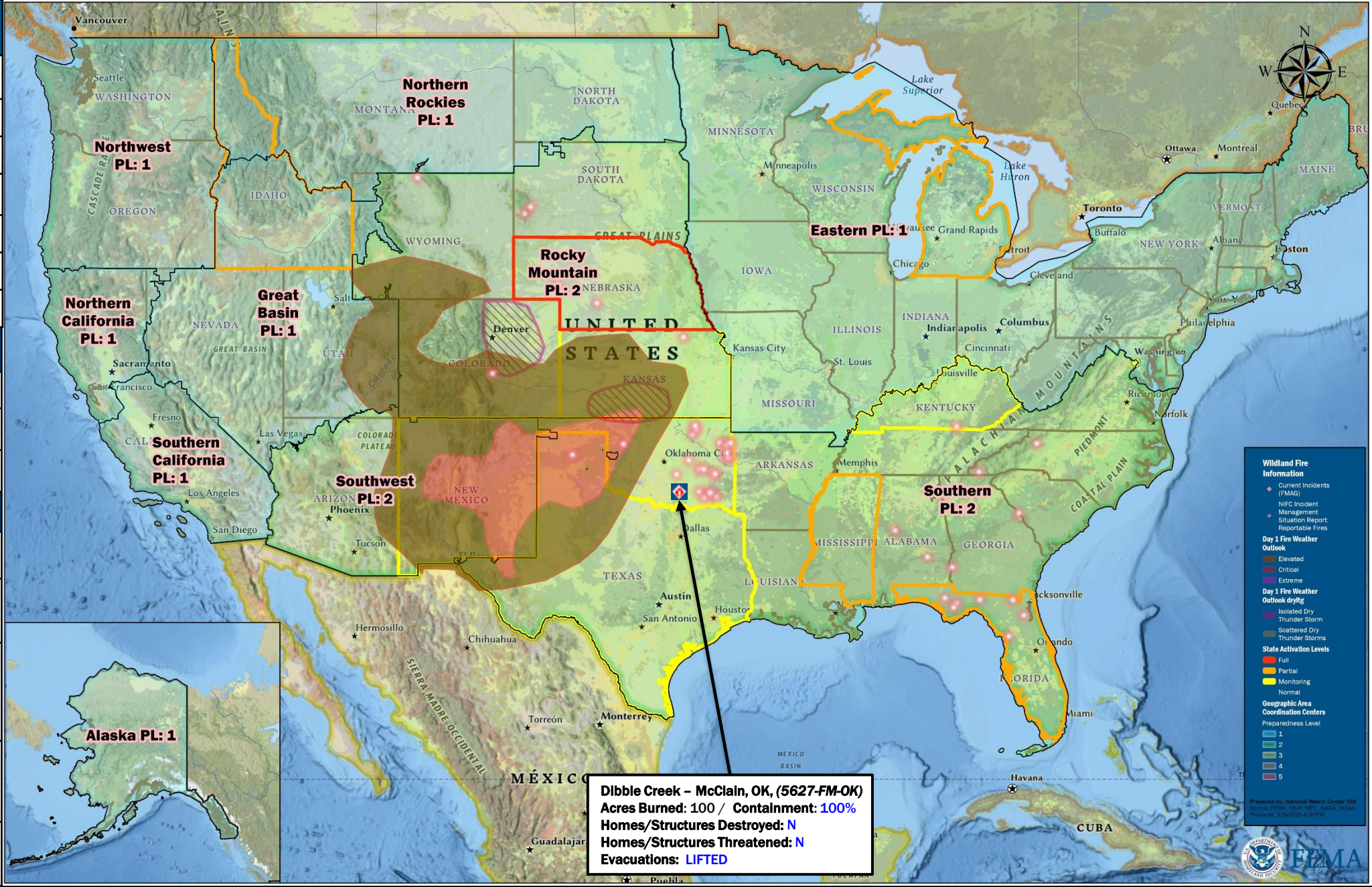
Wildfire Summary

Fire Name (County, ST)	FMAG #	Acres Burned	Percent Contained	Evacuations	Structures (Homes / Other)			Fatalities / Injuries
					Threatened	Damaged	Destroyed	
Dibble Creek (McClain, OK) FINAL*	5627-FM-OK	100	100% (+100)*	M: LIFTED*	H: 0 (-259)*	H: 0	H: 0	0 / 0
				V: 0	O: 0	O: 0	O: 0	

*FEMA Region 6 Update, as of 2:00 p.m. ET, March 25.
(Evacuations: M = Mandatory / V = Voluntary; Structures: H = Homes and Mixed Commercial/Residential / O = Non-residential Commercial/Other Minor Structures)

National Fire Activity – March 26, 2026

INITIAL ATTACK ACTIVITY (24-hour period)	LIGHT (179 fires)
New Large Fires	9
Large Fires Contained	5
Uncontained Large Fires	41
Year-to-Date Acres Burned	1,490,847
Total Responders	1,959
Type 1 IMTs Deployed	0
Complex IMTs Deployed	1
FMAGS	Total
2026 (FYTD)	14
2025	75
3 Year Average	53
Preparedness Level: 2	
PL 1	Minimal fire activity; many resources available
PL 2	Large wildland fires burning throughout country; resources mobilized from other areas
PL 3	Wildfire activity ongoing throughout 25% of country; National Interagency Coordination Center (NICC) sets priorities, allocates resources, and mobilizes assets at national level
PL 4	High levels of fire activity and areas are competing for firefighting resources; 60% of the nation's wildland firefighting resources committed
PL 5	Extremely high levels of fire activity; 80% of nation's firefighting resources committed



FEMA Common Operating Picture

14

Joint Field
Offices

Supporting

24

Major
Disasters

+

8

Emergency
Declarations

8

Direct Housing
Missions

5

RSF-Supported
Disasters

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Joint Recovery
Offices

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FEDERAL HQ

NWC

Monitoring

NRCC

Steady State

FEDERAL REGIONS

Watch

Monitoring

RRCC

R1 Rostered

Monitoring

R2 Rostered

Monitoring

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:

• R5 RWC: Staffing (Dayshift Only)

IMATs:

• R2/R6-2/R10: Training in Anniston, AL

State EOCs:

• DC: Potomac Interceptor

• FL: Previous Incidents

• MS: Winter Storm

• PR: Influenza Epidemic

• HI/KS/NE/NM/OK/TX: Wildfires

• HI/KY/OK/TX: Severe Weather

• MS: Winter Weather

• ID: Atmospheric Event/High Wind

• MI: Winter Weather

Surge Capacity Force

Rostered

7,965

Deployed

0

N-IMATs

2-5 Teams Available

Red

White

Blue

Gold

HS

R-IMATs

≥ 7 Teams Available

R1

2

R2

AL * (Mar 22)

R3

DC (Feb 24)

R4 (1)

R4 (2)

3

R5

R6 (1)

R6 (2)

AL * (Mar 23)

R7

MO (Feb 15)

R8

1

R9 (1)

HI (Mar 21)

R9 (2)

R10

AL * (Mar 22)

Fully Mission Capable (FMC)

Partially Mission Capable (PMC)

Not Mission Capable (NMC)

Deployed

REGIONAL BREAKDOWN

	JFO	DR	EM	JRO
R1	0	0	0	0
R2	0	0	0	2
R3	2	1	1	0
R4	6	17	4	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

Oahu, HI

Kona Low

• R9 IMAT 1

Legend

FEMA Headquarters

Regional Offices

Regional IMAT

Pre-Positioned Site

Distribution Center

Recovery Support Function Activations

Open Joint Field Offices

Joint Recovery Office

Direct Housing Missions

FMAIS

Large Fires

State Activation Levels

Full

Partial

Monitoring

Normal

Declared Counties

IM Workforce

11,207 Assigned

4,096 (+5) Unavailable

2,511 (-17) Deployed

41% / 4,600 (+12) Available

IM Cadre Availability

6 Cadres ≤ 25% Availability

Civil Rights: 22% (21/94); Disability Integration: 19% (3/16); Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation: 18% (113/636); Field Leadership: 18% (21/117); Hazard Mitigation: 20% (153/760); Planning: 21% (71/344)

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

2 Unavailable

26 (14 FCOR) Deployed

7 Available

Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

Region	State / Location	Incident	IA	Number of Counties		Start – End
			PA	Requested	Completed	
1	MA	Severe Winter Storm Feb 22-23	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	6	0	3/11 – TBD
	MWT ¹	Severe Winter Storm Feb 22-23	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	1	0	3/18 – TBD
	RI	Severe Winter Storm	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	5	0	3/12 – TBD
2	NJ	Winter Storm Feb 22-23	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	19	0	3/13 – TBD
	NY	Winter Storm Feb 22	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	8	0	3/16 – TBD
5	IL	Severe Weather Mar 10	IA	1	0	3/25 – TBD
			PA	0	0	N/A

¹Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe



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Declaration Requests in Process – 24

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 ¹ – Severe Storms and Flooding	DR	X	X	X	Nov 26
SCA ¹ – Severe Storms and Flooding	DR	X	X	X	Dec 15
MT – Severe Storms and Flooding	DR		X	X	Jan 10
NVK ² – 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 ³ – Severe Storm and Straight-line Winds	DR	X		X	Feb 11

¹San Carlos Apache Tribe / ²Native Village of Kipnuk / ³Fort Peck Assiniboine & Sioux Tribes



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Declaration Requests in Process – 24 (cont'd)

State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Type	IA	PA	HM	Requested
CTM ⁴ – Straight-line Winds	DR	X		X	Feb 12
FBIC ⁵ – 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
GA – Severe Winter Storm	DR		X	X	Mar 12
CN ⁶ – Severe Winter Storm	DR		X	X	Mar 18
DE – Severe Winter Storm	DE		X	X	Mar 23
HI – Severe Storms, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides	HI	X	X	X	Mar 23

⁴Crow Tribe of Montana / ⁵Fort Belknap Indian Community / ⁶Chickasaw Nation



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