

FEMA National Watch Center

# Daily Operations Briefing

Thursday, March 27, 2025

8:30 a.m. ET



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# National Current Ops / Monitoring

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## New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Ops

- No new significant incidents / operations

## Hazard Monitoring

- Severe Thunderstorms – south Texas and Central Plains
- Heavy Rain / Flash Flooding – south Texas
- Freezing Rain – Northern Plains and Upper Mississippi Valley

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## Disaster Declaration Activity

- FMAG Approval: Alarka Fire #5 – NC
- One amendment issued

## Event Monitoring

- No new significant events



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# Alarka Fire #5– North Carolina

Fire Name (County, ST)	FMAG #	Acres Burned	Percent Contained	Evacuations	Structures (Homes / Other)			Fatalities / Injuries
					Threatened	Damaged	Destroyed	
Alarka #5 (Swain, NC)	XXXX-FM-NC	1,000	0%	M: UNK	H: 50	H: 0	H: 0	0 / 0
				V: 0	O: 0	O: 0	O: 0	

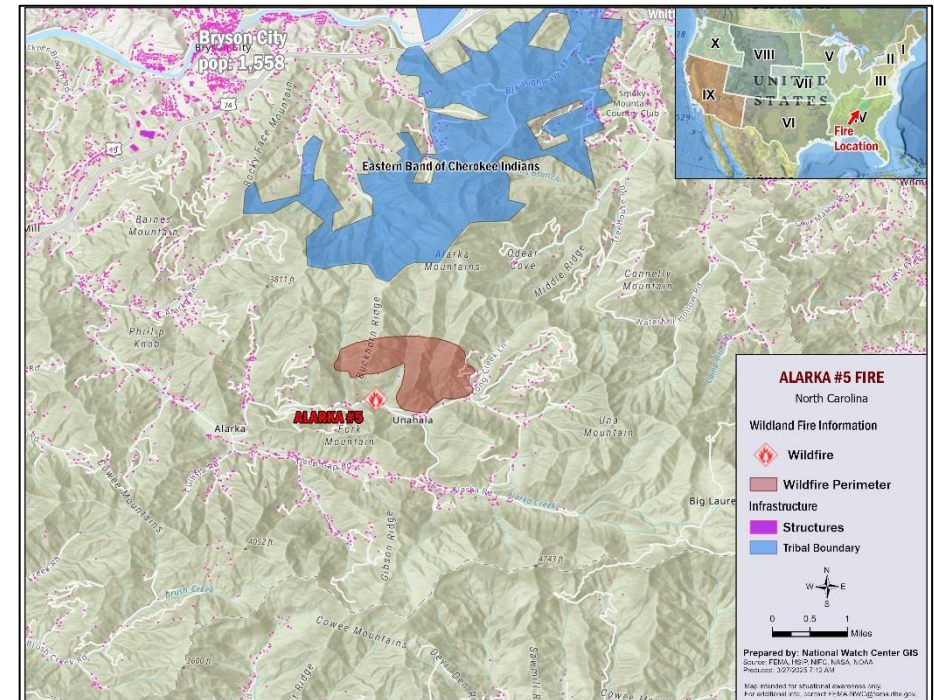
**Situation:** The Region IV Regional Administrator approved a Fire Management Assistance Grant (FMAG) for the Alarka Fire #5. As of Mar 26, this fire has burned approximately 1,000 acres near Bryson City, NC (*estimated pop 1.5k*) with 0% containment. Currently, the greater Alarka and Unahala communities, as well as a major communications site in the area which serves 4 counties, and the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians is threatened. This wildfire, in combination with others in western NC and NW SC, is impacting resource availability. Critical infrastructure damage from Hurricane Helene is compounding the incident response issues, such as securing mutual aid. There are no reported injuries or fatalities.

**State/Local Response:**

- NC SEOC at Monitoring (Previous Incidents)

**FEMA/Federal Response:**

- FMAG approved Mar 26
- FEMA Region IV RWC is Monitoring ; RRCC is Rostered
- NWC is monitoring



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# Wildfire Summary

Fire Name (County, ST)	FMAG #	Acres Burned	Percent Contained	Evacuations	Structures (Homes / Other)			Fatalities / Injuries
					Threatened	Damaged	Destroyed	
Chandler (Lincoln, OK) - FINAL	5559-FM-OK	3,182	0%	M: 3,000 V: 0	H: 1,126 O: 0	H: 0 O: 0	H: 0 O: 0	0 / 0
Wildhorse (Stephens, OK) - FINAL	5564-FM-OK	6,500	0%	M: 375 V: 0	H: 215 O: 178	H: 0 O: 0	H: 0 O: 0	0 / 0
Clear Pond (Pottawatomie, OK) - FINAL	5565-FM-OK	6,310	0%	M: UNK V: 0	H: 320 O: 0	H: 0 O: 0	H: 0 O: 0	0 / 0
Barn/Marker 37 (Pawnee, OK) - FINAL	5568-FM-OK	500	0%	M: 3,000 V: 0	H: 3,522 O: 0	H: 0 O: 0	H: 0 O: 0	0 / 0
Norge (Grady, OK) - FINAL	5569-FM-OK	5,828	0%	M: 3,500 V: 0	H: 7,736 O: 0	H: 0 O: 0	H: 0 O: 0	0 / 0
328 (Pawnee, OK) - FINAL	5572-FM-OK	463	77% (+4)	M: 1,638 V: 0	H: 33 O: 0	H: 1 O: 0	H: 2 O: 2 (+2)	0 / 0
Black Cove Complex Black Cove/Deep Woods (Polk, NC)	5574-FM-NC	6,482 (+199)	11% (+11)	M: 437 (+40) V: 0	H: 234 (+34) O: 79 (+15)	H: 2 (+1) O: 1	H: 13 (+3) O: 12 (+2)	0 / 1 (+1)
Table Rock Complex Table Rock/Persimmon (Pickens, SC)*	5575-FM-SC 5576-FM-SC	6,109 (+2,820)	0%	M: 0 V: 0	H: 1,300 (+300) O: 1	H: 0 O: 0	H: 0 O: 0	0 / 1 (+1)

(Evacuations: M = Mandatory / V = Voluntary; Structures: H = Homes and Mixed Commercial/Residential / O = Non-residential Commercial/Other Minor Structures)

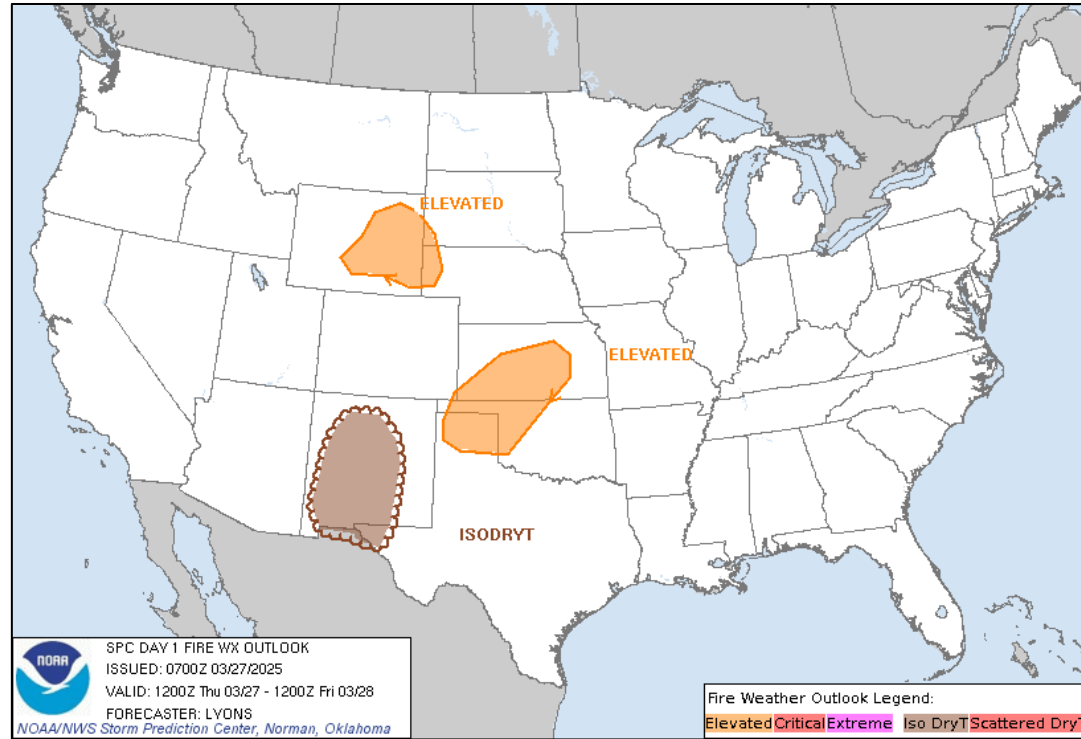
\* Previously reported separately as Table Rock (5575-FM-SC) and Persimmon Ridge (5576-FM-SC)



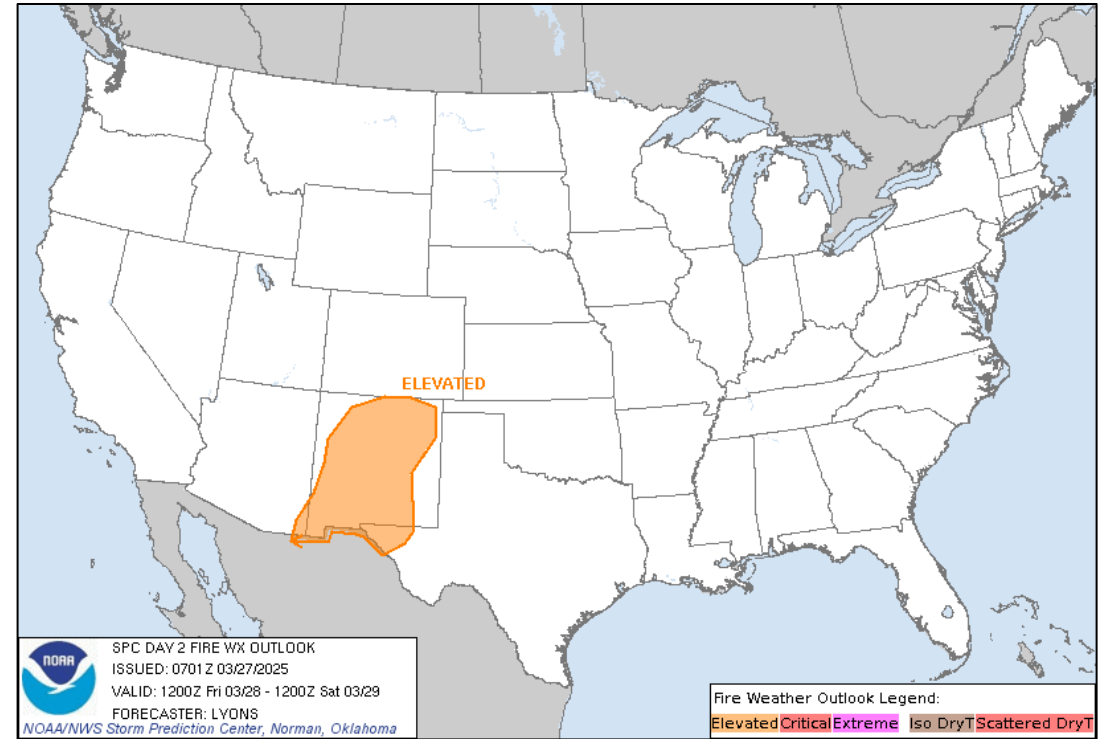
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# Fire Weather Outlook



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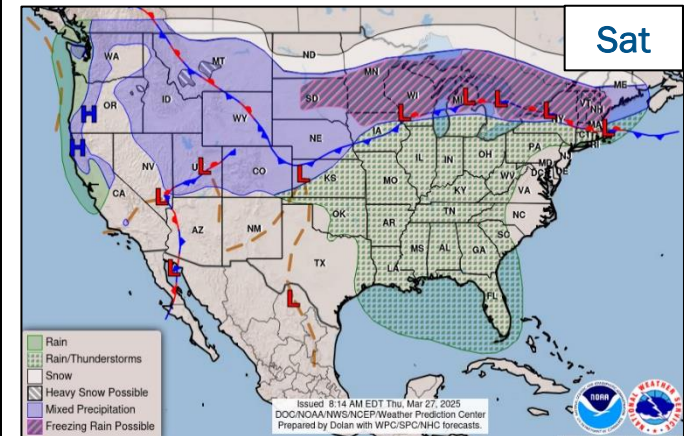
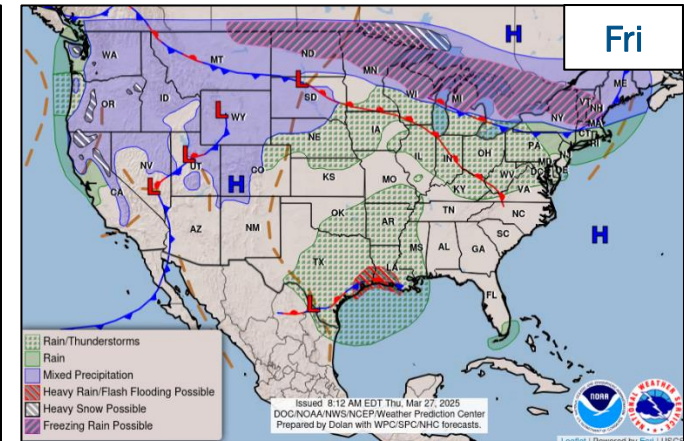
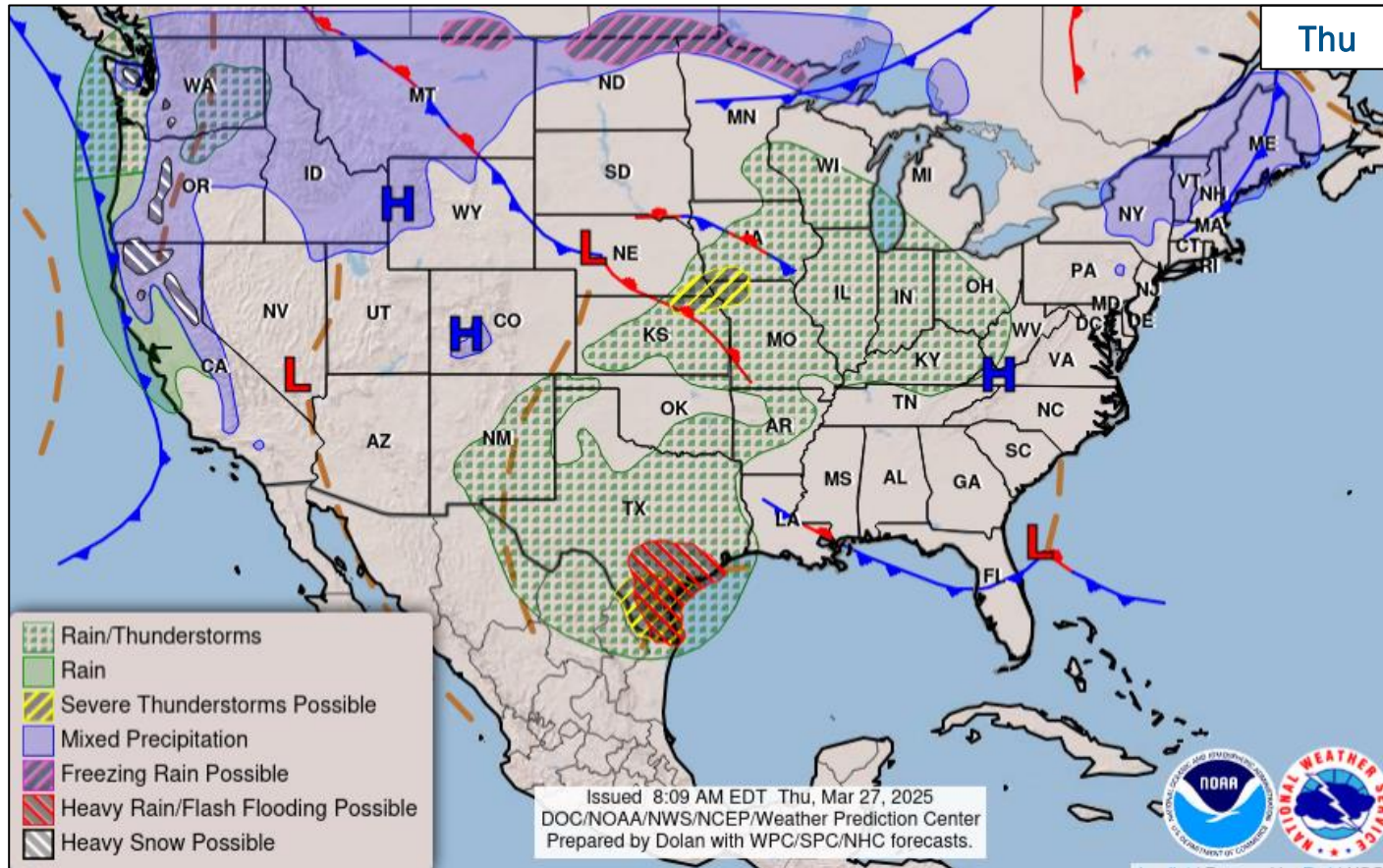
Tomorrow



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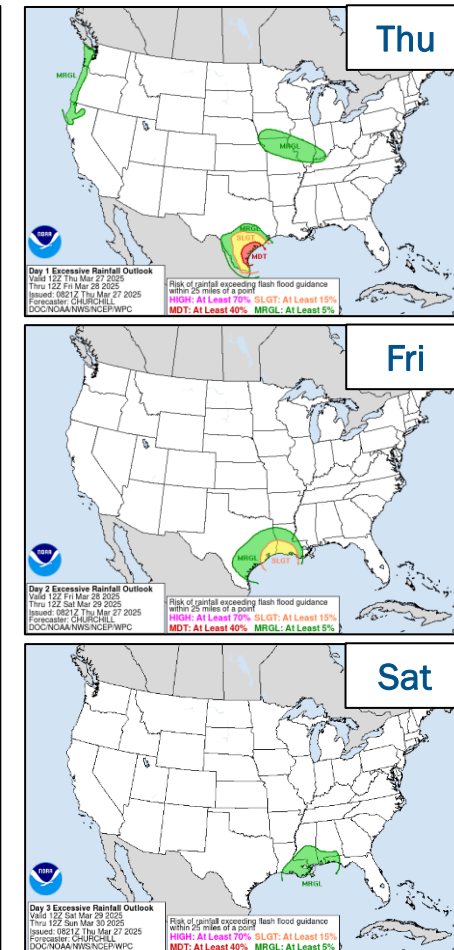
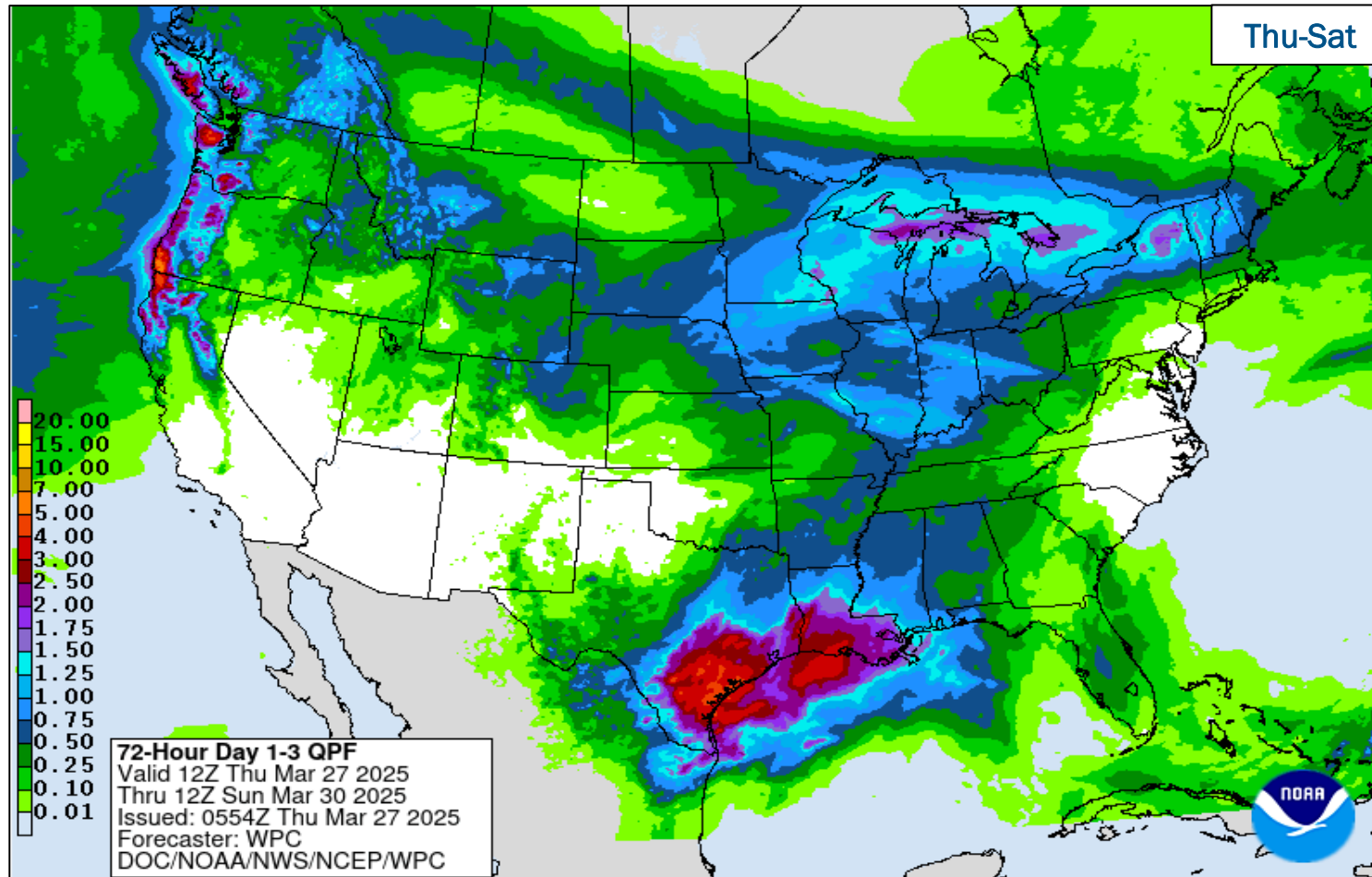
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# National Weather Forecast



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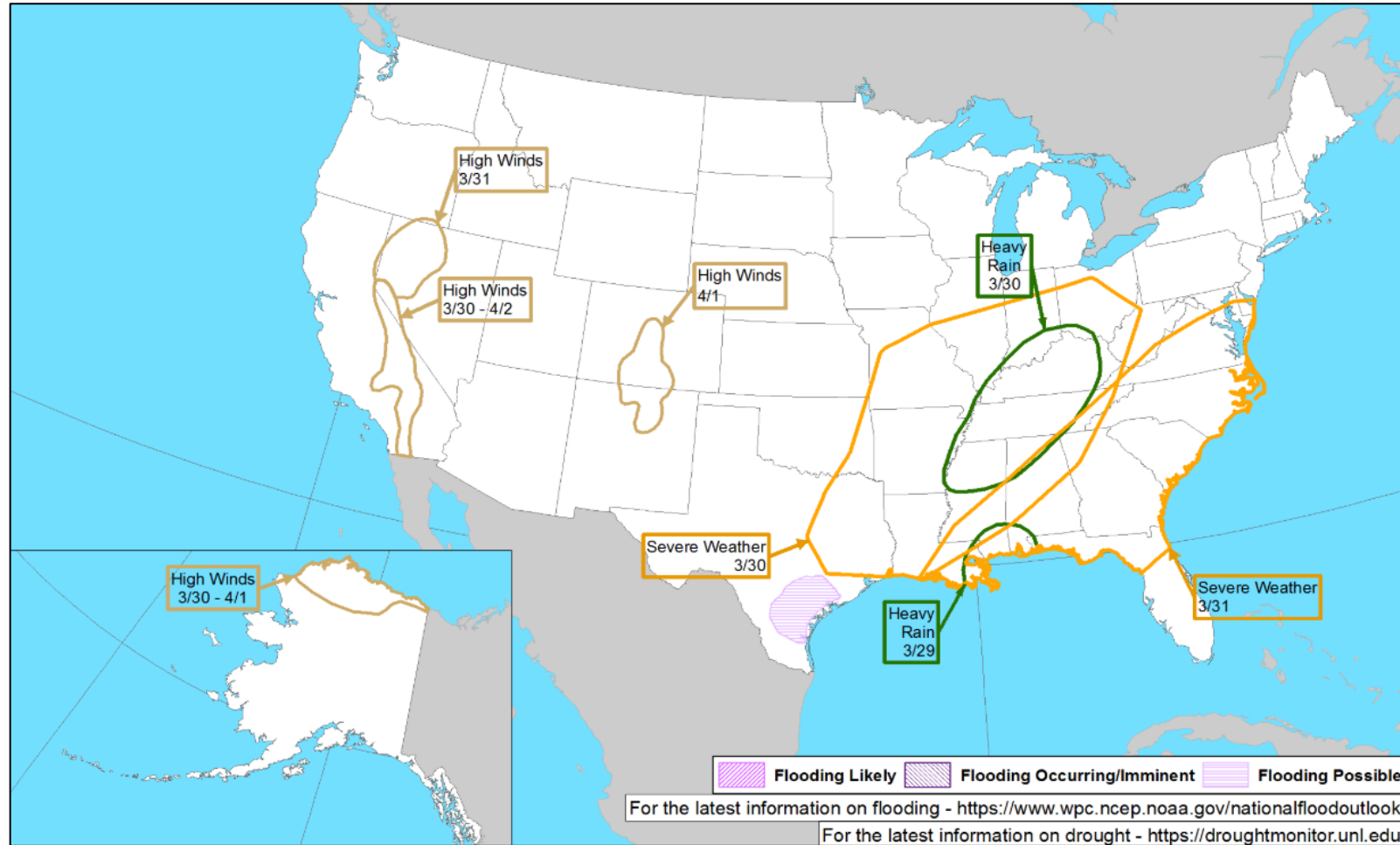
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# Hazards Outlook – Mar 29-Apr 2



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# FEMA Common Operating Picture

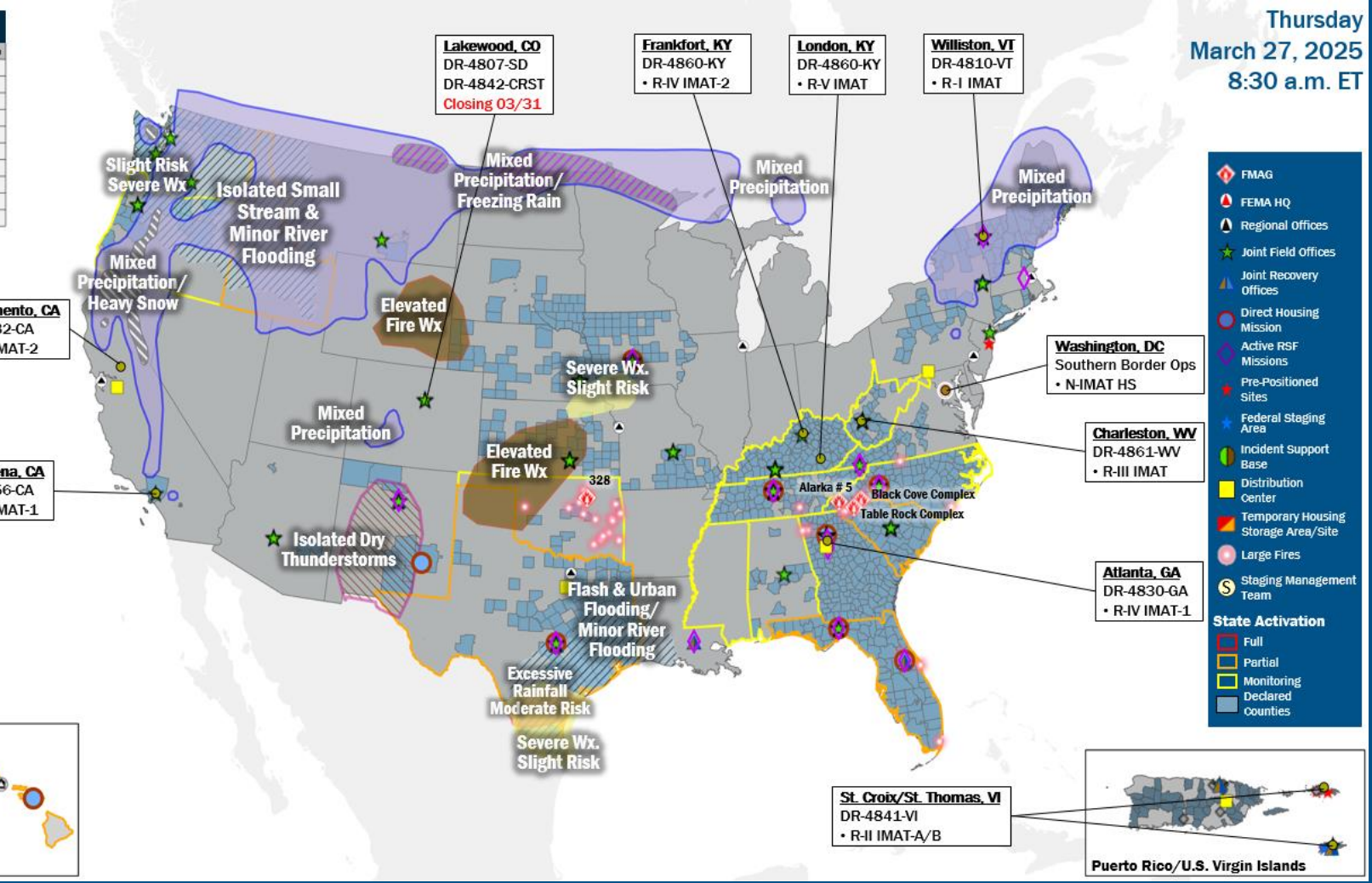
**32** Joint Field Offices    **91** + **8** Major Disasters    **12** Direct Housing Missions    **28** RSF-Supported Disasters    **6** Joint Recovery Offices

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FEMA HQ	
NWC	NRCC
Monitoring	Steady State
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:	
NRCC/RWCs/RRCCs: • NSTR	State EOCs: • HI/OK/SC/TX: Wildfires • WV: Winter Storms • KY/AL/OK/TN/FL/MS: Severe Weather • FL/NC: Previous Incidents • OR/ID: Flooding
Volunteer Force	
Rostered 7,960	Deployed 1
Surge Capacity Force	
Rostered 8,871 (-16)	Deployed 0

N-IMATs	
2-5 Teams Available	
Red	
White	
Blue	
Gold	
HS	DC (Jan 28)
R-IMATs	
4-6 Teams Available	
I	3 / VT (Jan 6)
II	USVI (Oct 30)
III	WV (Feb 28)
IV-1	GA (Mar 18)
IV-2	KY (Feb 16)
V	KY (Feb 18)
VI-1	
VI-2	Personnel
VII	
VIII	2
IX-1	CA (Jan 8)
IX-2	CA (Mar 6)
X	1

REGIONAL BREAKDOWN				
	JFO	DR	EM	JRO
I	3	11	0	0
II	4	6	0	2
III	2	7	1	0
IV	8	29	7	1
V	0	0	0	0
VI	2	6	0	3
VII	4	14	0	0
VIII	2	3	0	0
IX	2	5	0	0
X	5	10	0	0



**Legend**

- FMAG
- FEMA HQ
- Regional Offices
- Joint Field Offices
- Joint Recovery Offices
- Direct Housing Mission
- Active RSF Missions
- Pre-Positioned Sites
- Federal Staging Area
- Incident Support Base
- Distribution Center
- Temporary Housing Storage Area/Site
- Large Fires
- Staging Management Team

**State Activation**

- Full
- Partial
- Monitoring
- Declared
- Counties

## IM Workforce

14,139 (-10) Assigned  
4,865 (-12) Unavailable  
6,949 (+3) Deployed  
  
16% / 2,325 (-1) Available

## IM Cadre Availability

19 Cadres ≤ 25% Availability

Civil Rights: 18% (32/179); Disaster Field Training Operations: 23% (23/98); Disability Integration: 13% (5/39); Disaster Survivor Assistance: 22% (288/1,303); External Affairs: 7% (26/396); Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation: 13% (114/883); Field Leadership: 10% (14/143); Financial Management: 20% (46/233); Hazard Mitigation: 11% (129/1,224); Human Resources: 12% (22/178); Individual Assistance: 13% (342/2,652); Interagency Recovery Coordination: 23% (79/342); Information Technology: 19% (138/713); Logistics: 14% (235/1,632); Operations: 16% (60/372); Public Assistance: 13% (292/2,308); Planning: 4% (17/459); Safety: 15% (14/94); Security: 10% (13/136)

## MERS

≥ 66%

36 Assigned  
0 Unavailable  
0 Deployed  
  
36 Available

## US&R

≥ 66%

28 Assigned  
2 Unavailable  
0 Deployed  
  
26 Available

## FCO

≤ 1 Type I

49 Assigned  
3 Unavailable  
43 (27 FCOR) Deployed  
  
3 Available

# Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

Region	State / Location	Incident	IA	Number of Counties		Start - End
			PA	Requested	Complete	
IV	MS	Tornadoes, Thunderstorms, and Flash Flooding Mar 14-15	IA	12	12 (+8)	3/24 - 3/26
			PA	18 (+18)	0	3/27 - TBD
VI	MCN*	Winter Weather and Freezing Temperatures Feb 19-21	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	1	0	2/26 - TBD
	AR	Severe Storms and Tornadoes Mar 14-15	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	13	13 (+2)	3/24 - 3/26
VII	MO	Severe Storms and Tornadoes Mar 14-15	IA	25	25	3/20 - 3/25
			PA	25	6 (+6)	3/25 - TBD
	NE	Blizzard and Severe Weather Mar 18-19	IA	0	0	TBD
			PA	29	0	3/31 - TBD

\* Muscogee (Creek) Nation



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# Declaration Requests in Process – 7

State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Type	IA	PA	HM	Requested
CA – Park and Borel Fires (Appeal)	DR	X	X	X	Dec 2
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 26
TN – Severe Storms and Flooding	DR	X		X	Mar 18
AR – Severe Storms and Tornadoes	DR	X		X	Mar 21
OK – Wildfires and Straight-line Winds	DR	X		X	Mar 21



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# Declaration Amendments

Declaration	Number	Issued	Action
FEMA-4829-DR-SC	15	Mar 26	Adjusts cost sharing



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