

FEMA National Watch Center

# Daily Operations Briefing

Thursday, April 17, 2025

8:30 a.m. ET



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# National Current Ops / Monitoring

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## New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Ops

- Power Outages – Puerto Rico

## Hazard Monitoring

- Heavy Snow – Northern Plains
- Critical Fire Weather – Southwest to Southern Plains
- Severe Weather – Central Plains to Middle Mississippi Valley
- Space Weather – Geomagnetic Storm

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## Disaster Declaration Activity

- Request: Major Disaster Declaration – IA

## Event Monitoring

- No new significant events



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# Power Outages – Puerto Rico

**Situation and Analysis:** Beginning around 12:38 p.m. ET on Apr 16, a widespread power outage occurred across the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, due to an ongoing loss of generation. ([Region II SPOTREP and RA Report, as of 7:18 p.m. ET, Apr 16](#)) According to Luma and open sources, the outage was caused by a failure in the protection system and vegetation discovered on a transmission line, and restoration to 90% of customers is expected by midnight tonight. ([CISA, as of 8:49 a.m. ET](#))

**Lifeline Impacts:** ([Region II SPOTREP and RA Report, as of 7:18 p.m. ET, Apr 16](#))

**Food, Hydration, Shelter:** 78k customers are without water service

**Health & Medical:** Hospitals are operational on generator power

**Water Systems:** Water plants are operational on generator power

**Energy:**

- No permanent damage to power systems; LUMA and Genera are adding units to resume service
- As of 8:30 a.m. ET, 899k customers in Puerto Rico are without power (60% of total customers) ([Eagle-I, as of 8:30 a.m. ET](#))

**Communications:** 4 out of 7 reported communications sites are without power

**Transportation:** Trains are out of service, with passengers being transported by bus

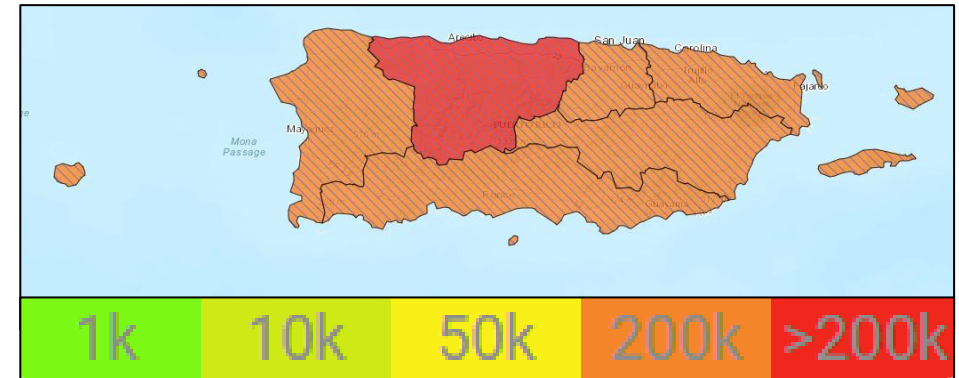
**Territory / Local Response:**

- PR EOC is at Partial Activation
- Genera is working to bring on backup generator units and investigate the incident ([Open Source, as of 4:40 p.m. ET, Apr 16](#))

**FEMA / Federal Response:**

- FEMA Region II RWC is Monitoring; RRCC is Rostered
  - Region II Enhanced Watch staff, RRCC, IMAT, and other organizational resource are on alert status with no movement authorized ([Region II OPORD, as of 4:09 p.m. ET, Apr 16](#))
- NWC is Monitoring; NRCC is at Steady State

The National Watch Center will continue to monitor in coordination with FEMA Region II and CISA Central. The next update will be included in the 5:00 p.m. ET National SITREP.



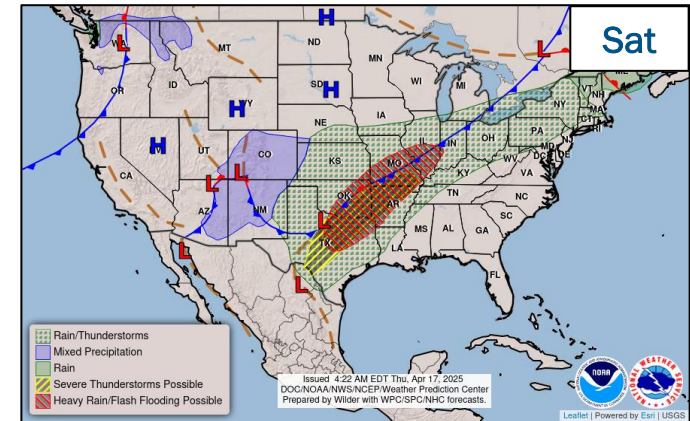
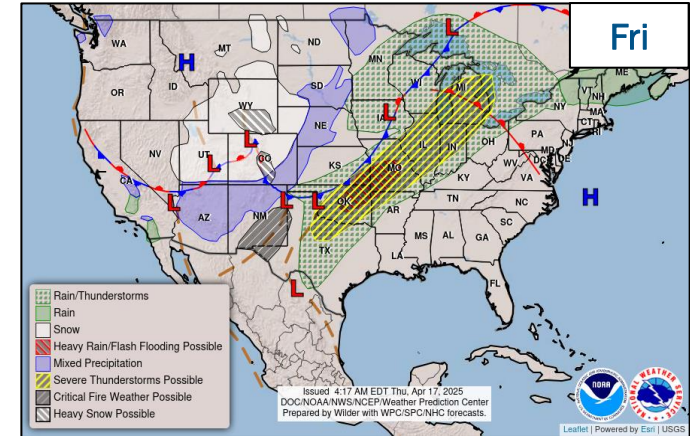
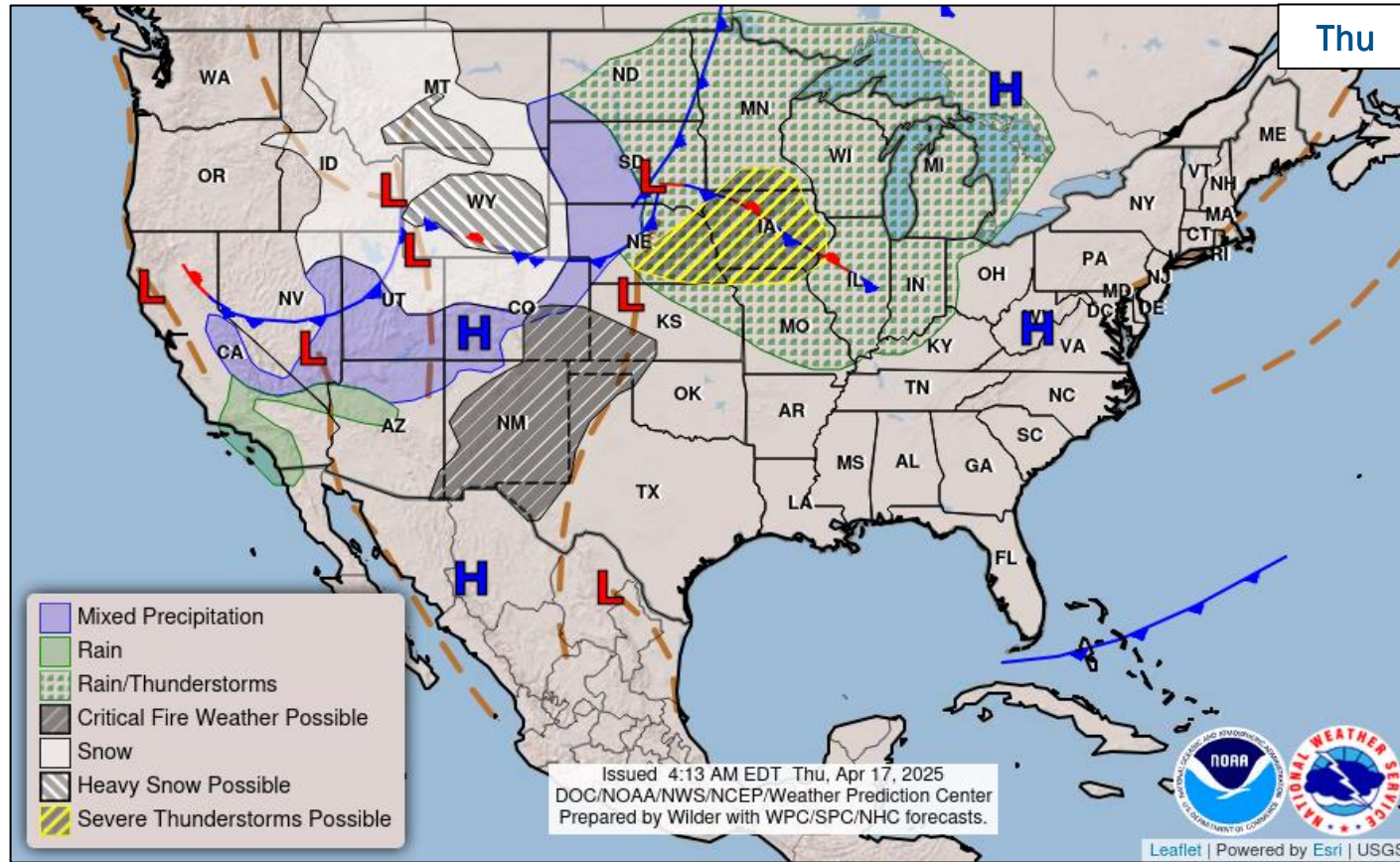
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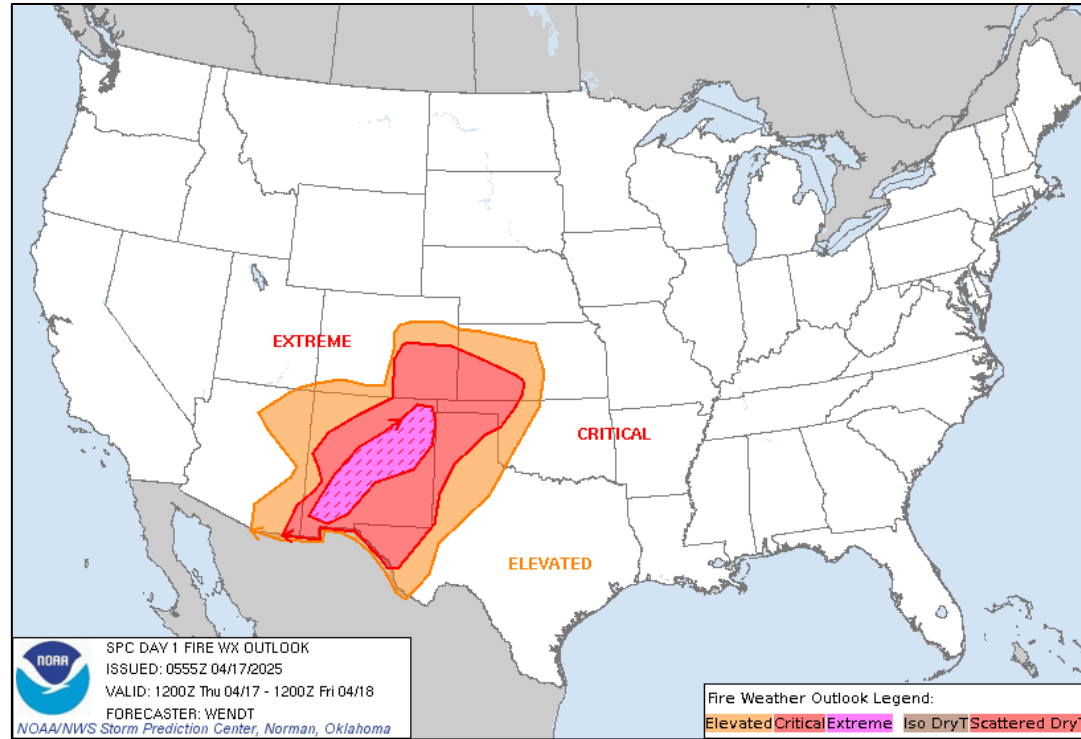
# National Weather Forecast



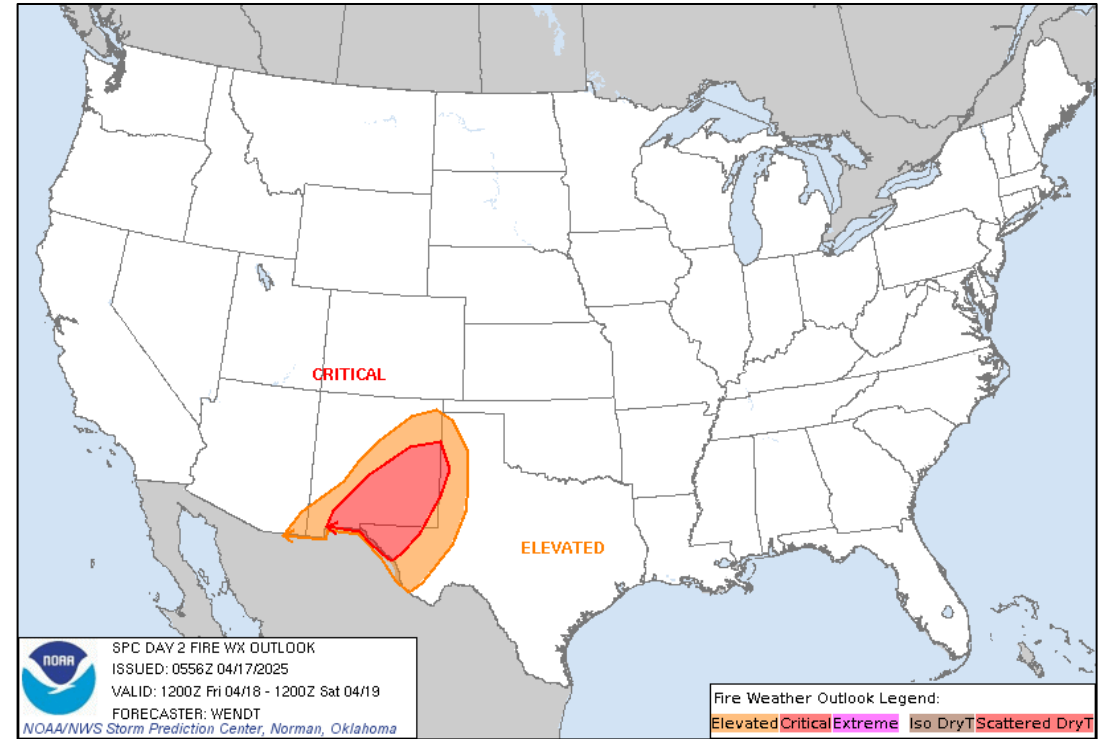
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# Fire Weather Outlook



Today



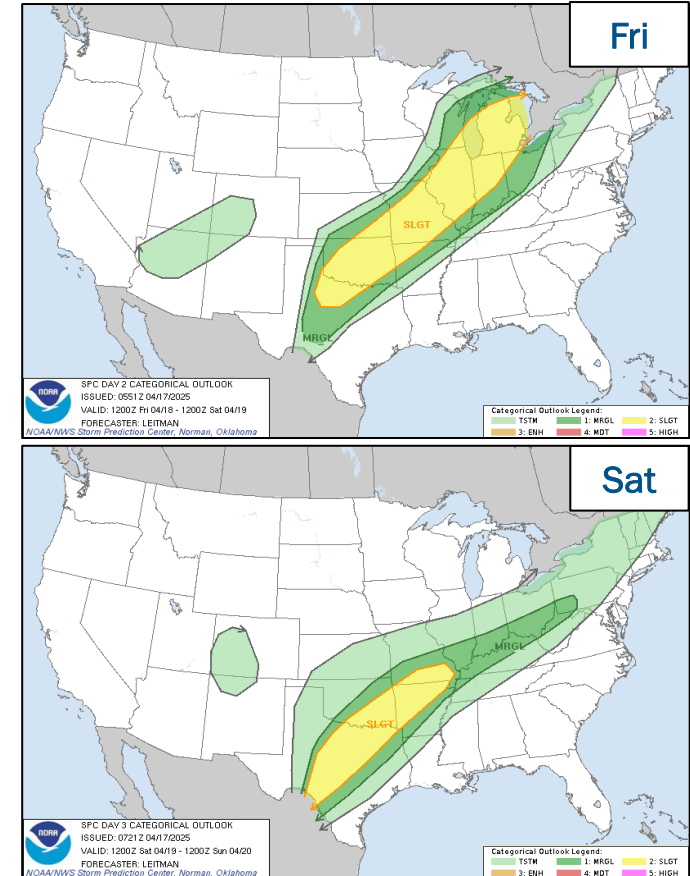
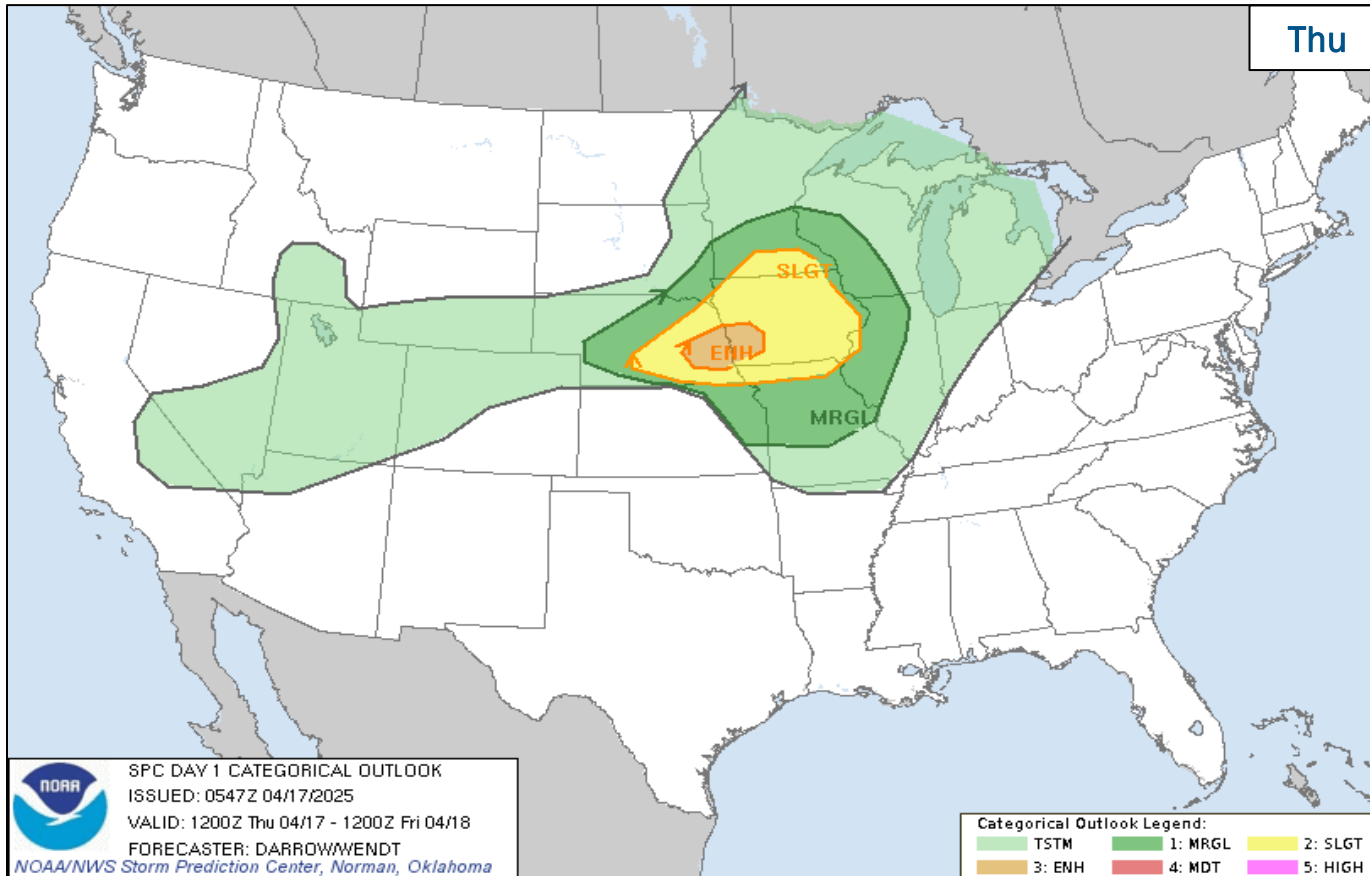
Tomorrow



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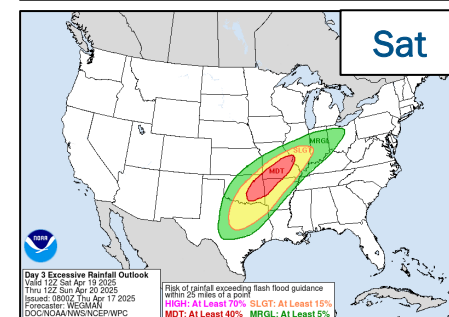
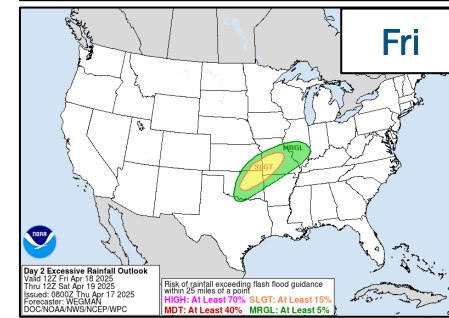
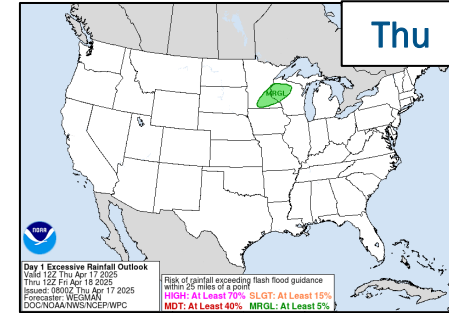
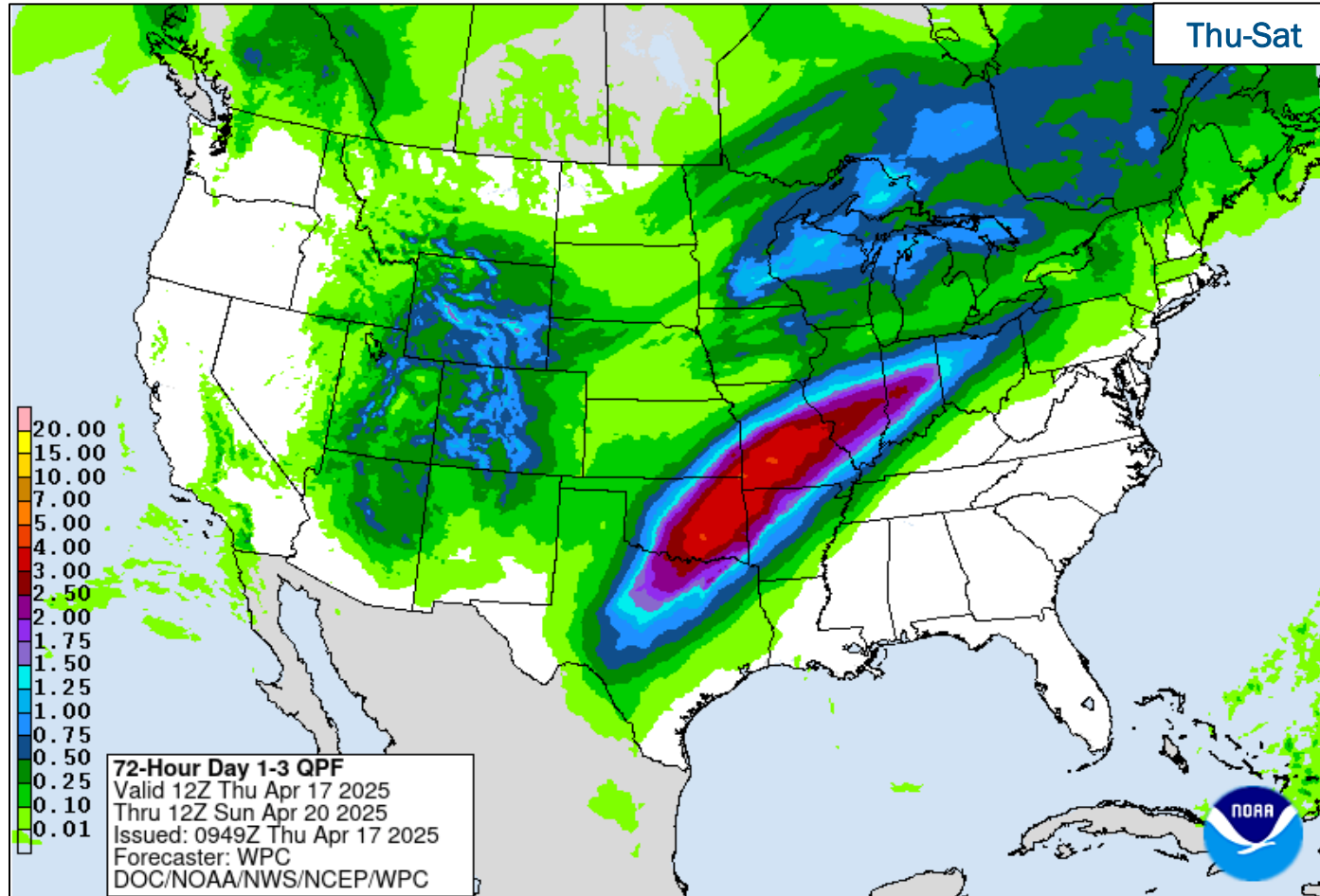
# Severe Weather Outlook



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# Precipitation & Excessive Rainfall



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# FEMA Common Operating Picture

**29** Joint Field Offices    **87 + 11** Major Disasters    **10** Direct Housing Missions    **20** 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
Enhanced IV	Rostered
Monitoring V	Rostered
Monitoring VI	Rostered
Monitoring VII	Rostered
Monitoring VIII	Rostered
Monitoring IX	Rostered
Monitoring X	Rostered

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	2 / USVI (Oct 30)
III	Reconstituting
IV-1	TN (Apr 4)
IV-2	KY (Feb 16)
V	
VI-1	Reconstituting
VI-2	Personnel
VII	
VIII	KY (Apr 6)
IX-1	CA (Jan 8)
IX-2	CA (Mar 6)
X	1

**Notes:**

NRCC/RWCs/RRCCs:  
• R-IV RWC: Flooding

State EOCs:  
• HI/TX: Wildfires  
• WV: Winter Storms  
• AL/FL/IL/KY/MO/MS/TN: Severe Weather  
• FL/NC: Previous Incidents  
• OR: Flooding  
• ID: Potential Flooding  
• MI: Ice Storm  
• PR: Power Outage

Volunteer Force	
Rostered	Deployed
7,978 (+4)	1
Surge Capacity Force	
Rostered	Deployed
8,799	0

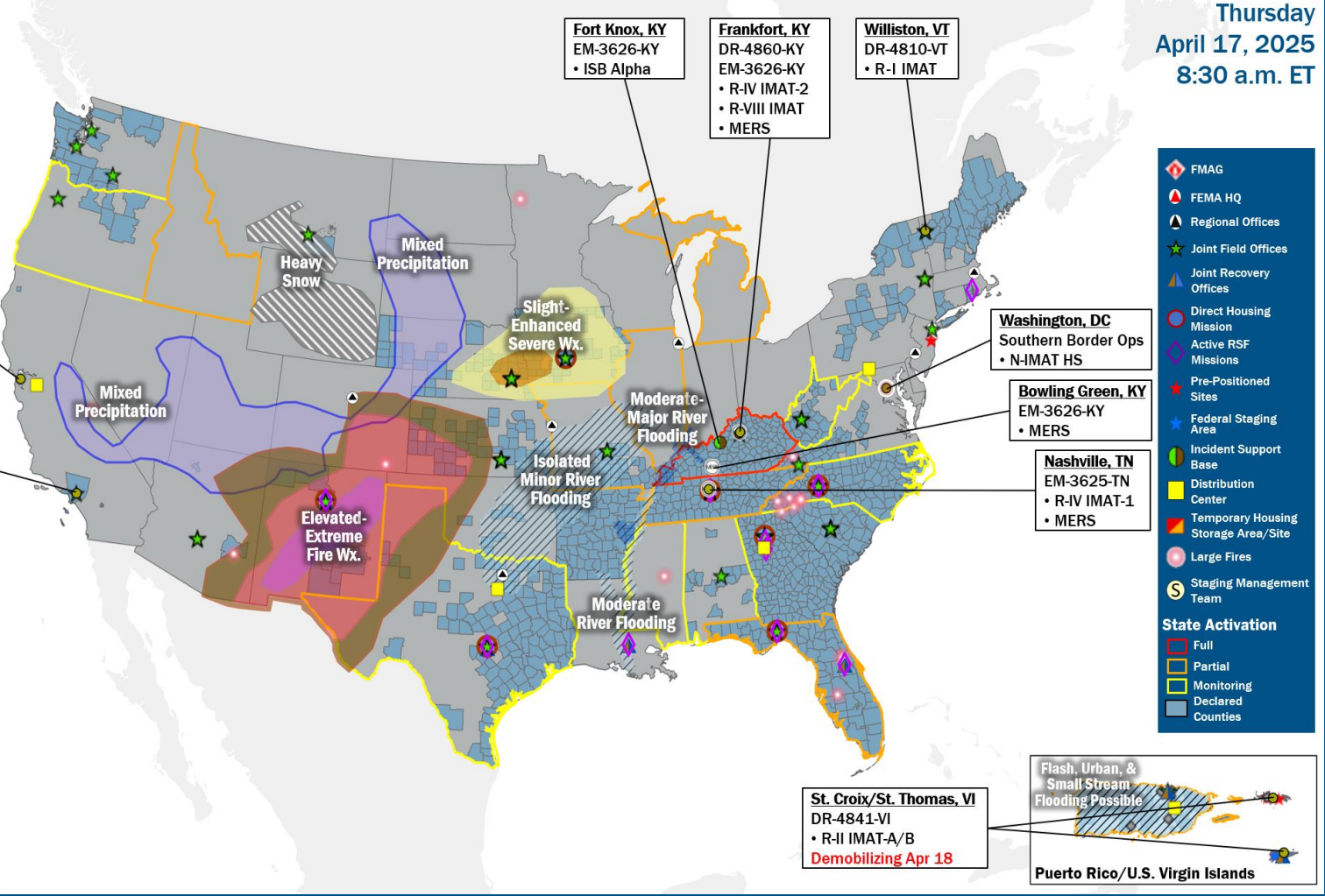
Fully Mission Capable (FMC)  
Partially Mission Capable (PMC)  
Not Mission Capable (NMC)  
Deployed

REGIONAL BREAKDOWN			
	JFO	DR	EM JRO
I	3	10	0 0
II	3	5	0 2
III	2	8	1 0
IV	7	29	9 1
V	0	0	0 0
VI	2	6	1 3
VII	4	14	0 0
VIII	1	1	0 0
IX	2	5	0 0
X	5	9	0 0



**Oakland, CA**  
DR-4482-CA  
• R-IX IMAT-2

**Pasadena, CA**  
DR-4856-CA  
• R-IX IMAT-1



**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

14,133 (-1) Assigned  
4,876 (+8) Unavailable  
7,001 (-18) Deployed

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16% / 2,256 (+9) 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: 11% (16/143); Financial Management: 17% (40/233); Hazard Mitigation: 11% (129/1,224); Human Resources: 16% (29/176); Individual Assistance: 13% (342/2,652); Interagency Recovery Coordination: 23% (79/342); Information Technology: 19% (138/713); Logistics: 10% (156/1,626); Operations: 16% (60/372); Public Assistance: 13% (292/2,308); Planning: 5% (21/461); Safety: 15% (14/94); Security: 10% (13/136)

## MERS

≥ 66%

36 Assigned  
0 Unavailable  
3 Deployed

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33 Available

## US&R

≥ 66%

28 Assigned  
4 Unavailable  
0 Deployed

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24 Available

## FCO

2 Type I

49 Assigned  
3 Unavailable  
42 (24 (-1) FCOR) Deployed

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4 Available

# Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

Region	State / Location	Incident	IA	Number of Counties		Start - End
			PA	Requested	Complete	
IV	TN	Severe Weather and Flooding Apr 2-7	IA	31 (+10)	12	4/7 - TBD
			PA	31 (+10)	22 (+11)	4/7 - TBD
VI	TX	Flooding Mar 26 and continuing	IA	4	0	4/4 - TBD
			PA	0	0	N/A
	AR	Severe Storms, Tornadoes, and Flooding Apr 2	IA	28	8	4/10 - TBD
			PA	43	0	4/14 - TBD
VII	IA	Winter Storm Mar 19	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	5	5 (+1)	4/14 - 4/15
	MO	Severe Storms, Flooding, and Tornadoes Mar 30 and continuing	IA	20	9 (+9)	4/15 - TBD
			PA	25 (+25)	0	4/22 - TBD
X	OR	Severe Storms Mar 13	IA	3	3 (+3)	4/7 - 4/15
			PA	5	5 (+5)	4/7 - 4/15



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# Declaration Request – Iowa

**Declaration Type:** Major Disaster Declaration

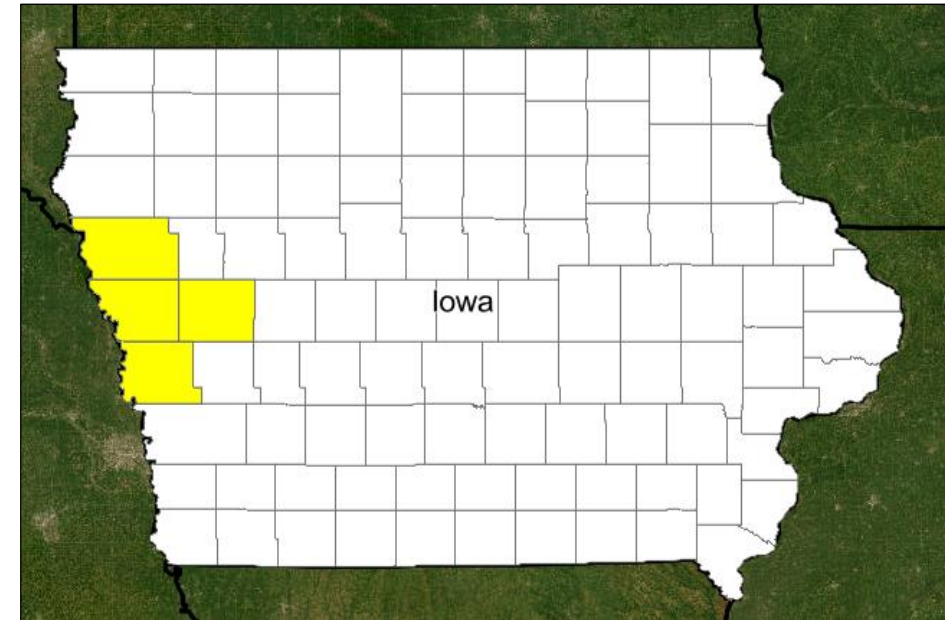
**Requested:** Apr 15

**Incident:** Severe Winter Storm

**Incident Period:** Mar 19

**Requested:**

- **PA:** 4 counties
- **Hazard Mitigation:** Statewide



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# Declaration Requests in Process – 10

State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Type	IA	PA	HM	Requested
KY – Severe Winter Storms and Snowstorms	DR		X	X	Jan 30
OK – Wildfires and Straight-line Winds	DR	X		X	Mar 21
HI – Flooding	DR		X	X	Mar 27
MS – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, and Flooding	DR	X	X	X	Apr 1
MO – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, and Wildfires	DR	X	X	X	Apr 2
KY – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides	DR	X	X	X	Apr 11
MI – Severe Winter Storm	EM		X		Apr 11
NE – Severe Winter Storm and Straight-line Winds	DR		X	X	Apr 14
KS – Severe Winter Storm, Straight-line Winds, Flooding, and Wildfire	DR		X	X	Apr 14
IA – Severe Winter Storm	DR		X	X	Apr 15



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