

FEMA National Watch Center

Daily Operations Briefing

Friday, May 1, 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

- Heavy Rainfall / Flash Flooding – Southern Plains to the Lower Mississippi Valley

Disaster Declaration Activity

- No new declaration activity

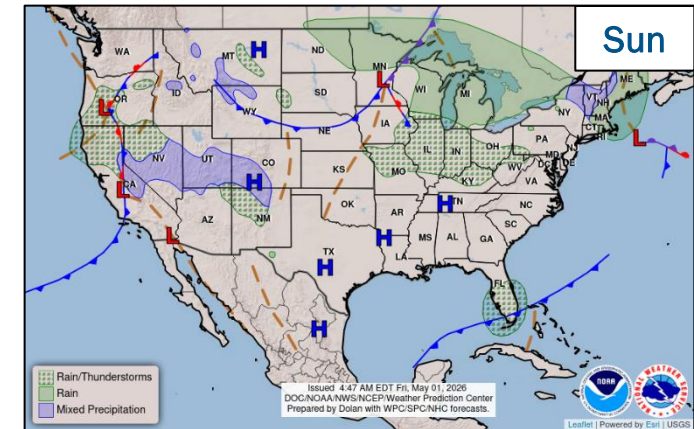
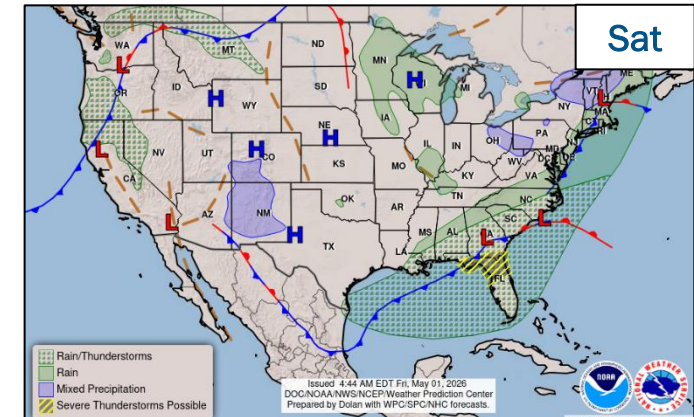
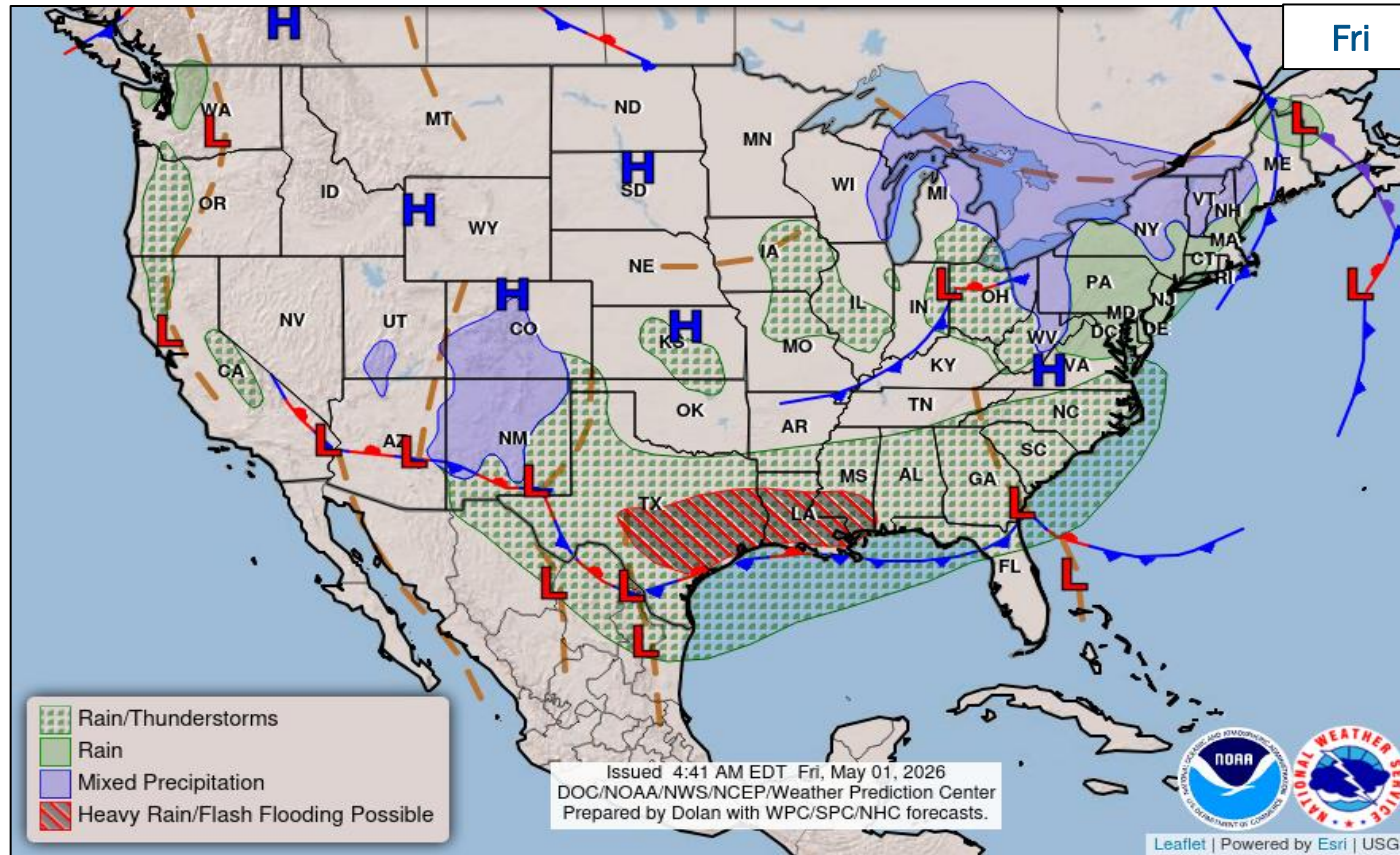
Event Monitoring

- No new significant events



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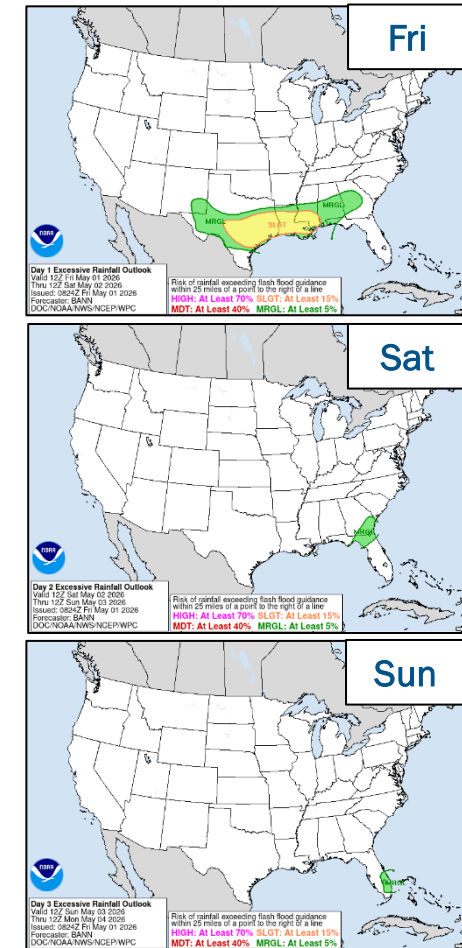
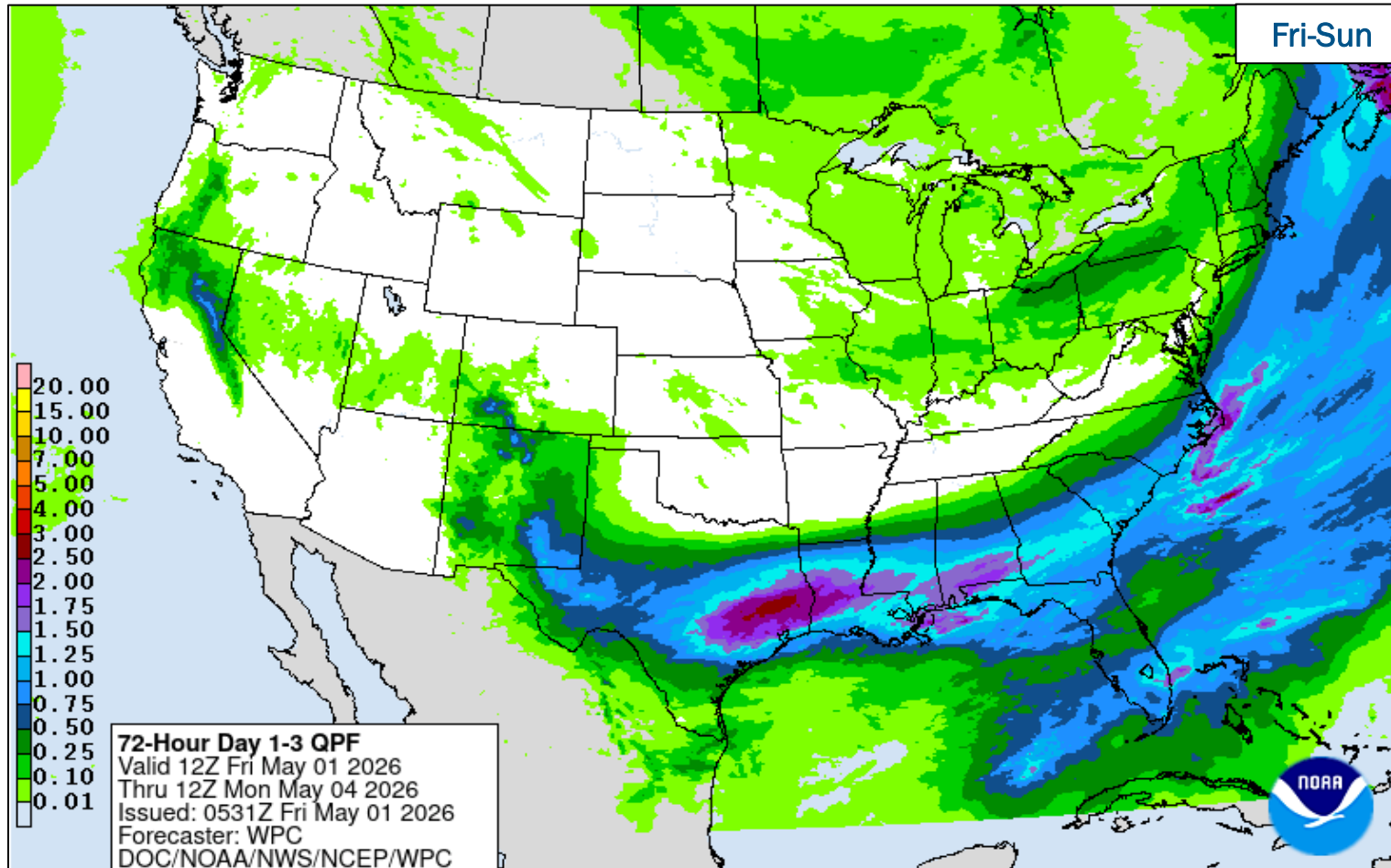
National Weather Forecast



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Precipitation & Excessive Rainfall

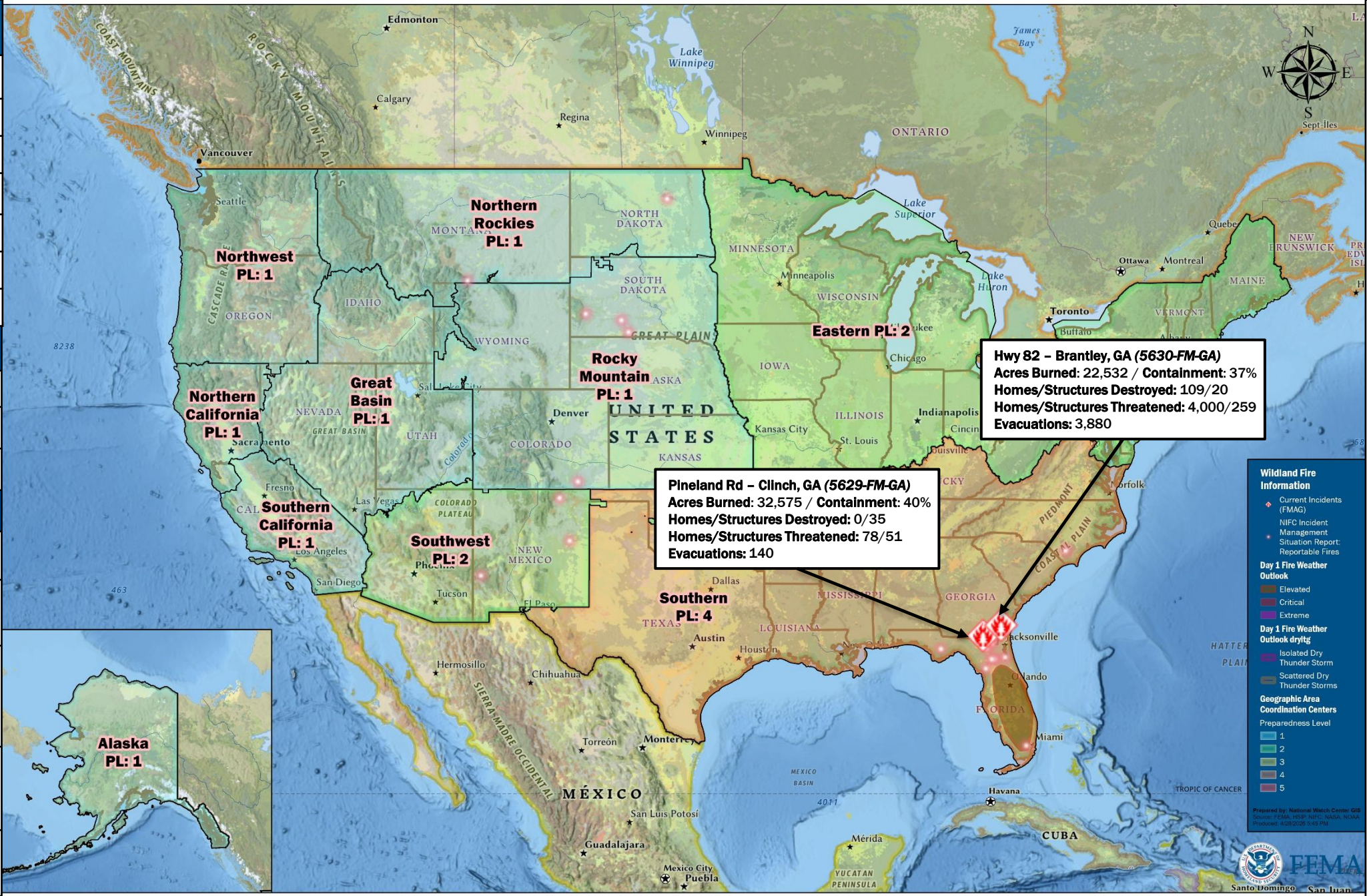


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National Fire Activity – May 1, 2026

INITIAL ATTACK ACTIVITY (24-hour period)	LIGHT (65 fires)
New Large Fires	3
Large Fires Contained	0
Uncontained Large Fires	22
Year-to-Date Acres Burned	1,848,210
Total Responders	2,486
Type 1 IMTs Deployed	0
Complex IMTs Deployed	2
FMAGS	Total
2026 (FYTD)	18
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

13

Joint Field
Offices

Supporting

30

Major
Disasters

+

7

Emergency
Declarations

5

Direct Housing
Missions

3

RSF-Supported
Disasters

6

Joint Recovery
Offices

FEMA HQ

NWC

Enhanced

NRCC

Steady State

FEMA REGIONS

Watch

R1

R2

R3

R4

R5

R6

R7

R8

R9

R10

RRCC

Rostered

Rostered

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Notes:

NRCC/RWCs/RRCCs:

• NWC: TC Sinlaku

• R4 RWC: Wildfires

• R5 RWC: Staffing (Day shift Only)

State EOCs:

• DC: Potomac Interceptor

• FL: Previous Incidents

• GA/TX: Wildfires

• AL/HI/KY/MS/OK/TN: Severe Weather

• GU/MP: TC Sinlaku

• MI/WI: Severe Weather/Flooding

IMATs:

• N-IMAT Blue: Training until 5/2

Surge Capacity Force

Rostered

7,754 (-32)

Deployed

0

N-IMATs

2-5 Teams Available

Red

MP (Apr 26)

White

Blue

AL (Apr 24)

Gold

HS

R-IMATs

≥ 7 Teams Available

R1

R2

R3

2

R4 (1)

R4 (2)

3

R5

R6 (1)

R6 (2)

1

R7

MO (Feb 15)

R8

R9 (1)

HI (Apr 8)

R9 (2)

MP (Apr 18)

R10

WA (Apr 15)

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	4	14	2	1
R5	0	0	0	0
R6	4	4	2	3
R7	0	0	0	0
R8	1	4	0	0
R9	0	2	2	0
R10	2	5	0	0

Alaska

Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands

Guam

American Samoa

Hawaii

Camp Murray, WA

DR-4906-WA

• R10 IMAT

CNMI

DR-4910-MP

• MERS (4)

• N-IMAT Red

• R9 IMAT-2

Guam

EM-3644-GU

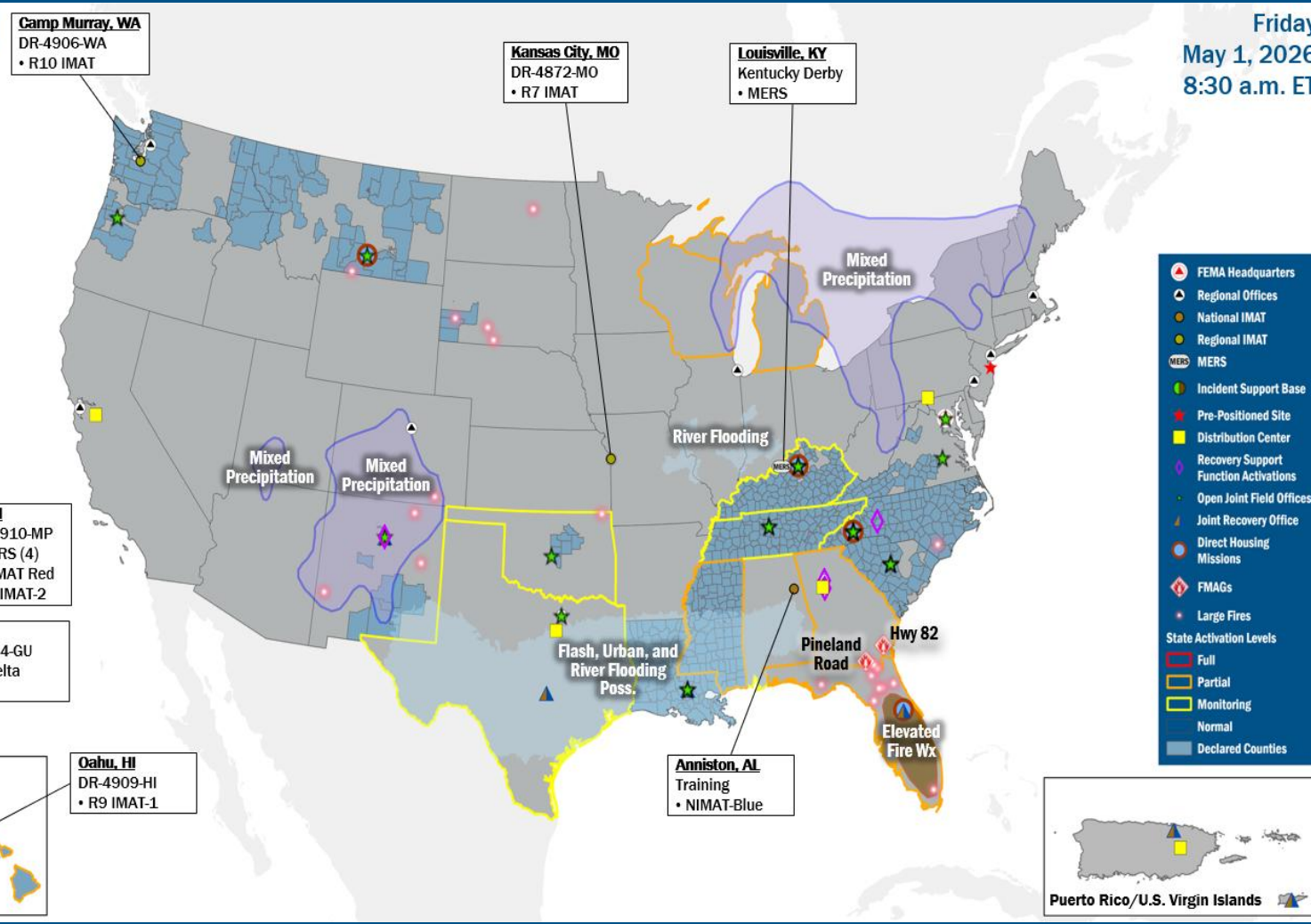
• ISB Delta

• MERS

Oahu, HI

DR-4909-HI

• R9 IMAT-1



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IM Workforce

11,108 (-2) Assigned

4,209 (+44) Unavailable

3,216 (+40) Deployed

33% (-1) / 3,683 (-86) Available

IM Cadre Availability

11 Cadres ≤ 25% Availability

Alternative Dispute Resolution: 17% (5/29); Civil Rights: 14% (13/94); Disability Integration: 19% (3/16); External Affairs: 19% (49/264); Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation: 12% (75/624); Field Leadership: 11% (13/116); Financial Management: 25% (43/174); Hazard Mitigation: 9% (71/750); Planning: 16% (55/342); Safety: 12% (10/85); Security: 17% (19/110)

MERS

≥ 66%

36 Assigned

6 Unavailable

6 Deployed

24 Available

US&R

≥ 66%

28 Assigned

1 Unavailable

0 Deployed

27 Available

FCO

≥ 4 Type I

35 Assigned

3 Unavailable

23 (14 FCOR) Deployed

9 Available

Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

Region	State / Location	Incident	IA	Number of Counties		Start – End
			PA	Requested	Completed	
R4	GA	Highway 82 Fire Apr 22-TBD	IA	1	0	TBD – TBD
			PA	0	0	TBD – TBD
R5	WI	Severe Storms, Tornadoes, and Flooding Apr 13-23	IA	14	0	5/1 – TBD
			PA	11	0	5/11 – TBD
	MI	Severe Storms, Tornadoes, and Flooding Apr 10	IA	44	0	5/11 – TBD
			PA	44	0	5/11 – TBD
R7	NE	Morrill-Cottonwood Fire Complex Mar 12-27	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	7	0	4/27 – TBD



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Declaration Requests in Process – 22

State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Type	IA	PA	HM	Requested
AZ – Severe Storms and Flooding – Appeal	DR		X	X	Oct 24
SCA ¹ – Severe Storms and Flooding	DR	X	X	X	Nov 26
SCA ¹ – Severe Storms and Flooding	DR	X	X	X	Dec 15
NVK ² – Severe Storms, Flooding, and Remnants of Typhoon Halong	DR		X	X	Jan 11
KY – Severe Winter Storm	DR		X	X	Feb 5
FPA & ST ³ – Severe Storm and Straight-Line Winds	DR	X		X	Feb 11
CTM ⁴ – Straight-Line Winds	DR	X		X	Feb 12
FBIC ⁵ – Severe Storms and Straight-Line Winds	DR	X		X	Feb 13
GA – Severe Winter Storm	DR		X	X	Mar 12
CN ⁶ – Severe Winter Storm	DR		X	X	Mar 18
DE – Severe Winter Storm	DR		X	X	Mar 23
NY – Severe Winter Storm	DR		X	X	Mar 25
MI – Severe Storm and Tornadoes	DR	X		X	Apr 1
HI – Severe Storms, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides	EM	X	X		Apr 7

¹San Carlos Apache Tribe / ²Native Village of Kipnuk / ³Fort Peck Assiniboine & Sioux Tribes / ⁴Crow Tribe of Montana / ⁵Fort Belknap Indian Community / ⁶Chickasaw Nation



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NJ – Severe Winter Storm	DR		X	X	Apr 7
MA – Severe Winter Storm and Snowstorm	DR		X	X	Apr 7
RI – Severe Winter Storm and Snowstorm	DR		X	X	Apr 7
NVA ⁷ – Severe Winter Storm	DR	X	X	X	Apr 16
ID – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides	DR		X	X	Apr 14
MWT ⁸ – Severe Winter Storm and Snowstorm	DR		X	X	Apr 22
PoA ⁹ – Severe Storms and Flooding – Appeal	DR		X	X	Apr 23
LLBO ¹⁰ – Fire – Appeal	DR		X	X	Apr 24

⁷Native Village of Ambler / ⁸Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe / ⁹Pueblo of Acoma / ¹⁰Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe



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