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## **FEMA**

# Daily Operations Briefing Thursday, May 28, 2020

8:30 a.m. ET

### National Current Operations & Monitoring



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

- COVID-19
- Severe Thunderstorms Southwest Texas and Lower Mississippi Valley
- Heavy Rain and Flash Flooding Middle Mississippi Valley into the Great Lakes

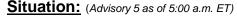
#### **Tropical Activity:**

- Atlantic Post-Tropical Cyclone Bertha (Final)
- Eastern Pacific Disturbance 1 High (80%)

**Declaration Activity: None** 

### Tropical Outlook – Atlantic





- Post-Tropical Cyclone Bertha is located 80 miles NNW of Roanoke, VA
- Moving N at 28 mph; maximum sustained winds 25 mph
- Bertha expected to weaken and dissipate by this evening

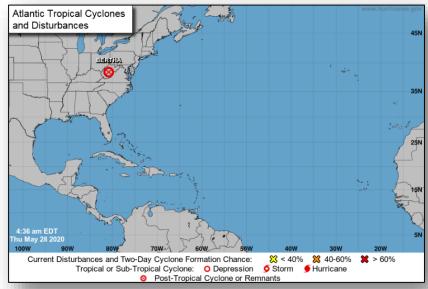
#### **Possible Impacts:**

Rainfall accumulations up to 4 inches in southern PA with 1-2 inches possible for WV, OH, NY, SC, NC and VA; localized flash flooding possible

#### Response:

- NWC, Regions III, IV, and V continue to monitor
- No unmet needs or request for FEMA assistance



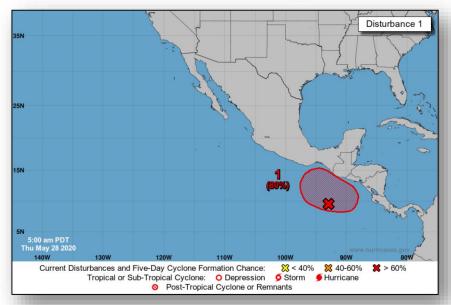


### Tropical Outlook – Eastern Pacific



#### Disturbance 1 (as of 5:00 a.m. ET)

- Located a few hundred miles S of coasts of southern Mexico, Guatemala, and El Salvador
- Conditions appear conducive for gradual development of this system; a tropical depression could form late this week
- Expected to produce heavy rainfall over portions of Central America and southern Mexico
- Formation chance through 48 hours: Low (40%)
- Formation chance through 5 days: High (80%)



### COVID-19 Update



<u>Situation:</u> FEMA and HHS continue leading the multiagency COVID-19 Response / Recovery efforts. 47,223 FEMA, DoD, HHS, VA, and CDC personnel deployed / activated; 3,000 FEMA employees deployed. Federal, state, tribal, and territorial partners continue to focus on expanded access to testing as COVID-19 infection remains prevalent throughout the country. Nationwide testing: 15,183,888 (+1,052,611) cumulative as of May 27.

#### **Lifelines Impacts:**

#### Health & Medical

Public Health - Federal/State Assistance:

 TX: National Guard is performing COVID-19 tests at a Mobile Testing Team facility in a Houston elementary school; providing free screening to local residents (NGB Update, May 27, 7:55 a.m. ET)

#### Food, Water, Shelter

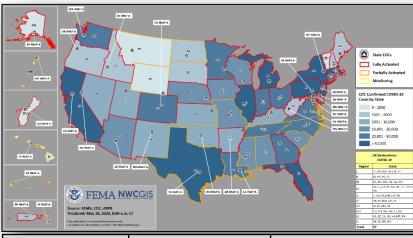
 LA: Governor's office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness is planning to distribute food to 5 food banks, and assessing food needs for 8 tribal communities (FEMA Region VI Update, May 27, 1:54 p.m. ET)

#### **Transportation**

 Federal Aviation Administration issued an exemption that allows U.S. airlines to carry cargo on seats in airplane cabins when no passengers are being transported (CISA Update, May 27 4 a.m. ET)

#### Response

- FEMA Region VII RRCC is rostered and supporting COVID-19 response form JFO in Kansas City, MO; the NRCC and all remaining RRCCs remain activated
- 28 FEMA IMAT-A teams deployed (24 actual/ 4 virtual) to states/territories/tribal nations; LNOs deployed to 37 (21 actual / 16 virtual) states/territories/tribal nations
- 57 Major Disaster Declarations approved; All State / Territory EOCs activated

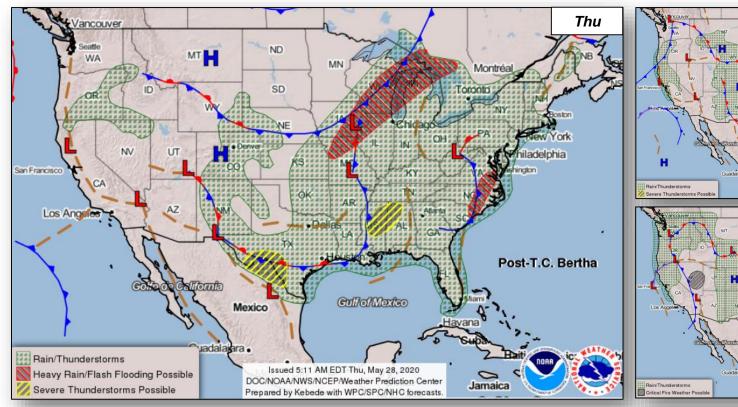


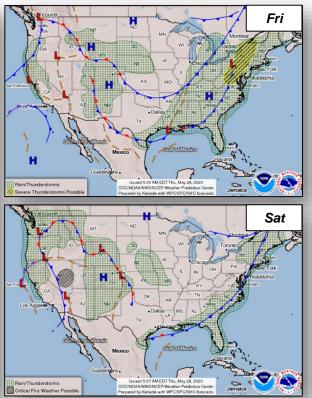
COVID-19	Confirmed	Deaths
United States	1,685,384 (+18,504)	100,073 (+1,433)
Worldwide	5,488,825 (+84,314)	349,059 (+5,581)

(FEMA SLB COVID-19, May 28)

### National Weather Forecast

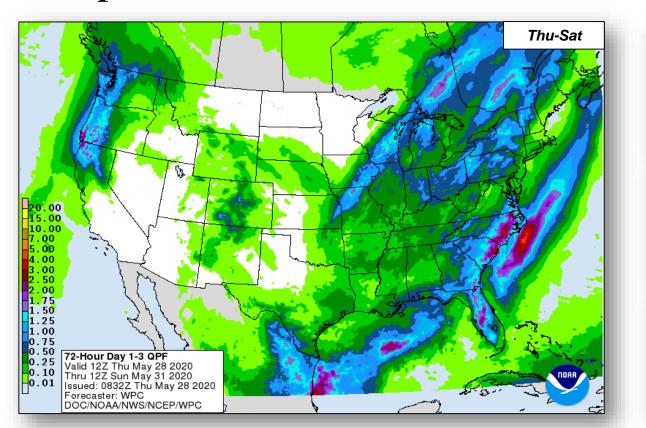


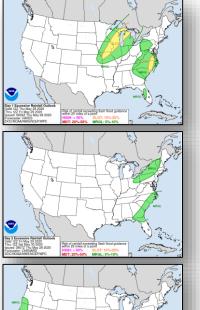




### Precipitation & Excessive Rainfall







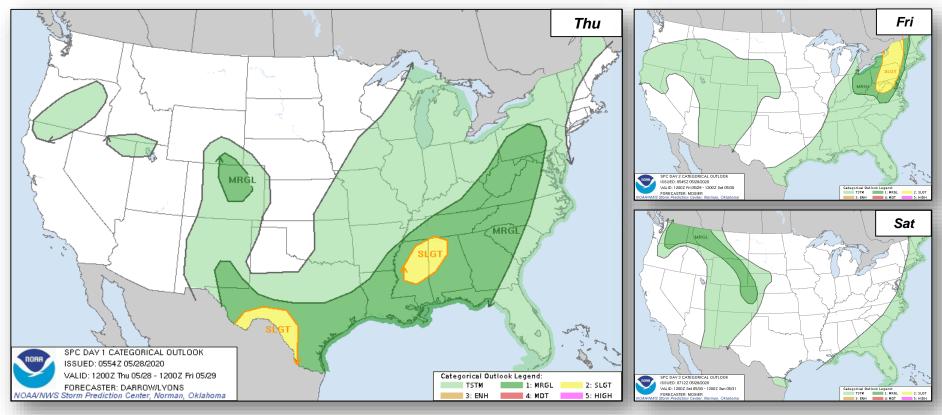
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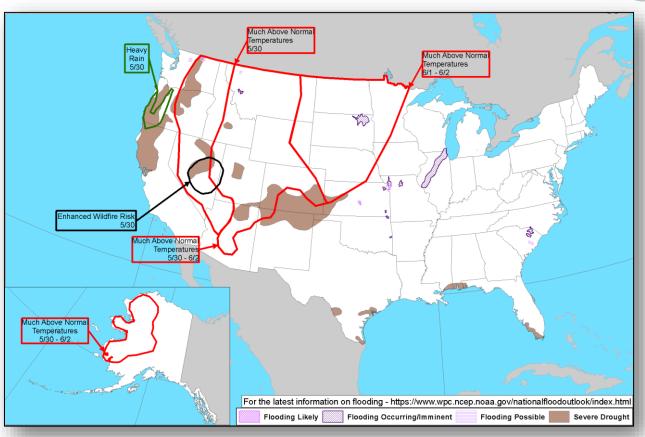
### Severe Weather Outlook





### Hazards Outlook – May 30-June 3





### Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments



Region	State / Location	Event	IA/PA	Number o	Ctout Fuel	
				Requested	Complete	Start – End
	AL	Severe Storms, Strong Winds, Tornadoes, and Hail Apr 19	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	10	0	5/15 – TBD
	MS	Severe Storms, Flooding, Tornadoes, and Straight-line Winds Apr 22-23	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	11	11 (+1)	5/14 – <mark>5/26</mark>
	TNI	Severe Storms May 3-4	IA	0	0	N/A
	TIN		PA	22	22 (+20)	5/14 – <mark>5/26</mark>
\/	N 41	Dam Breach, Severe Weather and Flooding May 16, and continuing	IA	5 (+4)	0	5/26 – TBD
V	MI		PA	5 (+4)	0	5/26 – TBD
\/II	МО	O Severe Storms May 3-4	IA	0	0	N/A
VII			PA	18 (-1)	2 (+2)	5/14 – TBD

### COVID-19 Declaration Requests in Process – 1



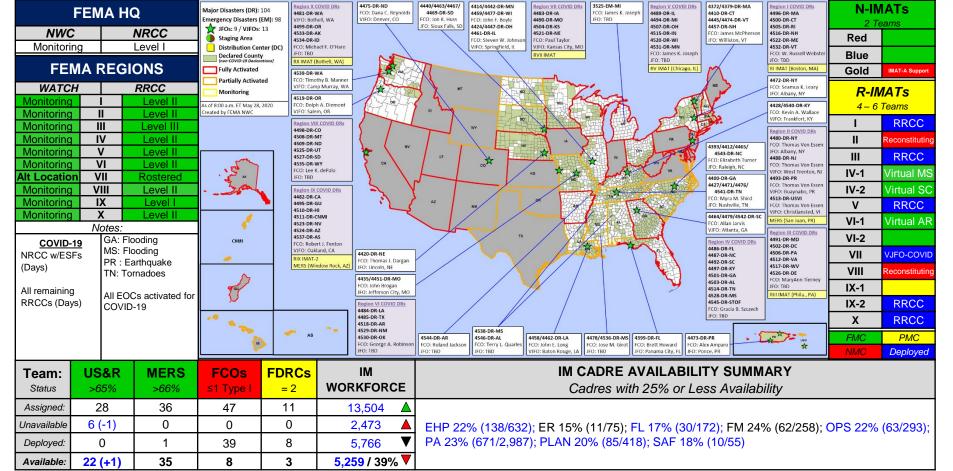
State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description		IA	PA	НМ	Requested
Poarch Band of Creek Indians – COVID-19 Pandemic	DR	Χ	X		May 15

### Declaration Requests in Process – 4

State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description		IA	PA	НМ	Requested
HI – Severe Storms and Flooding	DR		Х	Χ	Apr 27
TX – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, and Tornadoes (Appeal)	DR		Χ	X	Apr 27
UT – Earthquake and Aftershocks	DR	X	Х	X	May 15
ND – Flooding	DR		Х	Х	May 22

### FEMA Common Operating Picture







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