

FEMA National Watch Center

# Daily Operations Briefing

Wednesday, July 20, 2022

8:30 a.m. ET



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# National Current Ops / Monitoring

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## New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Ops

- No significant incidents / operations

## Hazard Monitoring

- Severe Thunderstorms – Ohio Valley to the Great Lakes
- Tropical Activity:
  - Eastern Pacific:
    - Tropical Storm Estelle; Disturbance 1: Low (30%)

## Disaster Declaration Activity

- FMAG Approved: Chalk Mountain Fire – TX

## Event Monitoring

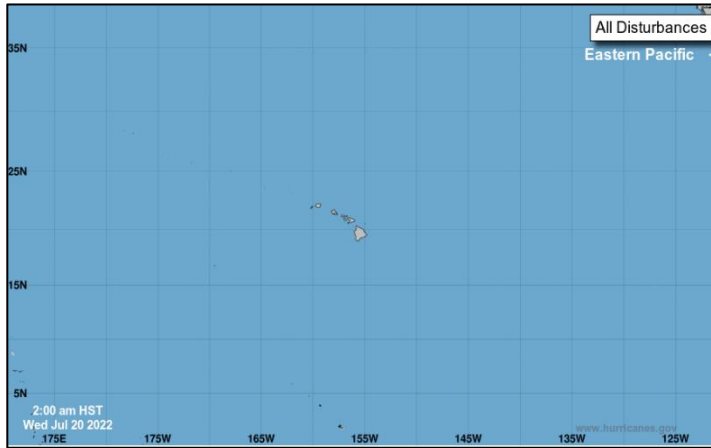
- No significant activity



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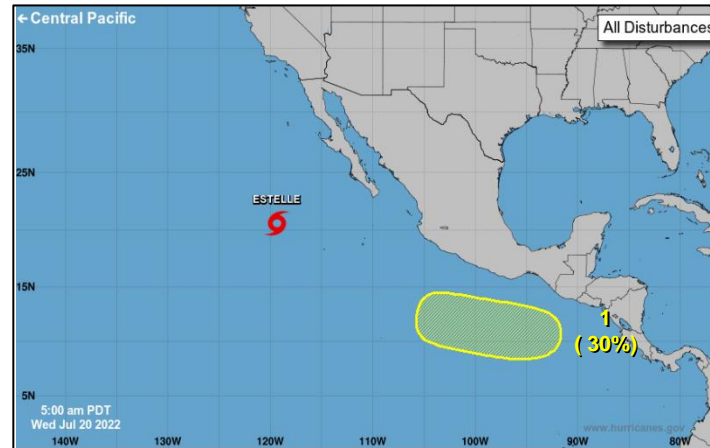
# Tropical Outlook – Five Day

## Central Pacific



- No new tropical cyclones expected during the next 5 days

## Eastern Pacific



### Tropical Storm Estelle: (Advisory #20 as of 8:00 a.m. ET)

- 630 miles WSW of the S tip of Baja California, Mexico
- Moving WNW at 14 mph
- Maximum sustained winds 60 mph
- Expected to become post-tropical on Thursday
- Tropical-storm-force winds extend up to 105 miles

### Disturbance 1 (As of 8:00 a.m. ET)

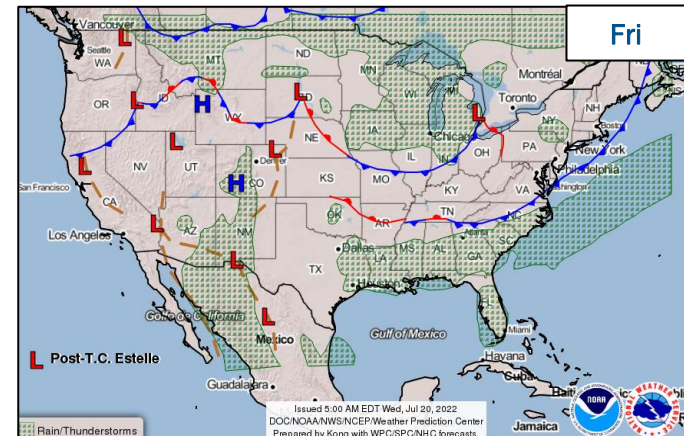
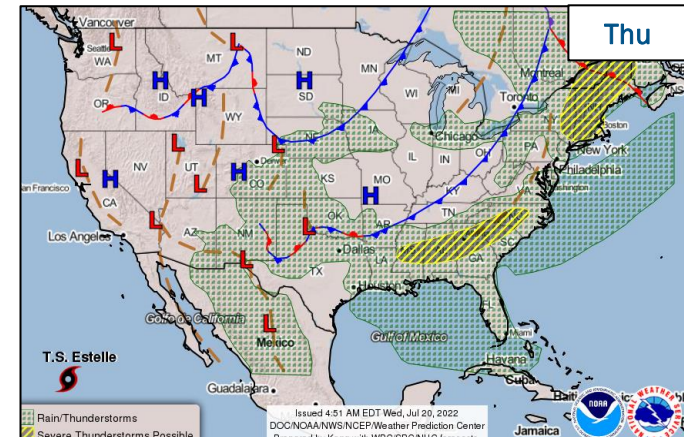
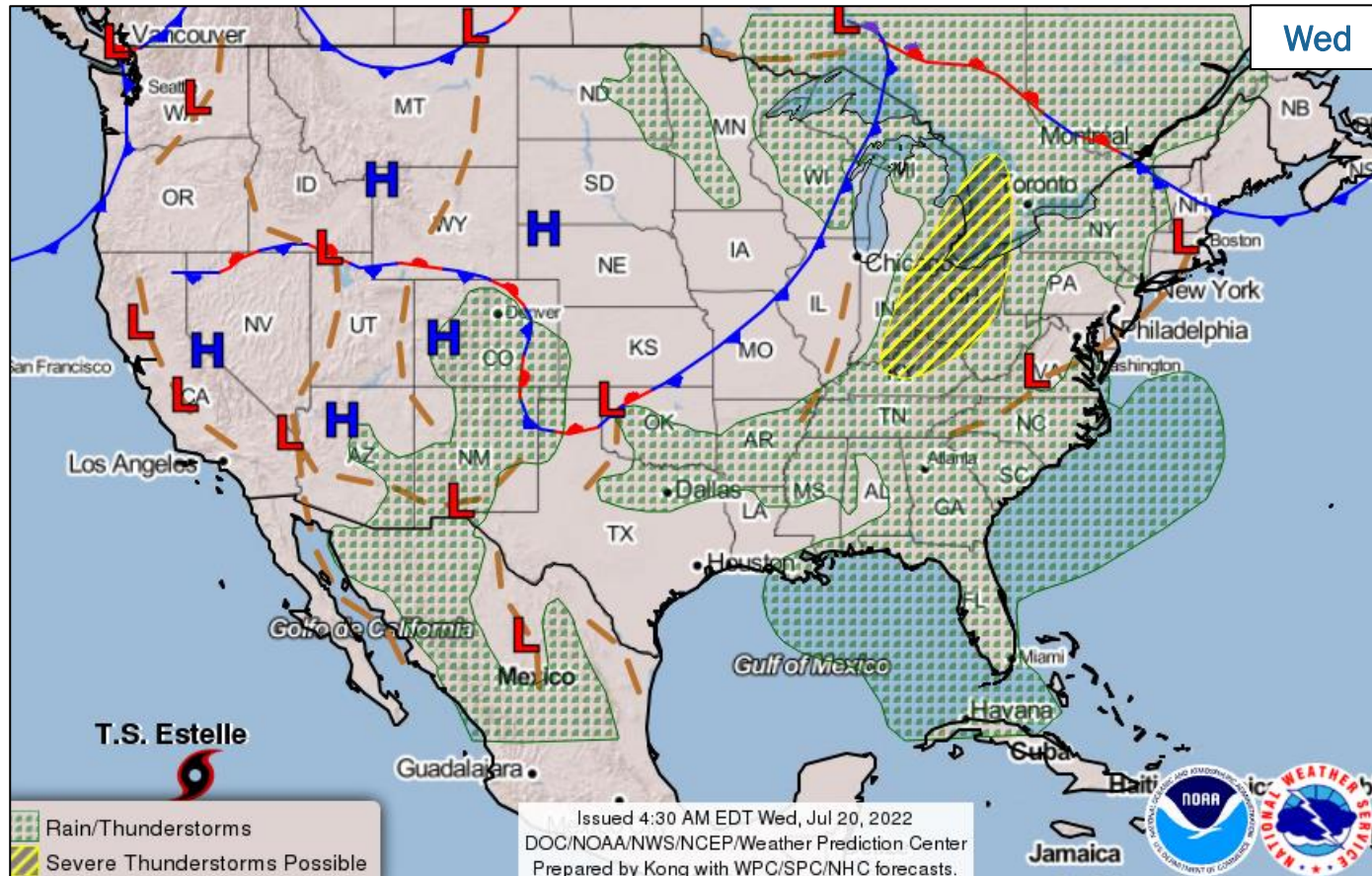
- A few hundred miles offshore of Central America and southern Mexico; moving WNW at 10-15 mph
- Some gradual development possible by this weekend
- Formation chance – 48-hours: Low (near 0%) 5 day: Low (30%)

## Atlantic



- No new tropical cyclones expected during the next 5 days

# National Weather Forecast

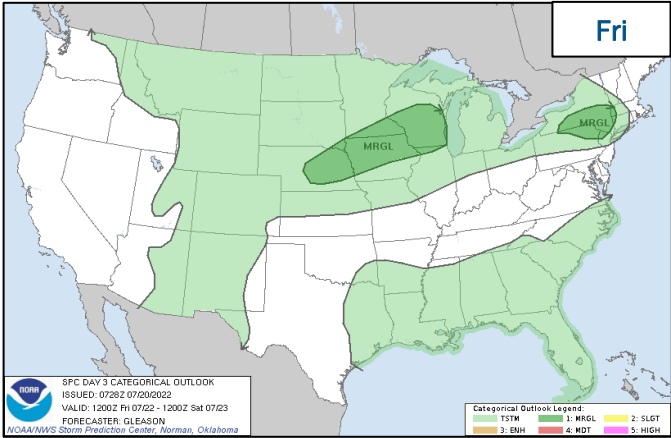
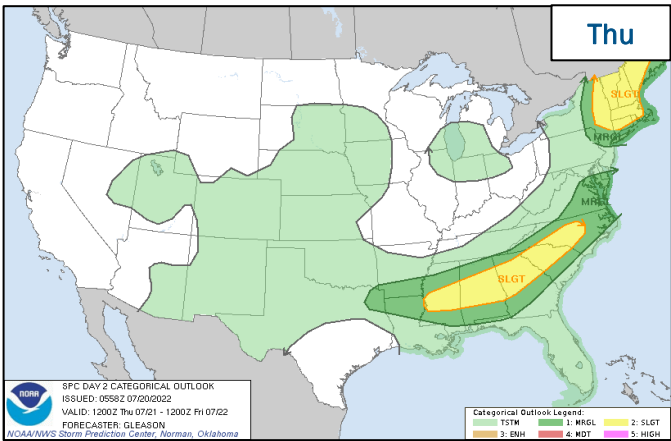
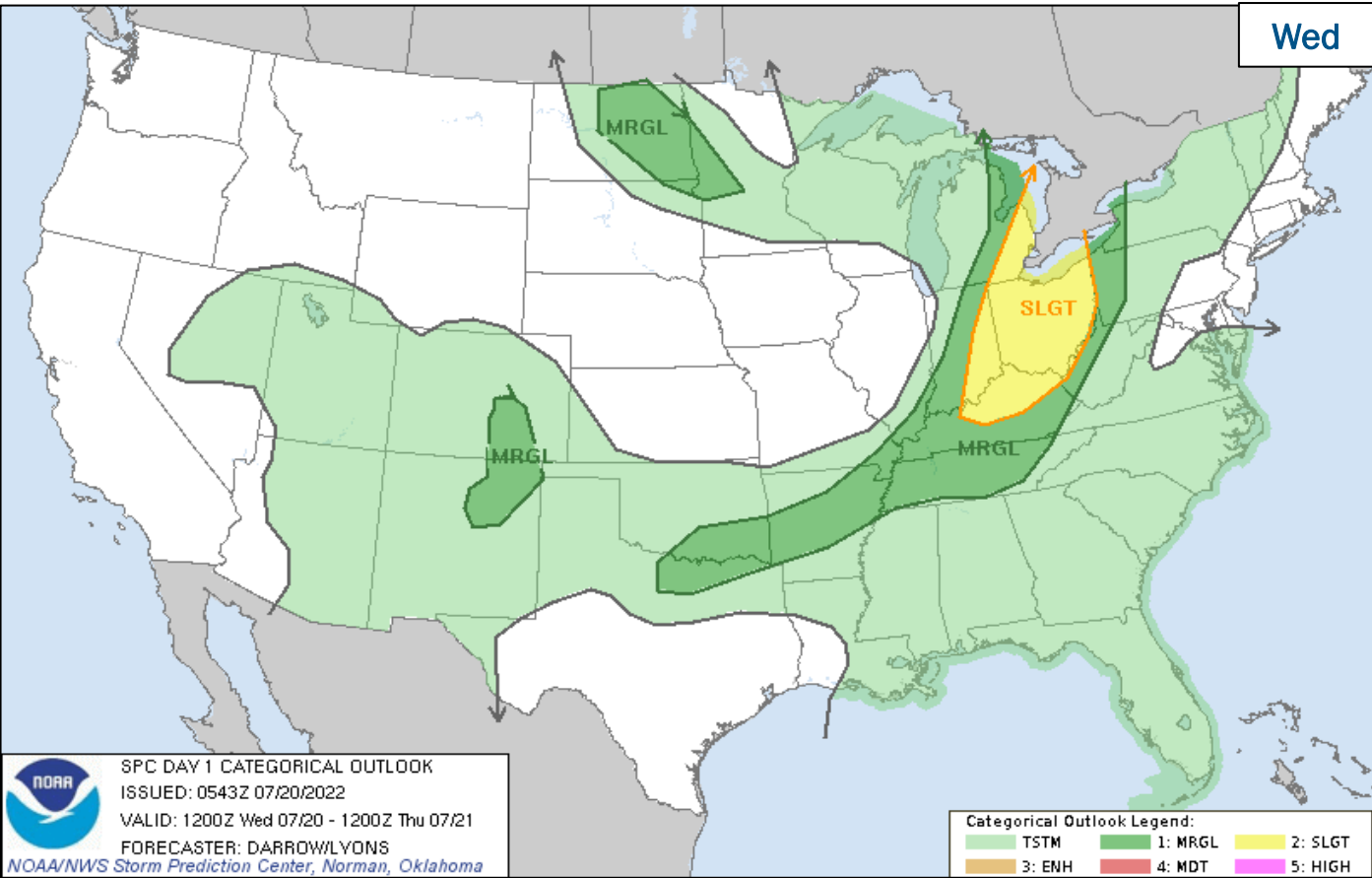


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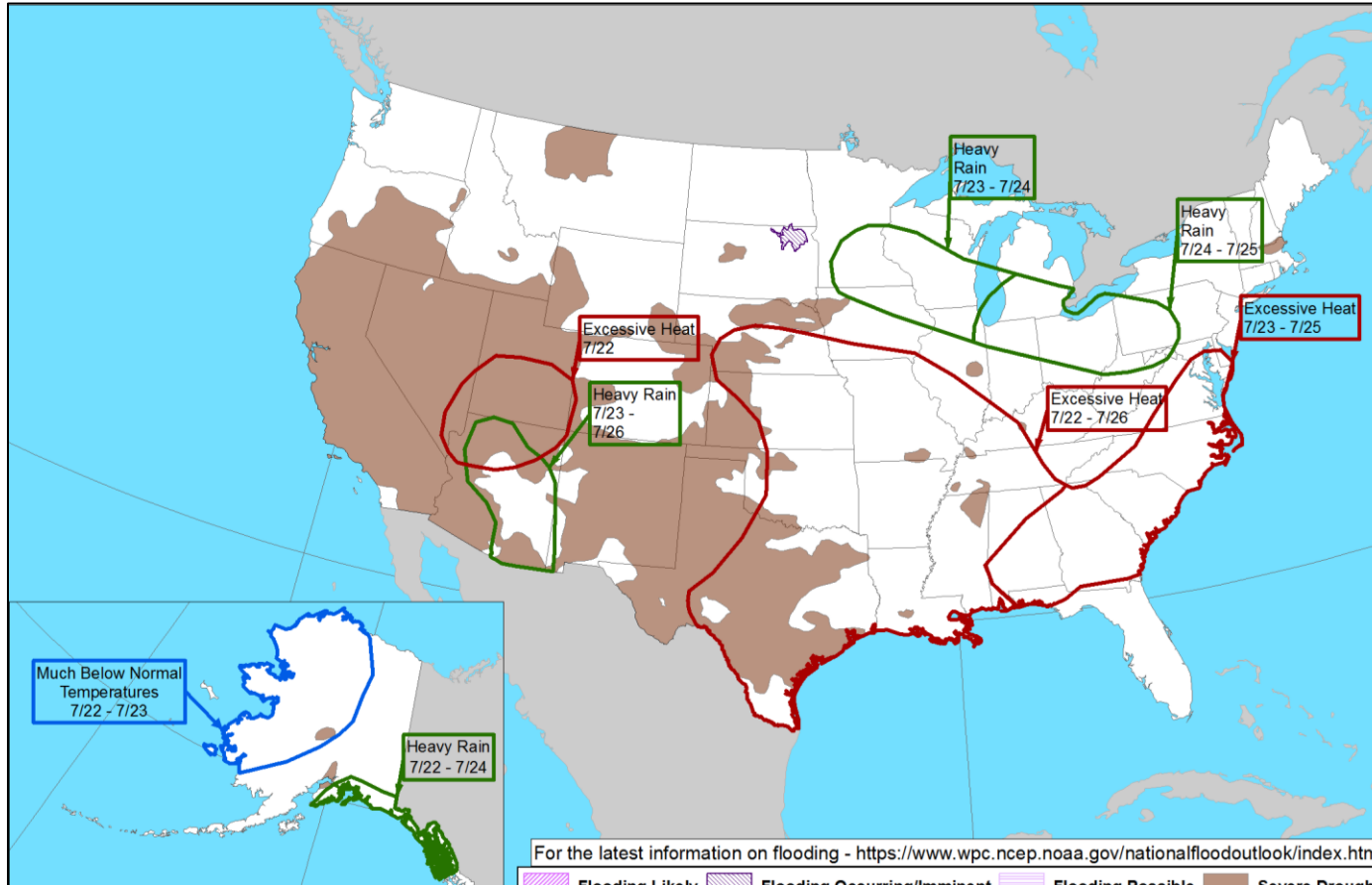
# Severe Weather Outlook



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# Hazards Outlook – Jul 22-26



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# Chalk Mountain Fire – Texas

Fire Name (Co., ST)	FMAG #	Acres Burned	Percent Contained	Evacuations	Structures (Homes / Other)			Fatalities / Injuries
					Threatened	Damaged	Destroyed	
Chalk Mountain (Somervell / Hood, TX)	5444-FM-TX	6,000	10%	M: 500	H: 704	H: 0	H: 12	0 / 0
				V: 0	O: 0	O: 0	O: 0	

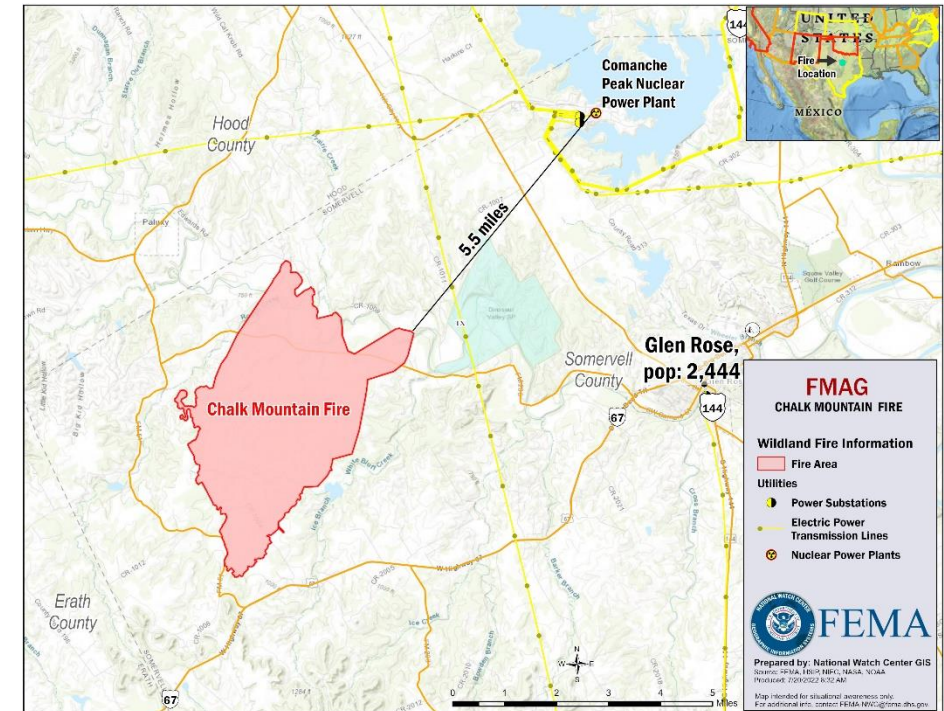
## Current Situation:

The fire began July 18<sup>th</sup> and has burned over 6,000 acres of private land in and around Somervell and Hood counties and is currently 10% contained. The fire has destroyed 12 homes and continues to threaten an additional 704 homes. Mandatory evacuations are in effect for 500 people. One shelter has been established at Somervell Expo Center for those evacuating. Initial FMAG reports indicated that the fire threatened the Comanche Peak Nuclear Power Plant, transfer stations, and high-power transmission lines; potentially impacting regional power distribution, however local media reports that conditions have changed, and it is not a threat to the nuclear power plant. The NWC is working with Region VI to clarify.

Also threatened is the local watershed, irrigation, utilities, bridges, and local businesses. Numerous roads are closed in support of emergency vehicle operations, detours available. No fatalities or injuries reported.

## Response:

- TX EOC at Partial Activation (COVID-19)
- Denton MOC, Region VI, and the NWC continue to monitor
- FMAG approved Jul 19<sup>th</sup>

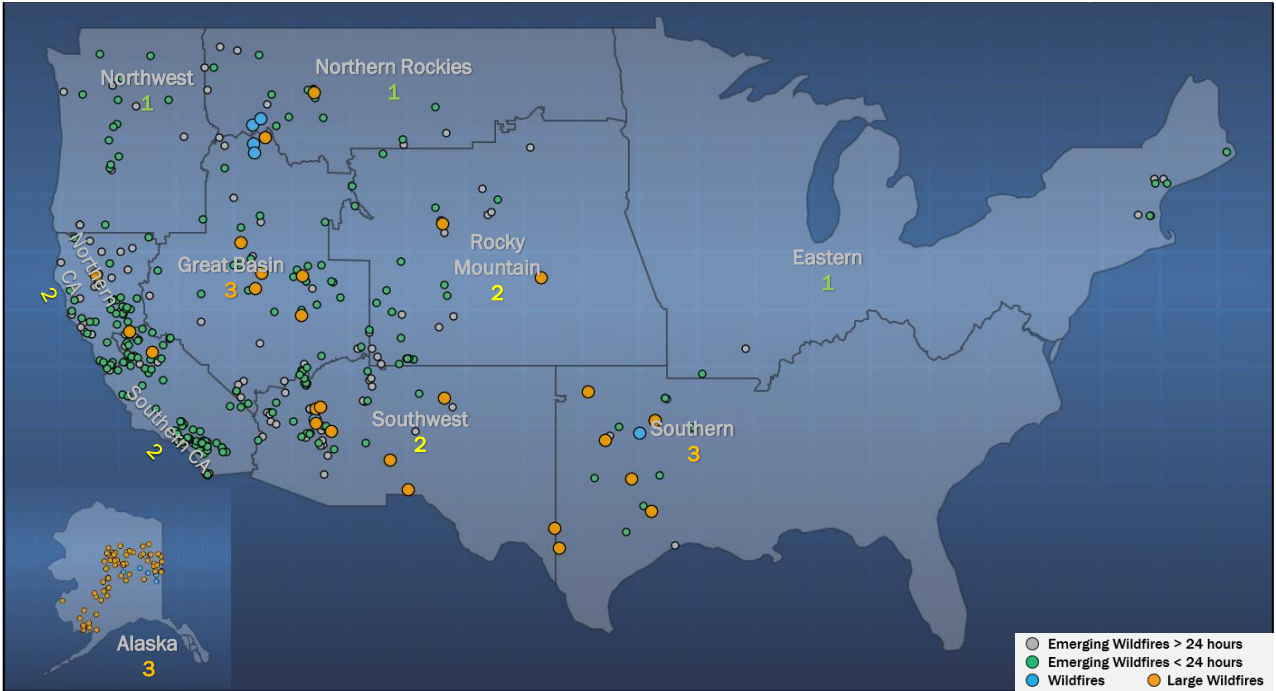


# National Fire Activity *(as of Jul 20)*

National Preparedness Level

PL3

Initial Attack Activity (24-hour period)	Light (149 fires)
New large fires:	3
Large fires contained:	4
Uncontained large fires:	24
Cumulative Acres Burned	2,569,599
Total Responders (2022 Fire Season)	6,350
Type 1 IMTs deployed	4 of 16
Type 2 IMTs deployed	8 of 33



Preparedness Levels Legend	
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 county; 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 nations wildland firefighting resources committed
PL 5	Extremely high levels of fire activity; 80% of nations firefighting resources committed



# Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

Region	State / Location	Incident	IA	Number of Counties		Start – End
			PA	Requested	Complete	
V	OH	Severe storms and Flooding Jun 13-17	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	16	0	7/25 – TBD
VI	MCN (Muscogee Creek Nation)	Tornadoes, Severe Storms, and Flooding May 2-5	IA	1	1	5/16 – 5/24
			PA	1	0	5/16 – TBD



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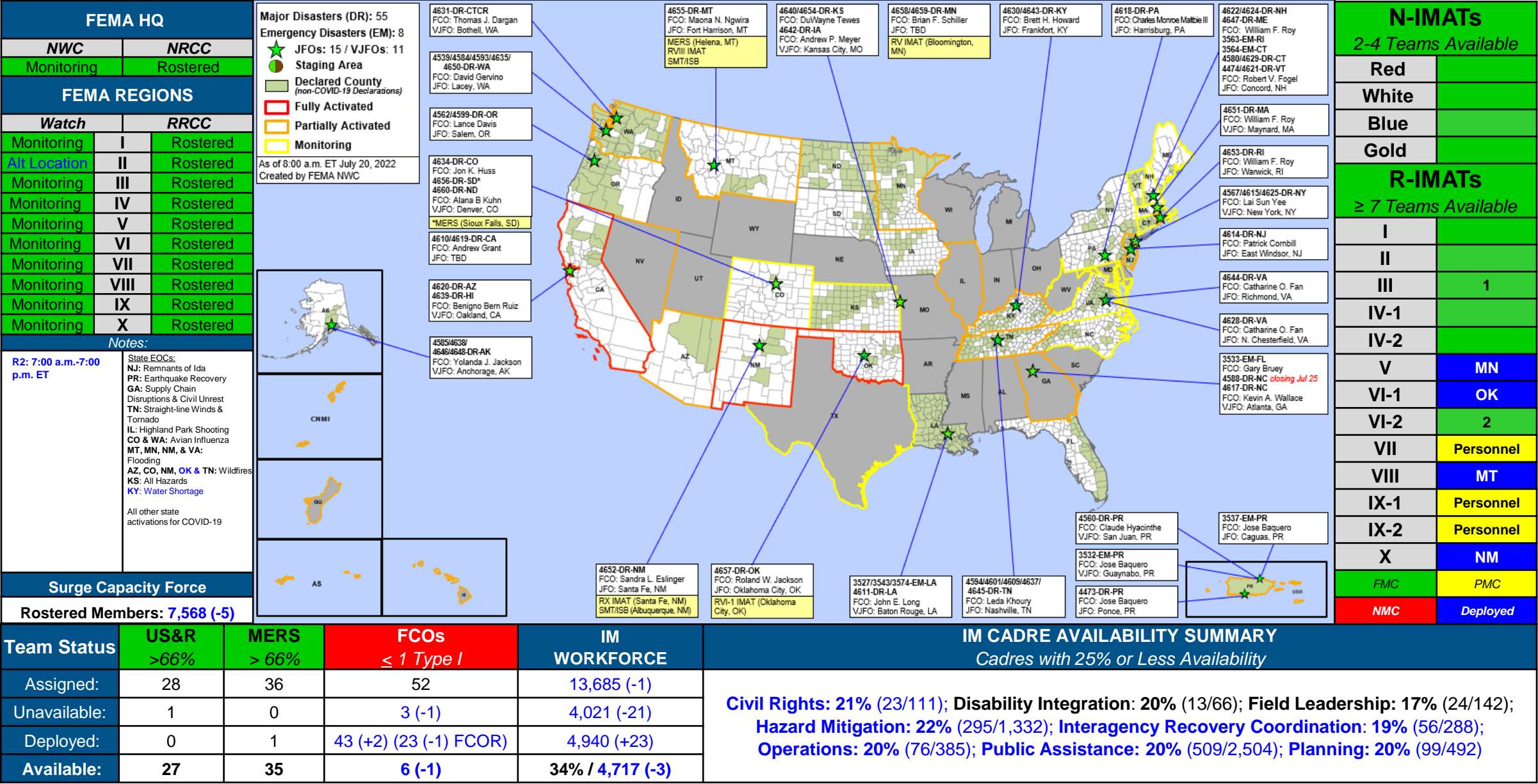
# Declaration Requests in Process – 5

State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Type	IA	PA	HM	Requested
AK – Landslides	DR		X	X	Jun 30
NE – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, and Tornadoes	DR		X	X	Jul 6
WV – Severe Storms and Flooding (Appeal)	DR	X		X	Jul 11
AK – Flooding	DR		X	X	Jul 13
SD – Severe Storm, Straight-line Winds, Tornado, and Flooding	DR		X	X	Jul 14



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# FEMA Common Operating Picture





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