

FEMA National Watch Center

Daily Operations Briefing

Friday, August 18, 2023

8:30 a.m. ET



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National Current Ops / Monitoring

New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Ops

- Wildfires – HI

Hazard Monitoring

- Critical fire weather – Northern Intermountain and Northern Plains
- Heavy rain and flash flooding – Southwest and Central Great Basin
- Tropical Activity:
 - Central Pacific:
 - Disturbance 1: Low (near 0%)
 - Eastern Pacific:
 - Hurricane Hilary (CAT 4)
 - Disturbance 1: Low (30%)
 - Atlantic:
 - Disturbance 1: High (70%); Disturbance 2: Medium (40%)
 - Disturbance 3: Low (30%); Disturbance 4: Low (30%)

Disaster Declaration Activity

- Approval: Major Disaster Declaration – TN
- Request: Major Disaster Declaration – Maine (2x)
- Three Amendments Issued

Event Monitoring

- No significant events



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Wildfires – Hawaii

Maui



Current Situation: FEMA and federal partners continue to support the state of Hawaii in response and recovery efforts from Hawaii Wildfires. Mission priorities remain focused on Search & Rescue, fire containment operations, and damage assessments in the impacted area (Maui County). Federal teams, commodities, and equipment continue to move into the impacted areas to respond and support state and local partners.

Lifelines Impacts: (SLB #8 as of 4:30 a.m. ET Aug 18)

Safety and Security:

- West Maui schools closed indefinitely
- Phased re-openings this week for most public schools in Upcountry, South, and Central Maui; **King Kekaulike HS will begin phased reopening week of 8/21-25**
- Total of 84 deployed HHS responders in support of Hawaii Wildfires (Maui 78; Oahu 6) (HHS Force Laydown, 8/16 1816 EDT)

Food, Hydration, and Shelter: (ARC Shelter as of 6:50 a.m. ET)

- Shelters: Maui County: **12** shelters open with **758** occupants
- State of HI secured more than 400 hotel rooms and 1,400 units from AirBNB for displaced residents (FEMA-DR-4724 State SITREP; 1:00 a.m. ET Aug 16)

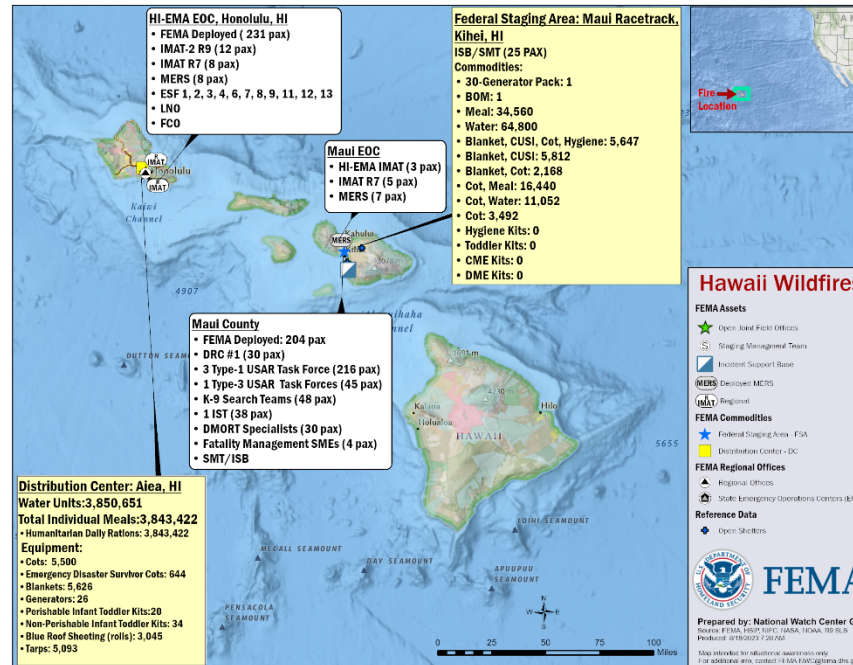
Health and Medical:

- 111 confirmed fatalities
- 67 patients treated with fire-related injuries at Maui Memorial Center
- 36 DMORT/Victim Information Center (VIC) specialists on ground in Maui
- DMORT has made 113 recoveries, **28 (+18)** exams completed, and 52 identifications. (HHS-ESF-8, 08/17 6:00 p.m. ET)
- VIC completed **200 (+14)** family interviews, **66 (+5)** DNA swabs, and 149 throughput to data (total population arriving in facility to report or inquire about a missing person/family member) (HHS-ESF-8, 08/17 6:00 p.m. ET)
- The DPMU is fully operational (HHS-ESF-8, 08/17 6:00 p.m. ET)

New Family Assistance Center (FAC) expected to open today

Water Systems:

- 2 water wells still experiencing intermittent interruptions to power
 - 6 (+2)** generators were installed **Aug 16** to provide temporary power to **4 (+2)** water wells and 2 pump stations



Energy:

- 2k (3%) customers remain without power in Maui
- Approximately 100 utility poles will be needed to meet restoration priorities

Communications:

- Maui County:
 - 5 (-4)** cell towers offline; **76% of cell towers restored**
 - Local cell providers deployed 15 assets to improve cellular service in West Maui

Transportation:

- 3 (+1)** Temporary Flight Restrictions (TFR) in effect for Maui County
- Access limited for Honoapiʻilani and Lahaina Bypass Roads for safety reasons
- USCG Safety Zone remains in effect; access authorized on a case by case basis
- Bus service resumed except for 4 West Maui routes which remain suspended**

State / Local Response:

- HI state EOC at Full Activation / Gov declared a SOE

FEMA / Federal Response:

- FEMA-4724-DR-HI approved Aug 10
- Region IX RWC continues to monitor
 - IMAT-2 with ESFs 1 through 15 and DCE deployed to HI
 - 1 LNO deployed to HI EOC (Oahu), 1 LNO in Maui
 - 1 FCO in Maui, 1 in Oahu
- HQ:
 - Region VII IMAT deployed to HI
 - US&R: Blue IST, 3 NIMS Type 1 task forces, 1 NIMS Type 3 task force, 2 Mission Ready Packages - Canine Search, and **35 (-5)** single resource Canine Search Teams
 - MERS personnel deployed to HI
 - Staging Management Team (SMT) and Incident Support Base (ISB) team deployed to Maui
 - Disaster Recovery Center (DRC) open
 - NWC continues to monitor in coordination with Region IX; the next update will be in the 5:00 p.m. ET FEMA National Situation Report

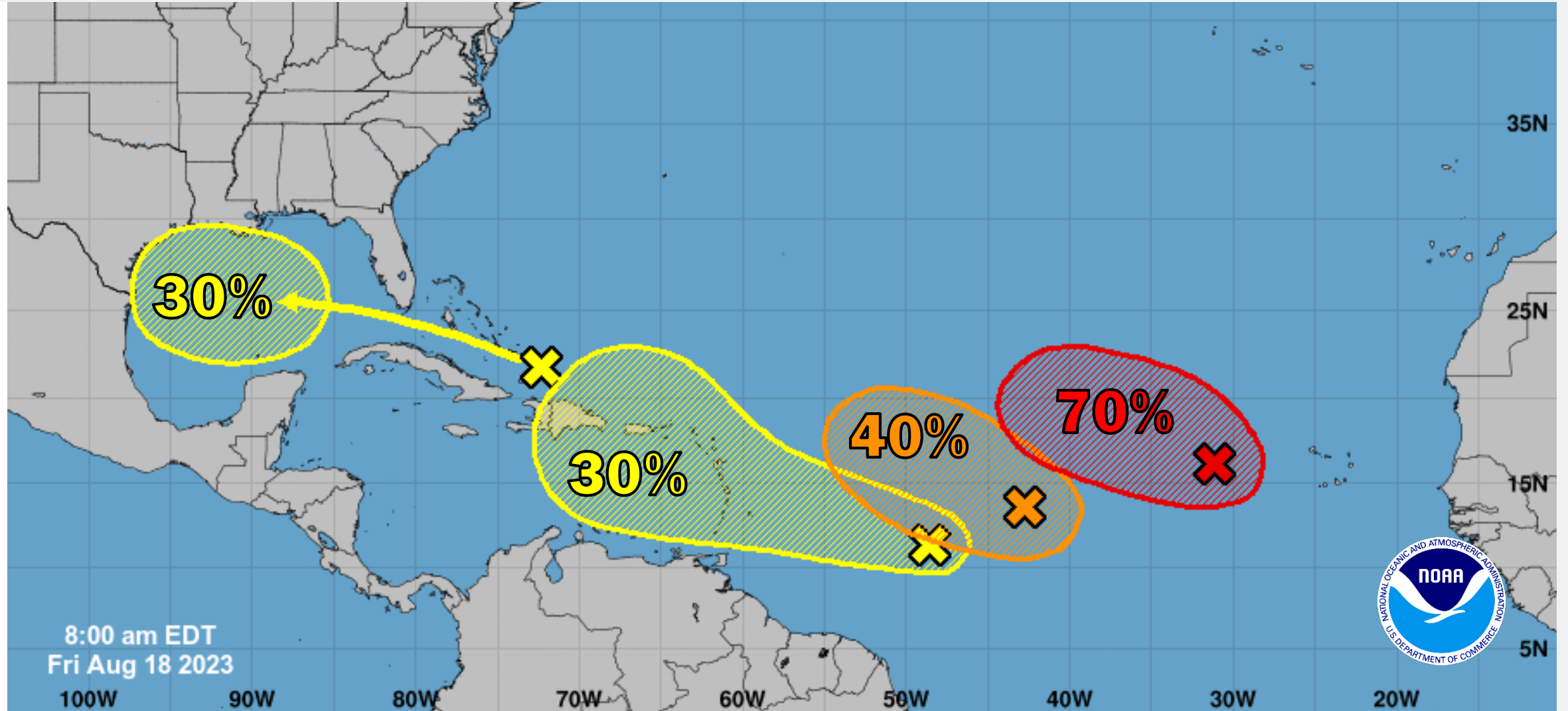


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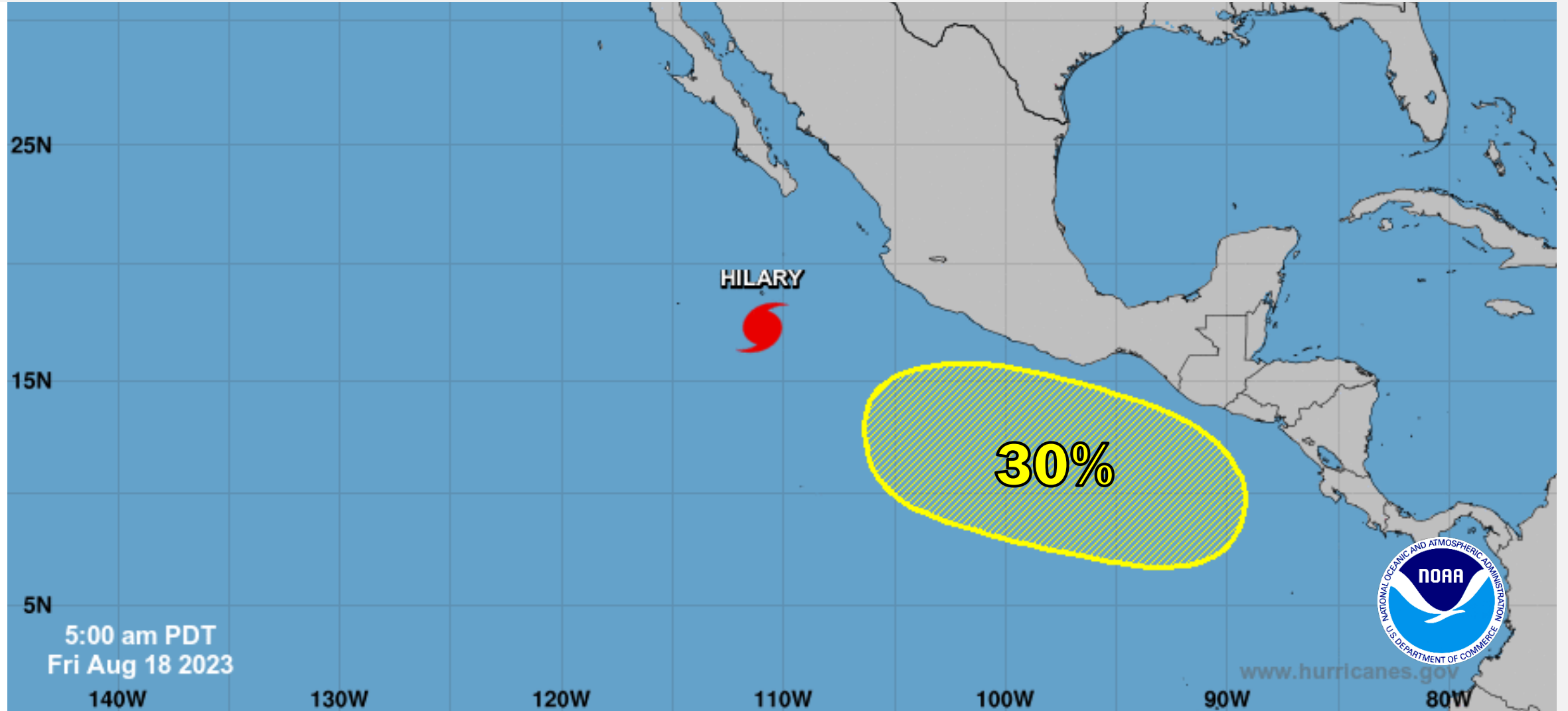
Atlantic Overview

TROPICAL OUTLOOK



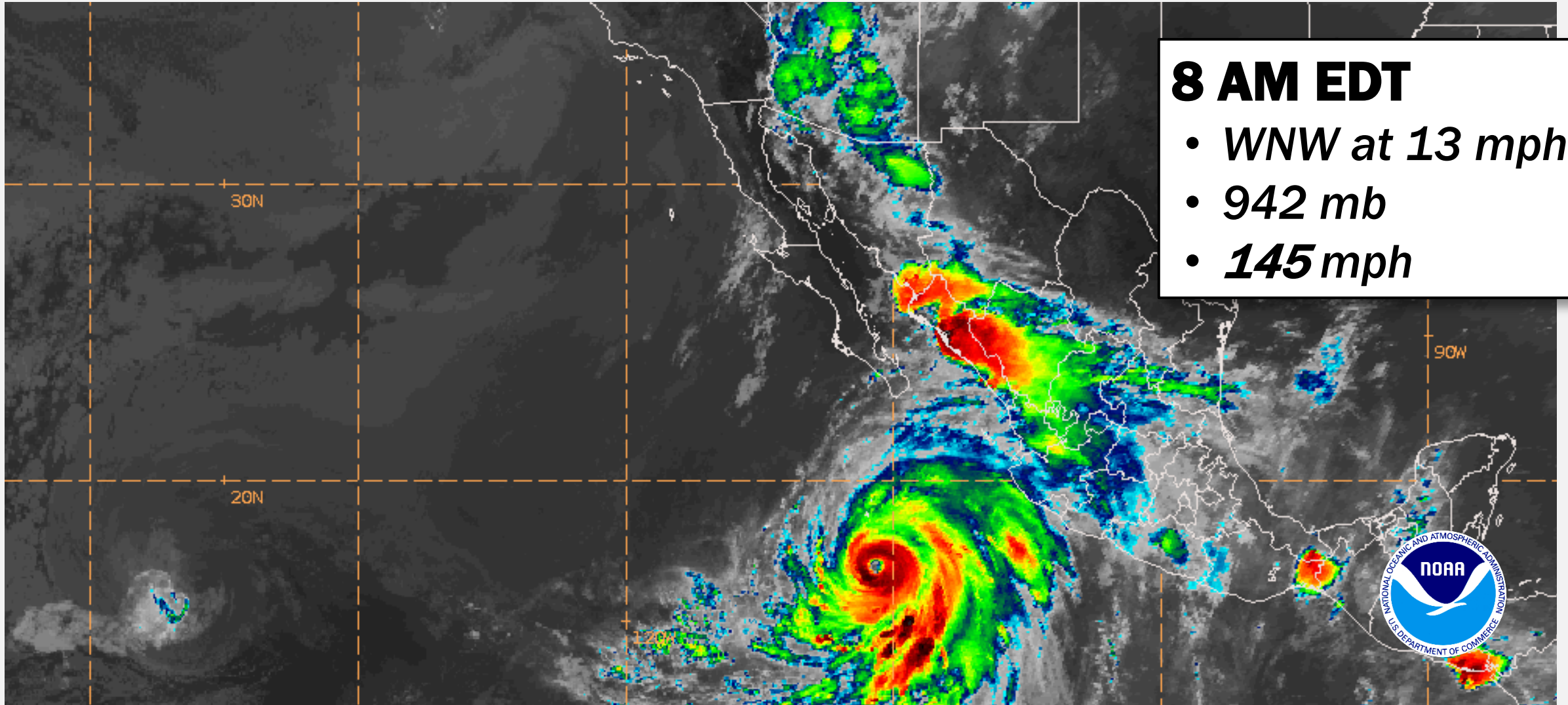
East Pacific Overview

TROPICAL OUTLOOK



Hurricane Hilary

SATELLITE LOOP



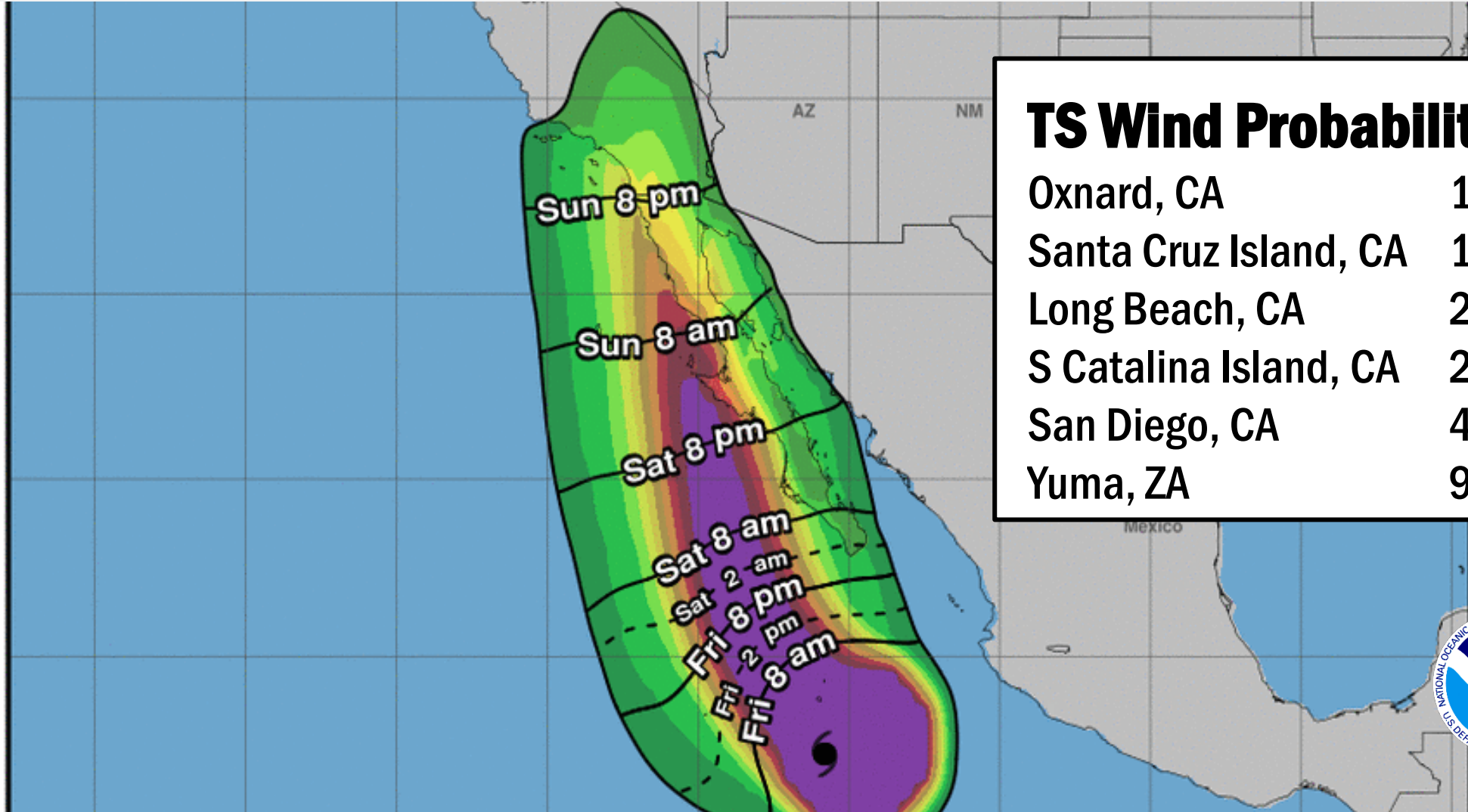
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FORECAST TRACK



Hurricane Hilary

MOST LIKELY ARRIVAL OF TS WINDS



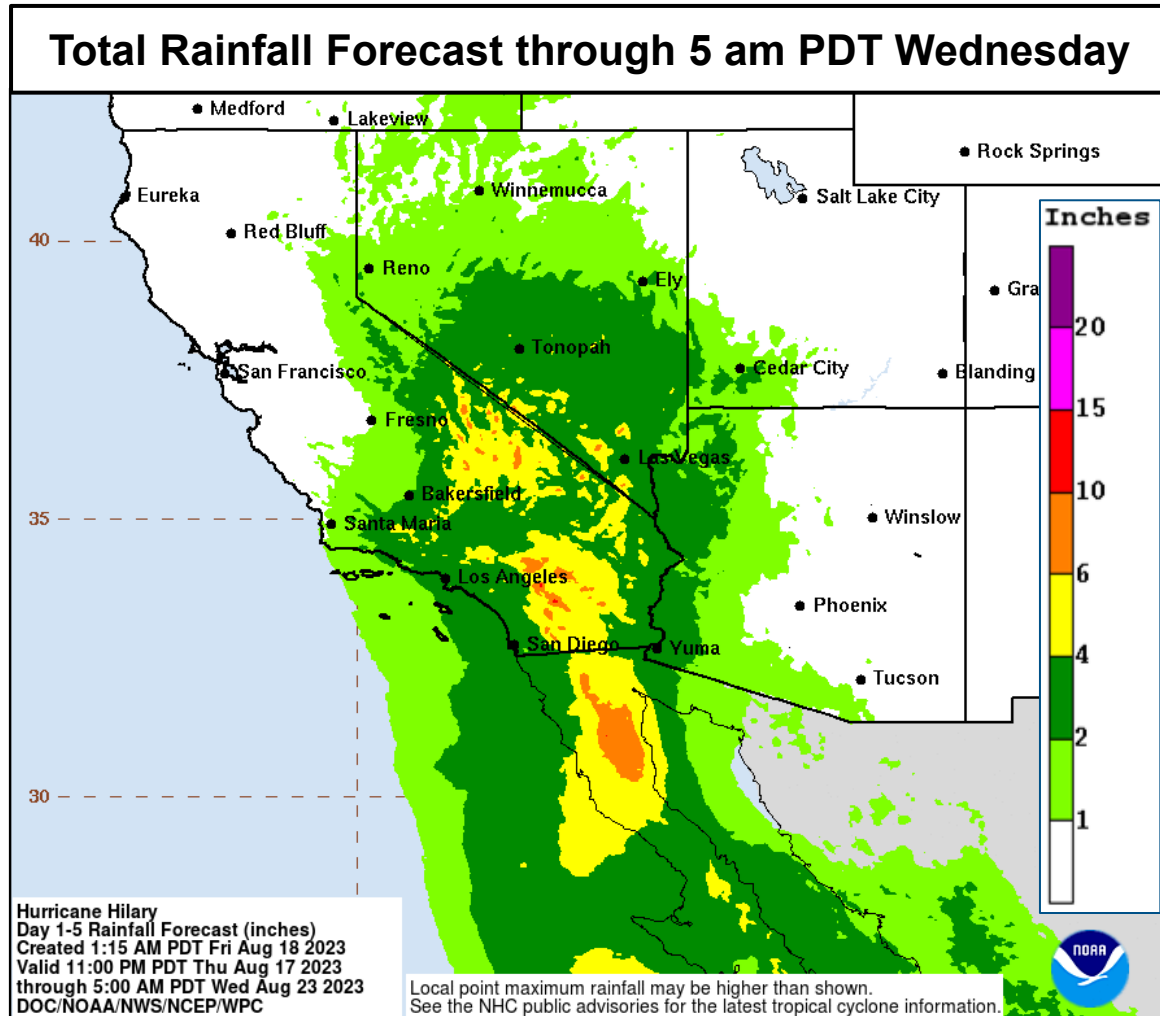
TS Wind Probabilities

Oxnard, CA	13%
Santa Cruz Island, CA	10%
Long Beach, CA	24%
S Catalina Island, CA	24%
San Diego, CA	41%
Yuma, ZA	9%

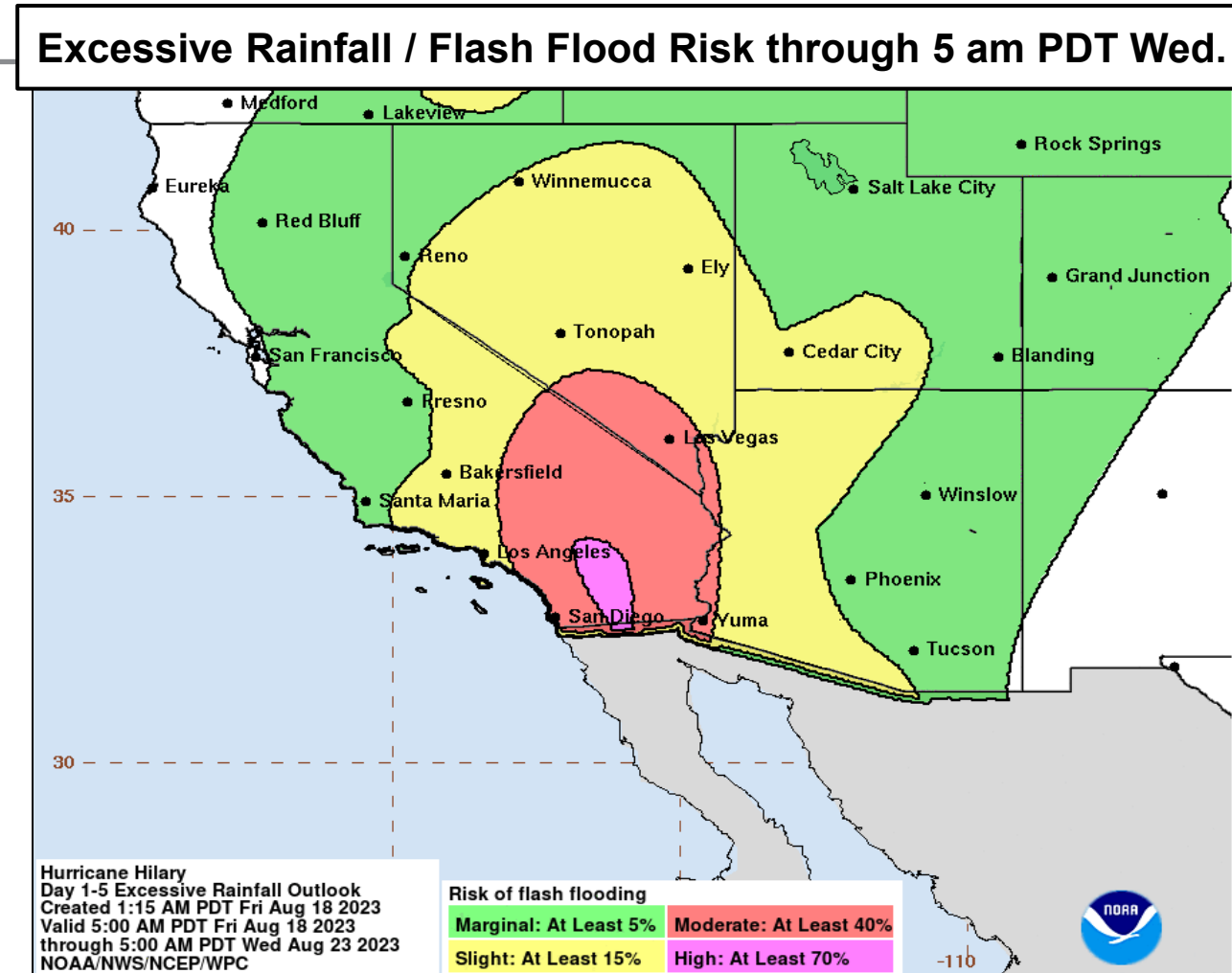


NWS Weather Prediction Center

Updated 6 am EDT, Friday, Aug. 18, 2023 - Hurricane Hilary Latest Rainfall Forecasts and Information

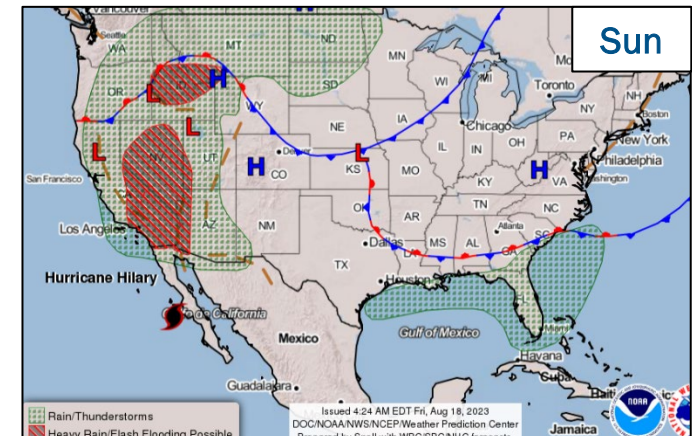
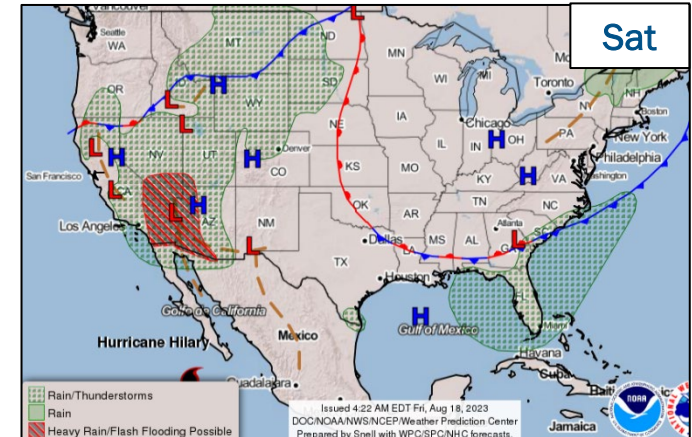
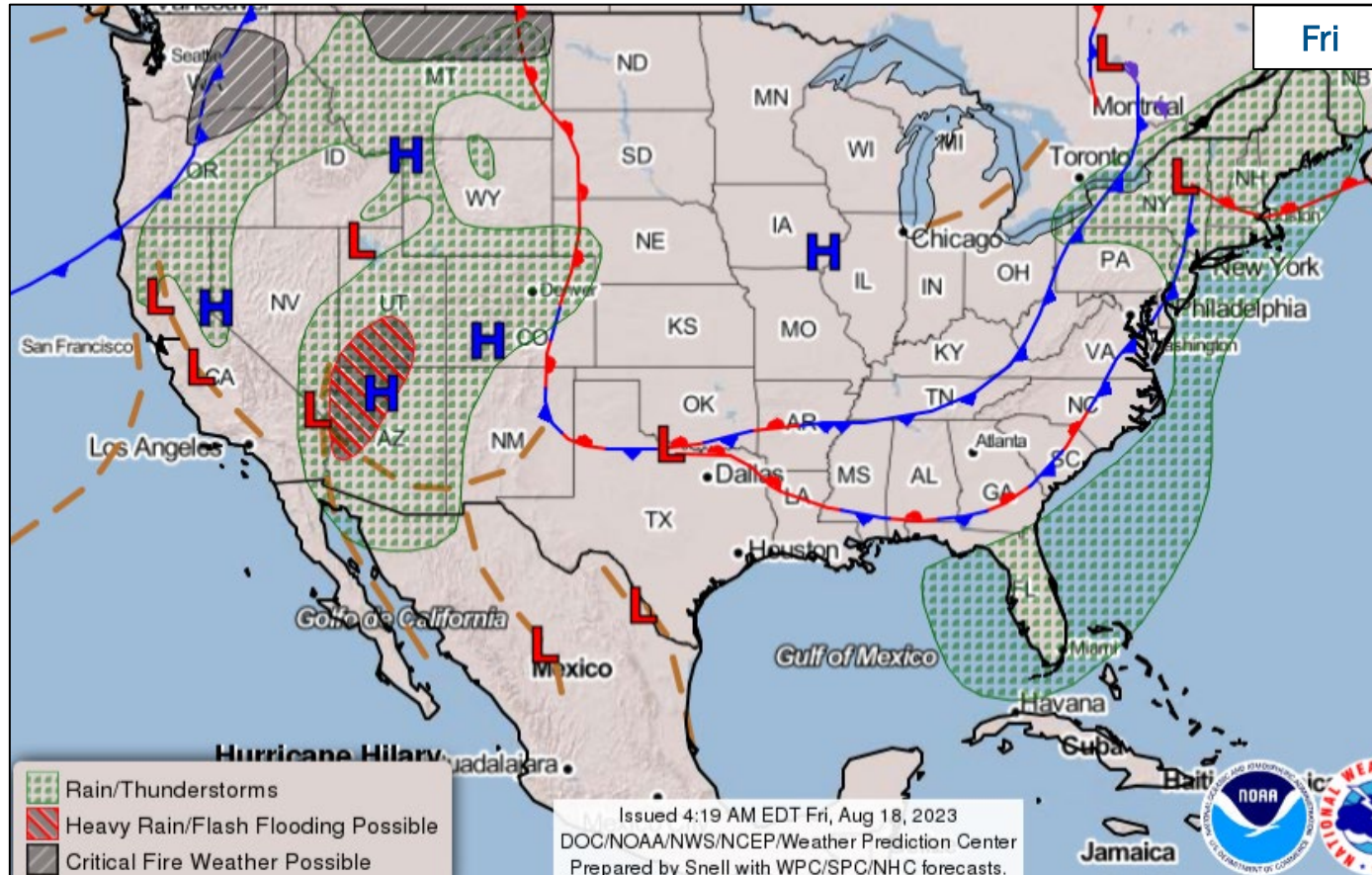


- **Southern California and southern Nevada:** 3-6 inches, with isolated 10 inches
- Even at the low end of the range, these amounts would be very unusual in the arid regions east of the California mountain ranges
- **Rest of the Western U.S.:** 1-3 inches



- Flash, urban, and arroyo flooding is expected with the potential for significant impacts.
- Rainfall impacts may begin well out ahead of Hilary's center, as early as Saturday.
- First **HIGH RISK** on record in the low desert regions EAST of the southern California mountains; includes Palm Springs and the rest of the Coachella Valley

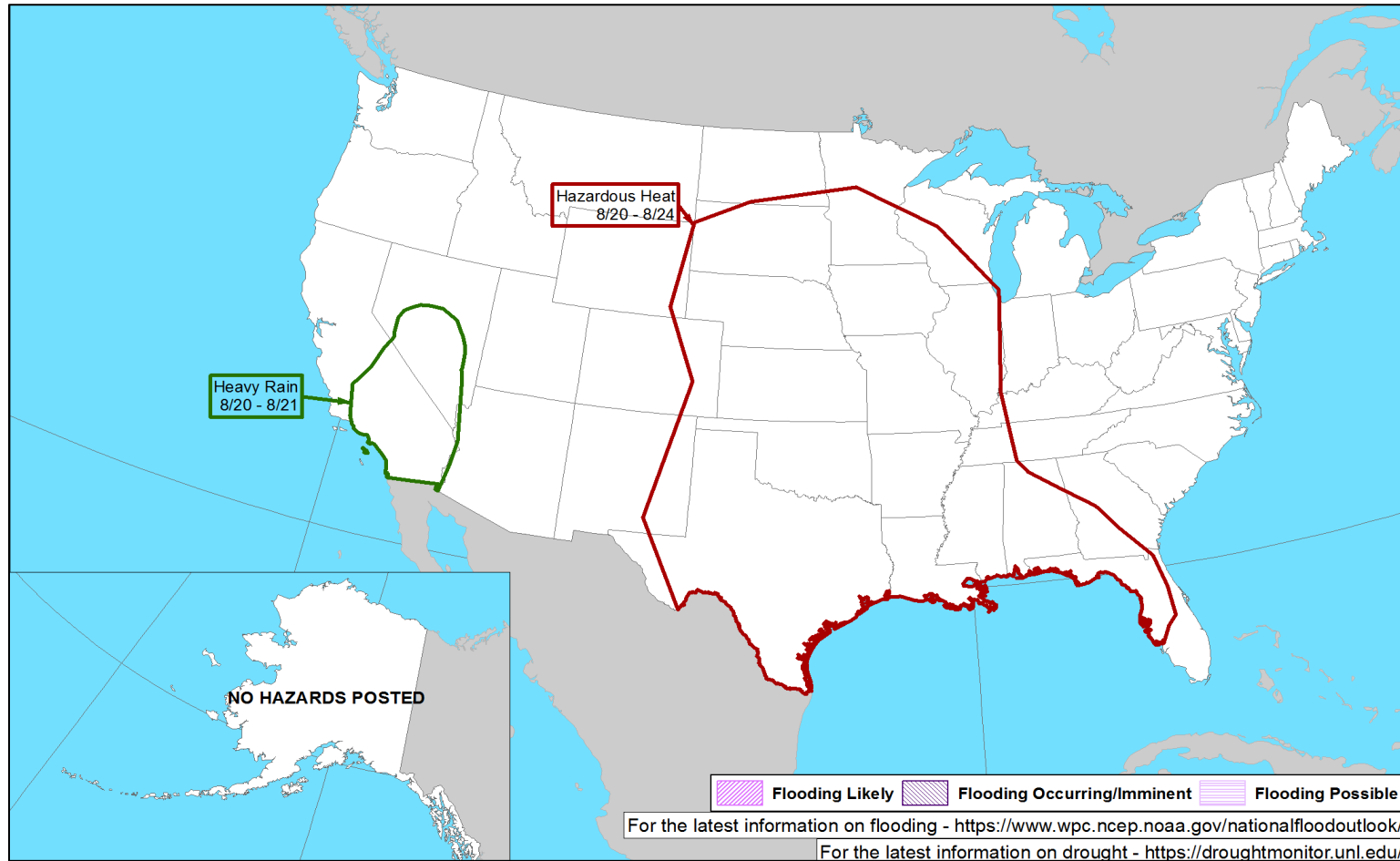
National Weather Forecast



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Hazards Outlook – Aug 20-24

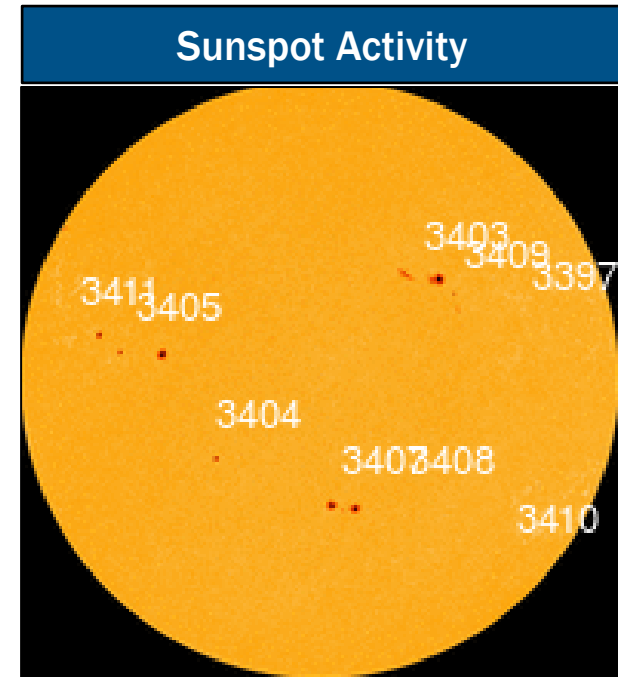
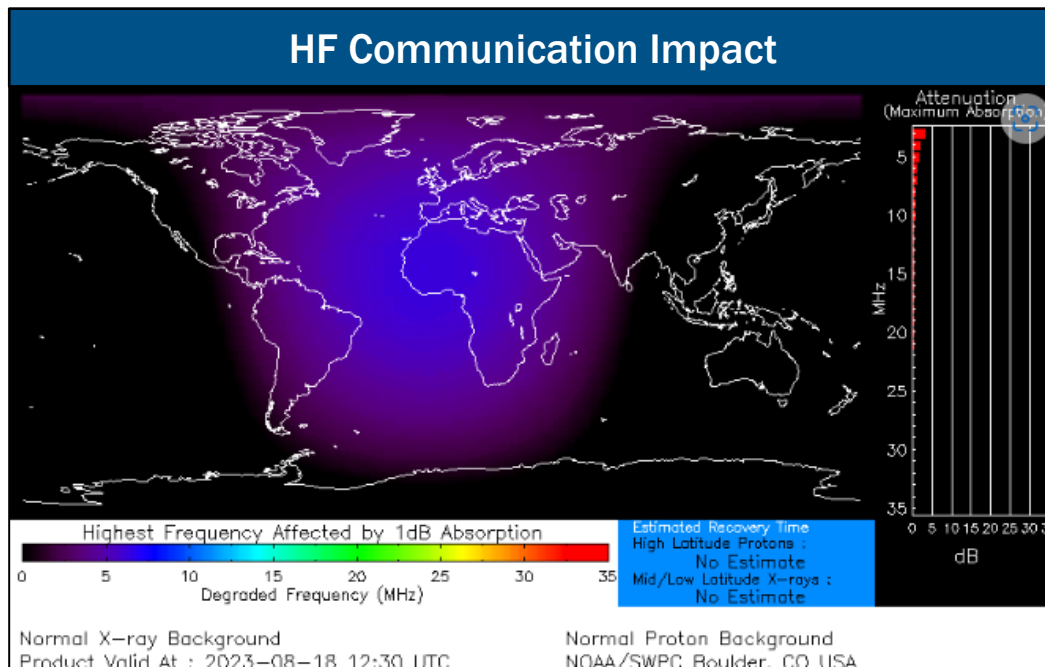


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Space Weather Outlook

Minor	Space Weather Activity	Geomagnetic Storms	Solar Radiation	Radio Blackouts
Past 24 Hours	None	None	None	None
Next 24 Hours	None	None	None	None

For further information on NOAA Space Weather Scales refer to: <http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/noaa-scales-explanation>
 For further information on Sunspot Activity refer to: <https://www.swpc.noaa.gov/phenomena/sunspotssolar-cycle>



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Wildfire Summary

Fire Name (Co., ST)	FMAG #	Acres Burned	Percent Contained	Evacuations	Structures (Homes / Other)			Fatalities / Injuries
					Threatened	Damaged	Destroyed	
Lost Horse Creek (Fairbanks North Star Borough, AK)	5473-FM-AK	9,505	16%	M: Lifted	H: 0	H: 0	H: 0	0 / 2
				V: 0	O: 0	O: 0	O: 0	

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



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FEMA Common Operating Picture

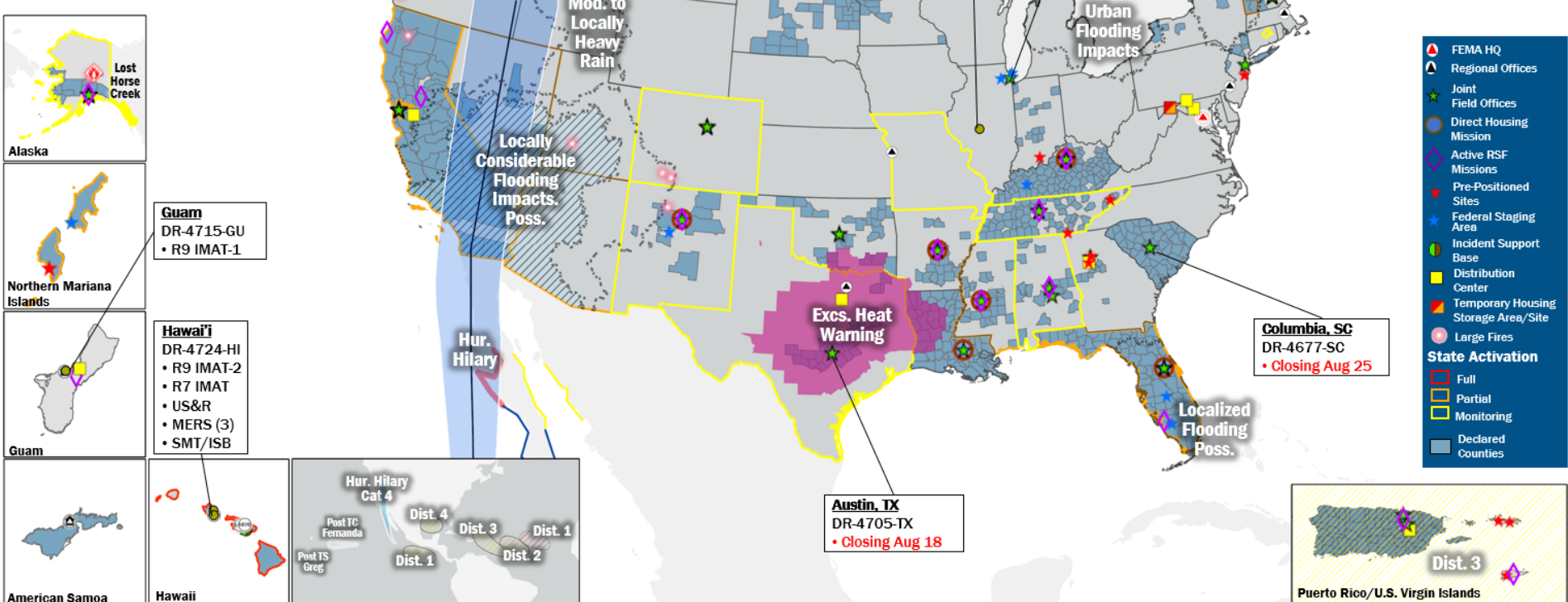
17 + 8 Joint Field Offices Virtual Joint Field Offices Supporting
72 + 0 Major Disasters Emergency Declarations
7 Direct Housing Missions
18 RSF-Supported Disasters

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FEMA HQ	
NWC	NRCC
Monitoring	Rostered
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:	
RWC/RRCC: = All at Monitoring/Rostered	State EOCs: - AL/KY/MO/MS/TN/TX: Severe Weather - FL: TC Ian - AK/CA/KY/NV/VT: Flooding - CO: Avian Influenza, Public Health Support, and Suncor Refinery - AZ/CO: SW Border Coordination - AK/HI/NM/WA: Wildfires - CNMI: Typhoon Mawar - CA: Excessive Heat
Surge Capacity Force	
Rostered 7,218	Deployed 0

N-IMATs	
2-5 Teams Available	
Red	
White	
Blue	
Gold	
HS	Training
R-IMATs	
≥ 7 Teams Available	
I	VT
II	
III	1
IV-1	Personnel
IV-2	Personnel
V	IL
VI-1	
VI-2	
VII	HI
VIII	
IX-1	GU
IX-2	HI
X	Personnel
Fully Mission Capable (FMC)	
Partially Mission Capable (PMC)	
Not Mission Capable (NMC)	
Deployed	

REGIONAL BREAKDOWN			
	JFO/VJFO	DR	EM
I	3/0	8	0
II	1/2	5	0
III	0/0	0	0
IV	7/1	18	0
V	1/1	3	0
VI	4/1	7	0
VII	0/0	0	0
VIII	0/1	6	0
IX	0/1	16	0
X	1/1	9	0



- FEMA HQ
- Regional Offices
- Joint Field 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
- State Activation
 - Full
 - Partial
 - Monitoring
 - Declared Counties

IM Workforce

13,577 (+35) Assigned
 4,298 (-47) Unavailable
 6,181 (+29) Deployed

23% (+1) / 3,098 (+53) Available

IM Cadre Availability

15 Cadres ≤ 25% Availability

Civil Rights: 13% (19/141); Disability Integration: 7% (4/56); External Affairs: 14% (71/501); Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation: 17% (134/810); Field Leadership: 11% (15/135); Hazard Mitigation: 17% (210/1,251); Human Resources: 14% (24/170); Interagency Recovery Coordination: 22% (64/294); Information Technology: 24% (151/642); Logistics: 18% (269/1,515); Operations: 16% (56/345); Public Assistance: 6% (141/2,177); Planning: 10% (45/463); Safety: 3% (2/80); Security: 9% (13/139)

MERS

≥ 66%

36 Assigned
 0 Unavailable
 1 Deployed

35 Available

US&R

≥ 66%

28 Assigned
 1 Unavailable
 5 Deployed

22 Available

FCO

≤ 1 Type I

48 Assigned
 8 Unavailable
 36 (24 FCOR) Deployed

4 Available

Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

Region	State / Location	Incident	IA	Number of Counties		Start - End
			PA	Requested	Complete	
I	NH	Flooding Jun 17 and continuing	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	10	0	7/24 - TBD
	CT	Flooding Jul 9-10	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	1	0	8/9 - TBD
	VT	Flooding Aug 3-8	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	2	0	8/21 - TBD
III	PA	Flooding Jul 15-16	IA	2	2	8/2 - 8/10
			PA	2	0	8/2 - TBD
IV	KY	Severe Weather, Heavy Rainfall, and Heat Events Jul 18-21	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	5	4 (+4)	8/17 - TBD
V	IL	Severe Storms and Flash Flooding Jun 29 - Jul 2	IA	1	1	7/24 - 7/28
			PA	14	0	7/24 - TBD
VII	MO	Severe Storms and Flooding Jul 29 and continuing	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	32 (+6)	0	8/15 - TBD
	KS	Severe Storms and Flooding Jun 27 and continuing	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	31 (+14)	0	TBD



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Declaration Approval – Tennessee

Declaration: Major Disaster Declaration – FEMA-4729-DR-TN
Date Requested: July 19, 2023

Date Approved: August 17, 2023

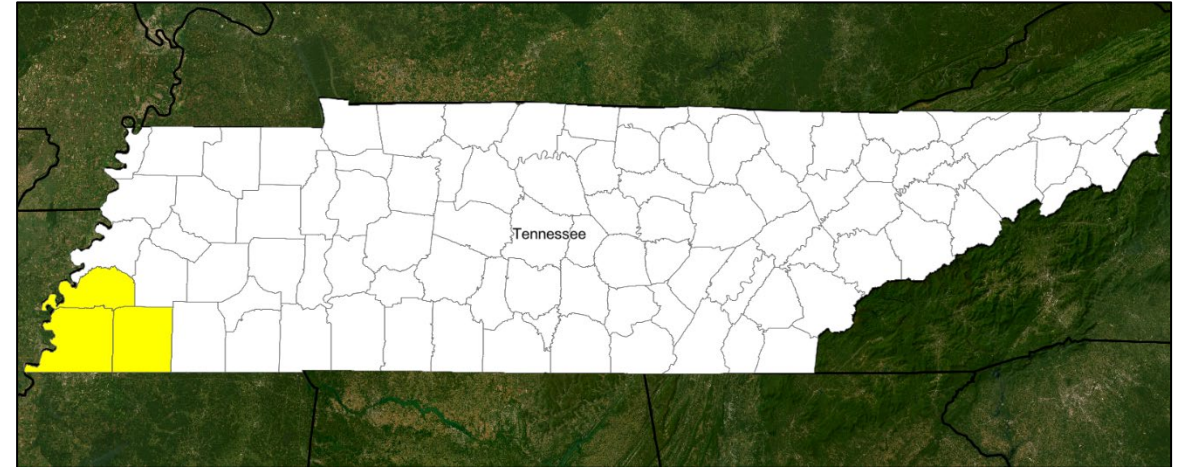
Incident: Severe Storms and Straight-line Winds

Incident Period: June 25-26, 2023

Provides:

- **PA:** 3 counties
- **Hazard Mitigation:** Statewide

FCO: Andrew D. Friend



■ PA



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Declaration Request – Maine

Declaration Type: Major Disaster – Maine
Requested: August 16, 2023

Incident: Severe Storm and Flooding
Incident Period: June 26, 2023

Requested:

- **PA:** 1 county (Oxford)
- **Hazard Mitigation:** Statewide



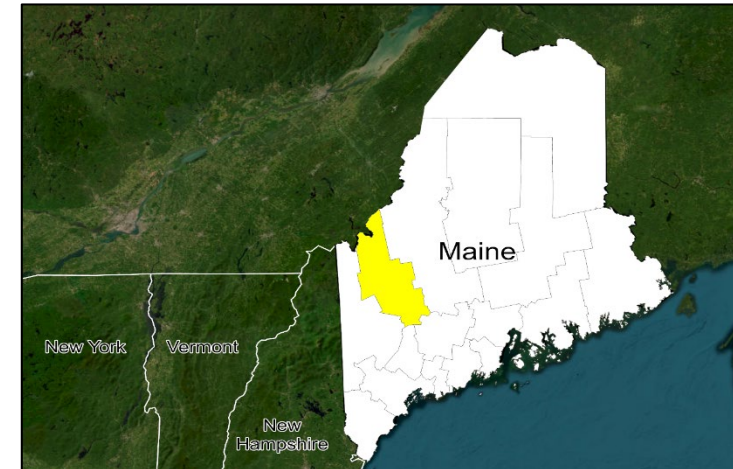
■ IA

Declaration Type: Major Disaster – Maine
Requested: August 16, 2023

Incident: Severe Storm and Flooding
Incident Period: June 29, 2023

Requested:

- **PA:** 1 county (Franklin)
- **Hazard Mitigation:** Statewide



■ IA



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Declaration Requests in Process – 12

State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Type	IA	PA	HM	Requested
MI – Flooding	DR		X	X	Jun 15
OH – Train Derailment	DR	X	X	X	Jul 3
TN – Severe Storms and Straight-line Winds – Approved	DR		X	X	Jul 20
CO – Severe Storms, Tornadoes, and Flooding	DR		X	X	Jul 28
NH – Severe Storms, and Flooding	DR		X	X	Jul 28
PA – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, and Flooding	DR	X	X	X	Jul 31
WY – Flooding	DR	X	X	X	Aug 1
AK – Flooding	DR	X	X	X	Aug 2
IA – Flooding	DR		X	X	Aug 7
UT – Flooding	DR		X	X	Aug 14
Burns Paiute Tribe – Severe Storms, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides	DR		X	X	Aug 10
ME – Severe Storms and Flooding	DR		X	X	Aug 16
ME – Severe Storms and Flooding	DR		X	X	Aug 16



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Declaration Amendments

Declaration	Number	Issued	Action
FEMA-4715-DR-GU	4	Aug 17	Adjusts cost sharing to 90 percent of total eligible costs
FEMA-4726-DR-MT	1	Aug 17	Appoints Alana B. Kuhn as FCO
FEMA-4652-DR-NM	15	Aug 17	Adjusts cost sharing to 100 percent of total eligible costs



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