

FEMA National Watch Center

Daily Operations Briefing

Monday, August 19, 2024

8:30 a.m. ET



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National Current Ops / Monitoring

New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Ops

- Wildfires – Western U.S.

Hazard Monitoring

- Severe Weather – Colorado
- Excessive Heat – Southern Plains to the Gulf Coast
- Heavy Rain / Flash Flooding – Northeast
- Tropical Activity:
 - Atlantic:
 - Hurricane Ernesto (CAT 1)
 - Eastern Pacific:
 - Tropical Storm Gilma
 - Disturbance 1 – High (80%)
 - Disturbance 2 – Med (40%)
 - Disturbance 3 – Low (20%)

Disaster Declaration Activity

- Approval: Emergency Declaration – FEMA-3611-EM-VI
- Amendment No. 1 to FEMA-3611-EM-VI

Event Monitoring

- Democratic National Convention – Chicago, IL



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Democratic National Convention – Chicago, IL

Situation: The Democratic National Convention (DNC) will be hosted at the United Center in Chicago, IL from Aug 19-22. The Secretary of Homeland Security has designated the 2024 DNC as an event of national significance and a National Special Security Event (NSSE). FAA Temporary flight restrictions will be in effect from Aug 19-22.

Preparations / Response:

- The USSS is the lead federal law enforcement agency
- The Chicago Police Department is the lead local law enforcement agency
- The FBI is the lead federal agency for intelligence and counterterrorism
- FEMA is the lead federal agency for crisis and consequence management
- Temporary road closures in effect intermittently around McCormick Place beginning Aug 16 and around the United Center on Aug 17
- The FAA will enforce daily temporary flight restrictions

State / Local:

- IL SEOC at Partial Activation (Democratic National Convention)

FEMA / Federal:

FEMA Region V:

- RWC at Monitoring; RRCC is Rostered

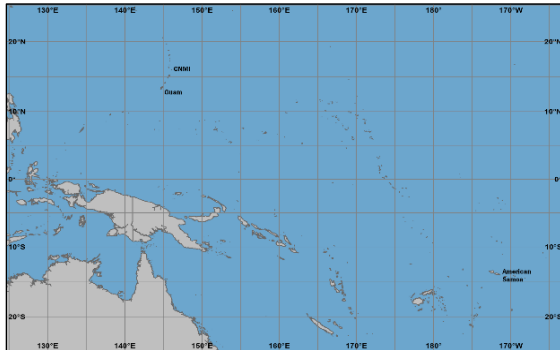
HQ:

- NWC is at Enhanced Watch
- N-IMAT White, DEST, CMCU, US&R, and NRCC are on alert
- Denver MERS will provide communication support



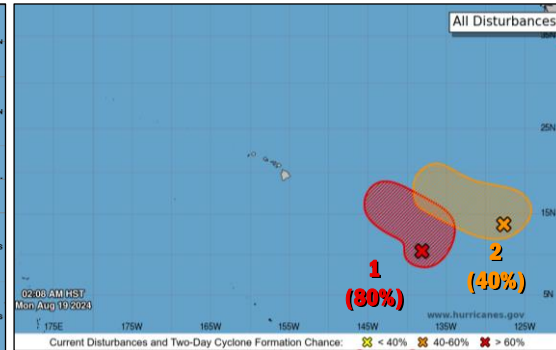
Tropical Outlook

Western Pacific



- No areas of concern for Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands or American Samoa

Central Pacific



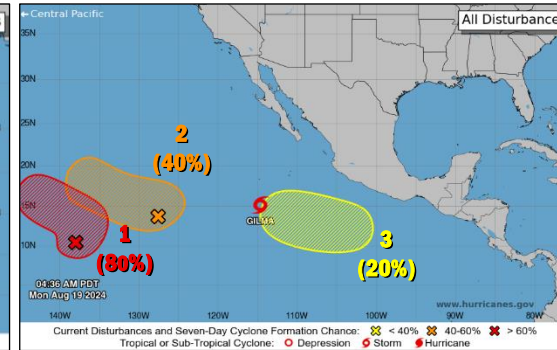
Disturbance 1:

- See Eastern Pacific for Disturbance 1

Disturbance 2:

- See Eastern Pacific for Disturbance 2

Eastern Pacific



Tropical Storm Gilma: (Advisory #4 as of 5:00 a.m. ET)

- Located 625 miles SSW of southern tip of Baja California, Mexico
- Maximum sustained winds 50 mph
- Moving W at 13 mph
- Slow strengthening is expected during the next few days
- Tropical-storm-force winds extend outward up to 45 miles

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

- Located well ESE of Hilo, Hawaii
- Tropical Depression likely to form in the next couple of days
- Formation chance - 48-hour: High (70%); 7-day: High (80%)

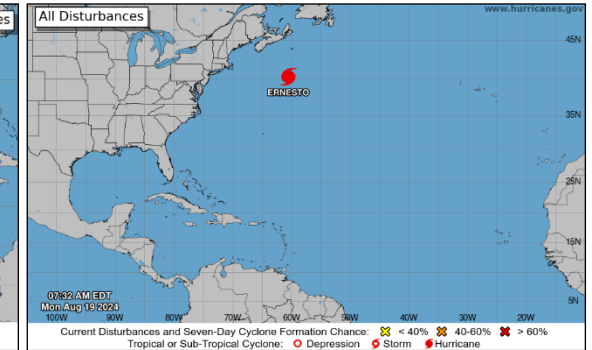
Disturbance 2: (as of 8:00 a.m. ET)

- Located well WSW of the southern tip of the Baja California peninsula
- Tropical Depression could form within the next few days
- Formation chance - 48-hour: Low (20%); 7-day: Medium (40%)

Disturbance 3: (as of 8:00 a.m. ET)

- Located well S of the southwestern coast of Mexico
- Slow development is possible
- Formation chance - 48-hour: Low (near 0%); 7-day: Low (20%)

Atlantic



Hurricane Ernesto (CAT 1): (Advisory #31, as of 5:00 a.m. ET)

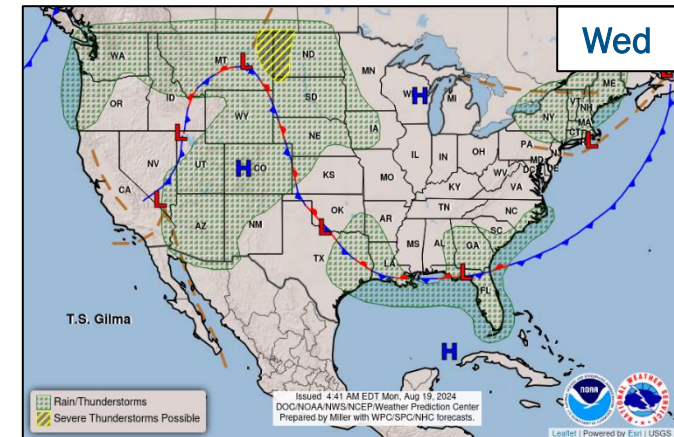
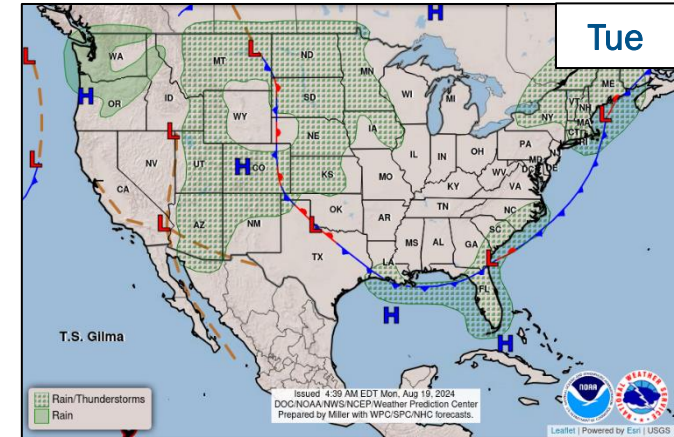
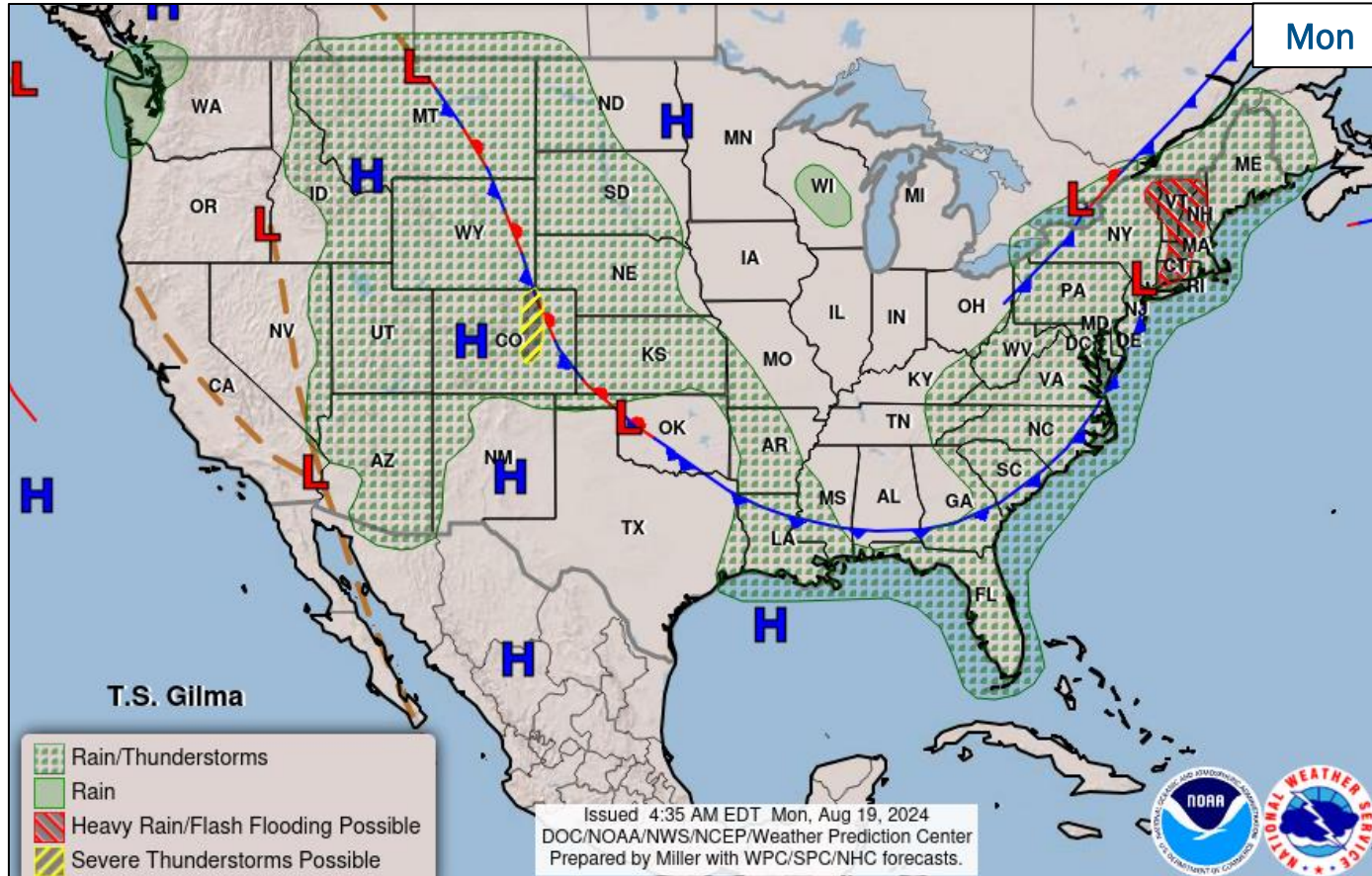
- Located 340 miles SSE of Halifax, Nova Scotia
- Maximum sustained winds 85 mph
- Moving NNE at 21 mph
- Little change in strength is forecast today, and a weakening trend is expected to begin tonight
- Hurricane-force winds extend outward up to 35 miles; tropical-storm-force winds extend outward up to 220 miles



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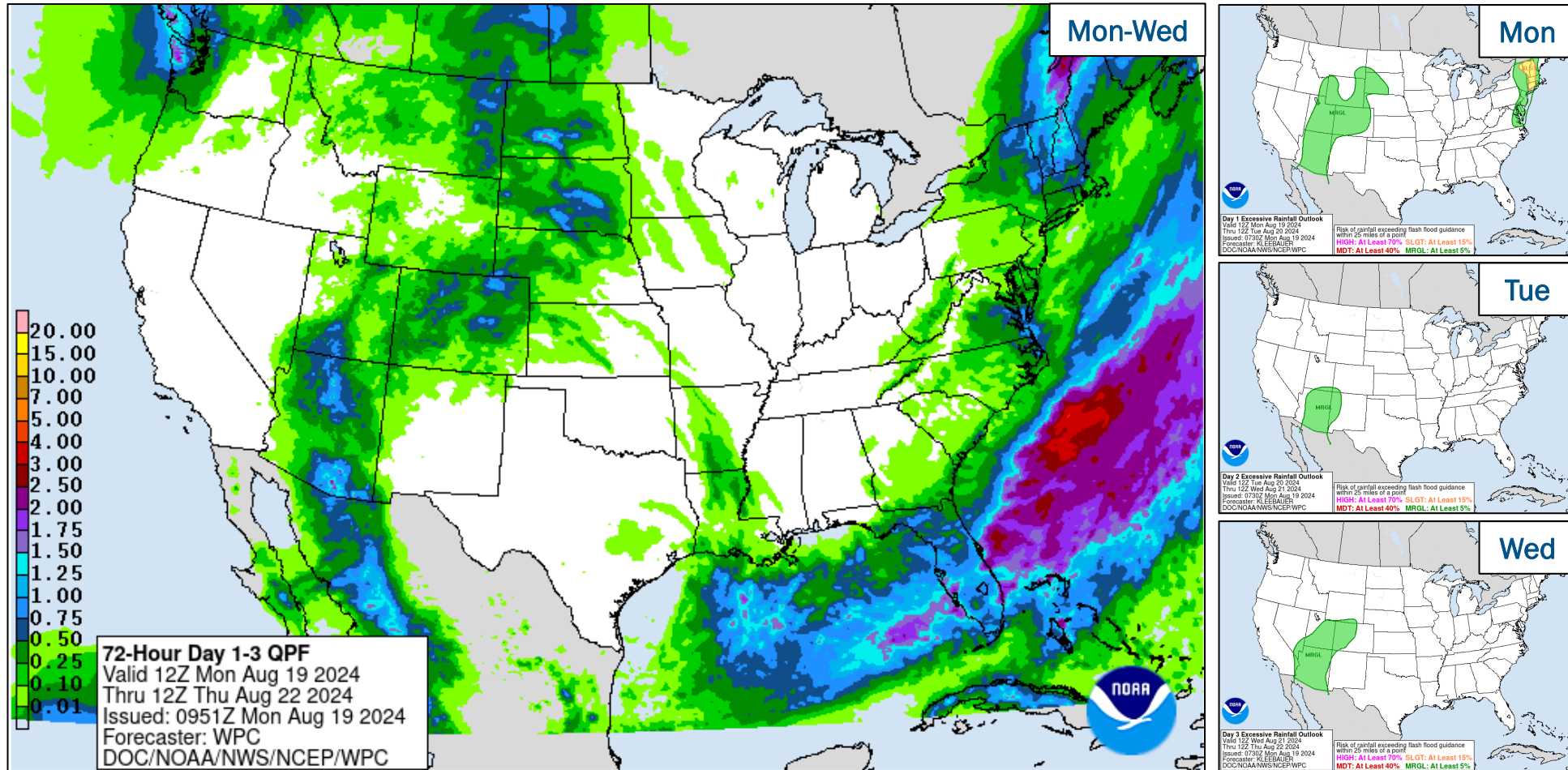
National Weather Forecast



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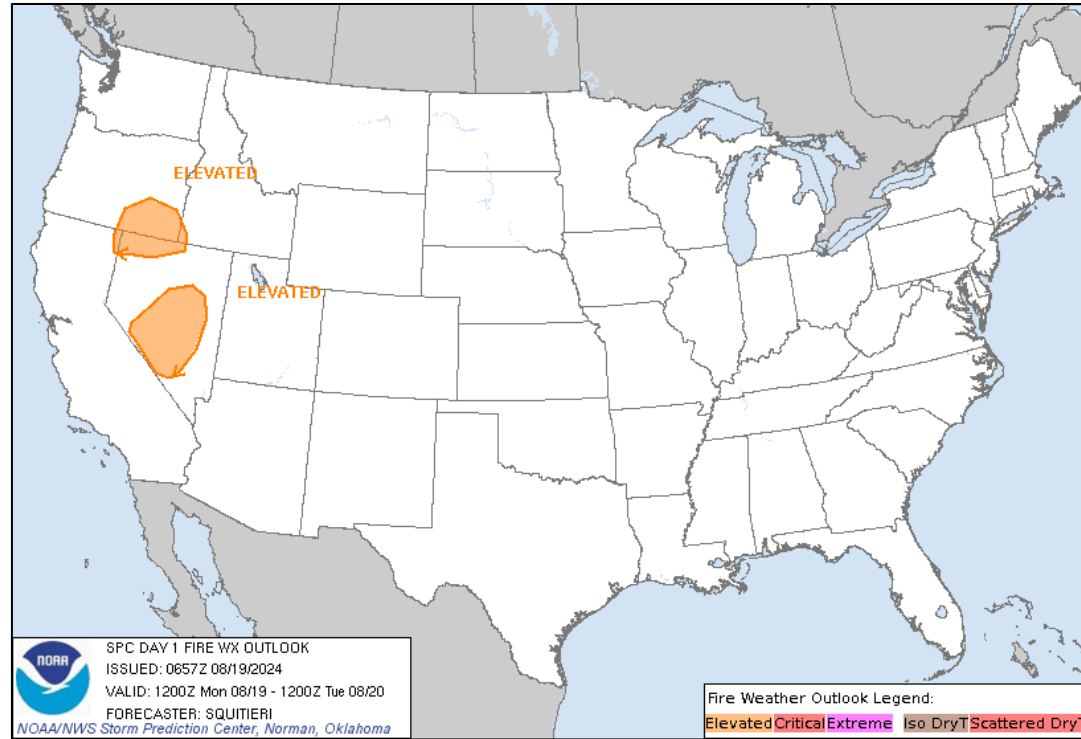
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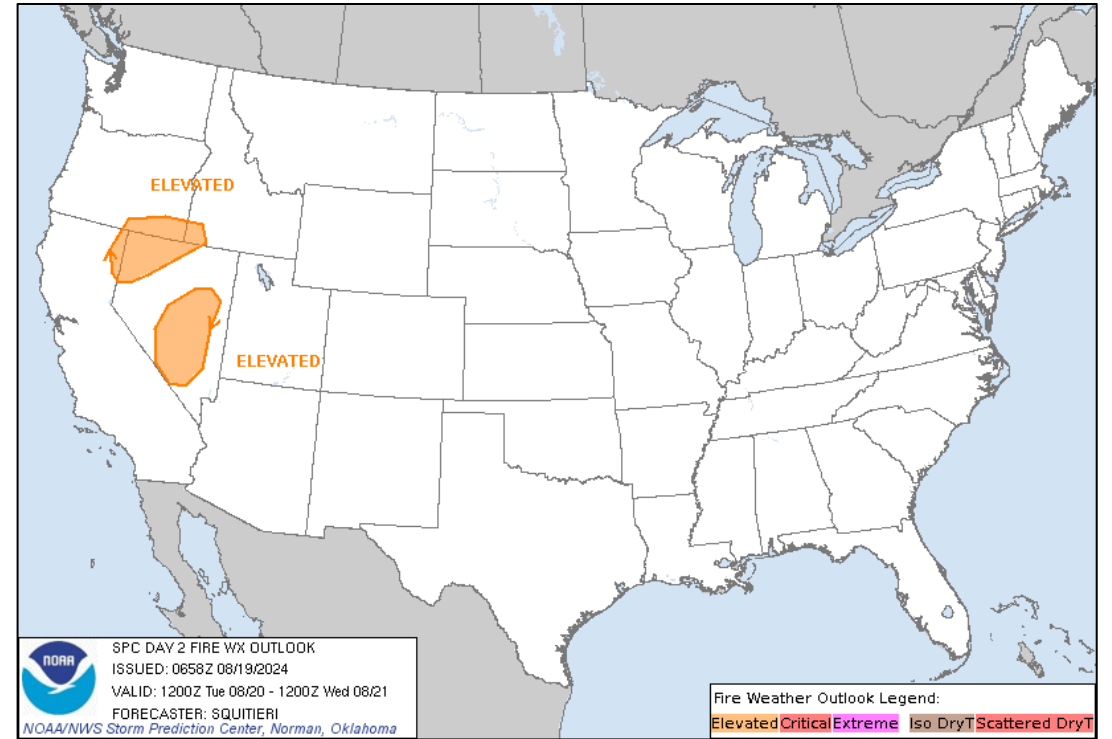
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Fire Weather Outlook



Today



Tomorrow



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Wildfire Summary

Fire Name (County, ST)	FMAG #	Acres Burned	Percent Contained	Evacuations	Structures (Homes / Other)			Fatalities / Injuries
					Threatened	Damaged	Destroyed	
Park (Butte/Tehama, CA)	5519-FM-CA	429,388 (+129)	51% (+1)	M: 258 (-30)	H: 652	H: 19	H: 382	0 / 0
				V: 0	O: 350	O: 30	O: 255	

(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

23 + 4 Joint Field Offices Virtual Joint Field Offices Supporting
94 + 7 Major Disasters Emergency Declarations
12 Direct Housing Missions **22** RSF-Supported Disasters **5** Joint Recovery Offices

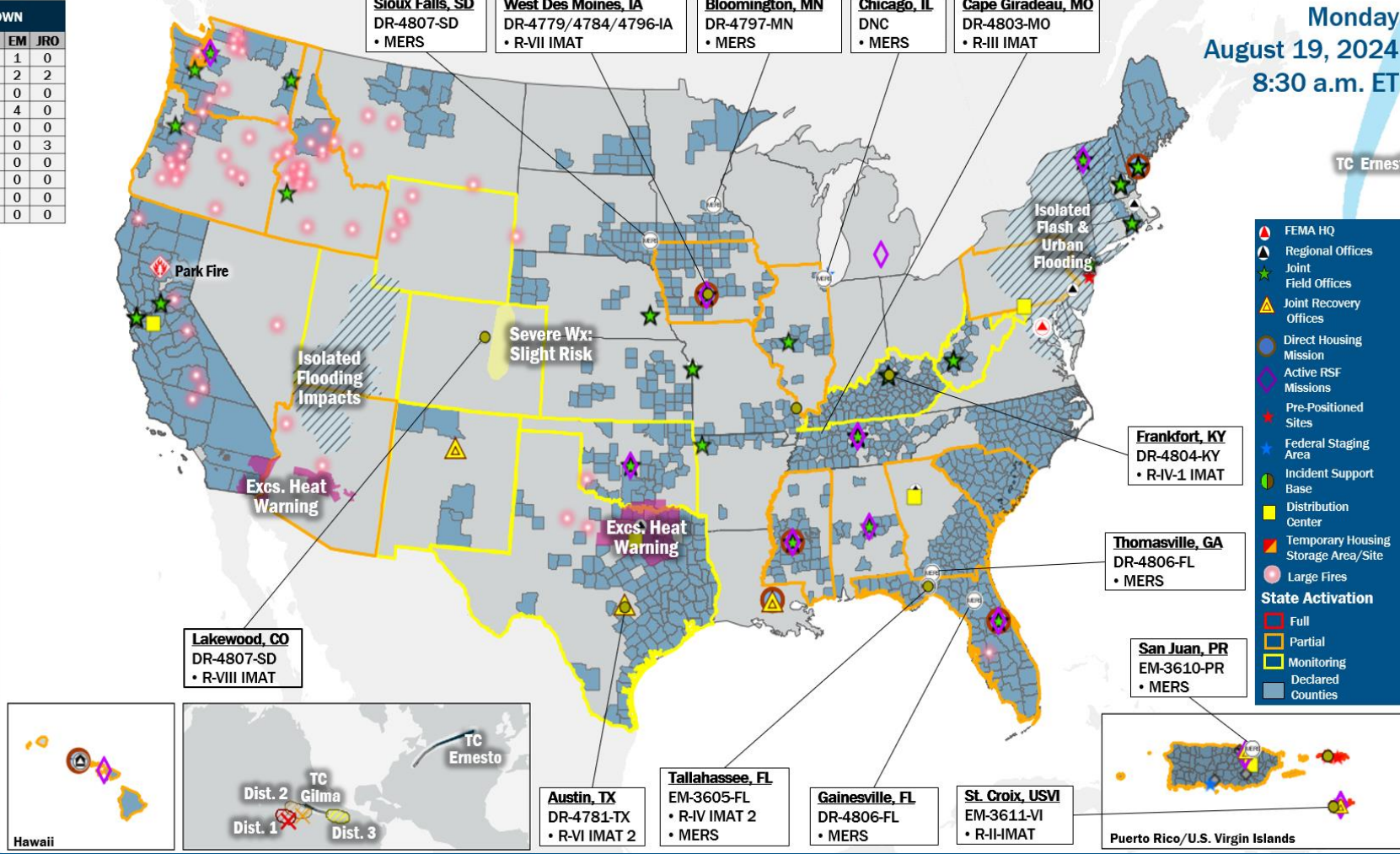
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TC Ernesto

FEMA HQ	
NWC	NRCC
Enhanced	Steady State
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:	
NRCC/RWCs/RRCCs: • NWC: DNC	State EOCs: • MS/OK/KY: Severe Wx • TX: TS Beryl • HI/OK/NM/UT/OR/WA/ID: Wildfires • AZ: SW Border • CO: HWY 50 closure/Avian Flu • AK/FL/IA/NM: Flooding • FL/GA/SC/PA: TC Debby • PR/USVI: TC Ernesto • WV: Drought • WY: Primary Election • IL: DNC
Volunteer Force	
Rostered 7,821	Deployed 15
Surge Capacity Force	
Rostered 7,810	Deployed 0

N-IMATs	
2-5 Teams Available	
Red	
White	
Blue	
Gold	
HS	
R-IMATs	
4-6 Teams Available	
I	3
II	USVI (Aug 9)
III	MO (Jul 24)
IV-1	KY (Jul 26)
IV-2	FL (Aug 2)
V	2
VI-1	1
VI-2	TX (May 17)
VII	IA (Jun 24)
VIII	SD (Aug 16)
IX-1	Personnel
IX-2	Personnel
X	Personnel

REGIONAL BREAKDOWN					
	JFO/WFO	DR	EM	JRO	
I	4/0	15	1	0	
II	1/1	3	2	2	
III	1/0	3	0	0	
IV	5/0	25	4	0	
V	1/0	3	0	0	
VI	2/0	7	0	3	
VII	2/1	8	0	0	
VIII	0/0	3	0	0	
IX	2/1	18	0	0	
X	5/1	9	0	0	



- 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
- State Activation
 - Full
 - Partial
 - Monitoring
 - Declared
 - Counties

IM Workforce

13,582 Assigned
 4,787 (-21) Unavailable
 6,552 (-43) Deployed
 17% / 2,243 (+64) Available

IM Cadre Availability

17 Cadres ≤ 25% Availability
 Alternative Dispute Resolution: 17% (6/35); Disability Integration: 5% (2/43); Disaster Survivor Assistance: 18% (215/1,176); External Affairs: 23% (118/518); Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation: 11% (91/805); Field Leadership: 15% (21/144); Financial Management: 24% (54/229); Hazard Mitigation: 10% (130/1,258); Human Resources: 5% (8/167); Individual Assistance: 12% (308/2,512); Information Technology: 18% (114/641); Logistics: 10% (158/1,553); Operations: 9% (32/343); Public Assistance 17% (368/2,198); Planning: 4% (17/456); Safety: 12% (11/90); Security: 12% (17/138)

MERS
 ≥ 66%
 36 Assigned
 0 Unavailable
 4 (-1) Deployed
 32 (+1) Available

US&R
 ≥ 66%
 28 Assigned
 1 Unavailable
 0 Deployed
 27 Available

FCO
 ≤ 1 Type 1
 51 Assigned
 5 Unavailable
 43 (30FCOR) Deployed
 3 Available

Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

Region	State / Location	Incident	IA	Number of Counties/Jurisdictions		Start - End
			PA	Requested	Complete	
II	SRM*	Severe Storms and Flooding (Post-Tropical Cyclone Debby) Aug 9 and continuing	IA	1	0	TBD - TBD
			PA	1	1	8/16 - 8/16
III	PA	Tropical Cyclone Debby Aug 9	IA	3	0	8/19 - TBD
			PA	0	0	N/A
IV	GA	Tropical Cyclone Debby Aug 4-13	IA	9	3	8/15 - TBD
			PA	35	16	8/15 - TBD
V	MN	Flooding Jun 16	IA	5	0	7/18 - TBD
			PA	20	18	7/18 - TBD
	OH	Severe Storms and Tornadoes Aug 6-7	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	8	0	8/26 - TBD
VII	KS	Severe Storms and Flooding Jun 26 - Jul 7	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	9	0	8/5 - TBD
X	AK	Juneau Mendenhall Glacier Aug 6	IA	1	0	8/26 - TBD
			PA	1	0	8/26 - TBD

*Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe



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Declaration Approval – U.S. Virgin Islands

Declaration Type: Emergency Declaration – FEMA-3611-EM-VI

Date Requested: Aug 16

Date Approved: Aug 18

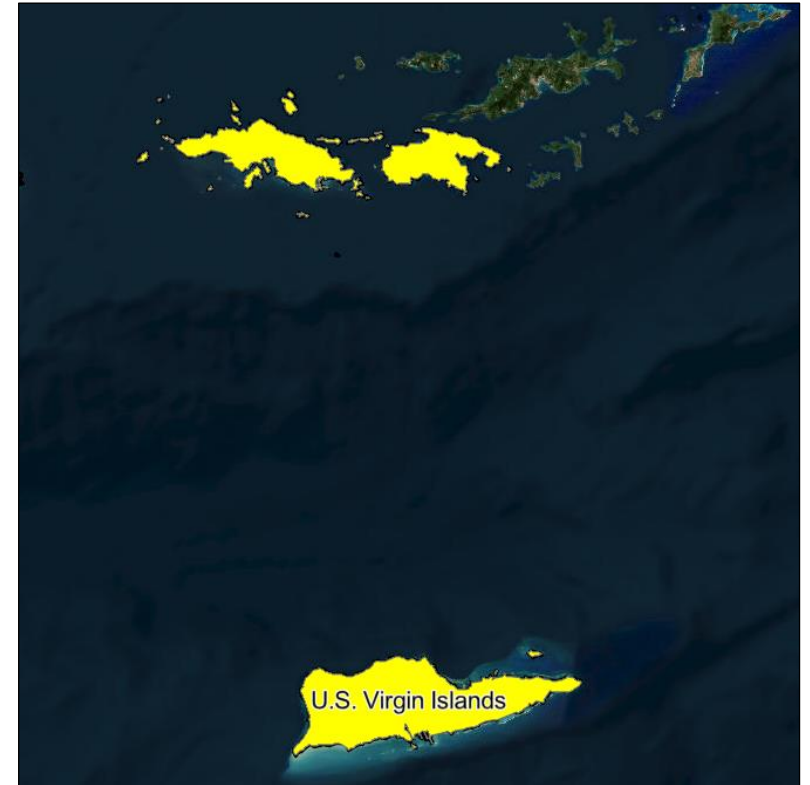
Incident: Tropical Storm Ernesto

Incident Period: Aug 13 and continuing

Provides:

- **PA:** Entire territory

FCO: Lai Sun Yee



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Declaration Amendments

Declaration	Number	Issued	Action
FEMA-3611-EM-VI	1	Aug 18	Appoints Christopher W. Allen as Federal Coordinating Officer



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Declaration Requests in Process – 11

State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Type	IA	PA	HM	Requested
OH – Train Derailment	DR	X	X	X	Jul 3, 2023
OH – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, Flooding, and Landslides (Appeal)	DR		X	X	Jul 19
NY – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, and Flooding	EM		X		Jul 20
NE – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, and Flooding	DR		X	X	Jul 29
KS – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, and Flooding	DR		X	X	Aug 2
VT – Severe Storm, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides	DR	X	X	X	Aug 2
SCP* – Severe Storm and Flooding	DR		X	X	Aug 2
NH – Severe Storm and Flooding	DR		X	X	Aug 5
NY – Severe Storm, Tornadoes, and Flooding	DR		X	X	Aug 8
MT – Straight-line Winds	DR		X	X	Aug 14
SCA** – Watch Fire	DR	X	X	X	Aug 16
USVI – Tropical Storm Ernesto – APPROVED	EM		X		Aug 16

*SCP – Santa Clara Pueblo Tribe
 **SCA – San Carlos Apache Tribe



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