

FEMA National Watch Center

Daily Operations Briefing

Thursday, August 22, 2024

8:30 a.m. ET



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National Current Ops / Monitoring

New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Ops

- Tropical Activity – Hawaii

Hazard Monitoring

- Fire Weather – Nevada
- Flash Flooding – Four Corners
- Excessive Heat – Southern Plains
- Tropical Activity:
 - Eastern Pacific:
 - Hurricane Gilma (CAT-3)
 - Disturbance 2: High (80%)
 - Central Pacific:
 - Disturbance 1: High (90%)

Disaster Declaration Activity

- Emergency Declaration Approval – Connecticut
- Three amendments issued

Event Monitoring

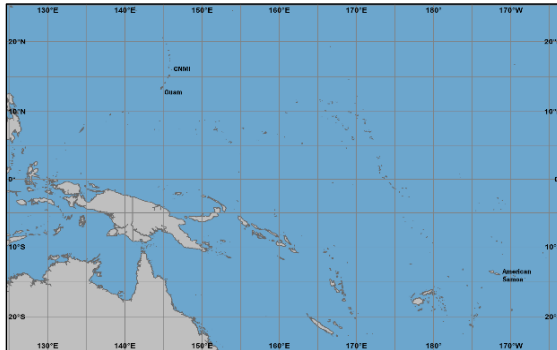
- Democratic National Convention – Chicago, IL



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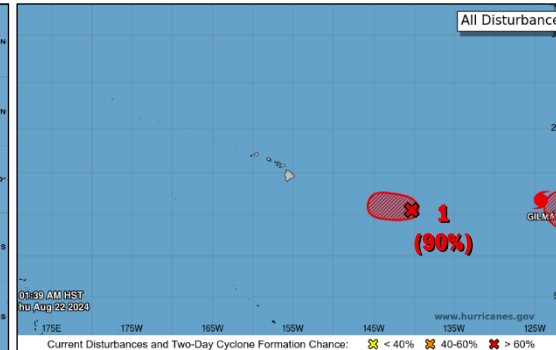
Tropical Outlook

Western Pacific



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

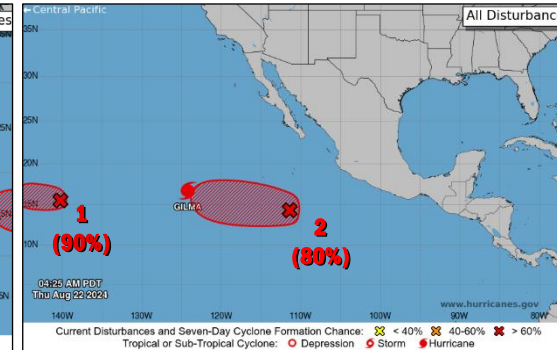
Central Pacific



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

- Located approximately 1,000 ESE of Hilo, Hawaii
- Only a slight improvement in organization could result in the formation of a tropical depression or tropical storm later today
- This system is currently crossing into the Central Pacific basin, where it is then forecast to strengthen during the next couple of days and move near the Hawaiian Islands late this weekend or early next week
- Formation chance – 48-hour: High (90%); 7-day: High (90%)

Eastern Pacific



Hurricane Gilma (CAT 3): (Advisory #16, as of 5:00 a.m. ET)

- Located 1,025 miles WSW of southern tip of Baja, California
- Maximum sustained winds 115 mph
- Moving WNW at 6 mph
- Some additional strengthening is possible today, and Gilma is likely to remain a powerful hurricane for the next couple of days
- Hurricane-storm-force winds extend outward up to 30 miles; Tropical-storm-force winds extend outward up to 125 miles

Disturbance 1:

- See Central Pacific for Disturbance 1

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

- Located several hundred miles S of the southern tip of the Baja California peninsula
- Environmental conditions are forecast to be generally conducive for development over the next several days, and a tropical depression is likely to form during the next few days
- Formation chance – 48-hour: Med (50%); 7-day: High (80%)

Atlantic



- No tropical cyclones expected during the next 7 days



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Tropical Activity – Hawaii

Time Zone	Time																							
HQ	1:00 AM	2:00 AM	3:00 AM	4:00 AM	5:00 AM	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	8:00 AM	9:00 AM	10:00 AM	11:00 AM	12:00 PM	1:00 PM	2:00 PM	3:00 PM	4:00 PM	5:00 PM	6:00 PM	7:00 PM	8:00 PM	9:00 PM	10:00 PM	11:00 PM	12:00 AM
Region IX	10:00 PM	11:00 PM	12:00 AM	1:00 AM	2:00 AM	3:00 AM	4:00 AM	5:00 AM	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	8:00 AM	9:00 AM	10:00 AM	11:00 AM	12:00 PM	1:00 PM	2:00 PM	3:00 PM	4:00 PM	5:00 PM	6:00 PM	7:00 PM	8:00 PM	9:00 PM
Hawaii	7:00 PM	8:00 PM	9:00 PM	10:00 PM	11:00 PM	12:00 AM	1:00 AM	2:00 AM	3:00 AM	4:00 AM	5:00 AM	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	8:00 AM	9:00 AM	10:00 AM	11:00 AM	12:00 PM	1:00 PM	2:00 PM	3:00 PM	4:00 PM	5:00 PM	6:00 PM

Situation: A tropical depression or tropical storm is likely to develop later today. A weather system is located about 1,000 miles east-southeast of Hilo, Hawaii traveling westward at 10 to 15 mph. This system is expected to strengthen as it moves into the central Pacific basin early today and move near the Hawaiian Islands late this weekend or early next week. *(NHC, as of 2:00 a.m. ET)*

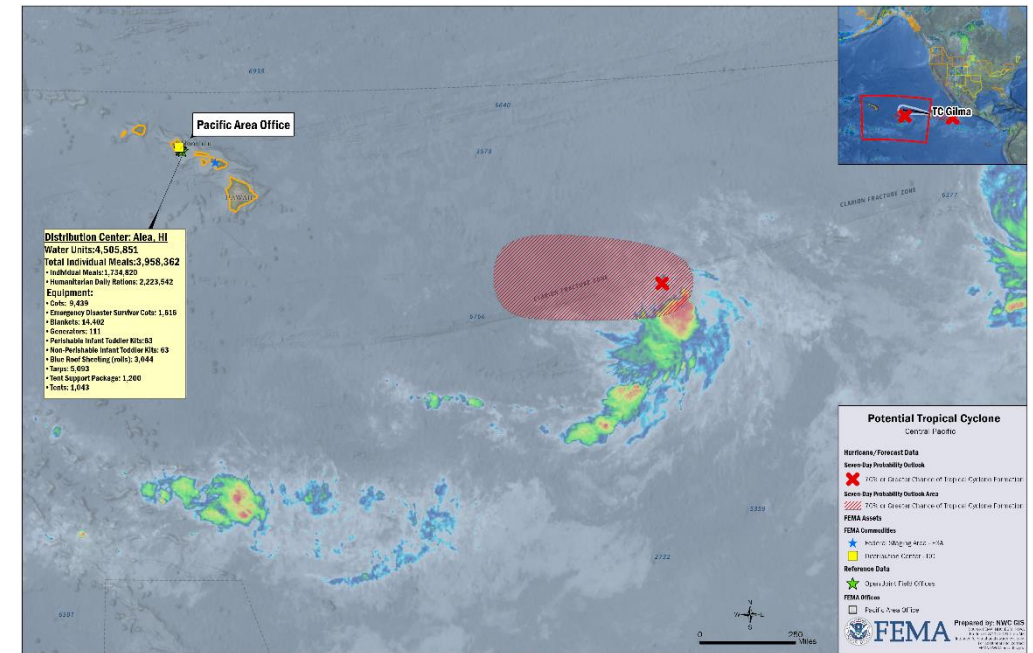
State / Local Preparation:

- HI SEOC is at Partial Activation (Wildfires)

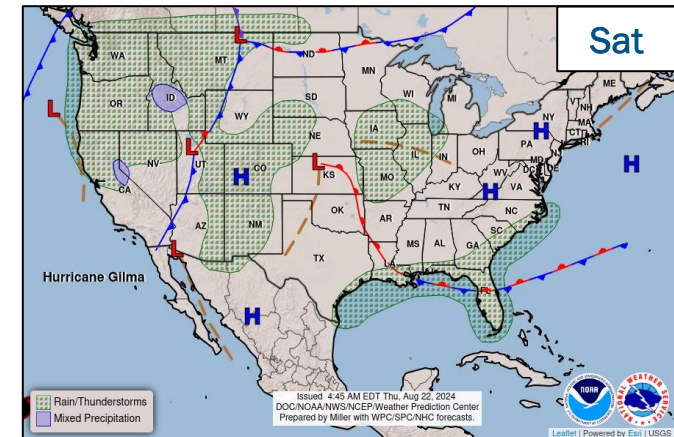
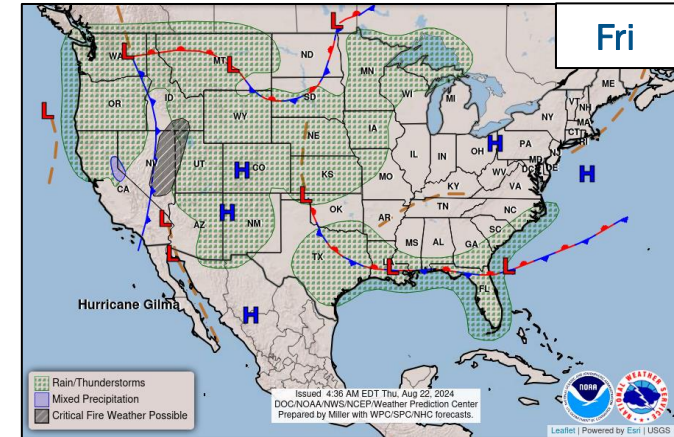
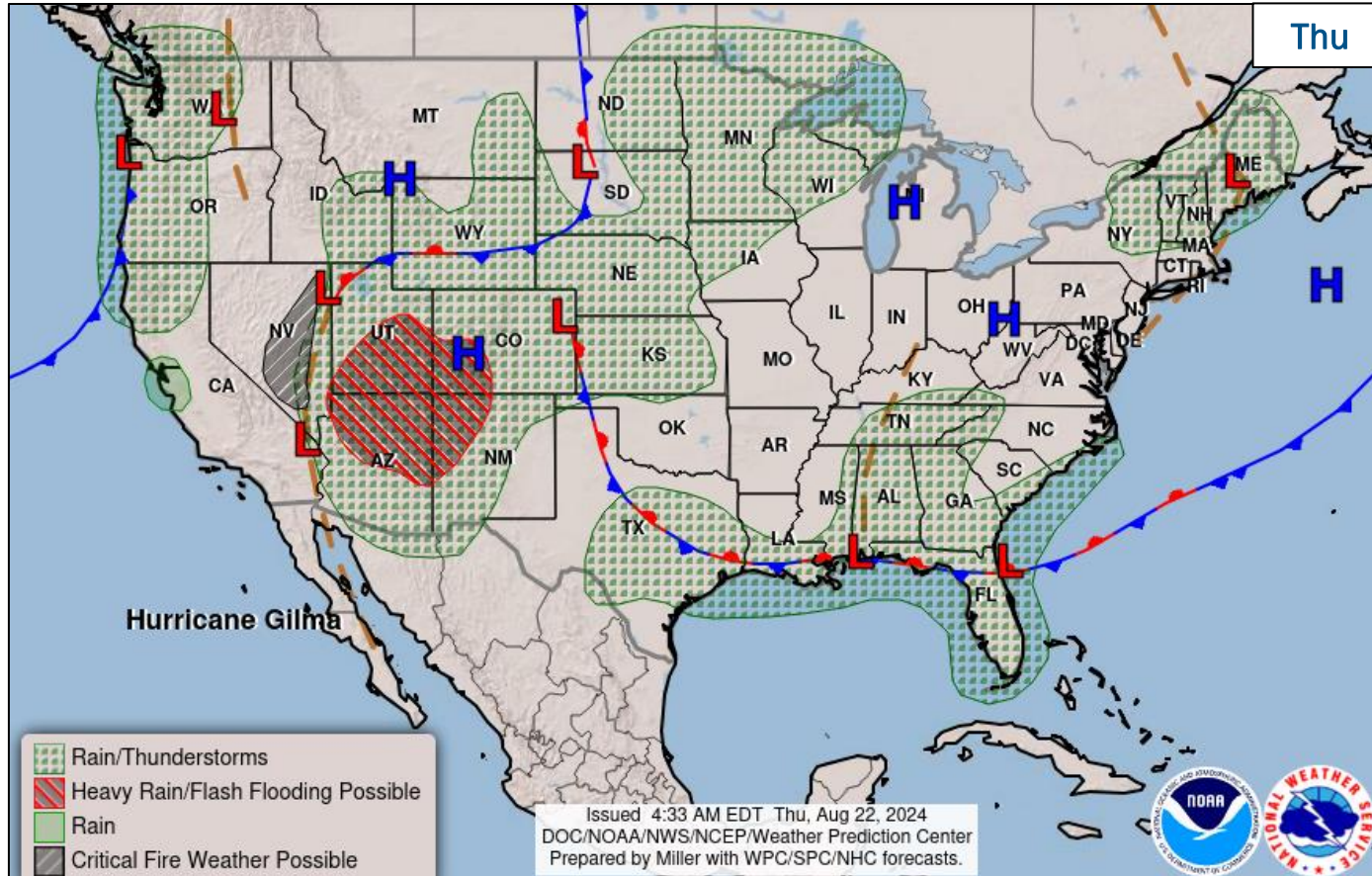
Federal / FEMA Response: *(Region IX IAB No. 2, as of 8:00 p.m. ET)*

- Region IX:
 - RWC is Monitoring; RRCC is Rostered
 - R-IMAT has rostered a composite team to deploy to HI from both IMATs
- FEMA HQ:
 - NWC is Monitoring
 - NRCC is at Steady State; Gold Team rostered to support for the month of August
 - White IST rostered
 - DCs are adequately stocked; SMT Hawaii and NISB Delta are identified to support

NWC will continue to monitor in coordination with FEMA Region IX, with continued reporting twice daily in the FEMA National Situation Report (5:00 p.m. ET / 3:00 a.m. ET) and the FEMA Daily Operations Briefing (8:30 a.m. ET).



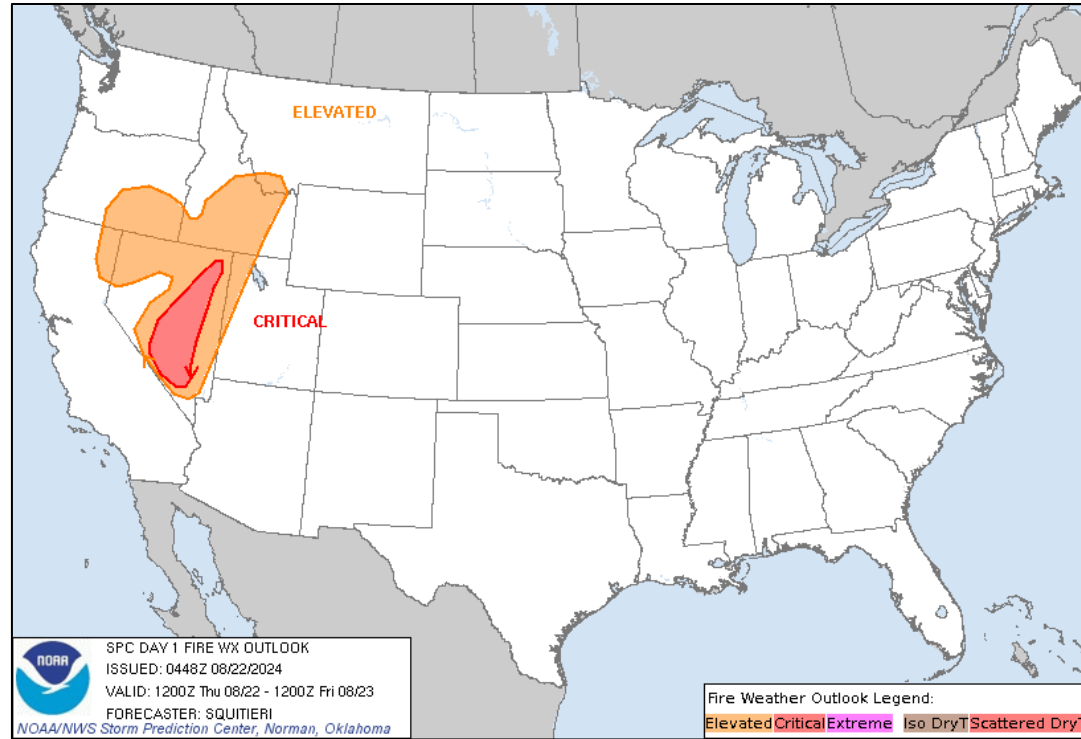
National Weather Forecast



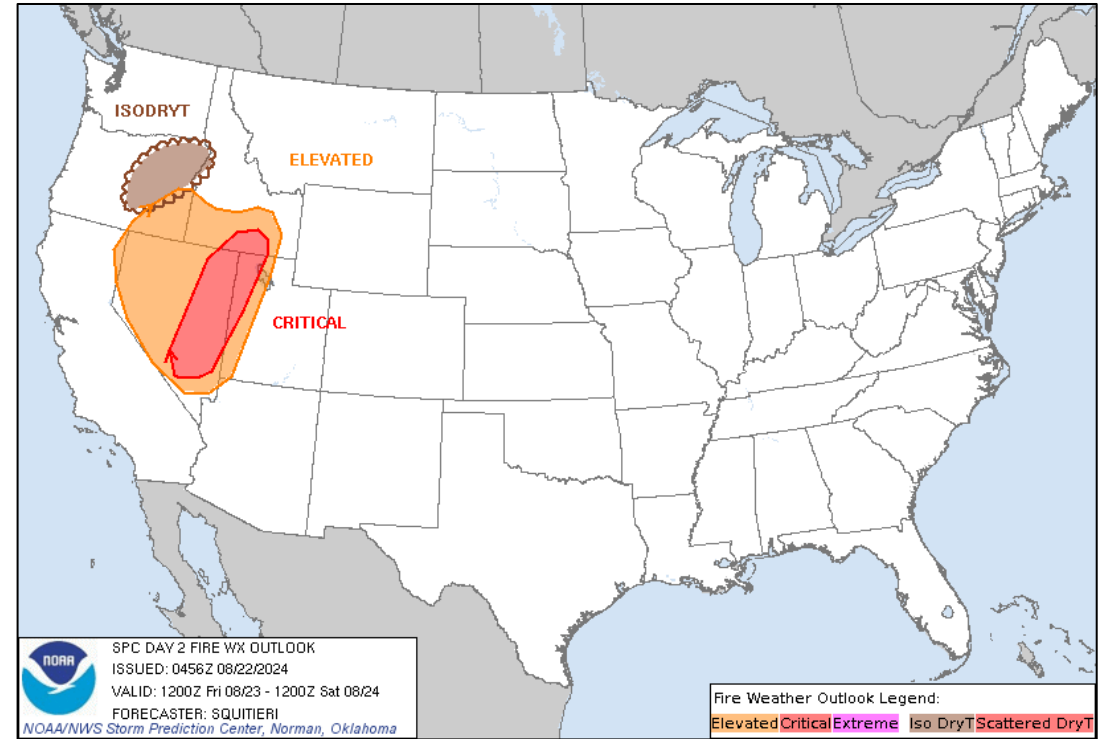
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Fire Weather Outlook



Today



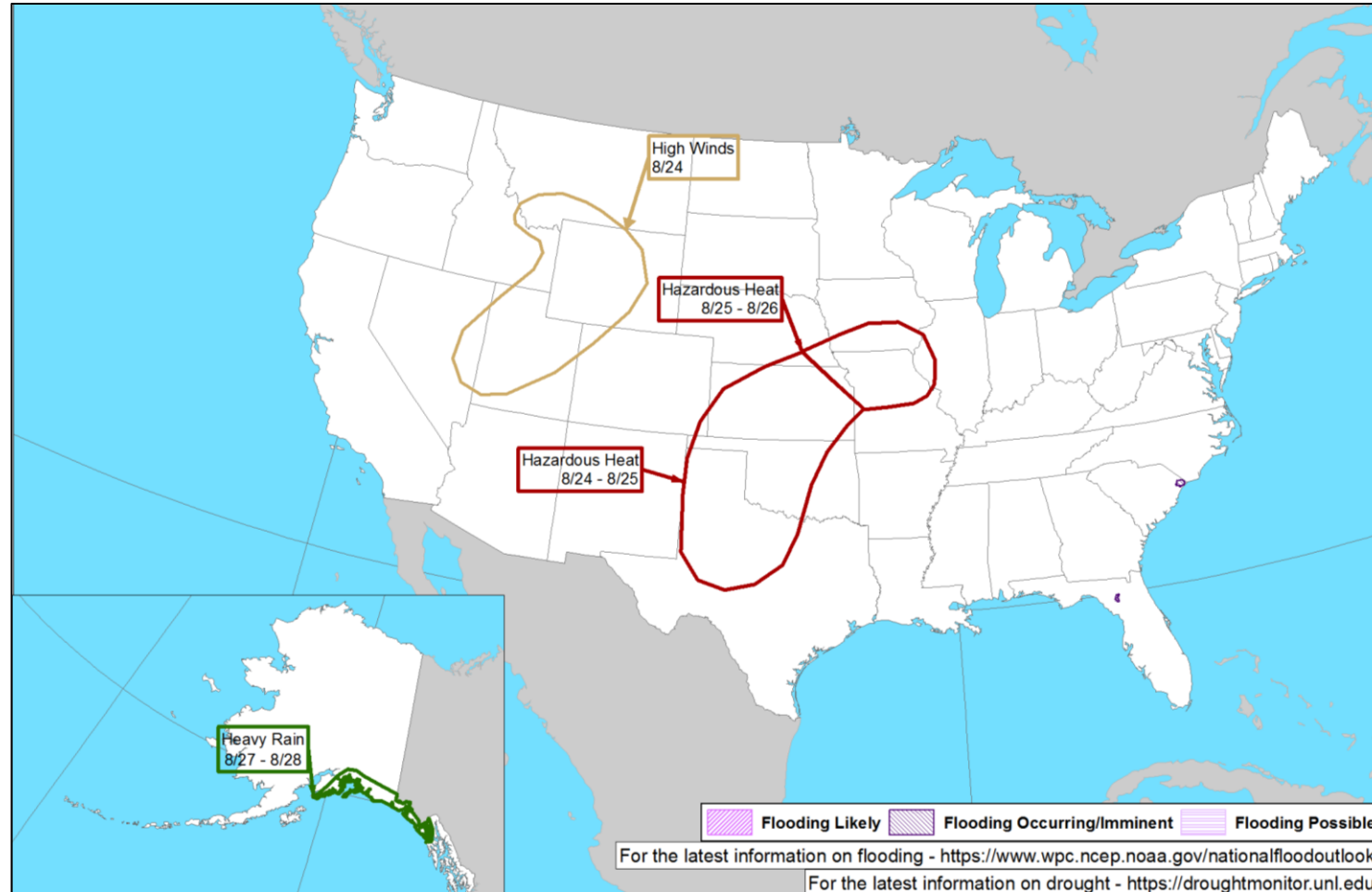
Tomorrow



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Hazards Outlook – Aug 24-28



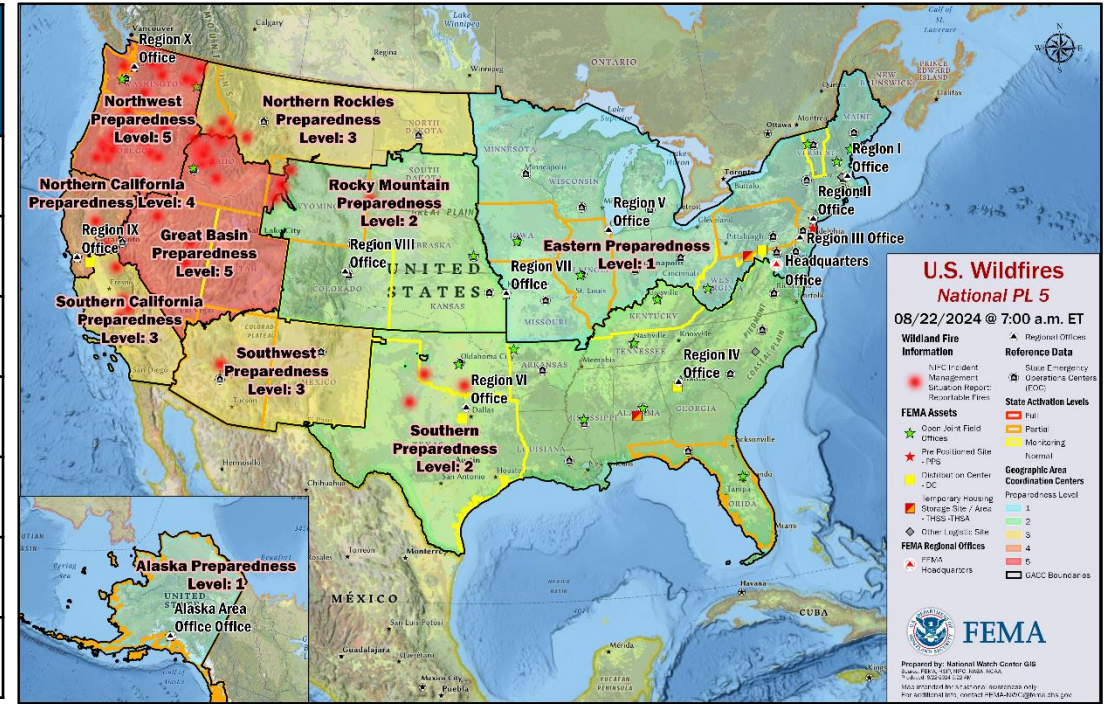
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National Fire Activity *(as of Aug 21)*

National Preparedness Level

PL 5

Initial Attack Activity <i>(24-hour period)</i>	Light <i>(123 fires)</i>
New large fires:	6
Large fires contained:	7
Uncontained large fires:	57
Cumulative Acres Burned	5,426,565
Total Responders <i>(2024 Fire Season)</i>	20,858
Type 1 IMTs deployed	3
Complex IMTs deployed	20 of 41



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 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

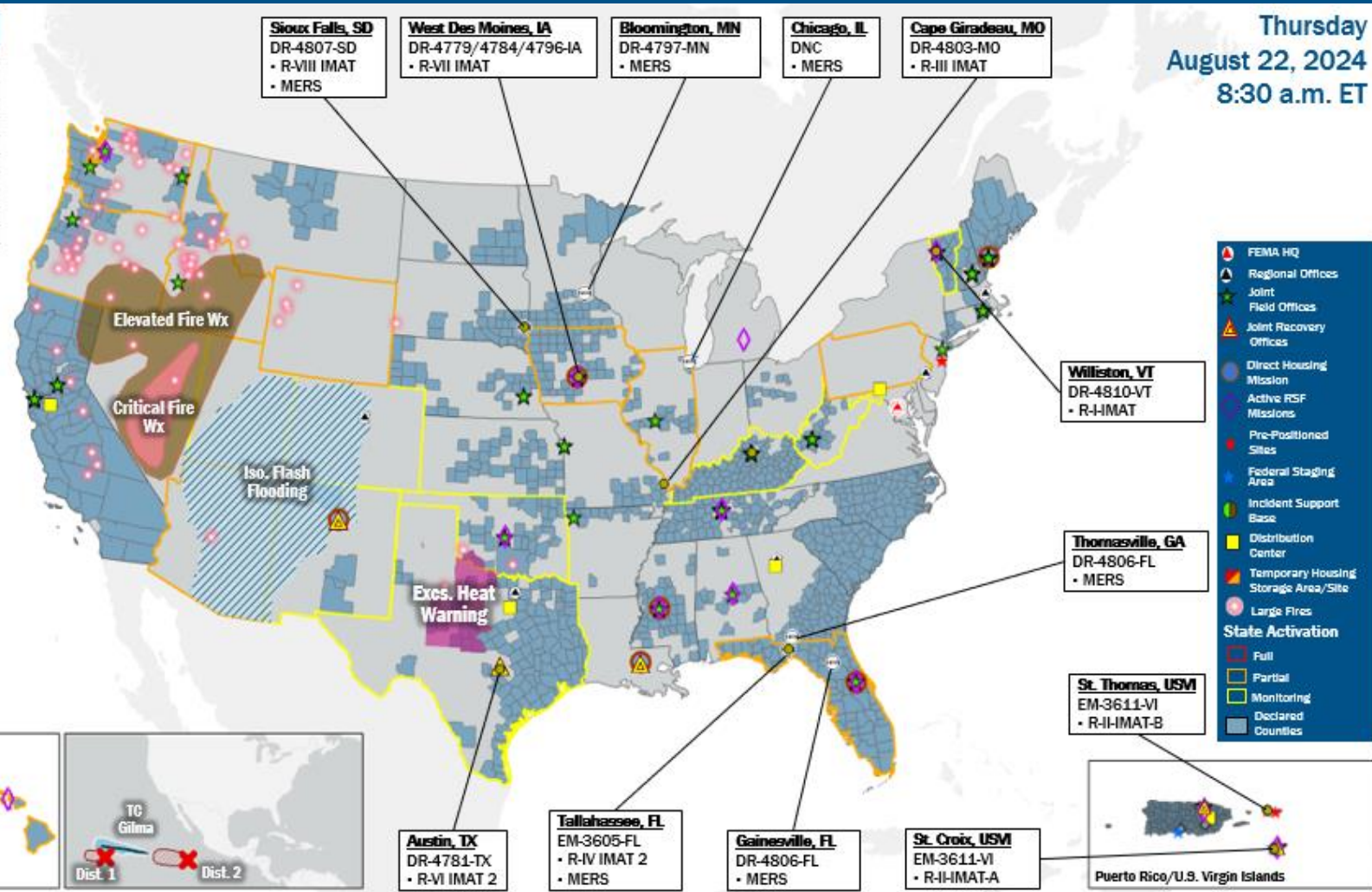
25 + 4 Joint Field Offices / Virtual Joint Field Offices Supporting
99 + 8 Major Disasters / Emergency Declarations
12 Direct Housing Missions
22 RSF-Supported Disasters
5 Joint Recovery Offices

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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 Level II
Monitoring	VI Rostered
Monitoring	VII Rostered
Monitoring	VIII Rostered
Monitoring	IX Rostered
Monitoring	X Rostered
Notes:	
NRCC/RWCs/RRCCs:	State EOCs:
• NWC: Democratic Nat'l Convention	• OK/KY/VT: Severe Wx
• RV: Democratic Nat'l Convention	• TX: TC Beryl
	• HI/OK/NM/UT/OR/WA/ID: Wildfires
	• AZ: SW Border
	• CO: Hwy. 50 closure/Avian Flu
	• AK/IA/NM: Flooding
	• FL/PA: TC Debby
	• WV: Drought
	• WY: Primary Election
	• IL: Democratic Nat'l Convention
Volunteer Force	
Rostered 7,821	Deployed 14 (+1)
Surge Capacity Force	
Rostered 7,800	Deployed 0

N-IMATs	
2-5 Teams Available	
Red	
White	
Blue	
Gold	
HS	
R-IMATs	
4-6 Teams Available	
I	VT (Aug 19)
II	USVI (Aug 9)
III	MO (Jul 24)
IV-1	
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
Fully Mission Capable (FMC)	
Partially Mission Capable (PMC)	
Not Mission Capable (NMC)	
Deployed	

REGIONAL BREAKDOWN				
JFO/WFO	DR	EM	JRO	
I	4/0	17	2	0
II	2/1	3	2	2
III	1/0	3	0	0
IV	5/0	25	4	0
V	2/0	3	0	0
VI	2/0	8	0	3
VII	2/1	10	0	0
VIII	0/0	3	0	0
IX	2/1	18	0	0
X	5/1	9	0	0



IM Workforce

13,599 (+4) Assigned
 4,883 (+28) Unavailable
 6,587 (+46) Deployed

16% / 2,129 (-70) Available

IM Cadre Availability

18 Cadres ≤ 25% Availability

Alternative Dispute Resolution: 20% (7/35); Civil Rights: 24% (37/157); Disability Integration: 5% (2/43); Disaster Survivor Assistance: 13% (156/1,175); External Affairs: 22% (113/520); Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation: 12% (95/805); Field Leadership: 13% (18/144); Financial Management: 23% (54/230); Hazard Mitigation: 10% (122/1,260); Human Resources: 4% (7/167); Individual Assistance: 1.1% (265/2,509); Information Technology: 20% (125/641); Logistics: 10% (154/1,553); Operations: 9% (30/343); Public Assistance: 17% (371/2,206); Planning: 4% (16/457); Safety: 13% (12/93); Security: 10% (14/138)

MERS

≥ 66%

36 Assigned
 0 Unavailable
 5 (-1) Deployed

31 (+1) Available

US&R

≥ 66%

28 Assigned
 1 Unavailable
 0 Deployed

27 Available

FCO

≤ 1 Type 1

51 Assigned
 6 (+1) Unavailable
 41 (-1) (30 FCO) Deployed

4 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
	USVI	Tropical Storm Ernesto Aug 13 and continuing	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	3	0	8/19 - TBD
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	9	8/15 - 8/20
			PA	37	19	8/15 - TBD
V	MN	Flooding Jun 16	IA	7 (+2)	3 (+3)	7/18 - TBD
			PA	20	20	7/18 - 8/18
	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 Amendments

Declaration	Number	Issued	Action
FEMA-4798-DR-TX	4	Aug 21	Adds 9 counties for permanent work [Categories C-G] (already designated for Individual Assistance and assistance for debris removal and emergency protective measures [Categories A and B], including direct Federal assistance, under the Public Assistance program). Adds 1 county for permanent work [Categories C-G] (already designated for debris removal and emergency protective measures [Categories A and B], including direct Federal assistance, under the Public Assistance program).
FEMA-4797-DR-MN	3	Aug 21	Adds 5 counties for Public Assistance and 3 counties for Public Assistance (already designated for Individual Assistance).
FEMA-4804-DR-KY	2	Aug 21	Adds 1 county for Public Assistance



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Declaration Approval – Connecticut

Declaration Type: Emergency Declaration – FEMA-3612-EM-CT
Date Requested: Aug 20

Date Approved: Aug 21

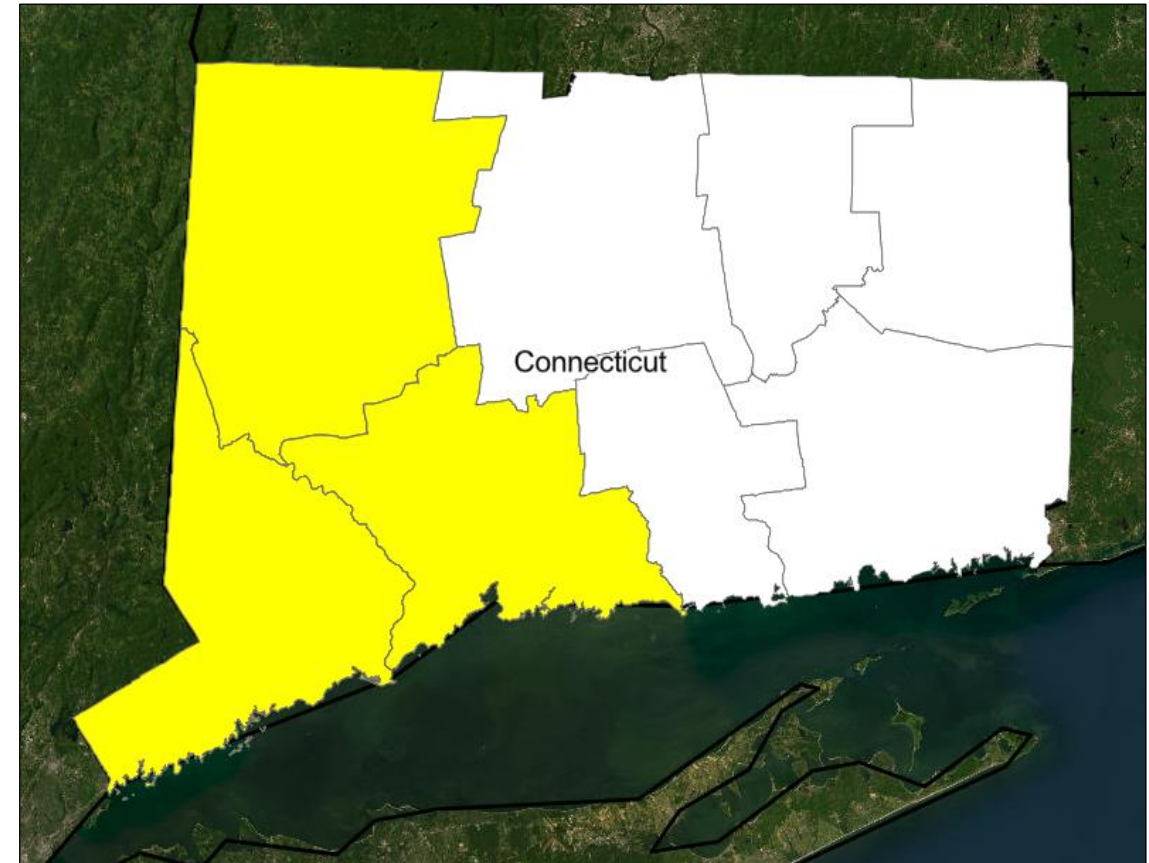
Incident: Severe Storms, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides

Incident Period: Aug 18, and continuing

Provides:

- **PA:** 3 counties

FCO: Robert V. Fogel



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Declaration Requests in Process – 6

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
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
CT – Flooding APPROVED	EM		X		Aug 20

*SCA – San Carlos Apache Tribe



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