

FEMA National Watch Center

Daily Operations Briefing

Saturday, August 26, 2023

8:30 a.m. ET



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National Current Ops / Monitoring

New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Ops

- Wildfires – HI
- Severe Weather – FEMA Region V - Final
- Tropical Activity Preparations – FEMA Regions II, IV, VI

Disaster Declaration Activity

- Major Disaster Declaration Approved – CO / IA
- FMAG Approved – Providence Fire – LA

Hazard Monitoring

- Rain and Thunderstorms – Pacific Northwest to the Northeast and Southeast
- Tropical Activity:
 - Atlantic:
 - Tropical Storm Franklin
 - Disturbance 1: High (90%); Disturbance 2: Med (40%); Disturbance 3: Low (20%)
 - Eastern Pacific:
 - Disturbance 1: High (90%); Disturbance 2: Low (0%)

Event Monitoring

- No significant events

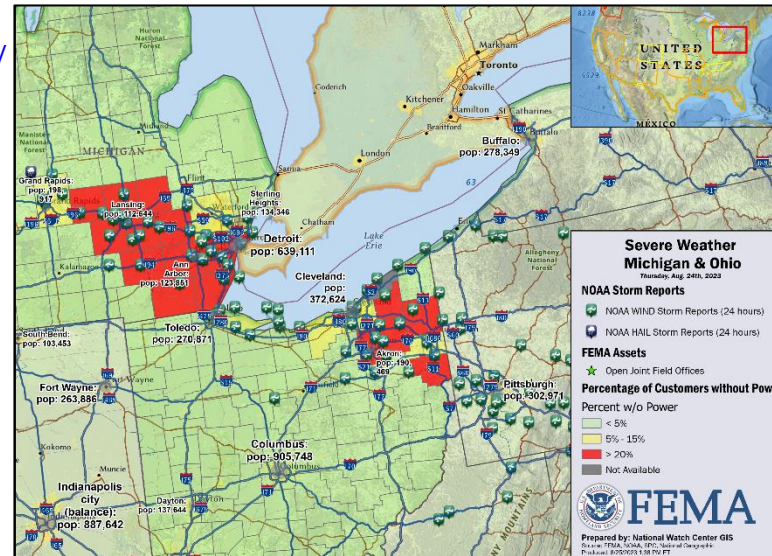


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Severe Weather – FEMA Region V - Final

Situation: The region will continue to coordinate with Michigan as they gain additional situational awareness and move into Recovery following a second round of severe weather. The Governor of Michigan declared a State of Emergency for Wayne and Monroe counties. Two fatalities, four tornadoes, downed trees, and power outages, have been reported. Twenty-five cars were damaged and I-96 remains closed. The National Weather Service (NWS) is not reporting any severe weather for the next 24 hours. Limited thunderstorms are possible for Upper Michigan.

Eagle-I is reporting power outages continue to trend downwards. All states in the impacted area continue to monitor the severe weather threats. There are no requests for FEMA assistance.



Impacts: (EAGLE-I as of 8:00 a.m. ET)

- Michigan – 254k (-198k) customers without power statewide (5%)
 - Kent County: 27k (-3k) without power (6%)
 - Ingham County: 40k (+19k) without power (11%)
 - Wayne County: 54k (-6k) without power (13%)
- Ohio – 83k (-33k) customers without power statewide (2%)
 - Cuyahoga County: 29k (-2k) without power (5%)
 - Lake County: 12k (-3k) without power (20%)
 - Summit County: 6k (-6k) without power (7%)

State / Local Preparations and Continuing Response:

Region V:

- MI EOC is at Partial Activation (Severe Weather)
 - Governor declared a State of Emergency
- OH EOC is at Normal Operations

FEMA Response:

Region V:

- FEMA Region V RRCC is at Normal Operations

FEMA HQ:

- NRCC supporting sustained operations
- The NWC will continue to monitor in coordination with FEMA Region V; updates will be provided in the 5:00 p.m. ET National Situation Report



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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, and damage assessments in the impacted area (Maui County). **The second Disaster Recovery Center (DRC #2) is fully opened.** Cellular service continues to improve in West Maui.

Lifelines Impacts: (FEMA-DR-4724-HI-SLB #16, as of Aug 25)

Safety and Security:

- 156 (-2) FLEOs from various agencies supporting Maui PD

Food, Hydration, and Shelter:

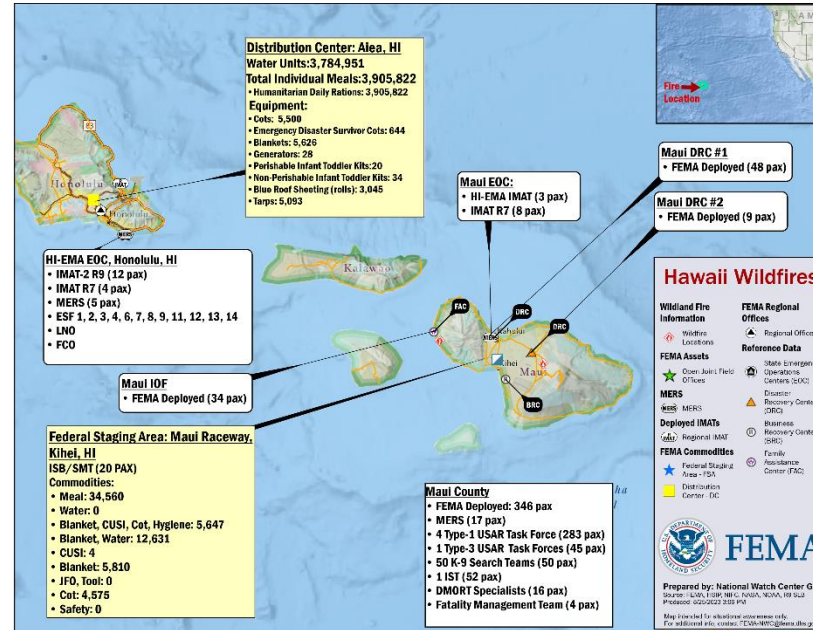
- Non-Congregate Shelters Open: 12; midnight count: **3,097 (+161)** Hotel Survivor Population: **3,295 (+425)**
- TSA: 164 people housed in 8 hotels

Health and Medical:

- 115 confirmed fatalities; 67 fire-related injuries
- HHS BH personnel assisting mobile clinic providing behavioral health services with primary care providers at shelters

Energy:

- 1,384 (-461) customers remain without power in Maui
- USACE is beginning to coordinate de-installation of generators as requested by the state



Transportation:

- 2 (-1) Temporary Flight Restrictions (TFR) in effect for Maui County
- Access limited for Honoapi'ilani and Lahaina Bypass Roads: open to the public during the day and evening; limited to residents and first responders overnight
- FEMA contractors providing universal communication and prior permission required (PPR) services at Kapalua Airport until 8/30
- US Coast Guard Safety Zone remains in effect until 9/27

Hazardous Waste:

- EPA providing technical assistance to State DOH and Maui County regarding design of community air monitoring effort

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:
 - NRCC supporting sustained operations
 - Region VII & IX-2 IMATs deployed to HI
 - US&R have completed their mission and assets have begun demobilization process as of Aug 25
 - MERS personnel deployed to HI
 - Staging Management Team (SMT) and Incident Support Base (ISB) team deployed to Maui
 - 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

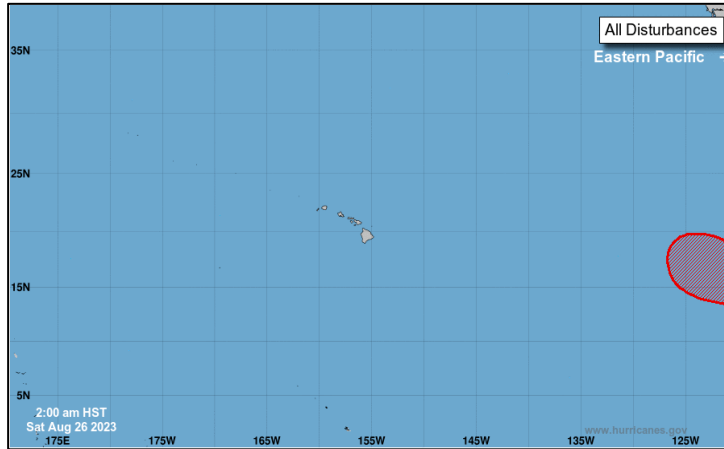


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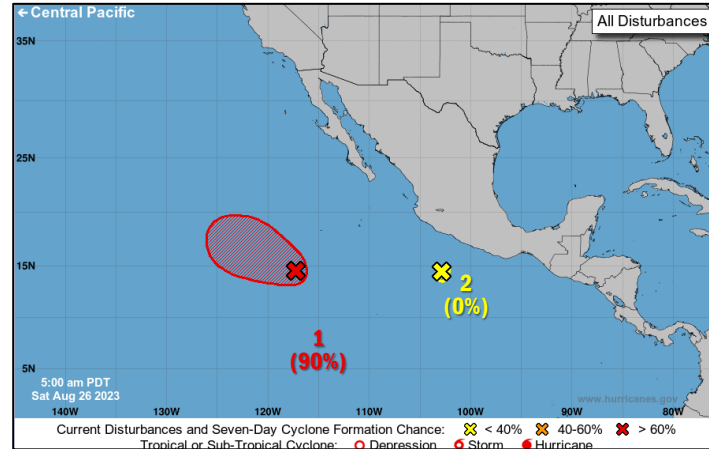
Tropical Outlook – Seven Day

Central Pacific



- No new tropical cyclones are expected during the next 7 days
- Storm system shown is Disturbance 2 located in the Eastern Pacific

Eastern Pacific



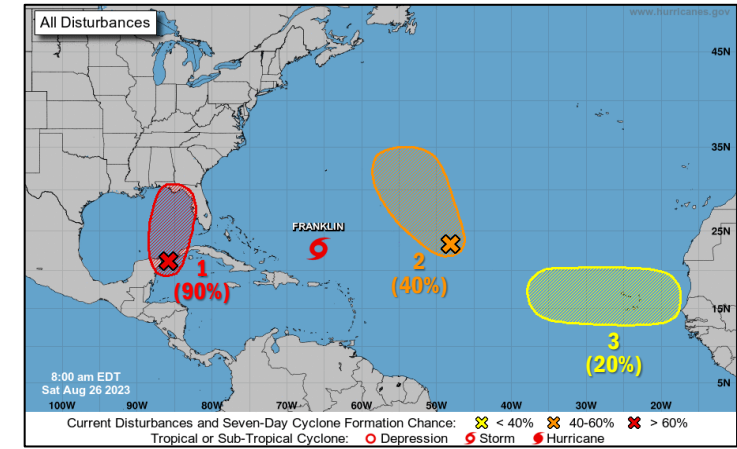
Disturbance 1 (EP92) (As of 8:00 a.m. ET)

- Located 750 miles SSW of the southern tip of Baja California
- Conditions conducive for additional development
- Tropical development is likely to form over the next couple of days
- Moving WNW at 10-15 mph
- Formation chance – 48-hour: High (90%); 7-day: High (90%)

Disturbance 2 (EP91) (As of 8:00 a.m. ET)

- Located a few hundred miles S of the southern coast of Mexico
- Development is no longer expected during the next few days
- Formation chance – 48-hour: Low (near 0%); 7-day: Low (near 0%)

Atlantic



Tropical Storm Franklin (Advisory #23, as of 5:00 a.m. ET)

- See below
- Disturbance 1 (AL93) (As of 2:00 a.m. ET)
 - Currently in the Northwestern Caribbean Sea
 - Tropical depression is likely to form over the next couple of days
 - Moving N over the southeastern Gulf of Mexico
 - Formation chance – 48-hour: High (70%); 7-day: High (90%)

Disturbance 2 (AL92) (As of 2:00 a.m. ET)

- Located 1,000 miles ENE of the northern Leeward Islands
- Conditions could become more conducive for development over the weekend, and a tropical depression could form early next week
- Formation chance – 48-hour: Low (20%); 7-day: Medium (40%)

Disturbance 3 (As of 2:00 a.m. ET)

- Located off the west coast of Africa
- Moving W across the Atlantic
- Slow development possible late next week
- Formation chance – 48-hour: Low (0%); 7-day: Low (20%)



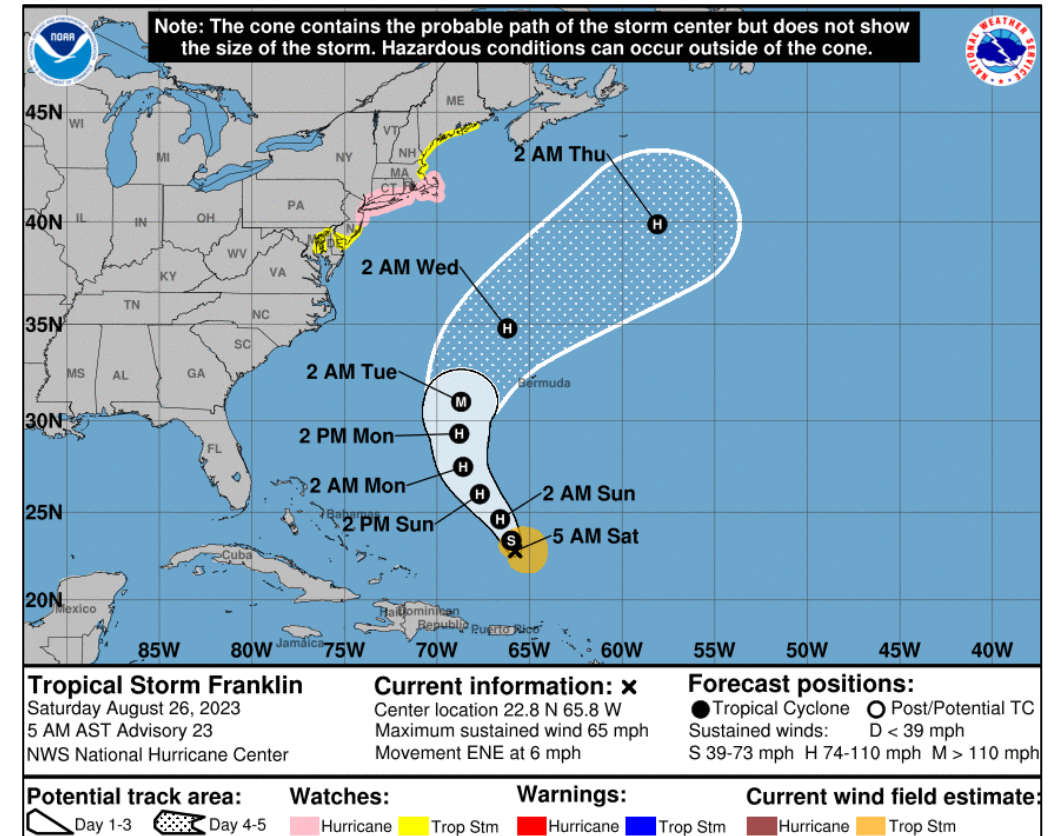
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Tropical Storm Franklin – Atlantic

Situation *(Advisory #23 as of 5:00 a.m. ET)*

- Located **350 miles ENE** of Grand Turk Island
- Maximum sustained winds **65 mph**
- Moving **ENE** at **6 mph**
- Tropical-storm-force winds extend outward at **115 miles**
- Franklin could become a hurricane over the next couple of days



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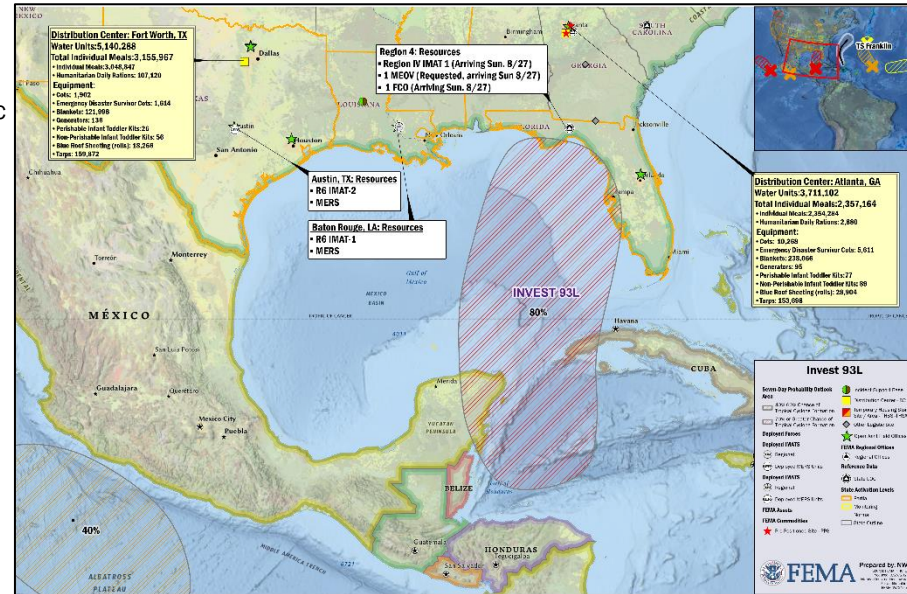
Tropical Activity Preparations – Atlantic

Current Situation:

FEMA continues to prepare for response and recovery efforts focusing on FEMA Regions II, IV, and VI. The National Hurricane Center is monitoring several tropical disturbances in the Atlantic that may pose a threat to US interests over the next several days

State / Local Response: *(RVI Daily Ops Brief as of 8:30 a.m. ET, Aug 22)*

- TX EOC: Partial Activation (TC Harold); Activated ESFs 1-20
- TX activated 7 Boat Teams; pre-positioned for SAR ops
- TX Military Department (TMD) activated 2 Ground Support Platoons pre-positioned in Live Oak County
- FL EOC: Partial Activation (TC Ian)
- MS EOC: Partial Activation (Severe Weather)
- AL & TN Monitoring (Severe Weather)
- LA, PR and USVI EOCs at Normal Operations; VITEMA and PREMB are monitoring for potential activation



FEMA / Federal Response:

- Region IV: Enhanced; RRCC, DIVS, and IGA rostered
 - IMAT-1 deploying to FL reporting NLT Aug 28
 - IMAT-2 PMC on standby
 - MERS deploying to FL EOC
- Region VI:
 - RRCC Rostered
 - IMAT-1: deployed to Baton Rouge, LA
 - IMAT-2: deployed to Austin, TX
 - Pre-identified Staging Bases including (NAS Kingsville or Moore AB in Edinburg) and is developing potential commodities support package to utilize if the situation warrants

FEMA / Federal Response:

- Region II
 - RWC is Monitoring
 - RRCC at Level III w/ ESFs 1, 2, 3, 8, 12, 13, 14 and DCE
 - Response and Recovery Augments deployed to PR and USVI
 - IMAT deployed to St. Croix w/ ESFs 1, 3, 8, 9, 12, 13, 14 and DCE
 - Collateral IMAT deployed to St. Thomas w/ ESFs 1, 2, 3, 8, 12, 13, 14 and DCE
 - Ad-Hoc IMAT deployed to PR
 - FCOs deployed to PR and USVI
 - LNO and DIVS rostered and prepared to deploy upon activation of EOCs
 - All resources deployed for RII
- FEMA HQ
 - NRCC supporting sustained operations
 - Staging Management Team (SMT) demobilizing from PR
 - Disaster Survivor Assistance (DSA) placed on Alert
 - MERS support deployed to USVI and PR
 - NWC in coordination with Regions II, IV, and VI continue to monitor updates will be provided in the 5:00 p.m. ET National Situation Report



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Providence Fire – Vernon Parish, LA – INITIAL

Fire Name (Co., ST)	FMAG #	Acres Burned	Percent Contained	Evacuations	Structures (Homes / Other)			Fatalities / Injuries
					Threatened	Damaged	Destroyed	
Providence Fire (Vernon Parish, LA)	XXXX-FM-LA	1,600	30%	M: 0	H: 167	H: 0	H: 3	0 / 0
				V: 167	O: 3	O: 0	O: 0	

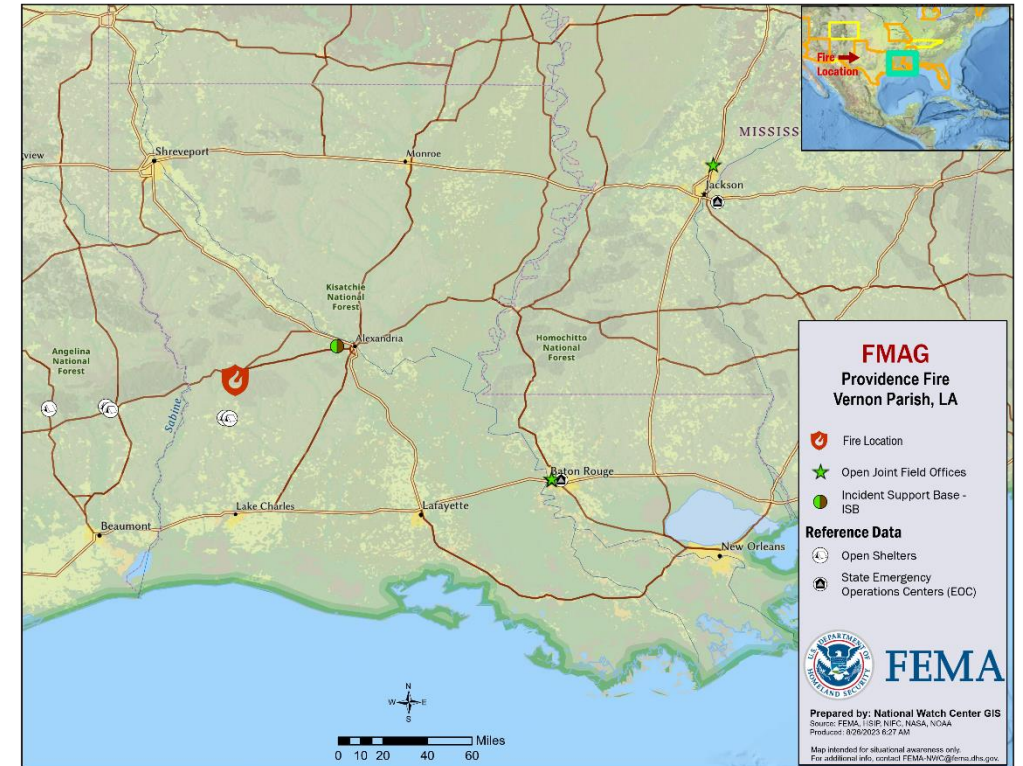
Situation: On August 25 the FEMA Region 6 Administrator approved the State of Louisiana FMAG request for the Providence Fire burning in Vernon Parish, LA that started burning on August 24. The fire had destroyed 3 primary homes and 167 primary homes are threatened in and around the community of Sandy Hill, LA and Elmwood, LA (pop. 1,000). The fire is also threatening a fire department, wastewater treatment plant, and the area’s electric cooperative. Voluntary evacuations have taken place for approximately 167 people. The fire has burned 1,600 acres of federal and private land. The fire is 30% percent contained, excessive heat is expected to continue today.

State / Local Response:

- LA at Partial Activation (Wildfires)

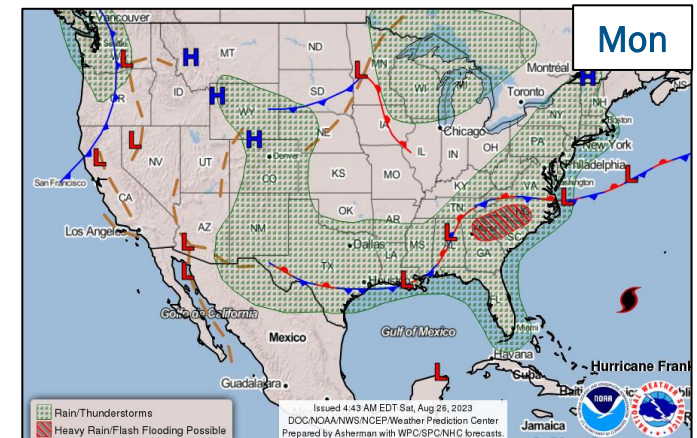
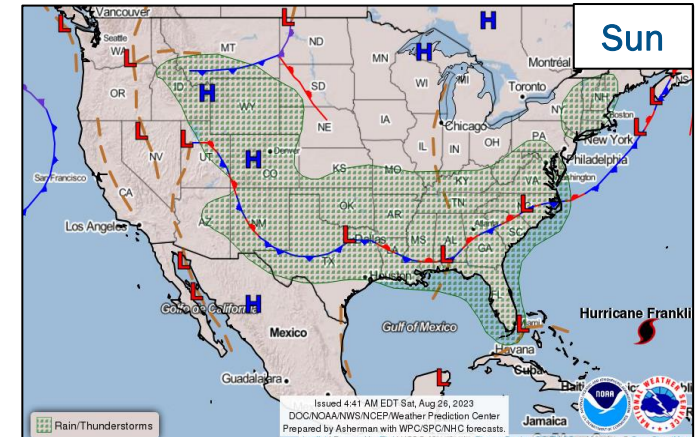
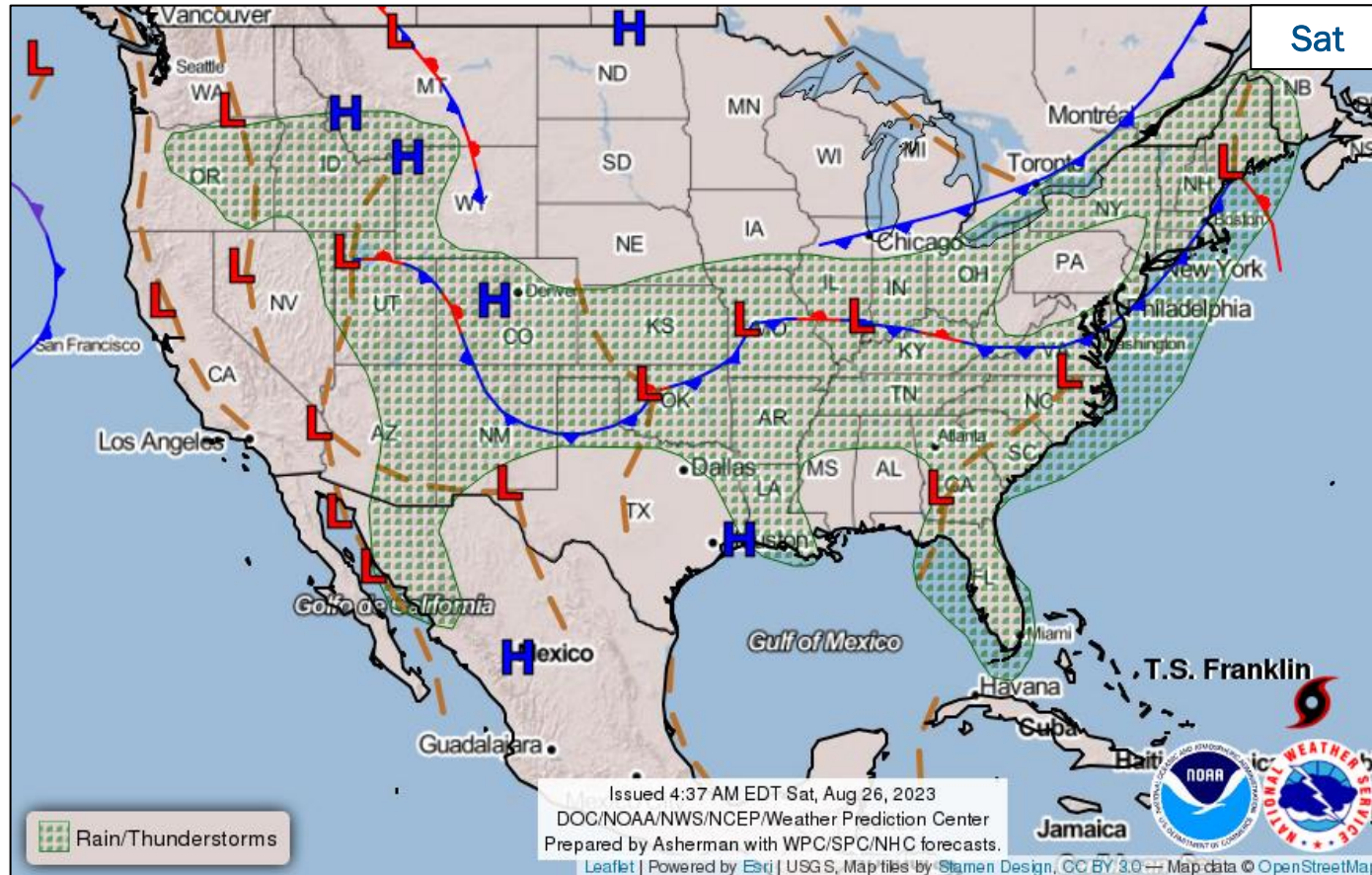
FEMA / Federal Response:

- FMAG approved on August 25
- FEMA NWC and Region 6 will continue to monitor



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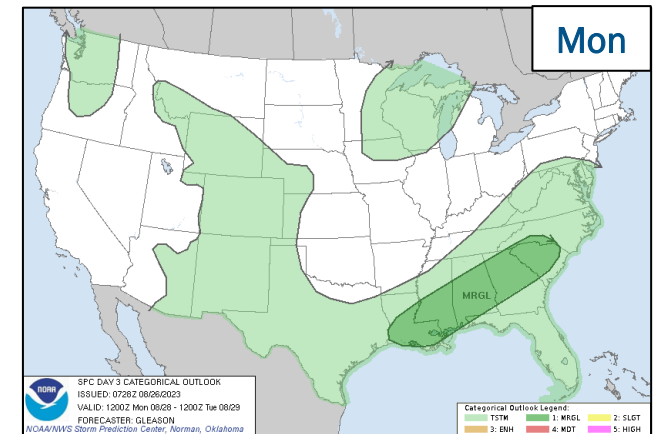
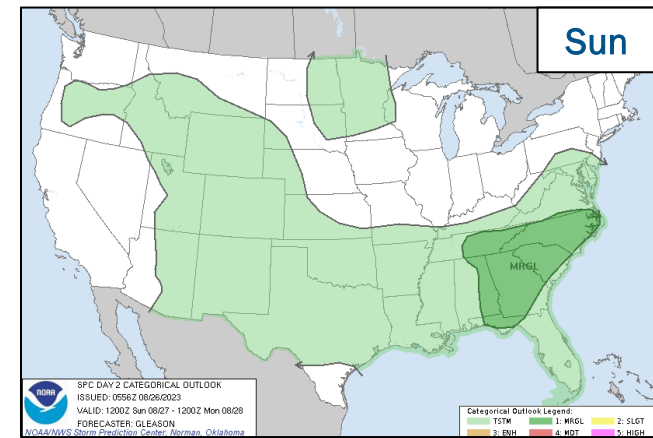
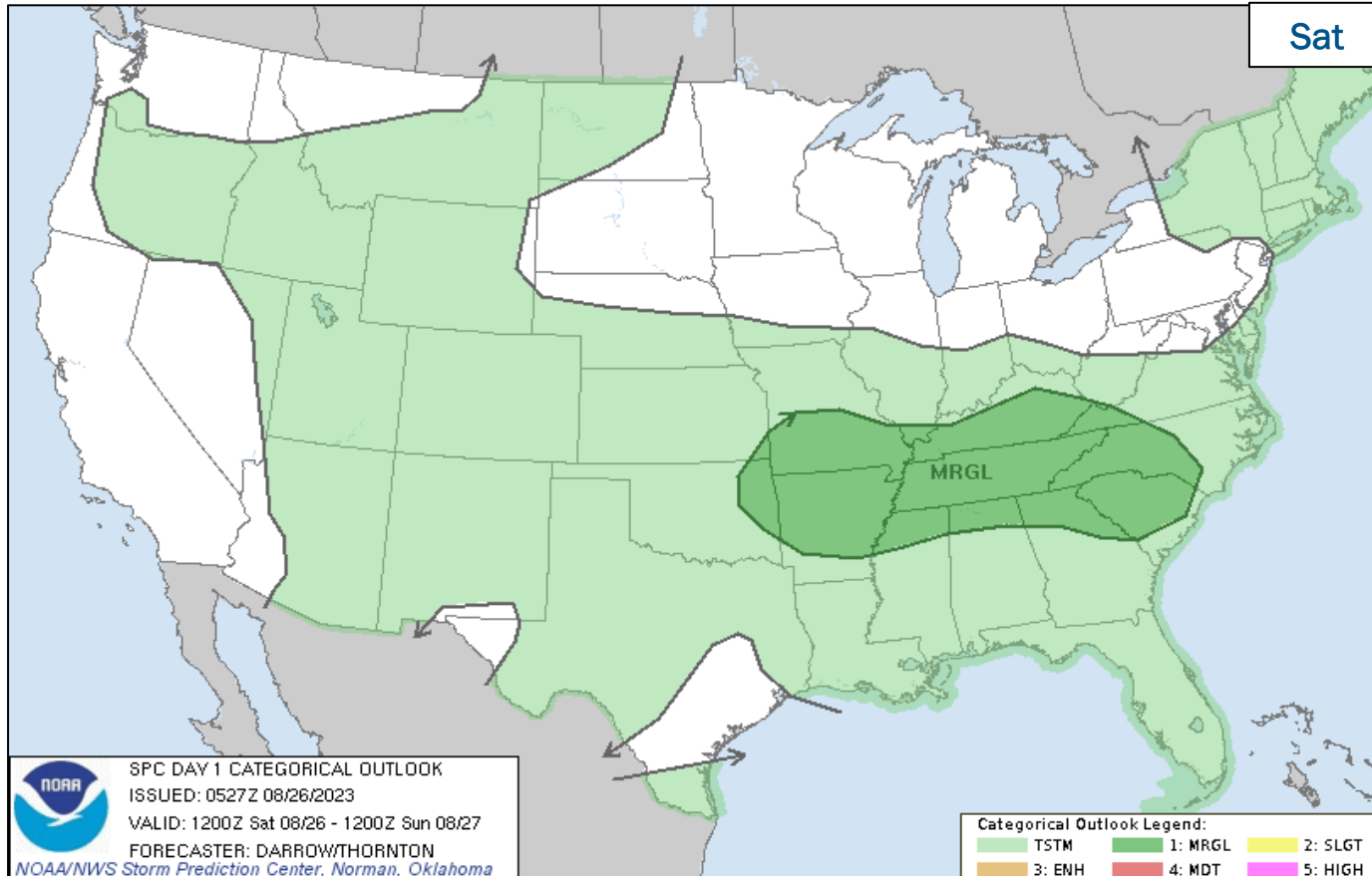
National Weather Forecast



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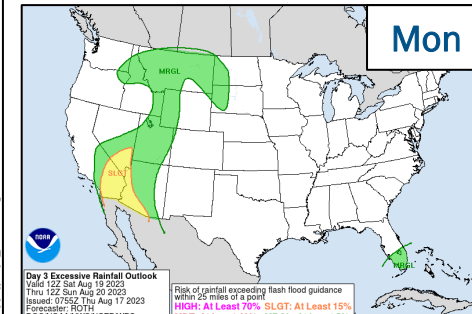
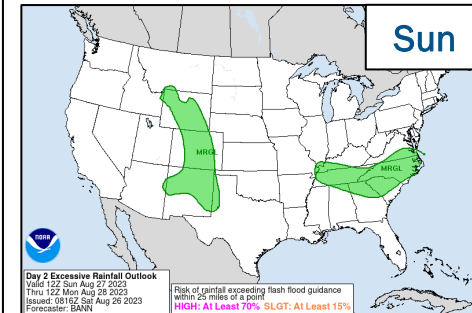
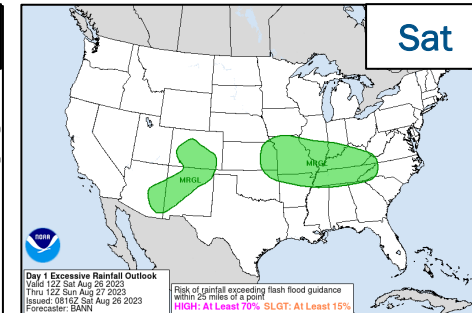
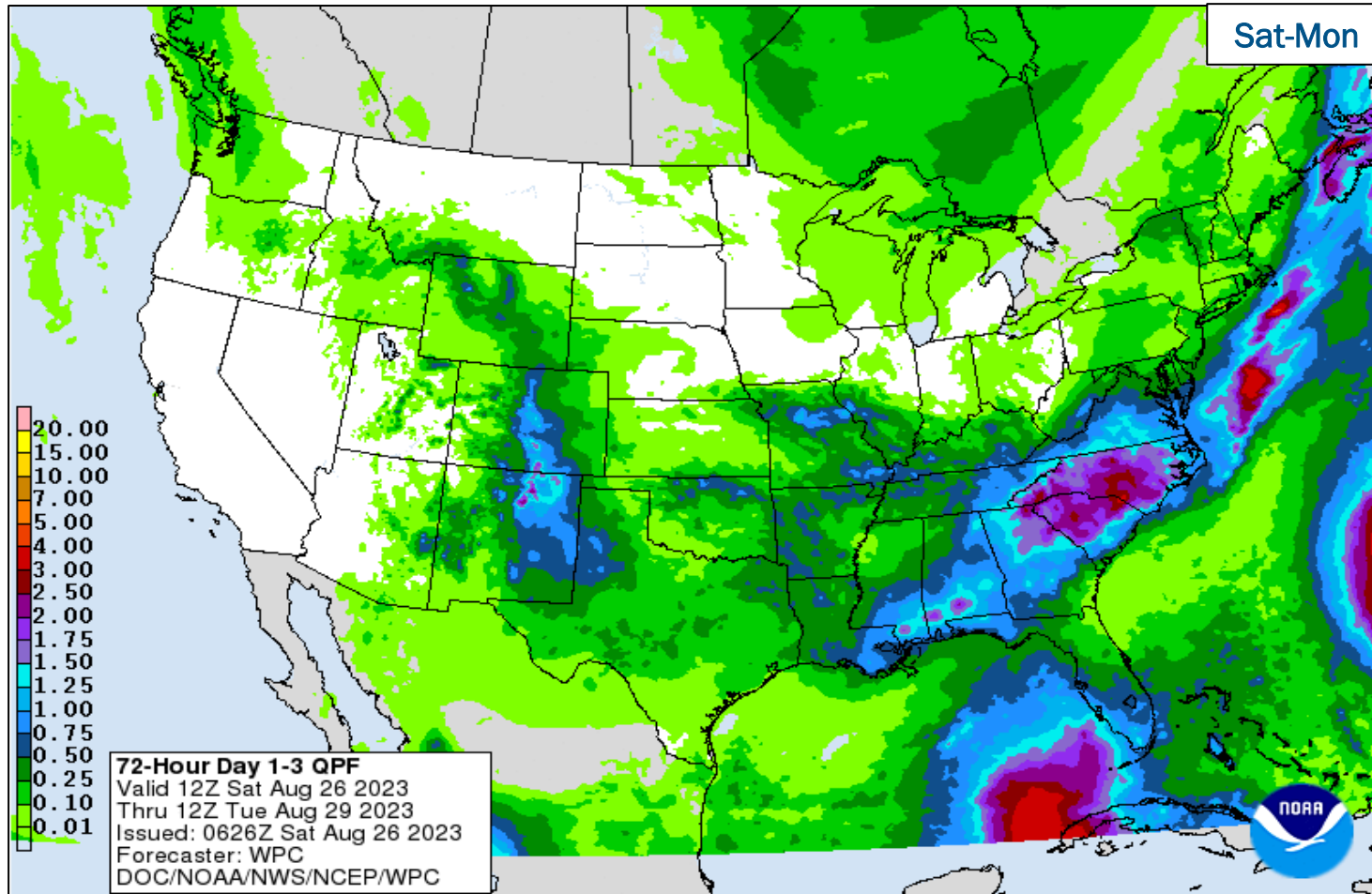
Severe Weather Outlook



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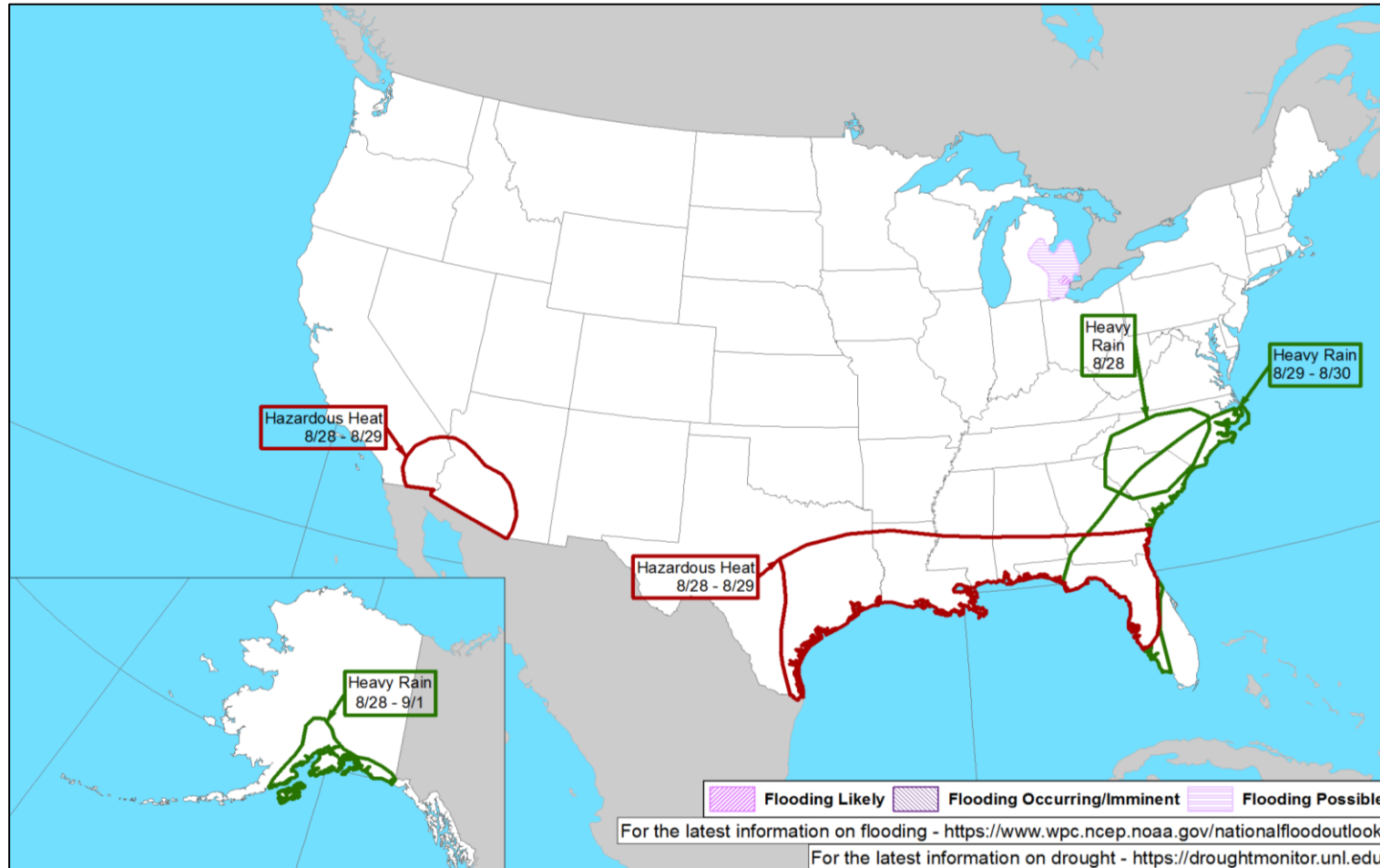
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Hazards Outlook – Aug 28–Sep 1



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Wildfire Summary

Fire Name (Co., ST)	FMAG #	Acres Burned	Percent Contained	Evacuations	Structures (Homes / Other)			Fatalities / Injuries
					Threatened	Damaged	Destroyed	
River Road East (Sanders, MT)	5480-FM-MT	17,098 (+15)	10% (+3%)	M: 0	H: 215	H: 0	H: 13	0 / 0
				V: 0	O: 50	O: 0	O: 37	
Oregon (Spokane, WA)	5481-FM-WA	11,063 (+27)	16%	M: 0 (-4,000)	H: 0 (-1,000)	H: 0 (-12)	H: 126 (+46)	1 / 5 (+4)
				V: 0	O: 0 (-1,000)	O: 14 (-1)	O: 258 (+178)	
Tiger Island (Beauregard Parish, LA)	5482-FM-LA	31,000 (+16k)	50% (-15%)	M: 2,000 (+1,975)	H: 5,000 (+4,950)	H: 0	H: 0	0 / 1
				V: 0	O: 3,050 (+3,020)	O: 0	O: 0	
Liberty Fire (Marion County, OR)	5483-FM-OR	40	0%	M: 200	H: 1,200	H: 0	H: 0	0 / 0
				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)



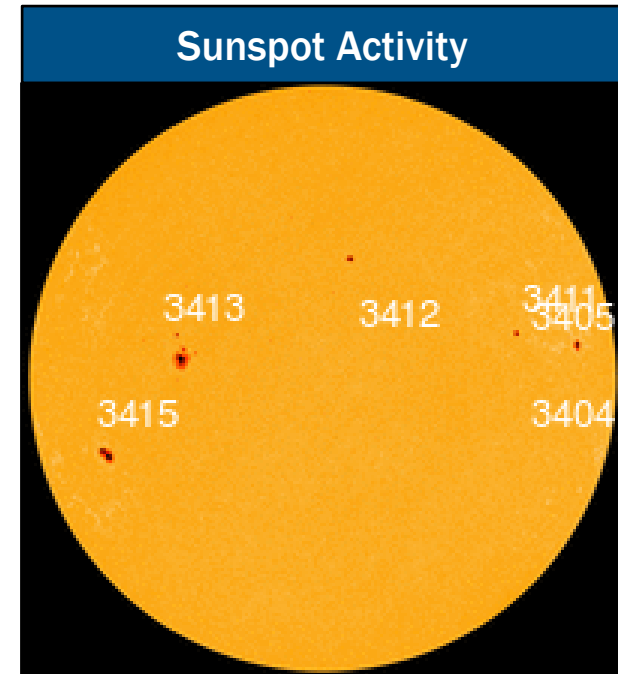
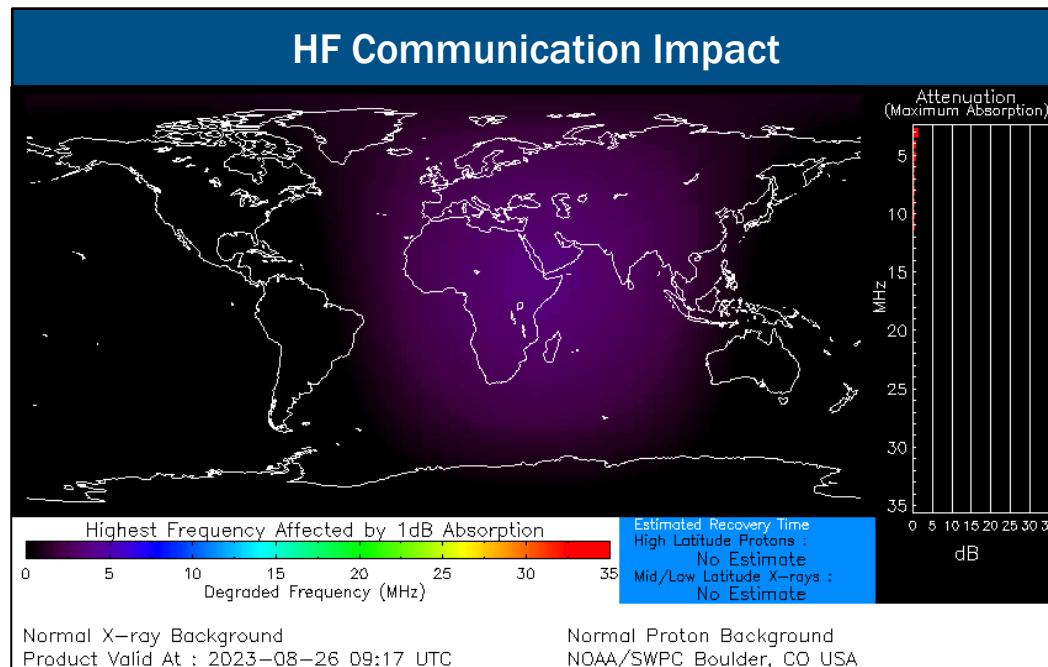
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Space Weather Outlook

Minor	Space Weather Activity	Geomagnetic Storms	Solar Radiation	Radio Blackouts
Past 24 Hours	Minor	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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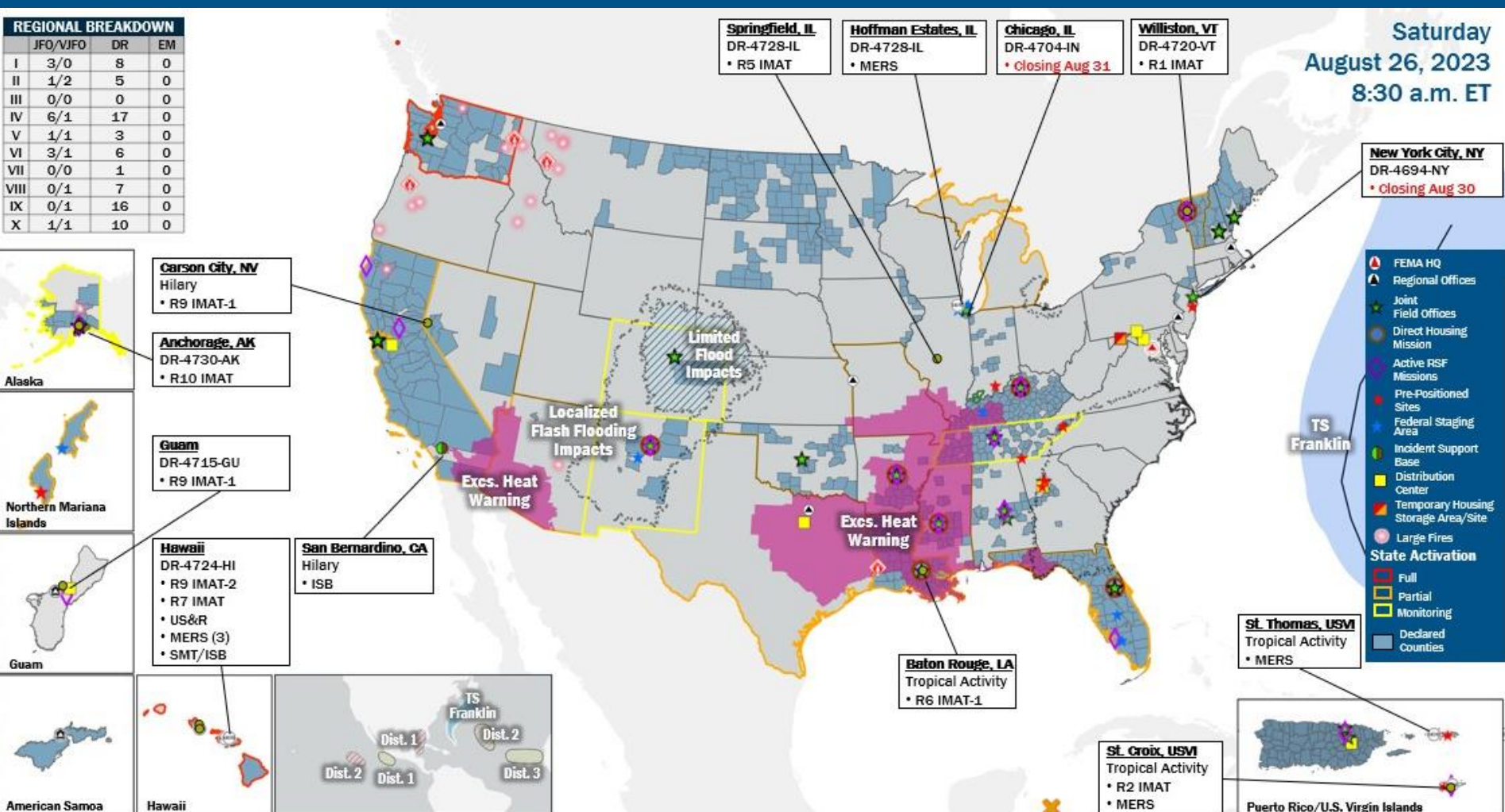
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FEMA Common Operating Picture

15 + 8 Joint Field Offices Virtual Joint Field Offices Supporting
73 + 0 Major Disasters Emergency Declarations
8 Direct Housing Missions **18** RSF-Supported Disasters

FEMA HQ	
NWC	NRCC
Monitoring	Activated
FEMA REGIONS	
Watch	RRCC
Monitoring	I Rostered
Monitoring	II Rostered
Monitoring	III Rostered
Enhanced	IV Rostered
Enhanced	V Rostered
Monitoring	VI Rostered
Monitoring	VII Rostered
Monitoring	VIII Rostered
Monitoring	IX Rostered
Monitoring	X Rostered
Notes:	
RWC/RRCC: • NRCC: (day shift) Tropical Activity • RIV RWC: Enhanced (Severe Weather)	State EOCs: • MO/MS/TN/TX: Severe Weather • FL: TC Ian • AK/NV/VT/CA: Flooding • CO: Avian Influenza, Public Health Support, and Suncor Refinery • AZ/CO: SW Border Coordination • AK/HI/NM/WA/LA: Wildfires • CNMI: Typhoon Mawar • CA/LA: Heat
Surge Capacity Force	
Rostered 8,166 (-5)	Deployed 1 (+1)

N-IMATs	
2-5 Teams Available	
Red	
White	
Blue	
Gold	
HS	Training
R-IMATs	
4-6 Teams Available	
I	VT
II	Reconstituting
III	
IV-1	Deploying
IV-2	Personnel
V	IL
VI-1	LA
VI-2	2
VII	HI
VIII	1
IX-1	GU/NV
IX-2	HI
X	AK
	Fully Mission Capable (FMC)
	Partially Mission Capable (PMC)
	Not Mission Capable (NMC)
	Deployed



IM Workforce

13,603 (+2) Assigned
 4,420 (-68) Unavailable
 6,204 (-109) Deployed

22% / 2,979 (+43) Available

IM Cadre Availability

15 Cadres ≤ 25% Availability

Civil Rights: 12% (17/140); Disability Integration: 4% (2/55); External Affairs: 21% (103/501); Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation: 17% (137/810); Field Leadership: 12% (16/137); Hazard Mitigation: 13% (167/1,242); Human Resources: 8% (14/169); Interagency Recovery Coordination: 21% (61/294); Information Technology: 21% (136/644); Logistics: 17% (253/1,516); Operations: 13% (44/348); Public Assistance: 6% (122/2,176); Planning: 5% (25/465); Safety: 6% (5/80); Security: 10% (14/139)

MERS

≥ 66%

36 Assigned
 0 Unavailable
 4 (-2) Deployed

32 (+2) Available

US&R

≥ 66%

28 Assigned
 1 Unavailable
 5 Deployed

22 Available

FCO

≤ 1 Type I

48 Assigned
 8 Unavailable
 35 (23 FCOR) Deployed

5 Available

Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

Region	State / Location	Incident	IA	Number of Counties		Start - End
			PA	Requested	Complete	
I	CT	Flooding Jul 9-10	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	1	0	8/9 - TBD
	NH	Flooding Jun 17 and continuing	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	10	0	7/24 - 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	TN	Severe Storms and Tornado Aug 7	IA	1	1	8/22 - 8/23
			PA	11	9	8/22 - TBD
VII	MO	Severe Storms and Flooding Jul 29 and continuing	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	34	0	8/15 - TBD
	KS	Severe Storms and Flooding Jun 27 and continuing	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	43	0	TBD
X	AK	Glacier Outburst Flooding Juneau Aug 4-6	IA	1	0	8/23 - TBD
			PA	1	0	8/23 - TBD



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Declaration Approval – Colorado

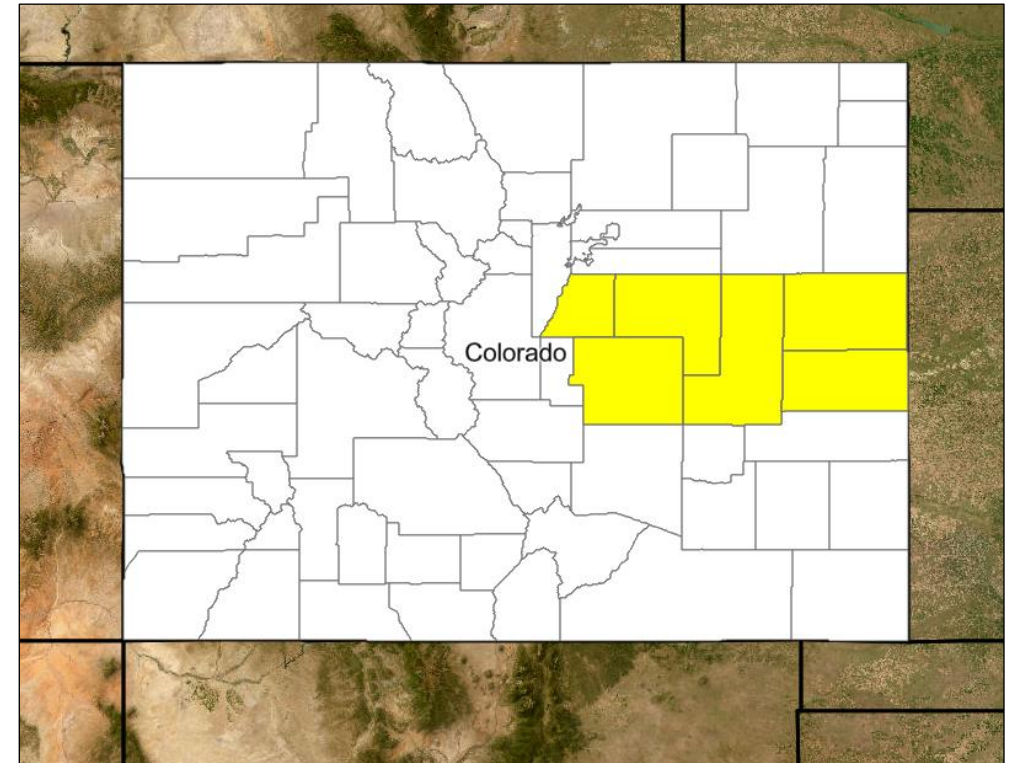
Declaration Type: Major Disaster Declaration – FEMA-471-DR-CO
Requested: Jul 27

Date Approved: Aug 25
Incident: Severe Storms, Tornadoes, and Flooding
Incident Period: Jun 8-23

Provides:

- **PA:** 6 counties
- **Hazard Mitigation:** Statewide

FCO: Jon K. Huss



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Declaration Approval – Iowa

Declaration Type: Major Disaster Declaration – FEMA-4732-DR-IA

Date Requested: Aug 3

Date Approved: Aug 25

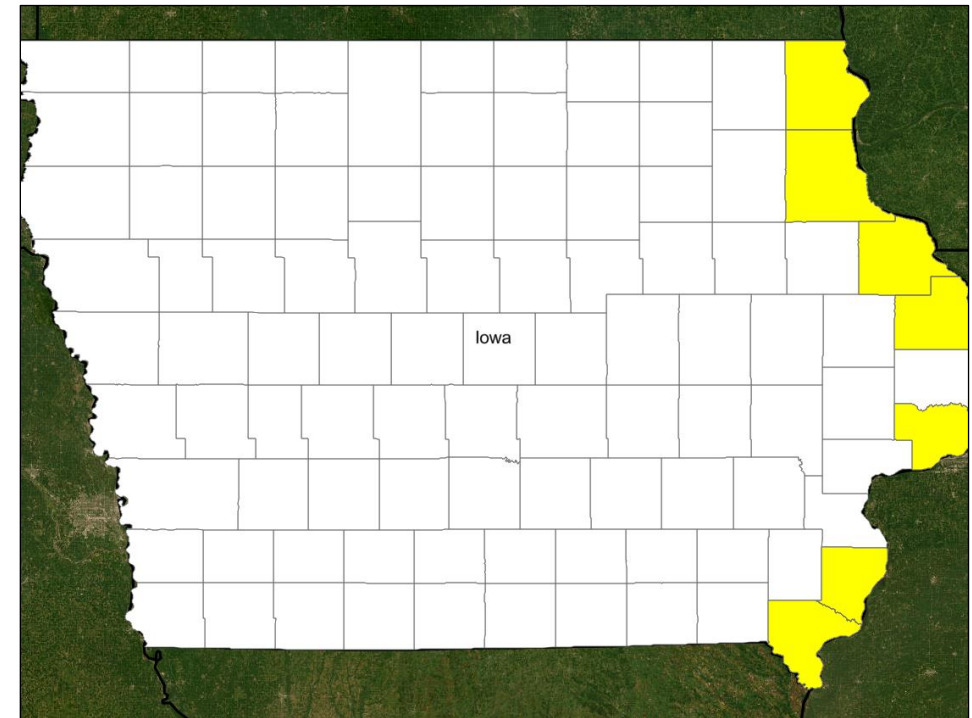
Incident: Flooding

Incident Period: Apr 24 – May 13

Provides:

- **PA:** 7 counties
- **Hazard Mitigation:** Statewide

FCO: José M. Gil Montañez



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Declaration Requests in Process – 11

State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Type	IA	PA	HM	Requested
MI – Flooding - Denied	DR		X	X	Jun 15
OH – Train Derailment	DR	X	X	X	Jul 3
CO – Severe Storms, Tornadoes, and Flooding - Approved	DR		X	X	Jul 27
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
IA – Flooding - Approved	DR		X	X	Aug 3
Burns Paiute Tribe – Severe Storms, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides	DR		X	X	Aug 10
UT – Flooding	DR		X	X	Aug 11
ME – Severe Storms and Flooding (Jun 26)	DR		X	X	Aug 16
ME – Severe Storms and Flooding (Jun 29)	DR		X	X	Aug 16
KY – Severe Storms, Flooding, Straight-line Winds, and tornadoes	DR	X			Aug 18
TN – Severe Storms and Straight-Line Winds	DR		X	X	Aug 18
AR - Severe storms, straight-line winds, and tornadoes	DR	X	X	X	Aug 23



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