

FEMA National Watch Center

Daily Operations Briefing

Thursday, September 7, 2023

8:30 a.m. ET



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National Current Ops / Monitoring

New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Ops

- Hurricane Lee – Preparation

Hazard Monitoring

- Severe Thunderstorms – Northeast, Mid-Atlantic, and Central Appalachians
- Tropical Activity:
 - Atlantic:
 - Hurricane Lee (CAT 1)
 - Disturbance 1: High (80%)
 - Disturbance 2: Low (20%)
 - Eastern Pacific:
 - Hurricane Jova (CAT 5)

Disaster Declaration Activity

- Declaration Request – (4) Alaska, Missouri, Tennessee, and Georgia
- Major Disaster Declaration approval – Maine
- 1 Amendment issued

Event Monitoring

- No significant events

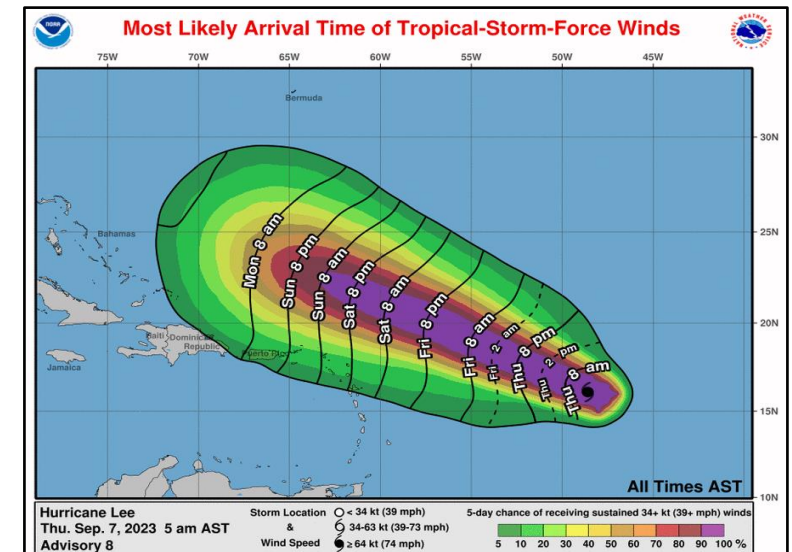
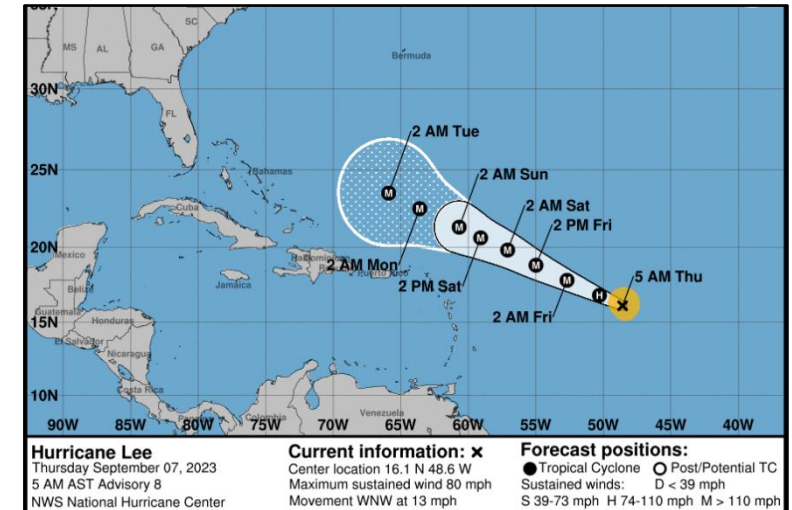


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Hurricane Lee (Cat 1)

Situation: *(Advisory #8, as of 5:00 a.m. ET)*

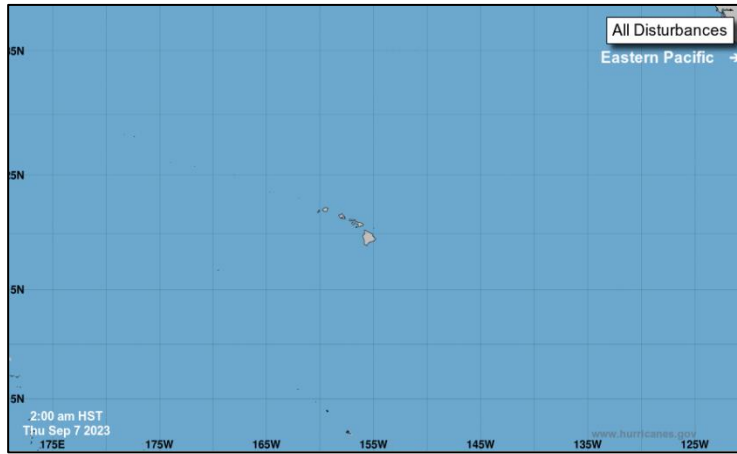
- Located 965 miles E of the Northern Leeward Islands
- Maximum sustained winds 80 mph
- Moving WNW at 13 mph
- Hurricane-force winds extend outward up to 15 miles from the center and tropical-storm-force winds extend outward up to 90 miles
- Rapid intensification is expected to begin later today; forecast to become a major hurricane by early Friday



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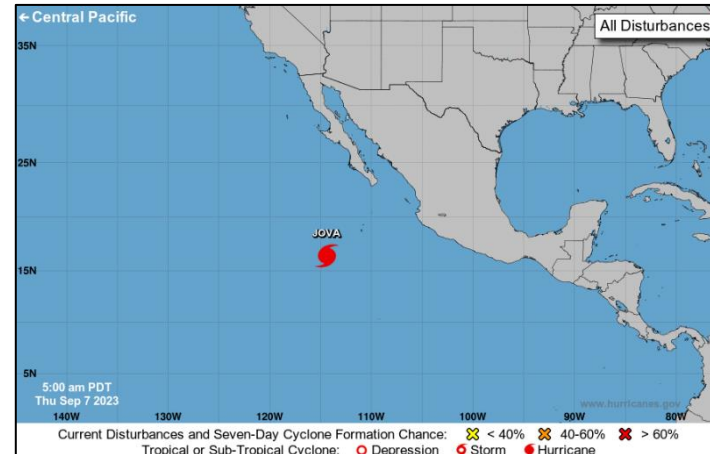
Tropical Outlook – Seven Day

Central Pacific



- No new tropical cyclones are expected during the next seven days

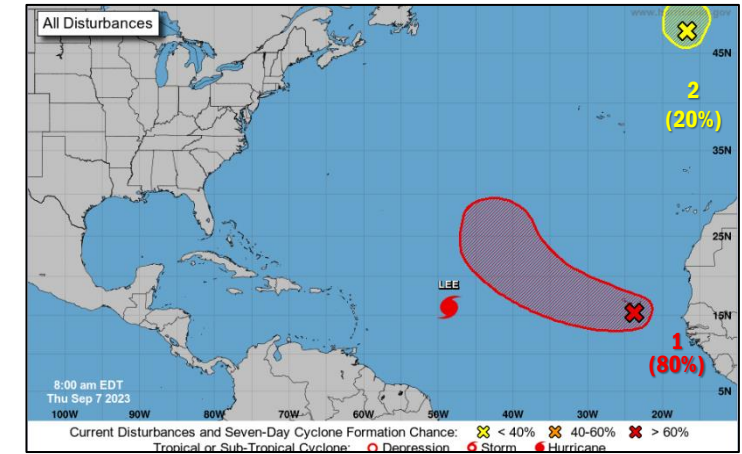
Eastern Pacific



Hurricane Jova (CAT 5) (Advisory #11, as of 5:00 a.m. ET)

- Located 535 miles SW of the southern tip of Baja California; 2,700 miles SE of Hilo, HI
- Maximum sustained winds 160 mph
- Moving WNW at 16 mph
- Hurricane-force winds extend outward up to 30 miles from the center and tropical-storm-force winds extend outward up to 115 miles
- Weakening is forecast to begin later tonight and continue through the weekend

Atlantic



Hurricane Lee (CAT 1) (Advisory #8, as of 5:00 a.m. ET)

- See above
- Disturbance 1 (AL96) (As of 2:00 a.m. ET)
 - Located over the eastern Atlantic near the Cabo Verde Islands
 - Moving WNW at 10 to 15 mph
 - Tropical depression could form later this week
 - Formation chance – 48-hour: Medium (60%); 7-day: High (80%)

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

- Located a few hundred miles WNW of the northwestern coast of Spain
- Conditions appear to unfavorable for further development
- Formation chance – 48-hour: Low (20%); 7-day: Low (20%)



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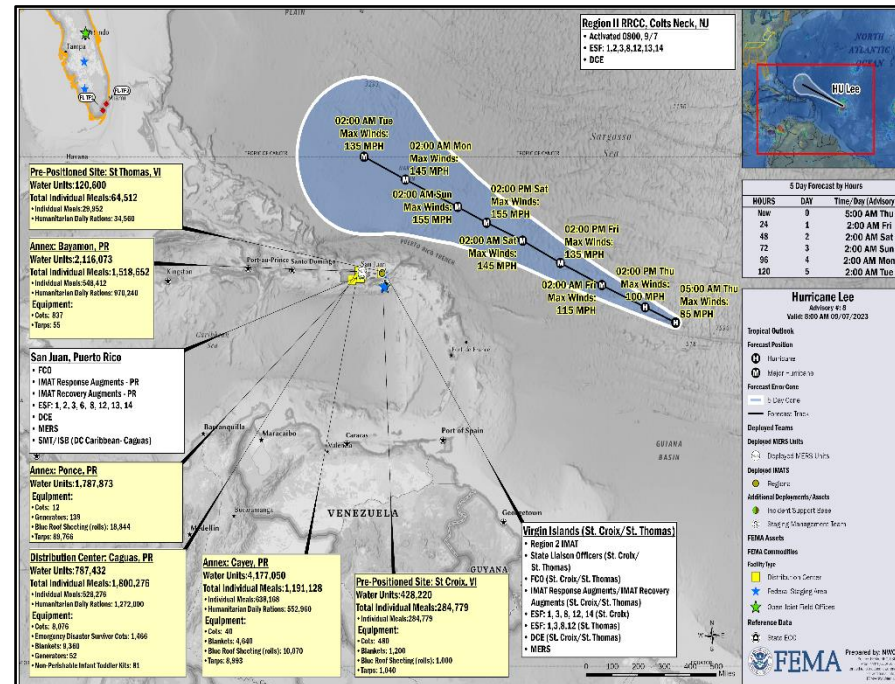
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Hurricane Lee – Preparation

Current Situation: Hurricane Lee has formed in the Atlantic Ocean and is forecast to become a major hurricane by Friday. PR and USVI prepared to submit pre landfall declaration if required, however do not anticipate to do so at this time.

State / Local Response:

- PR:
 - PREMB: Monitoring and prepared to activate
 - FEMA Region II Puerto Rico Caribbean Area Coordinator coordinating with PREMB leadership
 - LUMA EOC is activated
 - Port condition WHISKEY
- USVI:
 - VITEMA: Monitoring and prepared to activate
 - FEMA Region II US Virgin Islands Caribbean Area Coordinator coordinating with VITEMA leadership
 - Port condition WHISKEY



FEMA / Federal Response:

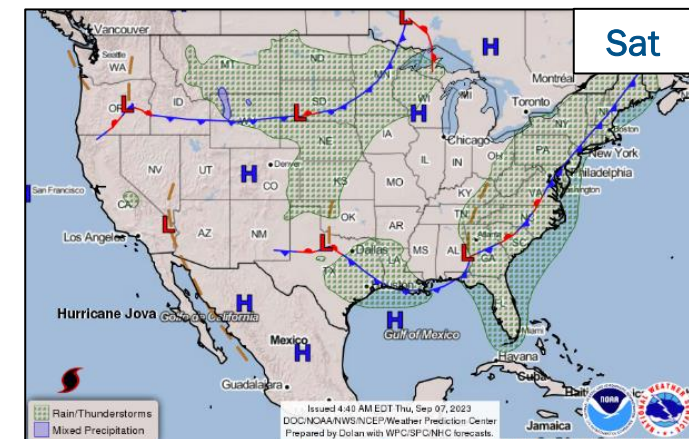
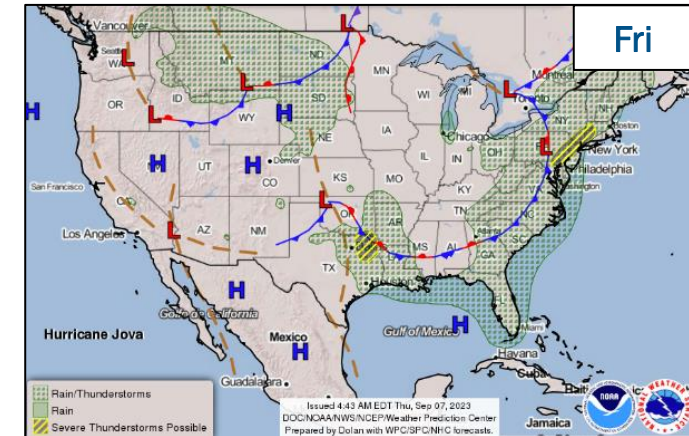
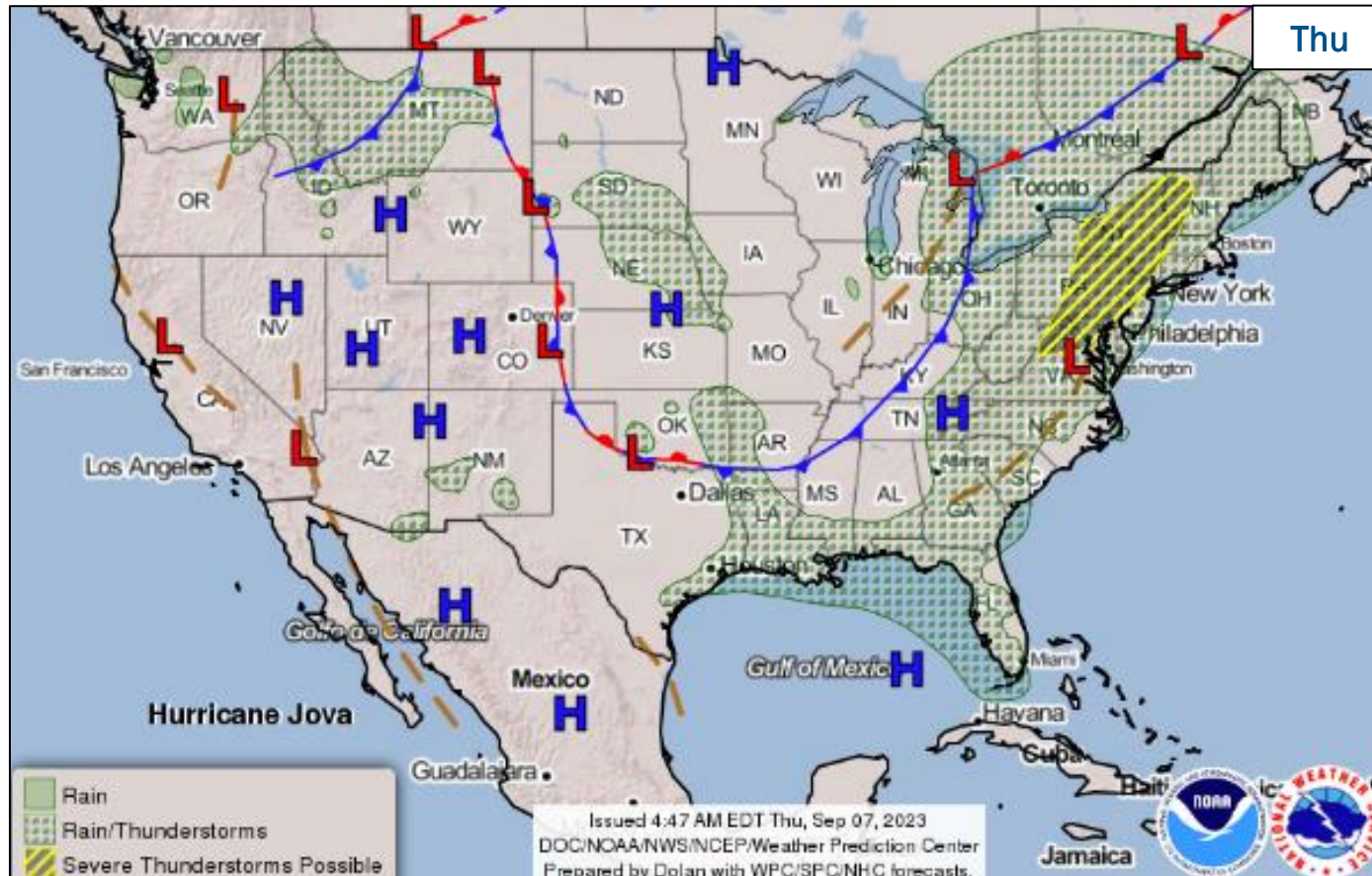
- Region II
 - RRCC at Level III activation (dayshift only) with selected ESFs
 - RWC returned to monitoring
 - IMAT A & B deployed to USVI with ESF 1,3,8,9 (USCG), 12,13,14 DCE & MERS
 - Ad hoc Caribbean IMAT deployed to PR with ESF 1,2,3, 8,12,13,14, DCE & MERS
 - FEMA Region II LNO deployed to NRCC
 - Light package plus 2 Type-4 USACE power PRTs deployed to PR and USVI
- FEMA HQ
 - NWC is monitoring
 - SMT-PR and ISB Charlie activated and deployed to PR

Reporting will continue in the FEMA National Situation Report (5:00 p.m. / 3:00 a.m.) and in the FEMA Daily Operations Brief (8:30 a.m.)



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National Weather Forecast



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Wildfire Summary

Fire Name (Co., ST)	FMAG #	Acres Burned	Percent Contained	Evacuations	Structures (Homes / Other)			Fatalities / Injuries
					Threatened	Damaged	Destroyed	
Tiger Island (Beauregard, LA) FINAL	5482-FM-LA	31,082	71% (+6)	M: Lifted	H: 5,400	H: 4	H: 41	0 / 1
				V: 0	O: 3,250	O: 1	O: 13	

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



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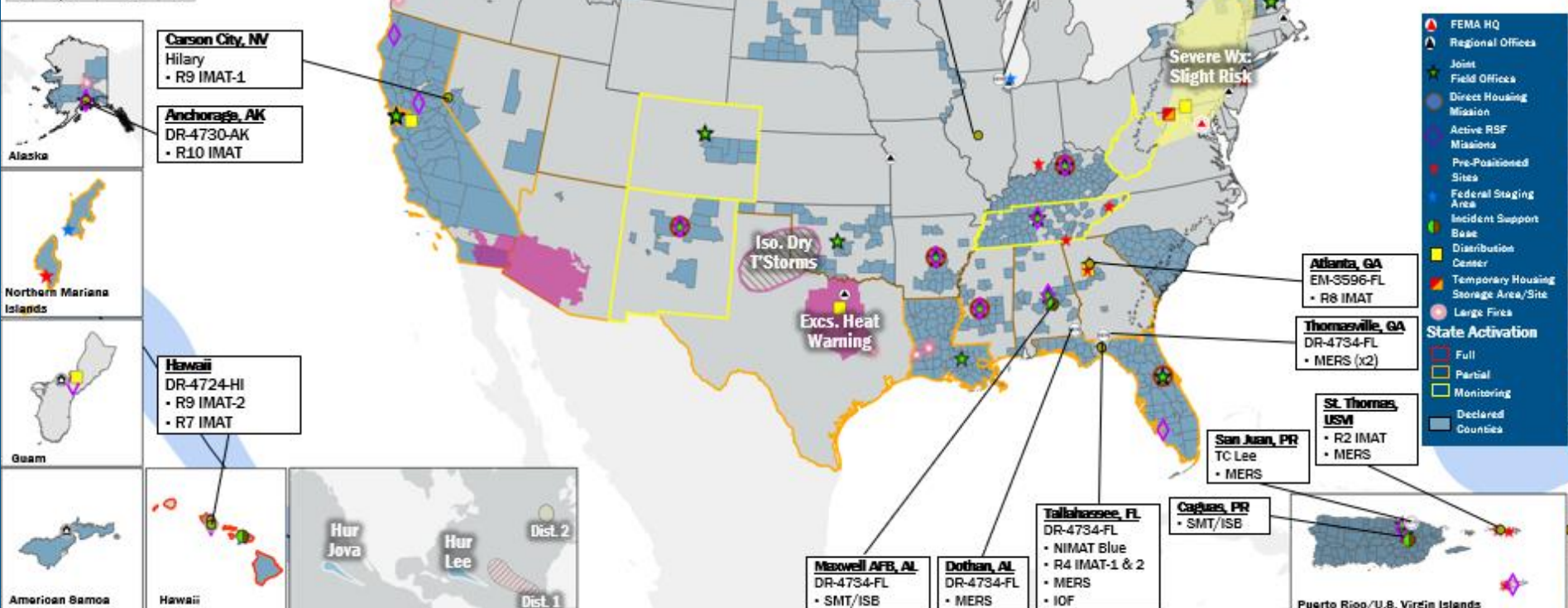
FEMA Common Operating Picture

15 + 6 Joint Field Offices Virtual Joint Field Offices **76 + 2** Major Disasters Emergency Declarations **7** Direct Housing Missions **26** RSF-Supported Disasters

FEMA HQ	
NWC	NRCC
Monitoring	Activated
FEMA REGIONS	
Watch	RRCC
Monitoring	I Rostered
Monitoring	II Level III
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: - NRCC: TC Idalia (Dayshift) - RII RRCC: (TC Lee)	STATE EOCs: - MO/MS/TN/VW: Severe Weather - FL/GA: TC Idalia - VT: Flooding - CO: Public Health Support, Avian Influenza, and Suncor Refinery - AZ/CO: SW Border Coordination - CA/HI/LA/WA: Wildfires - NM/TX: Ongoing Threats Monitoring - CA/NV: TC Hilary - CNMI: Typhoon Mawar
Surge Capacity Force	
Rostered 8,185 (+77)	Deployed 43 (+3)

N-IMATs	
2-5 Teams Available	
Red	
White	
Blue	FL
Gold	
HS	Training
R-IMATs	
≤ 3 Teams Available	
I	VT
II	USVI
III	2
IV-1	FL
IV-2	FL
V	IL
VI-1	
VI-2	1
VII	HI
VIII	GA
IX-1	NV
IX-2	HI
X	AK
Fully Mission Capable (FMC)	
Partially Mission Capable (PMC)	
Not Mission Capable (NMC)	
Deployed	

REGIONAL BREAKDOWN			
JFO/VJFO	DR	EM	
I	3/0	10	0
II	1/1	4	0
III	0/0	0	0
IV	6/1	19	2
V	1/0	2	0
VI	3/1	6	0
VII	0/0	1	0
VIII	0/1	7	0
IX	0/1	16	0
X	1/1	11	0



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IM Workforce

13,635 (+6) Assigned
4,505 (+13) Unavailable
6,778 (+72) Deployed

17% (-1)/ 2,352 (-79) Available

IM Cadre Availability

17 (+1) Cadres ≤ 25% Availability

Civil Rights: 15% (21/142); Disability Integration: 5% (3/55); Disaster Survivor Assistance: 17% (203/1,183); External Affairs: 18% (93/503); Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation: 11% (91/811); Field Leadership: 7% (9/135); Financial Management: 24% (59/243); Hazard Mitigation: 12% (150/1,248); Human Resources: 14% (24/169); Interagency Recovery Coordination: 19% (56/295); Information Technology: 19% (122/646); Logistics: 12% (181/1,519); Operations: 4% (14/348); Public Assistance: 5% (114/2,185); Planning: 6% (28/469); Safety: 9% (7/81); Security: 16% (22/139)

MERS

>66%

36 Assigned
0 Unavailable
5 Deployed

31 Available

US&R

>66%

28 Assigned
6 (-2) Unavailable
0 Deployed

22 (+2) Available

FCO

≤ 1 Type I

50 Assigned
7 Unavailable
40 (27 FCOR) Deployed

3 Available

Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

Region	State / Location	Incident	IA	Number of Counties		Start – End
			PA	Requested	Complete	
I	VT	Flooding Aug 3-8	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	2	1	8/21 - TBD
IV	GA	Tropical Cyclone Idalia Aug 27	IA	3	0	9/5 - TBD
			PA	6	0	9/5 - TBD
VII	MO	Severe Storms and Flooding Jul 29 and continuing	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	35	35 (+35)	8/15 - 9/1
	KS	Severe Storms and Flooding Jun 27 and continuing	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	44	43 (+43)	8/14
IX	CA	Hurricane Hilary TBD	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	8	0	8/29 - TBD
	NV	Hurricane Hilary TBD	IA	1	0	9/6 - TBD
			PA	4	0	8/31 - TBD
X	WA	Wildfires Aug 18 and continuing	IA	2	0	8/30 - TBD
			PA	0	0	N/A



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Declaration Request – Alaska

Declaration Type: Major Disaster – AK
Requested: September 5, 2023

Incident: Flooding
Incident Period: August 4 – 6, 2023

Requesting:

- **PA:** Statewide
- **Hazard Mitigation:** Statewide



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Declaration Request – Missouri

Declaration Type: Major Disaster – MO

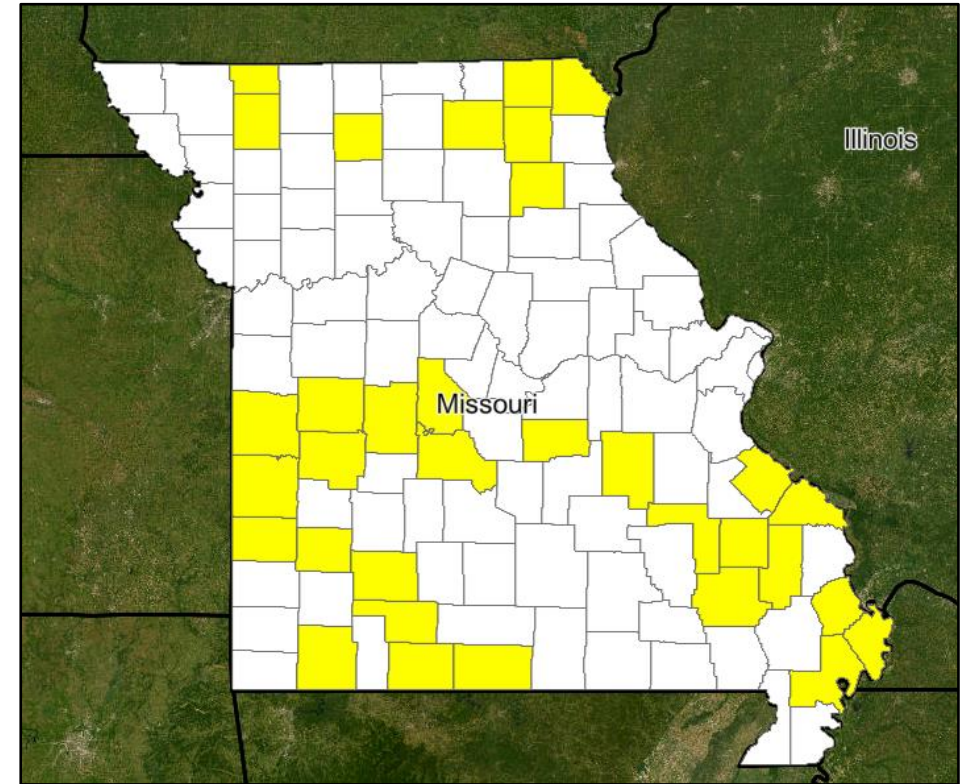
Requested: September 5, 2023

Incident: Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, and Flooding

Incident Period: June 29 – August 14, 2023

Requesting:

- **PA:** 33 counties
- **Hazard Mitigation:** Statewide



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Declaration Request – Tennessee

Declaration Type: Major Disaster – TN

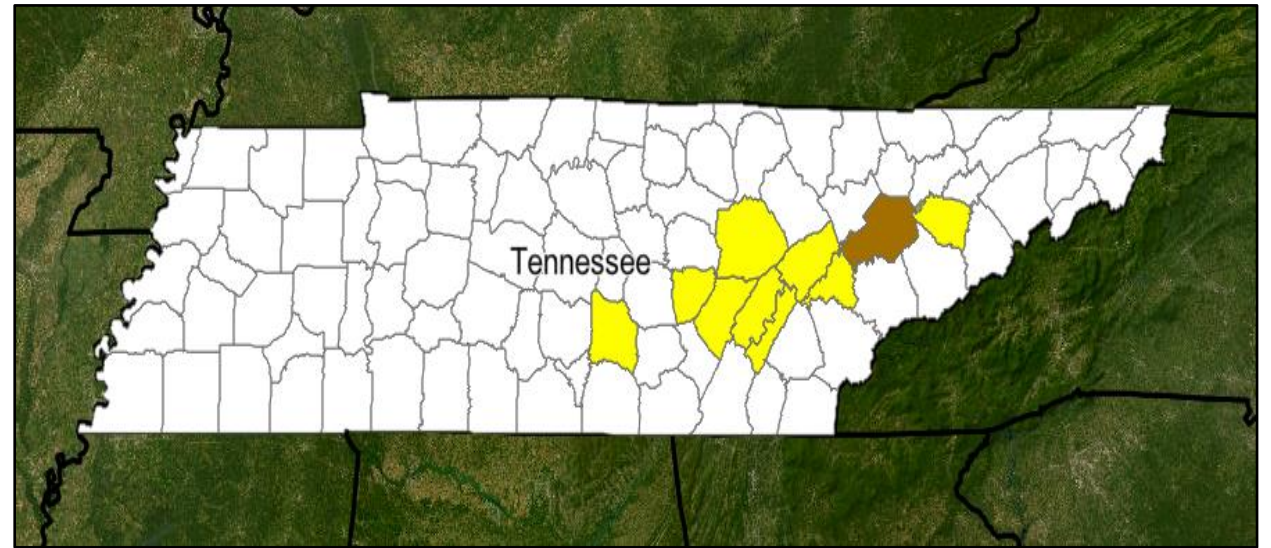
Requested: September 5, 2023

Incident: Severe Storm, Straight-line winds, and Tornado

Incident Period: August 7, 2023

Requesting:

- **PA:** 10 counties
- **IA:** 1 county
- **Hazard Mitigation:** Statewide



- IA/PA
- PA



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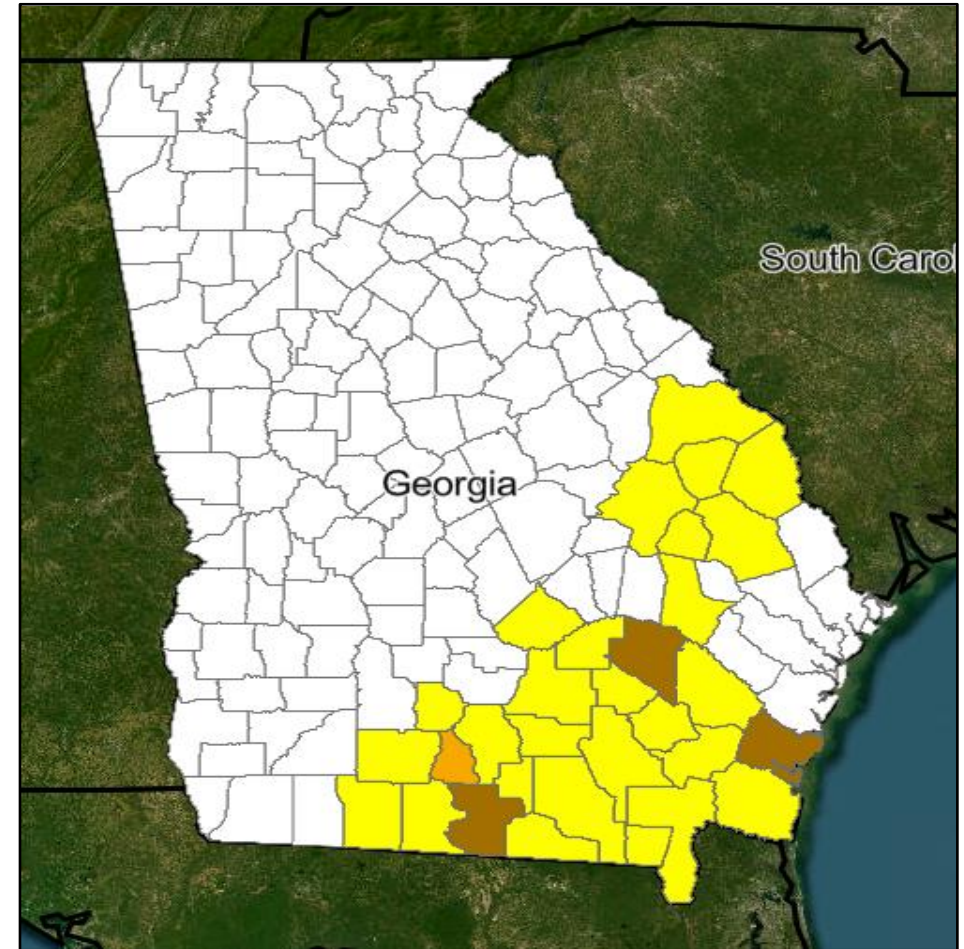
Declaration Request – Georgia

Declaration Type: Major Disaster – GA
Requested: September 6, 2023

Incident: Hurricane Idalia
Incident Period: August 30, 2023

Requesting:

- **PA:** 30 counties
- **IA:** 4 counties
- **Hazard Mitigation:** Statewide



- IA/PA
- IA
- PA

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Expedited Declaration Approval – Maine

Declaration Type: Major Disaster – FEMA-4737-DR-ME

Requested: August 16, 2023

Approved: September 6, 2023

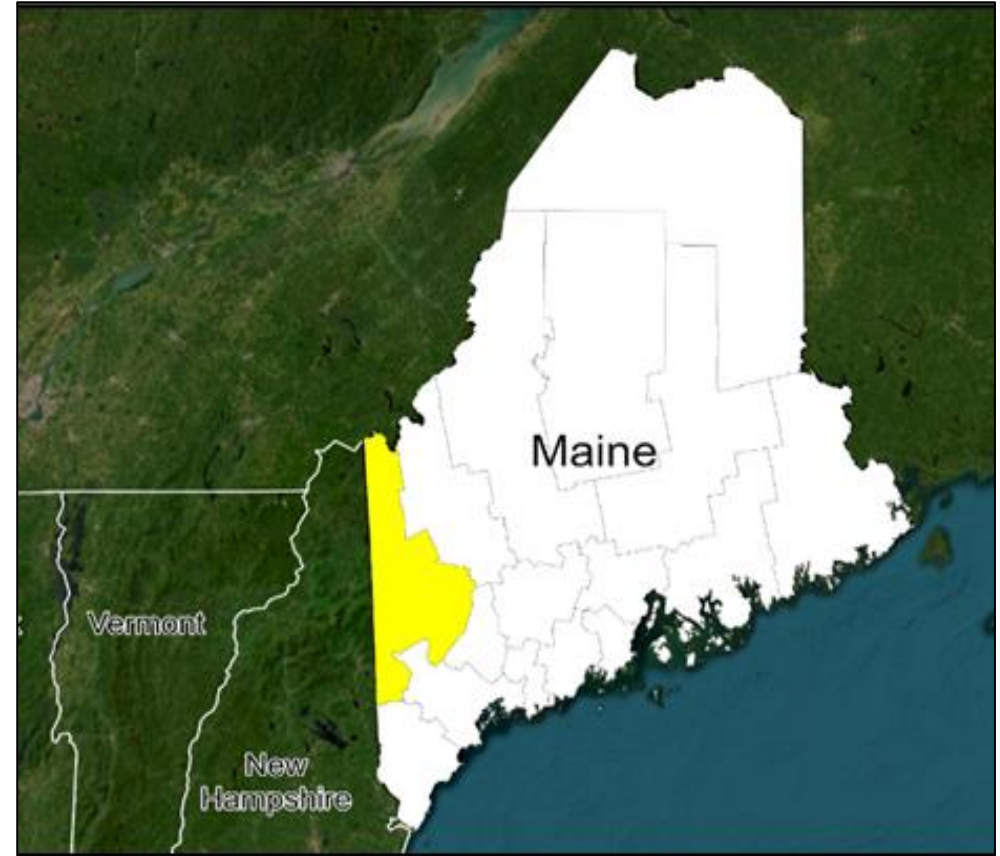
Incident: Severe Storm and Flooding

Incident Period: June 26, 2023

Provides:

- **PA:** 1 county

FCO: William F. Roy



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Declaration Requests in Process – 14

State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Type	IA	PA	HM	Requested
OH – Train Derailment	DR	X	X	X	Jul 3
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
UT – Flooding	DR		X	X	Aug 11
ME – Severe Storms and Flooding (Jun 26) – APPROVED	DR		X	X	Aug 16
KY – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, and Flooding	DR	X			Aug 18
AR – Severe Storms and Flooding	DR	X	X	X	Aug 22
MT – Severe Storms and Flooding	DR		X	X	Aug 25
NH – Severe Storms and Flooding	DR		X	X	Aug 30



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Declaration Requests in Process – Continued

State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Type	IA	PA	HM	Requested
AK – Flooding	DR	X	X	X	Sept 5
TN – Severe Storm, Straight-line Winds, and Tornado	DR	X	X	X	Sep 5
MO – Severe storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, and Flooding	DR		X	X	Sept 5
GA – Hurricane Idalia	DR	X	X	X	Sept 6
Inupiat Community of the Artic Slope (ICAS) – Severed Undersea Fiber Optic Line (APPEAL)	EM		X		Aug 23



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Declaration Amendments

Declaration	Number	Issued	Action
FEMA-4611-DR-LA	9	Aug 19	Appoints Benjamin Abbott as FCO



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