

FEMA National Watch Center

Daily Operations Briefing

Friday, September 8, 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 – Southern Plains to the Lower Mississippi Valley and the Mid-Atlantic to the Northeast
- Tropical Activity:
 - Atlantic:
 - Hurricane Lee (CAT 5)
 - Tropical Storm Margot
 - Eastern Pacific:
 - Hurricane Jova (CAT 2)

Disaster Declaration Activity

- Major Disaster Declaration approval – Georgia
- 3 Amendments issued – OK, MS, and MN

Event Monitoring

- No significant events

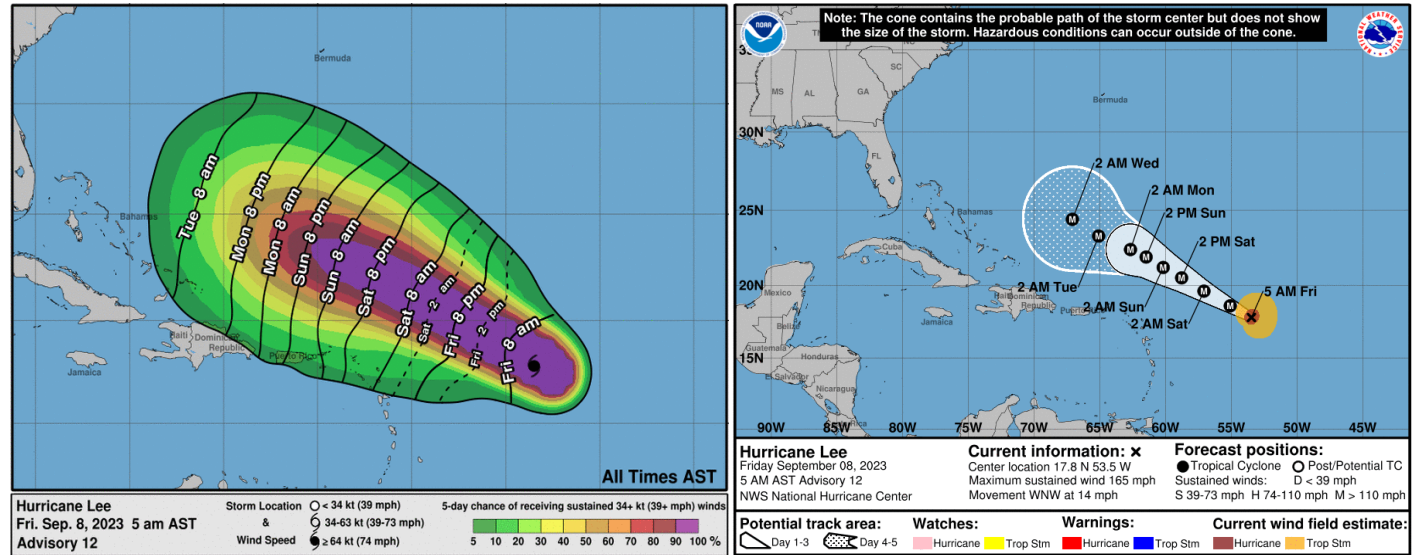


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Hurricane Lee (Cat 5)

Situation: (Advisory #12, as of 5:00 a.m. ET)

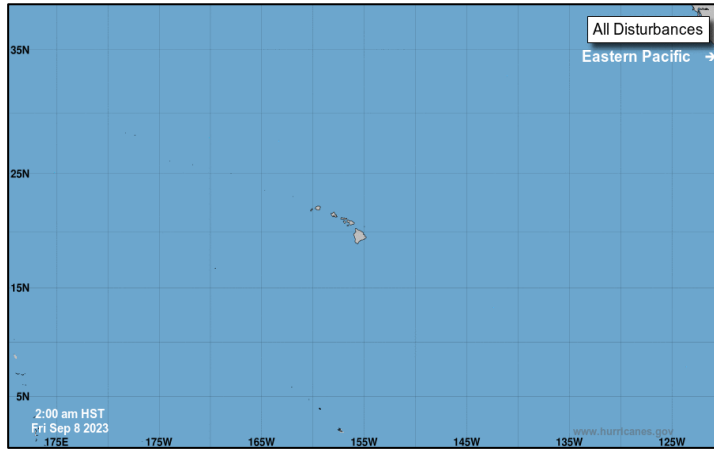
- Located 630 miles E of Northern Leeward Islands
- Maximum sustained winds 165 mph
- Moving WNW at 14 mph
- Fluctuations in intensity are likely over the next few days; expected to remain a major hurricane through early next week



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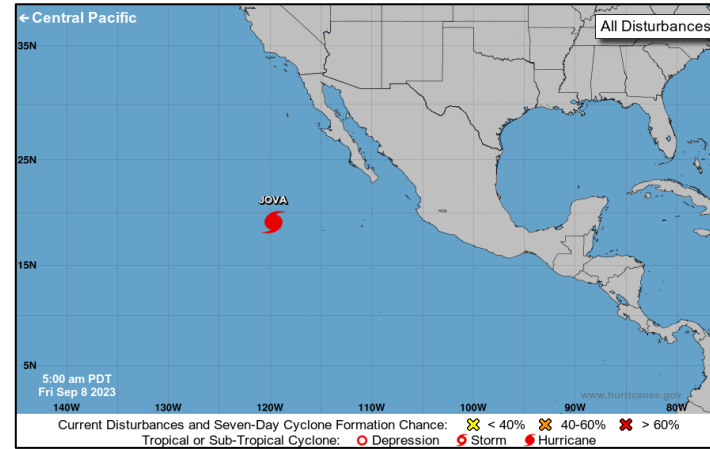
Tropical Outlook – Seven Day

Central Pacific



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

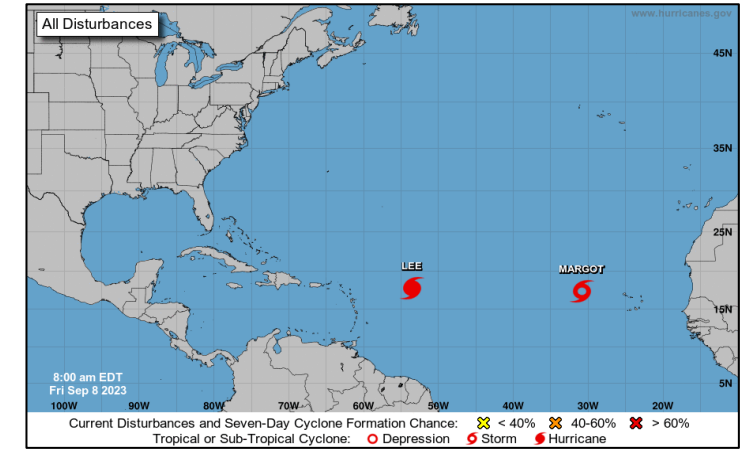
Eastern Pacific



[Hurricane Jova \(CAT 2\)](#) (Advisory #15, as of 5:00 a.m. ET)

- Located 685 miles WSW of the southern tip of Baja California; 2,300 miles SE of Hilo, HI
- Maximum sustained winds 110 mph
- Moving WNW at 16 mph
- Continued weakening is forecast during the next several days

Atlantic



[Hurricane Lee \(CAT 5\)](#) (Advisory #12, as of 5:00 a.m. ET)

- See previous slide

[Tropical Storm Margot](#) (Advisory #4, as of 5:00 a.m. ET)

- Located 460 miles WNW of Cabo Verde Islands
- Maximum sustained winds 40 mph
- Moving WNW at 16 mph
- Gradual strengthening is expected during the next few days; forecast to become a hurricane over the weekend



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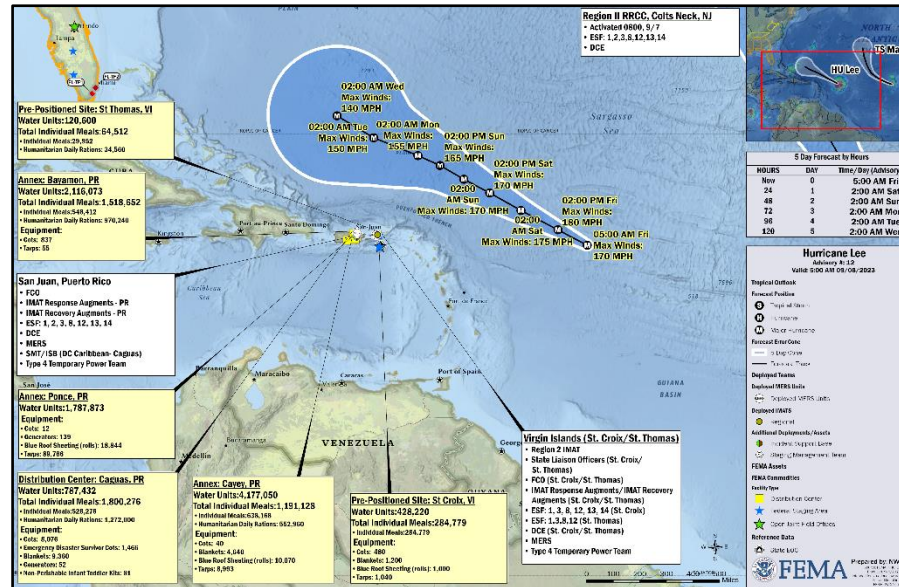
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Hurricane Lee – Preparation

Current Situation: Hurricane Lee has formed in the Atlantic Ocean and is now a major hurricane. PR and USVI are prepared to submit pre landfall declarations.

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 X-Ray
 - 4,510,056 total meals and 8,868,428 units (liters) of water available
 - FCO identified
- USVI:
 - VITEMA: Monitoring and prepared to activate
 - FEMA Region II US Virgin Islands Caribbean Area Coordinator coordinating with VITEMA leadership
 - Port condition X Ray
 - 251,536 total meals and 621,720 units (liters) of water available



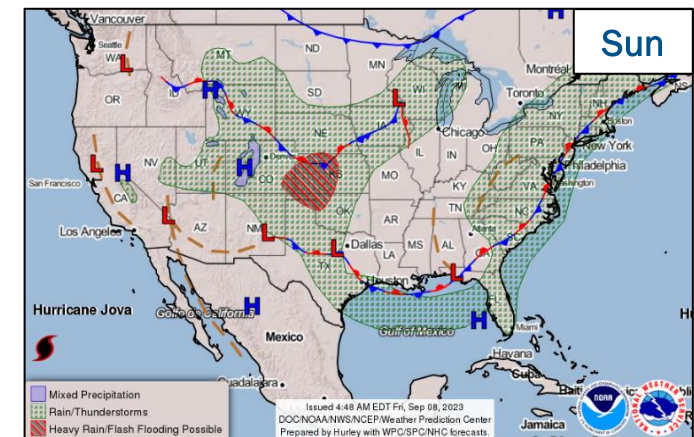
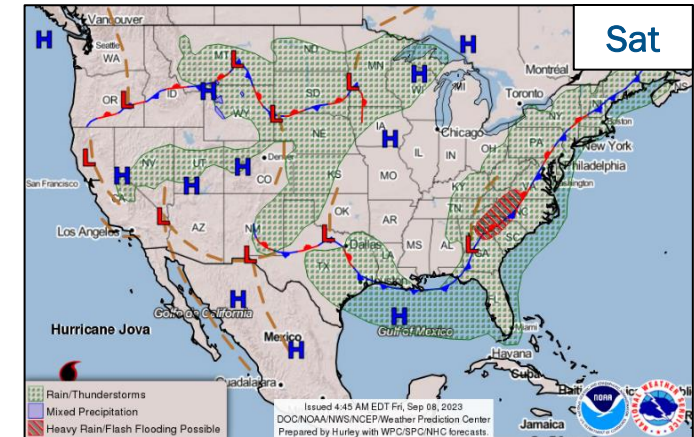
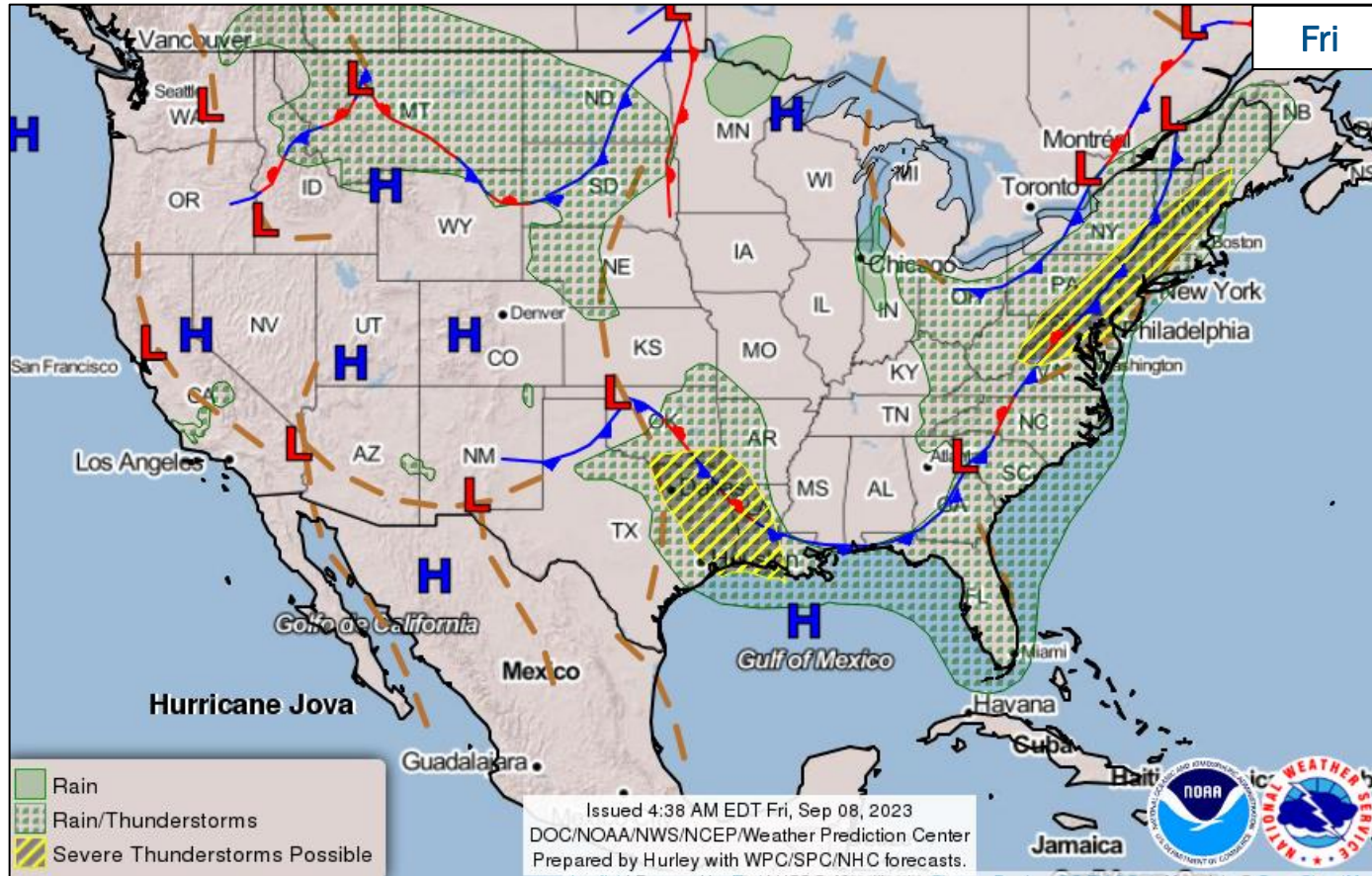
FEMA / Federal Response:

- Region II
 - RRCC at Level III activation (dayshift only) with selected ESFs
 - IMAT A & B deployed to USVI with ESFs 1,3,8,9 (USCG), 12,13,14, DCE & MERS
 - Ad hoc Caribbean IMAT deployed to PR with ESFs 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
 - FCO identified
 - MERS deployed to PR and USVI
 - 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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FEMA Common Operating Picture

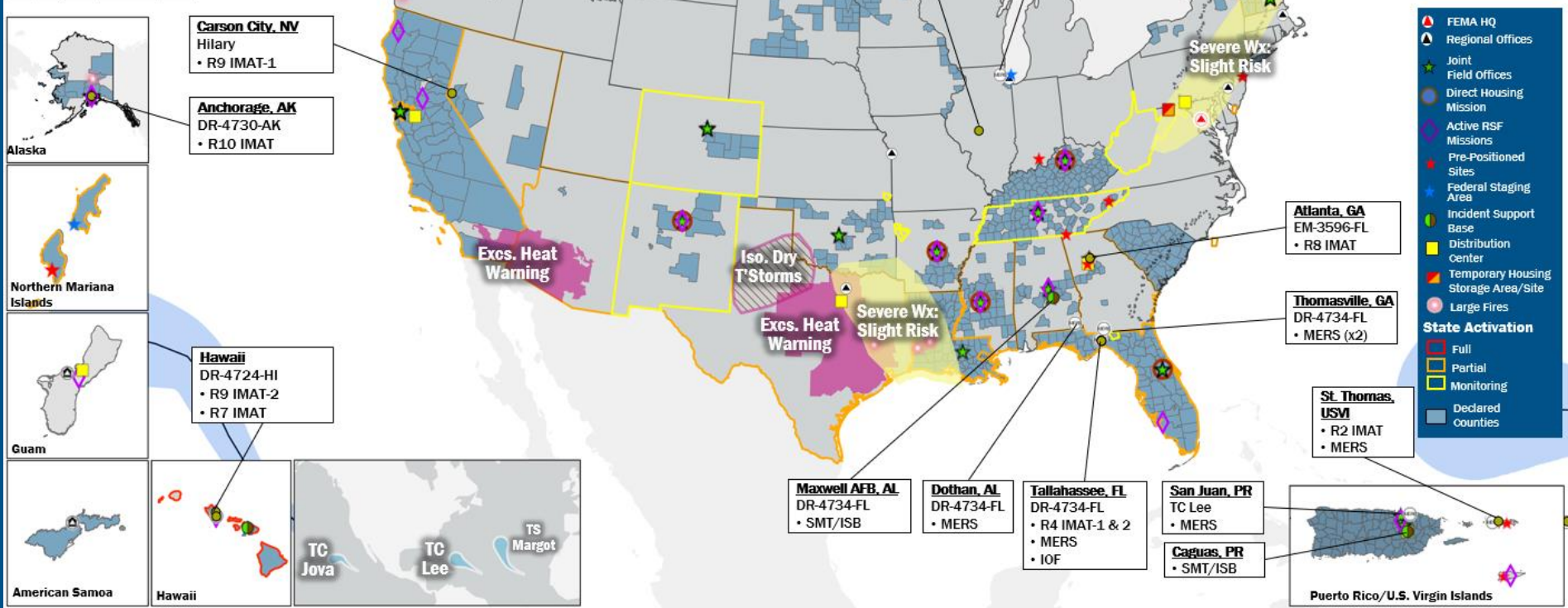
15 + 6 Joint Field Offices Virtual Joint Field Offices **77 + 2** Major Disasters Emergency Declarations **7** Direct Housing Missions **26** RSF-Supported Disasters

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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: • 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	Deployed 48 (+5)

N-IMATs	
2-5 Teams Available	
Red	
White	
Blue	Demobilizing
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	20	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



IM Workforce

13,665 (+30) Assigned
4,470 (-35) Unavailable
6,814 (+36) Deployed

17% / 2,381 (+29) Available

IM Cadre Availability

18 Cadres ≤ 25% Availability

Acquisitions: 23% (52/226); Civil Rights: 13% (19/142); Disability Integration: 5% (3/55); Disaster Survivor Assistance: 17% (205/1,183); External Affairs: 20% (101/503); Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation: 11% (94/819); Field Leadership: 8% (11/136); Financial Management: 25% (61/243); Hazard Mitigation: 12% (146/1,248); Human Resources: 14% (23/169); Interagency Recovery Coordination: 19% (55/295); Information Technology: 20% (130/647); Logistics: 12% (189/1,519); Operations: 7% (25/349); Public Assistance: 6% (129/2,197); Planning: 6% (29/470); Safety: 7% (6/81); Security: 15% (21/139)

MERS

>66%

36 Assigned
0 Unavailable
7 (+2) Deployed

29 (-2) Available

US&R

>66%

28 Assigned
5 (-1) Unavailable
0 Deployed

23 (+1) Available

FCO

≤ 1 Type I

50 Assigned
8 (+1) Unavailable
40 (27 FCOR) Deployed

2 (-1) 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
VII	KS	Severe Storms and Flooding Jun 27 and continuing	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	44	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 Approval – Georgia

Declaration Type: Major Disaster Declaration – FEMA-4738-DR-GA

Requested: Sep 6

Approved: Sep 7

Incident: Hurricane Idalia

Incident Period: Aug 30

Provides:

- **IA/PA:** 3 counties

FCO: Judy N. Kruger



■ IA/PA



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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
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
AK – Flooding	DR	X	X	X	Sep 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	Sep 5
GA – Hurricane Idalia – APPROVED	DR	X	X	X	Sep 6
NH – Severe Winter Storm and Snowstorm – (APPEAL)	DR		X	X	Sep 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-4721-DR-OK	2	Sep 7	Adds 2 counties for PA
FEMA-4727-DR-MS	1	Sep 7	Adds 12 counties for PA
FEMA-4722-DR-MN	1	Sep 7	Adds 2 counties for PA



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