

FEMA National Watch Center

Daily Operations Briefing

Saturday, September 20, 2025

8:30 a.m. ET



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National Current Ops / Monitoring

New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Ops

- No new significant incidents / operations

Hazard Monitoring

- Rain / Thunderstorms – California, Pacific Northwest to Mid-Atlantic and Southeast
- Tropical Activity:
 - Atlantic:
 - Tropical Storm Gabrielle
 - Disturbance 1: Low (20%)
 - Eastern and Central Pacific:
 - Disturbance 1 (EP96): Low (10%)
 - Disturbance 2 (EP97): High (80%)

Disaster Declaration Activity

- No new declaration activity

Event Monitoring

- 80th Session of the United Nations General Assembly – New York City, NY
- Charlie Kirk Memorial Service – Glendale, AZ

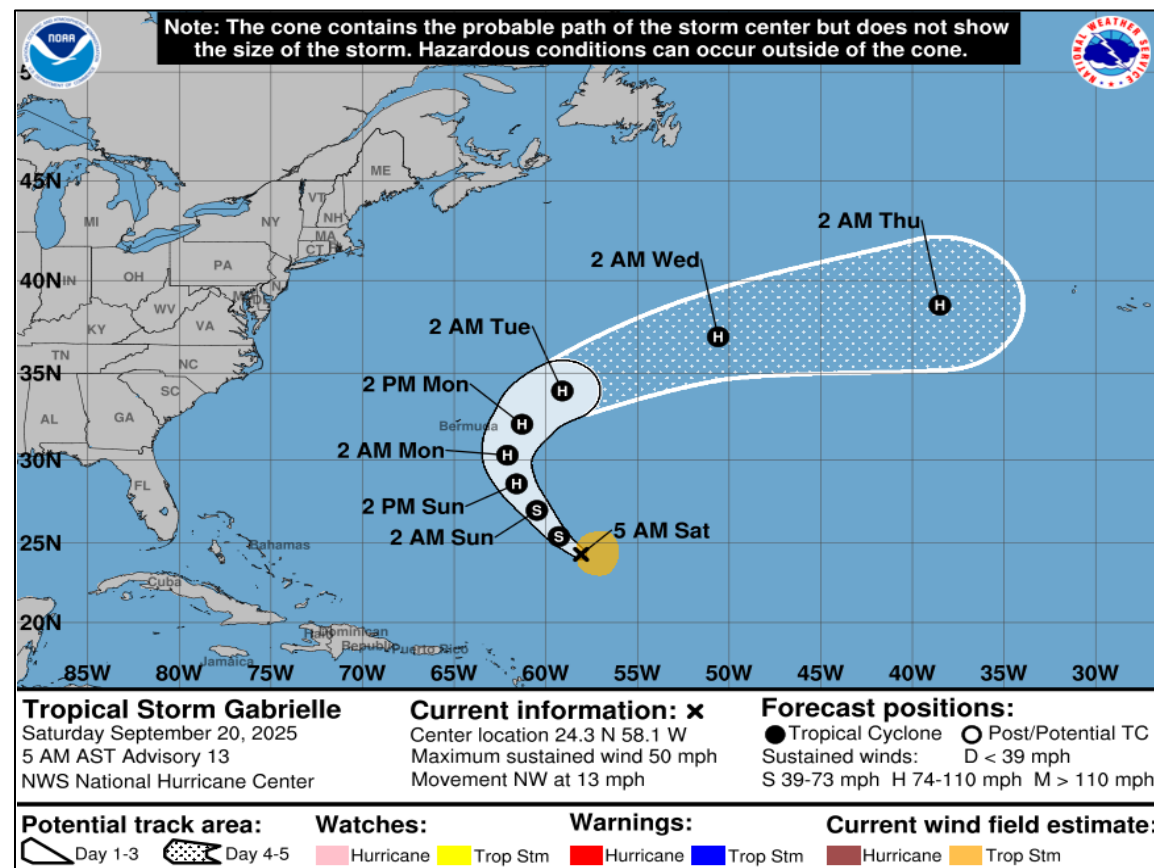


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Tropical Storm Gabrielle – Atlantic

Situation: (Advisory #13, as of 5:00 a.m. ET)

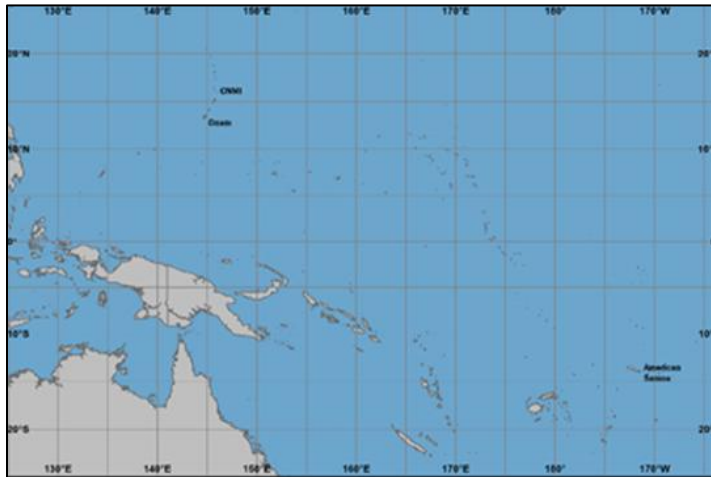
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- Moving **NW** at **13 mph**
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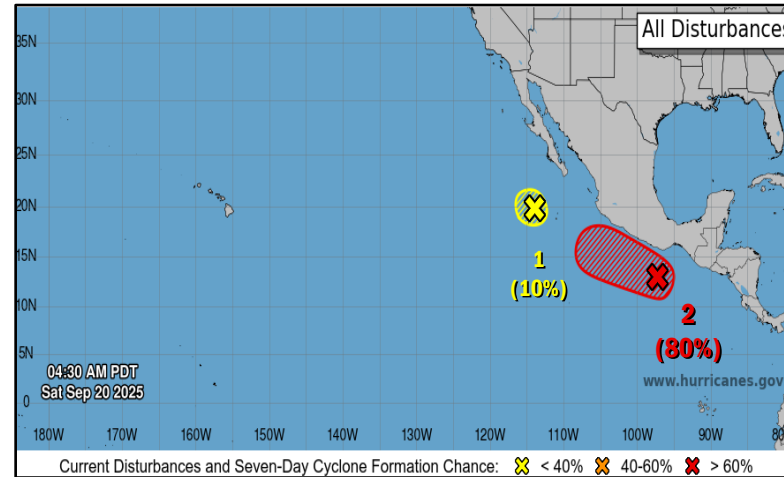
Tropical Outlook

Western Pacific



- No tropical cyclones threatening U.S. territories

Central and Eastern Pacific



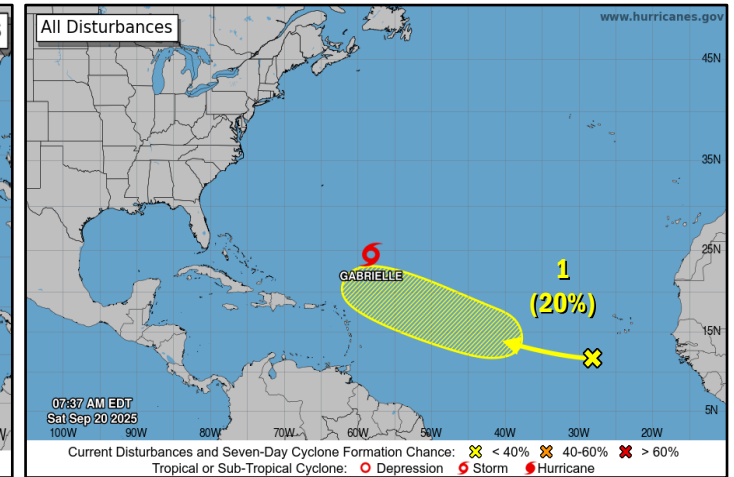
Disturbance 1 (EP96): (as of 8:00 a.m. ET)

- Located a few hundred miles SW of the southern tip of the Baja California peninsula
- Forecast to move into a more hostile environment later today and tonight, where cooler waters and a drier airmass will inhibit further development
- Formation chance – 48-hour: **Low (10%)**; 7-day: **Low (10%)**

Disturbance 2 (EP97): (as of 8:00 a.m. ET)

- Located a couple hundred miles S of the southern coast of Mexico
- Environmental conditions appear conducive for gradual development late this weekend
- A tropical depression could form by early next week
- Formation chance – 48-hour: **Med (60%)**; 7-day: **High (80%)**

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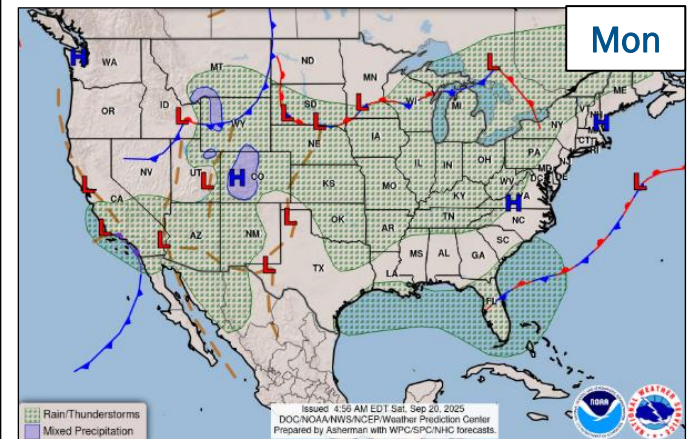
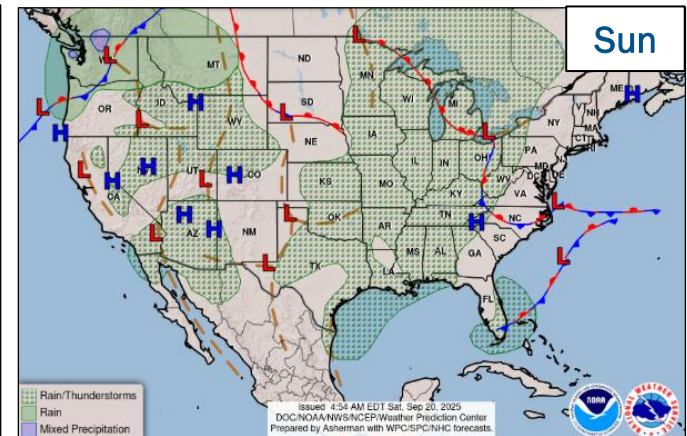
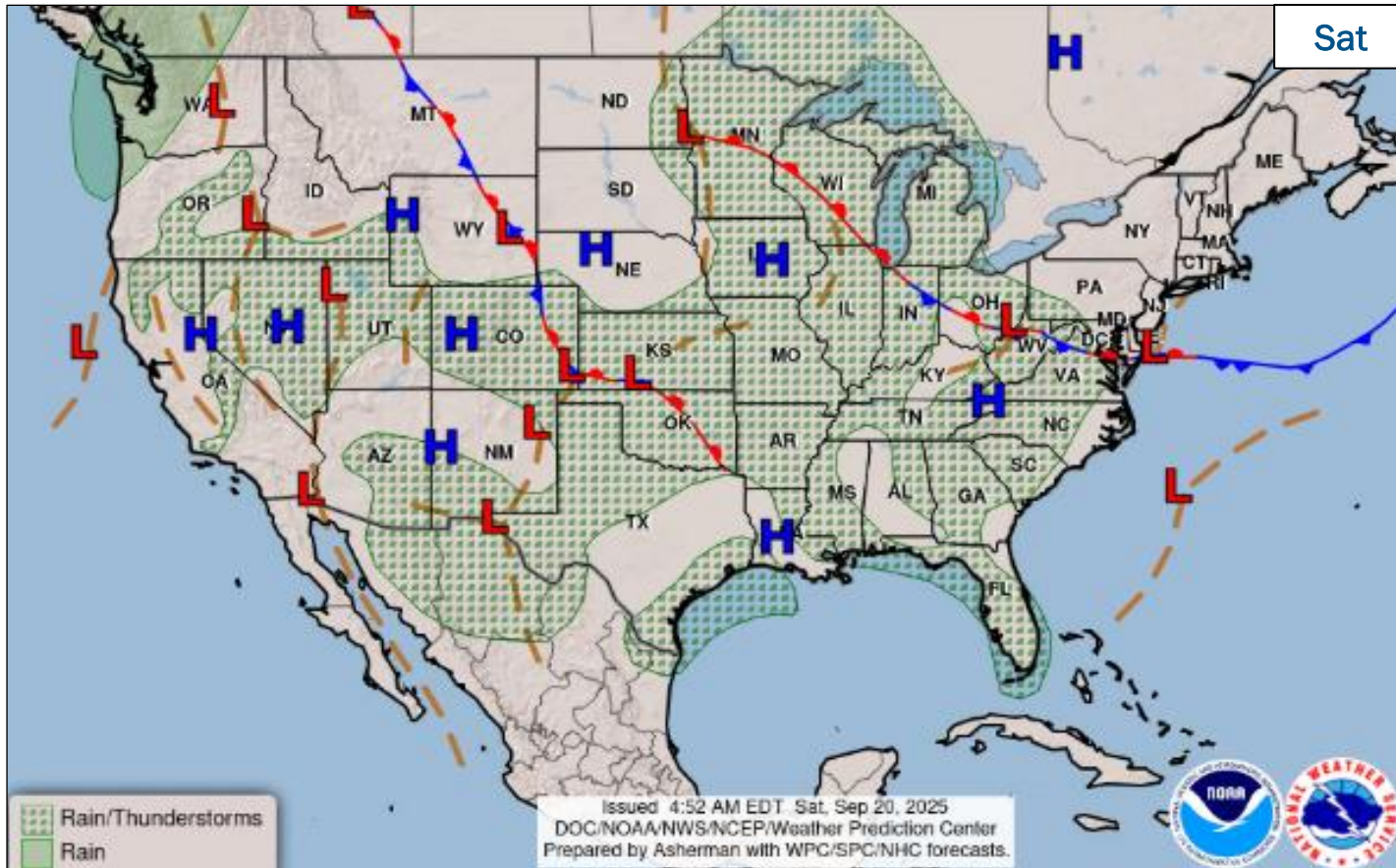
- Located **well southwest** of the Cabo Verde Islands
- Some slow development of this system is possible through the middle to latter part of next week
- Formation chance – 48-hour: **Low (near 0%)**; 7-day: **Low (20%)**



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National Weather Forecast



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FEMA Common Operating Picture

17 Joint Field Offices **Supporting** **59** Major Disasters **+** **7** Emergency Declarations **12** Direct Housing Missions **7** RSF-Supported Disasters **6** Joint Recovery Offices

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FEMA HQ	
NWC	NRCC
Monitoring	Steady State
FEMA REGIONS	
Watch	RRCC
Monitoring	R1 Rostered
Monitoring	R2 Rostered
Monitoring	R3 Rostered
Monitoring	R4 Rostered
Monitoring	R5 Rostered
Monitoring	R6 Rostered
Monitoring	R7 Rostered
Monitoring	R8 Rostered
Monitoring	R9 Rostered
Monitoring	R10 Rostered

N-IMATs	
2-5 Teams Available	
Red	
White	
Blue	
Gold	
HS	

R-IMATs	
≥ 7 Teams Available	
R1	3
R2	
R3	1
R4 (1)	
R4 (2)	
R5	WI (Sep 15)
R6 (1)	
R6 (2)	TX (Jul 6)
R7	2
R8	Reconstituting
R9 (1)	CA (Jan 8)
R9 (2)	
R10	

Notes:

NRCC/RWCs/RRCCs:

- R5 Watch: Staffing (Dayshift 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. ET)

State EOCs:

- AZ/HI/OR/WA: Wildfires
- FL: Previous Incidents
- MD/NM/TX: Flooding
- VT: Drought

Volunteer Force	
Rostered	Deployed
6,809	6
Surge Capacity Force	
Rostered	Deployed
7,726	1

Fully Mission Capable (FMC)

Partially Mission Capable (PMC)

Not Mission Capable (NMC)

Deployed

REGIONAL BREAKDOWN				
	JFO	DR	EM	JRO
R1	1	1	0	0
R2	0	0	0	2
R3	2	7	1	0
R4	7	21	5	1
R5	0	3	0	0
R6	4	9	1	3
R7	1	10	0	0
R8	1	4	0	0
R9	1	3	0	0
R10	0	1	0	0



Pasadena, CA
DR-4856-CA
• R9 IMAT-1

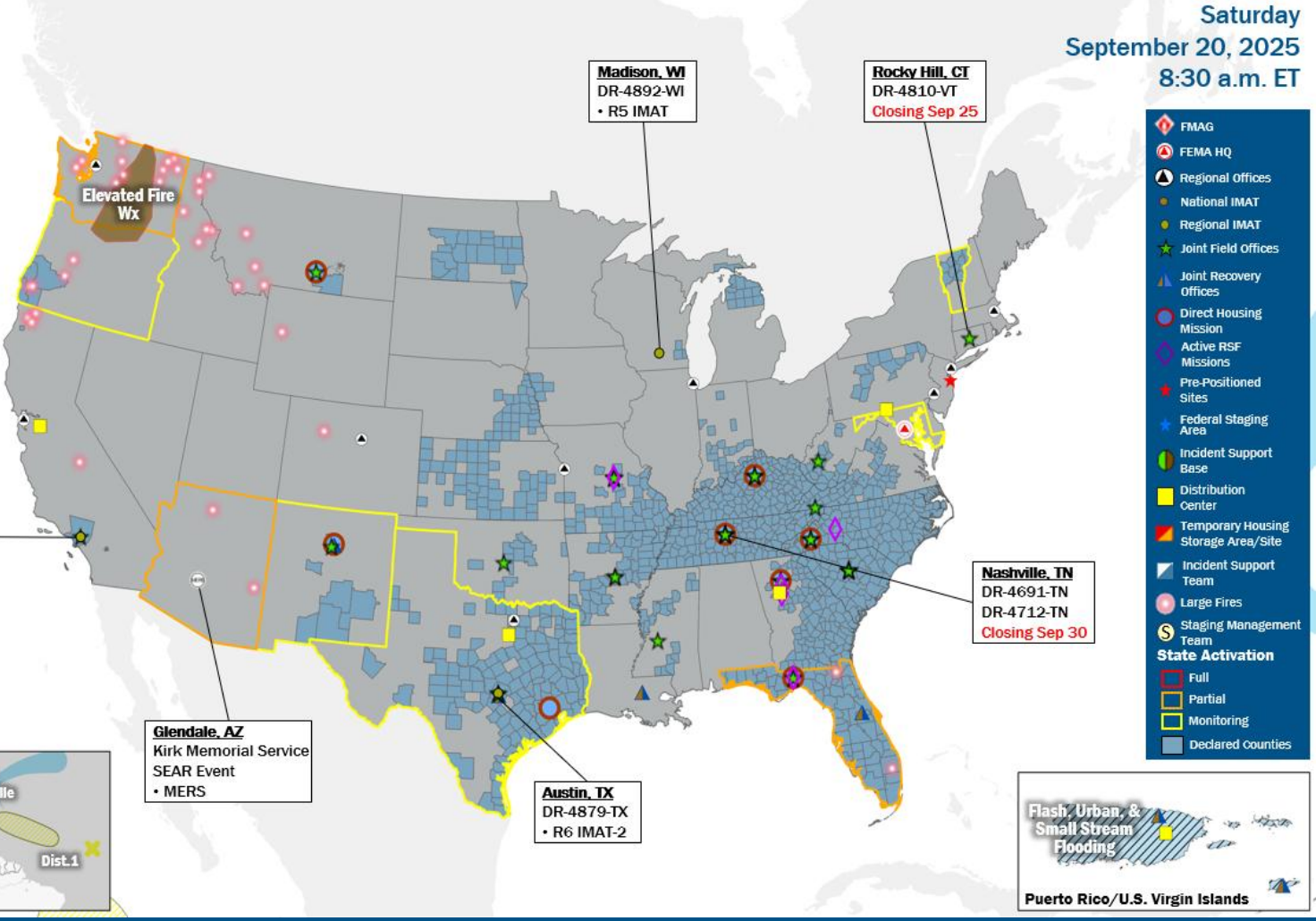
Glendale, AZ
Kirk Memorial Service
SEAR Event
• MERS

Madison, WI
DR-4892-WI
• R5 IMAT

Rocky Hill, CT
DR-4810-VT
Closing Sep 25

Nashville, TN
DR-4691-TN
DR-4712-TN
Closing Sep 30

Austin, TX
DR-4879-TX
• R6 IMAT-2



IM Workforce

11,842 (-59) Assigned
4,103 (-20) Unavailable
4,822 (-44) Deployed
25% (+1) / 2,912 (+5) Available

IM Cadre Availability

15 (-1) Cadres ≤ 25% Availability

Alternative Dispute Resolution: 16% (5/31); Civil Rights: 13% (13/101); Disaster Field Training Operations: 10% (7/69); Disability Integration: 17% (3/18); External Affairs: 14% (44/321); Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation: 9% (60/685); Field Leadership: 7% (8/121); Financial Management: 20% (37/185); Hazard Mitigation: 13% (104/795); Human Resources: 16% (27/165); Operations: 17% (62/359); Public Assistance: 16% (328/2,078); Planning: 8% (30/361); Safety: 19% (17/91); Security: 13% (15/112)

MERS
≥ 66%

36 Assigned
6 Unavailable
1 Deployed
29 Available

US&R
≥ 66%

28 Assigned
1 Unavailable
0 Deployed
27 Available

FCO
≤ 1 Type I

40 Assigned
4 Unavailable
33 (21 FCOR) Deployed
3 Available

Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

Region	State / Location	Incident	IA	Number of Counties		Start - End
			PA	Requested	Complete	
R8	CO	Elk and Lee Fires Aug 6-14	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	1	0	9/8 - TBD



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Declaration Requests in Process – 10

State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Type	IA	PA	HM	Requested
MD – Severe Storm and Flooding (Appeal)	DR		X	X	Aug 19
OK – Severe Storms, Tornadoes, Straight-line Winds, and Flooding (Appeal)	DR		X	X	Aug 19
LLBO* – Severe Storm and Straight-line Winds	DR	X	X	X	Aug 19
IL – Severe Storms and Flooding	DR	X		X	Aug 21
VT – Severe Storm and Flooding	DR		X	X	Aug 22
AK – Chevak Public Safety Building Fire	DR		X	X	Aug 28
ND – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, and Tornadoes	DR		X	X	Sep 4
NE – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, and Flooding	DR		X	X	Sep 4
IL – Severe Storms and Flooding	DR	X		X	Sep 15
KS – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, and Flooding	DR		X	X	Sep 17

* Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe



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