

FEMA National Watch Center

# Daily Operations Briefing

Monday, September 23, 2024

8:30 a.m. ET



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# National Current Ops / Monitoring

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## New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Ops

- No significant incidents / operations

## Hazard Monitoring

- Tropical Activity:
  - Atlantic:
    - Disturbance 1: High (90%)
    - Disturbance 2: High (70%)
  - Eastern Pacific:
    - Tropical Storm John
    - Disturbance 1: Low (20%)
  - Central Pacific:
    - Disturbance 1: Low (30%)

## Disaster Declaration Activity

- No new declaration activity

## Event Monitoring

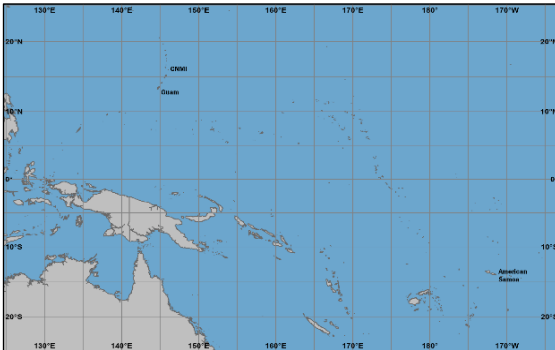
- 79<sup>th</sup> United Nations General Assembly – NY



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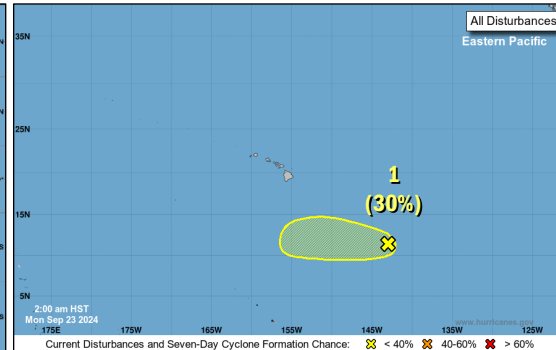
# Tropical Outlook

## Western Pacific



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

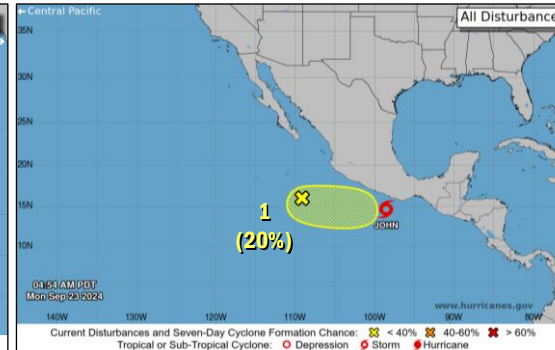
## Central Pacific



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

- Located 1,000 miles SE of Hilo, HI
- Conditions unfavorable for further development
- Formation chance: 48-hour – Low (30%); 7-day – Low (30%)

## Eastern Pacific



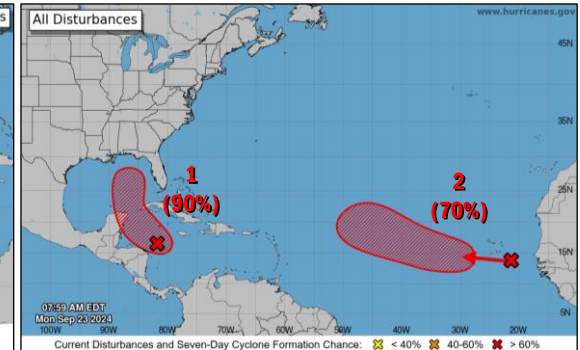
### Tropical Storm John (as of 8:00 a.m. ET)

- See slide below

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

- Located several hundred miles WSW of southwestern Mexico
- Marginally favorable for gradual development
- Formation chance: 48-hour – Low (10%); 7-day – Low (20%)

## Atlantic



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

- Located over the NW Caribbean Sea and Gulf of Mexico
- Tropical depression or storm likely to form during the next day or two
- Formation chance: 48-hour – High (80%); 7-day – High (90%)

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

- Located between W Africa and Cabo Verde Islands
- Tropical depression is likely to form later this week
- Formation chance: 48-hour – Low (20%); 7-day – High (70%)



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# Tropical Storm John – Eastern Pacific

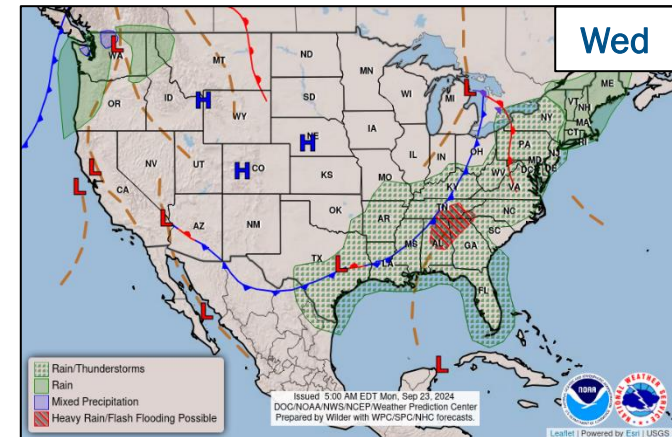
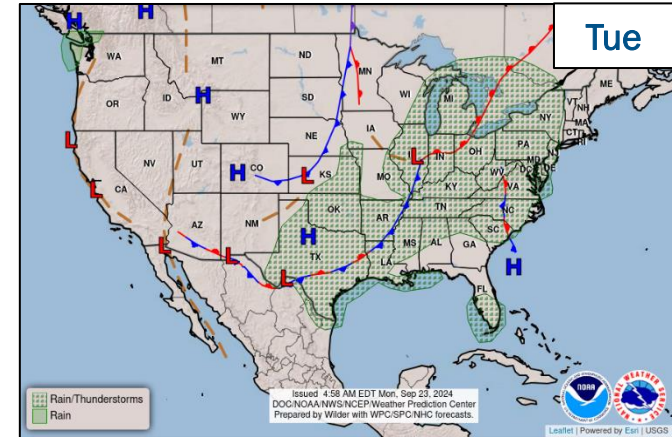
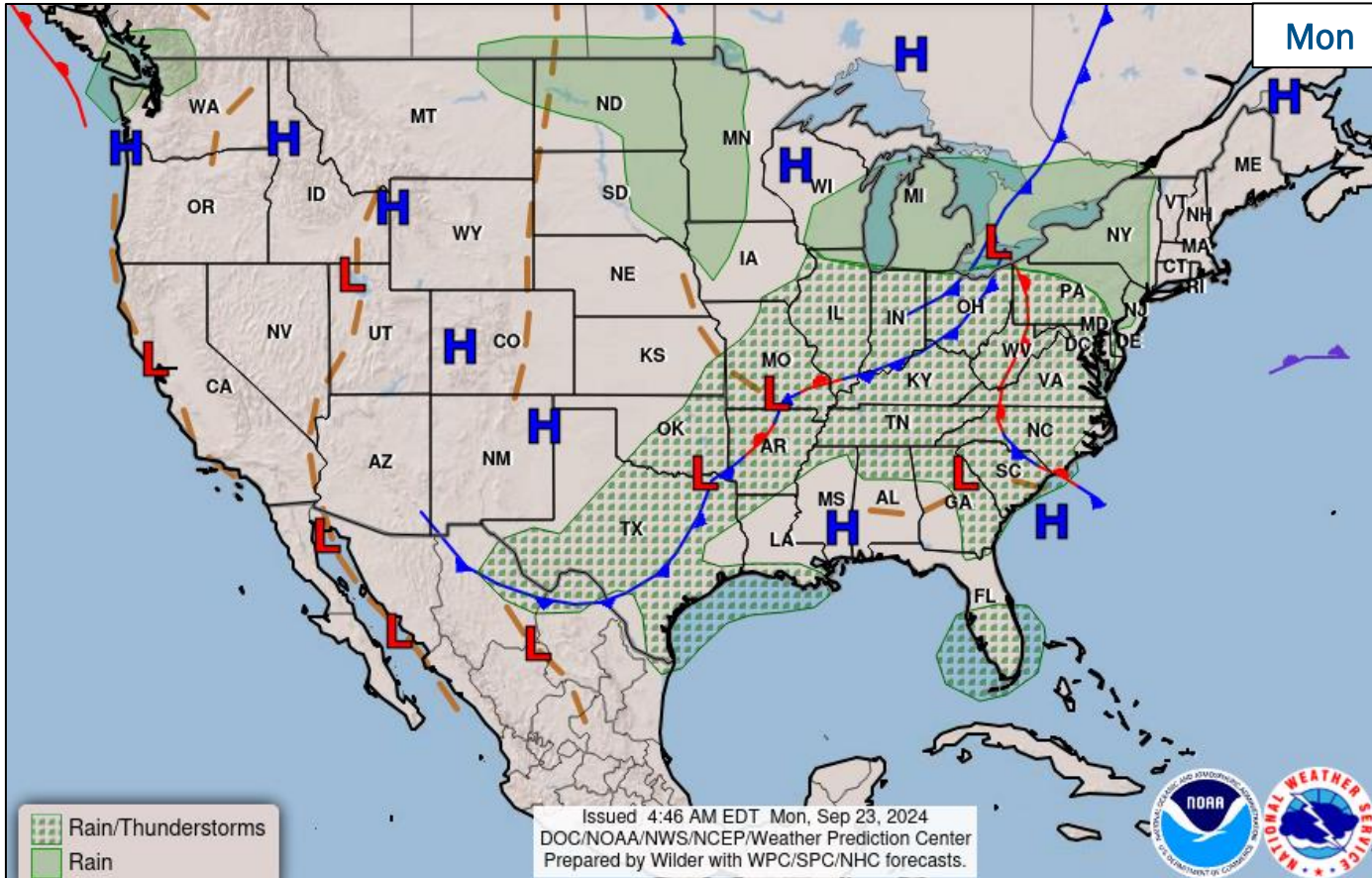
## Situation: *(Advisory #3A, as of 8:00 a.m. ET)*

- Located 125 miles S of Punta Maldonado, Mexico
- Maximum sustained winds 65 mph
- Moving NNE at 3 mph
- Tropical-storm-force winds extend outward up to 35 miles
- Forecast to strengthen as it approaches the coast of Mexico, and could become a hurricane before landfall



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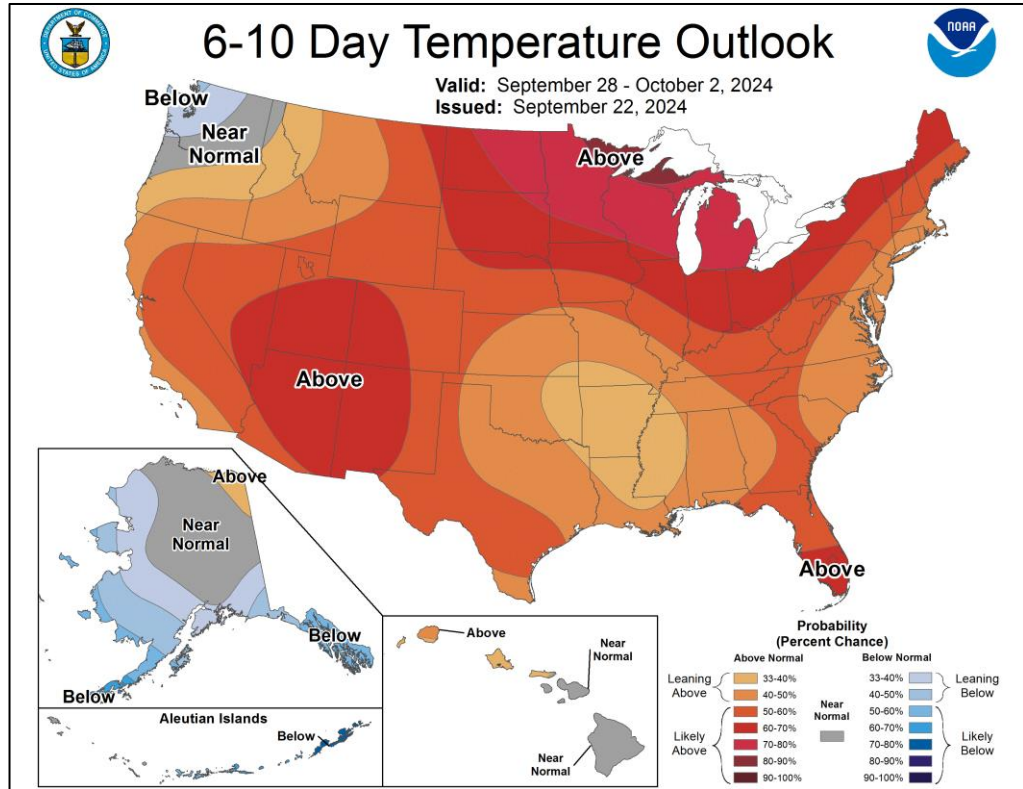
# National Weather Forecast



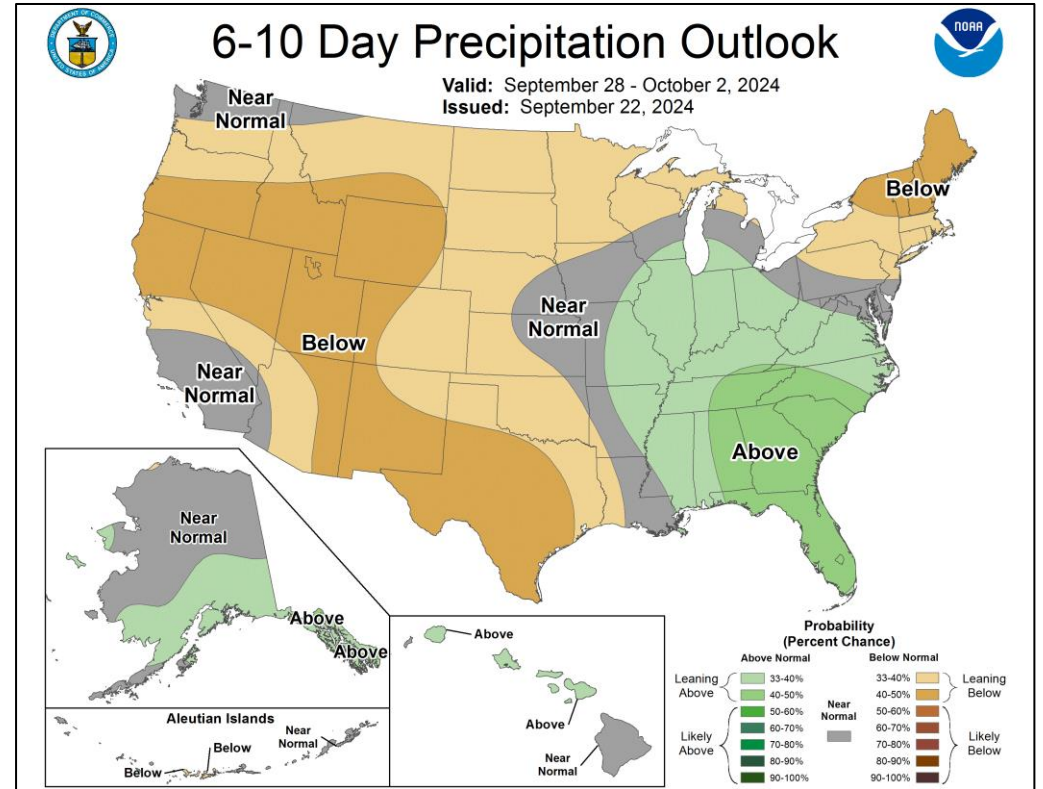
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# Long Range Outlooks – Sep 28-Oct 2



6-10 Day Temperature Probability



6-10 Day Precipitation Probability



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# National Fire Activity *(as of Sep 22)*

## National Preparedness Level

**PL 4**

Initial Attack Activity (24-hour period)	Light (52 fires)
New large fires:	0
Large fires contained:	1
Uncontained large fires:	39
Cumulative Acres Burned	7,331,514
Total Responders	16,879
Type 1 IMTs deployed	2
Complex IMTs deployed	16 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

# Wildfire Summary

Fire Name (County, ST)	FMAG #	Acres Burned	Percent Contained	Evacuations	Structures (Homes / Other)			Fatalities / Injuries
					Threatened	Damaged	Destroyed	
Bridge (Los Angeles/San Bernadino, CA) FINAL	5537-FM-CA	54,877	71% (+2)	M: LIFTED	H: 129 (-135)	H: 5	H: 42	0 / 5
				V: 0	O: 7 (-6)	O: 12	O: 39	
Airport (Riverside, CA) FINAL	5538-FM-CA	23,519	81% (+7)	M: LIFTED	H: 20,780	H: 11	H: 120	0 / 22 (+1)
				V: 0	O: 0	O: 23	O: 40	

(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

**28 + 5** Joint Field Offices Virtual Joint Field Offices Supporting  
**102+ 8** Major Disasters Emergency Declarations  
**12** Direct Housing Missions **17** RSF-Supported Disasters **5** Joint Recovery Offices

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FEMA HQ		N-IMATs 2-5 Teams Available	
NWC	NRCC	Red	
Monitoring	Steady State	White	LA (Sep 10)
FEMA REGIONS		Blue	
Watch	RRCC	Gold	
Monitoring	I Rostered	HS	
Monitoring	II Level III	R-IMATs 4-6 Teams Available	
Monitoring	III Rostered	I	VT (Aug 19)
Monitoring	IV Rostered	II	USVI (Aug 9)
Monitoring	V Rostered	III	PA (Sep 12)
Monitoring	VI Rostered	IV-1	1
Monitoring	VII Rostered	IV-2	FL (Aug 2)
Monitoring	VIII Rostered	V	IL (Sep 23)
Monitoring	IX Rostered	VI-1	LA (Sep 10)
Monitoring	X Rostered	VI-2	TX (May 17)
Notes:		VII	2 / Personnel
NRCC/RWCs/RRCCs:	State EOCs:	VIII	SD (Aug 16)
• RII RRCC: 79 <sup>th</sup> UNGA	• OK: Severe Weather	IX-1	Personnel
	• HI/OK/NM/NV/ID/WY/UT/NE: Wildfires	IX-2	Personnel
	• AZ: SW Border	X	Personnel
	• CO: Hwy. 50 closure/Avian Flu		
	• NM/AZ: Flooding		
	• FL/PA: TC Debby		
	• WV: Drought		
	• KY: Active Shooter		
	• TX: TC Francine		
	• VA: Operation FREE		
Volunteer Force			
Rostered 7,840	Deployed 12		
Surge Capacity Force			
Rostered 7,785	Deployed 0		

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

Alaska

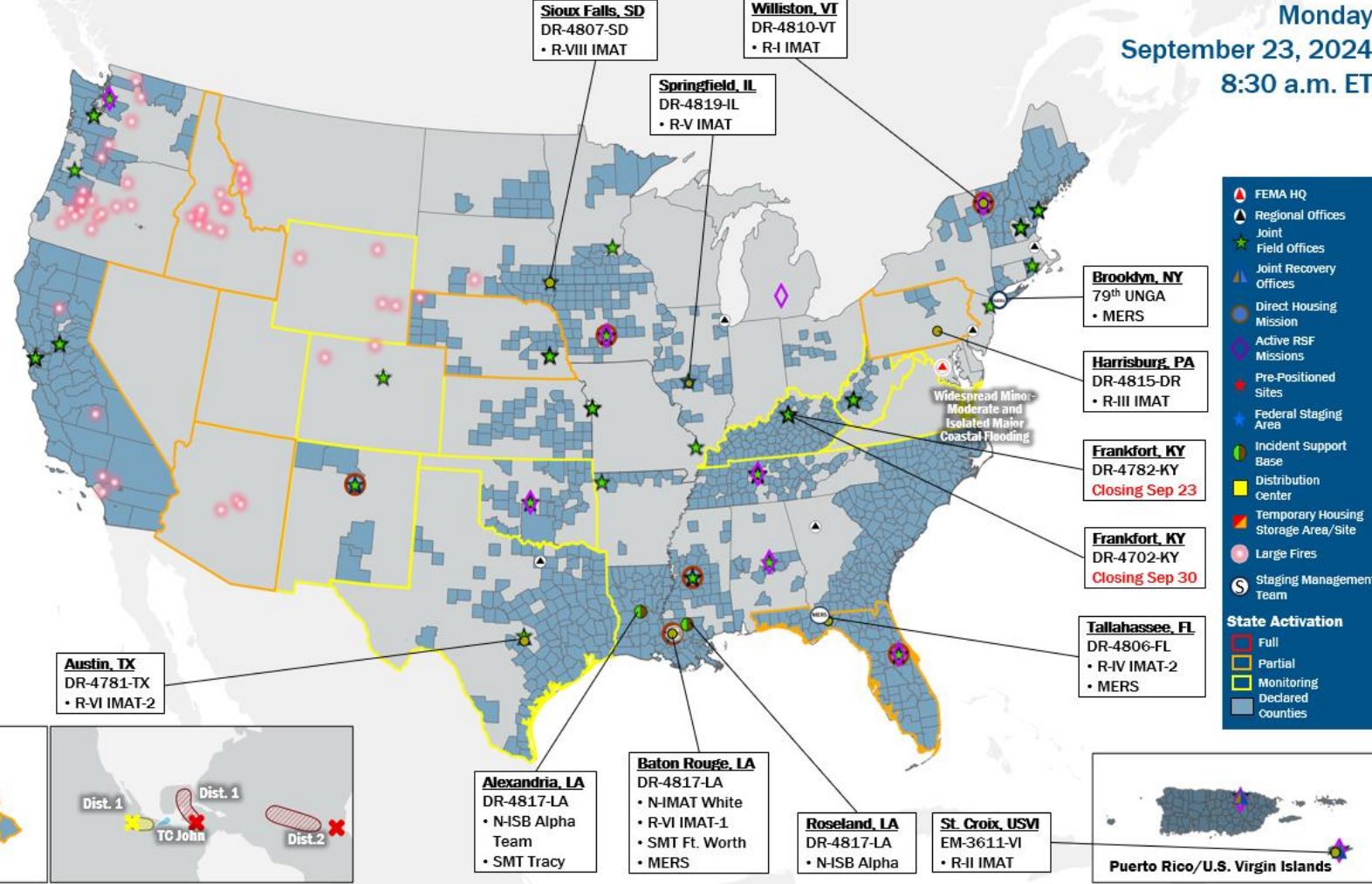
Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands

Guam

American Samoa

Hawaii

Puerto Rico/U.S. Virgin Islands



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**Regional Offices**

**Joint Offices**

**Field Offices**

**Joint Recovery Offices**

**Direct Housing Mission**

**Active RSF Missions**

**Pre-Positioned Sites**

**Federal Staging Area**

**Incident Support Base**

**Distribution Center**

**Temporary Housing Storage Area/Site**

**Large Fires**

**Staging Management Team**

**State Activation**

Full

Partial

Monitoring

Declared

Counties

## IM Workforce

13,608 (-1) Assigned  
 4,805 (+4) Unavailable  
 6,497 (+86) Deployed

17% (-1) / 2,306 (-9) Available

## IM Cadre Availability

16 Cadres ≤ 25% Availability

Disability Integration: 14% (6/43); Disaster Survivor Assistance 23% (276/1,183); External Affairs: 22% (113/521); Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation: 13% (104/813); Field Leadership: 16% (23/147); Financial Management: 23% (52/229); Hazard Mitigation: 9% (109/1,183); Human Resources: 6% (10/171); Individual Assistance: 9% (221/2,524); Information Technology: 22% (142/637); Logistics: 12% (186/1,564); Operations: 14% (48/341); Public Assistance: 15% (328/2,231); Planning: 6% (29/460); Safety: 3% (3/93); Security: 22% (30/137)

## MERS

≥ 66%

36 Assigned  
 0 Unavailable  
 1 Deployed

35 Available

## US&R

≥ 66%

28 Assigned  
 1 Unavailable  
 0 Deployed

27 Available

## FCO

1 Type I

52 Assigned  
 7 Unavailable  
 41 (32 FCO) Deployed

4 Available

# Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

Region	State / Location	Incident	IA	Number of Counties/Jurisdictions		Start - End
			PA	Requested	Complete	
I	CT	Severe Storms & Flooding Aug 18-19	IA	3	3	8/29 - 9/5
			PA	3	0	9/9 - TBD
IV	NC	Tropical Cyclone Debby Aug 5-19	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	1	0	9/23 - TBD



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# Declaration Requests in Process – 16

State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Type	IA	PA	HM	Requested
OH – Train Derailment	DR	X	X	X	Jul 3, 2023
NY – Severe Storms, Tornadoes, Straight-line Winds, and Flooding	EM		X		Jul 20
SCA* – Watch Fire	DR	X	X	X	Aug 16
CTBYN** – Wildfires	DR	X	X	X	Aug 23
VT – Severe Storms, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides	DR	X	X	X	Aug 28
NE – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, and Flooding	DR		X	X	Aug 29
KS – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, and Flooding	DR		X	X	Sep 3
NE – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, and Flooding	DR		X	X	Sep 6
NY – Remnants of Tropical Storm Debby	DR		X	X	Sep 6
GA – Hurricane Debby	EM	X	X	X	Sep 11
MI – Severe Storm and Tornadoes (APPEAL)	DR	X		X	Sep 11
CRST*** – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, and Flooding	DR	X	X	X	Sep 12
USVI – Tropical Storm Ernesto	DR		X	X	Sep 13
SC – Tropical Storm Debby	DR	X	X	X	Sep 16
NY – Severe Storms, Straight-Line Winds and Flooding	DR	X	X	X	Sep 18
AK – Flooding	DR	X	X	X	Sep 19

\* San Carlos Apache Tribe, \*\* Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation, \*\*\* Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe



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