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## Daily Operations Briefing

Saturday, January 19, 2019

8:30 a.m. EST

# Significant Activity – Jan 18-19



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**Significant Events:** Winter Storms

**Significant Weather:**

- Major winter storm expected to move rapidly across the Midwest into the Northeast this weekend
- Severe weather and flash flooding are possible in the southeast
- Heavy rain for the Pacific Northwest into California this weekend, with heavy snow in higher elevations

**Tropical Activity:** Western Pacific – No activity affecting U.S. interests

**Declaration Activity:** None

# Winter Storms – OH Valley to Northeast



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## Situation

Major winter storm moving rapidly across the Midwest into the Northeast this weekend. Combining with a surge of arctic air from Canada, this storm expected to spread heavy wintry precipitation from the Ohio Valley through New England. Storm will bring more than a foot of snow across northern PA, upstate NY, into much of New England. Central Appalachians can expect to see .25 inches of ice.

## Potential Impacts

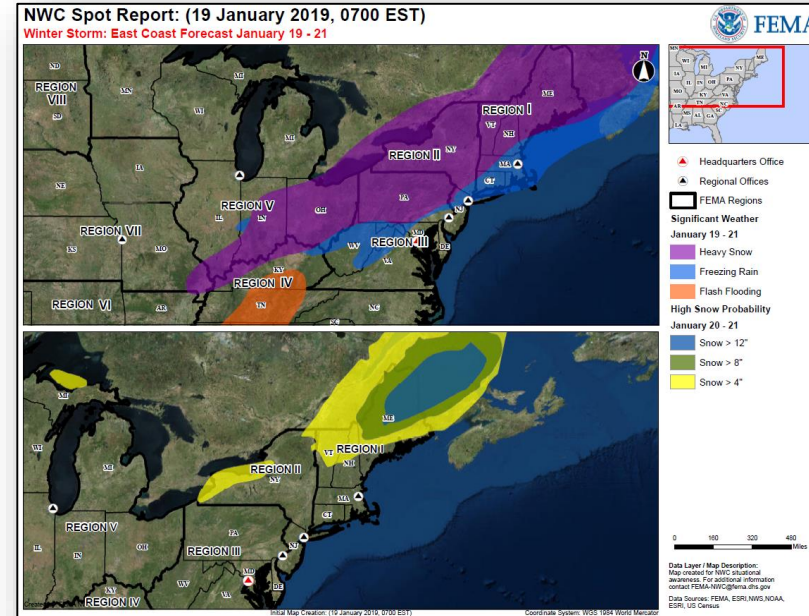
- Travel on roadways, rails, and air expected to be impacted through the weekend
- Nearly 1,300 flights with domestic connections canceled (*FlightAware*)
- Amtrak cancelled the Sunday cross-state PA passenger train
- Electrical power outages possible from snow/ice

## State/Local Response

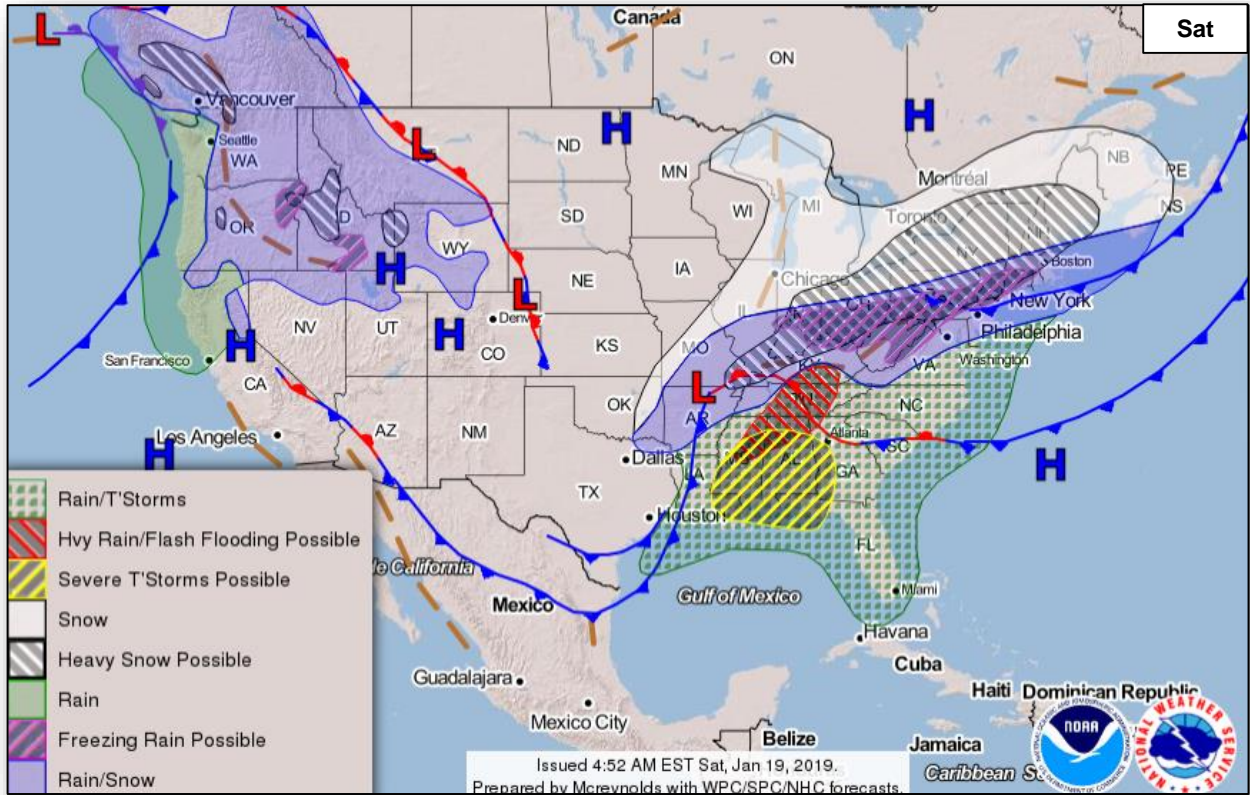
- PA, NJ, and KS Governors declared a State of Emergency
- NY EOC at Partial Activation
- DC and MS at EOC at Monitoring
- NJ, MA, and KS EOCs will activate today

## FEMA Response

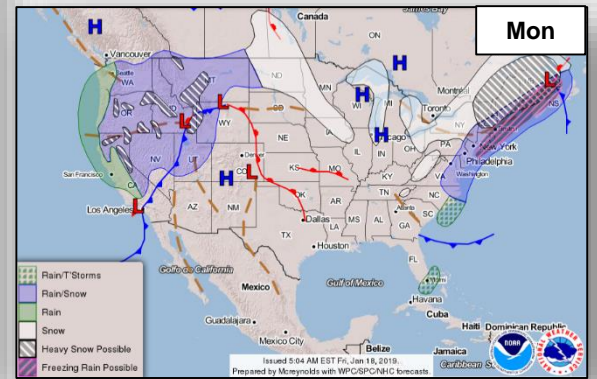
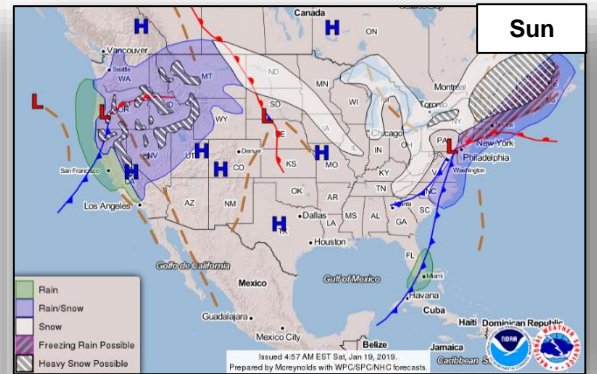
- FEMA Region I will activate to Enhanced Watch today at 5:00 p.m. EST
- Other affected FEMA Regions at Steady State; continue to monitor
- FEMA assistance has not been requested at this time



# National Weather Forecast



- Rain/T'Storms
- Hvy Rain/Flash Flooding Possible
- Severe T'Storms Possible
- Snow
- Heavy Snow Possible
- Rain
- Freezing Rain Possible
- Rain/Snow

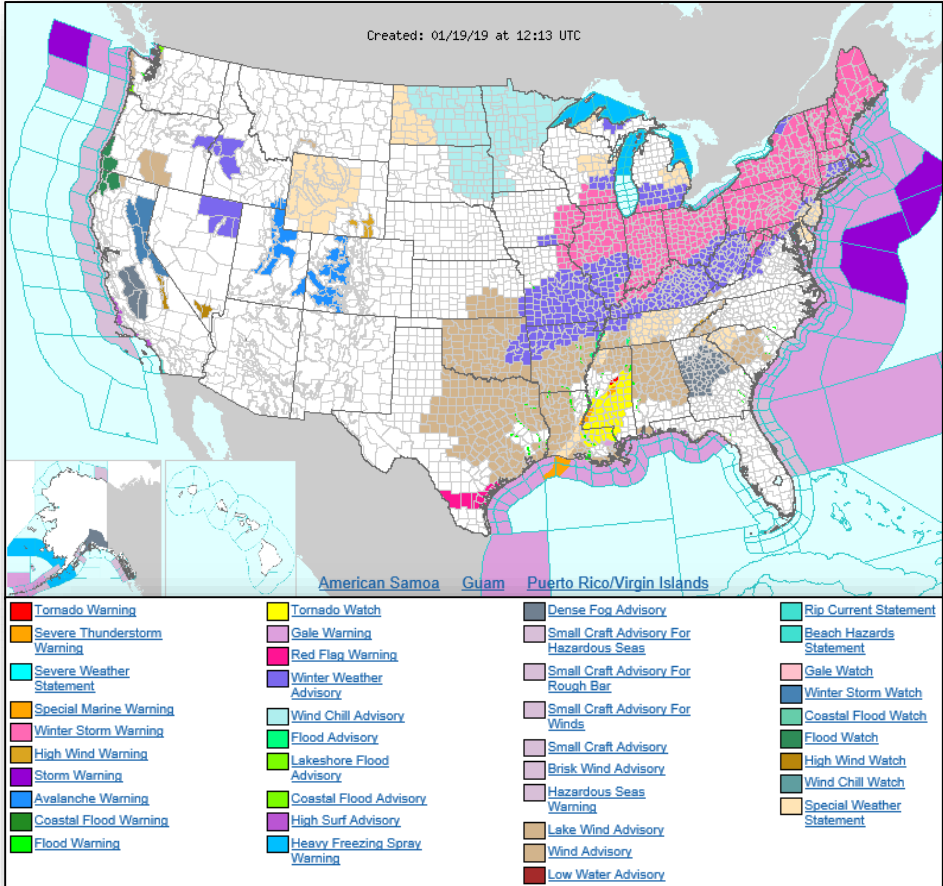


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# Watches and Warnings



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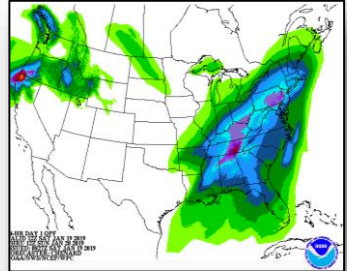
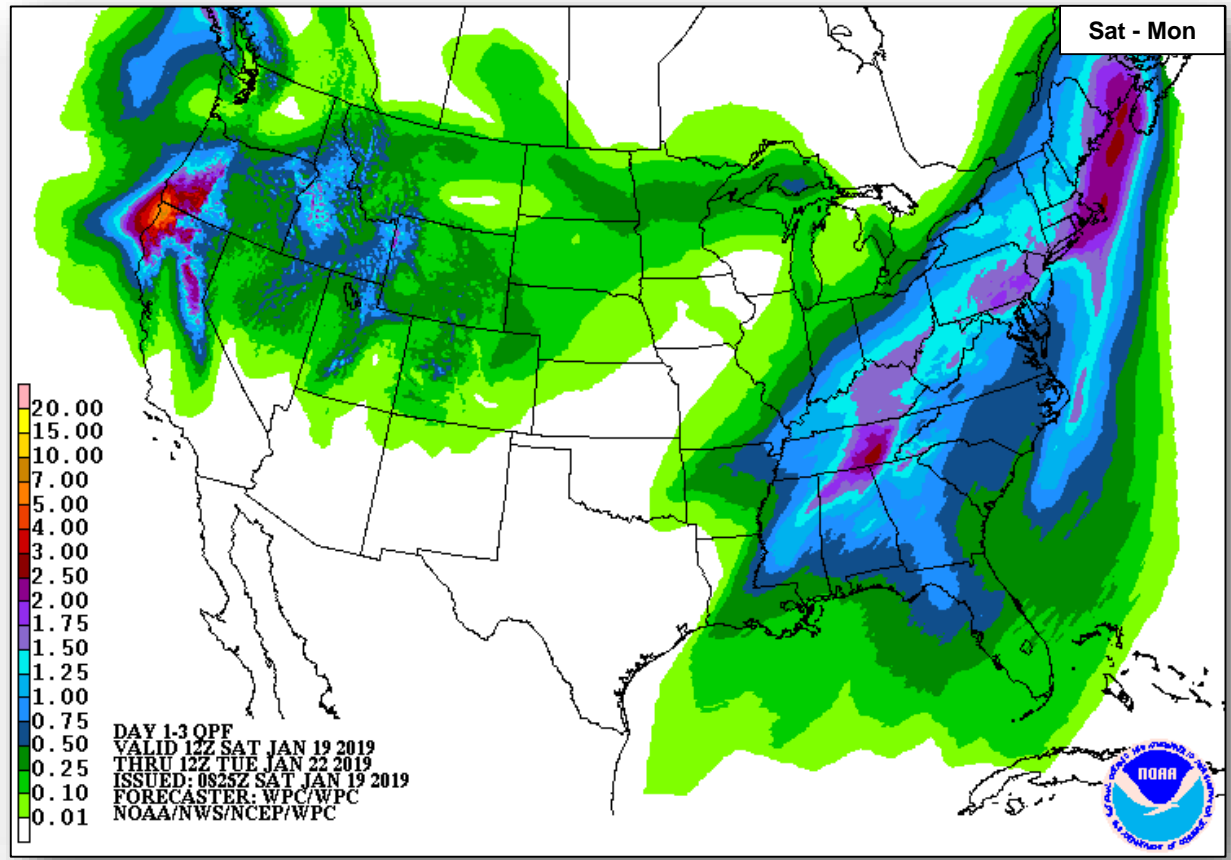




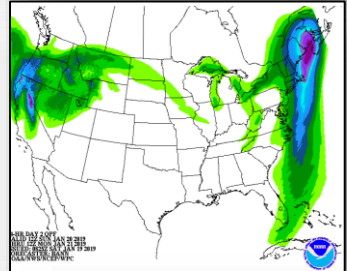
# Precipitation / Excessive Rainfall Forecast



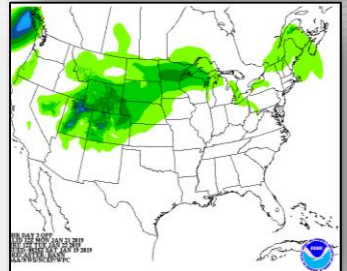
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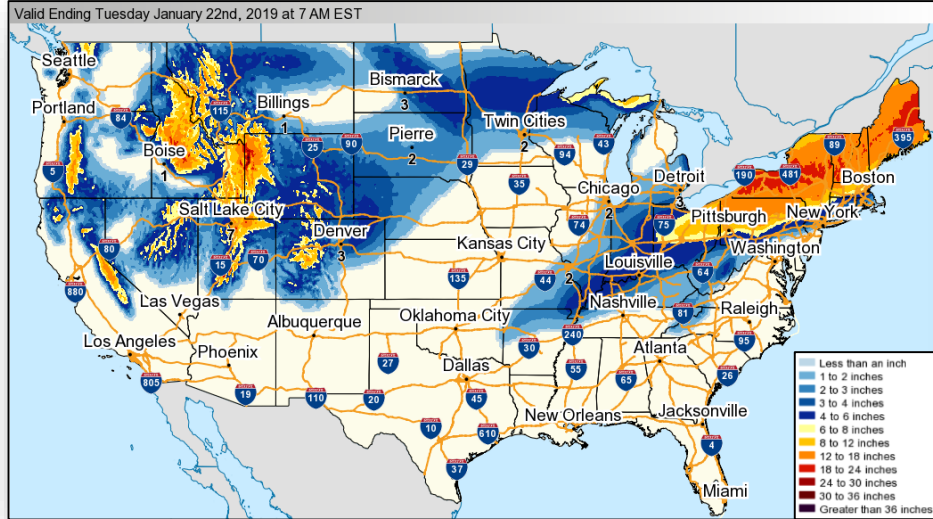


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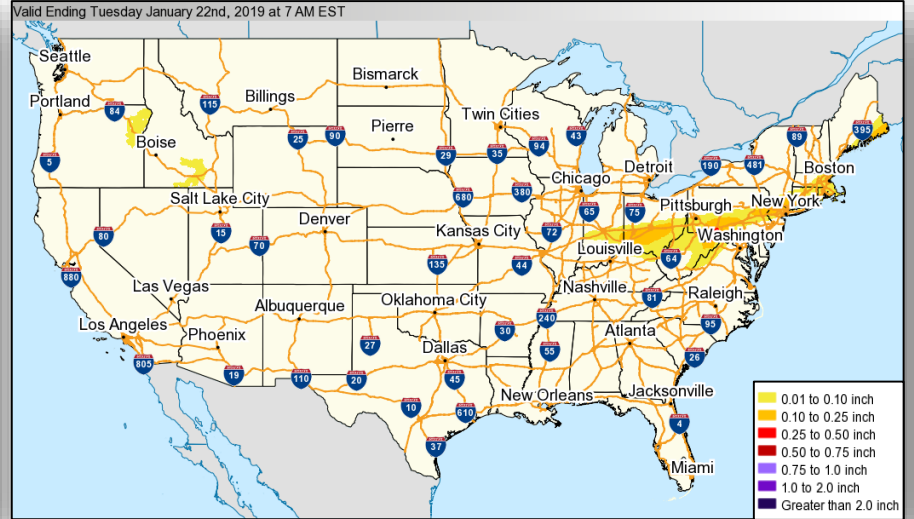


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# Winter Precipitation Outlook



**Forecast Snowfall**



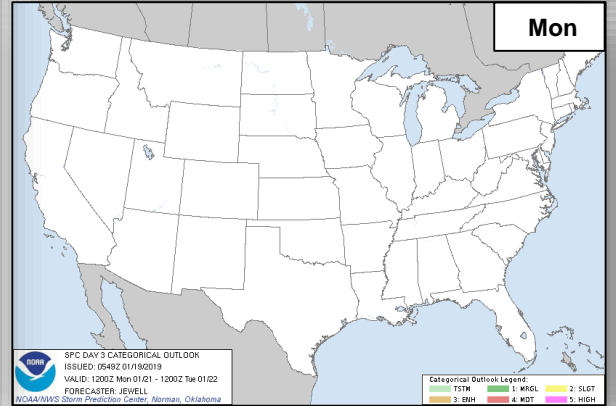
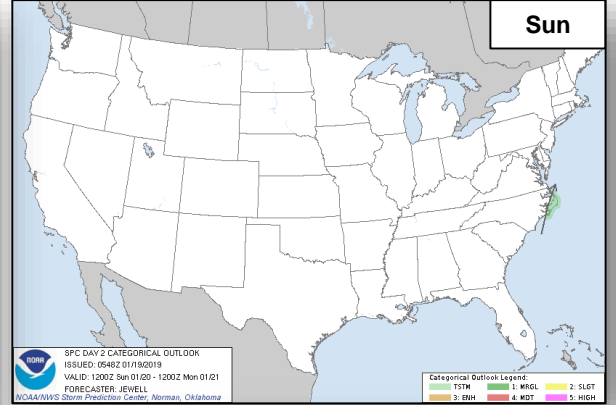
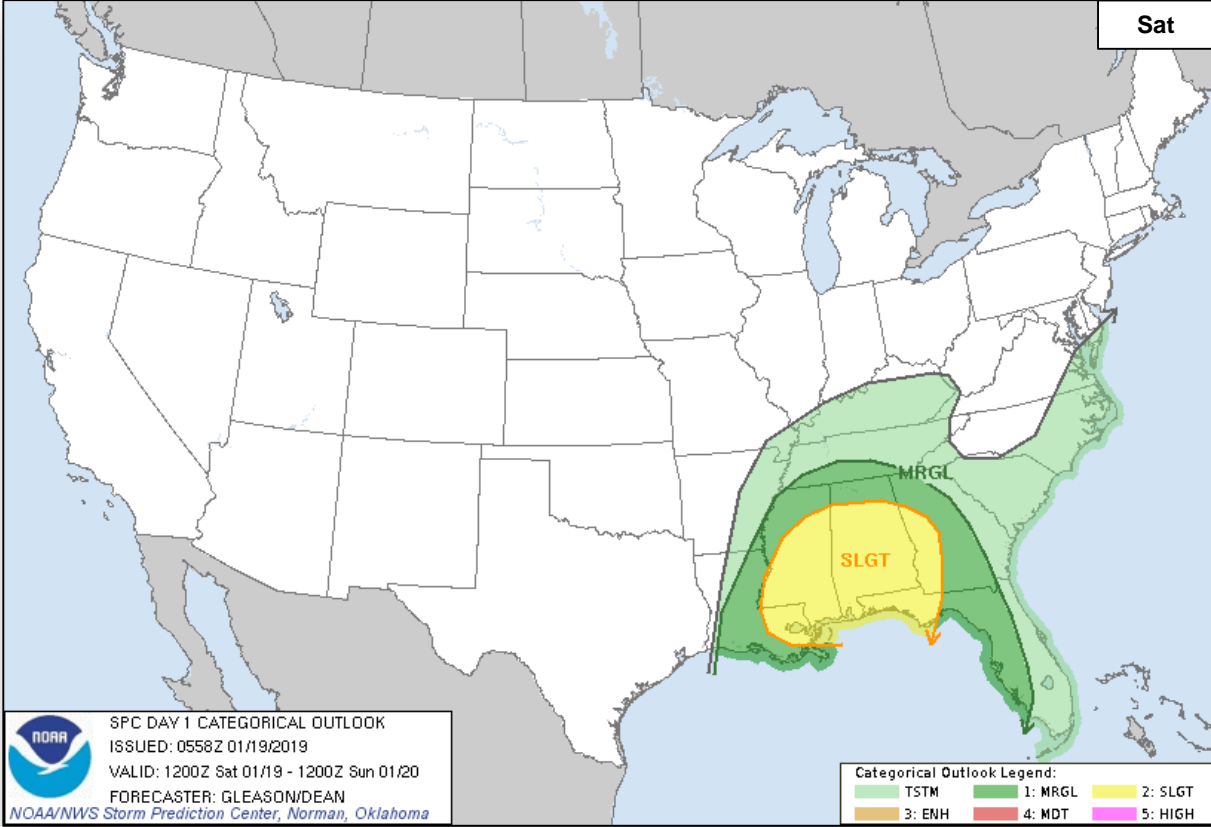
**Forecast Ice Accumulation**



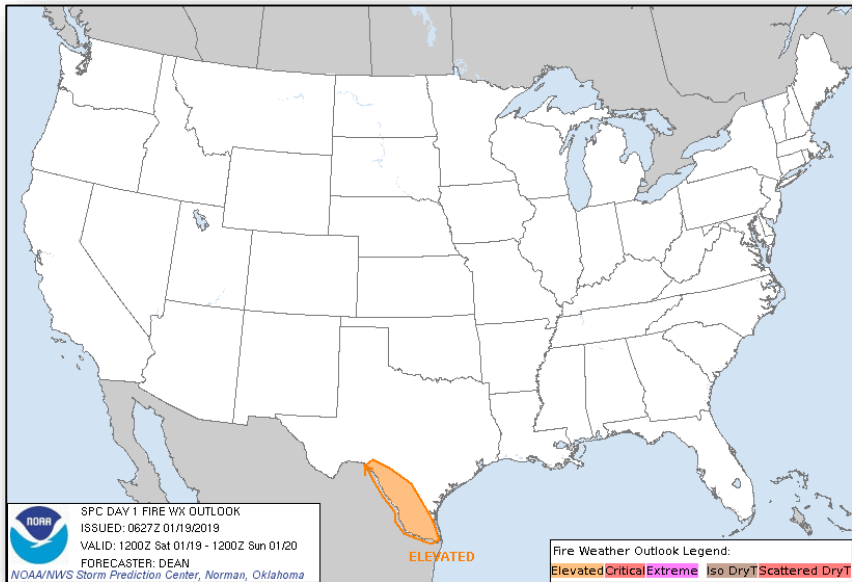
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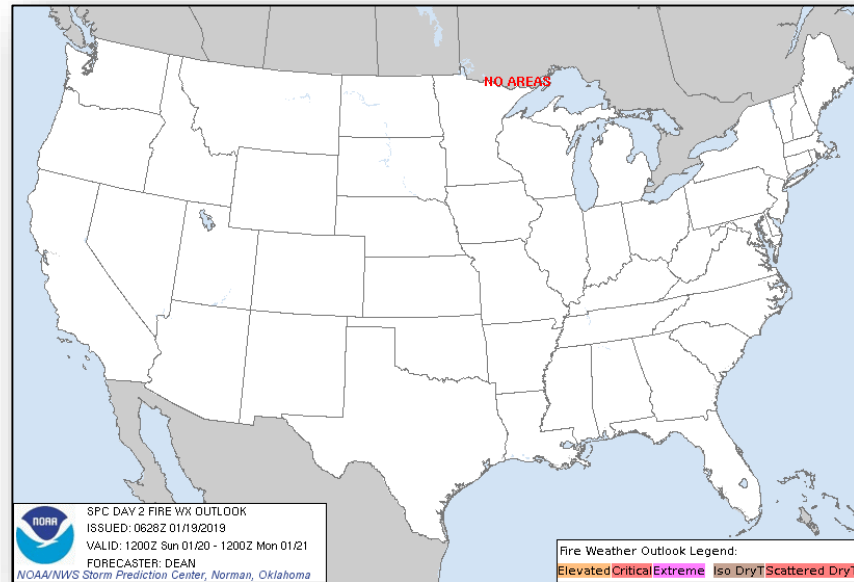
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# Fire Weather Outlook



**Saturday**

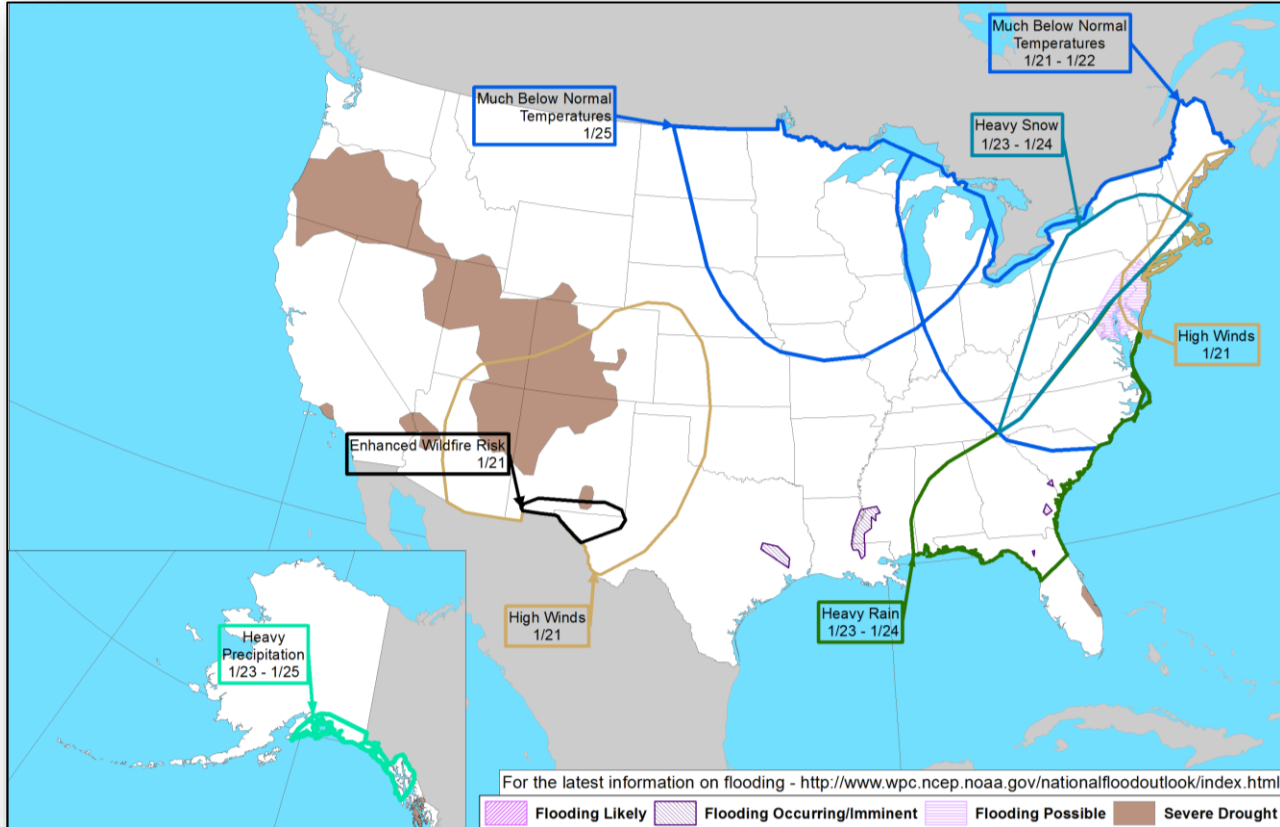


**Sunday**

# Hazards Outlook – Jan 21-25



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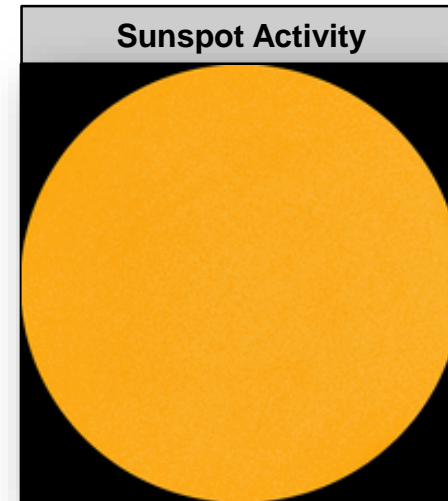
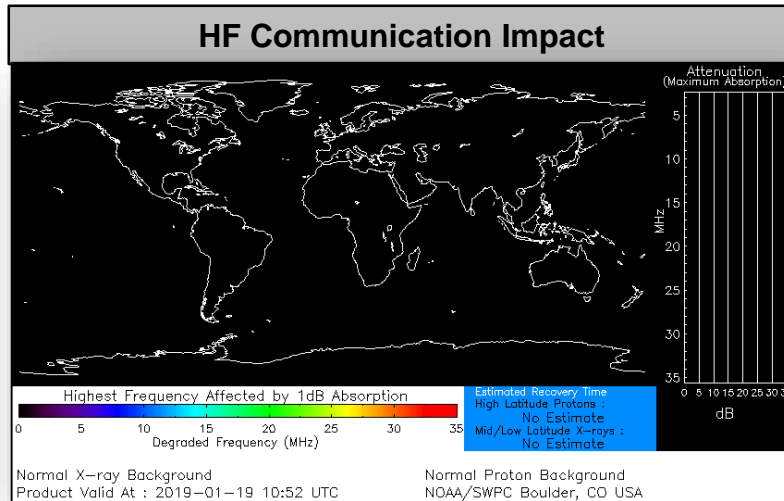
# Space Weather



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	Space Weather Activity	Geomagnetic Storms	Solar Radiation	Radio Blackouts
Past 24 Hours	None	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>



# Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments



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Region	State / Location	Event	IA / PA	Number of Counties		Start – End
				Requested	Completed	
IV	MS	Severe Weather December 27, 2018	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	11	0	TBD
VI	TX	Flooding September 10, 2018 and continuing	IA	4	4	10/31 – 12/11
			PA	51	39	10/29 – TBD



# Disaster Requests & Declarations



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Declaration Requests in Process					Requests APPROVED (since last report)	Requests DENIED (since last report)
5	IA	PA	HM	Date Requested	0	0
LA – (Appeal) DR Flooding		X	X	October 26, 2018		
TX – DR Severe Storms and Flooding	X	X	X	October 30, 2018		
KS – DR Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, and Flooding		X	X	November 14, 2018		
MN – DR Severe Storms and Flooding		X	X	November 27, 2018		
NC – DR Tropical Storm Michael		X	X	December 11, 2018		



# FEMA Readiness – Activation Teams



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Status		Activated Team	Activation Level	Activation Times	Reason / Comments
<b>NWC</b> (5 Teams)	Available				
<b>NRCC</b> (2 Teams)	Available	Gold			
<b>HLT</b>	Available				
<b>RWC / MOCs</b> (10 Regions)	Steady State	Region I	Enhanced Watch	January 19, 2019 5:00 p.m. EST	Winter Storm
<b>RRCCs</b> (10 Regions)	Available				

Backup Regions: **VIII, IV, and II**



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