

FEMA National Watch Center

Daily Operations Briefing

Sunday, October 13, 2024

8:30 a.m. ET



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National Current Ops / Monitoring

New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Ops

- TC Milton – Florida
- TC Helene – Southeast and Mid-Atlantic

Hazard Monitoring

- Excessive Rainfall – Florida
- Tropical Activity:
 - Atlantic:
 - Disturbance 1: Low (30%)

Disaster Declaration Activity

- No new declaration activity

Event Monitoring

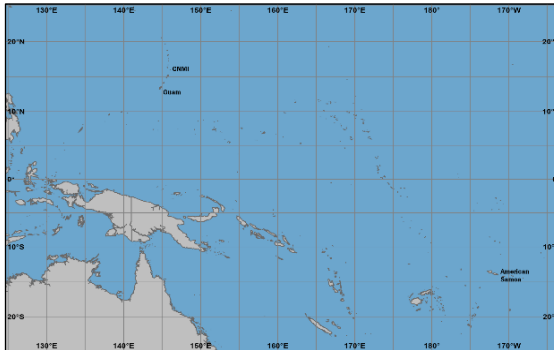
- No new significant events



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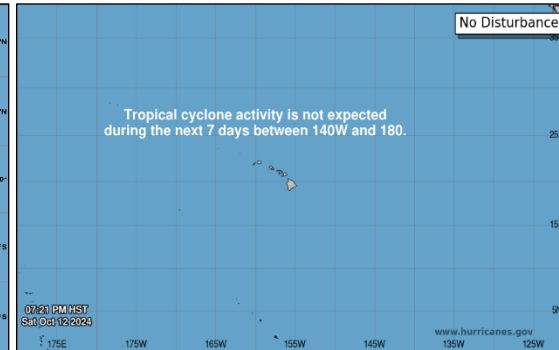
Tropical Outlook

Western Pacific



- No tropical cyclones are expected in the next seven days.

Central Pacific



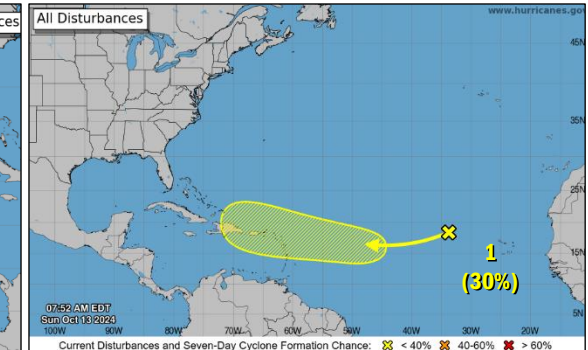
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Eastern Pacific



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Atlantic



Disturbance 1 (AL94); (as of 8:00 a.m. ET)

- Located a few hundred miles west of the Cabo Verde Islands
- While the system is currently embedded in an environment that is not favorable for development over the next couple of days
- Formation chance: 48-hour – Low (10%); 7-day – Low (30%)



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TC Milton – Florida



Situation: FEMA is responding in coordination with Florida emergency management; Locally executed, state managed, and federally supported operations continue.

Lifelines: (TC Helene & Milton SLB, as of 6:00 p.m. ET, Oct 12)

Safety & Security:

- 2 (-7) counties under Mandatory / 4 counties under Voluntary evacuations (FDEM, as of 5:00 a.m. ET, Oct 13)
 - Additional evacuations for est. 3,500 homes in Hernando County due to riverine flooding
- Rescues/assists: 573 (+203) people
- All EMAC Air Assets demobilized

Food, Hydration, Shelter:

- 40 (-15) shelters open, pop. 2,782 (-408) (ARC, as of 6:51 a.m. ET, Oct 13)
- NGO/VOADs conducting feeding operations; 1 fixed, 10 mobile kitchens
- 1.1M (+700k) meals, 300k liters of water delivered to state

Health & Medical:

- 43 (+11) post-assessments completed; 33 hospitals reporting damage
- Water service in Pinellas County hospitals restored
- 15 confirmed fatalities

Water Systems:

- Water main break in Pinellas County partially operational
- 91 (+76) – Pop: 1,879,443

Energy: (DOE Eagle-I, as of 7:30 a.m. ET, Oct 13)

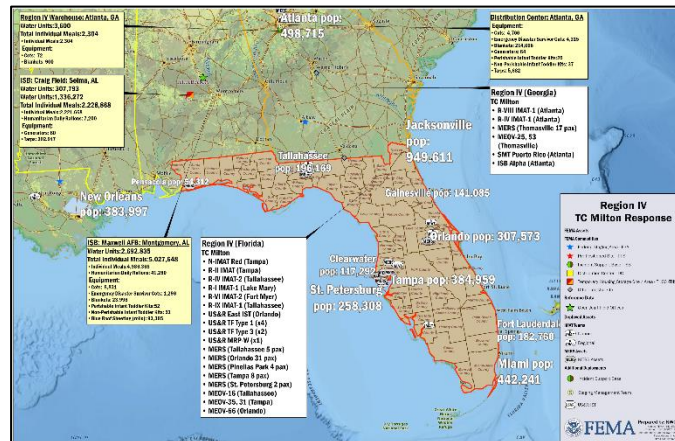
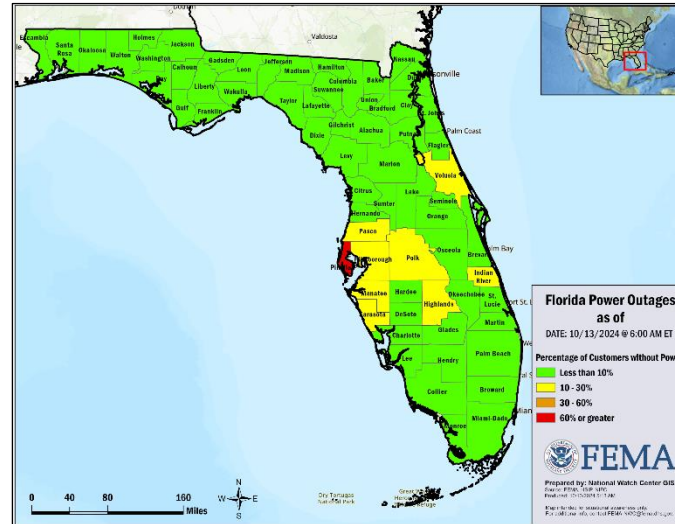
- 1M (-600k) / 9% (-5%) customers without power

Transportation:

- No road closures on National Highway System due to structural damage
 - 50 (-21) closures on state roads
 - Main interstates are open; some offramps may still be flooded
- All major airports are operational
- Sarasota/Bradenton and St. Pete-Clearwater airports open
- Port Conditions ZULU for 11 ports on FL Gulf Coast incl. (St. Petersburg, Sarasota, Bradenton)
- Palm Beach, Canaveral, JAXPORT, and Fernandina ports all open

Hazardous Materials:

- Orange Co. Environmental Protection Division issued an alert for all lakes and rivers in Orange Co. due to potential contamination/hazards
- State Hazardous Area Response Team (HART) mobilized on 10/11



State / Tribal Response:

- SEOC at Full Activation (TC Helene)
 - Gov declared State of Emergency for 51 counties; FEMA-3622-EM-FL approved 10/7; FEMA-3623-EM-STF approved 10/8; FEMA-4834-DR-FL approved 10/12

FEMA / Federal Response:

- FEMA RIV: RRCC activated to Level I
 - IMAT-1 deployed to GA
 - IMAT-2 deployed to FL SEOC
- NWC is Monitoring; NRCC is at Level I (TC Helene and TC Milton)

IMAT:

- N-IMAT Red deployed to Tampa, FL
- Region I IMAT deployed to Orlando, FL
- Region II IMAT deployed to Tampa, FL
- Region VI IMAT-2 deployed to Ft. Meyers, FL
- Region IX IMAT-1 deployed to Tallahassee, FL

US&R:

- Incident Command Post established at Orlando
- Incident Support Team (IST) Red deployed to FL
- The following resources released 10/11 with associated ESF 13 force protection resources:
 - DoD: 10 rotary wing, 6 High Water Vehicles, 100 general purpose troops
 - USCG: 4 rotary wing
 - CBP: 2 BORSTAR teams
 - 10 FEMA US&R Task Forces

MERS:

- MERS assets deployed to FL
- Additional MERS teams on standby



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TC Helene – Southeast & Mid-Atlantic



Situation: Locally executed, state managed, and federally supported operations continue.

Lifelines: (TC Helene & Milton SLB, as of 6:00 p.m. ET, Oct 12)

Safety & Security:

- NC: 7 curfews remain in effect; search and rescue operations include **7 state assets and 6 FEMA assets**
- FL: Evacuations - Mandatory: **2 (-7)** counties / Voluntary: 4 counties (FDEM, as of 5:00 a.m. ET)
 - Rescues/assists: **573** people and **47** pets

Food, Hydration, Shelter:

- GA: **4 (+1)** shelters / **168 (-14)** occupants (ARC, as of 6:51 a.m. ET, Oct 13)
 - 3.5M meals / 1.4M liters of water received by the state
- NC: **13 (-3)** shelters / **563 (-57)** occupants (ARC, as of 6:51 a.m. ET, Oct 13)
 - 7.9M meals / 10M liters of water received by the state
- FL: **2 (-2)** shelters open, population of **69 (-29)** (ARC, as of 6:51 a.m. ET, Oct 13)
- TN: **1 (-2)** shelters / **11 (-38)** occupants (ARC, as of 6:51 a.m. ET, Oct 13)

Health & Medical:

- FL: 23 confirmed fatalities
- GA: 34 confirmed fatalities
- NC: **93 (+1)** confirmed fatalities
- TN: 17 confirmed fatalities

Water Systems:

- Service restoration efforts continue for water and wastewater systems as power is restored; **55 (-6)** Boil Water Notices affecting 295k customers
- TN: Water infrastructure restoration continues; 13 Boil Water Notices advisories affecting **102,483 (+5708)** customers

Energy: (DOE Eagle-I, as of 7:30 a.m. ET, Oct 13)

- FL: **1M (-600k) / 9% (-5%)** customers without power

Communications:

- GA: **Communications continue to improve across impacted area**
- NC: **7% of cell sites down across impacted area**
- TN: **4% of cell sites down across impacted area**

Transportation:

- NC: Total **653 (+7)** roads closed: 3 Interstates, 44 US routes, **61 (+2)** state routes, **545 (+5)** secondary routes; An estimated 100 bridges will require replacement
- TN: 3 Interstates, 44 US routes, 59 state routes, & 540 secondary routes; I-26 from Exit 40 to the State Line in Unicoi County open for local traffic only, remains closed for commercial traffic; Asheville Railroad line anticipated to take 3-6 months before operational

Hazardous Materials:

- GA: Hazmat fire response/recovery operations improving but ongoing. HAZMAT Specialists Crew employed

State / Tribal Response:

- FL: SEOC at Full Activation (TC Helene)
- GA: SEOC at Partial Activation (TC Helene)
 - Gov declared a State of Emergency; FEMA-4830-DR-GA approved
- NC: SEOC at Full Activation (TC Helene)
 - Gov declared a State of Emergency
 - FEMA-4827-DR-NC approved on Sep 28
- TN: SEOC at Partial Activation (TC Helene)
 - Gov declared a State of Emergency
 - FEMA-4832-DR-TN approved on Oct 2
- VA: SEOC at Full Activation (TC Helene)
 - Gov declared a State of Emergency
 - FEMA-4831-DR-VA approved on Oct 1
 - VA-TF2 activated; will deploy to Atlanta, GA

FEMA / Federal Response:

- FEMA RIII: RRCC is Rostered; LNOs deployed to VDEM
 - FEMA Region III IMAT deployed to Raleigh, NC
- FEMA RIV: RRCC activated to Level I
 - IMAT-1 deployed to GA SEOC
 - IMAT-2 deployed to FL SEOC
- HQ: NWC is Monitoring; NRCC is at Level I
 - National Responder Mobilization Team deployed to Grapevine, TX

IMAT:

- N-IMAT Blue deployed to Tallahassee, FL
- N-IMAT Gold deployed to Raleigh/Asheville, NC
- N-IMAT White deployed to Raleigh, NC
- FEMA Region III IMAT deployed to Raleigh, NC
- FEMA Region V IMAT deployed to West Columbia, SC
- FEMA Region VII IMAT deployed to Raleigh, NC
- FEMA Region VIII IMAT deployed to Atlanta, GA
- FEMA Region IX IMAT-1 deployed to Tallahassee, FL
- FEMA Region X IMAT deployed to Nashville, TN

Logistics:

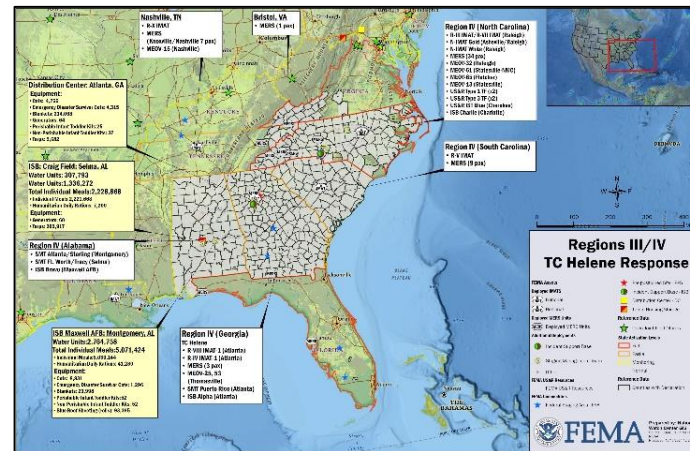
- SMT Atlanta and SMT Sterling deployed to Montgomery, AL
- SMT Puerto Rico deployed to Atlanta, GA
- SMT Ft. Worth and SMT Tracy deployed to Selma, AL
- ISB Team Alpha deployed to Atlanta, GA
- ISB Team Bravo deployed to Montgomery, AL
- ISB Team Charlie deployed to Charlotte, NC

US&R:

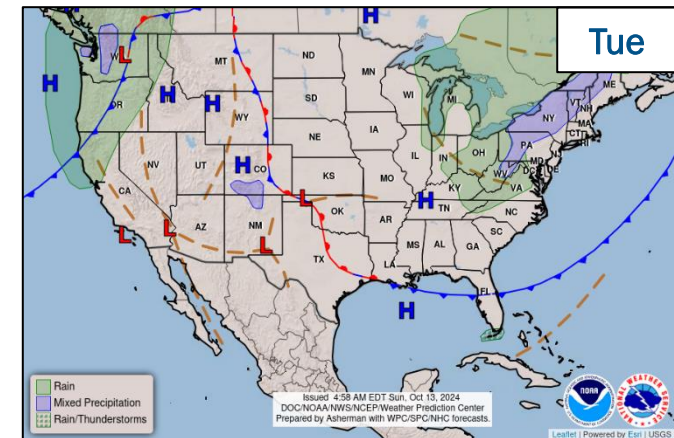
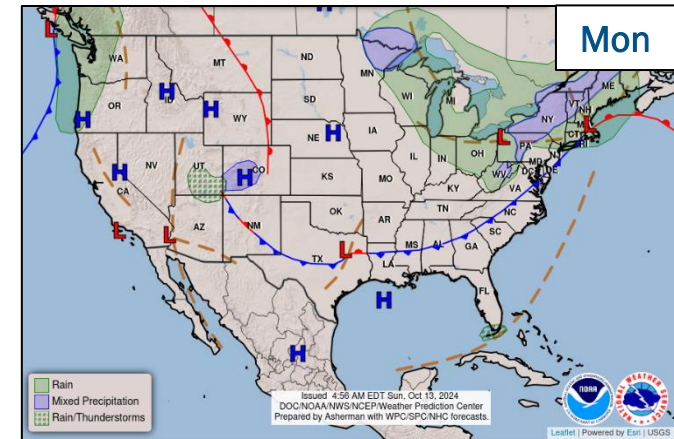
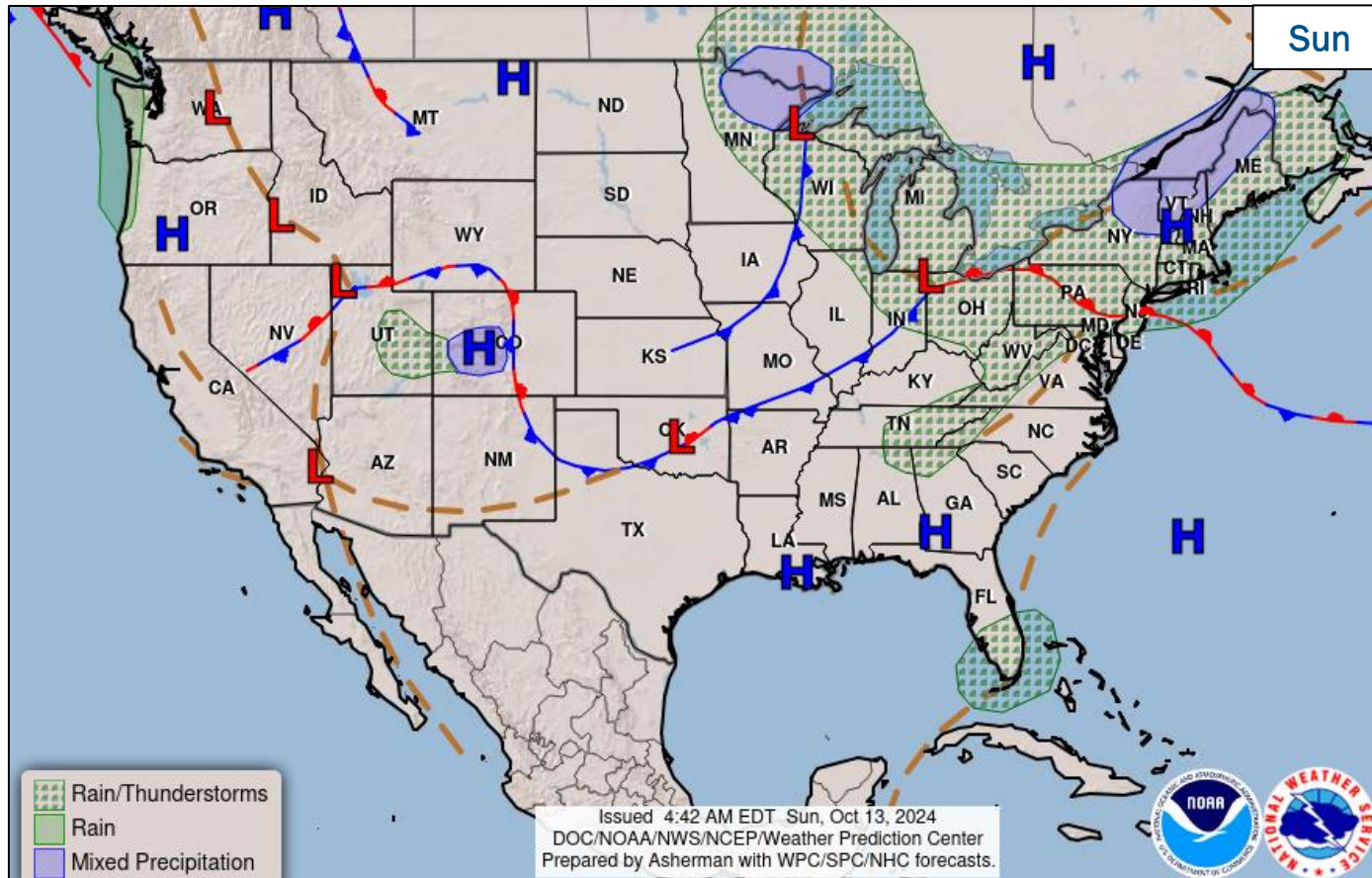
- 6 US&R Task Forces deployed
- Incident Support Team (IST) Blue deployed to NC

MERS:

- MERS assets deployed to FL, AL, GA, and NC
- Additional MERS teams on standby



National Weather Forecast



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Wildfire Summary

Fire Name (County, ST)	FMAG #	Acres Burned	Percent Contained	Evacuations	Structures (Homes / Other)			Fatalities / Injuries
					Threatened	Damaged	Destroyed	
Elk Fire (Sheridan, WY)	5539-FM-WY	87,649 (+3,321)	28% (-4)	M: 499	H: 2,500	H: 0	H: 3	0 / 6 (+1)
				V: 0	O: 250	O: 0	O: 15	

(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 + **4** Supporting **110** + **17** **12** **17** **5**
 Joint Field Offices Virtual Joint Field Offices Major Disasters Emergency Declarations Direct Housing Missions RSF-Supported Disasters Joint Recovery Offices

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FEMA HQ	
NWC	NRCC
Monitoring	Level I
FEMA REGIONS	
Watch	RRCC
Monitoring	I Rostered
Monitoring	II Rostered
Monitoring	III Rostered
Monitoring	IV Level I
Monitoring	V Rostered
Monitoring	VI Rostered
Monitoring	VII Rostered
Monitoring	VIII Rostered
Monitoring	IX Rostered
Monitoring	X Rostered
Notes:	
NRCC/RWCs/RRCCs: • NRCC: TC Helene • RIV RRCC: TC Milton/TC Helene	State EOCs: • OK: Severe Weather • HI/ID/OK/NM/UT/WY/ND: Wildfires • AZ: SW Border • CO: US-50 closure • NM/AZ: Flooding • TX: TC Francine • PA: TC Debby • WV: Drought • FL/MD: TC Milton • FL/AL/GA/MS/NC/TN/KY/VA/WV: TC Helene • DC: Election Monitoring
Volunteer Force	
Rostered 7,840	Deployed 6
Surge Capacity Force	
Rostered 8,135 (+111)	Deployed 309

N-IMATs	
1 Team Available	
Red	FL (Oct 6)
White	NC (Sep 30)
Blue	FL (Sep 23)
Gold	NC (Sep 23)
HS	
R-IMATs	
≤ 3 Teams Available	
I	FL (Oct 7)
II	FL (Oct 6)
III	NC (Sep 29)
IV-1	GA (Oct 5)
IV-2	FL (Oct 6)
V	SC (Sep 29)
VI-1	FL/LA (Sep 10)
VI-2	FL (Oct 7)
VII	NC (Sep 25)
VIII	GA (Sep 24)
IX-1	FL (Oct 11)
IX-2	AZ (Oct 8)
X	TN (Sep 29)
Fully Mission Capable (FMC)	
Partially Mission Capable (PMC)	
Not Mission Capable (NMC)	
Deployed	

REGIONAL BREAKDOWN				
	JFO/VJFO	DR	EM	JRO
I	4/0	18	2	0
II	3/1	6	2	2
III	1/0	5	1	0
IV	4/0	27	12	0
V	2/0	4	0	0
VI	5/0	9	0	3
VII	3/1	12	0	0
VIII	1/1	2	0	0
IX	2/1	19	0	0
X	3/0	8	0	0

Alaska

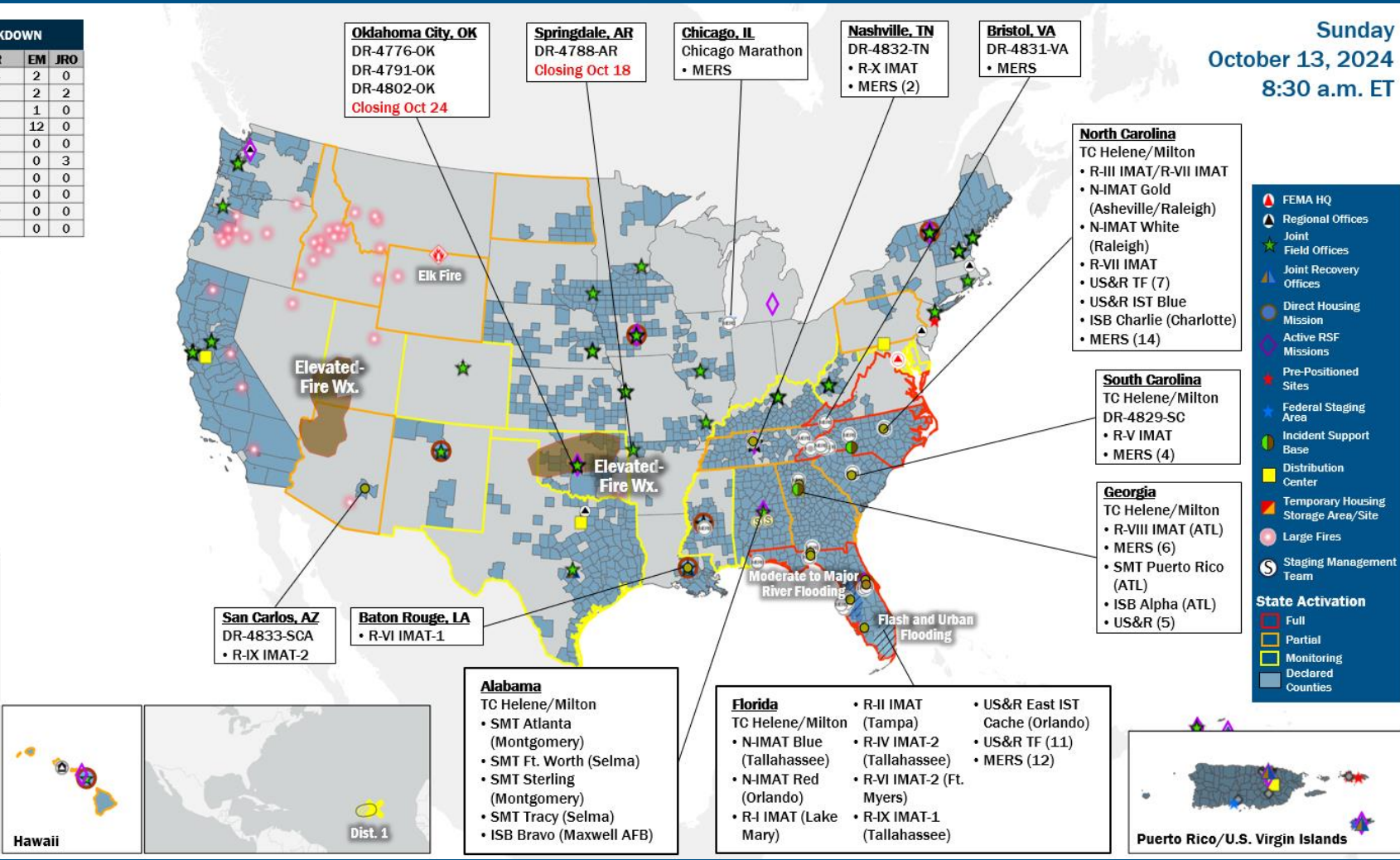
Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands

Guam

American Samoa

Hawaii

Dist. 1



IM Workforce

13,808 (+1) Assigned
 4,660 (-35) Unavailable
 8,257 (+100) Deployed

6% / 891 (-64) Available

IM Cadre Availability

19 Cadres ≤ 25% Availability

Acquisition: 19% (43/225); Civil Rights: 17% (29/168); Disability Integration: 0% (0/43); Disaster Survivor Assistance: 0% (6/1,204); External Affairs: 4% (20/519); Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation: 10% (83/825); Field Leadership: 7% (11/149); Financial Management: 14% (33/237); Hazard Mitigation: 4% (51/1,194); Human Resources: 2% (4/172); Individual Assistance: 0% (7/2,577); Interagency Recovery Coordination: 22% (70/320); Information Technology: 3% (21/667); Logistics: 2% (32/1,611); Operations: 4% (13/339); Public Assistance: 11% (253/2,254); Planning: 3% (14/444); Safety: 2% (2/94); Security: 8% (11/136)

MERS

33% - 65%

36 Assigned
 0 Unavailable
 23 Deployed

13 Available

US&R

< 33%

28 Assigned
 0 Unavailable
 24 Deployed

4 Available

FCO

1 Type I

51 Assigned
 4 Unavailable
 46 (35 FCO) Deployed

1 Available

Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

Region	State / Location	Incident	IA	Number of Counties/Jurisdictions		Start - End
			PA	Requested	Complete	
III	WV	Tropical Storm Helene Sep 26-27	IA	2	0	10/15
			PA	0	0	N/A
IV	NC	Tropical Cyclone Debby Aug 5-19	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	1	0	9/23 - TBD
		Potential Tropical Cyclone 8 Sep 16 and continuing	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	5 (+1)	1	10/8 - TBD
	KY	Tropical Cyclone Helene Sep 26	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	35 (+1)	0	10/9 - TBD
IX	Navajo Nation	Shiprock Flooding Aug 25	IA	1	1 (+1)	10/7 - 10/10
			PA	1	1 (+1)	10/7 - 10/10
X	CCT	Swawilla Fire and Bridge Creek Fire - Colville Resrv. Jul 14 to Aug 21	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	1	0	10/7 - TBD
	AK	Ketchikan Landslide Aug 25	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	1	1 (+1)	10/7 - 10/11



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Declaration Requests in Process – 13

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
NE – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, and Flooding	DR		X	X	Aug 29
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
HT** – Flooding	DR	X	X	X	Sep 20
CA – Park Fire and Borel Fire	DR	X		X	Sep 24
CTM*** – Severe Storm and Straight-line Winds	DR	X		X	Oct 7
ID – Gwen Fire	DR	X		X	Oct 9

*Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe, **Havasupai Tribe, ***Crow Tribe of Montana



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