

FEMA National Watch Center

# Daily Operations Briefing

Thursday, October 16, 2025

8:30 a.m. ET



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# National Current Ops / Monitoring

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## New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Ops

- Coastal Flooding – Alaska

## Hazard Monitoring

- Rain / Thunderstorms – Northern Plains to Rockies
- Tropical Activity:
  - Eastern and Central Pacific:
    - Disturbance 1 (EP91): Medium (60%)

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## Disaster Declaration Activity

- No new declaration activity

## Event Monitoring

- No new significant events



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# Coastal Flooding – Alaska



**Situation:** Remnants of Typhoon Halong brought hurricane-force winds, large waves, and coastal flooding impacting communities of the Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta. A sequential fourth storm system is forecast to impact the region over the weekend into early next week, along a similar track. A full inter-agency response is ongoing as federal, state, and local responders anticipate additional impacts (FEMA Region 10 SLB #4, as of 9:45 p.m. ET, Oct 15).

**Lifeline Impacts:** (FEMA Region 10 SLB #4, as of 9:45 p.m. ET, Oct 15)

**Safety and Security:** U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) SAR efforts have concluded.

- Kipnuk: 121 homes destroyed, however, all persons are accounted for
- Kwigillingok: USCG rescued 24 stranded persons and has suspended search for two citizens who remain unaccounted for

**Food, Hydration, Shelter:** Shelters report capacity and food supply issues. ESF-6 and voluntary organizations are identifying alternate sites and delivering food.

- 13 (+2) shelters open / 1,596 (+87) occupants (ARC, as of 6:50 a.m. ET, Oct 16)

- Bethel: Food supply near depletion; local shelters at capacity. MREs sent to Nightmute, Tuntutliak, Napakiak, and Chefnak

- Search ongoing for an alternate evacuee shelter site in Anchorage

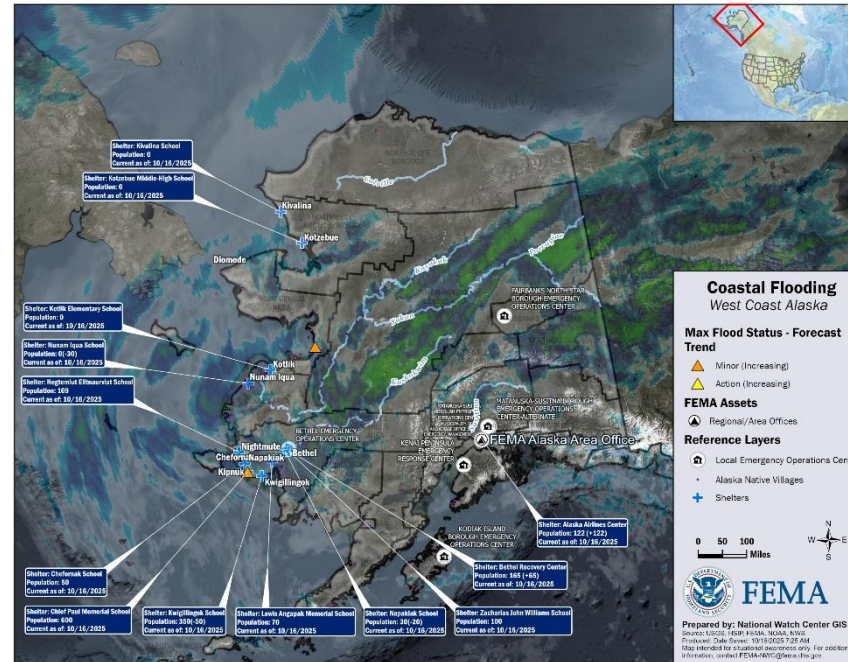
**Health & Medical:** 1 fatality reported. 2 individuals remain unaccounted for.

**Energy:**

- Kipnuk:
  - Tribal council office power is operational; rest of town is without power
  - Water plant is without power and backup generator remains down
- Koyukuk, Nulato, and Chefnak are partially operating on generators
- Water plant in Kongiganak is out of service due to downed power lines

**Communication:** Services continue to improve.

- Kipnuk: Communications have been established using a Starlink terminal and satellite phone; AK SEOC continues working with partners for full restoration
- Kwigillingok: Cell service is fully restored
- Nightmute: Intermittent communication service
- Unalakleet: Emergency phone lines are inoperable with no estimated timeframe on full restoration



**Transportation:** All airports have reopened. Roadway inspections and repairs continue.

- The First Bridge in Kotzebue has reopened
- Kwigillingok:
  - Boardwalks in have been extensively damaged
  - Association of Village Council Presidents is transporting materials for repairs
  - U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) are surveying damage, as well as in Kipnuk and Bethel
- The USCG established a Marine Transportation System Recovery Unit assessing ports and waterways

**Hazardous Materials:** Assessments ongoing with additional support from federal partners.

- AK Department of Environmental Conservation identified a small 20–30-gallon heating spill in Nightmute. Assessments ongoing.
- 1k-2k gallons of waste oil reportedly spilled into the Tagayarak River in Tuntutliak. USCG will be onsite by today to assess.

**Water Systems:** Systems restorations making gradual progress.

- Kwigillingok:
  - Water pressure is fully restored at water plant
  - Sewer system is being assessed for damage
- Napakiak: Water, sewer, and well systems are inoperable. Boil water notices posted
- Nightmute: Water system is fully operational
- Quinhagak: Raw water line is severely damaged. Repairs started



# Coastal Flooding – Alaska (cont'd)



## State / Tribal / Local Response:

- AK SEOC is at **Full Activation** (Landslides/Western Coast Storms); increased staffing for 24/7 activation
- AK Governor declared a State Disaster Emergency and activated the Alaska National Guard on Oct 9.
- 8 tribes declared a State of Emergency**

## FEMA / Federal Response:

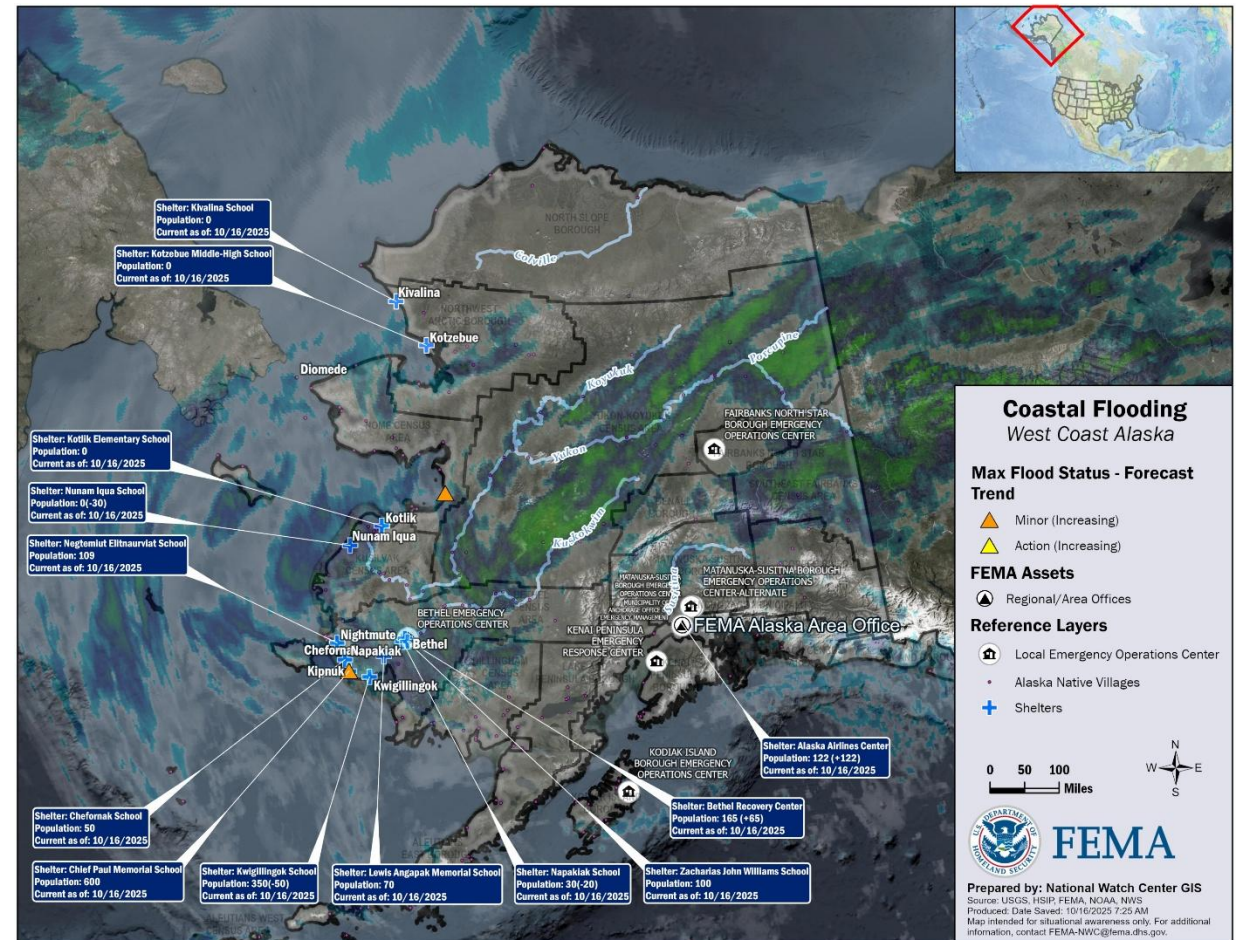
### FEMA Region 10:

- RRCC is at Level 3 (day shift only), with ESFs 1, 3, 6, 8, 9, 11, 12, and Defense Coordinating Element
- State, Tribal, and Mass Care LNOs deployed to AK SEOC
- R-IMAT deployed to Alaska Area Office

### HQ:

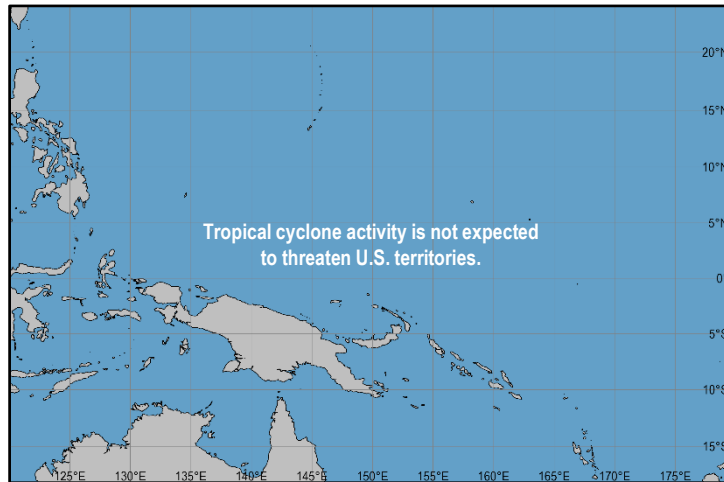
- FEMA NWC is Monitoring
- FEMA HQ Response Geospatial Office is activated in support of geospatial assessments of damaged areas**

The NWC will continue to monitor in coordination with FEMA Region 10, with continued reporting in the twice daily FEMA National Situation Report (3:00 a.m. ET / 5:00 p.m. ET) and the FEMA Daily Operations Briefing (8:30 a.m. ET).



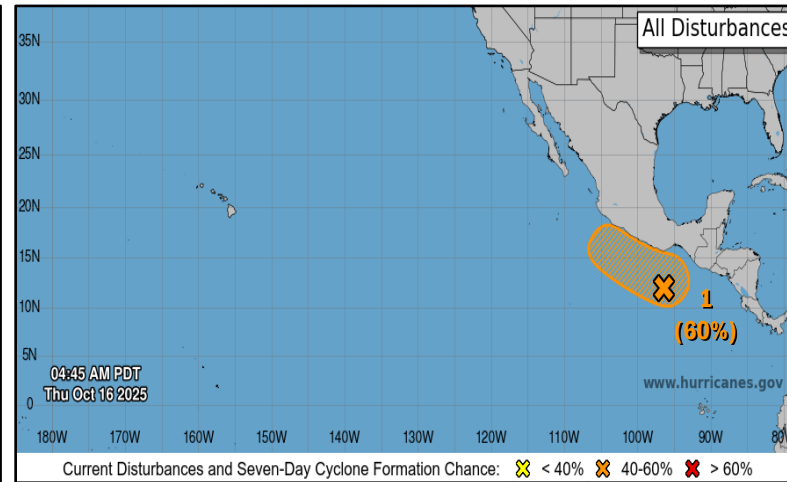
# Tropical Outlook

## Western Pacific



- No tropical cyclones threatening U.S. territories

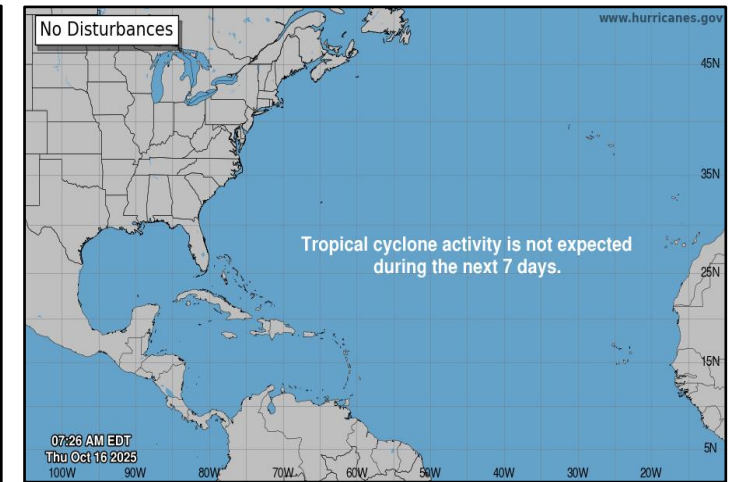
## Central and Eastern Pacific



### Disturbance 1 (EP91): (as of 8:00 a.m. ET)

- Located offshore of southern Mexico
- Environmental conditions appear conducive for gradual development and a tropical depression could form during the next few days
- Formation chance – 48-hour: Medium (50%); 7 day: Medium (60%)

## Atlantic

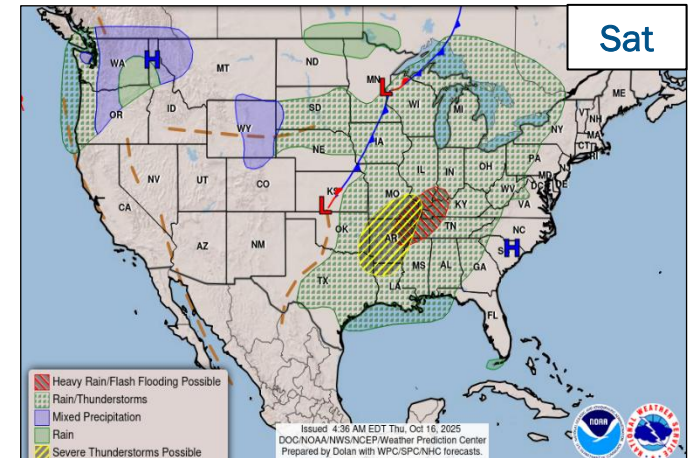
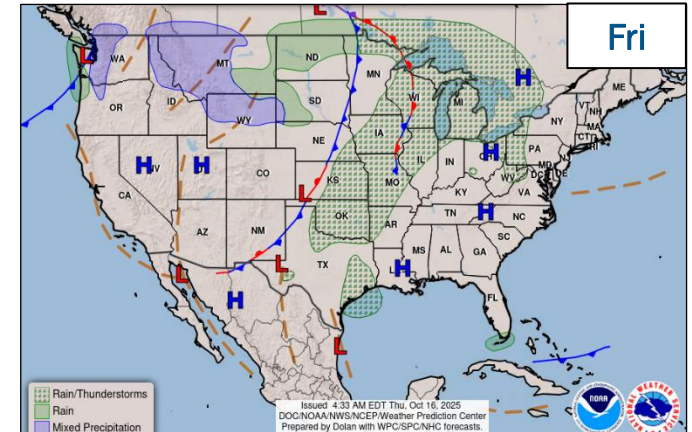
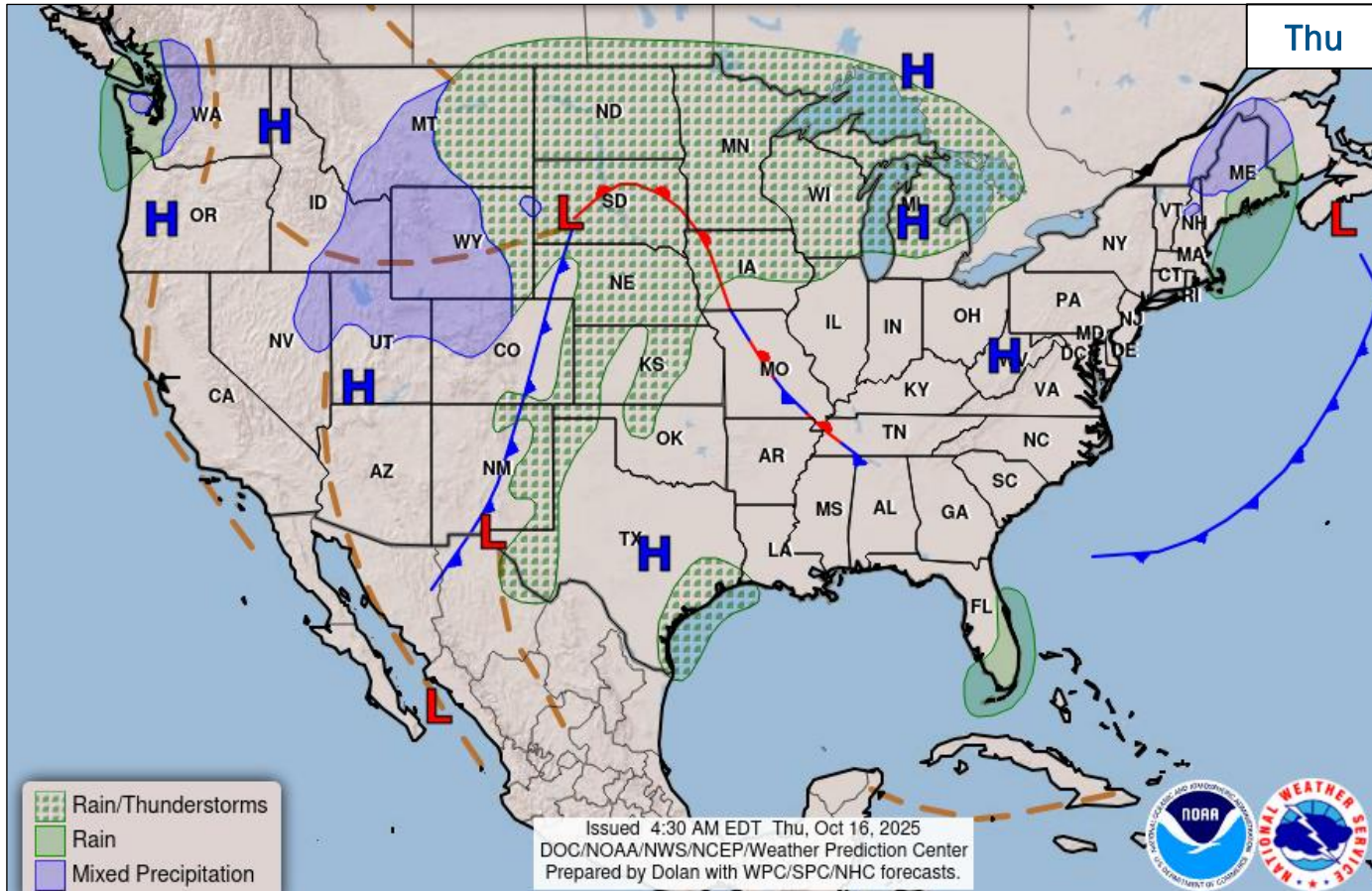


- No tropical cyclones expected during the next 7 days



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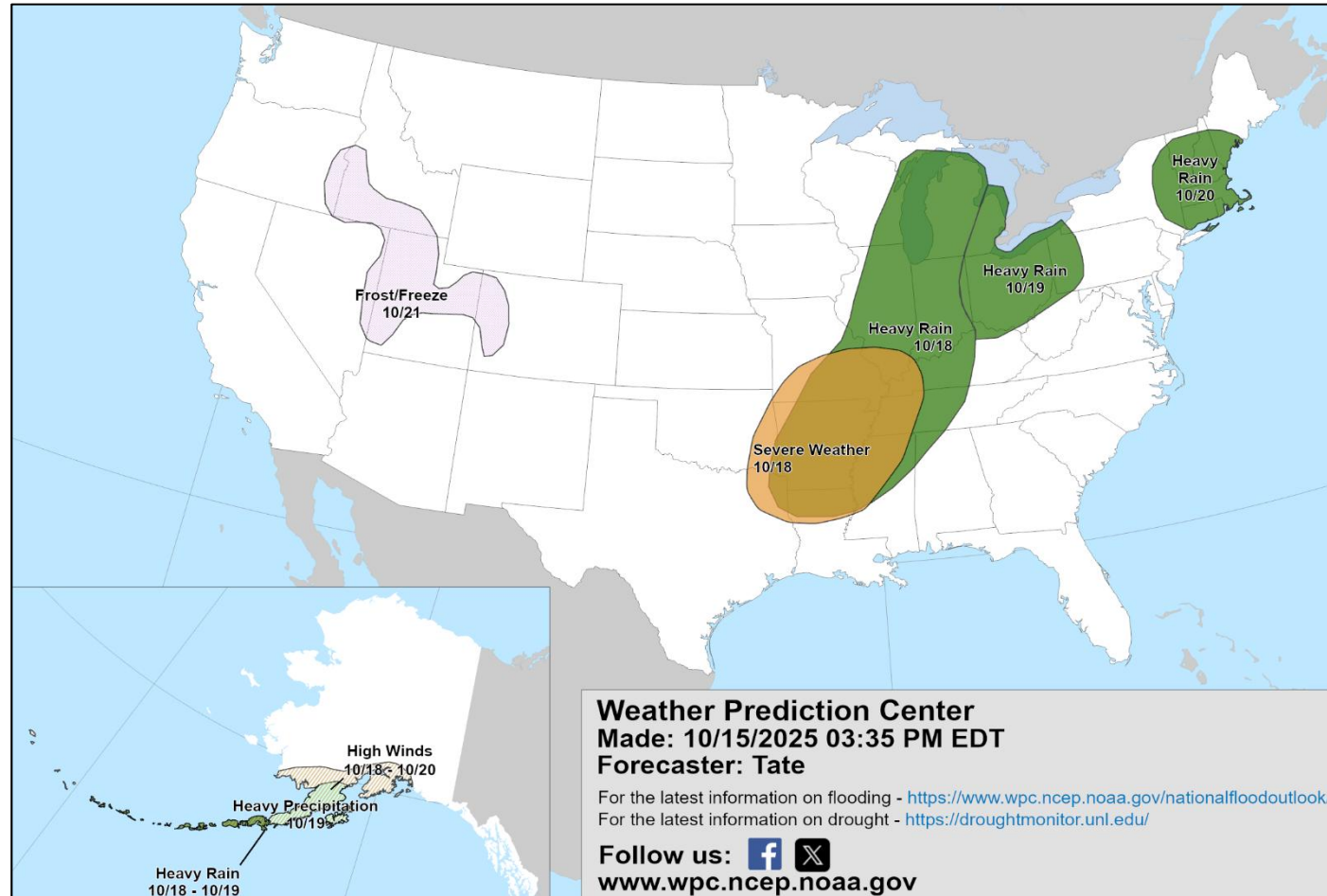
# National Weather Forecast



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# Hazards Outlook – Oct 18-22



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# FEMA Common Operating Picture

**16** Joint Field Offices    **Supporting**    **55** Major Disasters    **+**    **7** Emergency Declarations    **12** Direct Housing Missions    **6** 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
Enhanced	R8	Rostered
Monitoring	R9	Rostered
Monitoring	R10	Level 3

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)	
R7	2
R8	SD (Sep 22)
R9 (1)	CA (Jan 8)
R9 (2)	
R10	AK (Oct 12)

REGIONAL BREAKDOWN				
	JFO	DR	EM	JRO
R1	0	0	0	0
R2	0	0	0	2
R3	2	7	1	0
R4	7	19	5	1
R5	0	2	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

**Notes:**

**NRCC/RWCs/RRCCs:**

- R5 Watch: Staffing (Dayshift 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. ET)
- R8 Watch/Denver MOC: TC Priscilla Flooding
- R10 RRCC: Coastal Flooding (10:30 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. ET)

**IMATs:**

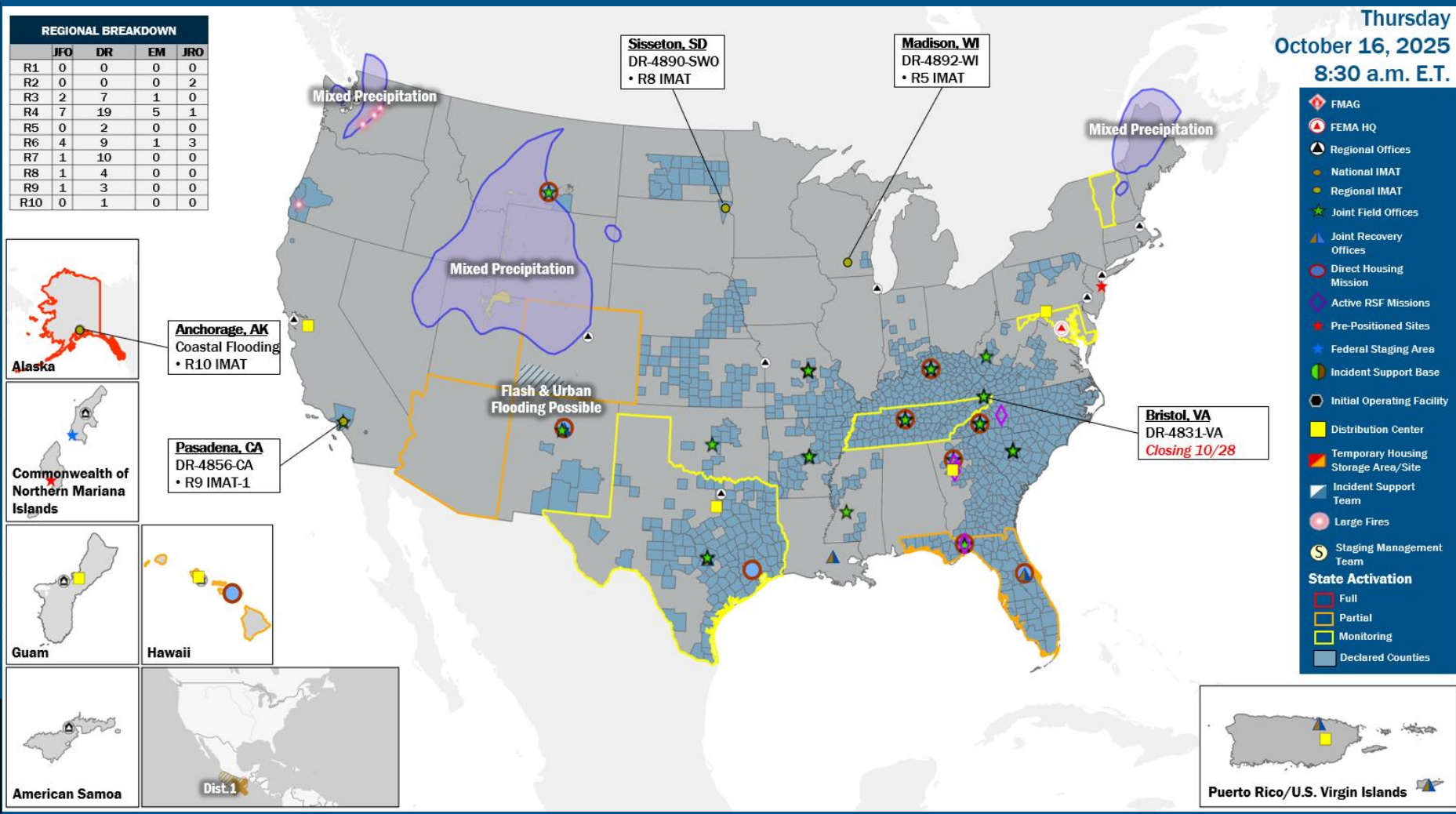
- R6 Team 2: Reconstituting

**State EOCs:**

- HI: Wildfires
- FL: Previous Incidents
- AZ/CO/MD/TX/: Flooding
- VT: Drought
- AK: Landslides/ Western Coast Storms
- TN: Plant Explosion

Volunteer Force	
Rostered 6,809	Deployed 6
Surge Capacity Force	
Rostered 8,178 (-1)	Deployed 0

Fully Mission Capable (FMC)  
Partially Mission Capable (PMC)  
Not Mission Capable (NMC)  
Deployed



## IM Workforce

11,778 Assigned  
4,177 (+13) Unavailable  
4,066 (+11) Deployed  
  
30% / 3,535 (-24) Available

## IM Cadre Availability

11 (-1) Cadres ≤ 25% Availability

Civil Rights: 16% (16/101); External Affairs: 20% (63/309); Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation: 10% (66/678); Field Leadership: 12% (15/122); Financial Management: 21% (38/184); Hazard Mitigation: 14% (107/784); Human Resources: 23% (37/162); Public Assistance: 18% (370/2,078); Planning: 16% (56/360); Safety: 23% (21/91); Security: 23% (25/111)

**MERS**  
≥ 66%

36 Assigned  
6 Unavailable  
0 Deployed  
  
30 Available

**US&R**  
≥ 66%

28 Assigned  
0 (-1) Unavailable  
0 Deployed  
  
28 (+1) Available

**FCO**  
≤ 1 Type I

39 Assigned  
3 (-1) Unavailable  
33 (21 FCO) Deployed  
  
3 (+1) Available

# Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

Region	State / Location	Incident	IA	Number of Counties		Start – End
			PA	Requested	Complete	
6	*PATN	Severe Storms and Flooding Sep 28-29	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	1	0	TBD – TBD
7	KS	Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Torrential Rain, and Flooding Sep 8-10	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	5	0	10/14 – TBD

\*Pueblo of Acoma Tribal Nation



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# Declaration Requests in Process – 12

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
RST** – Severe Storm, Straight-line Winds, and Tornado (Appeal)	DR	X	X	X	Sep 18
CO – Lee and Elk Fires, Flooding, and Mudslides	DR		X	X	Sep 26

\* Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe

\*\* Rosebud Sioux Tribe



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