

FEMA National Watch Center

Daily Operations Briefing

Monday, October 20, 2025

8:30 a.m. ET



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National Current Ops / Monitoring

New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Ops

- Coastal Flooding – Alaska

Hazard Monitoring

- Rain / Thunderstorms – Northeast, Southeast
- Fire Weather – Central / Southern Plains
- Tropical Activity:
 - Atlantic:
 - Disturbance 1 (AL98): High (80%)
 - Central and Eastern Pacific:
 - Disturbance 1: Medium (50%)

Disaster Declaration Activity

- No new declaration activity

Event Monitoring

- No new significant events



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Coastal Flooding – Alaska

AK



Situation: While water levels continue to trend downward for the foreseeable future in western Alaska and the Yukon-Kuskokwim (YK) Delta, the state estimates the potential for additional communities to evacuate due to failing infrastructure and wastewater systems. Multi-agency coordination efforts continue to support federal, state, and local response. Alaska State Emergency Operations Center (AK SEOC) maintains prioritization of life-sustainment and community stabilization.

Lifeline Impacts: (FEMA R10 SLB #8, as of 7:46 p.m. ET, Oct 19)

Safety & Security: Numerous homes and structures reported damaged and/or destroyed in 11 communities

Food, Hydration, Shelter: Shelters remain available throughout the affected region.

- 4 (-1) shelters open with 327 (-14) total occupants (ARC as of 2:30 a.m. ET, Oct 20)
- The State of Alaska evacuation mission is near completion as evacuee numbers decrease.
- The last ANG C17 evacuation mission from Bethel to Anchorage occurred yesterday. All future evacuations will utilize commercial resources at this time.

Health & Medical: One confirmed fatality

Energy: Power outages persist in multiple communities, with some critical infrastructure relying on failing backup generators

Communication: Communications are stabilizing in most areas; no new major outages reported today

Transportation: AK DOT continues to analyze information and develop cost estimates to rebuild infrastructure and boardwalks

Hazardous Materials:

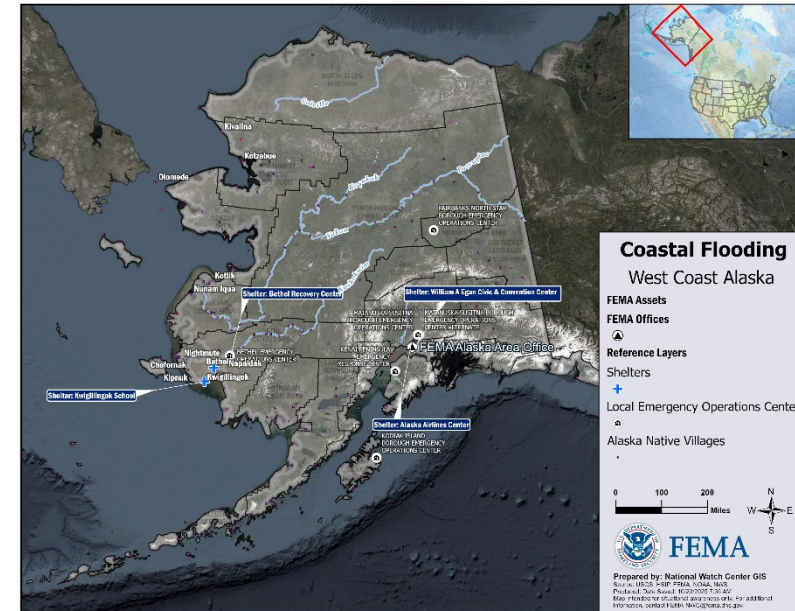
- The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC) and USCG have mobilized into impacted areas; assessments ongoing
- USGS is coordinating logistics for on-site assessments of potential pollution cases this week

Water Systems: Systems restorations making gradual progress.

- Critical potable water infrastructure has failed in multiple communities, assessments ongoing; boil water notices remain in effect for multiple communities
- Wastewater systems are non-operational in numerous locations due to flooded lagoons, collapsed systems, or damaged components

State / Tribal / Local Response:

- AK SEOC at Full Activation (Landslides/Western Coast Storms); increased staffing for 24/7
- AK Governor declared State Disaster Emergency and activated the ANG on Oct 9.
 - 15 tribes declared a State of Emergency
 - AK Governor requested an Expedited Major Disaster Declaration on Oct 16



FEMA / Federal Response:

FEMA R10:

- RRCC Level 3 (day shift), w/ LNOs from ESFs 6, 7, 10, 11, 15, DCE, and NWS
 - MOC deployed a telecommunications specialist to Anchorage
- State, Tribal, and Mass Care LNOs deployed to AK SEOC
- R-IMAT deployed to AK Area Office

HQ: FEMA NWC is Monitoring

The NWC will continue to monitor in coordination with FEMA R10, 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)

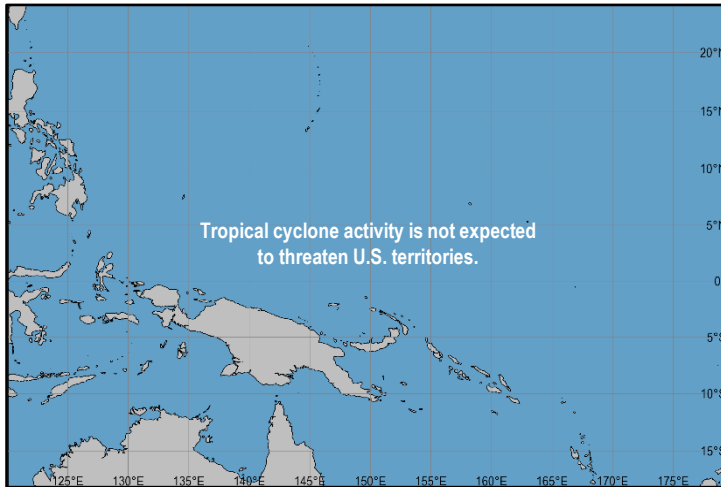


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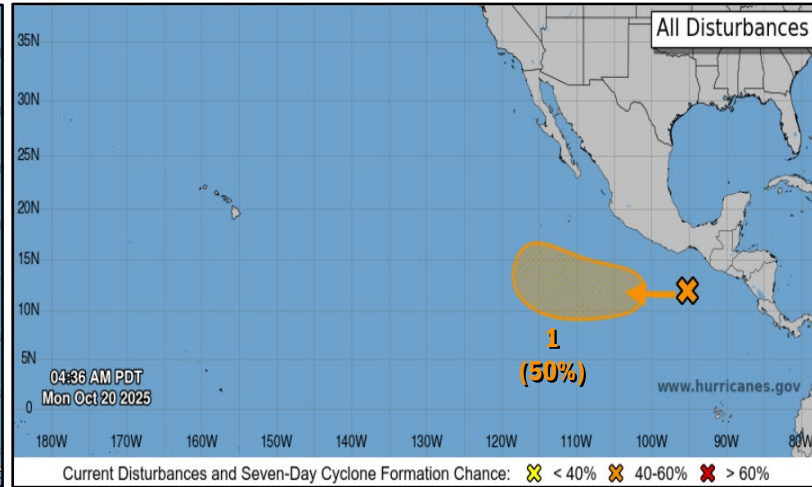
Tropical Outlook

Western Pacific



- No tropical cyclones threatening U.S. territories

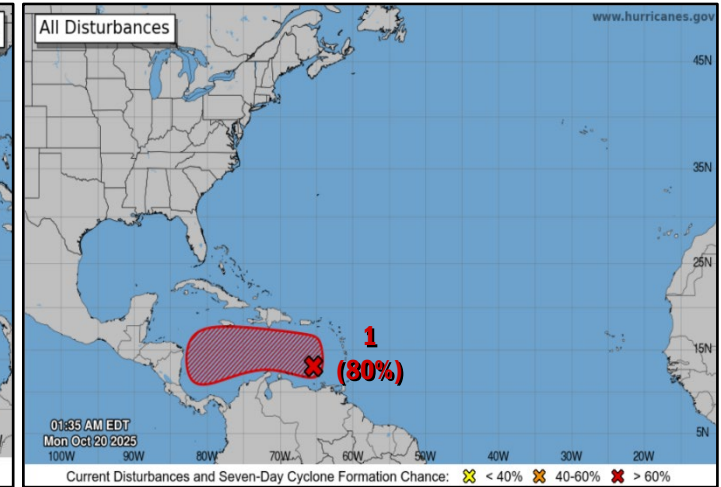
Central and Eastern Pacific



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

- Located a couple hundred miles S of the Gulf of Tehuantepec
- Moving W at 10-15 mph
- Environmental conditions are expected to be conducive for gradual development, and a tropical depression could form by late this week
- Formation chance – 48-hour: Low (10%); 7 day: Medium (50%)

Atlantic



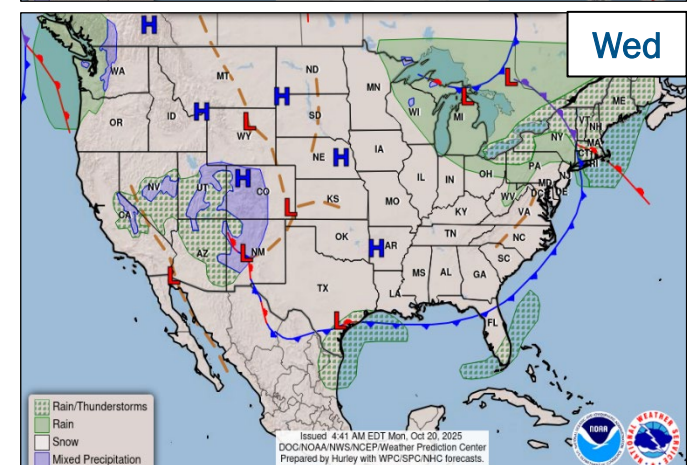
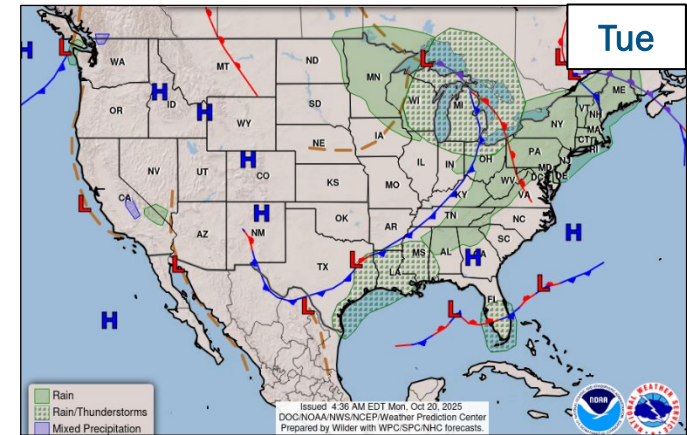
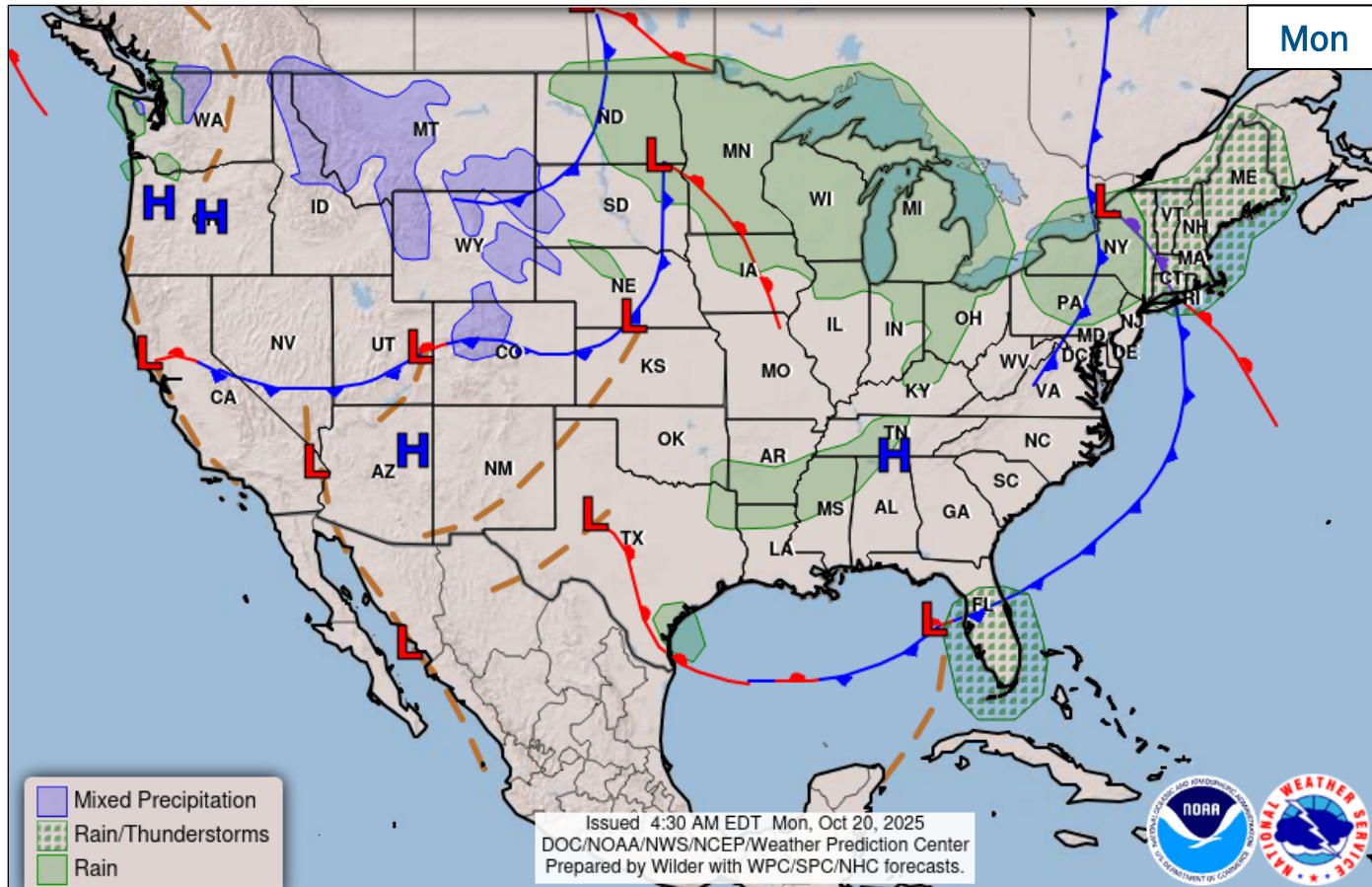
Disturbance 1 (AL98): (as of 8:00 a.m. ET)

- Located over the eastern Caribbean Sea
- Moving W at 15-20 mph
- Environmental conditions are expected to become more conducive for development, and a tropical depression is likely to form over the next few days
- Formation chance – 48-hour: Low (50%); 7 day: High (80%)



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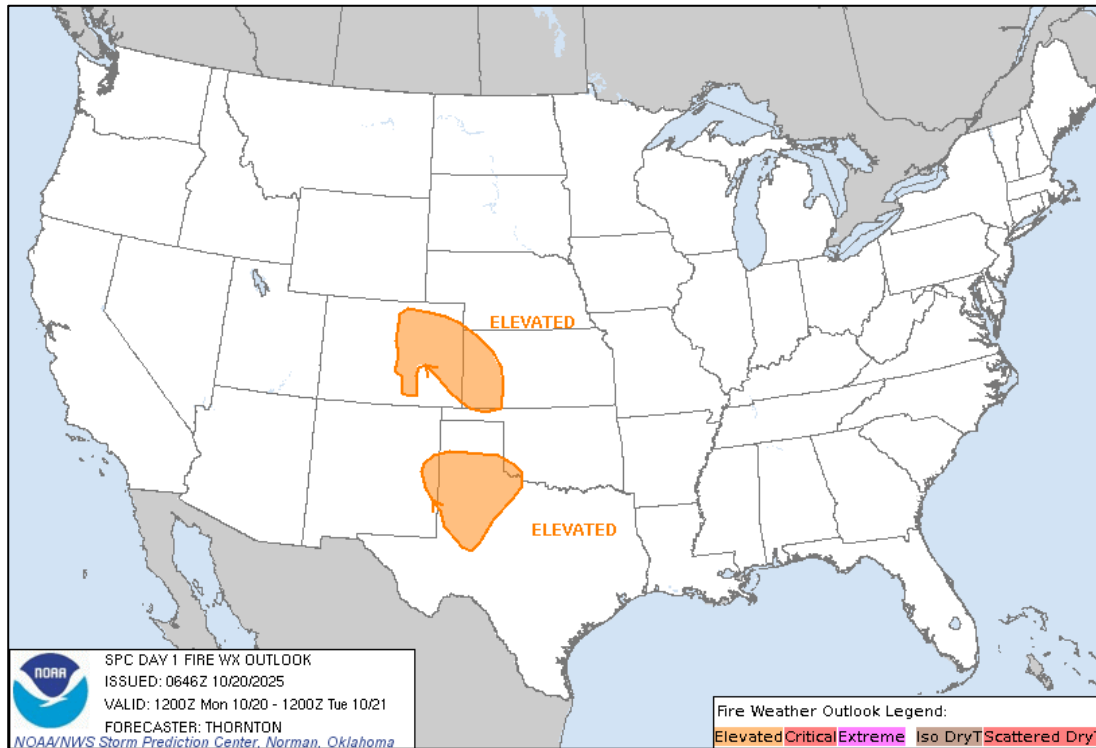
National Weather Forecast



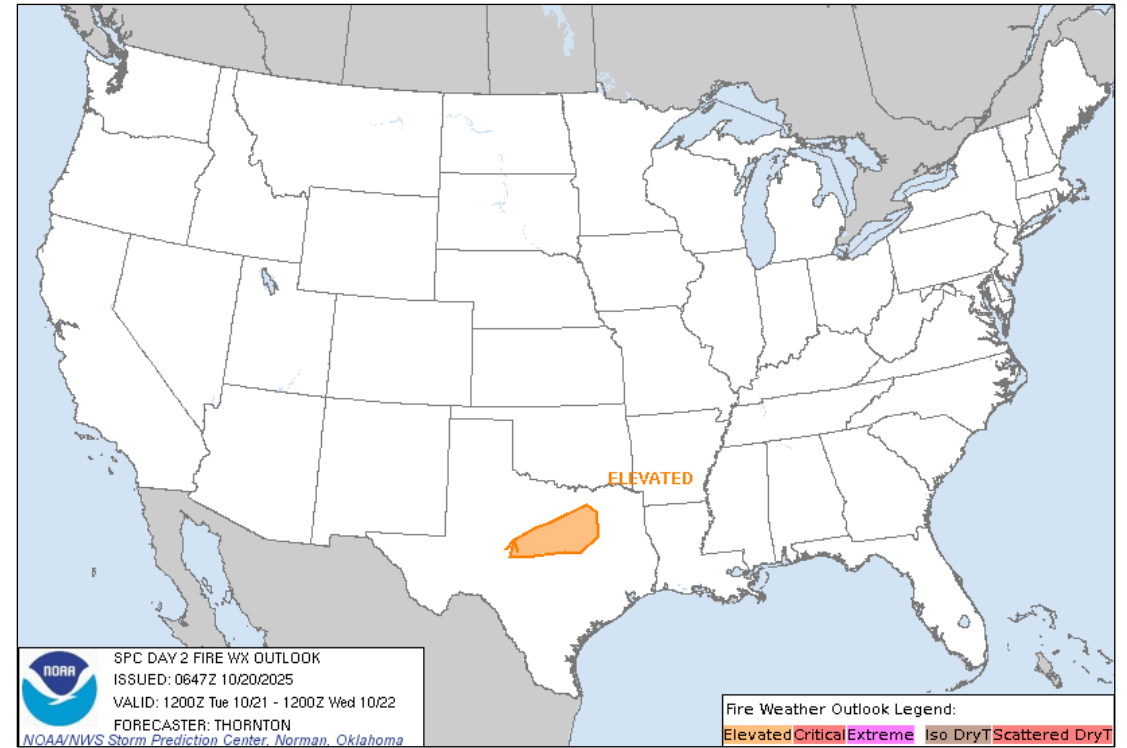
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Fire Weather Outlook



Today



Tomorrow



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FEMA Common Operating Picture

17 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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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	Level 3

Notes:

NRCC/RWCs/RRCCs:

- R5 Watch: Staffing (Dayshift 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. ET)
- R10 RRCC: Coastal Storms

State EOCs:

- HI: Wildfires
- FL: Previous Incidents
- AZ/CO/MD/TX: Flooding
- VT: Drought
- AK: Coastal Storms
- TN: Plant Explosion
- AL/KY/OK: Severe Weather
- AL: Planned Events
- WA: EMAC Support

IMATs:

- NSTR

Volunteer Force

Rostered	Deployed
6,809	6

Surge Capacity Force

Rostered	Deployed
8,178	0

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)

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

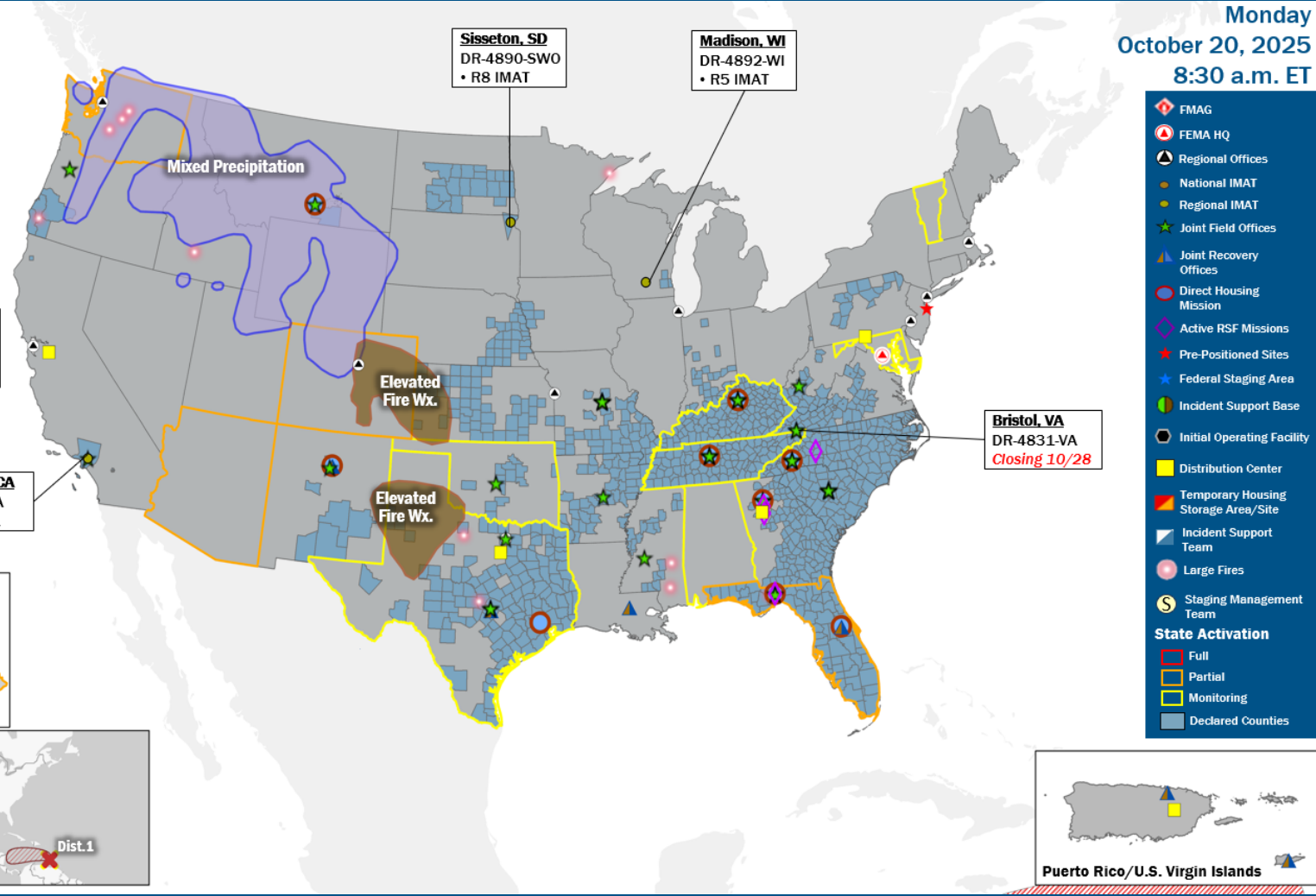
REGIONAL BREAKDOWN				
	JFO	DR	EM	JRO
R1	0	0	0	0
R2	0	0	0	2
R3	2	7	1	0
R4	7	19	5	1
R5	0	2	0	0
R6	4	9	1	3
R7	1	10	0	0
R8	1	4	0	0
R9	1	3	0	0
R10	1	1	0	0



Anchorage, AK
Coastal Flooding
• R10 IMAT
• MERS



Pasadena, CA
DR-4856-CA
• R9 IMAT-1



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- FMAG
- FEMA HQ
- Regional Offices
- National IMAT
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- Joint Field Offices
- Joint Recovery Offices
- Direct Housing Mission
- Active RSF Missions
- Pre-Positioned Sites
- Federal Staging Area
- Incident Support Base
- Initial Operating Facility
- Distribution Center
- Temporary Housing Storage Area/Site
- Incident Support Team
- Large Fires
- Staging Management Team

State Activation

- Full
- Partial
- Monitoring
- Declared Counties

IM Workforce

11,772 Assigned
4,234 Unavailable
3,965 (-5) Deployed

30% / 3,573 (+5) Available

IM Cadre Availability

Civil Rights: 17% (17/101); External Affairs: 20% (63/309); Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation: 10% (69/676); Field Leadership: 11% (14/122); Financial Management: 20% (37/184); Hazard Mitigation: 13% (104/786); Human Resources: 23% (37/161); Public Assistance: 19% (392/2,077); Planning: 16% (59/360); Safety: 23% (21/91); Security: 23% (25/111)

11 Cadres ≤ 25% Availability

MERS
≥ 66%

36 Assigned
6 Unavailable
0 Deployed

30 Available

US&R
≥ 66%

28 Assigned
0 Unavailable
0 Deployed

28 Available

FCO
2 Type I

39 Assigned
3 Unavailable
33 (20 FCOR) Deployed

3 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 – 13

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
AK – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, and Remnants of Typhoon Halong	DR	X	X	X	Oct 16

* Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe, ** Rosebud Sioux Tribe



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