

FEMA National Watch Center

Daily Operations Briefing

Tuesday, October 22, 2024

8:30 a.m. ET



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National Current Ops / Monitoring

New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Ops

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

Hazard Monitoring

- Heavy Rain / Flash Flooding – Guam and Northern Mariana Islands
- Tropical Activity:
 - Atlantic:
 - Tropical Storm Oscar
 - Eastern Pacific:
 - Tropical Storm Kristy

Disaster Declaration Activity

- Request: Major Disaster Declaration – OR
- Approval: Major Disaster Declaration – NE
- Approval: Major Disaster Declaration – NY
- Three amendments issued

Event Monitoring

- No new significant events



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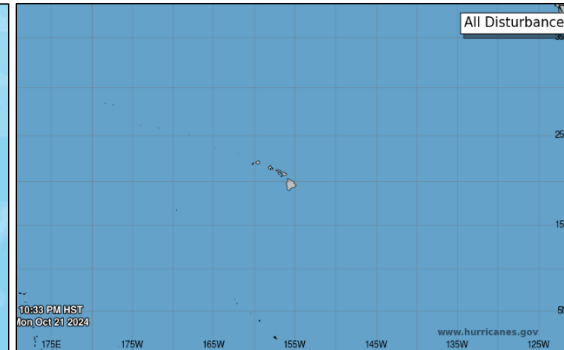
Tropical Outlook

Western Pacific



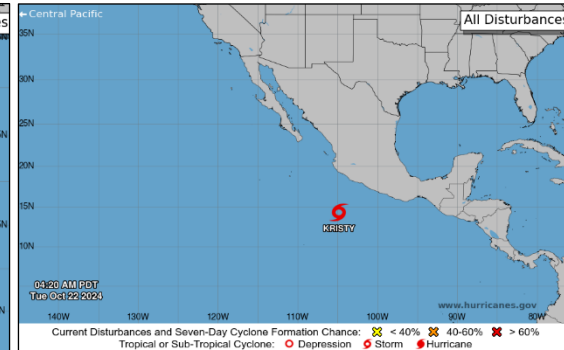
- Two disturbances, Invests 97W and 98W, are expected to converge somewhere near or SE of Guam tonight or Wed
- Potential for heavy rains and strong gusty winds will remain until late in the week
(NWS Guam, as of 11:21 p.m. ET, Oct 21)

Central Pacific



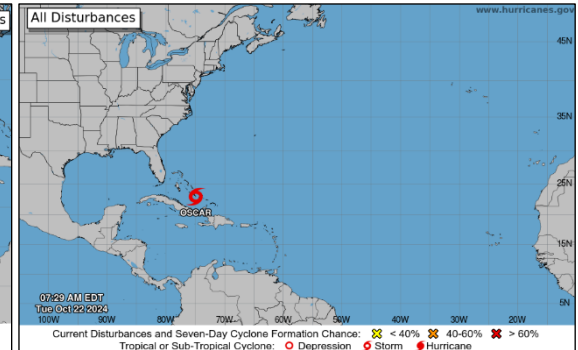
- No tropical cyclones are expected in the next seven days

Eastern Pacific



- Tropical Storm Kristy:** *(Advisory #3 as of 5:00 a.m. ET)*
- Located 375 miles SSW of Acapulco, Mexico
 - Moving WNW at 15 mph
 - Maximum sustained winds of 50 mph
 - Tropical-storm force winds extend outward 60 miles
 - Steady strengthening is forecast, and Kristy is expected to become a hurricane on Wednesday

Atlantic

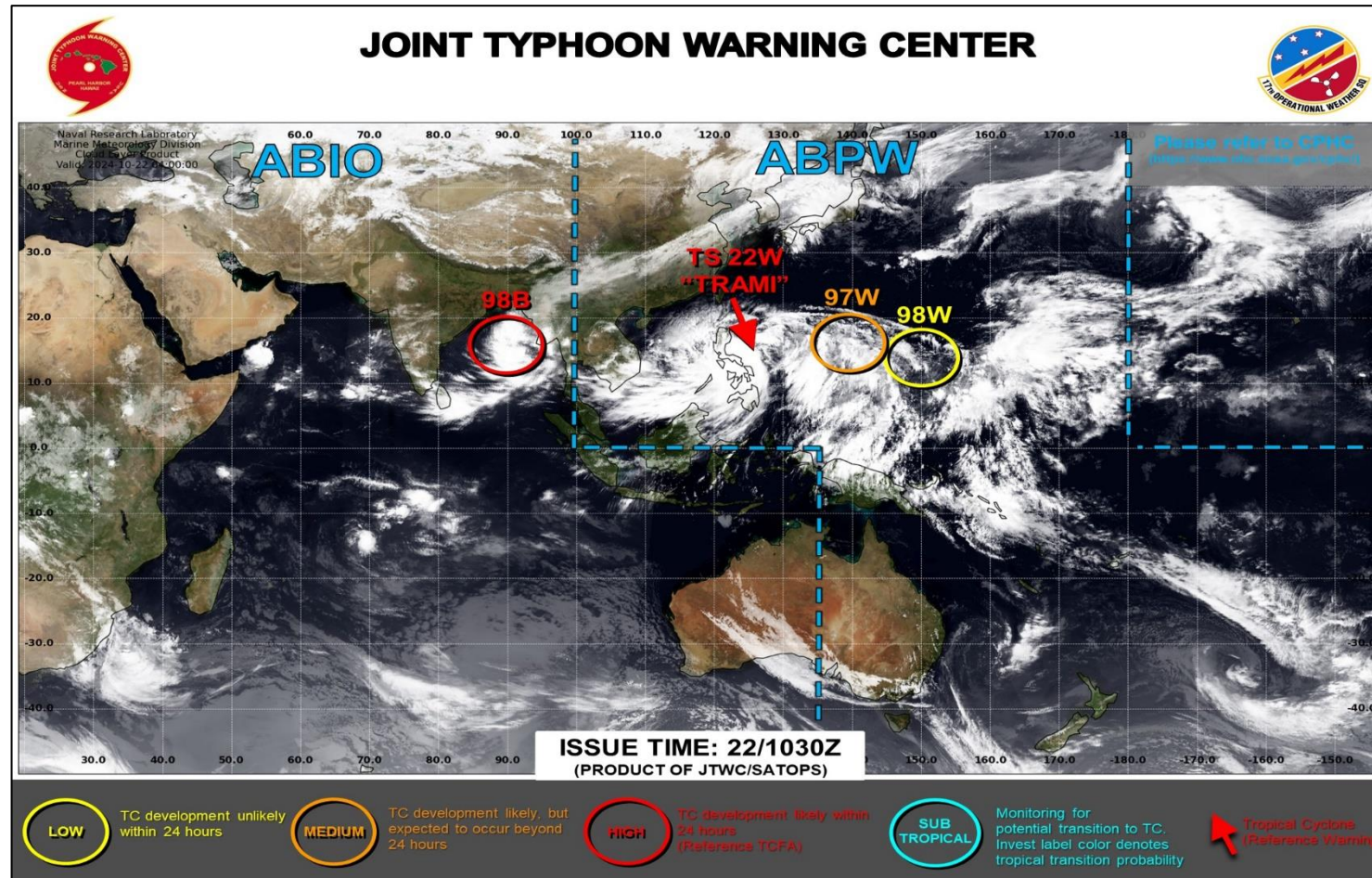


- Tropical Storm Oscar:** *(Advisory #13 as of 5:00 a.m. ET)*
- Located near SE Bahamas
 - Moving NNW at 12 mph
 - Maximum sustained winds of 40 mph
 - Tropical-storm force winds extend outward 105 miles
 - Oscar is expected to become a post-tropical low by tonight



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Western Pacific



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TC Helene/TC Milton – Southeast and 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 21)

Safety & Security:

- NC: USGS technical specialists are conducting landslide assessments with local partners in Buncombe County, NC

Food, Hydration, Shelter: (ARC Shelter Report as of 6:54 a.m. ET)

- NC: 11 shelters / 448 (-17) occupants

Health & Medical:

- NC: 95 confirmed fatalities

Water Systems:

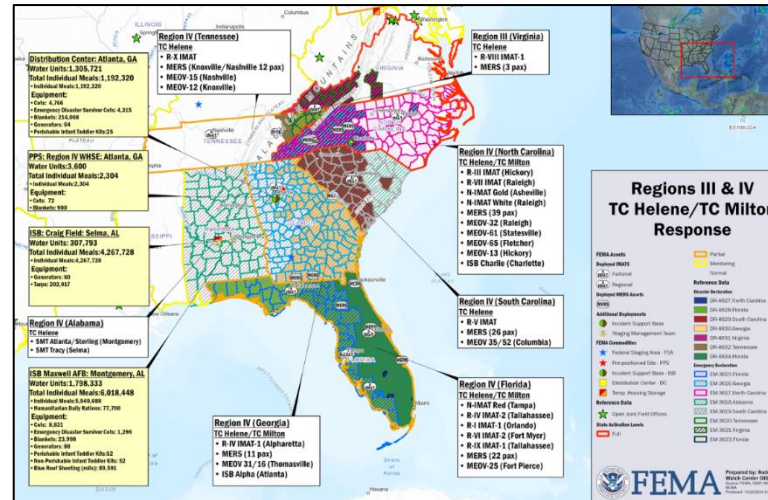
- NC:
 - EPA, USACE, and NCDEQ continue to coordinate on water restoration plans for City of Asheville and specifications for potable water treatment units; water service continues to be reestablished
 - USACE and contractors to begin setting up water purification unit at UNC Arboretum in Asheville today; begin taking samples on Oct 25
 - USACE to install Wastewater package plant for Linville Falls
 - 25 boil water notices

Transportation:

- NC: 475 (-9) roads closed

Hazardous Materials:

- NC: 556 (+23) potential HAZMAT incident locations reported



FEMA / Federal Response:

- FEMA RIV: RRCC activated to Level II
- HQ: NWC is Monitoring; NRCC is at Level II
- IMAT:
 - N-IMAT Red deployed to Tampa, FL
 - N-IMAT White deployed to Raleigh, NC
 - N-IMAT Blue deployed to Tallahassee, FL
 - N-IMAT Gold deployed to Raleigh/Asheville, NC
 - FEMA Region I IMAT deployed to Orlando, FL
 - FEMA Region III IMAT deployed to Raleigh, NC
 - FEMA Region IV IMAT-1 deployed to Alpharetta, GA
 - FEMA Region IV IMAT-2 deployed to Tallahassee, FL
 - FEMA Region V IMAT deployed to West Columbia, SC
 - FEMA Region VI IMAT-2 deployed to Ft. Myers, FL
 - FEMA Region VII IMAT deployed to Raleigh, NC
 - FEMA Region VIII IMAT deploying to Bristol, VA
 - FEMA Region IX IMAT-1 deployed to Tampa, FL
 - FEMA Region X IMAT deployed to Nashville, TN

Logistics:

- SMT Atlanta and SMT Sterling deployed to Montgomery, AL
- SMT Tracy deployed to Selma, AL
- ISB Team Alpha deployed to Atlanta, GA
- ISB Team Charlie deployed to Charlotte, NC

US&R:

- All previously deployed US&R resources are demobilizing and returning to their respective home stations

MERS:

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

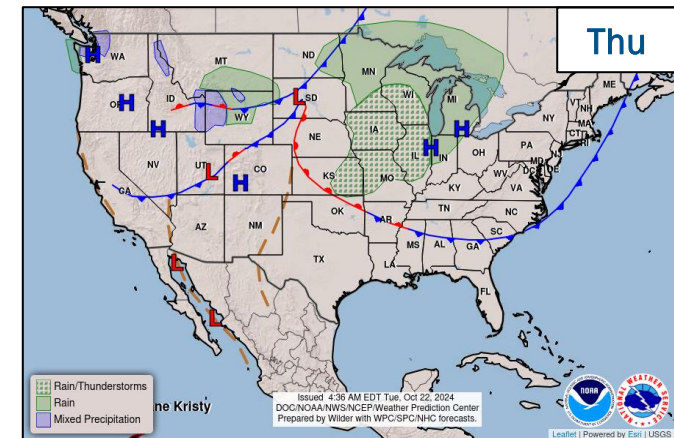
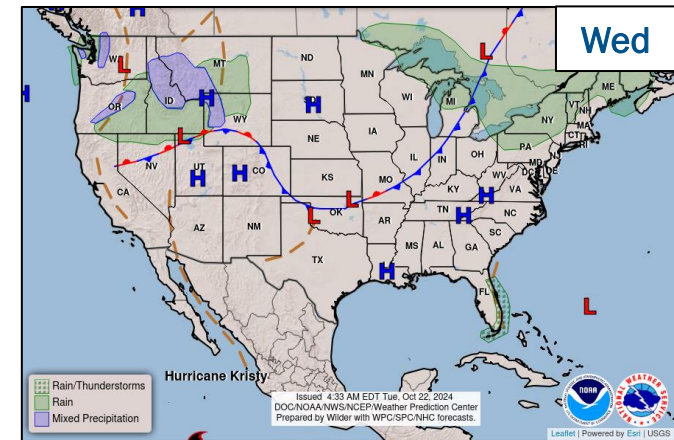
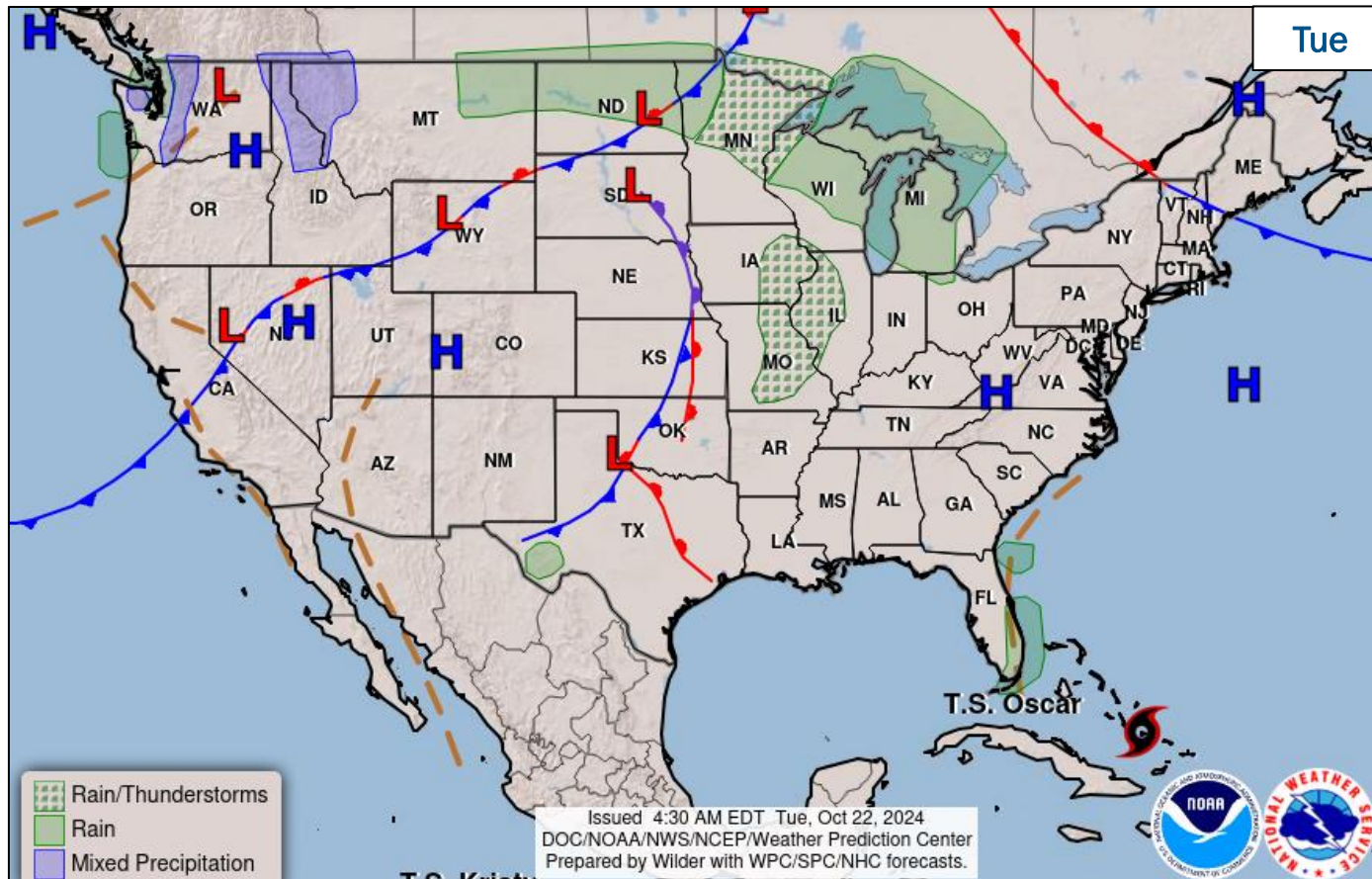
State / Tribal Response:

- FL: SEOC at Partial Activation (TC Helene)
 - FEMA-4828-DR-FL and FEMA-4834-DR-FL approved
- GA: SEOC at Partial Activation (TC Helene)
 - FEMA-4830-DR-GA approved
- NC: SEOC at Full Activation (TC Helene)
 - FEMA-4827-DR-NC approved
- TN: SEOC at Partial Activation (TC Helene)
 - FEMA-4832-DR-TN approved

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



National Weather Forecast



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FEMA Common Operating Picture

27 + **4** **112** + **17** **15** **26** **5**
 Joint Field Offices Virtual Joint Field Offices Supporting Major Disasters Emergency Declarations Direct Housing Missions RSF-Supported Disasters Joint Recovery Offices

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 October 22, 2024
 8:30 a.m. ET

FEMA HQ	
NWC	NRCC
Monitoring	Level II
FEMA REGIONS	
Watch	RRCC
Monitoring	I Rostered
Monitoring	II Rostered
Monitoring	III Rostered
Monitoring	IV Level II
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/Milton • RIV RRCC: TC Helene/Milton	State EOCs: • OK: Severe Weather • HI/OK/NM/ID/UT/WY: Wildfires • AZ: SW Border • CO: US-50 closure • NM/AZ: Flooding • PA: TC Debby • WV: Drought • TX: TC Francine • FL/MD: TC Milton • FL/AL/GA/MS/NC/TN/KY/VA/WV: TC Helene • DC: Election Monitoring • AK: Storm/Flooding
Volunteer Force	
Rostered 7,840	Deployed 2
Surge Capacity Force	
Rostered 8,322 (+32)	Deployed 505 (+22)

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	Demobilizing
III	NC (Sep 29)
IV-1	GA (Oct 5)
IV-2	FL (Oct 6)
V	SC (Sep 29)
VI-1	1
VI-2	FL (Oct 7)
VII	NC (Sep 25)
VIII	VA (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	1/0	18	2	0
II	3/1	6	2	2
III	1/0	5	1	0
IV	6/0	29	12	0
V	2/0	4	0	0
VI	4/0	8	0	3
VII	3/1	13	0	0
VIII	1/1	2	0	0
IX	3/1	19	0	0
X	3/0	8	0	0

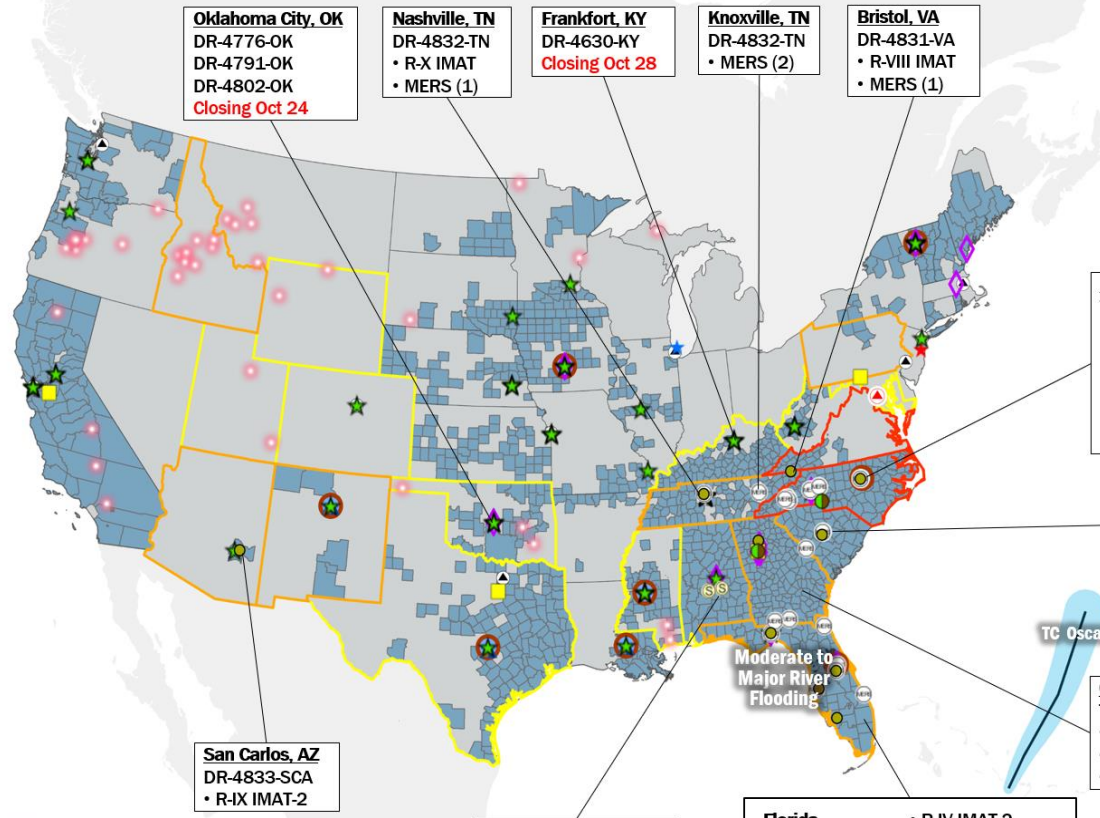


San Carlos, AZ
 DR-4833-SCA
 • R-IX IMAT-2

Alabama
 TC Helene/Milton
 • SMT Atlanta (Montgomery)
 • SMT Sterling (Montgomery)
 • SMT Tracy (Selma)

Florida
 TC Helene/Milton
 • N-IMAT Blue (Tallahassee)
 • N-IMAT Red (Tampa)
 • R-I IMAT (Orlando)
 • R-IV IMAT-2 (Tallahassee)
 • R-VI IMAT-2 (Ft. Myers)
 • R-IX IMAT-1 (Tampa)
 • MERS (10)

Georgia
 TC Helene/Milton
 • R-IV IMAT-1 (Alpharetta)
 • MERS (7)
 • ISB Alpha (ATL)



Oklahoma City, OK
 DR-4776-OK
 DR-4791-OK
 DR-4802-OK
 Closing Oct 24

Nashville, TN
 DR-4832-TN
 • R-X IMAT
 • MERS (1)

Frankfort, KY
 DR-4630-KY
 Closing Oct 28

Knoxville, TN
 DR-4832-TN
 • MERS (2)

Bristol, VA
 DR-4831-VA
 • R-VIII IMAT
 • MERS (1)

North Carolina
 TC Helene/Milton
 • R-VII IMAT (Raleigh)
 • R-III IMAT (Hickory)
 • N-IMAT Gold (Asheville)
 • N-IMAT White (Raleigh)
 • ISB Charlie (Charlotte)
 • MERS (18)

South Carolina
 TC Helene/Milton
 DR-4829-SC
 • R-V IMAT
 • MERS (6)

Legend:

- FEMA HQ
- Regional Offices
- Joint 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
 13,827 (-8) Assigned
 4,267 (+62) Unavailable
 8,879 (-35) Deployed
 5% / 681 (-35) Available

IM Cadre Availability
 20 Cadres ≤ 25% Availability
 Acquisition: 10% (22/226); Civil Rights: 17% (29/169); Disaster Emergency Communications: 4% (17/388); Disability Integration: 2% (1/43); Disaster Survivor Assistance: 6% (68/1,202); External Affairs: 1% (7/518); Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation: 6% (51/824); Field Leadership: 7% (10/149); Financial Management: 12% (29/237); Hazard Mitigation: 2% (30/1,207); Human Resources: 4% (6/171); Individual Assistance: 0% (5/2,569); Interagency Recovery Coordination: 17% (53/320); Information Technology: 8% (53/692); Logistics: 1% (24/1,609); Operations: 4% (14/340); Public Assistance: 7% (165/2,254); Planning: 2% (11/446); Safety: 4% (4/94); Security: 9% (12/136)

MERS
 <33%
 36 Assigned
 0 Unavailable
 27 Deployed
 9 Available

US&R
 33% - 65%
 28 Assigned
 0 Unavailable
 16 Deployed
 12 Available

FCO
 0 Type I
 51 Assigned
 5 Unavailable
 46 (34 FCOR) Deployed
 0 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 - TBD
			PA	0	0	N/A
IV	KY	Tropical Cyclone Helene Sep 26	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	44	35	10/9 - TBD
VI	PNO*	Straight-line Winds Sep 19	IA	0	0	TBD
			PA	1	0	TBD
IX	CA	PARK & BOREL Fires Jul 26-27	IA	3	3	8/28 - 9/13
			PA	2	0	10/18 - TBD

*Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma



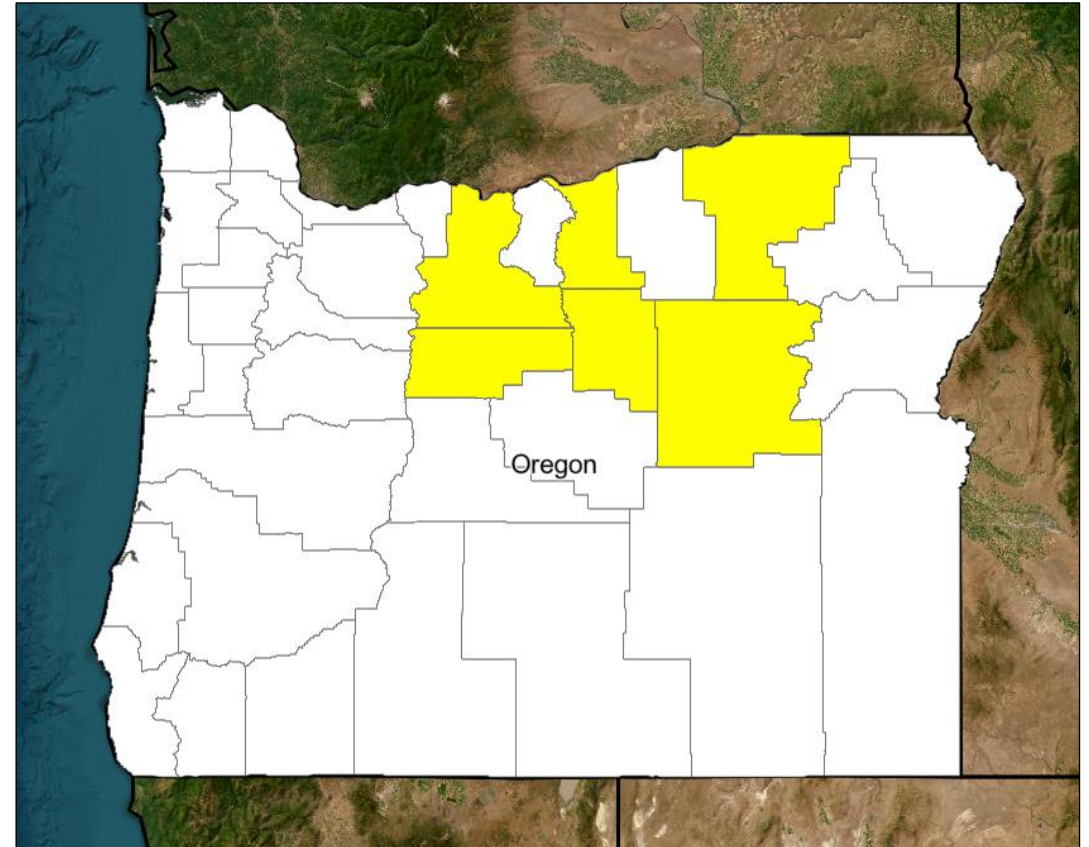
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Declaration Request – Oregon

Declaration Type: Major Disaster Declaration – Oregon
Requested: Oct 21

Incident: Wildfires
Incident Period: Jul 10 – Sep 7

- Requested:**
- **PA:** 6 counties
 - **Hazard Mitigation:** Statewide



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Declaration Approval – Nebraska

Declaration Type: Major Disaster Declaration – FEMA-4838-DR-NE

Requested: Aug 29

Date Approved: Oct 21

Incident: Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, and Flooding

Incident Period: Jul 31

Provides:

- **PA:** 5 counties
- **Hazard Mitigation:** Statewide

FCO: Andrew P. Meyer



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Declaration Approval – New York

Declaration Type: Major Disaster Declaration – FEMA-4839-DR-NY

Requested: Sep 18

Date Approved: Oct 21

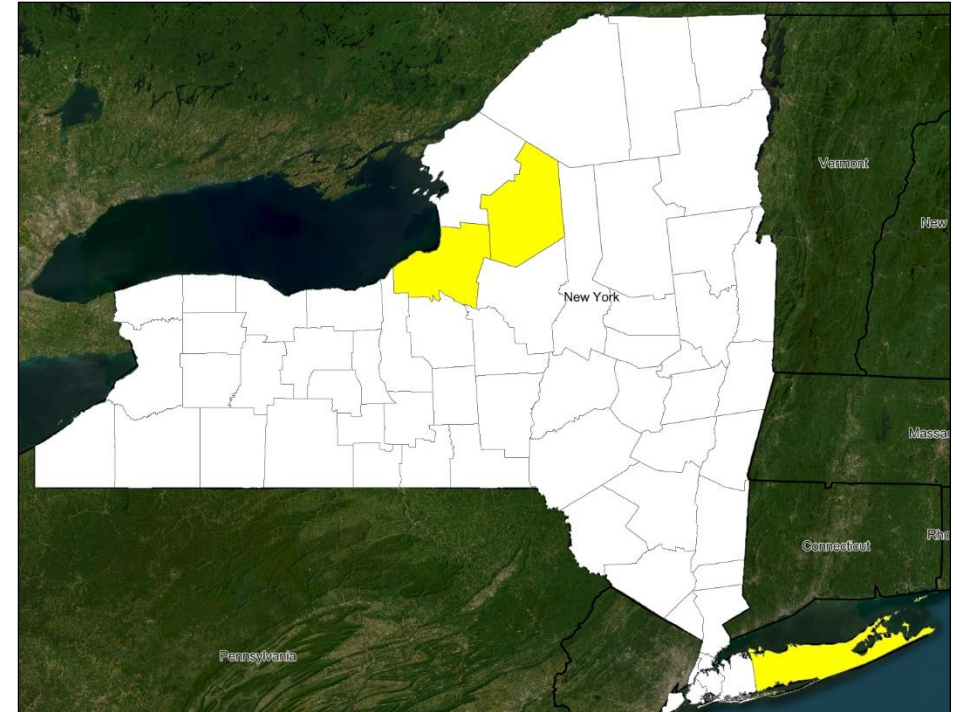
Incident: Severe Storm and Flooding

Incident Period: Aug 18-19

Provides:

- **PA:** 3 counties
- **Hazard Mitigation:** Statewide

FCO: Lai Sun Yee



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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 – APPROVED	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
NY – Severe Storm and Flooding – APPROVED	DR	X	X	X	Sep 18
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
PR – Tropical Storm Ernesto	DR		X	X	Oct 15
CTCR**** – Swawilla Fire and Bridge Creek Fire	DR		X	X	Oct 15
WY – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, and resulting Wildfires	DR		X	X	Oct 16
OR – Wildfires	DR		X	X	Oct 21

*Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe, **Havasupai Tribe, ***Crow Tribe of Montana, ****Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation



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Declaration Amendments

Declaration	Number	Issued	Action
FEMA-4828-DR-FL	7	Oct 21	Adds 13 counties for Public Assistance (Category B)
FEMA-4829-DR-SC	8	Oct 21	Adds 2 counties for Public Assistance, including Direct Federal Assistance
FEMA-4830-DR-GA	8	Oct 21	Adds 6 counties for Public Assistance (Categories C-G) and 25 counties for Public Assistance, including Direct Federal Assistance



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