

FEMA National Watch Center

Daily Operations Briefing

Wednesday, October 22, 2025

8:30 a.m. ET



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National Current Ops / Monitoring

New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Ops

- Coastal Flooding – Alaska

Disaster Declaration Activity

- No new declaration activity

Hazard Monitoring

- Rain / Thunderstorms – California to Rockies, Southern Plains, Southeast/Northeast
- Elevated Fire Weather – Southeast to Mid-Atlantic
- Tropical Activity:
 - Atlantic:
 - Tropical Storm Melissa
 - Eastern and Central Pacific:
 - Disturbance 1: High (70%)

Event Monitoring

- No new significant events



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Coastal Flooding – Alaska

AK



Situation: Western Alaska is recovering from severe flooding that impacted homes, infrastructure, and water systems in 11 communities. While water levels have receded, shelters remain active, and further evacuations may occur due to infrastructure damage. Federal, state, and tribal efforts are focused on life-sustaining measures, community stabilization, and infrastructure recovery. *(FEMA R10 SLB #10, as of 7:00 p.m. ET, Oct 21)*

Lifeline Impacts: *(FEMA R10 SLB #10, as of 7:00 p.m. ET, Oct 21)*

Safety & Security: Numerous homes and structures reported damaged and/or destroyed in 11 communities. Local damage assessments continue. **Home repairs across the YK-Delta (Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta) are expected to begin 10/22**

Food, Hydration, Shelter:

3 shelters open with **no** occupants *(ARC Shelter Report, as of 6:50 a.m. ET)*

- Additional evacuations may occur due to infrastructure and wastewater system damage in affected communities, with future evacuations utilizing commercial flights

Health & Medical: One confirmed fatality

Energy: Alaska National Guard has delivered 10 generators; power restoration efforts to impacted areas ongoing

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

Transportation: **AK DOT to begin temporary repairs on key transportation corridors within the next 7-10 days**

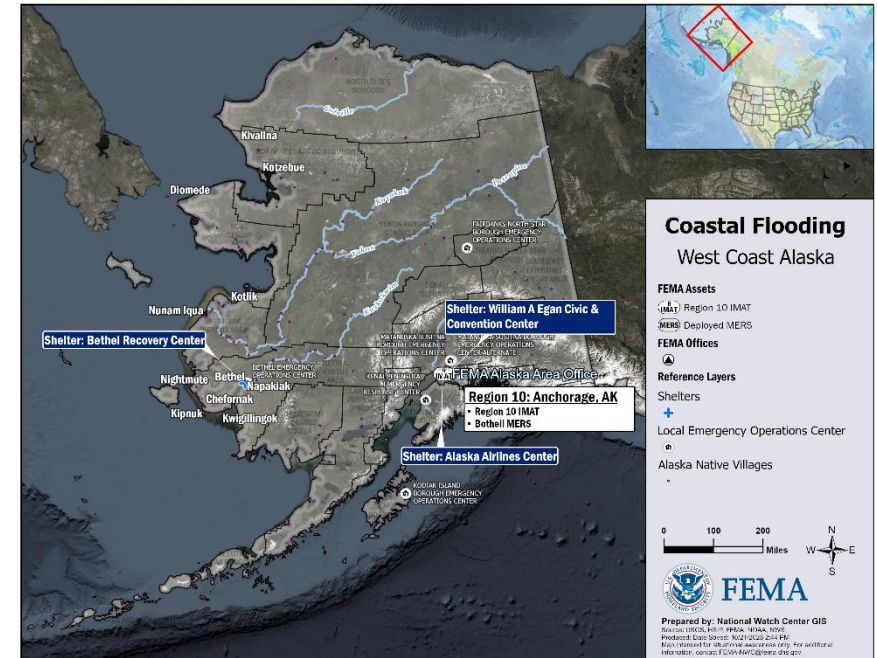
Hazardous Materials: Assessments continue for potential fuels contamination

Water Systems:

- Critical potable water infrastructure has failed in multiple communities (boil water notices remain in effect); assessments ongoing
- Wastewater systems 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)
- AK Gov't declared State Disaster Emergency; ANG activated Oct 9; Expedited Major Disaster Declaration requested Oct 16
- 19 (+2)** tribes declared a State of Emergency



FEMA / Federal Response:

FEMA R10:

- RRCC Level 3 (day shift), w/ LNOs from ESFs 6, 7, 10, DCE, and NWS
- 2 LNOs, 2 Tribal LNOs, 2 Mass Care Specialists, 1 DRC coordinator, 1 LOG specialist, and 1 responder lodging staff embedded at AK SEOC
- R-IMAT deployed to AK Area Office

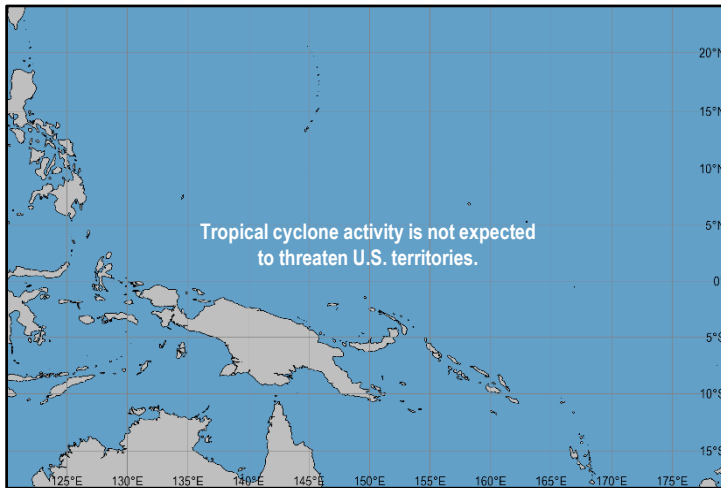
HQ: FEMA NWC is Monitoring

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)



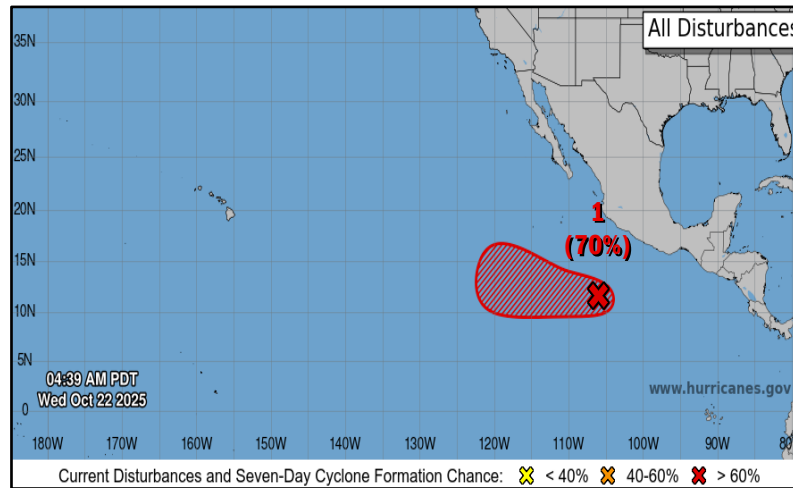
Tropical Outlook

Western Pacific



- No tropical cyclones threatening U.S. territories

Central and Eastern Pacific



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

- Located a several hundred miles SSW of the coast of southwestern Mexico
- Gradual development of the system is possible, and a tropical depression could form late this week or over the weekend
- Formation chance – 48-hour: Low (30%); 7 day: High (70%)

Atlantic



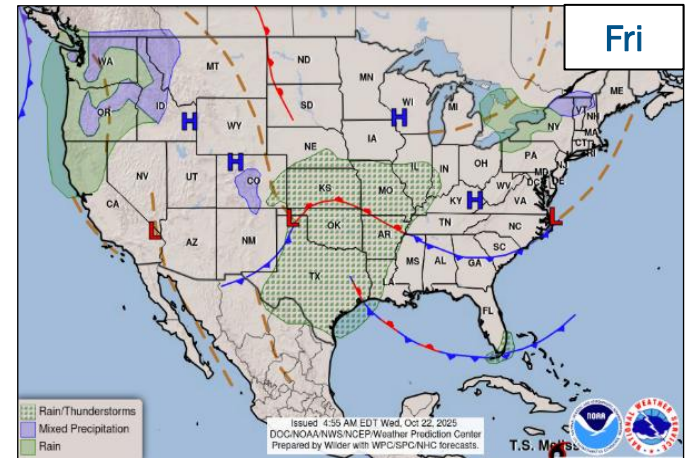
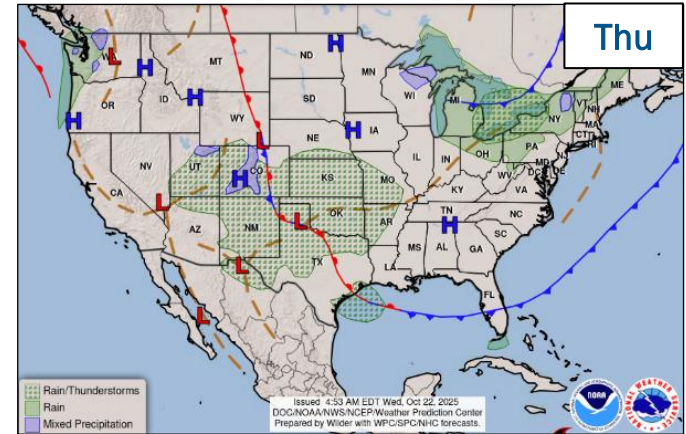
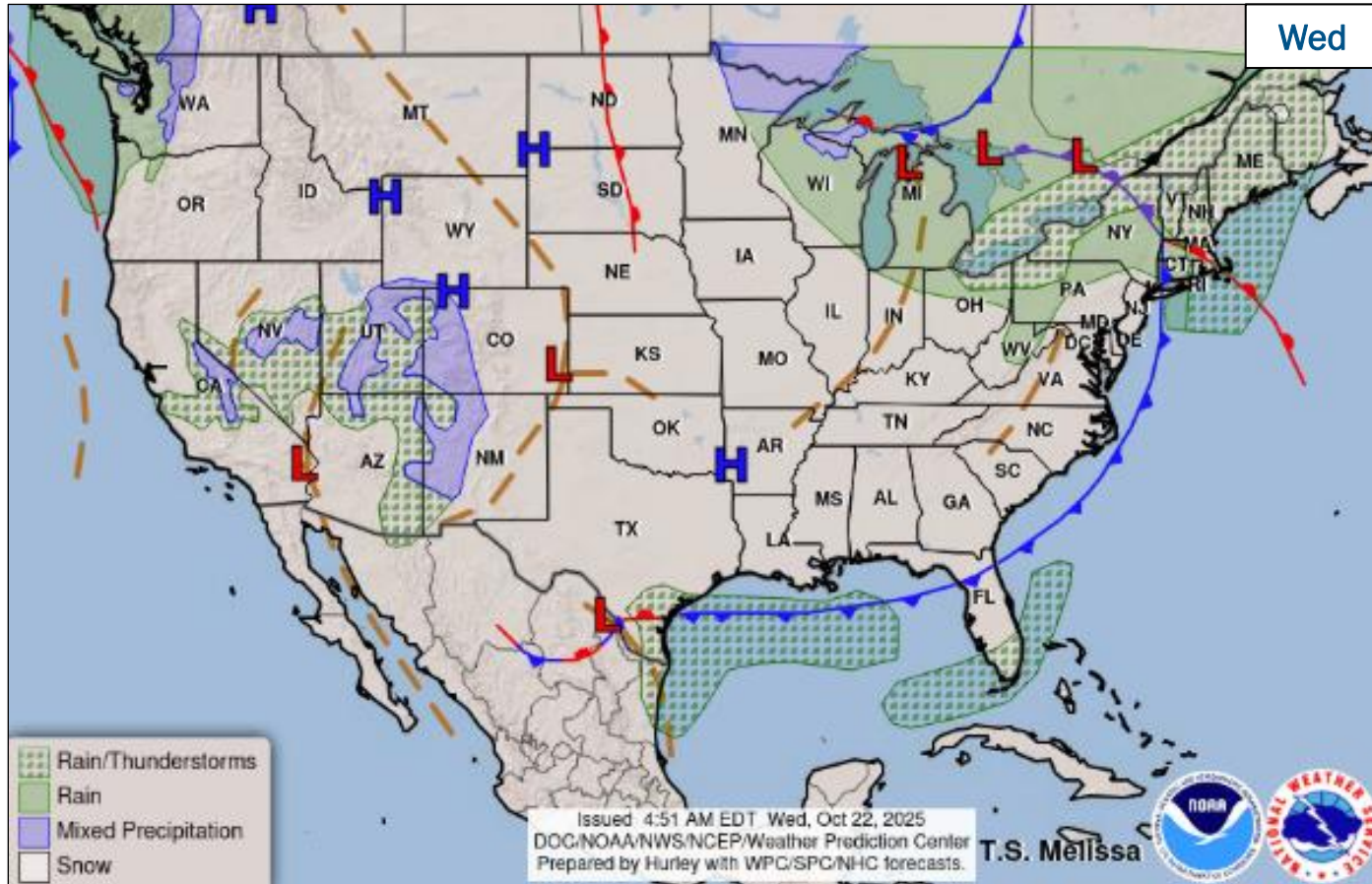
Tropical Storm Melissa (Advisory #4A as of 8:00 a.m. ET)

- Located 305 miles SSW of Port Au Prince, Haiti
- Maximum sustained winds 50 mph; moving WNW at 2 mph
- Tropical-storm-force winds extend outward up to 105 miles from the center
- Some gradual strengthening is anticipated during the next few days
- Melissa could become a hurricane tomorrow



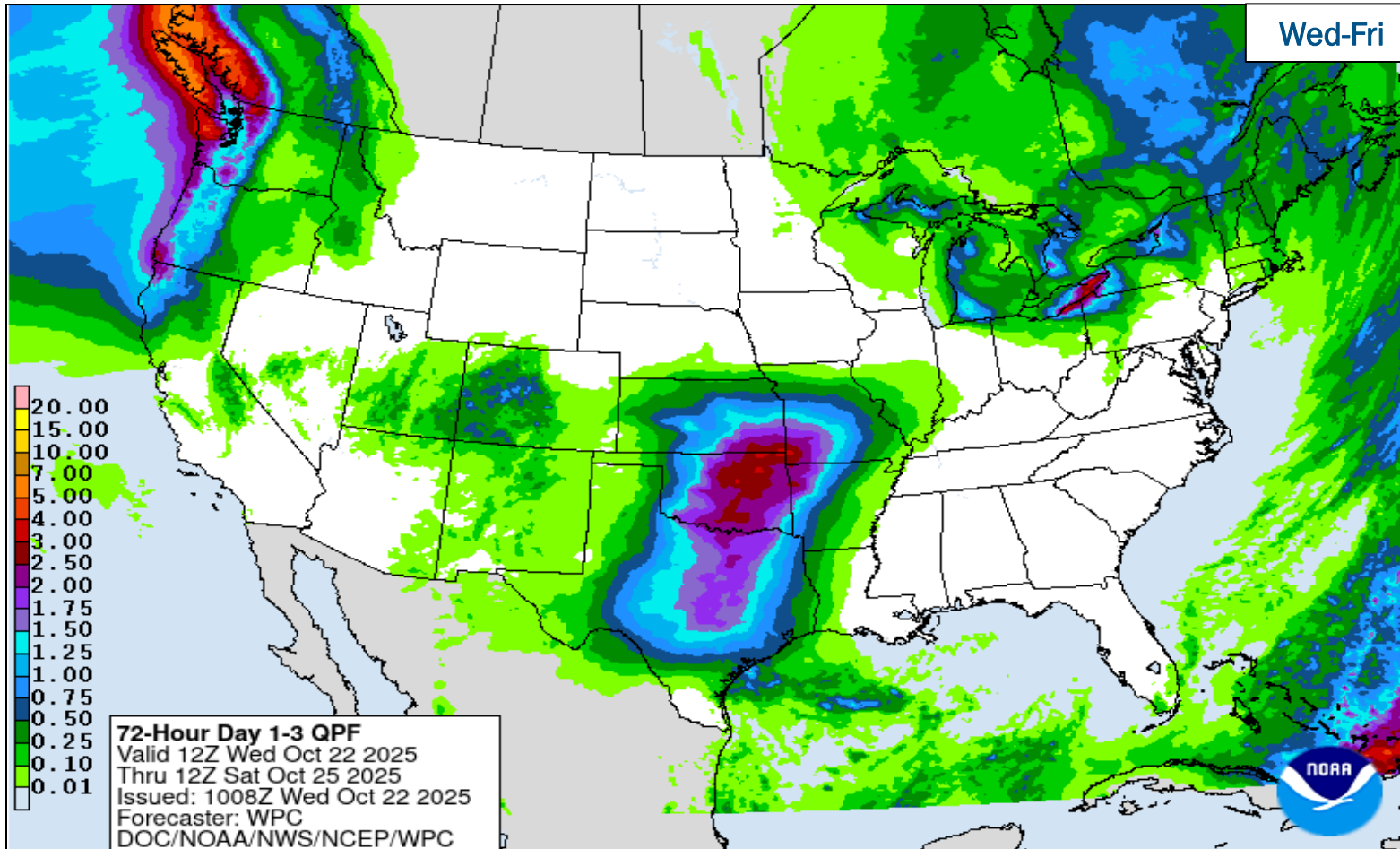
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National Weather Forecast

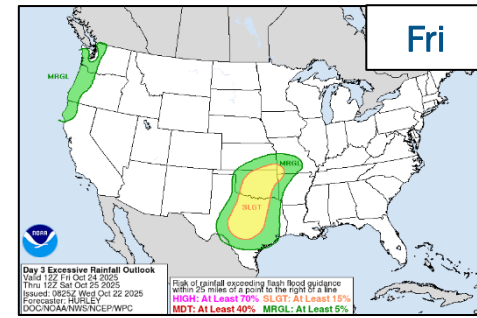
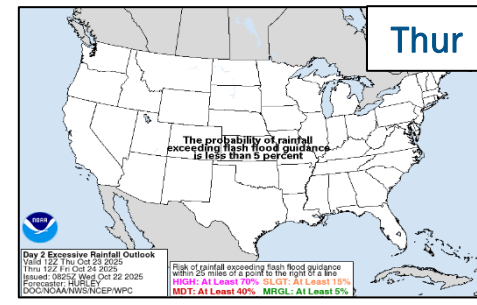
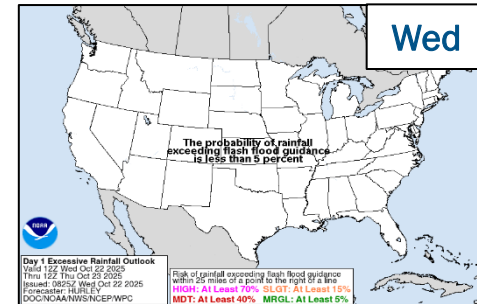


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Precipitation & Excessive Rainfall



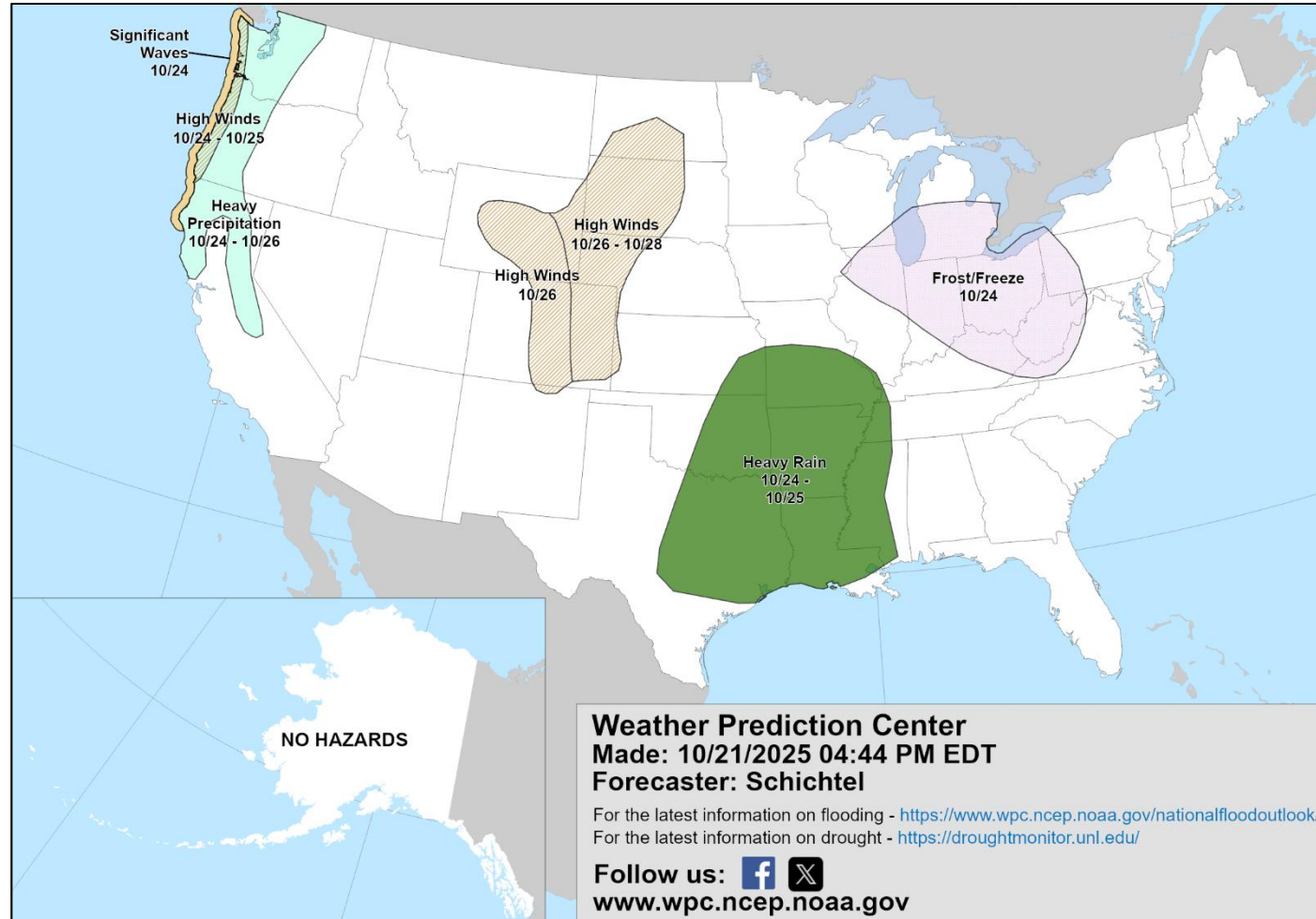
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Hazards Outlook – Oct 24-28



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National Fire Activity *(as of Oct 22)*

National Preparedness Level

PL 1

| | |
|--|-----------------------------|
| Initial Attack Activity <i>(24-hour period)</i> | Light <i>(366 fires)</i> |
| New Large Fires | 7 |
| Large Fires Contained | 5 |
| Uncontained Large Fires | 6 |
| Year-to-Date Acres Burned | 4,753,997 |
| Total Responders | 2,603 |
| Complex IMTs Committed | 2 |



Preparedness Levels Legend

| | |
|------|---|
| PL 1 | Minimal fire activity; many resources available |
| PL 2 | Large wildland fires burning throughout country; resources mobilized from other areas |
| PL 3 | Wildfire activity ongoing throughout 25% of country; National Interagency Coordination Center (NICC) sets priorities, allocates resources, and mobilizes assets at national level |
| PL 4 | High levels of fire activity and areas are competing for firefighting resources; 60% of the nation's wildland firefighting resources committed |
| PL 5 | Extremely high levels of fire activity; 80% of nation's firefighting resources committed |

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 | R1 | 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
 • WA: EMAC Support
 • MT: Prison Water System
 • PR: Water Main Break

IMATs:
 • NSTR

| Volunteer Force | |
|----------------------|---------------|
| Rostered 6,809 | Deployed 6 |
| Surge Capacity Force | |
| Rostered 8,179 | Deployed 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

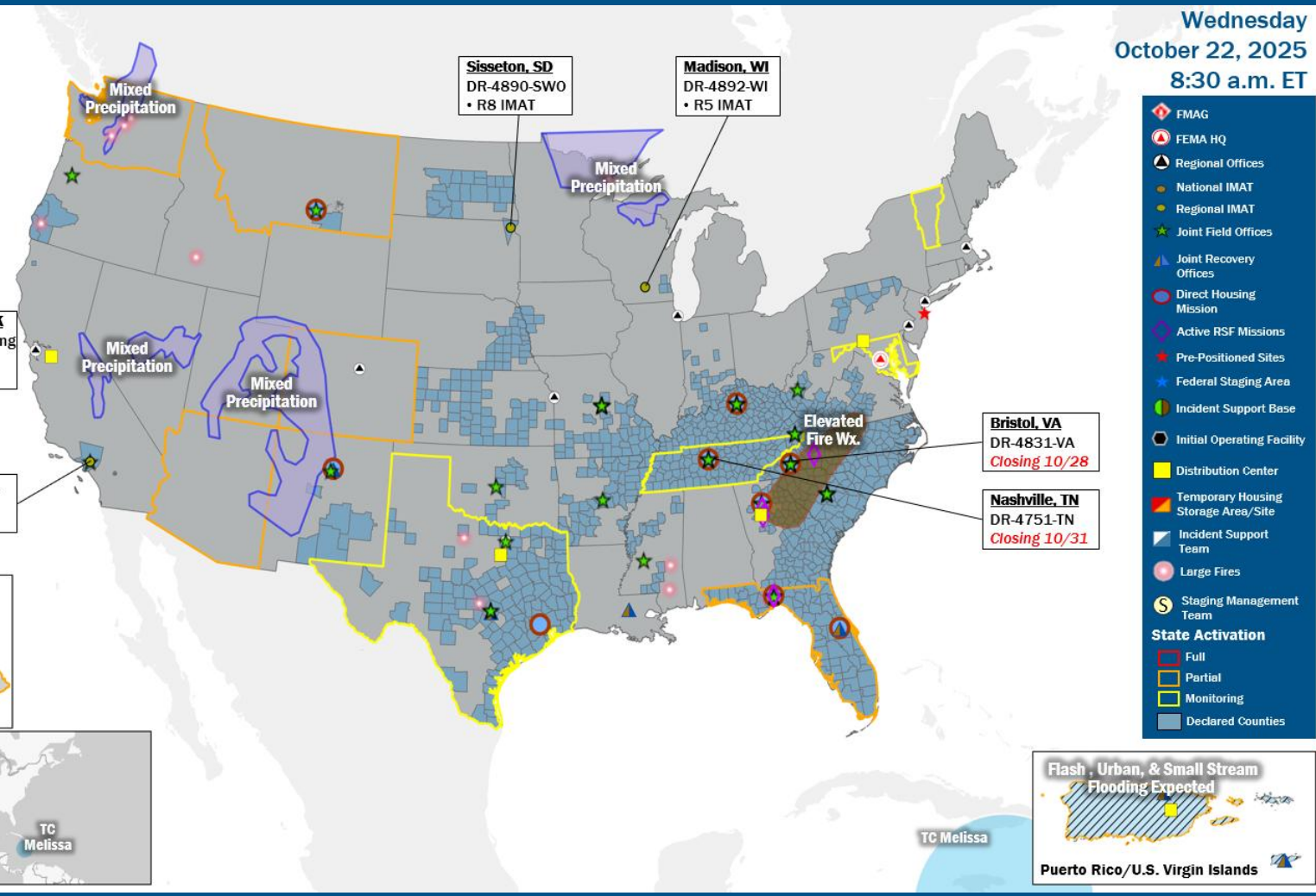
| REGIONAL BREAKDOWN | | | | |
|--------------------|-----|----|----|-----|
| | JFO | DR | EM | JRO |
| R1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| R2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| R3 | 2 | 7 | 1 | 0 |
| R4 | 7 | 19 | 5 | 1 |
| R5 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| R6 | 4 | 9 | 1 | 3 |
| R7 | 1 | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| R8 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| R9 | 1 | 3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

Anchorage, AK
Coastal Flooding
• R10 IMAT
• MERS

Pasadena, CA
DR-4856-CA
• R9 IMAT-1

Flash and Urban Flooding Poss.
Dist. 1

TC Melissa



State Activation
 Full
 Partial
 Monitoring
 Declared Counties

IM Workforce

11,750 (+2) Assigned
 4,222 (+40) Unavailable
 3,966 Deployed
 30% (-1) / 3,600 (-42) Available

IM Cadre Availability

Civil Rights: 18% (18/101); External Affairs: 22% (67/307); Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation: 11% (71/672); Field Leadership: 13% (16/122); Financial Management: 21% (38/184); Hazard Mitigation: 13% (106/786); Human Resources: 25% (40/161); Public Assistance: 18% (381/2,073); Planning: 16% (59/360); Safety: 21% (19/91); 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
 ≤ 1 Type I
 39 Assigned
 4 Unavailable
 33 (20 FCO) Deployed
 2 Available

Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

| Region | State / Location | Incident | IA | Number of Counties | | Start - End |
|--------|------------------|---|----|--------------------|-----------|-------------|
| | | | PA | Requested | Completed | |
| 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 | 2 (+1) | 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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