

FEMA National Watch Center

Daily Operations Briefing

Sunday, November 15, 2020

8:30 a.m. ET



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National Current Ops / Monitoring

New Significant Incidents/Ongoing Ops:

- COVID-19

Hazard Monitoring:

- Tropical Activity:
 - Tropical Depression Theta, Hurricane Iota (CAT 1)
 - Eastern Pacific: Disturbance 1: Medium (40%)
- Heavy snow possible – portions of Northern Intermountain and Northern Rockies
- Freezing rain possible - Northeast

Disaster Declaration Activity:

- None

Event Monitoring:

- No significant scheduled activity



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Hurricane Iota (CAT 1)– Atlantic

Situation: (Advisory #8A as of 7:00 a.m. ET)

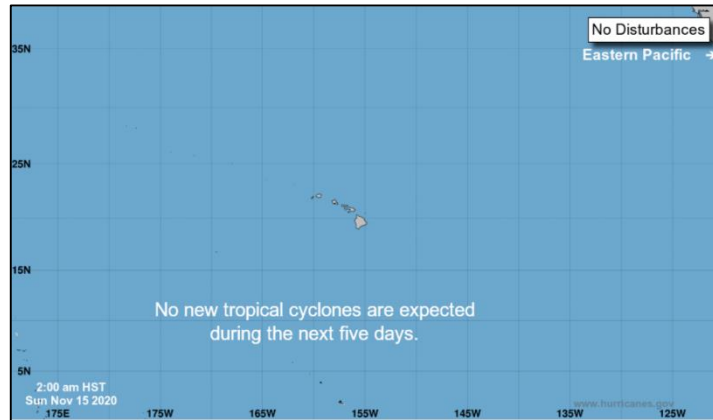
- 240 miles E of Isla de Providencia, Colombia
- Moving WNW at 6 mph
- Maximum sustained winds 85 mph
- On the forecast track, will move across the southwestern Caribbean Sea today, pass near or over Providencia Island on Monday and approach the coasts of Nicaragua and northeastern Honduras Monday night
- Rapid strengthening expected during the next day or two; forecast to be a major hurricane when it approaches Central America
- Hurricane-force winds extend 25 miles
- Tropical storm-force winds extend 90 miles



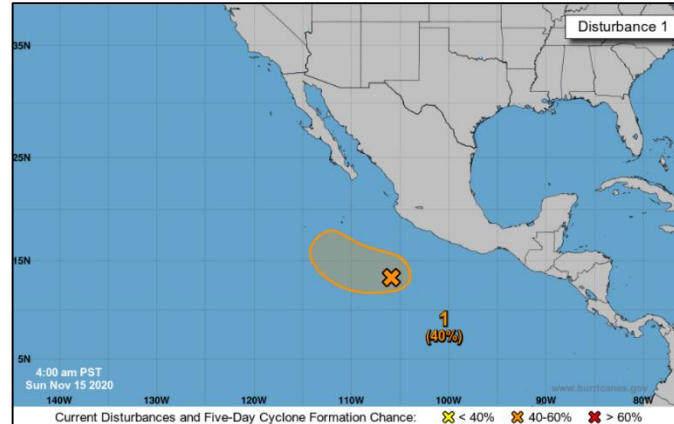
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Tropical Outlook – Five Day

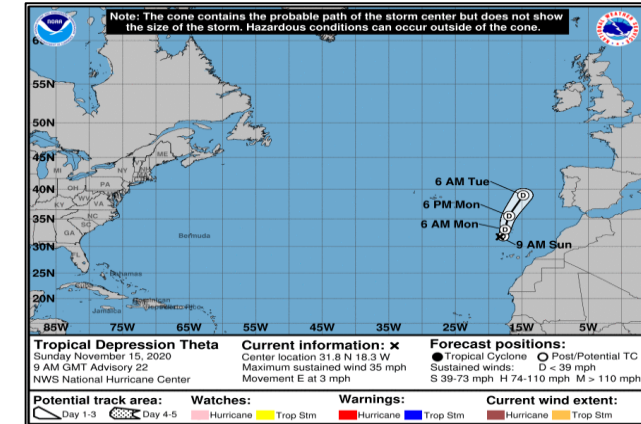
Central Pacific



Eastern Pacific



Atlantic



Disturbance 1 (as of 7:00 a.m. ET)

- Several hundred miles SW of coast of southern Mexico
- Moving slowly WNW or NW away from the coast of Mexico
- Tropical depression could form within a few days
- 48-hour Formation chance: Low (30%)
- 5-day Formation chance: Medium (40%)

Tropical Depression Theta (Advisory #22 as of 4:00 a.m. ET)

- 650 miles SE of the Azores
- Moving E at 3 mph
- Maximum sustained winds 35 mph
- Forecast to become a remnant low later today, and could dissipate in a few days



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COVID-19 Update

Situation: Upward trajectory in COVID-19 case count continues across 51 states/territories, with 2 jurisdictions in a plateau status, and 2 jurisdictions on a downward trajectory; 1,239 FEMA employees deployed.
(COVID-19 SLB, as of Nov 13)

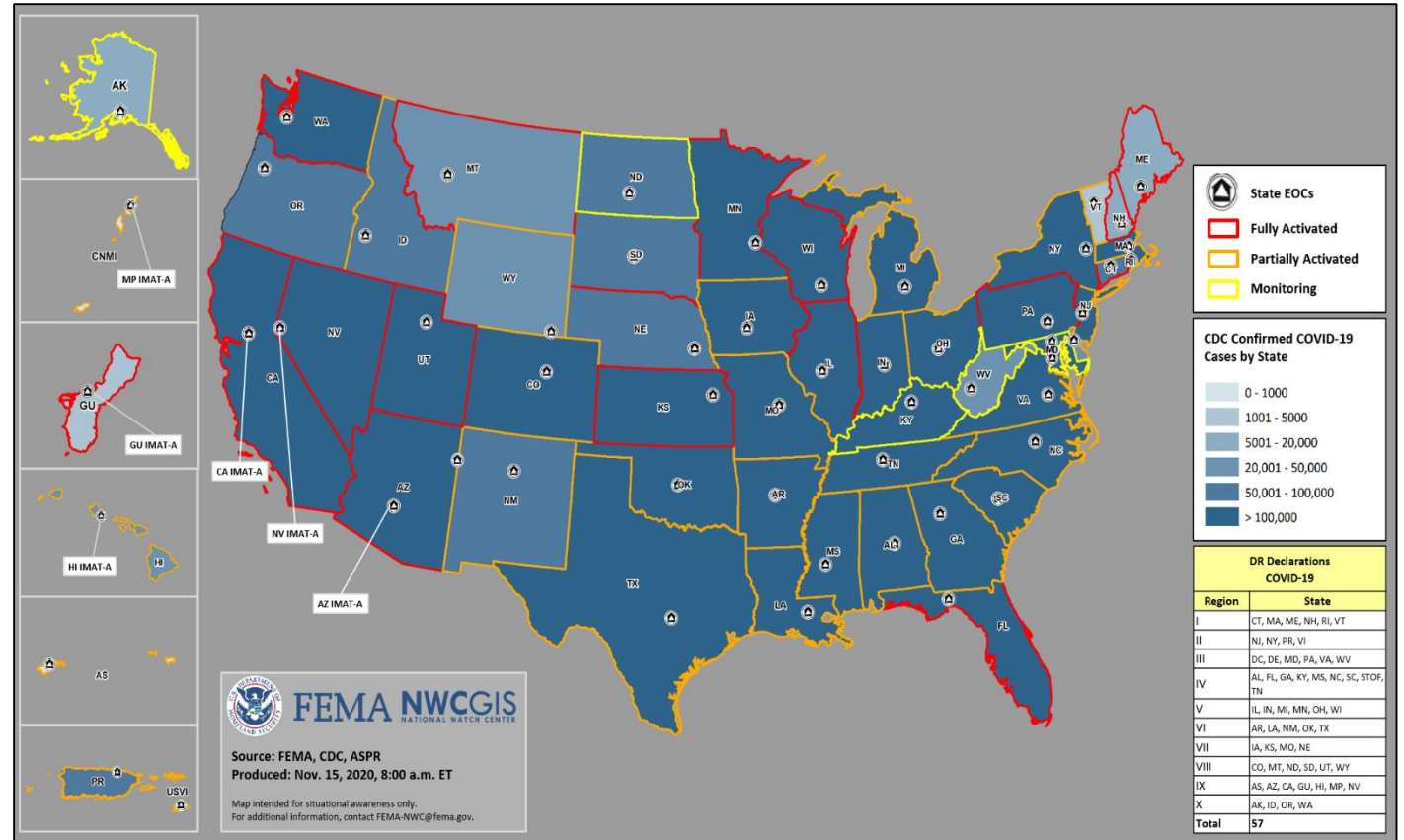
Nationwide Testing: 162,013,235 cumulative
(COVID-19 SLB, as of Nov 13)

COVID-19 positive cases continue to increase globally
(COVID-19 SLB, as of Nov 14)

- COVID-19 Confirmed Cases:
 - United States: **10,690,665 (+181,801)**
 - Worldwide: **53,164,803 (+657,312)**
- COVID-19 Associated Deaths:
 - United States: **243,580 (+1,364)**
 - Worldwide: **1,300,576 (+9,797)**

FEMA Response:

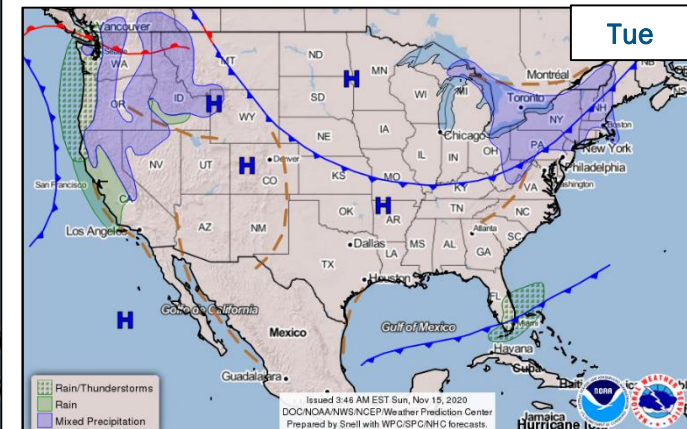
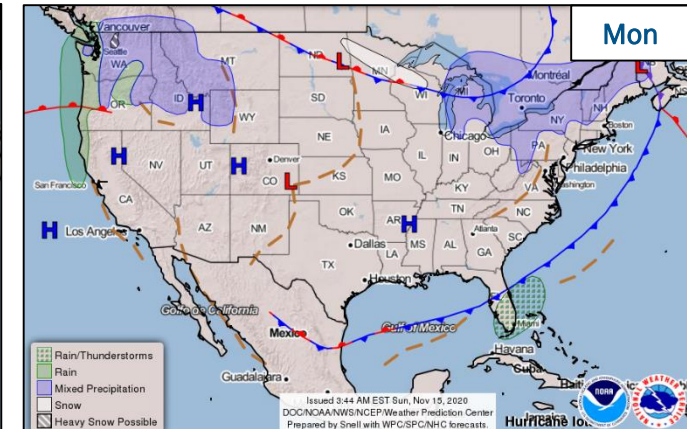
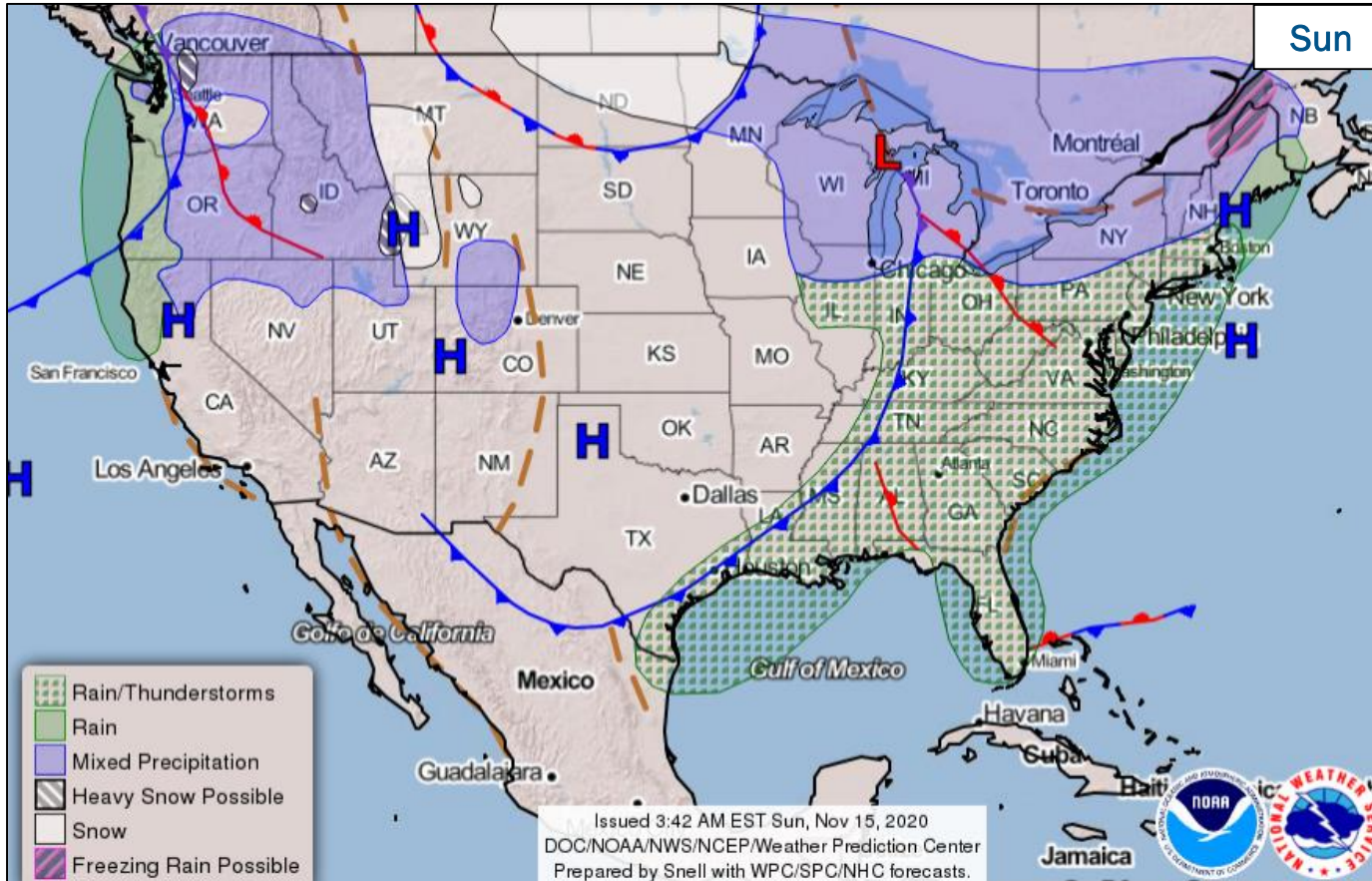
- NRCC conducting COVID response operations
- Regions I, II, III, V, VI, & X RRCCs at Level III
- Regions IV, VII, VIII, & IX RRCCs are rostered
- Regions VII, VIII, & IX COVID-19 working from the Virtual JFO
- NWC, all RWCs, and MOCs are monitoring



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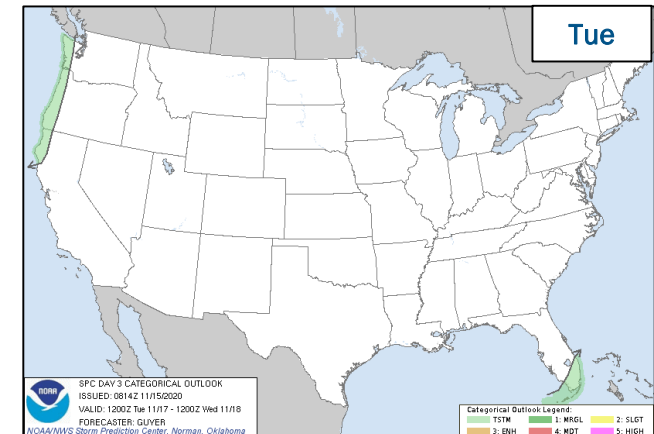
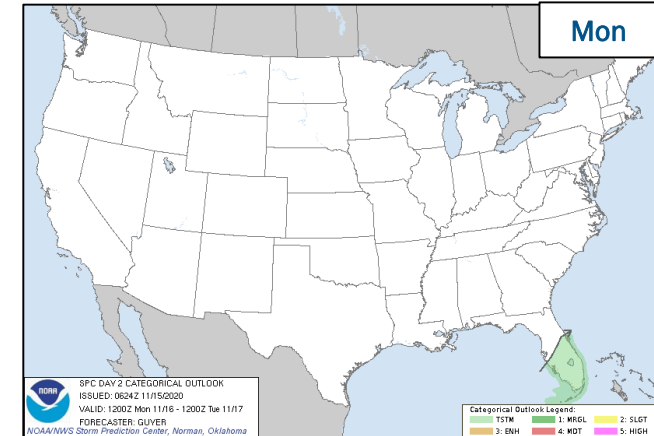
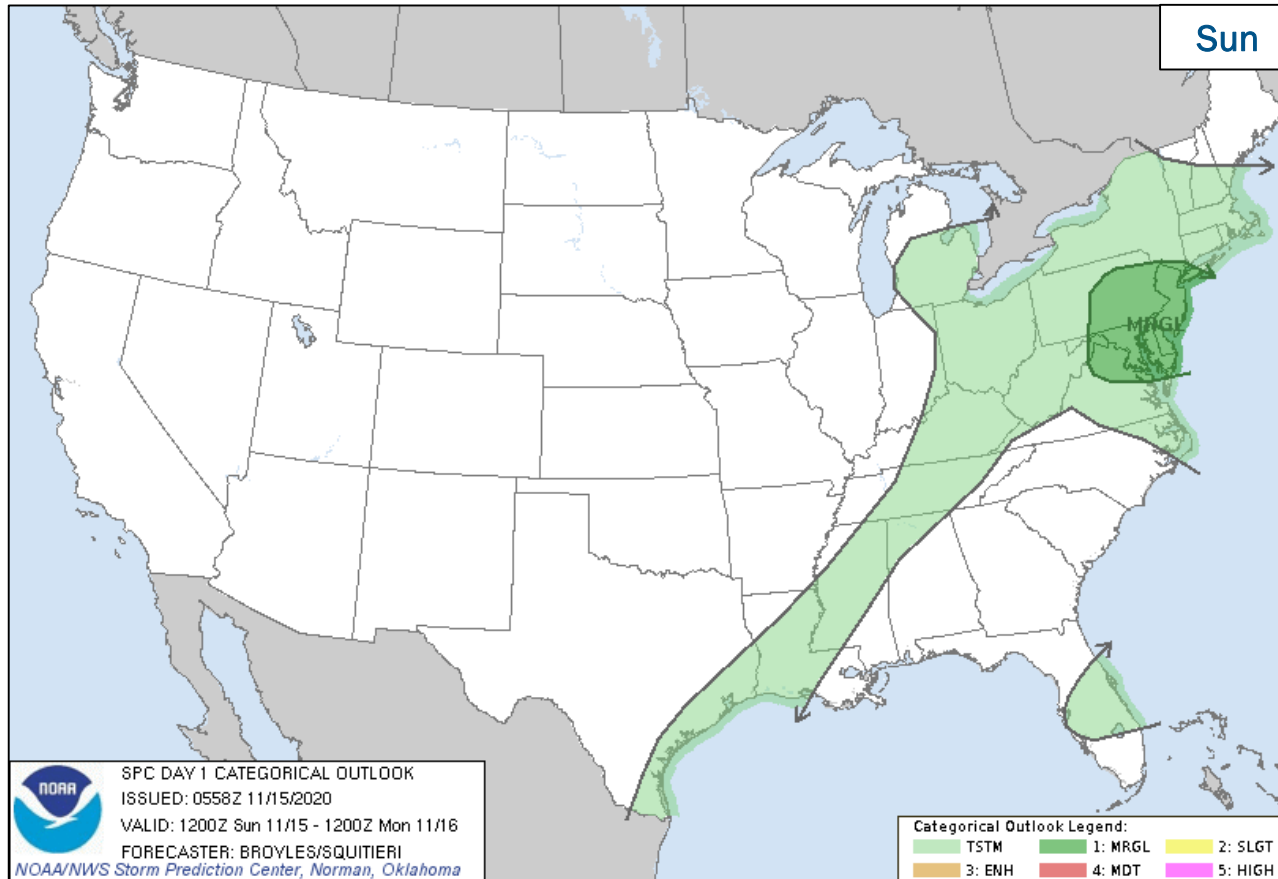
National Weather Forecast



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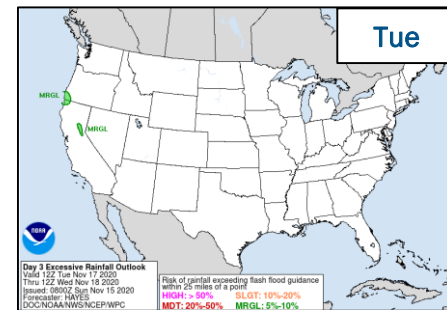
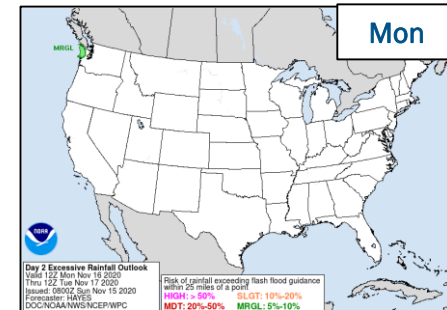
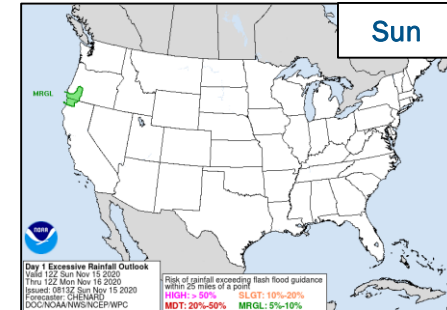
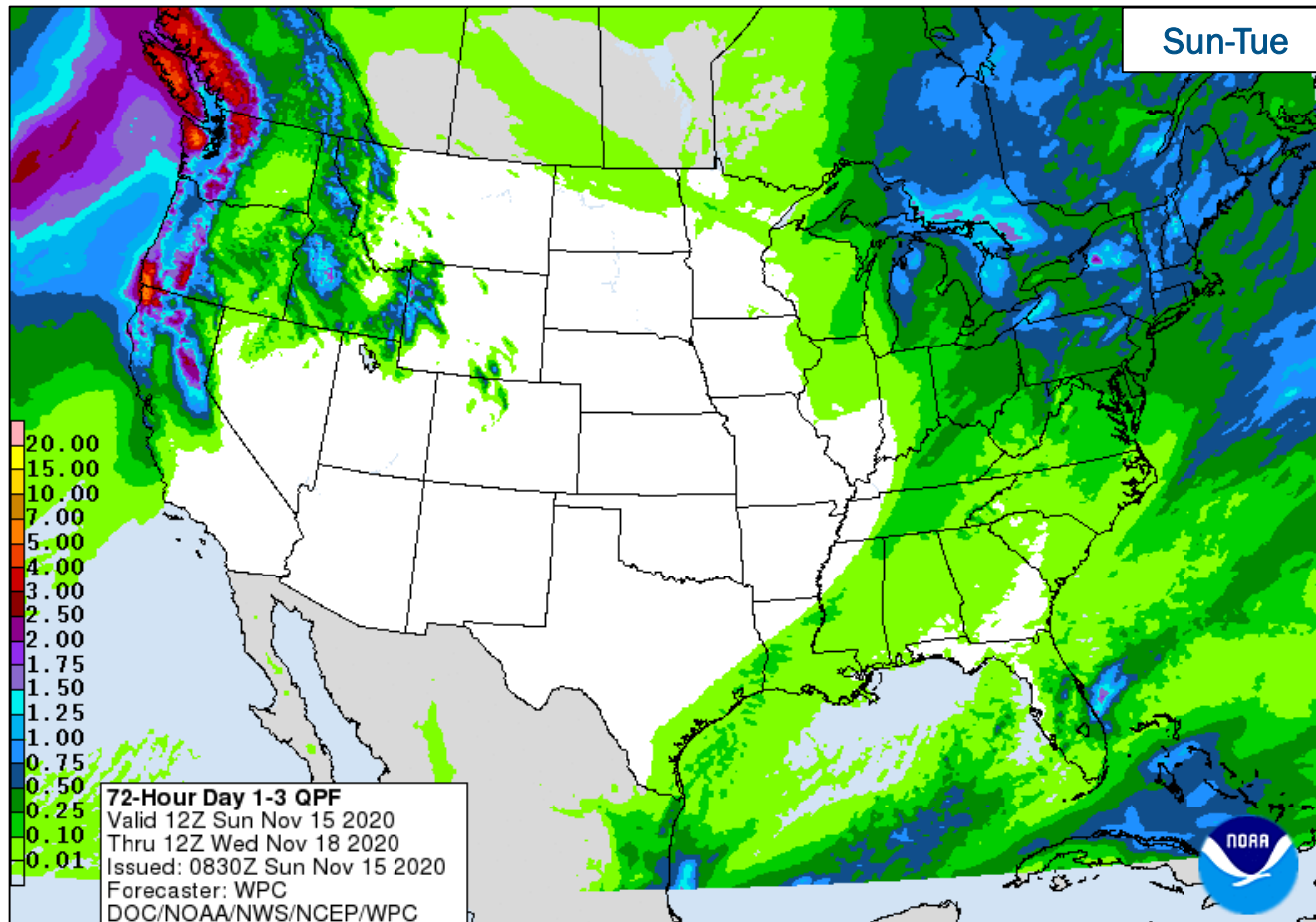
Severe Weather Outlook



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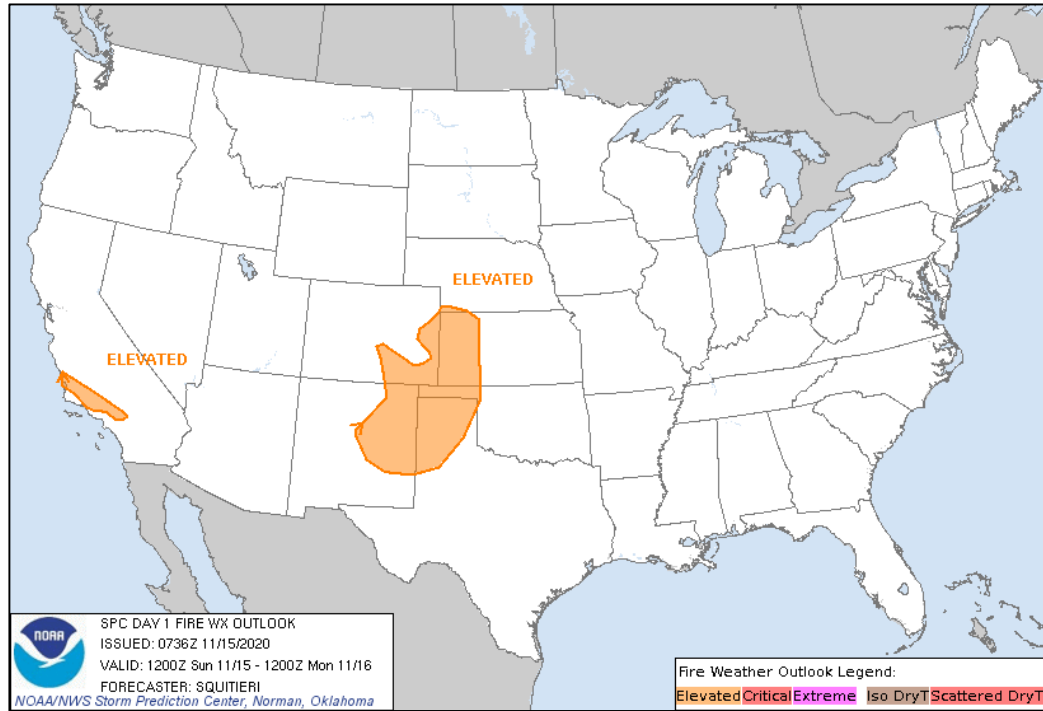
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Precipitation & Excessive Rainfall

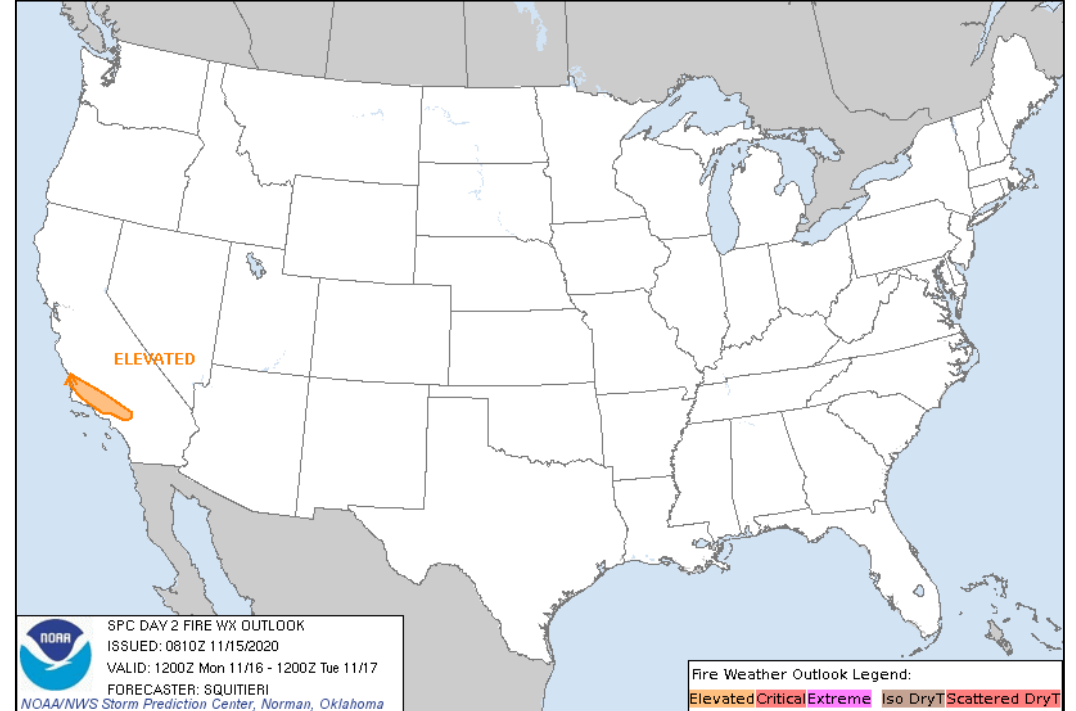


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Fire Weather Outlook



Today



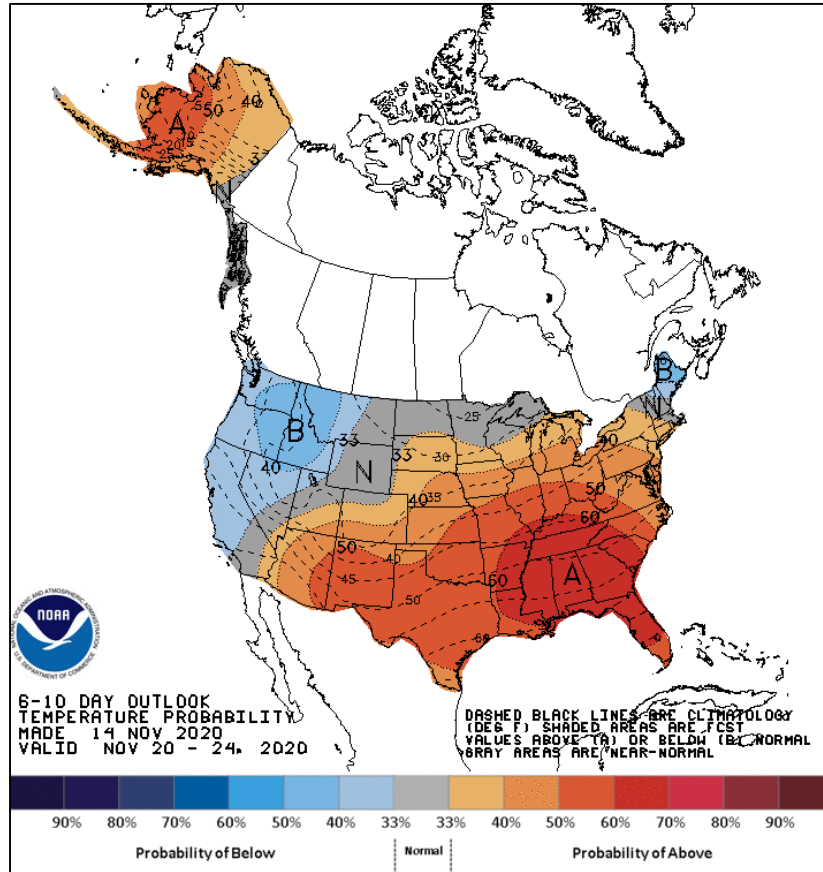
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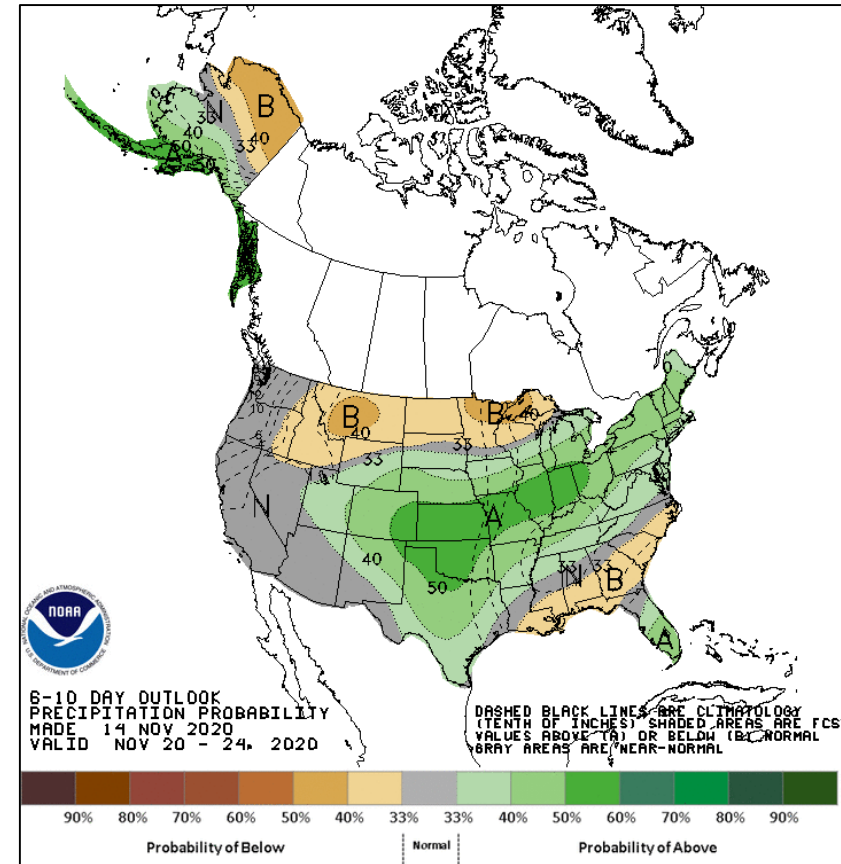
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Long Range Outlooks – Nov 20 - 24



6-10 Day Temperature Probability



6-10 Day Precipitation Probability

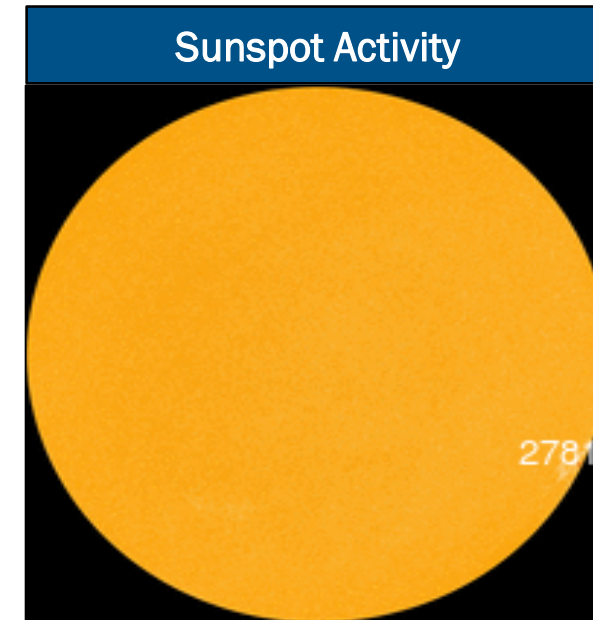
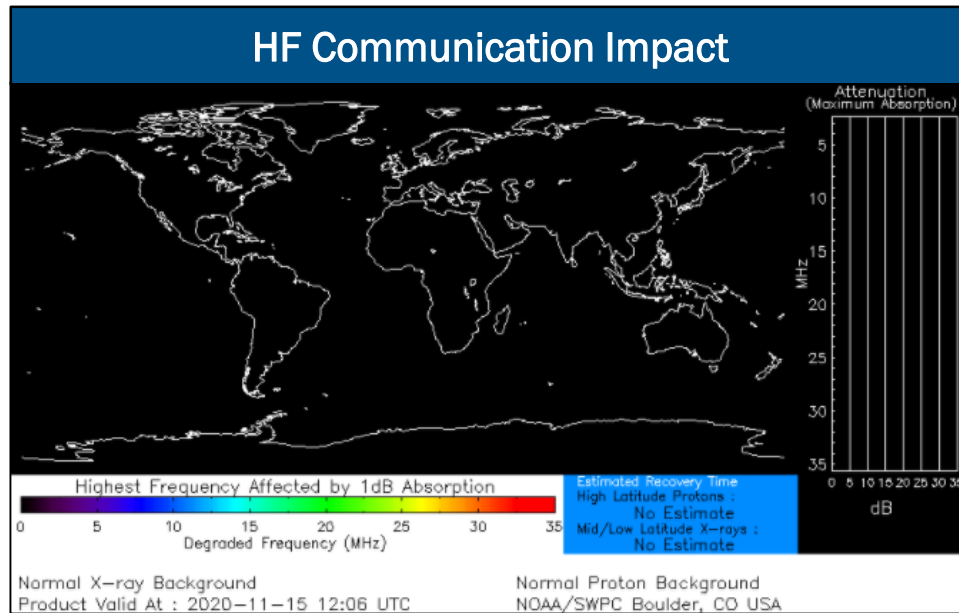


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Space Weather Outlook

	Space Weather Activity	Geomagnetic Storms	Solar Radiation	Radio Blackouts
Past 24 Hours	None	None	None	None
Next 24 Hours	None	None	None	None



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Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

Region	State / Location	Event	IA	Number of Counties		Start - End
			PA	Requested	Complete	
IV	AL	Hurricane Zeta Oct 28	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	18	0	11/16 - TBD
	GA	Hurricane Zeta Oct 28	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	23	22	11/9 - TBD
	MS	Hurricane Zeta Oct 28	IA	6	5	11/10 - TBD
			PA	9	0	11/16 - TBD
VI	OK	Ice Storm Oct 25 and continuing	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	34	12	11/4 - TBD
VIII	CO	Wildfires Aug 11 and continuing	IA	3	0	11/2 - TBD
			PA	4	0	11/9 - TBD



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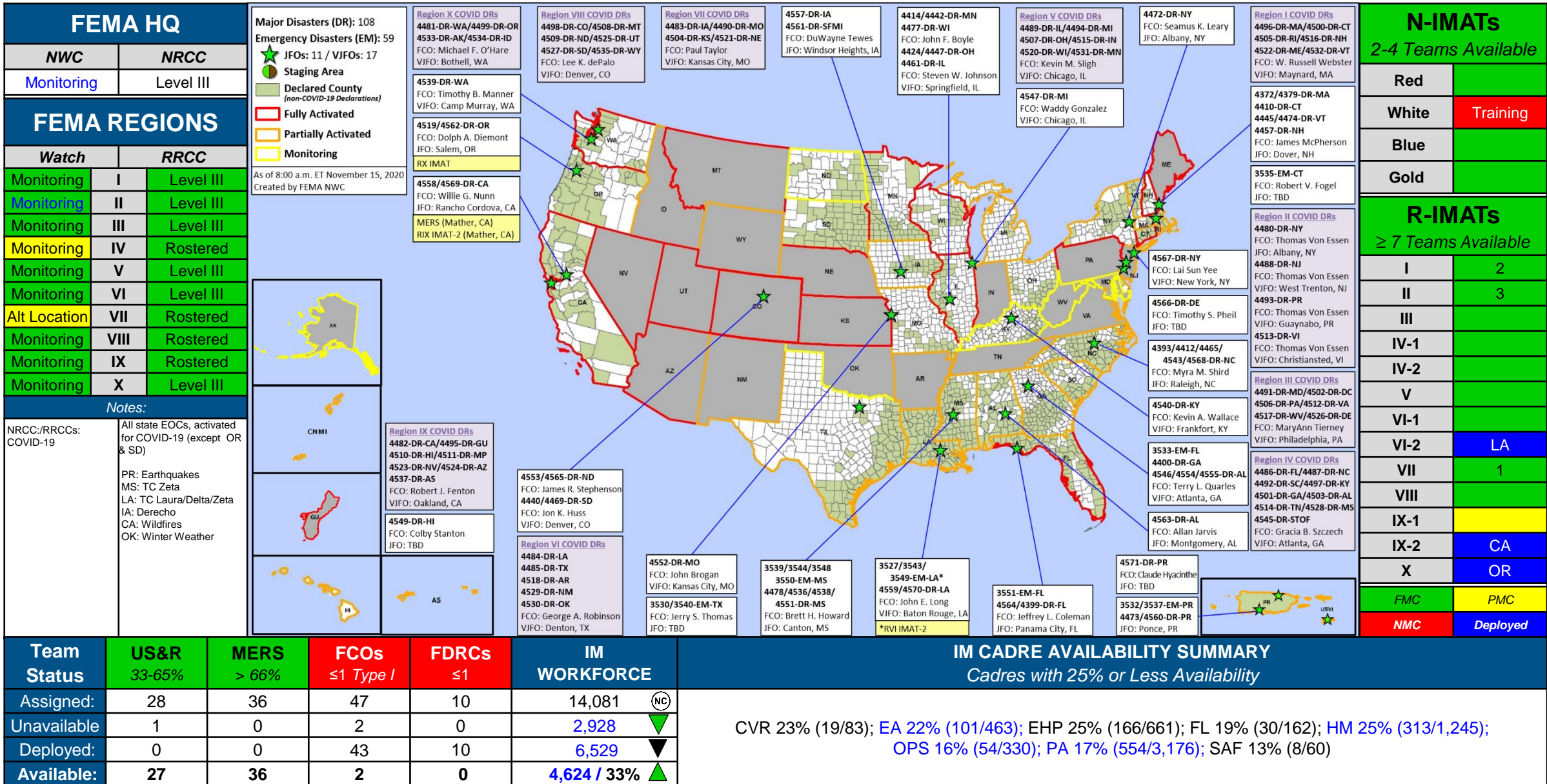
Declaration Requests in Process – 12

State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Type	IA	PA	HM	Requested
Poarch Band of Creek Indians – COVID-19 Pandemic	DR	X	X		5/15
WA – Wildfires and Straight-Line Winds	DR	X	X	X	9/16
NJ – Tropical Storm Isaias	DR		X	X	9/28
CT – Tropical Storm Isaias	DR		X	X	9/30
TX – Hurricane Hanna	DR		X	X	9/30
TX – Hurricane Laura	DR	X	X	X	9/30
PA – Tropical Storm Isaias	DR	X	X	X	10/5
MS – Tropical Storm Cristobal (Appeal)	DR		X		10/1
UT – Severe Storm and Straight-line Winds	DR		X	X	10/7
AL – Hurricane Zeta	DR		X	X	10/29
MD – (Appeal) Tropical Storm Isaias	DR		X	X	11/12
OK – Severe Winter Storm and Straight-line Winds	DR		X	X	11/13



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FEMA Common Operating Picture





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