FEMA National Watch Center

Daily Operations Briefing

Sunday, November 15, 2026

8:30 a.m. ET

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National Current Operations / Monitoring

New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Operations:

- FAA Ground Stop – Nationwide

Event Monitoring:

- No new significant events

Hazard Monitoring:

- Heavy Rain / Flash Flooding – Southern Plains
- Mixed Precipitation – Northern Intermountain and Northern Rockies to California; Northeast to Southern Appalachians
- Tropical Activity:
  - South Pacific:
    - Tropical Cyclone 04P

FAA Ground Stop – Nationwide

National:

Situation: At approximately 4:30 p.m. ET on November 13, a nationwide telecommunications disruption affected FAA ATC facilities. This disruption prompted the FAA to issue a nationwide ground stop for all inbound U.S. and international flights, while allowing all airborne flights to continue to their destination. Around 8:15 p.m. ET, the nationwide ground stop was lifted and ATC operations resumed. FAA preliminary assessments indicate that two malfunctioning servers caused communication equipment to overload. Airlines and airports continue to work to return to normal services. Open sources report 1,904 total delays within, into, or out of the United States today and 1,445 total cancellations within, into, or out of the United States today *(FlightAware, as of 8:30 a.m. ET, Nov 15).* FEMA remains postured to support interagency partners, alongside States, tribes, and territories, until pre-disruption conditions are stabilized *(NRCC SLB, as of 6:00 p.m. ET, Nov 14).*
At this time, there are no unmet needs or requests for FEMA assistance.

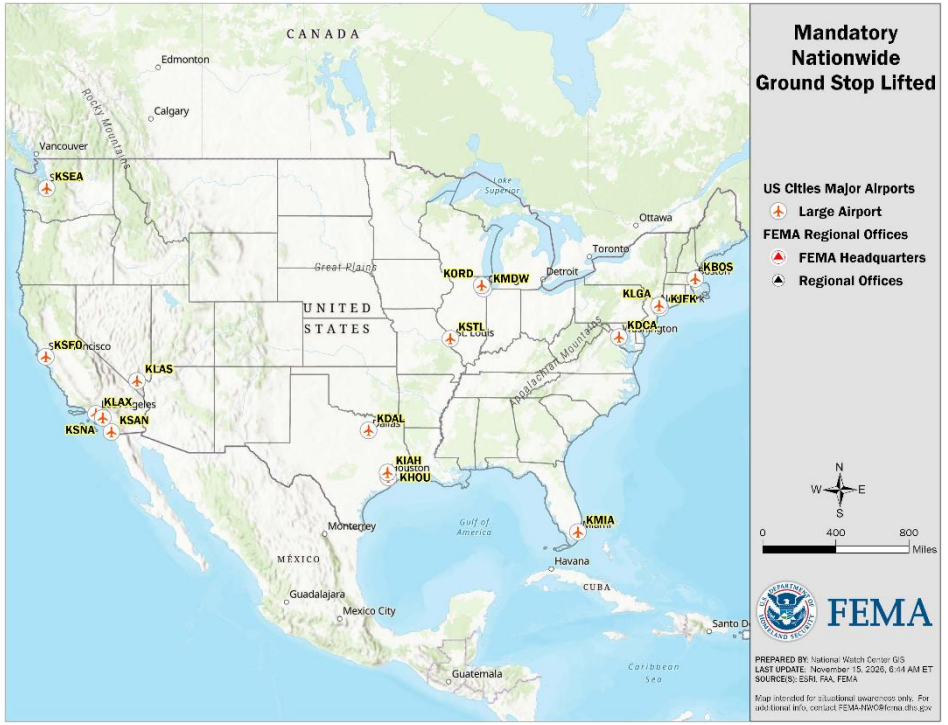
State / Local Response: *(NRCC SLB, as of 6:00 p.m. ET, Nov 14)*

- Flights have resumed at all airports with delays and cancellations trending down
- Several SEOCs were initially activated; however, at this time all SEOCs have returned to pre-event levels

FEMA / Federal Response:

HQ: NRCC is at Steady State; NWC is at Enhanced Watch, 24/7 (FAA Ground Stop)
Regions:

- All RRCCs are Rostered; All RWCs are at Enhanced Watch, 24/7 (FAA Ground Stop)
- FEMA Regional officials are in contact with their supported partners who have indicated they have no unmet needs or requests for federal assistance
- Nov 13: HQ conducted Agency-wide senior leader coordination call



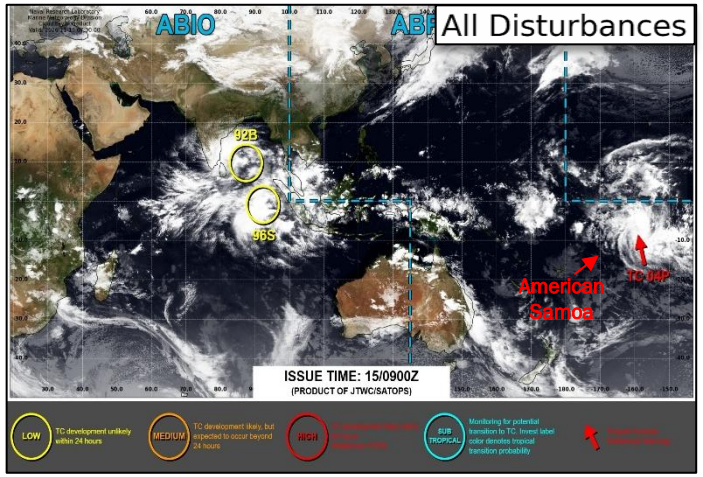
The NWC will continue to monitor in coordination with all FEMA Regions.

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Tropical Outlook

South Pacific



[Tropical Cyclone 04P:](#) *(Advisory #1, as of 4:00 a.m. ET)*

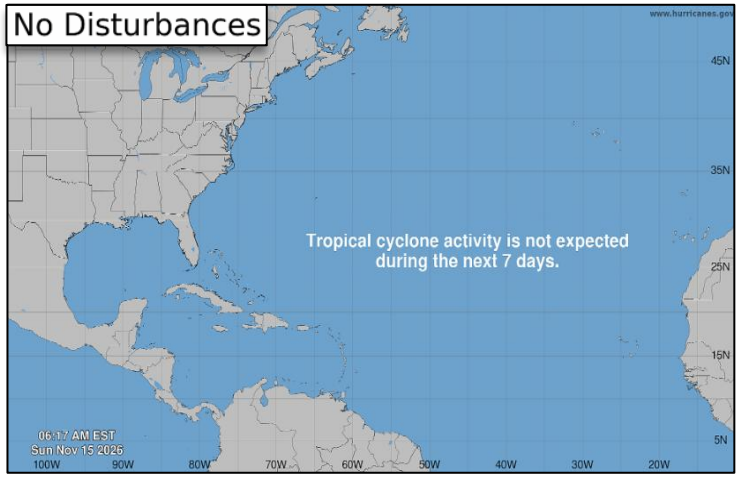
- Located 880 miles ENE of Pago Pago
- Moving W at 10 mph
- Maximum sustained winds of 40 mph
- Forecast to gradually strengthen to hurricane strength over the next couple of days

Central and Eastern Pacific



- Tropical cyclone activity is not expected during the next 7 days

Atlantic

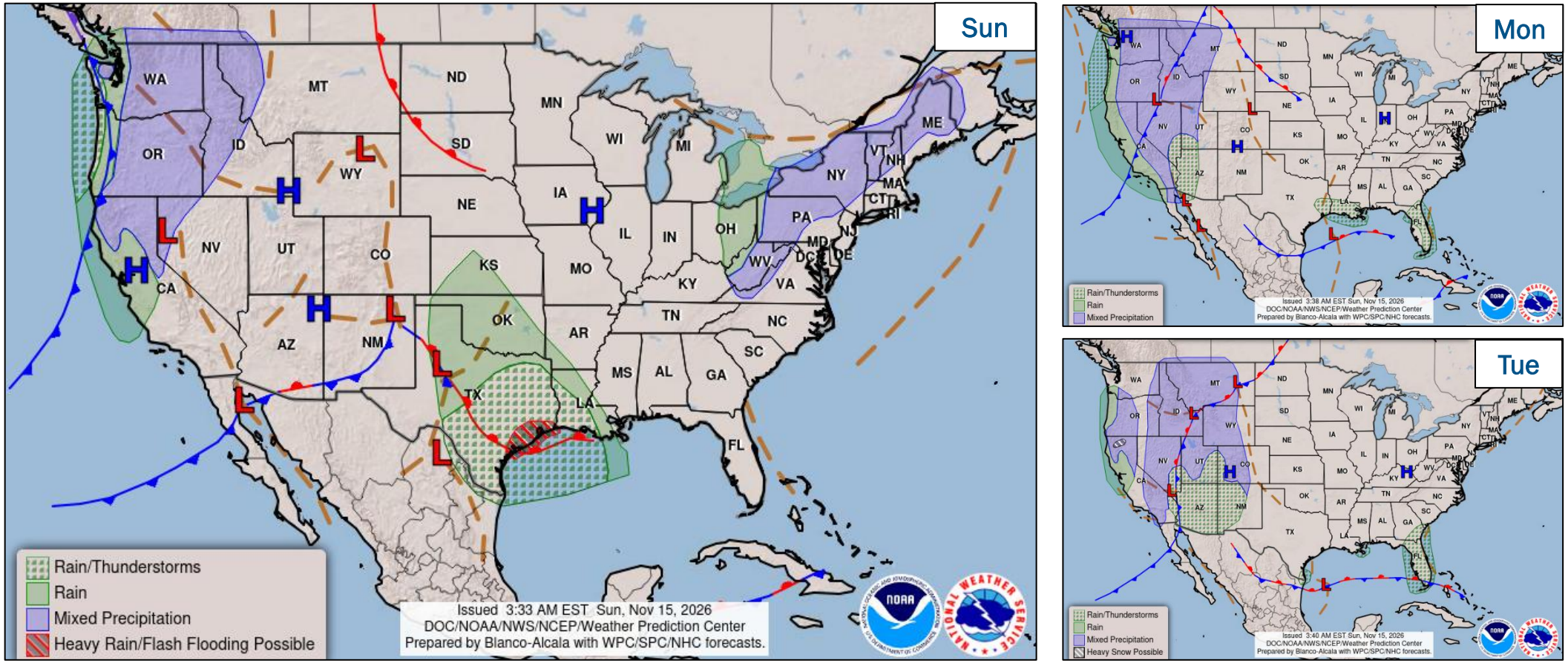


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National Weather Forecast



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FEMA Common Operating Picture

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Incident Workforce

18,724	5,908 / 32%	6,033/ 32%	6,783 / 36%	Surge Capacity Force 7,859 / 0 / 785	Sunday November 15, 2026 8:30 a.m. ET
Assigned a Disaster Title	Deployed	Available to Deploy for 30 Days	Remaining	Rostered / Deployed / Est. Available to Deploy for 30 Days	

National Readiness

- National Watch Center
- NRCC
- N-IMAT Red
- N-IMAT White
- N-IMAT Blue
- N-IMAT Gold
- N-IMAT HS

National Notes

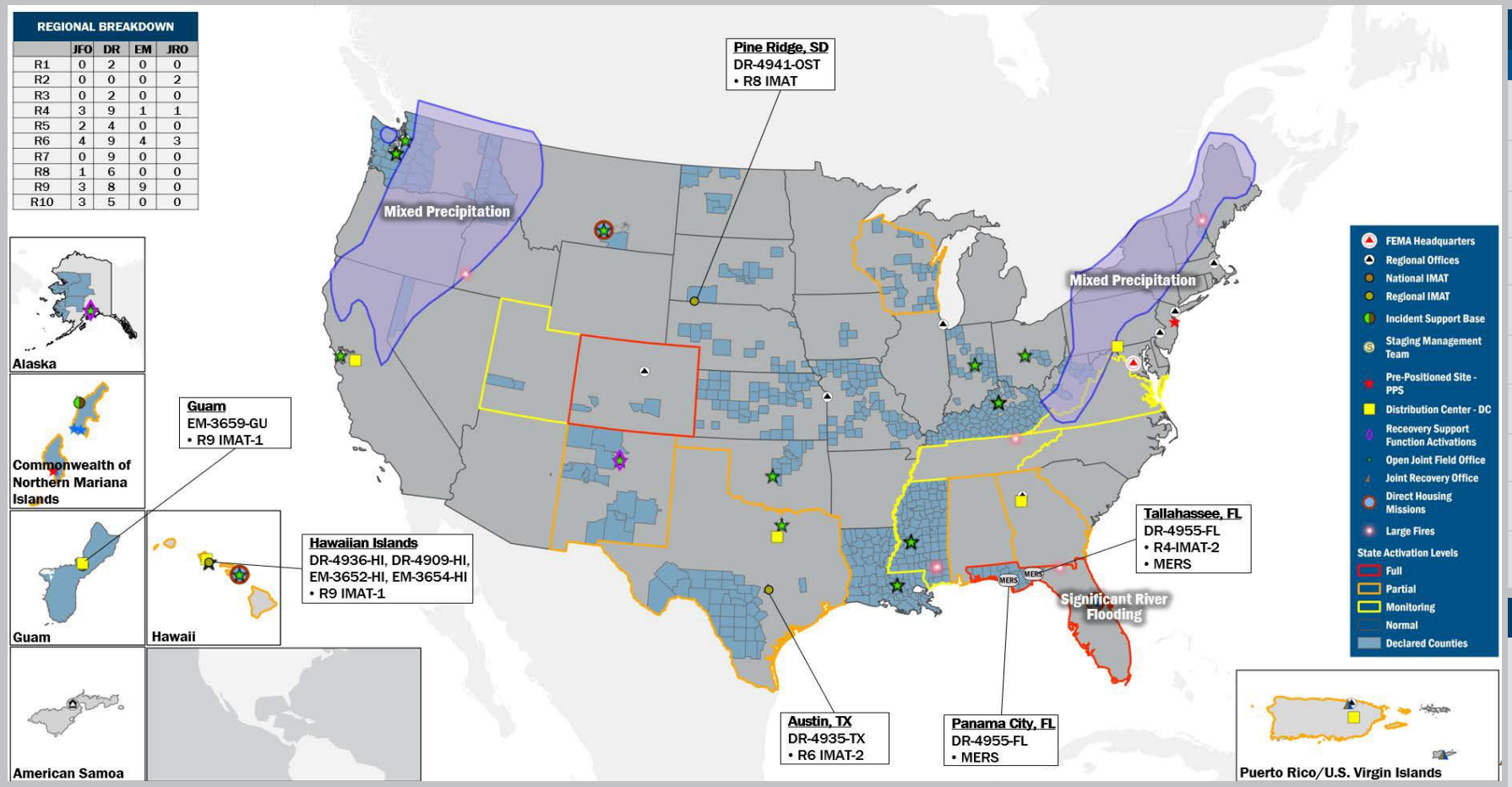
National Watch Center:
- Enhanced Watch: FAA Ground Stop

NRCC:
- Steady State

National IMATs:
- N-IMAT Red: Staffing
- N-IMAT White: Staffing
- N-IMAT Blue: Staffing

REGIONAL BREAKDOWN

	JFO	DR	EM	JRO
R1	0	2	0	0
R2	0	0	0	2
R3	0	2	0	0
R4	3	9	1	1
R5	2	4	0	0
R6	4	9	4	3
R7	0	9	0	0
R8	1	6	0	0
R9	3	8	9	0
R10	3	5	0	0



Regional Readiness

	Watch	RRCC	IMAT
Region 1			3
Region 2			
Region 3			1
Region 4			FL
Region 5			
Region 6			TX
Region 7			2
Region 8			OST
Region 9			HI
Region 10			

Regional Notes

Watches/RRCCs:
- R2 Watch: Equipment
- R5 Watch: Staffing
- All RWCs: FAA Ground Stop

IMATs:
- R1: Staffing
- R4-1: Staffing
- R4-2: 4955-DR-FL
- R6-1: Reconstituting (available 11/16)
- R6-2: 4935-DR-TX
- R7: Staffing
- R8: 4941-DR-OST
- R9-1: HI/GU
- R9-2: Reconstituting
- R10: Staffing

State EOCs:
- TX: Severe Weather
- MP: TC Bavi/Saudel/Champi
- PR/VA: Drought
- HI: Tropical Activity
- AL/FL/MS: TC Isaias
- WI: DR-4949 Support
- CO/GA/NM/TN/UT: Flooding

Legend

- Fully Mission Capable
- Partially Mission Capable
- Requires Augmentation
- Deployed/Activated

Commodities & Equipment

	CONUS	Caribbean	Hawaii	Guam
Water				
Meals				
Generators				

SMT

Operational	11/11
Requires Augmentation	3/11
Deployed	0/11

MERS Det.

29/30 Operational

Maynard	5/5
Frederick	5/5
Thomasville	5/5
Denton	5/5
Denver	5/5
Bothell	4/5

US&R

Task Forces

Assigned	28
Non-FEMA Deployed	0
FEMA-Deployed	0
Not Mission Capable	0
Available	28
FEMA Support Staff	11/21

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Assigned	38
Not Mission Capable	2
Deployed	33 (27 FCOR)
Available	3

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