

FEMA National Watch Center

Daily Operations Briefing

Saturday, December 13, 2025

8:30 a.m. ET



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National Current Operations / Monitoring

New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Ops

- Atmospheric River – Pacific Northwest

Hazard Monitoring

- Heavy Snow – Great Lakes, Ohio Valley, and Mid-Atlantic

Disaster Declaration Activity

- Approval: Emergency Declaration – WA

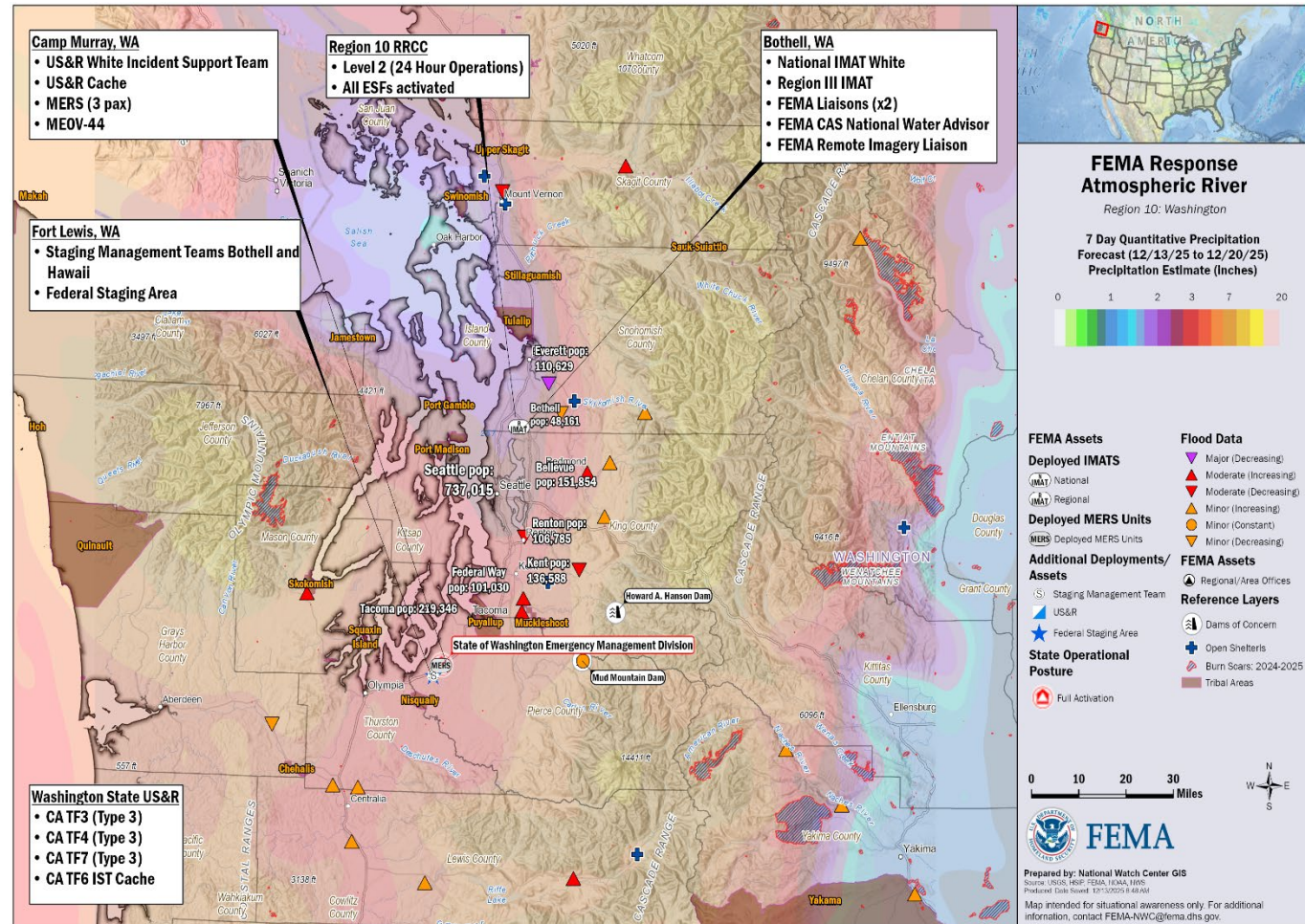
Event Monitoring

- No new significant events



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Situation: A second atmospheric river is expected to impact western Washington tomorrow and Monday. Although precipitation amounts expected to be significantly lower than the previous systems, snow levels will remain high and local rivers are expected to rise.

Lifeline Impacts: (NRCC SLB, as of 8:00 p.m. ET, Dec 12)

Safety & Security:

- WA state police authorized a request for an All-Risk Mobilization Plan increasing resources available
- 4 survivors rescued in Sumas, WA
- USACE is on a 24-hour operations monitoring multiple dams; USACE is planning to relinquish control back to owners today

Food, Hydration, Shelter: 9 shelters open / 218 (-27) occupants (ARC Shelter Report, as of 6:52 a.m. ET, Dec 13)

- Evacuations are in effect for Cowlitz, Grays Harbor, Pierce, Skagit, Snohomish, Whatcom, Yakima counties; and for Yakama Nation and Sauk Suiattle Indian Tribe

Drinking Water: Ongoing operations to identify locations that require potable water support

- Chelan County: City of Stehekin currently without potable water
- Pierce County: City of Tacoma treatment plant is offline; serves 466k residents currently using water conservation measures and stored water resources
- Lewis County: Town of Vader water treatment plant is back online and running normal operations
- Whatcom County: drinking water treatment plant in Sumas is offline; currently using stored water resources

Water Systems:

- Wastewater Management:
 - Water and wastewater treatment plants impacted in Yakima, Chelan, Lewis, Whatcom, and King counties
 - King County: Cedar River Water & Sewer District had a large main break (river washout); assessment ongoing
 - Whatcom County: Everson Wastewater Treatment Plant is completely shut down and inundated with flood water

Transportation:

- 17 State Routes closed, with 31 independent closures along them; I-90 has reopened
- Everett Community Transit Center remains closed due to flooding
- Amtrak services stopped between Vancouver, Canada, and Seattle

State / Local Response:

- WA SEOC at Full Activation (dayshift only)
 - WA Gov declared state of emergency on Dec 10
 - Emergency declaration FEMA-3629-EM-WA approved Dec 12

FEMA / Federal Response:

FEMA Region 10:

- Bothell MOC at Monitoring; RRCC at Level 2; all ESFs activated; R10 IMAT is Reconstituting (enhanced demobilization from FEMA-4893-DR-AK); 2 FEMA LNOs deployed to WA SEOC

HQ:

- NWC at Monitoring; Hydro LNO deployed to FEMA Region 10
- NRCC activated at Level 3 (day shift only)
- Region 3 IMAT deployed to Bothell, WA
- Elements of N-IMAT White deployed to Bothell, WA

US&R:

- White IST, West IST Cache, and 3 Type-3 US&R Task Forces (CA-TF3/4/7) deployed to Tacoma, WA area

Logistics:

- SMT Bothell/SMT Hawaii deployed to JB Lewis-McChord, WA
- ISB Delta deploying to JB Lewis-McChord, WA arriving NLT Dec 14

RGO:

- Coordinating with R10 on imagery needs and damage assessment

USACE:

- Monitoring Lake Silvia Dam, Mud Mountain Dam, and Howard Hanson Dam

The NWC will continue to monitor in coordination with FEMA Region 10. Updates will be reported in the FEMA Daily Operations Briefing (8:30 a.m. ET) and the twice daily FEMA National Situation Report (5:00 p.m. / 3:00 a.m. ET).



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Declaration Approval – Washington

Declaration: Emergency Declaration – FEMA-3629-EM-WA

Date Requested: Dec 10

Date Approved: Dec 12

Incident: Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides

Incident Period: Dec 9 and continuing

Provides:

- **PA:** 16 counties, the Samish Indian Nation, and all Tribal Nations within the specified jurisdictions

FCO: John Harrison

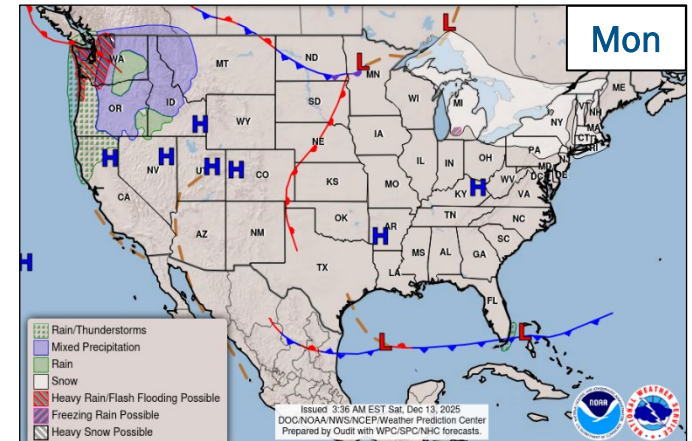
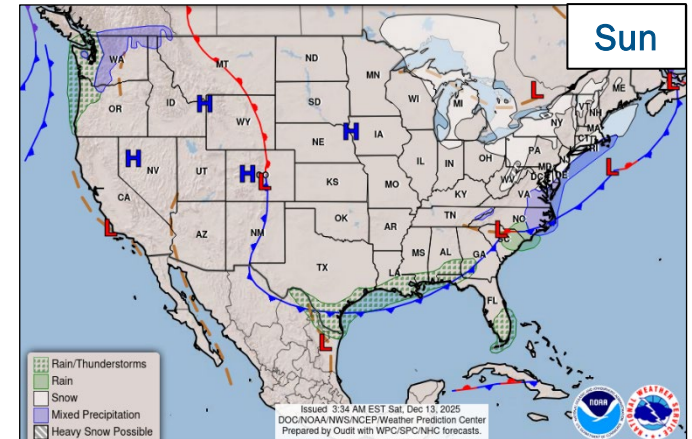
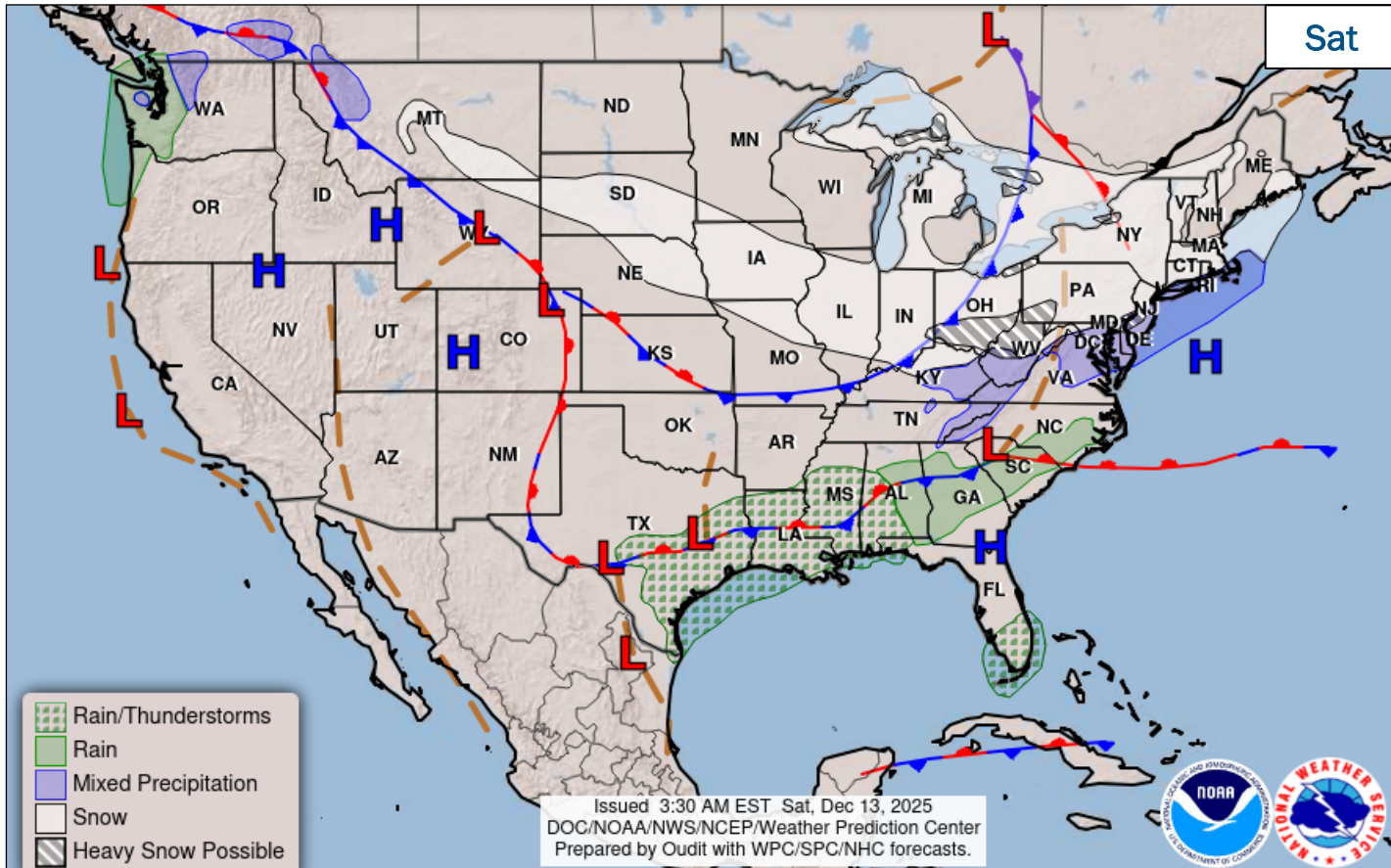


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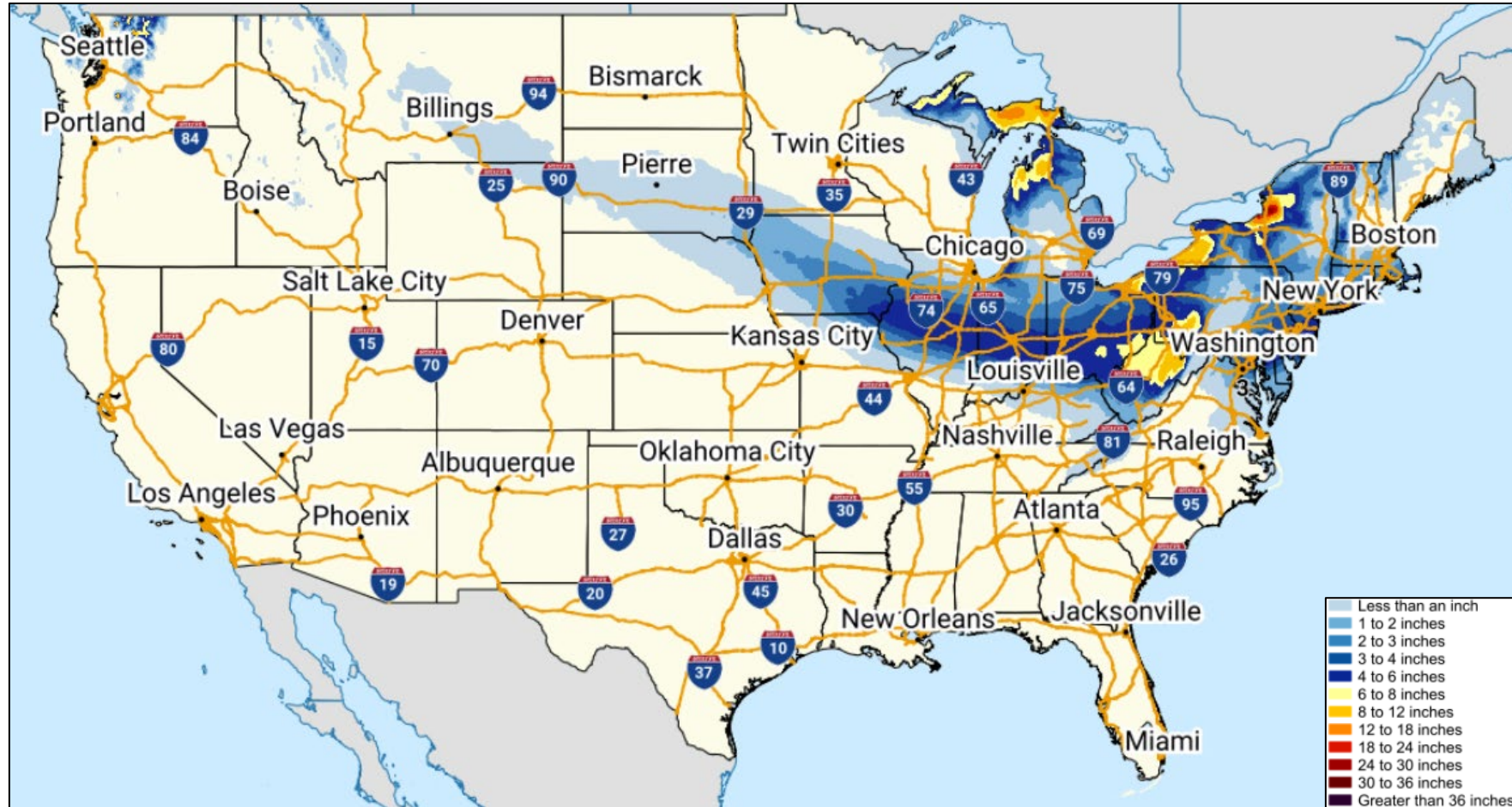
National Weather Forecast



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Snowfall Forecast



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FEMA Common Operating Picture

14 Joint Field Offices **44** + **8** Supporting Major Disasters + Emergency Declarations **12** Direct Housing Missions **8** RSF-Supported Disasters **6** Joint Recovery Offices

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FEMA HQ	
NWC	NRCC
Monitoring	Level 3
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 2
Notes:	
NRCC/RWCs/RRCCs:	State EOCs:
• NRCC: Atmospheric River (Dayshift only)	• HI: Wildfires
• R10 RRCC: Atmospheric River	• FL: Previous Incidents
• R5 RWC: Staffing (Dayshift only)	• AZ/MT/TX: Flooding
	• WA: Atmospheric River
IMATs:	
• R10: Reconstituting 12/12-1/12	
Surge Capacity Force	
Rostered 7,969	Deployed 0

N-IMATs	
2-5 Teams Available	
Red	
White	WA (Dec 12)
Blue	
Gold	
HS	
R-IMATs	
≥ 7 Teams Available	
R1	3
R2	
R3	WA (Dec 11)
R4 (1)	
R4 (2)	1
R5	
R6 (1)	
R6 (2)	2
R7	MO (Oct 27)
R8	
R9 (1)	
R9 (2)	
R10	Reconstituting
Fully Mission Capable (FMC)	
Partially Mission Capable (PMC)	
Not Mission Capable (NMC)	
Deployed	

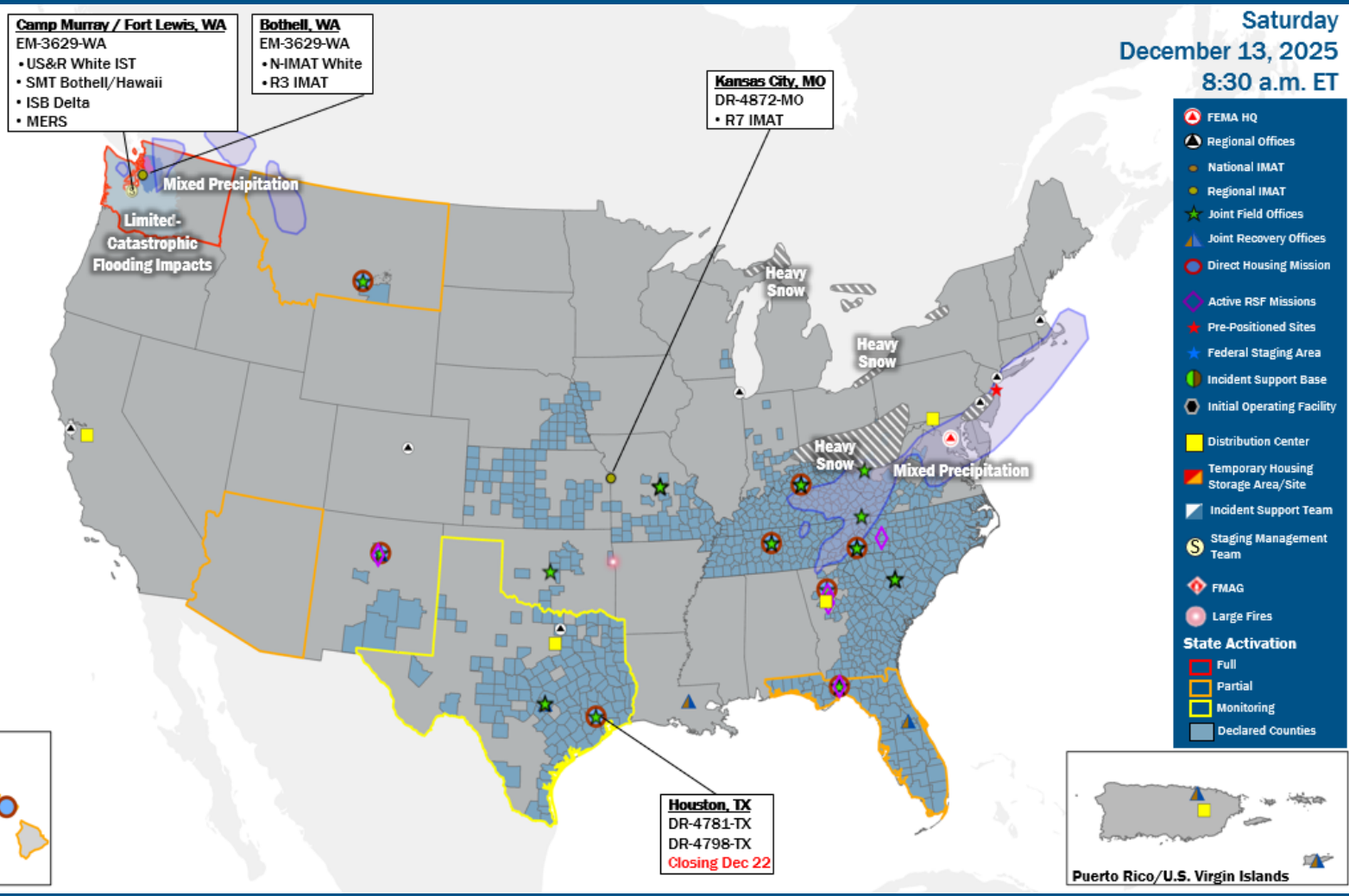
REGIONAL BREAKDOWN				
	JFO	DR	EM	JRO
R1	0	0	0	0
R2	0	0	0	2
R3	2	5	1	0
R4	6	16	5	1
R5	0	2	0	0
R6	4	7	1	3
R7	1	11	0	0
R8	1	2	0	0
R9	0	0	0	0
R10	0	1	1	0

Camp Murray / Fort Lewis, WA
EM-3629-WA
• US&R White IST
• SMT Bothell/Hawaii
• ISB Delta
• MERS

Bothell, WA
EM-3629-WA
• N-IMAT White
• R3 IMAT

Kansas City, MO
DR-4872-MO
• R7 IMAT

Houston, TX
DR-4781-TX
DR-4798-TX
Closing Dec 22



IM Workforce

11,624 (-2) Assigned
5,616 (-2) Unavailable
3,209 (-30) Deployed

24% / 2,799 (+30) Available

IM Cadre Availability

15 (-1) Cadres ≤ 25% Availability

Alternative Dispute: 13% (4/31); Civil Rights: 17% (17/101); Disaster Field Training Operations: 21% (14/66); Disability Integration: 17% (3/18); External Affairs: 10% (30/287); Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation: 7% (44/664); Field Leadership: 14% (17/120); Financial Management: 19% (35/183); Hazard Mitigation: 10% (75/781); Human Resources: 16% (26/159); Interagency Recovery Coordination: 19% (38/197); Public Assistance: 16% (325/2,051); Planning: 8% (30/356); Safety: 8% (7/90); Security: 11% (12/112)

MERS

≥ 66%

36 Assigned
6 Unavailable
1 Deployed

29 Available

US&R

≥ 66%

28 Assigned
0 Unavailable
3 Deployed

25 Available

FCO

3 Type I

38 Assigned
5 Unavailable
25 (-1) (17 FCOR) Deployed

8 (+1) Available

Declaration Requests in Process – 14

State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Type	IA	PA	HM	Requested
OK – Severe Storms, Tornadoes, Straight-line Winds, and Flooding – Appeal	DR		X	X	Aug 19
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
MT – Water Systems Failure	EM		X		Oct 22
POA** – Severe Storms and Flooding	DR	X	X	X	Oct 22
AZ – Severe Storms and Flooding	DR		X	X	Oct 24
CO – Severe Storms, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides	DR		X	X	Nov 12
AZ – Severe Storms, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides	DR	X			Nov 12
VT – Severe Storm and Flooding – Appeal	DR		X	X	Nov 20
IL – Severe Storms and Flooding – Appeal	DR	X			Nov 21
IL – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, and Flooding – Appeal	DR	X			Nov 21
KS – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, and Flooding	DR		X	X	Nov 21
LLBO*** – Building Fire	DR		X	X	Nov 30
WA – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, and Flooding – Approved	EM		X		Dec 10

*Rosebud Sioux Tribe; **Pueblo of Acoma; ***Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe



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