

FEMA National Watch Center

Daily Operations Briefing

Monday, December 15, 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 Rain/Flash Flooding – Pacific Northwest and Northern Intermountain
- Heavy Snow – Northern Intermountain

Disaster Declaration Activity

- No new declaration activity

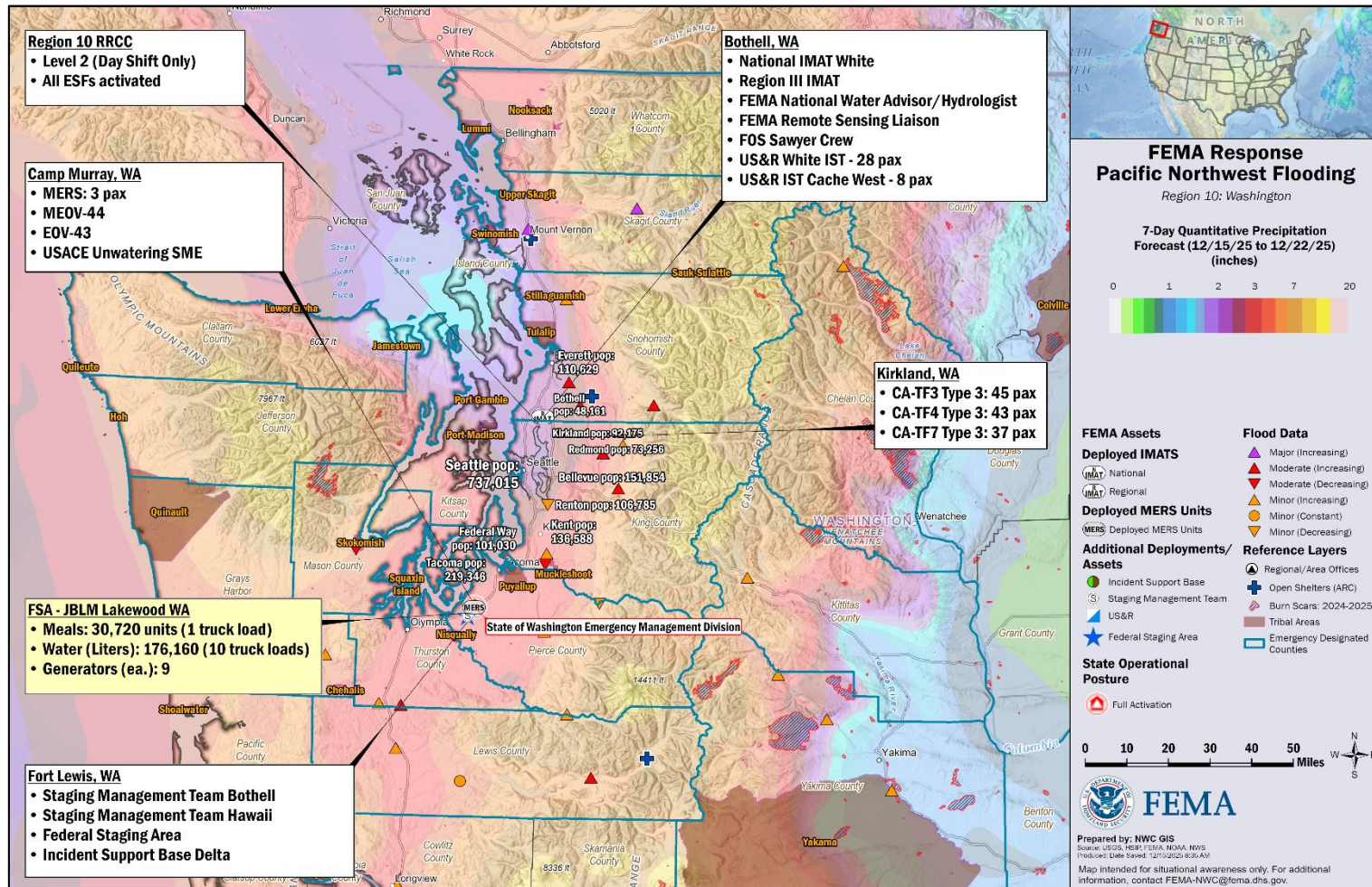
Event Monitoring

- No significant events



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Situation: Western Washington is currently experiencing impacts of a second atmospheric river. Renewed flooding potential is anticipated to exacerbate existing flood conditions and maintain the threats of landslides and debris flows, particularly in recent burn scar areas. Federal, state, and local agencies continue to support the affected areas.

Lifeline Impacts: (NRCC SLB #5, as of 8:00 p.m. ET, Dec 14)

Safety & Security:

- Approximately 395 individuals have been rescued across 11 counties
- WA state police authorized a request for an All-Risk Mobilization Plan increasing resources available
- USACE will return control of Section 7 – Ross Dam to Seattle City Light when the reservoir elevation is below 1592.1 ft
- 61 personnel / 5 Law Enforcement Strike Teams (LESTs) from various agencies are staged and ready to support
- Evacuation orders throughout the state continue to change; some residents in Stehekin Valley unable to evacuate due to lack of navigable roads

Food, Hydration, Shelter:

- 1 truckload of meals (30,720 units) and 10 truckloads of water (176,160 liters) arrived at JB Lewis-McChord; Alpha Pack enroute (NRCC Logistics, as of 7:00 a.m. ET)
- 7 (+1) shelters open / 196 (+72) occupants
- Drinking Water: Ongoing operations to identify locations that require potable water support
 - Chelan County: City of Stehekin currently without potable water. Sheriff's Department is distributing pallets of 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:

- Treatment:
 - Multiple drinking water treatment plants are offline affecting approximately 638k residents
 - Seattle Public Utilities removing logs from behind the dam at Landsburg
- Wastewater Management:
 - City of Everson: Wastewater plant is flooded and evacuated
 - 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); boil water advisory issued until further notice

Transportation: Multiple roads and rails remain closed; currently, Washington Department of Transportation (WSDOT) has no unmet needs.

- 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 between Vancouver, BC, and Seattle resumed, except for train 517; BNSF assessing and repairing rail infrastructure

State / Local Response:

- WA SEOC at Full Activation (day shift 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 (day shift only); 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 2 Type-3 US&R Task Forces staging in the Bothell area. 1 US&R Task Force moving to JB Lewis-McChord for today's operational period.

Logistics:

- SMT Bothell/SMT Hawaii deployed to JB Lewis-McChord, WA
- ISB Delta deployed to JB Lewis-McChord, WA
- RGO:
 - Coordinating with R10 on imagery needs and damage assessment

USACE:

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

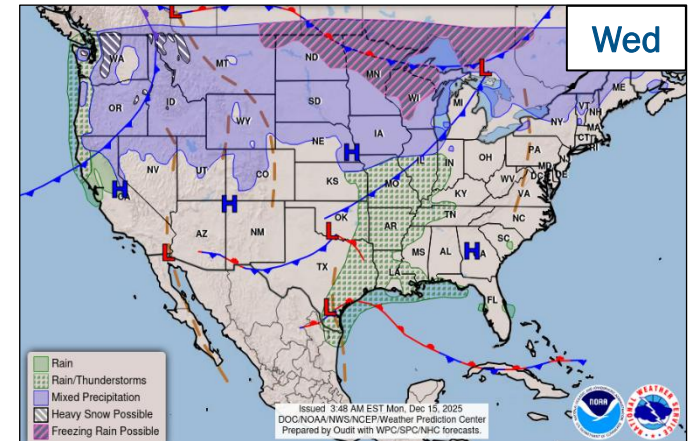
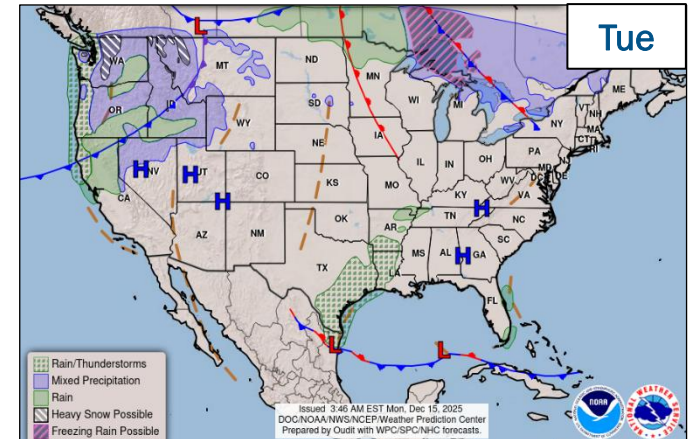
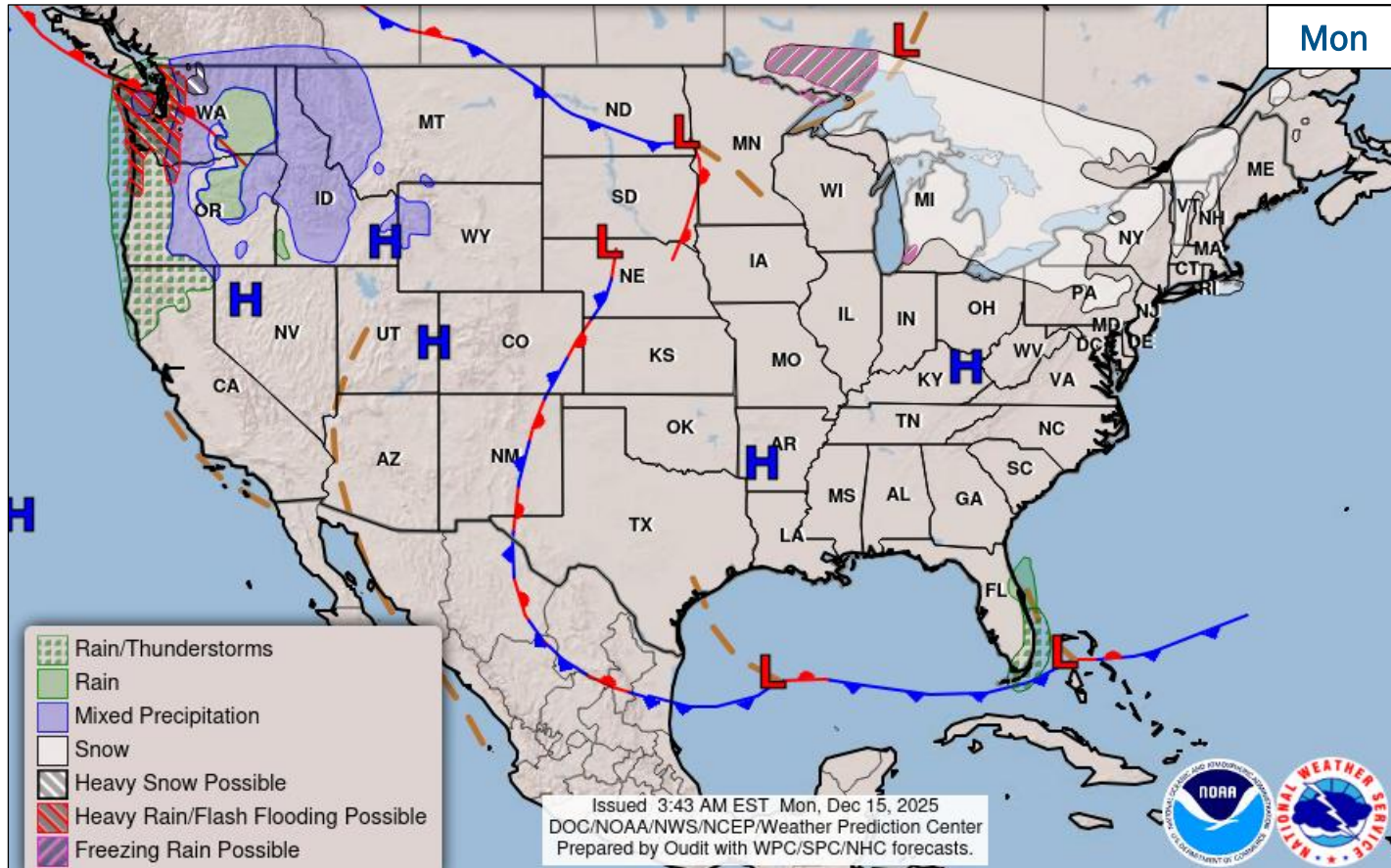
The NWC will continue to monitor in coordination with FEMA Region 10. Updates will be reported in the FEMA Daily Operations Briefing (8:30 a.m. ET) and the twice daily FEMA National Situation Report (5:00 p.m. / 3:00 a.m. ET).

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FEMA Common Operating Picture

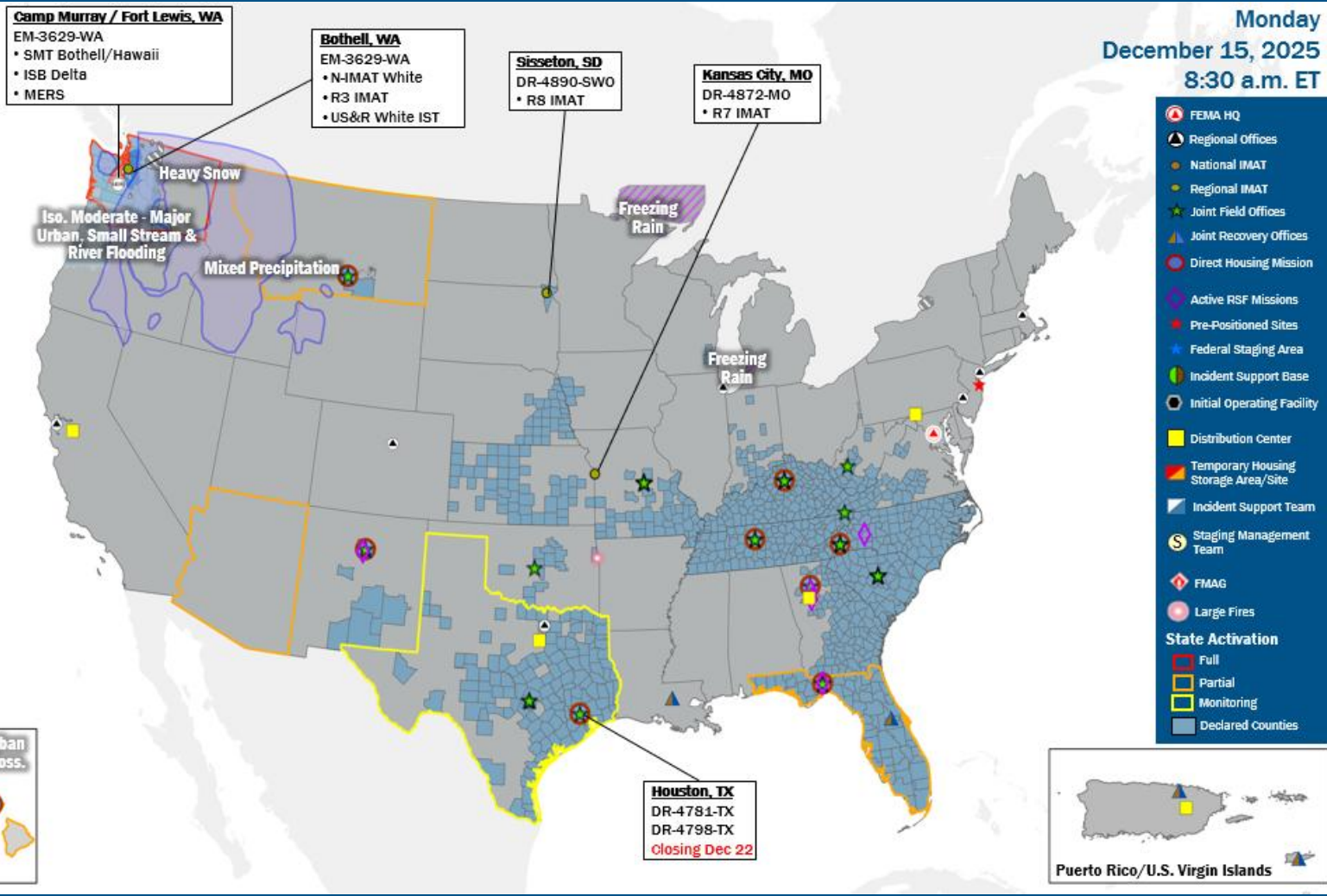
14 Joint Field Offices **Supporting** **44** Major Disasters **+** **8** Emergency Declarations **12** Direct Housing Missions **8** RSF-Supported Disasters **6** Joint Recovery Offices

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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 (Dayshift only)	• FL: Previous Incidents	
• R5 RWC: Staffing (Dayshift only)	• AZ/MT/TX: Flooding	
	• WA: Atmospheric River	
IMATs:		
• R10 IMAT: Reconstituting (Dec 12-26)		
Surge Capacity Force		
Rostered	Deployed	
7,969	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	SD (Sep 22)
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



IM Workforce

11,624 Assigned
5,628 (-5) Unavailable
3,118 (-36) Deployed

25% (+1) / 2,878 (+41) Available

IM Cadre Availability

15 Cadres ≤ 25% Availability

Alternative Dispute: 13% (4/31); Civil Rights: 18% (18/101); Disaster Field Training Operations: 23% (15/66); Disability Integration: 17% (3/18); External Affairs: 11% (31/287); Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation: 7% (47/664); Field Leadership: 16% (19/120); Financial Management: 20% (37/183); Hazard Mitigation: 9% (73/781); Human Resources: 18% (29/159); Interagency Recovery Coordination: 20% (39/197); Public Assistance: 16% (335/2,051); Planning: 9% (31/356); Safety: 9% (8/90); Security: 12% (13/112)

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 (17 FCOR) Deployed

8 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

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



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