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Daily Operations Briefing

Wednesday, March 14, 2019 8:30 a.m. EDT

Significant Activity – Mar 13-14



Significant Events: Severe Winter Storm – Rockies to Mississippi Valley

Tropical Activity: No activity affecting U.S. interests

Significant Weather:

- Severe thunderstorms possible Lower Mississippi Valley to Great Lakes
- Freezing rain possible Upper Mississippi Valley and Northern Plains

Declaration Activity: None

Severe Winter Storm –Rockies to MS Valley



Current Situation:

A major winter storm impacted a wide area from the Rockies to the upper Great Lakes. Heavy snow and high winds created blizzard conditions, making travel extremely hazardous. Blizzard warnings remain in effect for portions of NE through today

Lifeline Impacts:

Safety and Security:

- CO: Mandatory and voluntary evacuations for a small community (seasonal residents) in Hinsdale County, CO due to avalanche danger; one home destroyed (Region VIII SPOTREP)
- · NE: Evacuations in effect in several counties due to ice jams and rising waters (Region VII SPOTREP)
- IA: Voluntary evacuations in effect for southern portions of Missouri Valley, IA due to levee overtopping (Region VII SPOTREP)

Food, Water, Shelter: (ARC Shelter Count, as of 6:30 a.m.)

- CO: 9 shelters with 620 occupants due to blizzards
- · NE: 3 shelters with 96 occupants due to flooding
- · WY: 1 shelter with 2 occupants due to blizzards
- IA: 4 shelters with 16 occupants due to flooding
- · SD: 1 shelter with 15 occupants due to flooding

Health and Medical:

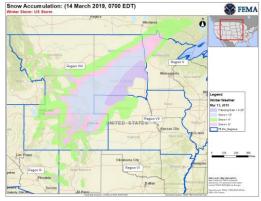
· One fatality (State Trooper) in CO

Energy:

CO: Approximately 92k (down from 174k) customers without power*

Transportation:

- Approximately 1k motorist are stranded statewide in CO
- · Numerous Interstates closed in WY, CO, NE and the Dakotas due to blizzard conditions
- Airports: Approximately 1,000 flights cancelled in CO; expected to resume flights today



State/Local Response:

- · NE EOC at Full Activation; Governor declared state of emergency
- CO EOC at Partial Activation; CO Governor declared state of emergency and activated the National Guard
 - National Guard & State Volunteers will fly recon missions today
- · WY, SD, UT and MT EOCs at Monitoring

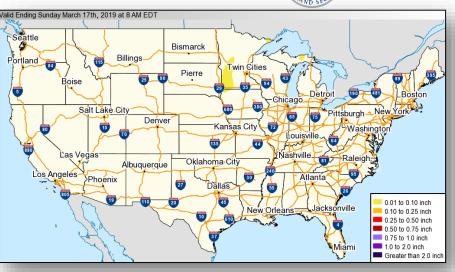
FEMA Response:

- Region V at Steady State, continues to monitor
- Region VII RWC at Enhanced Watch (dayshift only)
- · Region VII LNO deployed to NE EOC
- · Region VIII at Steady State, continues to monitor

Winter Precipitation Outlook





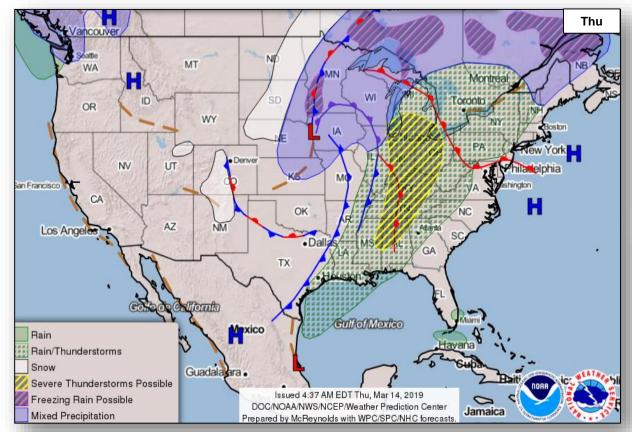


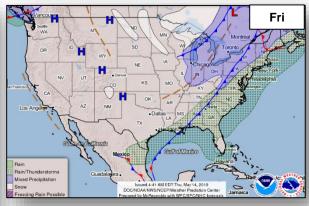
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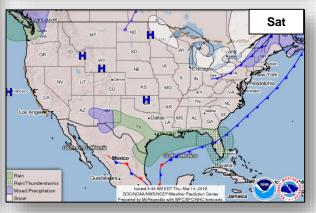
Forecast Ice Accumulation

National Weather Forecast



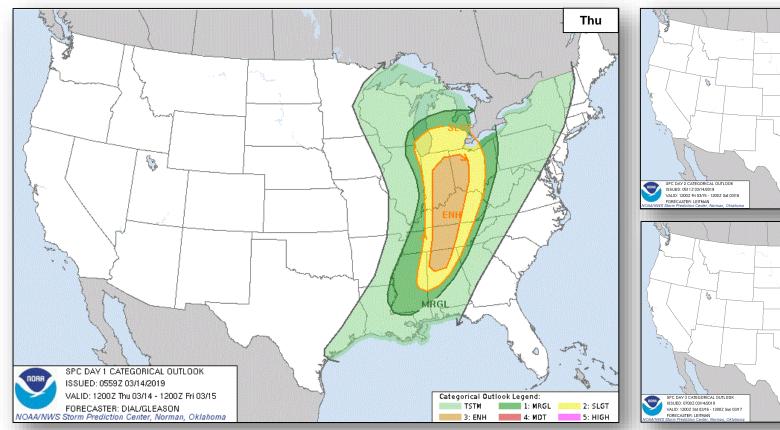


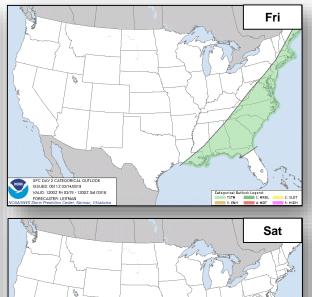




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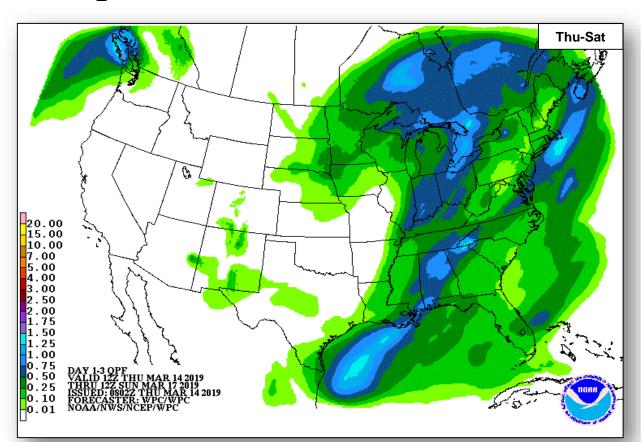






Precipitation Forecast







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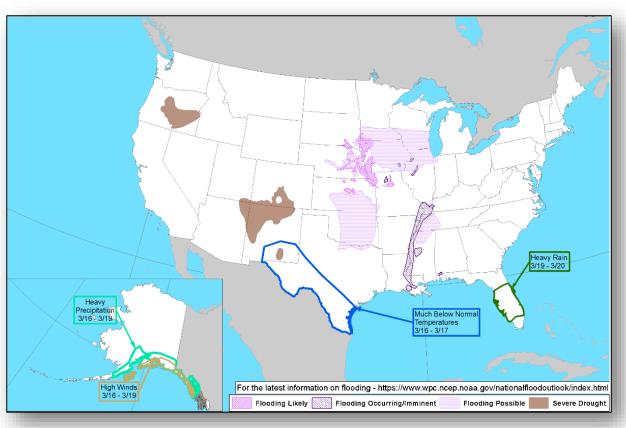
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Hazards Outlook – Mar 16-20



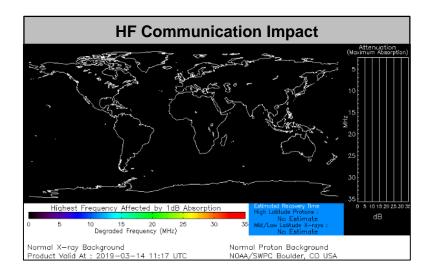


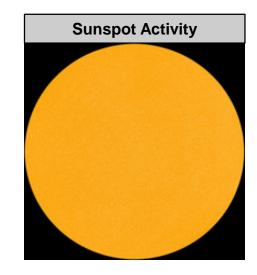
Space Weather



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

For further information on NOAA Space Weather Scales refer to: http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/noaa-scales-explanation





Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments



Region	State /	E	IA/PA	Number of Counties		Olasia E. I
	Location	Event		Requested	Completed	Start – End
	AL	Severe Weather and Flooding	IA	3	1	3/11-TBD
		February 6-22, 2019	PA	0	0	N/A
	KY	Severe Weather and Flooding	IA	0	0	N/A
IV		February 6, 2019	PA	43	10	3/11 – TBD
I IV	MS	Severe Weather and Flooding	IA	1	0	3/12 – TBD
		February 22, 2019	PA	7	4	3/12 – TBD
	TN	Severe Weather and Flooding	IA	7	0	3/12 – TBD
		February 6, 2019	PA	54	0	3/12 – TBD
V	ОН	Flooding and Severe Storms	IA	0	0	N/A
v		February 5-13, 2019	PA	20	0	3/11 – TBD
IX	CA	Winter Storms	IA	2	1	3/5 – TBD
		January 31, 2019 and continuing	PA	25	13	3/5 – TBD
	Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians	Winter Storms	IA	0	0	N/A
		January 31, 2019	PA	1	0	3/12 – TBD
	lipay Nation of Santa Ysabel	Winter Storms	IA	0	0	N/A
		January 31, 2019	PA	1	0	3/14 – TBD

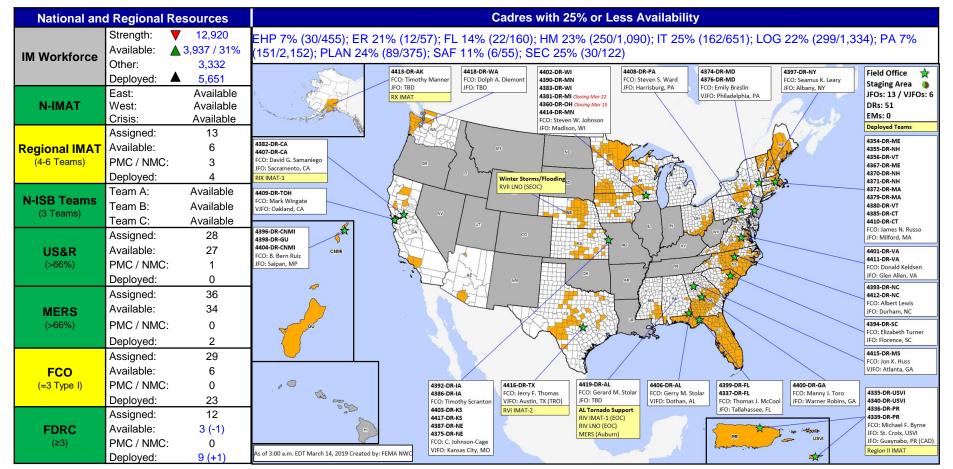
Disaster Requests & Declarations



Declaration Requests in Pro	Requests APPROVED (since last report)	Requests DENIED (since last report)				
1	IA	PA	нм	Date Requested	0	0
La Jolla Band of Luiseno Indians - DR Severe Storms, Flooding, Landslides and Mudslides		Х	Х	March 8, 2019		

Readiness – Deployable Teams and Assets





FEMA Readiness – Activation Teams



Status		Activated Team	Activation Level	Activation Times	Reason / Comments
NWC (5 Teams)	Steady State				
NRCC (2 Teams)	Available				Primary – Gold Team
HLT	Available				
RWC / MOCs (10 Regions)	Activated	Region VII	Enhanced Watch	Day shift	Winter Storm
RRCCs (10 Regions)	Available				

Backup Regions: IX and VI



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