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Daily Operations Briefing

Saturday, March 23, 2019

8:30 a.m. EDT

Significant Activity – Mar 22-23



Significant Events: Flooding – Central U.S.

Tropical Activity: No activity affecting U.S. interests

Significant Weather: None

Declaration Activity:

Major Disaster Declaration request - Mississippi

Flooding – Central U.S.

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Current Situation

Flooding concerns continue for the Missouri River basin. Portions of the Upper Mississippi River and Missouri River will continue to crest in some areas and recede in others.

Lifeline Impacts

Safety and Security:

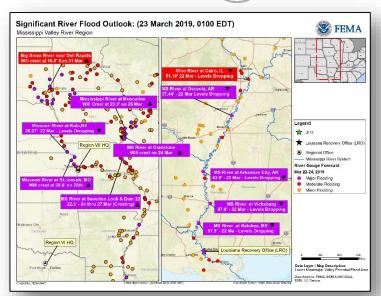
- Many federal levees have overtopped or breached along 200 miles of river from Omaha, NE to Leavenworth, KS; mostly agricultural land
- 8 levees have overtopped or breached; 3 levees were forecast to overtop, 8 levees are
 projected to have less than 2 feet of freeboard; mostly agricultural land with minimal
 impacts to homes and businesses except for MRLS 471-460 which could affect the cities
 of Elwood and Wathena, Highway 36, and Rosecrans airport north of Elwood, KS
 (USACE NWD; Region VII Incident Report)

Food, Water, and Sheltering:

- IA: Mandatory and voluntary evacuations continue for portions of Freemont, Iowa, Mills, Pottawattamie, Sioux, and Woodbury counties (combined pop. 268k, but number of evacuated residents is unknown)
- Portions of St. Joseph, MO, Elwood, KS, and Wathena, KS along the Missouri River under voluntary evacuations (combined pop. 79k)
- Shelters:
 - o KS: 1 open with 20 occupants
 - o NE: 8 open with 268 (-49) occupants
 - IA: 4 open with 41 (-1) occupants
 - o MO: 2 open with 18 (+6) occupants (Region VII SLB)

Communications:

 NE: U.S. Cellular tower in Dannebrog site is down; 4 AT&T cell towers are offline by the Missouri River; all 911 call centers are operational



Flooding – Central U.S.

Transportation:

- Multiple roads and bridges are closed; detours in place
- US-50 closed at KS/MO state line, alternate routes available
- NE: 81 highways affected, 15 bridges significantly damaged; total of 2,041 miles impacted, over 1,500 miles re-opened, 381 miles of state highways still closed

State / Local Response

- NE and IA EOCs at Full Activation
- MO, KS, SD and IL EOCs at Partial Activation
- MS and TN EOCs at Monitoring
- States of Emergency (or equivalent) declared:
 - o OH, WI, KS, NE, IA and MO
 - Tribal Nations in NE: Omaha Tribe, Ponca Tribe, Winnebago Tribe, Santee Sioux, and the Sac and Fox of the Missouri; Tribal Nation in IA: Sac and Fox of the Mississippi
- NE National Guard assisting with traffic control and security
- Major Disaster Declaration requested for IA

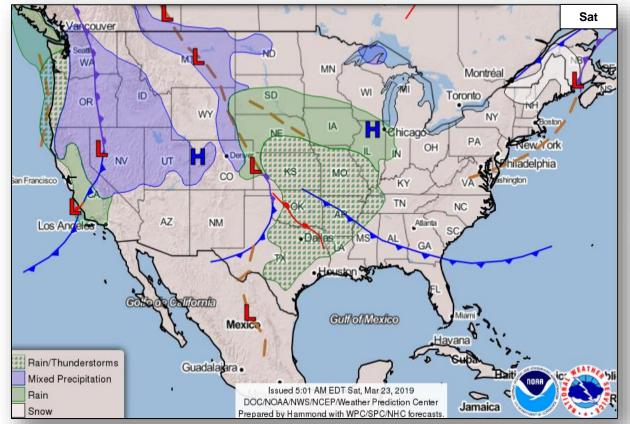
FEMA / Federal Response

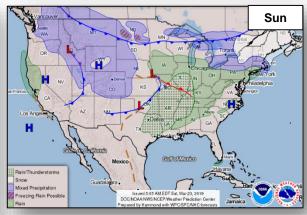
- FEMA Region VII
 - RRCC at Level III (day shift only)
 - o IMAT deployed to NE (assisting Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska)
 - LNOs deployed to IA, MO and KS
 - Volunteer Agency Liaison (VAL) deployed to NE EOC
- FEMA Region VIII
 - Denver MOC at Steady State, continues to monitor
 - LNO deployed to SD EOC
- Major Disaster Declaration approved for NE
- FEMA NWC at Steady State; continues to monitor

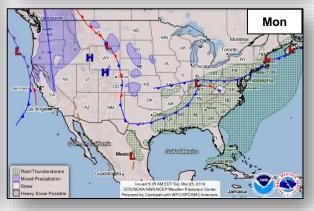


National Weather Forecast



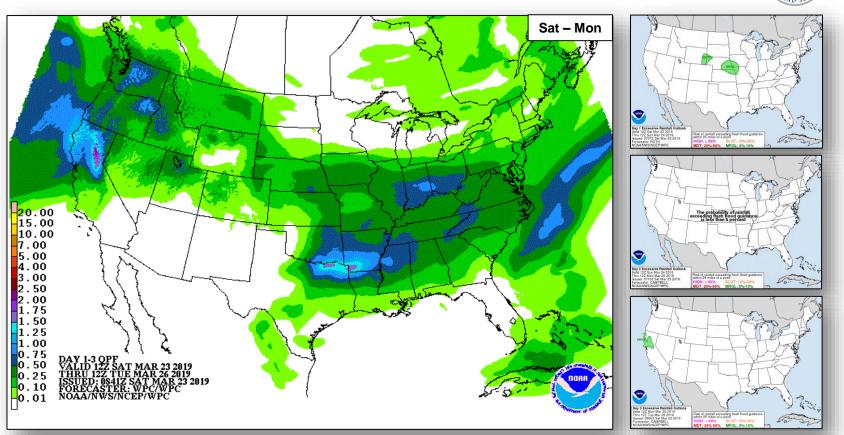






Precipitation Forecast





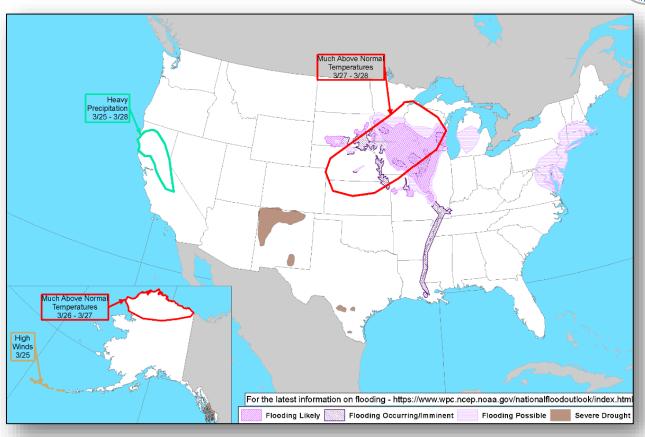
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Hazards Outlook – Mar 25-29



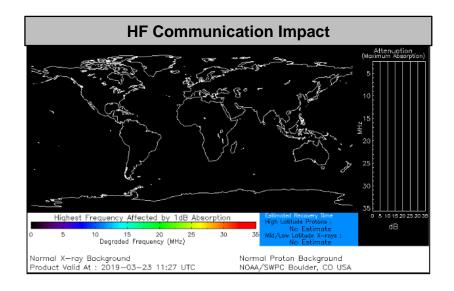


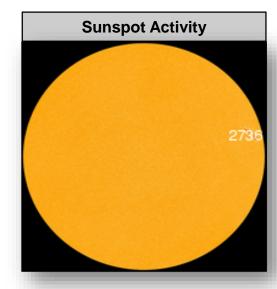
Space Weather



	Space Weather Activity	Geomagnetic Storms	Solar Radiation	Radio Blackouts	
Past 24 Hours	None	None	None	None	
Next 24 Hours	Moderate	G2	None	None	

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





Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments



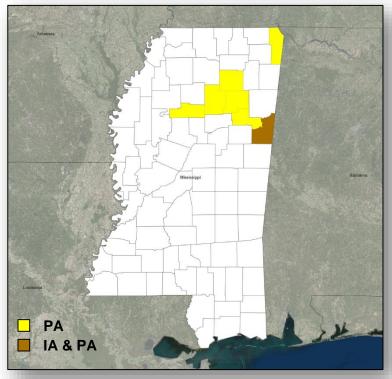
Deview	State / Location	Front	IA/PA	Number of Counties		Start – End
Region		Event		Requested	Complete	
IV	AL	Severe Weather and Flooding February 6-22, 2019	IA	3	3	3/11 – 3/20
			PA	11	6 (+4)	3/11 – TBD
	KY	Severe Weather and Flooding February 6, 2019	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	58	43 (+4)	3/11 – TBD
	TN	Severe Weather and Flooding February 6, 2019	IA	8	8	3/12 – 3/20
			PA	60	60	3/12 – 3/22
IX -	Navajo Nation FSM (Chuuk and Yap)	Winter Storms February 20-23, 2019	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	1	0	3/20 – TBD
		Typhoon Wutip February 19-22, 2019	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	2	0	3/20 – TBD

Declaration Request

<u>Mississippi</u>

- On March 21, 2019, the Governor requested a Major Disaster Declaration for the State of Mississippi
- For severe storms, straight-line winds, tornado, and flooding beginning on February 22, 2019 and continuing
- Requesting:
 - Individual Assistance for 1 county
 - Public Assistance for 7 counties
 - Hazard Mitigation statewide





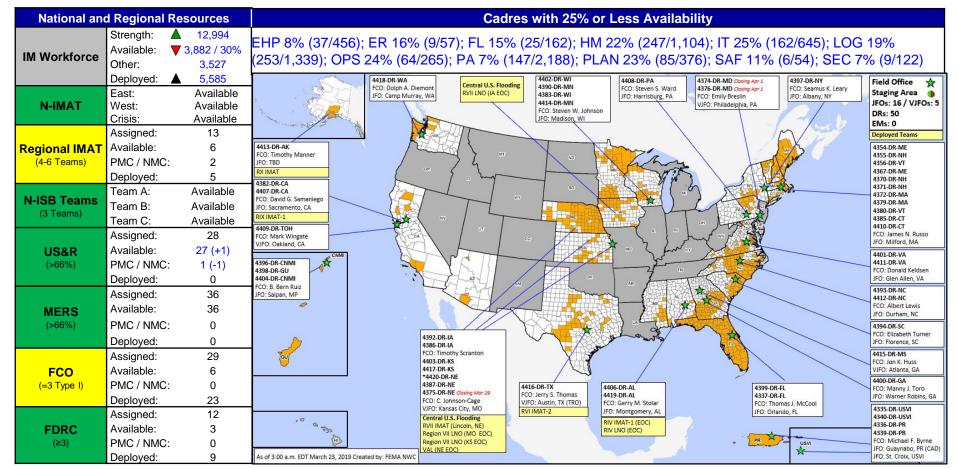
Disaster Requests & Declarations



Declaration Requests in Pro	Requests APPROVED (since last report)	Requests DENIED (since last report)				
5	IA	PA	НМ	Date Requested	0	0
La Jolla Band of Luiseño Indians – DR Severe Storms, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides		Х	Х	March 8, 2019		
VT – DR (Appeal) Severe Winter Storm		Х	Х	March 14, 2019		
Cahuilla Band of Indians – DR Severe Storms and Floods		х	Х	March 15, 2019		
IA – Severe Storm and Flooding		Х	Х	March 21, 2019		
MS – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornado, and Flooding		Х	Х	March 21, 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)	Available				
RRCCs (10 Regions)	Available	Region VII	Level III	Day shift	Flooding

Backup Regions: VI, I, and V



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