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Daily Operations Briefing

Wednesday, April 3, 2019

8:30 a.m. EDT

Significant Activity – April 2-3



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Significant Events: None

Tropical Activity: No activity affecting U.S. interests

Significant Weather:

- Elevated and critical fire weather - Southwest to Southern Plains; Mid-Atlantic to the Northeast

Declaration Activity: None

FEMA Southwest Border Support (as of 6:00 a.m. EDT; April 3, 2019)



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Current Situation:

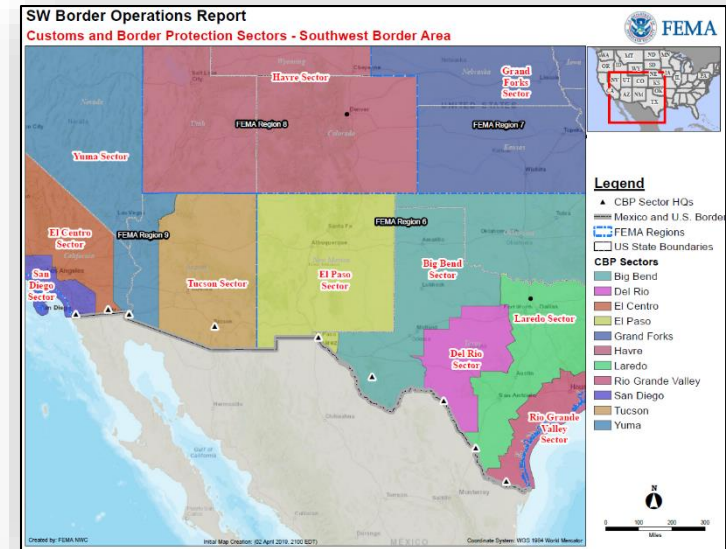
DHS CBP and ICE continue to be challenged with handling the increased migrant population at the Southwest border. DHS Secretary has requested support from DHS Components and OFA in assisting both CBP and ICE with personnel in specific areas, enabling more agents to work the migrant issue. [Effective 4 April DHS will operate its interagency coordination efforts from the NRCC.](#)

FEMA Headquarters Actions

- FEMA NRCC Response Operations Cell (ROC) ([virtual](#)) ([day-shift](#)):
 - [Activated](#) to align/coordinate Region VI, Region IX, NWC and HQ programs and actions
 - [Will expand to support the DHS Interagency Border Emergency Cell](#)
 - [Provide support to the daily Interagency VTC](#)
- Field Operations Directorate (FOD) / [Volunteer Force Coordination Center \(VFCC\)](#):
 - Providing technical assistance to the DHS components on processes to identify & deploy volunteers in pre-identified skill sets (medical, transportation, etc.)
 - Assisting with the establishment of a PMC capable of RSOI oversight immediately

FEMA Regional/Field Support:

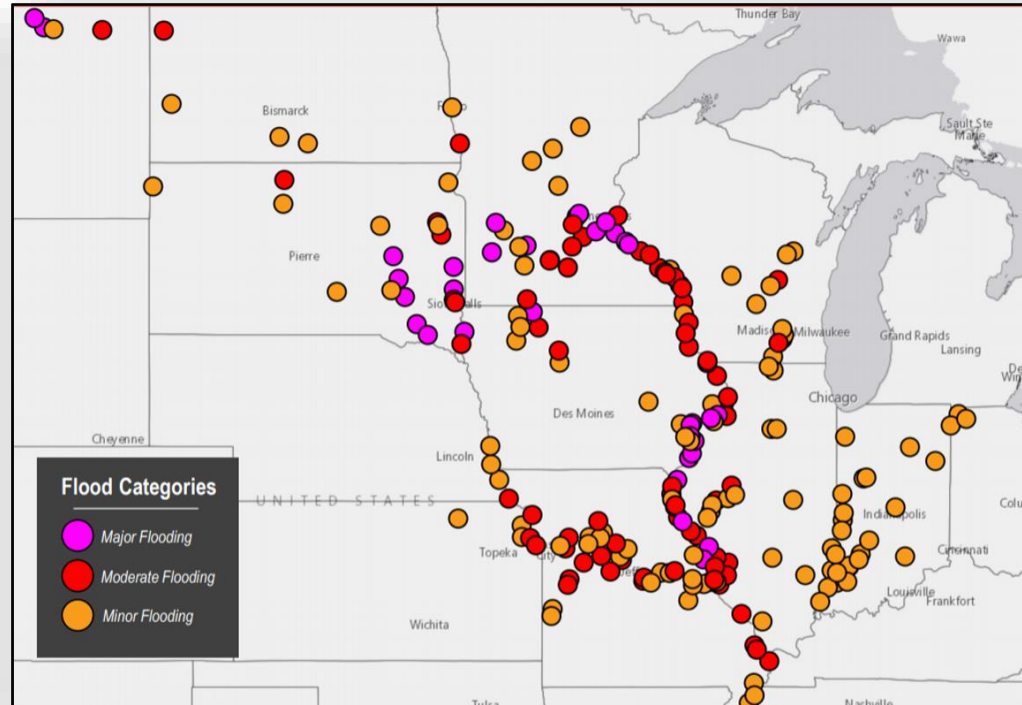
- FEMA maintains a liaison officer at the United Coordination Group & will be deploying a liaison to Customs Border Patrol (CBP)
- *FEMA Region VI – Rio Grande Valley and El Paso Sectors:*
 - Regional Administrator will coordinate/align CBP Sectors & Nongovernmental Organizations (NGOs)
 - Deploying a team to each CBP Sector to conduct humanitarian operations assessments & capacity-building operations with local NGOs
 - Teams consist of combination of Team Leader, Operations, Planning, Mass Care, EA, & VOAD
- *FEMA Region IX – San Diego and Yuma Sectors:*
 - Regional Administrator will lead scoping team to align/coordinate CBP Sector & emergency management director needs, assess resources & processes necessary to strengthen mission integration with NGO partners
 - Team consists of RA, Operations, Mass Care, and VOAD



River Flood Update: 4/3/19



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Regions V, VII, VIII



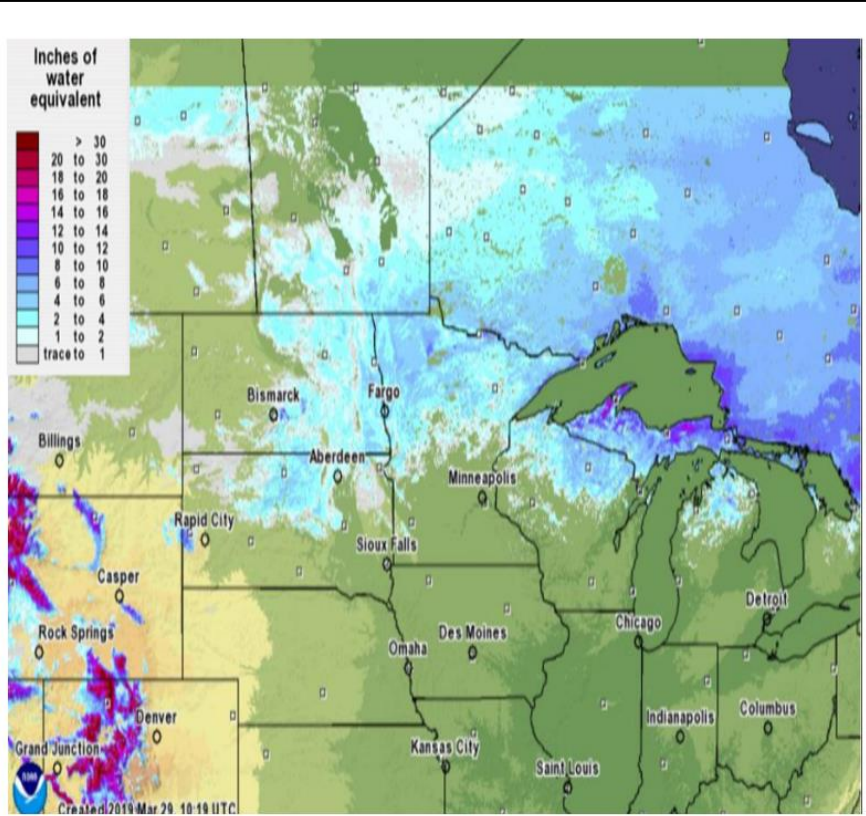
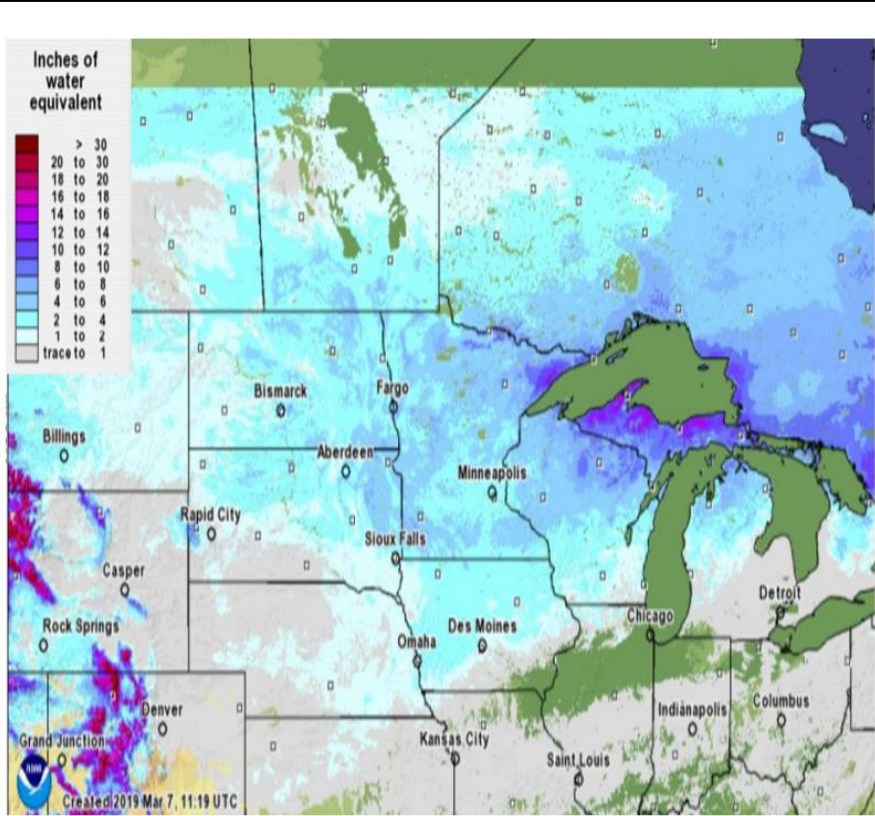
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- Widespread minor to major flooding will continue through April across the Central Plains and Upper Midwest.
 - Includes the Missouri and Mississippi Rivers.
- Snowmelt will continue across the Northern Plains into the upper Great Lakes.
- A slow and gentle melt continues across the Red River basin due to favorable temperatures and dry weather conditions.
- River rises are expected through April due to spring snowmelt across upper Midwest and Northern Plains.
- Renewed flooding could occur across the Midwest and lower Missouri Valley if heavy rainfall materializes.
- In South Dakota, North Dakota and Minnesota - peak river levels will be contingent upon future precipitation.
 - If significant precipitation happens to occur (especially concurrent with peak snowmelt rises), river levels will be prone to reaching higher levels.

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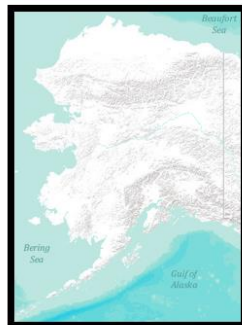
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National Water Center: April 3, 2019

River Forecast Center Forecasts



Flood Category	# Gauges Forecast in Category
Major Flooding	31
Moderate Flooding	65
Minor Flooding	105
Near Flood	113

Regional River Flood Outlook

Alaska	Western	Central	Southern	Eastern
Continuing as No Flood	Continuing as Minor	Rising to Major	Continuing as Major	Continue as Minor
	MT	IA, IL, MN, MO, ND, SD	LA	GA, OH

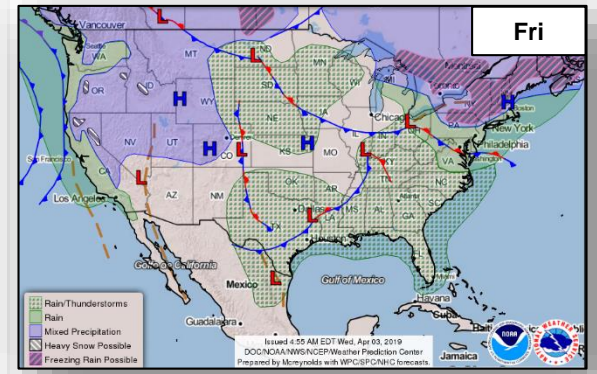
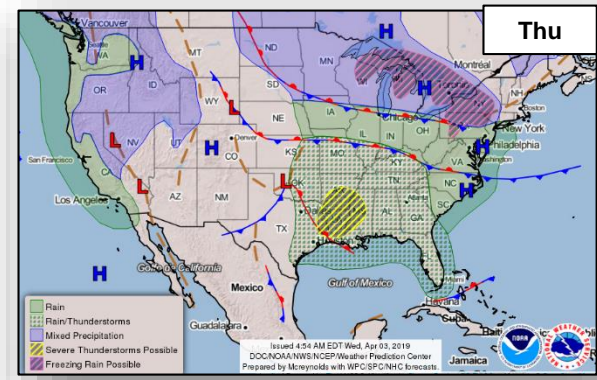
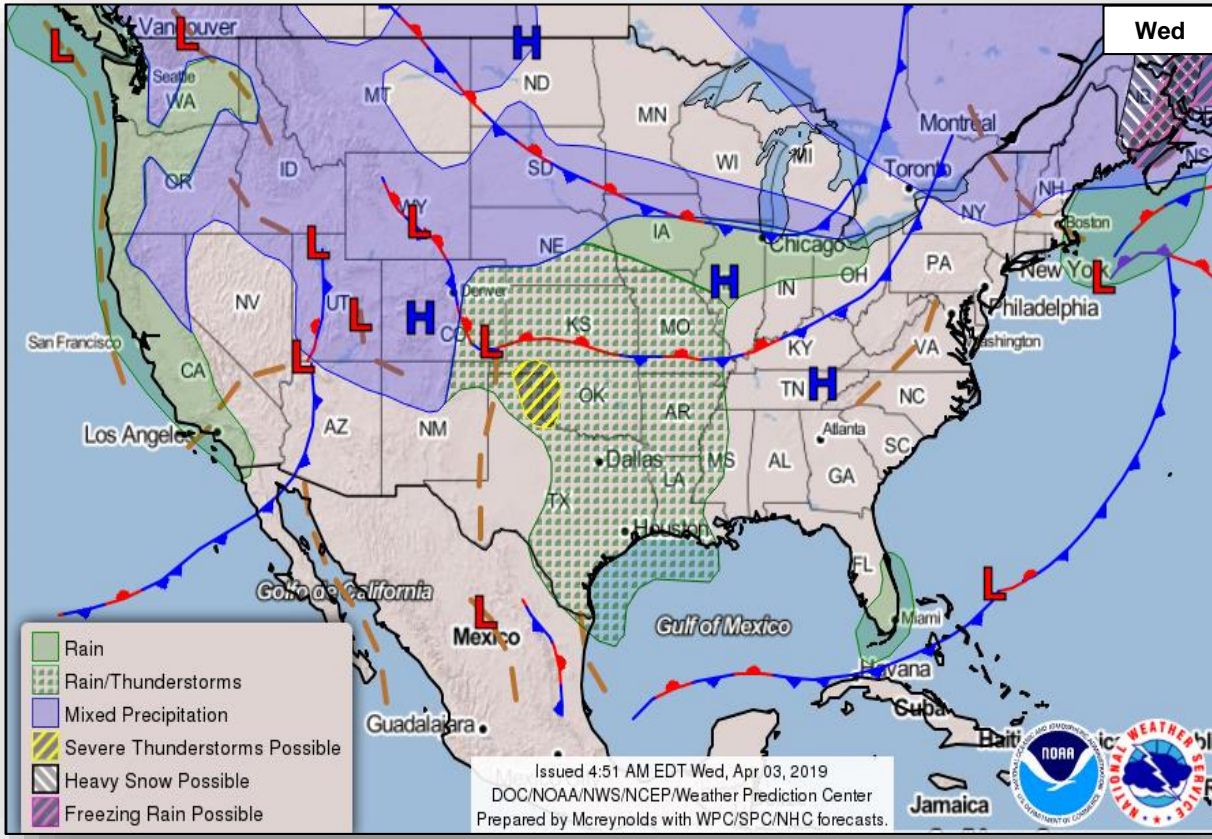
Regions IV, VI



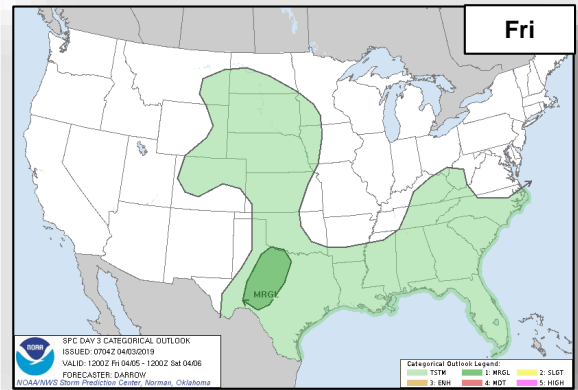
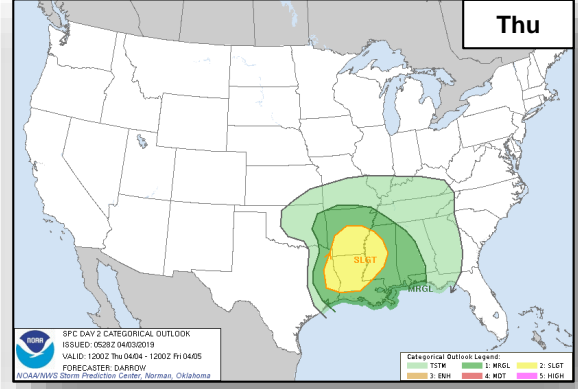
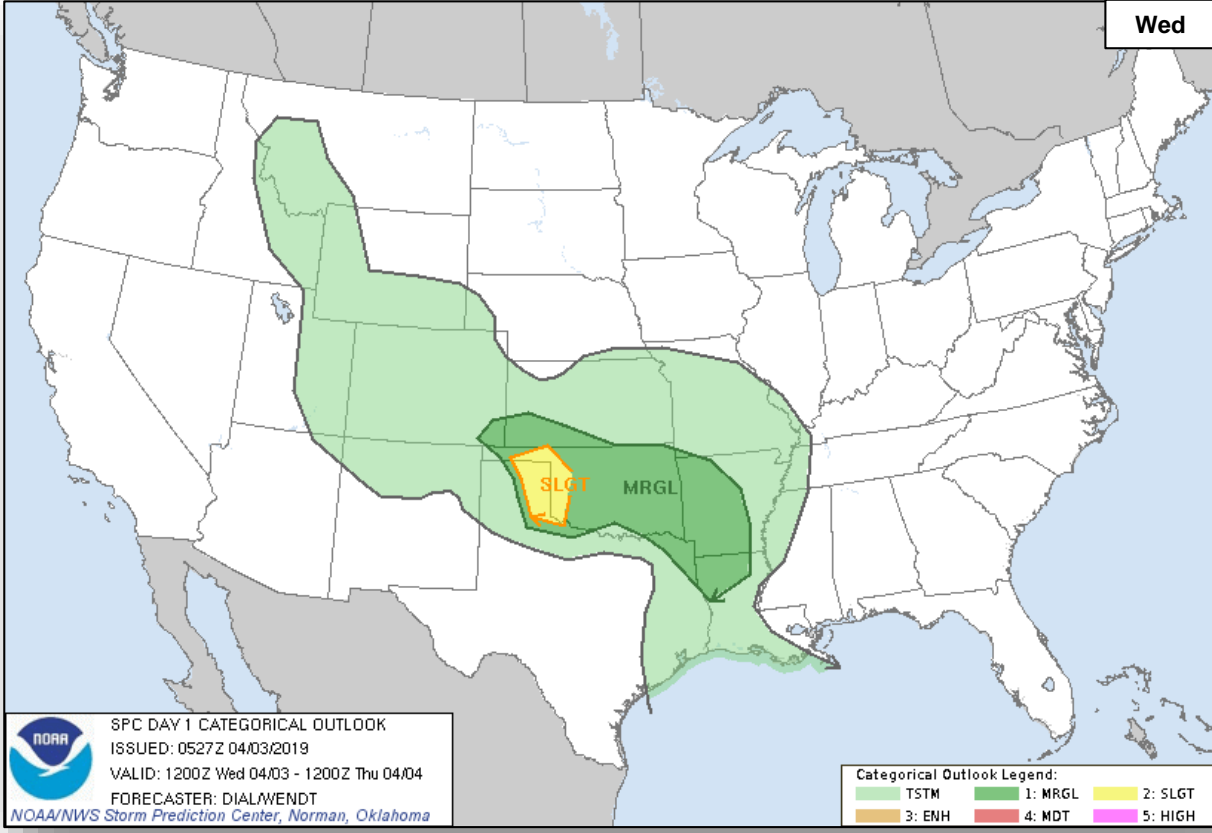
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- The crest on the Mississippi River will approach St. Louis, MO today and the crest on the Lower Ohio River are not expected until the weekend. The combination of rises from both the Mississippi and Ohio Rivers will result in rises of one to four feet from Cairo, IL downstream to Tuncia, MS.
- Due to elevated stages on the Lower Mississippi River, the rises will be reduced to steady conditions by the time it reaches Arkansas City, AR in two weeks.
- The future rainfall over the next 16 days shows crests two to three feet higher at Cairo, IL for the third week of April. This rise would be lower than previous flood crests and it would keep the Lower Mississippi River at elevated stages through April and into May.
- The USACE continues to operate the Bonnet Carrè Spillway and additional bays will be closed in the coming weeks to reduce discharges and keep New Orleans, LA from reaching the 17.0 ft flood stage level.
- For smaller tributaries, minor flooding will continue over portions of Arkansas, Louisiana, and Mississippi.

National Weather Forecast



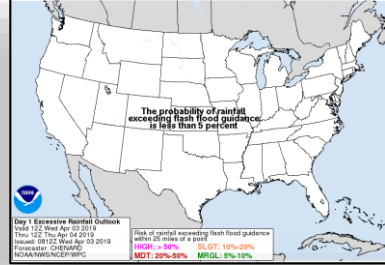
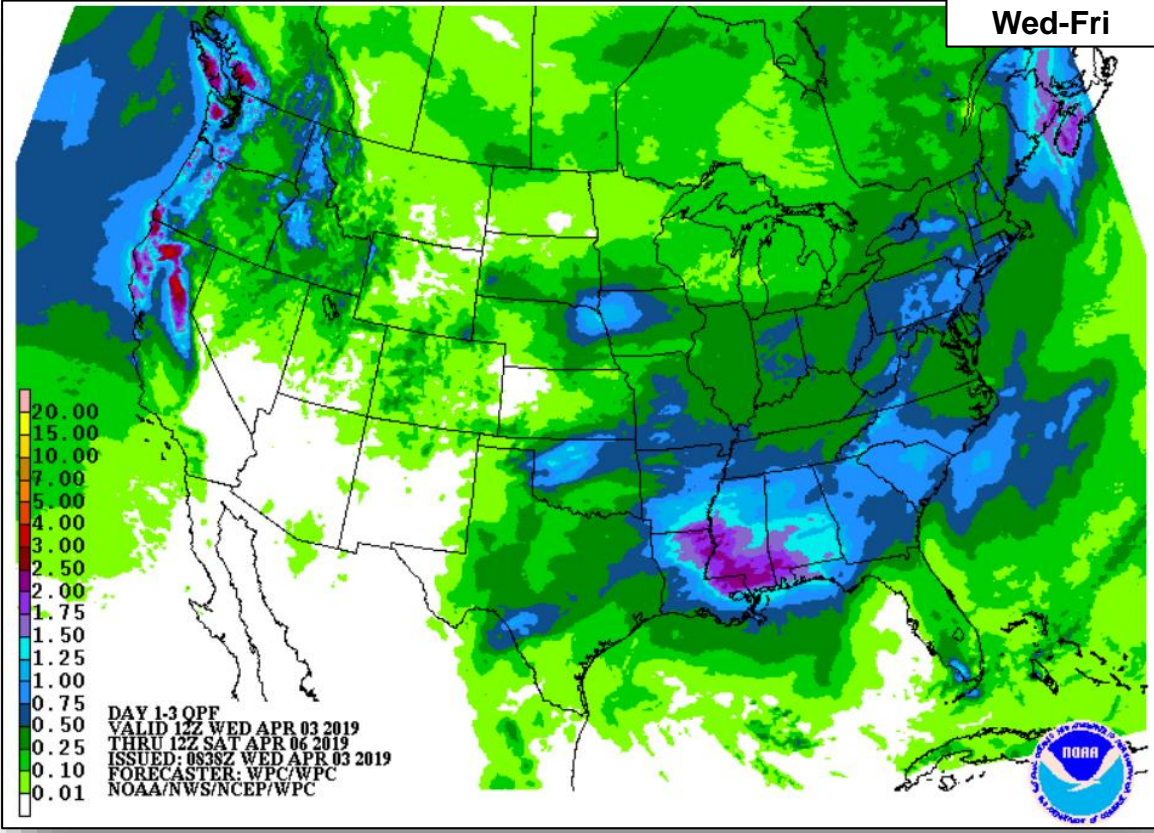
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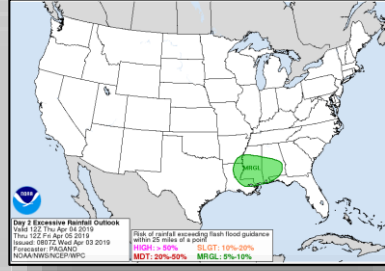
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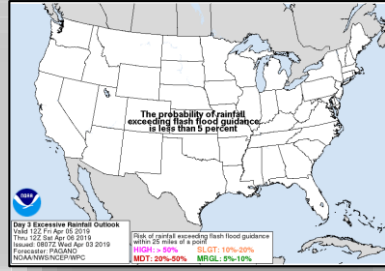
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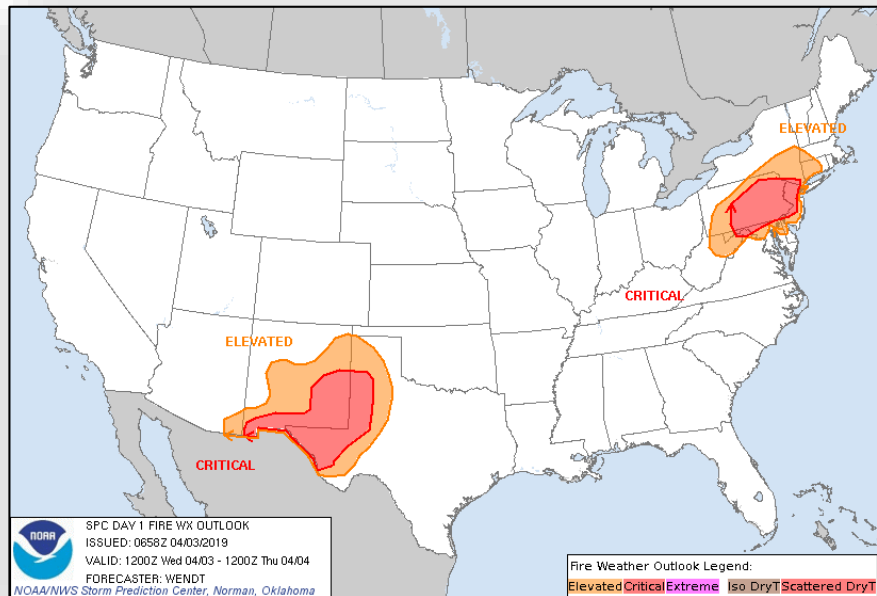


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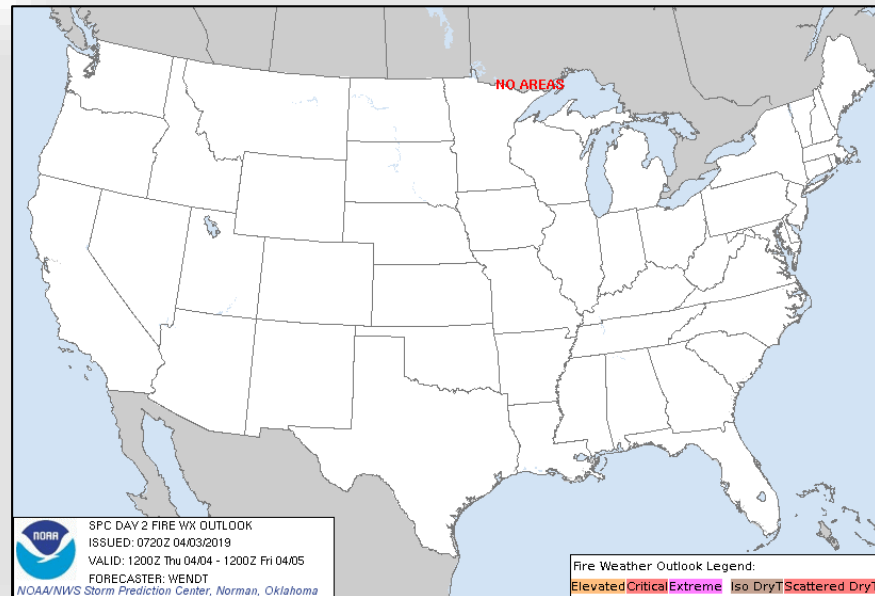
Fire Weather Outlook



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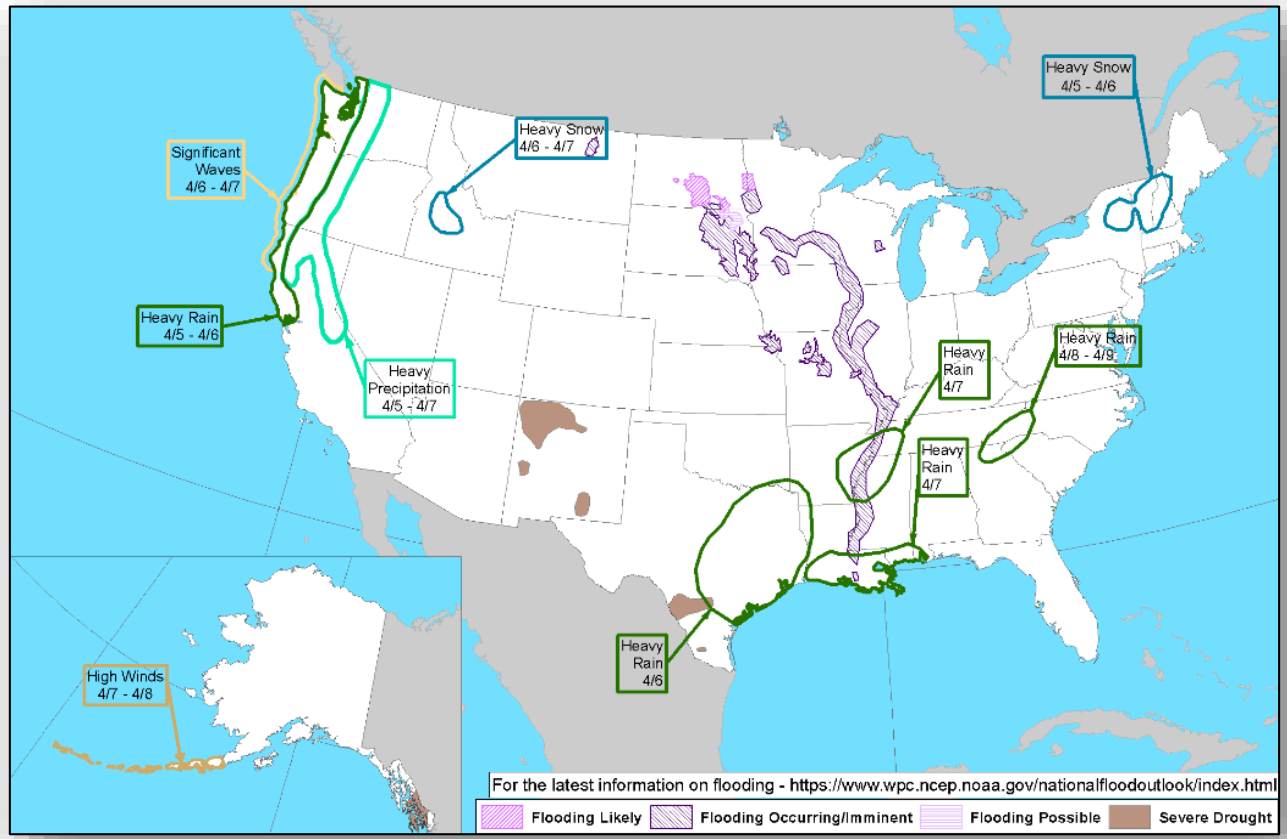


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Hazards Outlook – April 5-9

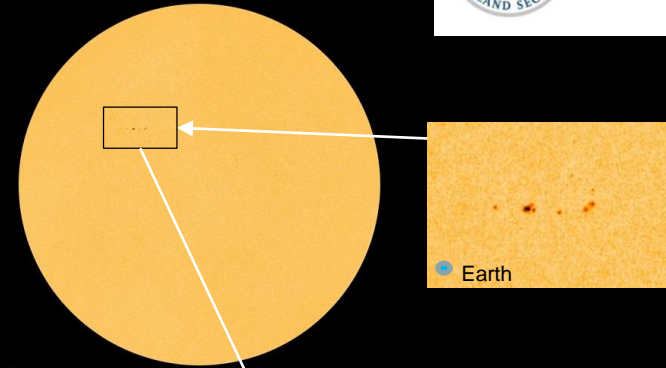


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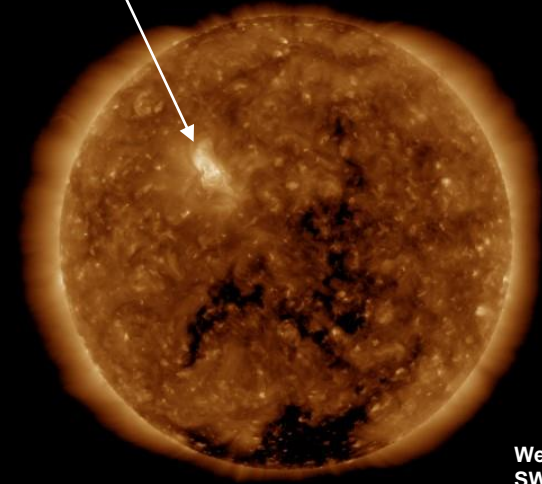
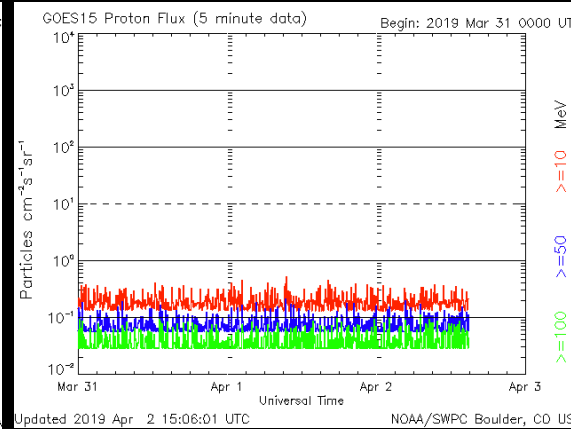
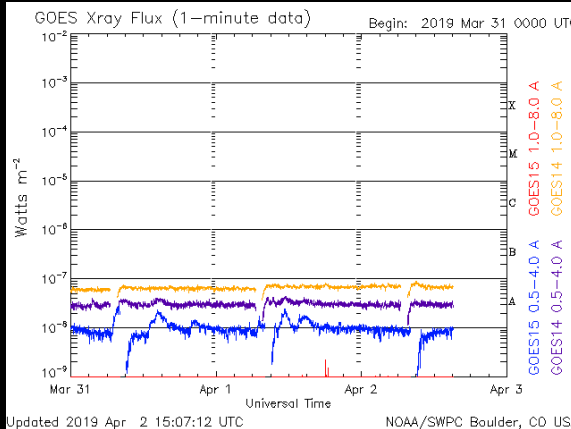


Space Weather Summary/Outlook

Space Weather Summary April 3 rd , 2019	Past 48 Hours	Forecast: Apr 4 th	Forecast: Apr 5 th
Radio Blackouts (R Scale)	None	R1-R2: 1% R3-R5: 1%	R1-R2: 1% R3-R5: 1%
Solar Radiation Storms (S Scale)	None	S1 or >: 1%	S1 or >: 1%
Geomagnetic Storms (G Scale)	None	None	None



Very low solar activity; despite spot group emergence.
Threat of Severe or Extreme activity levels is very low.



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Apr 3rd, 2019

Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments



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Region	State / Location	Event	IA/PA	Number of Counties		Start – End
				Requested	Complete	
IV	AL	Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, and Flooding February 19 – March 20, 2019	IA	3	3	3/20 – 3/28
			PA	13	11	3/20 – TBD
	MS	Severe Storms, Tornado, Straight-line winds & Flooding February 22 and continuing	IA	3	1	3/12 - TBD
			PA	20	7	3/12 - TBD
IX	FSM*	Typhoon Wutip February 19-22, 2019	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	2	0	3/20 – TBD
X	OR	Winter Storms February 24-26, 2019	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	5	0	4/8 – TBD

* Federated States of Micronesia

Disaster Requests & Declarations



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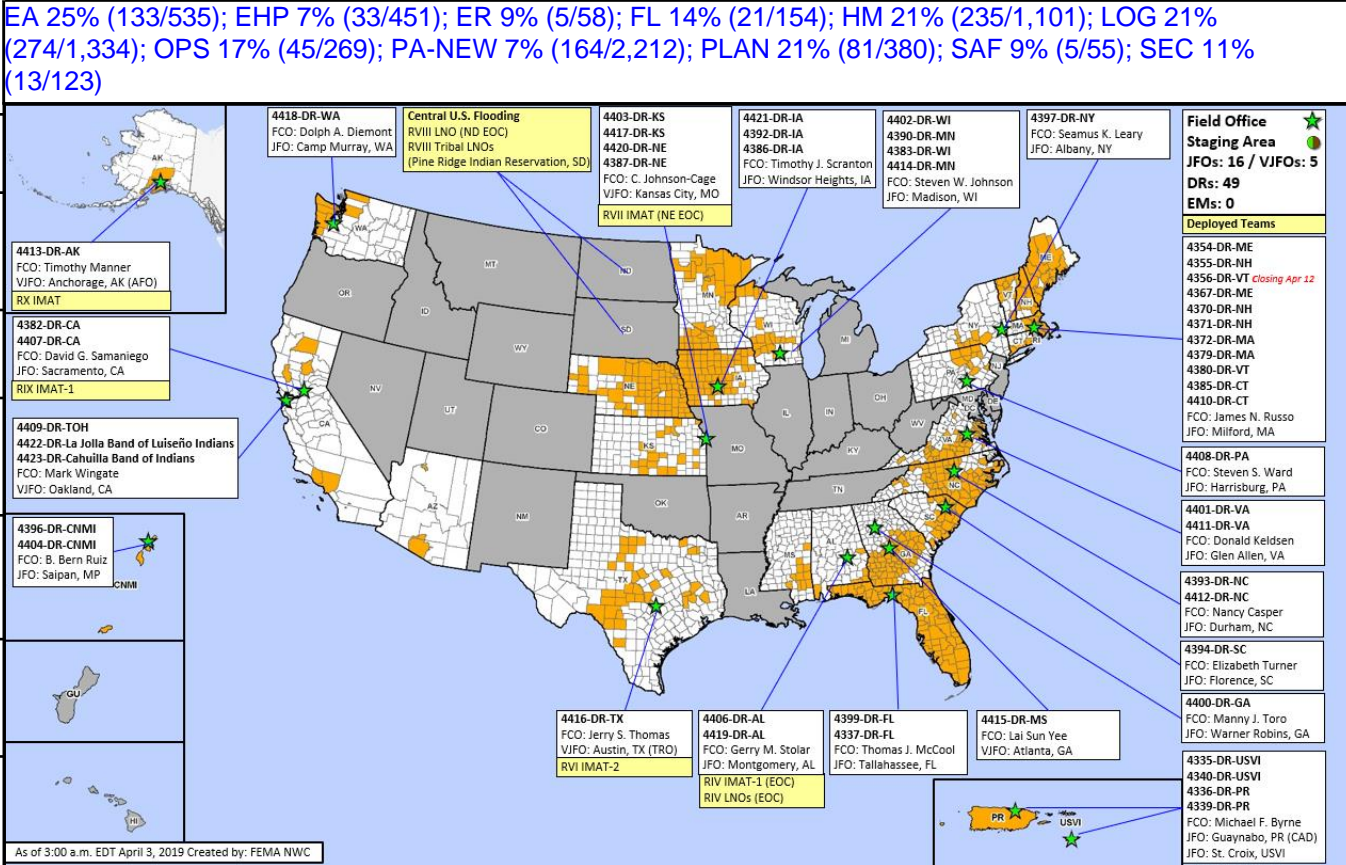
Declaration Requests in Process					Requests APPROVED (since last report)	Requests DENIED (since last report)
7	IA	PA	HM	Date Requested	0	0
VT – DR (Appeal) Severe Winter Storm		X	X	March 14, 2019		
MS – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornado, and Flooding	X	X	X	March 21, 2019		
TN – DR Severe Storms, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides	X	X	X	March 22, 2019		
U.S. Territory of Guam – DR Super Typhoon Wutip		X	X	March 25, 2019		
Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians – DR Severe Storms		X	X	March 25, 2019		
AL – DR Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornado, and Flooding	X	X	X	March 26, 2019		
OH – DR Severe Storms, Flooding, and Landslides		X	X	March 26, 2019		

Readiness – Deployable Teams and Assets



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National and Regional Resources		Cadres with 25% or Less Availability	
IM Workforce	Strength: ▲ 12,967	EA 25% (133/535); EHP 7% (33/451); ER 9% (5/58); FL 14% (21/154); HM 21% (235/1,101); LOG 21% (274/1,334); OPS 17% (45/269); PA-NEW 7% (164/2,212); PLAN 21% (81/380); SAF 9% (5/55); SEC 11% (13/123)	
	Available: ▼ 3,624 / 28%		
	Other: 3,519		
	Deployed: ▲ 5,824		
N-IMAT	East: Available		
	West: Available		
	Crisis: Available		
Regional IMAT (4-6 Teams)	Assigned: 13		
	Available: 6		
	PMC / NMC: 2		
	Deployed: 5		
N-ISB Teams (3 Teams)	Team A: Available		
	Team B: Available		
	Team C: Available		
US&R (>66%)	Assigned: 28		
	Available: 25		
	PMC / NMC: 3		
	Deployed: 0		
MERS (>66%)	Assigned: 36		
	Available: 36		
	PMC / NMC: 0		
	Deployed: 0		
FCO (=3 Type I)	Assigned: 29		
	Available: 6		
	PMC / NMC: 0		
	Deployed: 23		
FDRC (≥3)	Assigned: 12		
	Available: 2 (-1)		
	PMC / NMC: 0		
	Deployed: 10 (+1)		



FEMA Readiness – Activation Teams



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Status		Activated Team	Activation Level	Activation Times	Reason / Comments
NWC (5 Teams)	Steady State				
NRCC (2 Teams)	Activated	ROC	Virtual	Day Shift	DHS Support Primary – Blue Team
HLT	Available				
RWC/MOCs (10 Regions)	Available	Denver MOC	Enhanced Watch	Day Shift	Flooding
RRCCs (10 Regions)	Available	Region VII	Level III	Day Shift	Flooding

Backup Regions: VI, I, & VIII



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