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When disaster mitigation is cost effective, we are on the road to bringing disasters to an end.



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Daily Operations Briefing

Wednesday, March 2, 2016

8:30 a.m. EST

Significant Activity: March 1-2

Significant Events: None

Significant Weather:

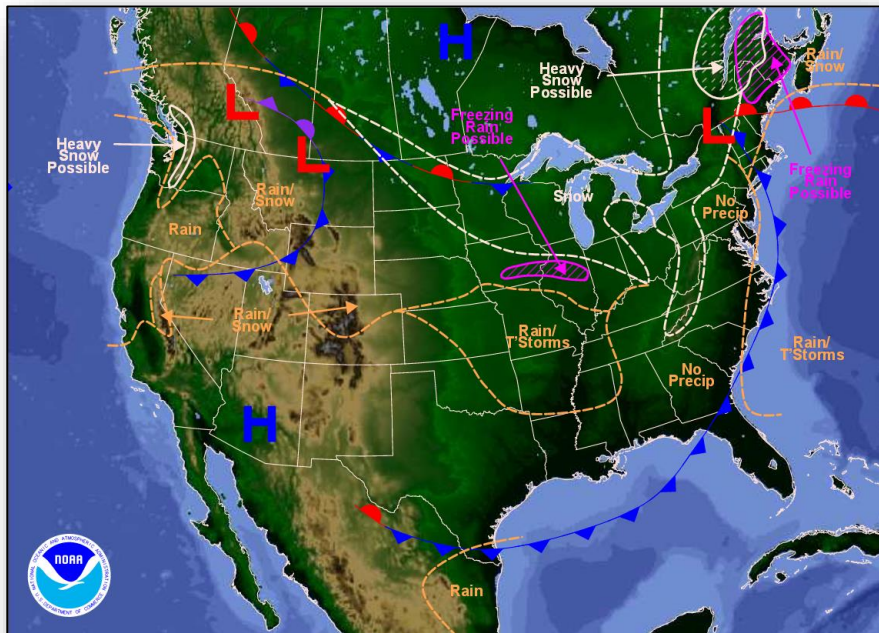
- Heavy Snow – Northern Intermountain and Northeast
- Freezing Rain – Upper/Middle Mississippi Valleys, Great Lakes, Ohio Valley and Northeast
- Red Flag Warnings: CO, NM, NE, KS, OK, TX & MO
- Critical/Elevated Fire Weather Areas: CO, NM, NE, KS, OK & TX
- Space Weather: None observed past 24 hours; none expected next 24 hours

Tropical Activity: No activity affecting U.S. territories

Earthquake Activity: M7.8 – Indonesia

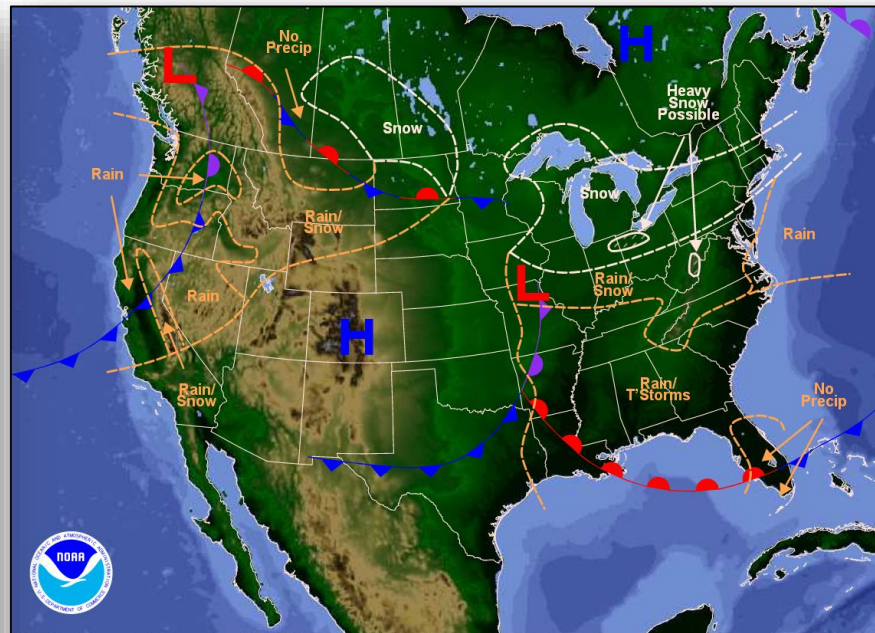
Declaration Activity: Emergency Declaration Request for 2 Counties in Florida (IA/PA)

National Weather Forecast



Weather Forecast for Wed, Mar 02, 2016, issued 2:45 AM EST
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center
Prepared by McCreynolds based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts

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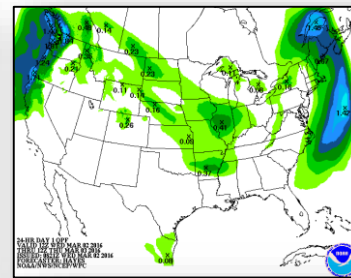
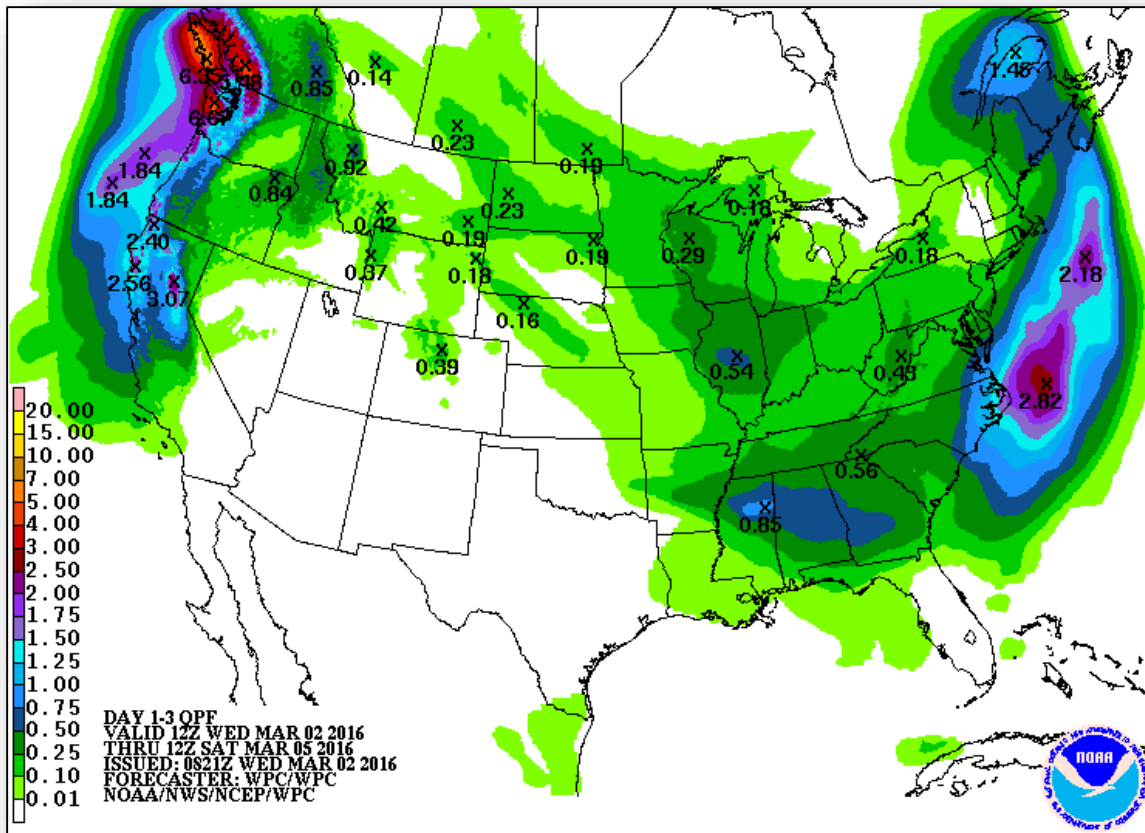
Weather Forecast for Thu, Mar 03, 2016, issued 3:34 AM EST Wed, Mar 02, 2016
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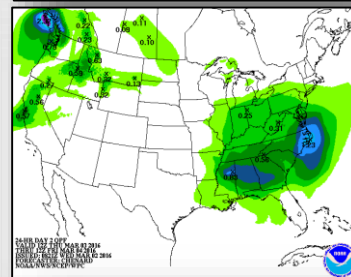
Precipitation Forecast, 1-3 Day



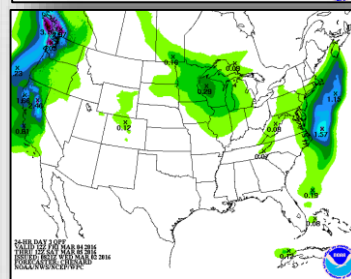
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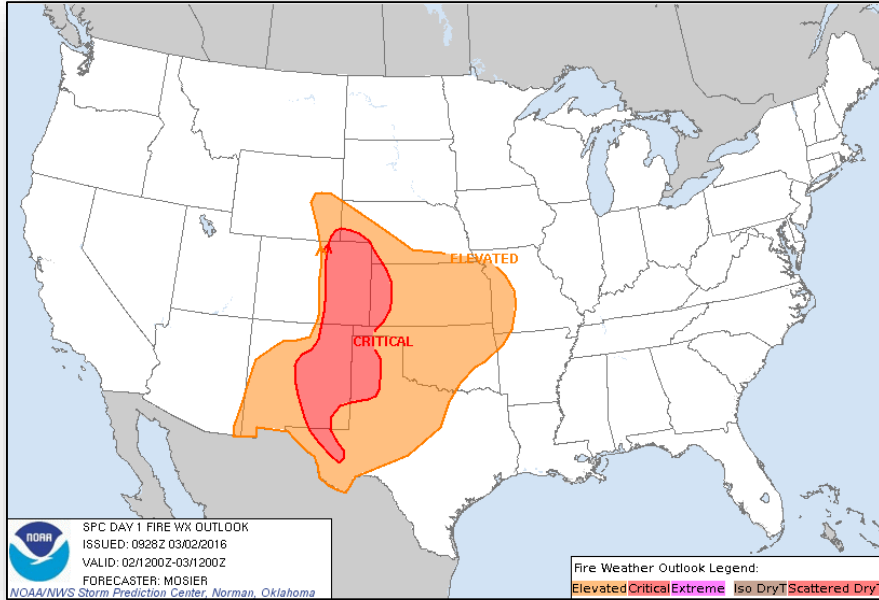


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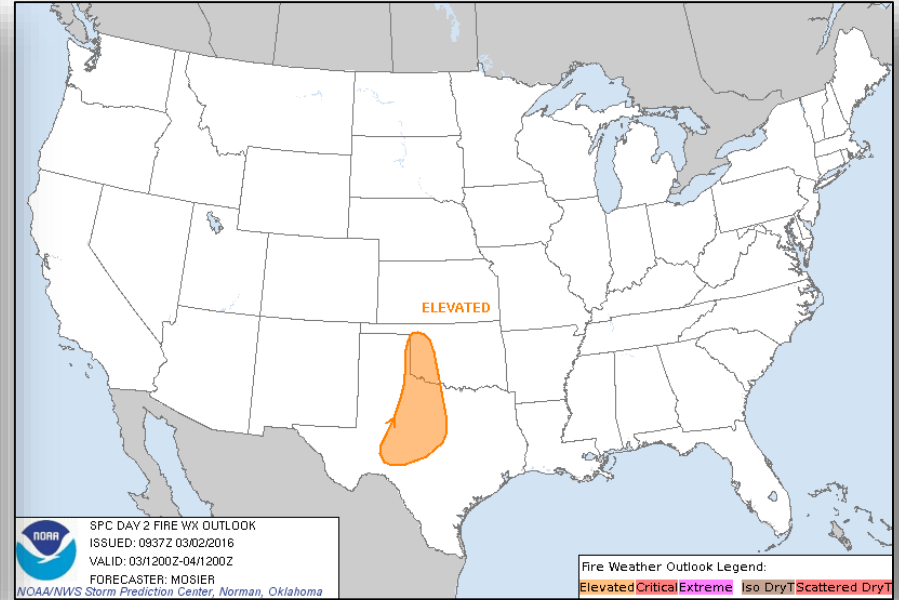


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Fire Weather Outlook

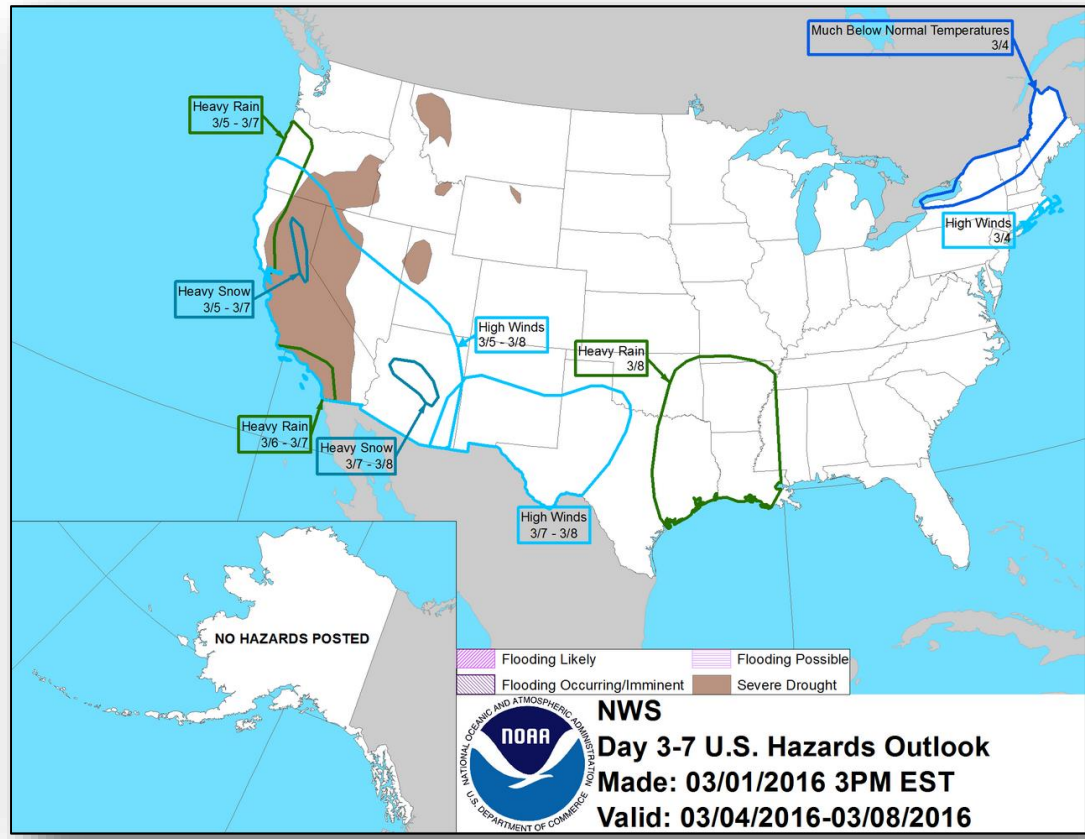


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Hazard Outlook March 4-8



Weather-Ready Nation: Spring Safety



Get Ready for America's Spring Weather Hazards!



Spring hazards include:

- Severe Thunderstorms, including Tornadoes
- Flash and River Flooding
- Lightning
- Rip Currents and Beach Hazards
- Extreme Heat

Get weather-ready for spring with just a few simple steps:

- Know Your Risk: Check weather.gov every morning
- Take Action!: Assemble emergency supplies kit with 72-hours worth of food and water (ready.gov/kit)
- Be a Force of Nature: Share your weather-ready story on social media with the hashtag [#SpringSafety](https://twitter.com/hashtag/SpringSafety)

Visit NOAA's Weather Ready Nation Spring Safety webpage for additional awareness materials (including tsunamis which can strike the coasts at any time):

http://www.nws.noaa.gov/com/weatherreadynation/spring_safety.html

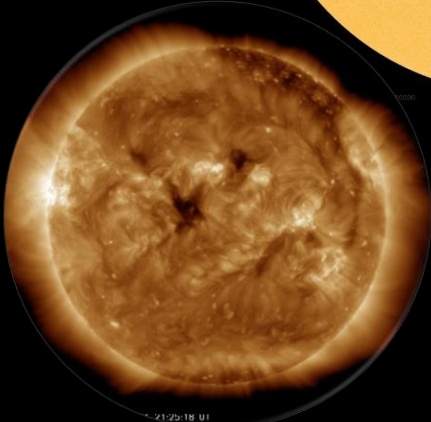
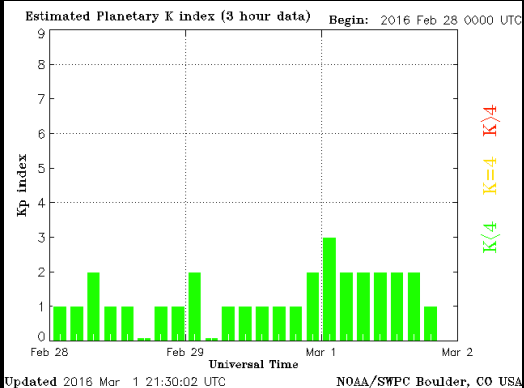
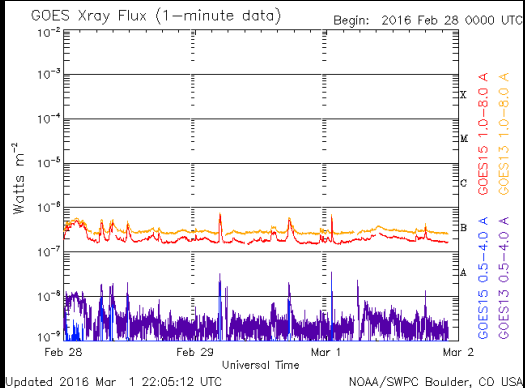
Space Weather Summary/Outlook



Space Weather Summary March 2nd, 2016	Past 48 Hours	Current	Forecast: Mar. 3 rd (UTC)
Solar Flare (R Scale) Radio Blackout	None	None	R1-R2: 5% R3-R5: 1%
Solar Radiation Storms (S Scale)	None	None	S1 or > 1%
Geomagnetic Storms (G Scale)	None	None	Below G1

Summary of Recent Activity/Outlook:

- All quiet across the R, S, and G scales and expected to remain so in the near term.
- Regions currently on the disk are relatively small and simple.
- Risk of severe or extreme activity is very, very low at this time.



Bob Rutledge
 SWPC
 March 2nd, 2016

Earthquake Activity: Indian Ocean



M7.8 Earthquake – Indian Ocean

- On March 2, 2016, at 7:49 a.m. EST, M7.8 earthquake occurred 409 miles SW of Muara Siberut, Indonesia at a depth of 15 miles
- USGS issued Green PAGER indicating low likelihood of casualties and damage
- International agencies in the local area have issued Tsunami and Marine warnings
(Note – this is outside the Pacific Tsunami Warning Center's area of responsibility)
- Global Disaster Alert and Coordination System has indicated it is likely a tsunami was generated, but the maximum wave height is under 1 meter
(See updates here: <http://www.gdacs.org/>)
- No fatalities, injuries or damage reported
- No requests for FEMA assistance

Disaster Requests & Declarations



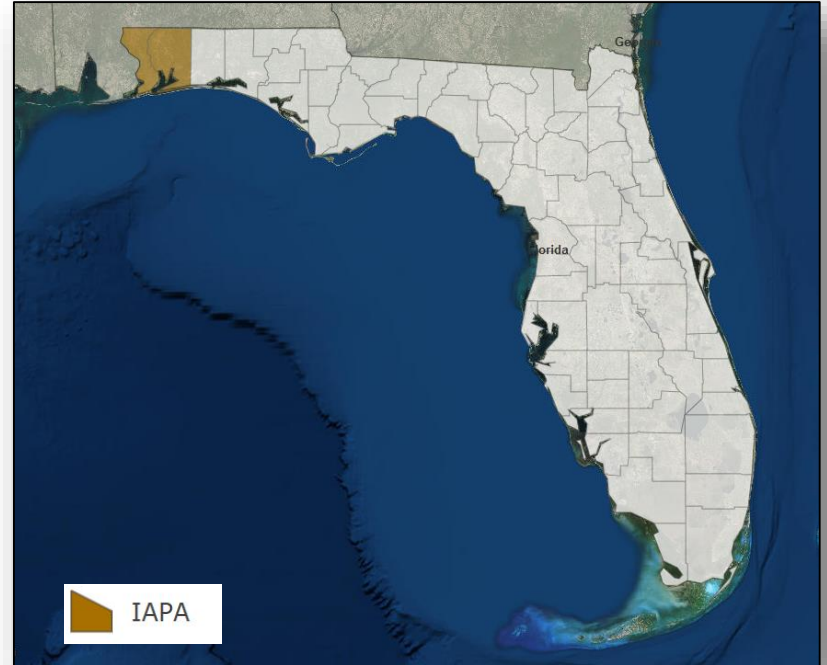
Declaration Requests in Process		Requests APPROVED (since last report)	Requests DENIED (since last report)
9	Date Requested	0	0
DC – DR Snowstorm	January 29, 2016		
NJ – DR Severe Winter Storms, Snowstorm	February 11, 2016		
NM – DR Severe Winter Storm and Snowstorm	February 16, 2016		
DE – DR Severe Winter Storm and Flooding	February 18, 2016		
PA – DR Severe Winter Storm and Snowstorm	February 19, 2016		
MD – DR Severe Winter Storm and Snowstorm	February 19, 2016		
VA – DR Severe Winter Storm and Snowstorm	February 19, 2016		
IL – DR Severe Winter Storm and Flooding	February 26, 2016		
FL – EM Severe Storms, Tornadoes, and Straight-Line Winds	February 29, 2016		

Emergency Declaration Request – FL

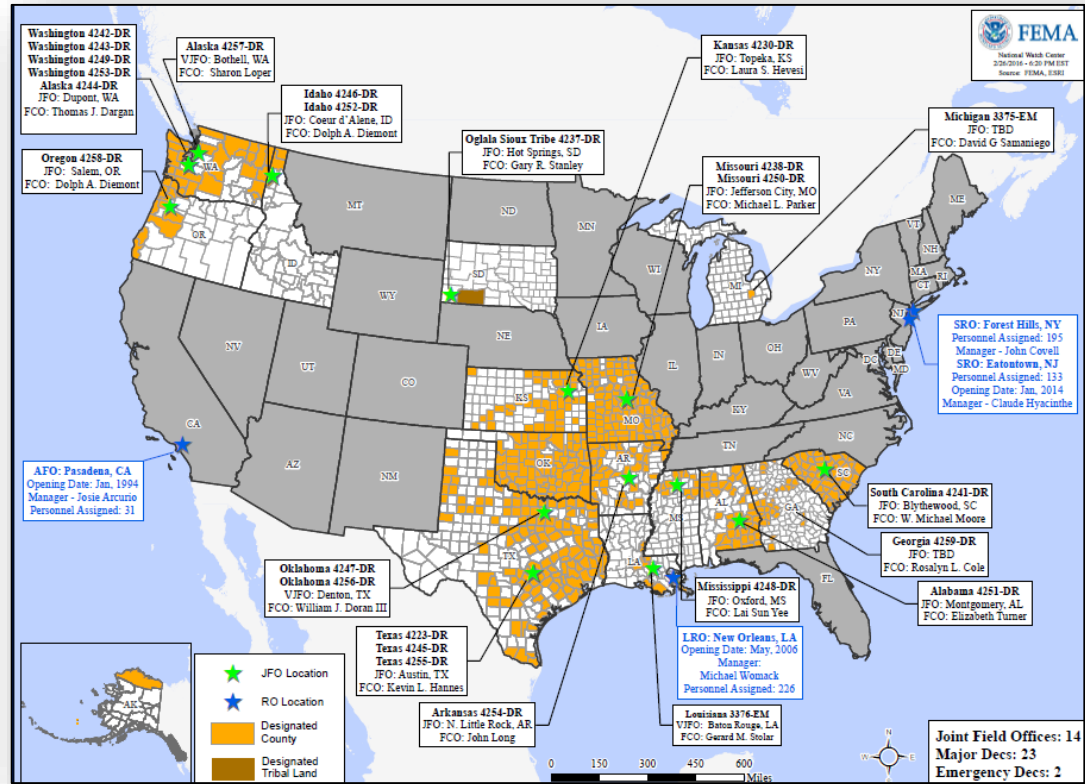


February 29, 2016

- Request for Emergency Declaration for Florida
- As a result of severe storms, tornadoes, and straight-line winds during the period of February 15-24, 2016
- Requesting Individual and Public Assistance for 2 Counties



Open Field Offices as of March 2



Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments



Region	State / Location	Event	IA/PA	Number of Counties		Start – End
				Requested	Complete	
III	DE	Severe Winter Storm/Snowstorm January 22-23, 2016	PA	2	0	2/16-TBD
	WV	Severe Winter Storm/Snowstorm January 22-23, 2016	PA	33	0	2/17-TBD
	PA	Severe Winter Storm/Snowstorm January 22-23, 2016	PA	31	0	2/23-TBD
	VA	Severe Weather February 24, 2016	IA	12	9	2/27-TBD
IV	FL	Severe Storms & Tornadoes February 23-24, 2016	IA	3	2	2/26-TBD
VI	LA	Severe Storms February 23, 2016	IA	6	0	3/1-TBD

FEMA Readiness – Deployable Teams /Assets



Deployable Teams/Assets									
Resource	Status	Total	FMC Available		Partially Available	Not Available	Detailed, Deployed, Activated	Comments	Rating Criterion
FCO		33	17	52%	0	1	15	Only 2 Type 1 FCOs available	OFDC Readiness: FCO Green Yellow Red Type 1 3+ 2 1 Type 2 4+ 3 2 Type 3 4 3 2
FDRC		8	3	38%	0	0	5		FDRC 3 2 1
US&R		27	27	100%	0	0	0		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Green = Available/FMC Yellow = Available/PMC Red = Out-of-Service Blue = Assigned/Deployed
National IMAT		3	3	100%	0	0	0		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Green: 3 avail Yellow: 1-2 avail Red: 0 avail (<i>Individual N-IMAT red if 50% of Section Chiefs and/or Team Leader is unavailable for deployment.</i>)
Regional IMAT		13	6	46%	0	0	8*	<p>Deployed: RIV (Team 1) Deployed to AL RV (Team 1) Deployed to MI RVI (Team 1) Deployed to AR; (Team 2) Deployed to AL (Training) RVII Deployed to MO RIX (Team 2) Deployed to OR RX Deployed to WA</p> <p>*Deployed but Available to re-deploy: RII (Deployed in place for Regional Relocation Taskforce)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Green: 7 or more avail Yellow: 4 - 6 teams available Red: > 8 teams deployed/unavailable <p><i>R-IMAT also red if TL Ops/Log Chief is unavailable & has no qualified replacement</i></p>
MERS Teams		18	18	100%	0	0	0	Deployed: None	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Green = >66% available Yellow = 33% to 66% available Red = <33% available

FEMA Readiness – National/Regional Teams



National/Regional Teams									
Resource	Status	Total	FMC Available		Partially Available	Not Available	Status	Comments	Rating Criterion
NWC		5	5	100%	0	0	Not Activated		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green = FMC • Yellow = PMC • Red = NMC
NRCC		2	344	89%	0	44	Not Activated		
HLT		1	N/A	N/A	0	0	Not Activated		
DEST							Not Activated		
RRCCs		10	10	100%	0	0	Not Activated		
RWCs/MOCs		10	10	100%	0	0	Not Activated	Region III – LNO deployed to VA	



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