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## Daily Operations Briefing

Sunday, July 26, 2020

8:30 a.m. ET

# National Current Operations & Monitoring



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## **Significant Incidents or Threats:**

- Tropical Cyclones Hanna and Douglas
- Heavy rain and flash flooding possible – Southern Plains to Lower Mississippi Valley; Central Rockies to Great Lakes
- Severe thunderstorms possible – south Texas
- COVID-19

## **Tropical Activity:**

- Atlantic:
  - Remnants of Gonzalo - FINAL
  - Tropical Storm Hanna
  - Disturbance 1: High (90%)
- Eastern Pacific: Tropical cyclone activity is not expected during the next 5 days
- Central Pacific: Hurricane Douglas (CAT 1)
- Western Pacific: No activity affecting U.S. interests

## **Declaration Activity:**

- Request: Emergency Declaration - Texas
- Approval: Emergency Declaration - Hawaii

# Tropical Outlook – Atlantic



## Tropical Storm Hanna (Advisory #14A as of 8:00 a.m. ET)

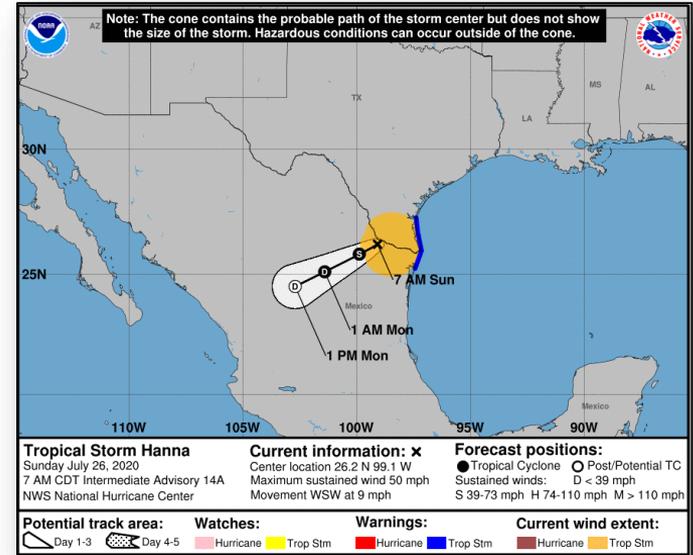
- 55 miles W of McAllen, TX
- Moving WSW at 9 mph
- Maximum sustained winds 85 mph
- Expected to weaken to a tropical depression later today and dissipate Monday or Monday night
- Tropical storm force winds extend 115 miles

### Watches/Warnings

- Tropical Storm Warning for Barra el Mezquital, Mexico to Baffin Bay, TX

### Potential Impacts

- Expected to produce total rain accumulations of 6-12 inches with isolated maximum totals of 18 inches through Monday in south Texas; will produce life-threatening flash flooding; 2-4 inches of rain along the upper TX and LA coasts
- Storm surge: water levels along the TX coast will gradually subside through this morning
- Swells will continue to affect much of the TX and LA coasts
- A few tornadoes possible today into this evening across parts of south TX



# Tropical Outlook – Atlantic



## [Remnants of Gonzalo](#) (*Advisory #17 as of 5:00 p.m. ET*) - **FINAL**

- 125 miles WNW of Trinidad
- Moving W at 21 mph
- Maximum sustained winds 35 mph
- This is the last public advisory issued by the National Hurricane Center on this system

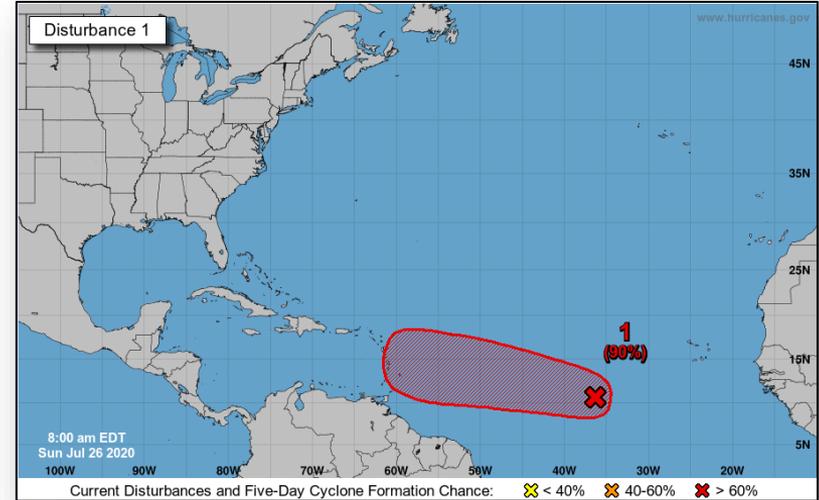


# Tropical Outlook – Atlantic



## **Disturbance 1** *(as of 8:00 a.m. ET)*

- 1,000 miles WSW of the Cabo Verde Islands
- Moving W at 20 mph
- Tropical depression is likely to form within the next few days
- Formation chance through 48 hours: Medium (60%)
- Formation chance through 5 days: High (90%)



# Tropical Outlook – Central Pacific



## **Hurricane Douglas (Category 1)** (Advisory #24A as of 8:00 a.m. ET)

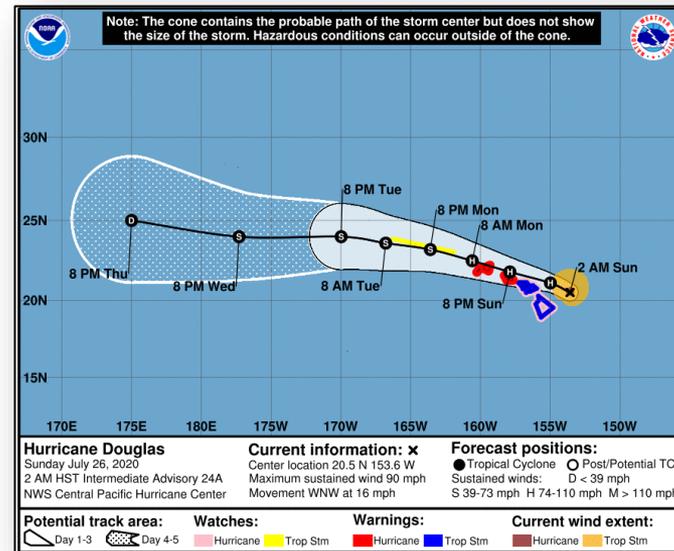
- 285 miles E of Honolulu, HI
- Moving WNW at 16 mph
- On the forecast track, will pass dangerously close to the main Hawaiian Islands later today
- Maximum sustained winds 90 mph
- Some slow weakening is forecast during the next 48 hours but is still forecast to remain near hurricane intensity as it passes near or over the islands
- Hurricane force winds extend 25 miles
- Tropical storm force winds extend 105 miles

### Watches/Warnings

- Hurricane Warning for Oahu and Kauai counties, including the islands of Kauai and Niihau
- Tropical Storm Warning for Hawaii and Maui counties, including the islands of Maui, Lanai, Molokai, and Kahoolawe
- Hurricane Watch for Hawaii and Maui counties, including the islands of Maui, Lanai, Molokai, and Kahoolawe
- Tropical Storm Watch for portions of Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument from Nihoe to French Frigate Shoals

### Potential Impacts

- Total rain accumulations of 5-10 inches possible from Maui County westward to Kauai County with up to 15 inches possible in elevated terrain; may cause life-threatening flash flooding and landslides; 2-5 inches over the northern half of the Big Island
- Large swells will cause life-threatening and destructive surf along exposed shores



# Tropical Cyclone Hanna – Response



## **Situation:**

Hanna has made landfall along the TX coast and is producing heavy rain and dangerous flash flooding over far southeast TX

## **Lifelines**

### **Safety and Security**

- Voluntary evacuations in Kleberg and San Patricio counties
- Residents, tourists, businesses encouraged to evacuate in Port Mansfield (Willacy County)
- Number of high water rescues in Cameron County
- Broken piers and minor damage to homes in Port Mansfield
- Unconfirmed tornado in Brownsville caused minor damage to structures, downed trees and power lines

### **Food, Water, Shelter**

- 3 shelters open with 10 occupants (*ARC Midnight Shelter Count as of 5:31 a.m. ET*)

### **Health and Medical**

- One COVID-19 isolation unit in Harlingen (24 patients) lost power with no back-up power; state operations is handling request for assistance

### **Energy**

- Downed power lines in Port Mansfield and Cameron counties
- 203k (peak 204k) customers without power statewide\*

### **Transportation**

- All ports in the vicinity of Corpus Christi (Brownsville to Palacios) are closed
- Highway 186 closed, obstructing the entrance/exit to Port Mansfield
- Unconfirmed report of tornado touchdown in Brownsville, minor damage to Brownsville South Padre Island International Airport (*SPC Storm Reports and NWC Chat*)

## **Response:**

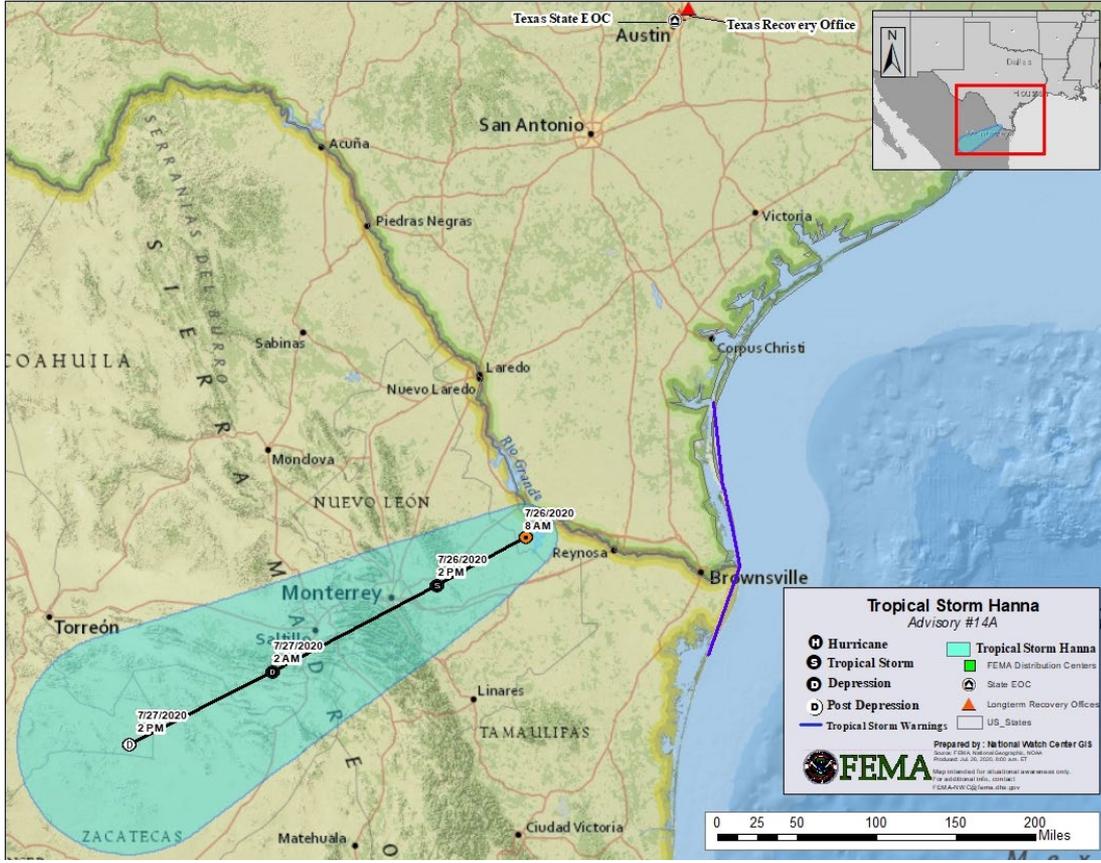
- TX EOC at Partial Activation (COVID-19)
- Governor declared a state of emergency and requested an Emergency Declaration; National Guard activated
- Region VI RRCC at Level III, 24/7 (Tropical Cyclone Hanna and COVID-19); IMAT-1 and LNO deployed to TX EOC
- NRCC remains activated to Level I (COVID-19)
- DEC: Denton MERS on stand-by

(\*As of 8:00 am EDT. Customer outage data is provided by the Department of Energy's EAGLE-I system. Comprehensive National coverage of all electrical service providers is not available.)

# Tropical Cyclone Hanna - Response



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# Hurricane Douglas – Preparations/Response



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## **Situation:**

On the forecast track, Douglas will pass dangerously close to the main Hawaiian Islands [later today](#). Some slow weakening is forecast during the next 48 hours but Douglas is still forecast to remain near hurricane intensity as it passes near [or over](#) the islands.

## **Lifelines**

### **Safety and Security**

- US&R NIMS Type 3 Task Force and White IST (Mission Ready Package) [staged in Kona](#); CA-TF7 Type 4 Task Force personnel [arrived in Oahu](#), [equipment cache is pending](#)

### **Food, Water, Shelter**

- Flights with food and water arrived for Maui and Hawaii counties; additional supplies to be transported by barge post-storm
- Grocers report no issues with inventory due to lower demand from lack of tourism
- ARC: 200 shelter workers are already on-island and additional shelter staff are being trained
- 5 shelters open with no occupants (*ARC Midnight Shelter Count as of 5:31 a.m. ET*)

### **Health and Medical**

- Requirement to test and quarantine federal responders is a concern as HI has a travel restriction with 14-day quarantine requirement even with negative test result; Region IX is working with HI EMA for an exemption for HHS personnel
- Approximately 300 individuals in isolation across the islands (tested positive for COVID-19)

### **Energy**

- FEMA pre-positioned generators on Maui (5) and Big Island of Hawaii (10); additional generators expected to arrive in Maui, the Big Island, and Kauai post-storm
- USACE conducting power assessment in Hawaii County

### **Communications**

- DEC: Bothell MERS personnel deployed to Honolulu

### **Transportation**

- All airports are open
- Majority of ports are closed to inbound and outbound traffic; Kauai County will close later today

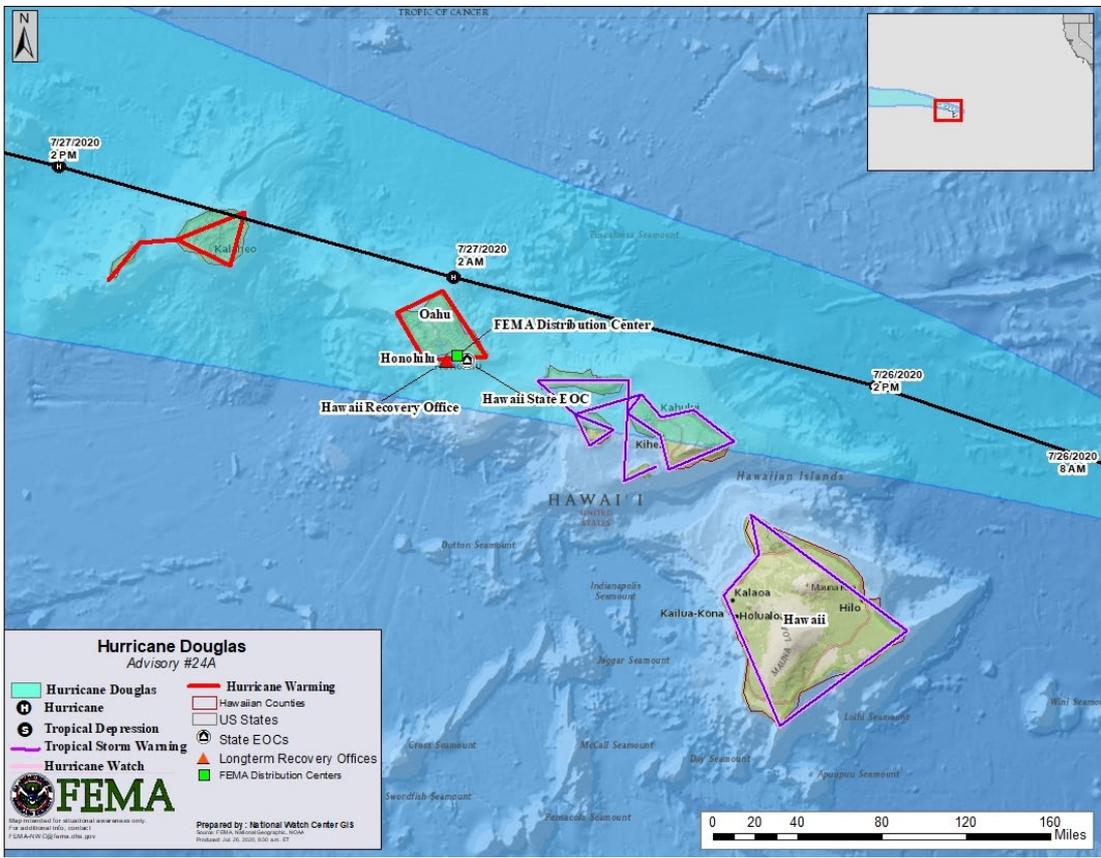
## **Response:**

- HI EOC at Partial Activation (COVID-19); Governor declared a State of Emergency
- Region IX RRCC is Rostered; IMAT-2 deployed to Oahu; LNOs deployed to [Maui and Hawaii counties](#)
- NRCC remains activated to Level I (COVID-19)
- National ISB team and select SMT Team personnel deployed to HI
- [Emergency Declaration FEMA-3529-EM-HI was approved on July 25](#)

# Hurricane Douglas – Response/Preparations



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# COVID-19 Update



**Situation:** Upward trajectory in COVID-19 case count continues across 10 states, with 26 states in a plateau status. 29,102 Federal employees deployed / activated; 2,219 FEMA employees deployed.

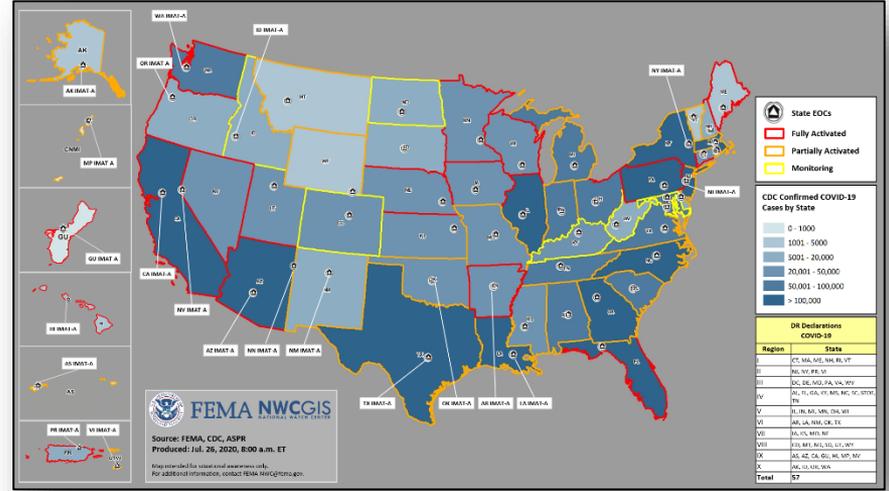
Nationwide Testing: 52,942,145 cumulative (as of July 24)

COVID-19 positive cases continue to increase globally (CDC COVID-19 Response Update as of July 25)

- Confirmed Cases of COVID-19
  - United States: 4,099,310 (+74,818)
  - Worldwide: 15,296,926
- Deaths caused by COVID-19
  - United States: 145,013 (+1,145)
  - Worldwide: 628,903

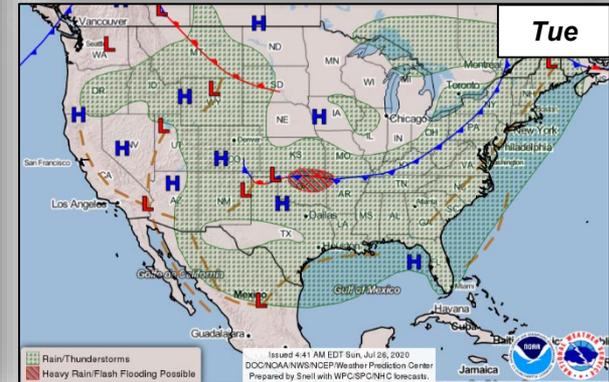
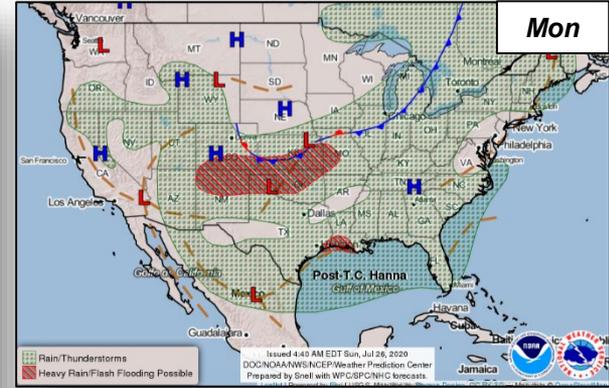
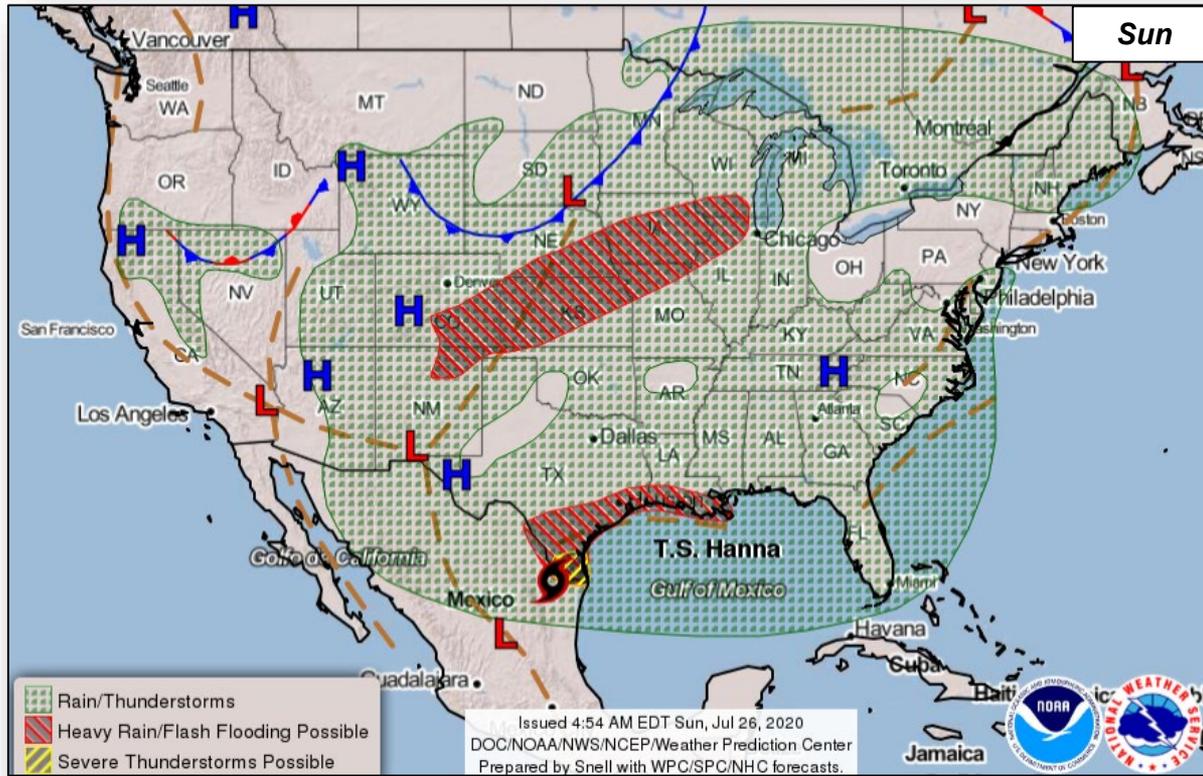
**Response:**

- NRCC at Level I
- Regions I, II, III, V, VI, & X RRCCs at Level III
- Regions IV, VII, VIII, & IX RRCCs are rostered
- Regions VII & IX COVID-19 response being worked from the Virtual JFO
- NWC, all RWCs, and MOCs are monitoring

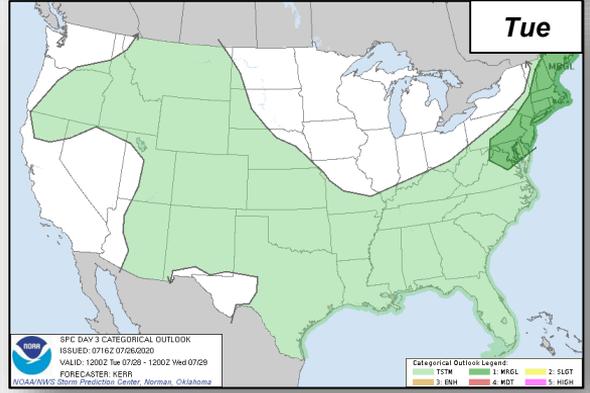
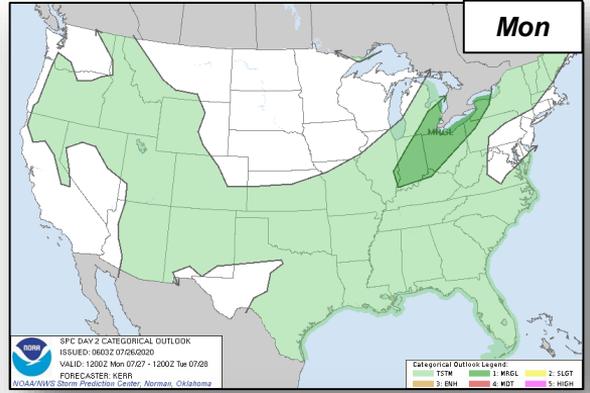
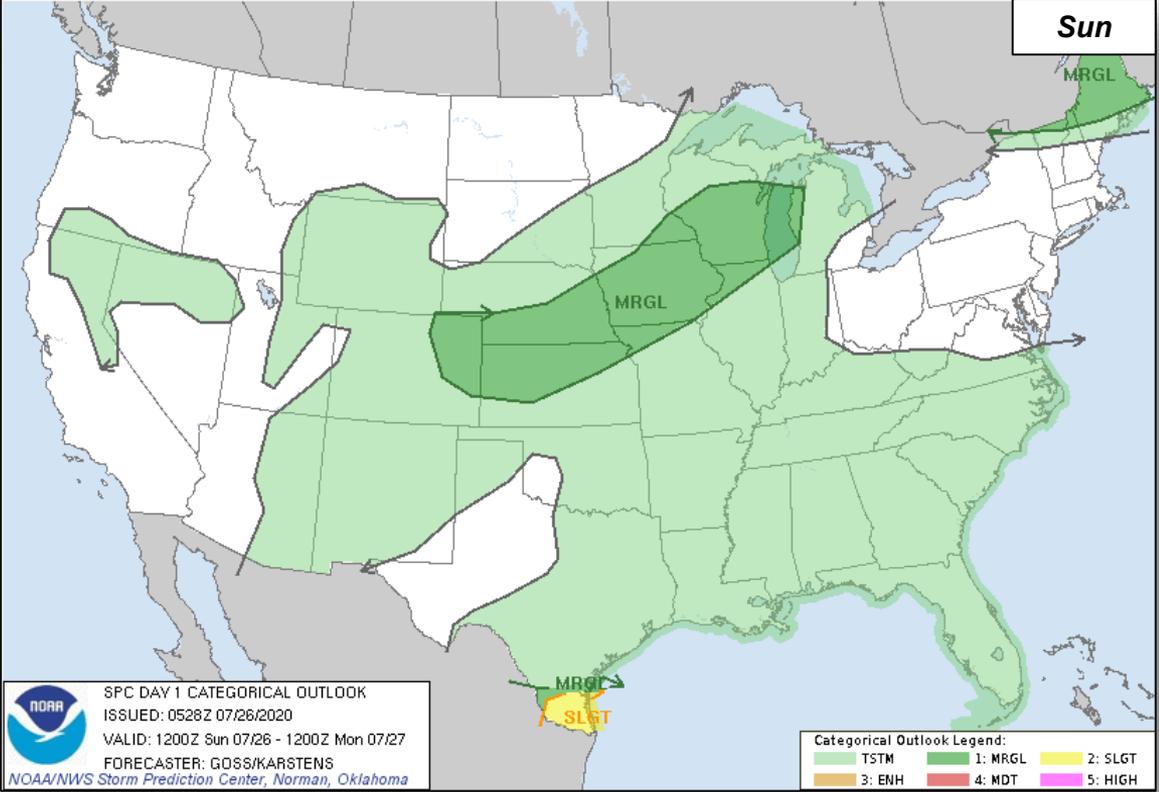


(COVID-19 SLB, July 25)

# National Weather Forecast



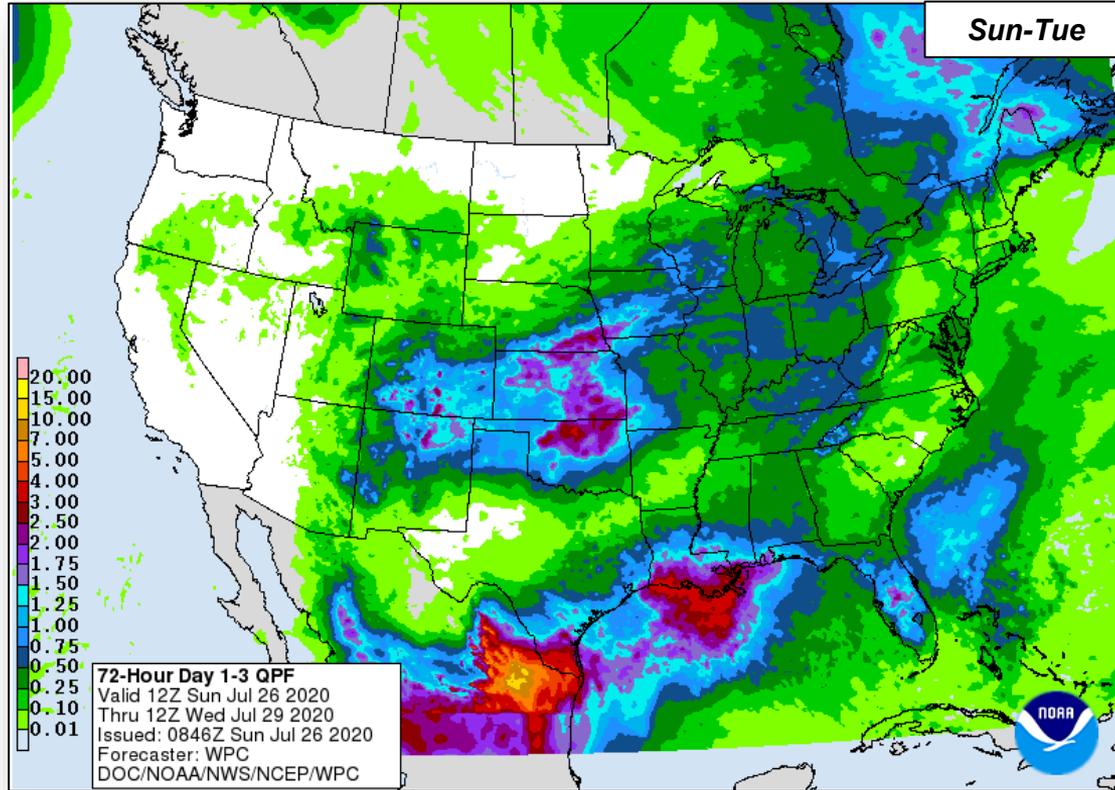
# Severe Weather Outlook



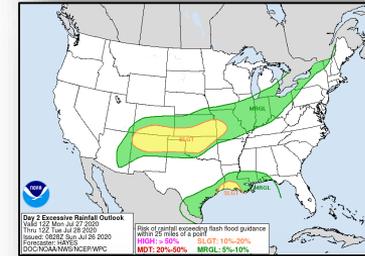
# Precipitation & Excessive Rainfall



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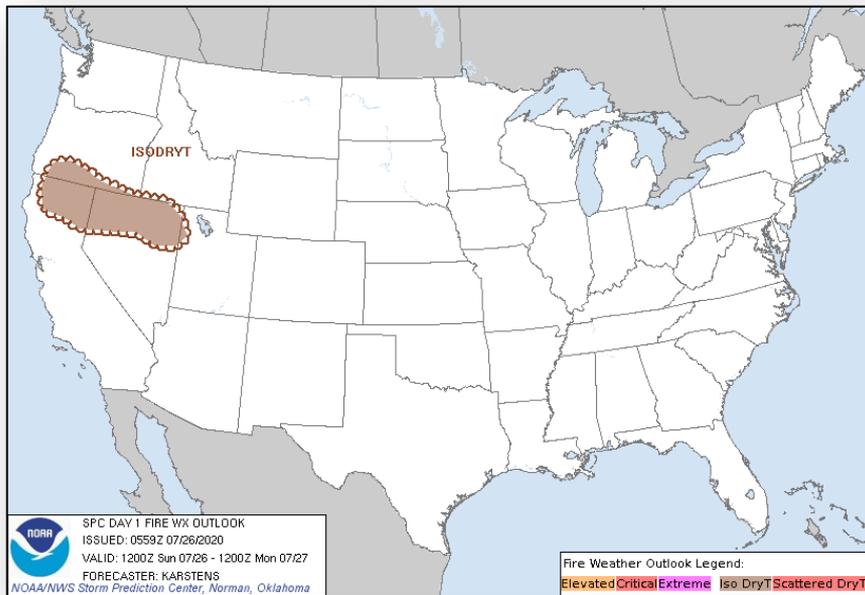


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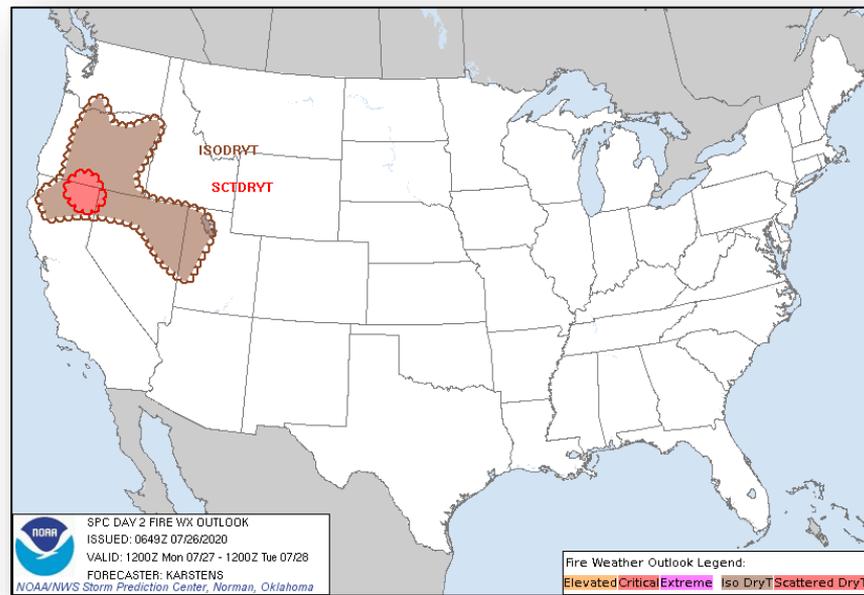


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# Fire Weather Outlook

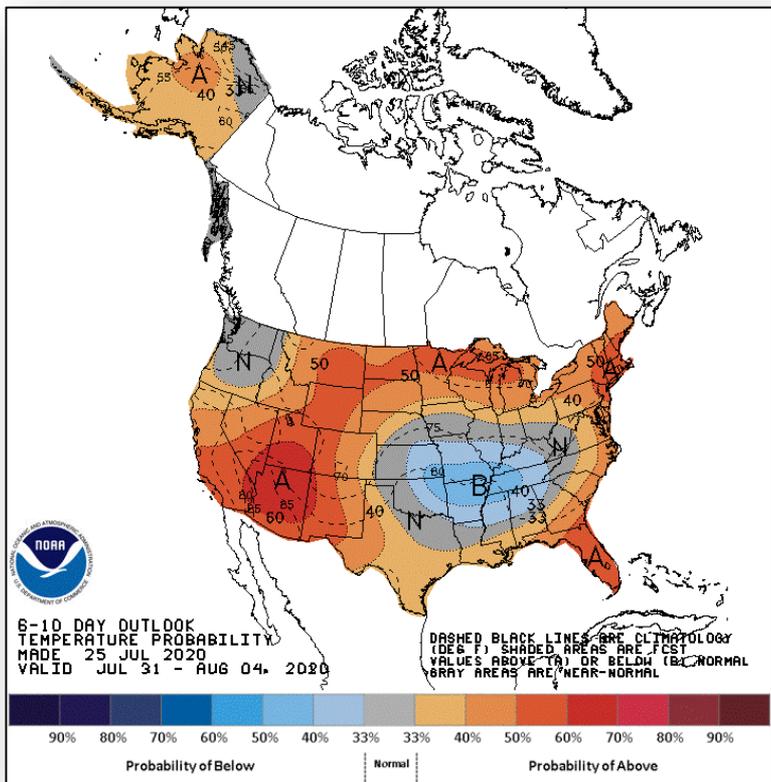


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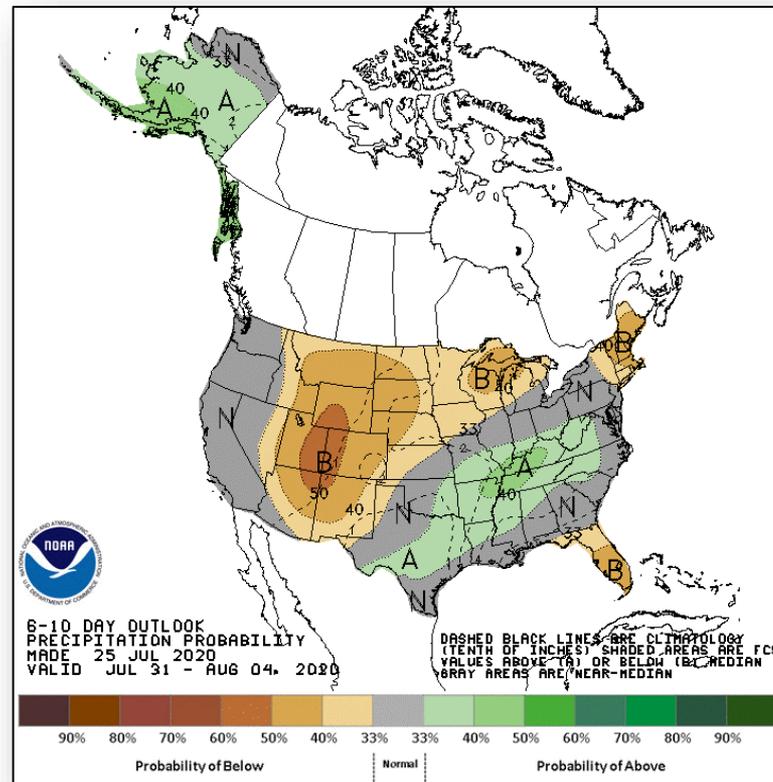


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# Long Range Outlooks – July 31-Aug 4



**6-10 Day Temperature Probability**



**6-10 Day Precipitation Probability**

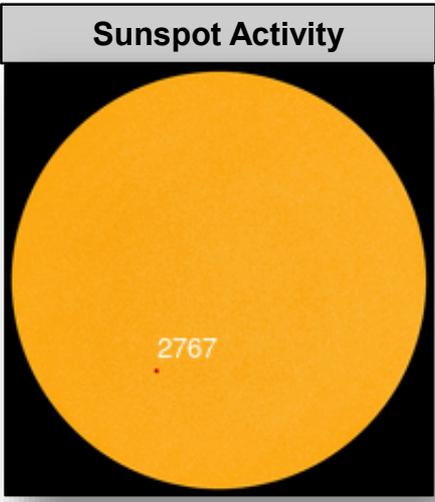
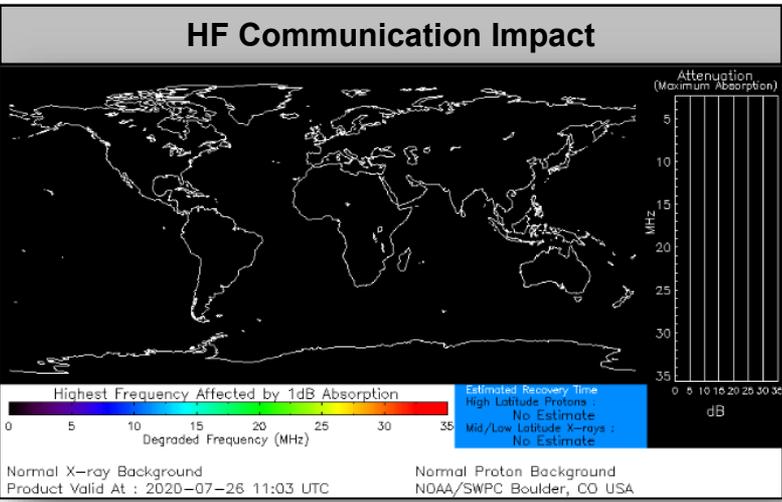
# Space Weather



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	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>



# Declaration Approved



**Declaration:** Emergency Declaration

FEMA-3529-EM-HI

**Requested:** July 24, 2020

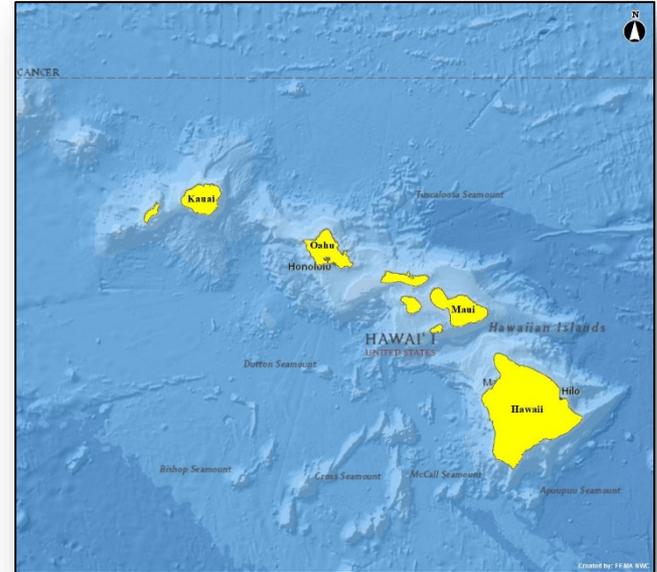
**Approved:** July 25, 2020

**Incident:** Hurricane Douglas

**Incident Period:** July 23, 2020 and continuing

## Provides:

- PA Only: Emergency protective measures (Category B), limited to direct Federal assistance and reimbursement for mass care including evacuation and shelter support at 75 percent federal funding for Hawaii, Kauai, and Maui counties, and the City and County of Honolulu
- FCO is Dolph A. Diemont



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# Declaration Request



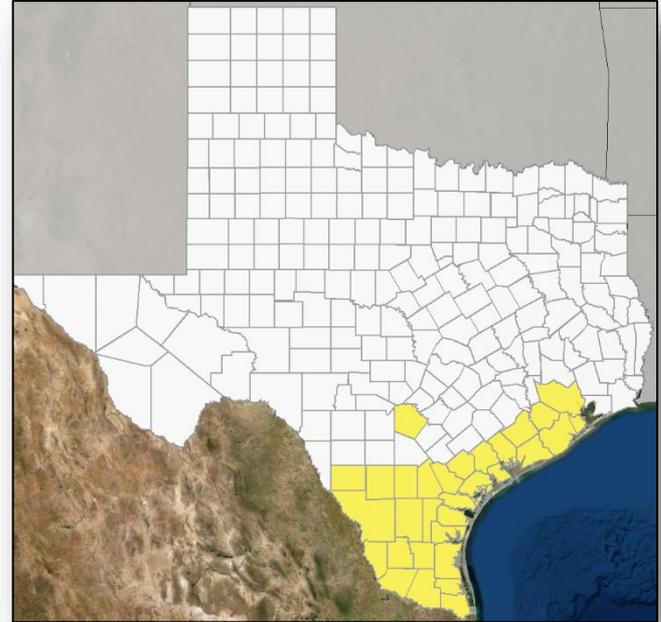
**Declaration:** Emergency Declaration – Texas  
**Requested:** July 25, 2020

**Incident:** Hurricane Hanna

**Incident Period:** July 25, 2020 and continuing

## Requests:

- **PA Only:** Emergency protective measures (Category B), including direct Federal assistance for 32 counties
- **Hazard Mitigation:** Statewide



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# Declaration Requests in Process – 4



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State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Type	IA	PA	HM	Requested
Poarch Band of Creek Indians – COVID-19 Pandemic	DR	X	X		May 15
MS – Tropical Storm Cristobal	DR		X	X	Jul 7
LA – Severe Storm and Tornadoes	DR		X	X	Jul 10
HI – Hurricane Douglas – <a href="#">APPROVED Jul 25</a>	EM		X		Jul 24
<a href="#">TX – Hurricane Hanna</a>	EM		X	X	Jul 25





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