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Daily Operations Briefing

Sunday, August 23, 2020

8:30 a.m. ET

National Current Operations and Monitoring



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Significant Incidents or Threats:

- Tropical Cyclones Laura and Marco – Preparations and Response
- Wildfire activity
- COVID-19

Tropical Activity:

- Atlantic:
 - Tropical Cyclone Laura
 - Tropical Cyclone Marco
- Eastern Pacific:
 - Disturbance 1: High (80%)
 - Disturbance 2: High (70%)
- Central Pacific:
 - Disturbance 1: Low (10%)
- Western Pacific: No activity affecting U.S. interests

Declaration Activity:

- Approved: Major Disaster – California
- Approved: Emergency Declaration – Puerto Rico
- Approved: FMAG – Sheep Fire, CA
- Request: Emergency Declaration – Louisiana

Tropical Outlook – Atlantic



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

- 40 miles NNE of Port au Prince, Haiti
- Moving WNW at 18 mph
- Maximum sustained winds 45 mph
- Strengthening is forecast once Laura moves into the Gulf of Mexico Monday night and Tuesday
- On the forecast track the center will move across Hispaniola today, be near or over Cuba tonight and Monday, and over the southeastern Gulf of Mexico Monday
- Tropical storm force winds extend 140 miles

Watches and Warnings

- Tropical Storm Watch for the Florida Keys from Ocean Reef to Key West and the Dry Tortugas; Florida Bay
- Rainfall amounts of 1-3 inches is expected across the Florida Keys



Tropical Outlook – Atlantic



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Tropical Storm Marco (Advisory #12a as of 8:00 a.m. ET)

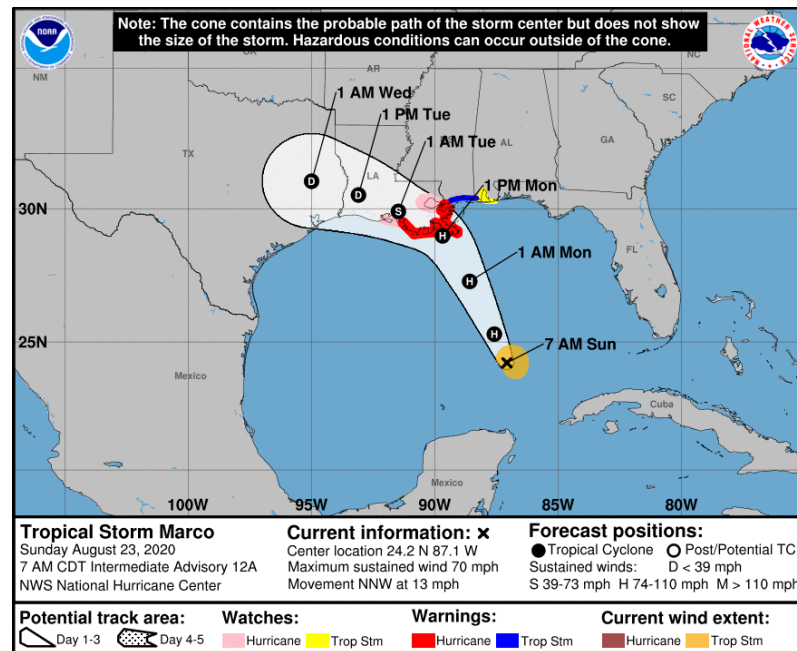
- 210 miles NW of the western tip of Cuba
- Moving NNW at 13 mph
- Maximum sustained winds 70 mph
- Tropical storm force winds extend 70 miles
- Forecast to continue moving NNW across the central Gulf of Mexico today and will approach southeastern LA on Monday. A gradual turn toward the W with a decrease in forward speed is expected after Marco moves inland on Monday and Tuesday.
- Some strengthening is anticipated, and Marco is expected to become a hurricane today and remain a hurricane when it approaches the northern Gulf coast on Monday. Rapid weakening is forecast after Marco moves inland.

Watches and Warnings

- Storm Surge Warning from Morgan City, LA to Ocean Springs, MS and Lake Borgne
- Storm Surge Watch for Sabine Pass to Morgan City, LA; Ocean Springs to AL/FL border; Lake Pontchartrain, Lake Maurepas, and Mobile Bay
- Hurricane Warning for Morgan City, LA to mouth of the Pearl River
- Hurricane Watch for Intracoastal City, LA to west of Morgan City; Lake Pontchartrain, Lake Maurepas, and metropolitan New Orleans
- Tropical Storm Warning for mouth of Pearl River to the MS/AL border; Lake Pontchartrain, Lake Maurepas, and metropolitan New Orleans
- Tropical Storm Watch for MS/AL border to AL/FL border

Hazard Affecting Land

- Storm surge: Sabine Pass to Morgan City, LA: 2-4 feet; Morgan City, LA to Ocean Springs, MS including Lake Borgne: 4-6 feet; Ocean Springs, MS to the AL/FL border including Mobile Bay: 2-4 feet; Lake Pontchartrain and Lake Maurepas: 2-4 feet
- Rainfall: Central U.S. Gulf Coast: 2-4 inches with isolated maximum amounts of 6 inches; may cause flash and urban flooding



Tropical Outlook – Eastern Pacific



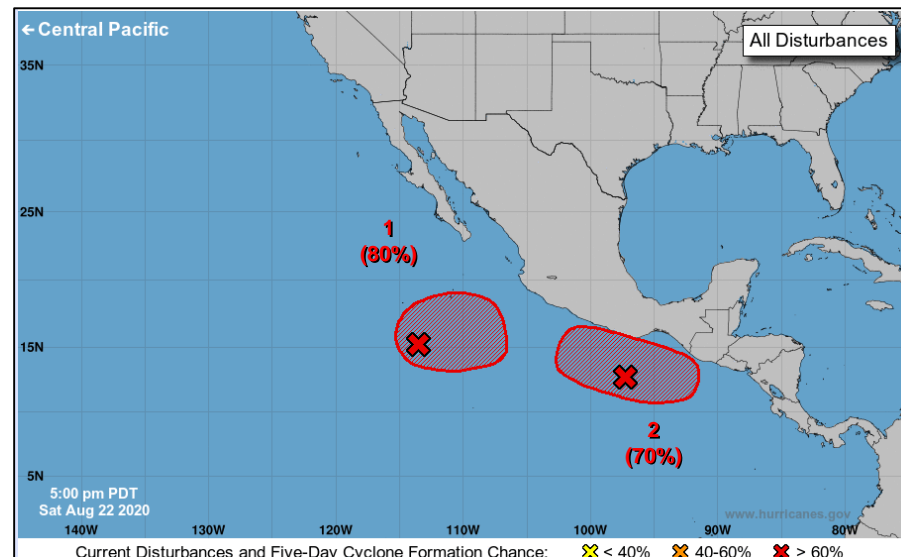
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Disturbance 1 (as of 2:00 a.m. ET)

- Several hundred miles SSW of the southern tip of the Baja California peninsula, Mexico
- A tropical depression is likely to form during the early to middle part of next week
- Formation chance through 48 hours: Medium (50%)
- Formation chance through 5 days: High (80%)

Disturbance 2 (as of 2:00 a.m. ET)

- Likely to form south of the Gulf of Tehuantepec during the next day or two
- Moving slowly NW or N
- A tropical depression is likely to form by the middle of next week
- Formation chance through 48 hours: Low (20%)
- Formation chance through 5 days: High (70%)



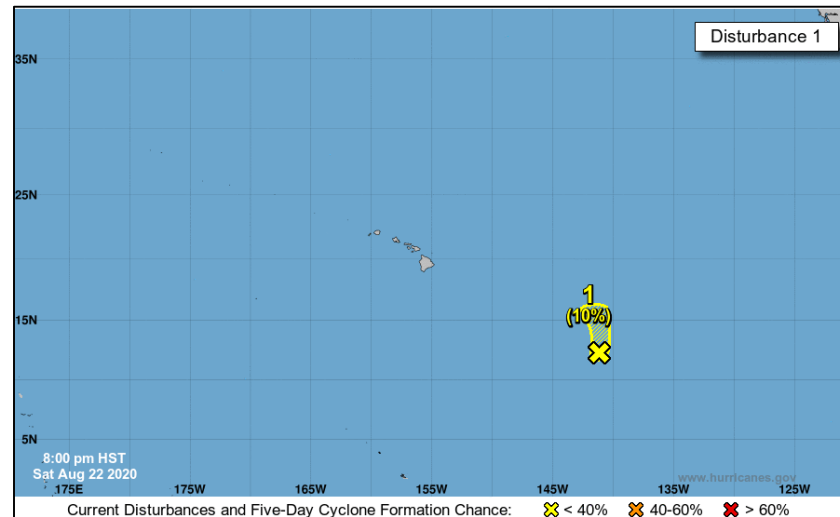
Tropical Outlook – Central Pacific



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Disturbance 1 *(as of 2:00 a.m. ET)*

- The remnant low of Tropical Depression Ten-E, located 1,050 miles SE of Hilo, HI
- Moving slowly N
- Conditions expected to become increasingly unfavorable for development during the next couple of days
- Formation chance through 48 hours: Low (10%)
- Formation chance through 5 days: Low (10%)



Tropical Cyclones Laura and Marco – Preparations/Response



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Situation:

Tropical Cyclones Laura and Marco threaten U.S. interests in the Caribbean and Gulf Coast.

Lifeline Impacts

Safety and Security

- USVI distributed sandbags to locations on St. Thomas, St. Croix and St. Johns

Food, Water, Shelter

- Shelters: 22 open with 61 occupants
- PR: 13.7k (1.12%) customers without water service

Energy

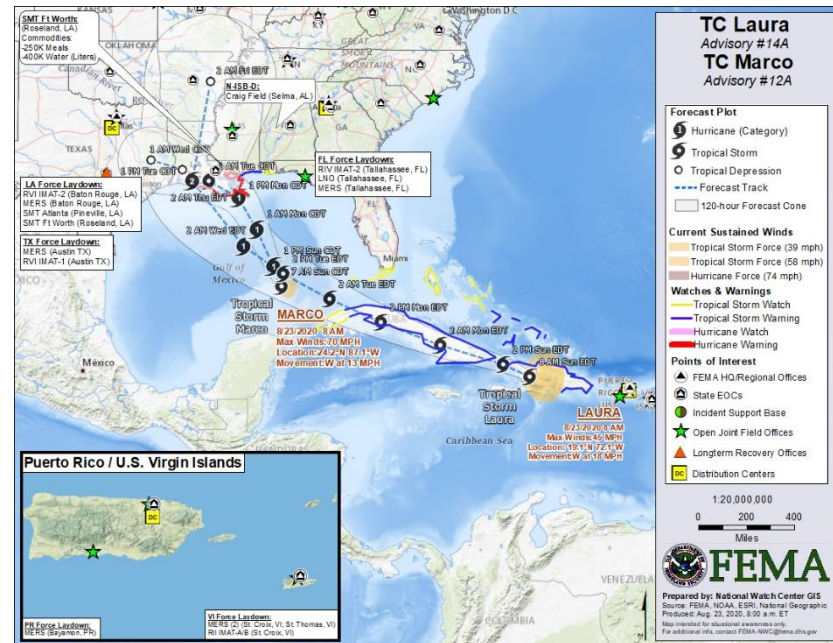
- PR: 32.k (2.2%) customers without power
- USVI: 4,763 customers without power (Region II DSAR)

Transportation

- PR and USVI ports at ZULU (closed)

State/Local Preparations/Response:

- PR EOC at Full Activation
 - PR Governor requested an Emergency Declaration on Aug 21 (approved Aug 22)
- USVI EOC at Full Activation (COVID-19 and tropical storms)
- FL EOC at Full Activation (COVID-19 and tropical storms)
 - Governor requested an Emergency Declaration on Aug 21
- LA EOC at Partial Activation (COVID-19)
 - Governor declared a state of emergency
 - Governor requested an Emergency Declaration on August 22



Tropical Cyclones Laura and Marco – Preparations/Response



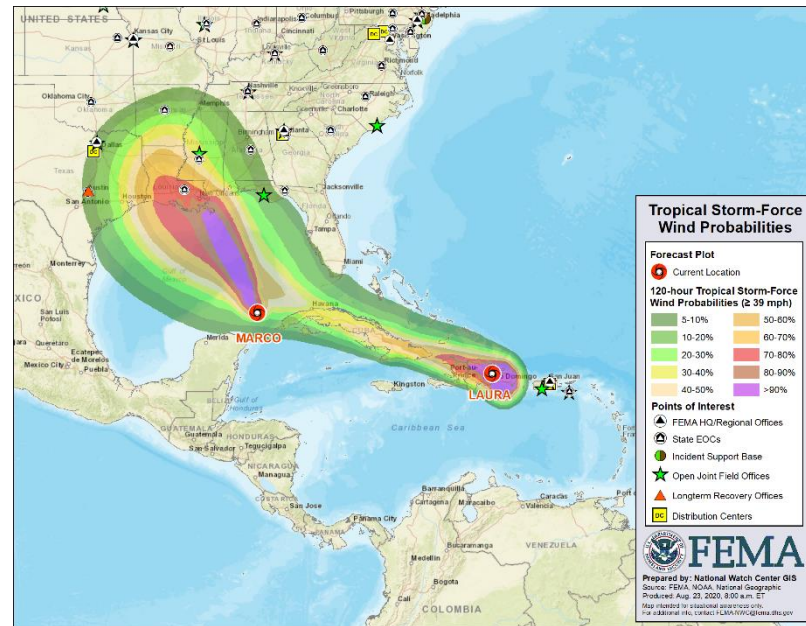
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Federal Preparations/Response:

- Region II RRCC at Level II (Full Activation) with select ESFs
 - IMAT deployed to USVI
 - LNO on standby to support USVI/PR
 - Region X DCE available to deploy to USVI if needed
 - DCE deployed virtually to PR
- Region IV RWC is rostering an Enhanced Watch for activation if necessary
 - Region IV RRCC will go to Level III at 8:00 a.m. ET, Aug. 24-27 (RNC)
 - IMAT-2 and LNO deployed to Tallahassee, FL
- Region VI RRCC at Level II
 - IMAT-1 deployed to Austin, TX
 - IMAT-2 deployed to Baton Rouge, LA

FEMA HQ:

- [NWC at Enhanced Watch \(day shift only\)](#)
- NRCC will go to Level I, 24/7 on Aug. 24
- Logistics HQ: Staging Management Team (SMT) Atlanta [deploying to Camp Beauregard, LA](#) and [National ISB team deploying to Craig Field, AL](#). SMT Fort Worth deployed to Roseland, LA.
- MERS deployed to USVI (x2), FL, PR LA, TX
- IA and PA cadres on alert
- US&R Equipment Cache pre-positioned in PR
- [Emergency Declaration FEMA-3537-EM-PR approved for Puerto Rico on August 22](#)



COVID-19 Update



Situation: Upward trajectory in COVID-19 case count continues across 3 states, with 10 states in a plateau status, and 43 states on a downward trajectory.
23,110 Federal employees deployed / activated; 1,946 FEMA employees deployed.

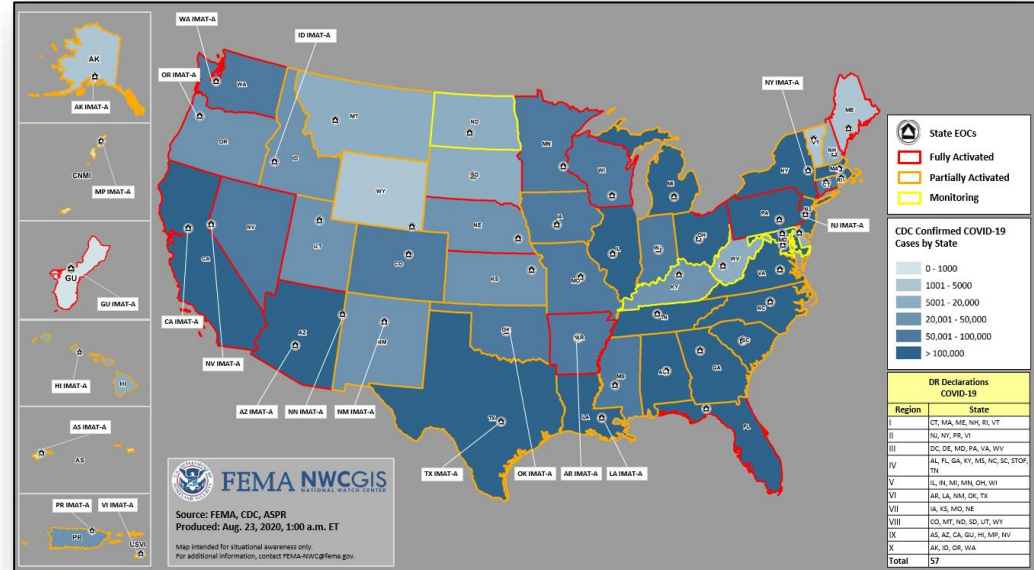
Nationwide Testing: 75,653,239 cumulative as of Aug 21

COVID-19 positive cases continue to increase globally
(CDC COVID-19 update as of Aug 22)

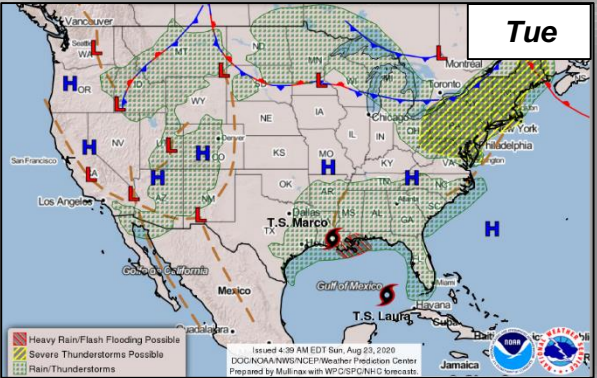
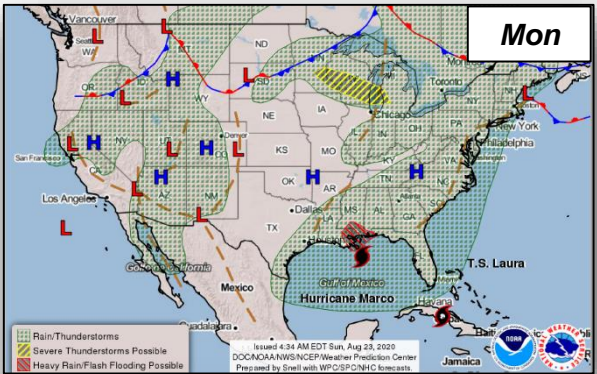
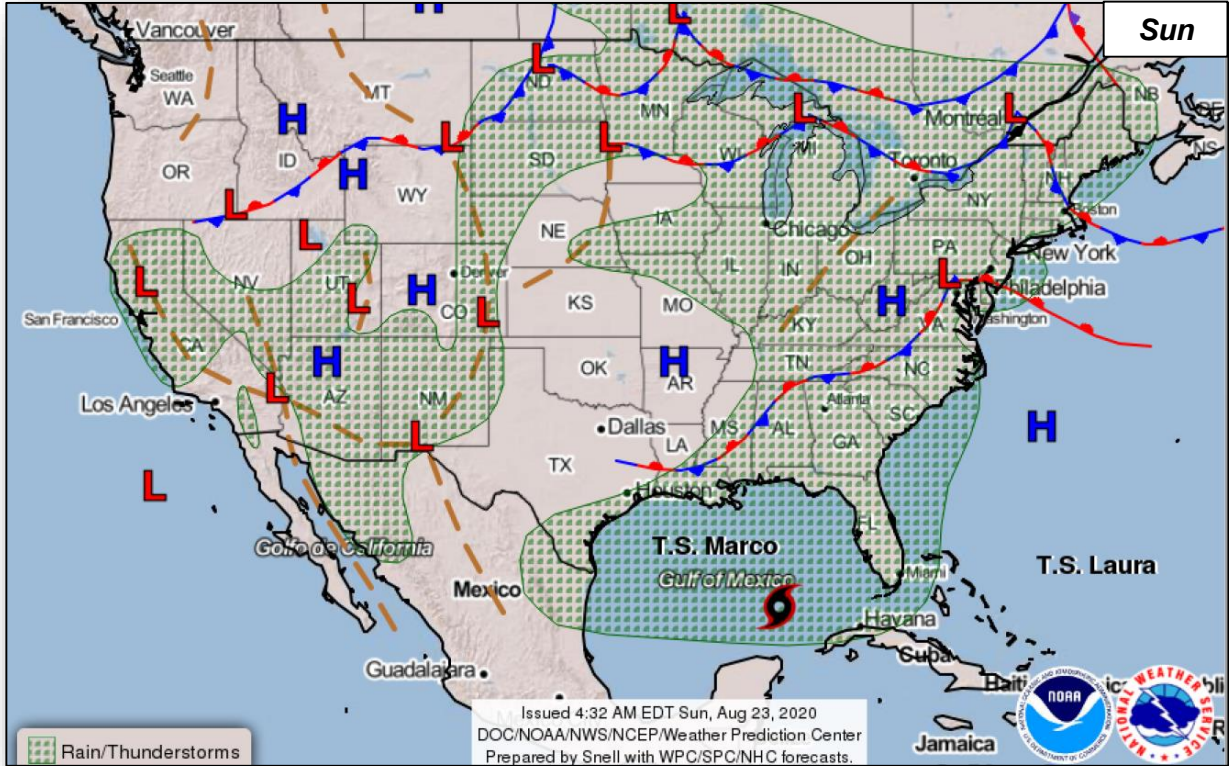
- Confirmed Cases of COVID-19
 - United States: 5,598,547 (+46,754)
 - Worldwide: 22,536,992 (+44,680)
- Deaths caused by COVID-19
 - United States: 174,645 (+1,155)
 - Worldwide: 789,206 (+703)

Response:

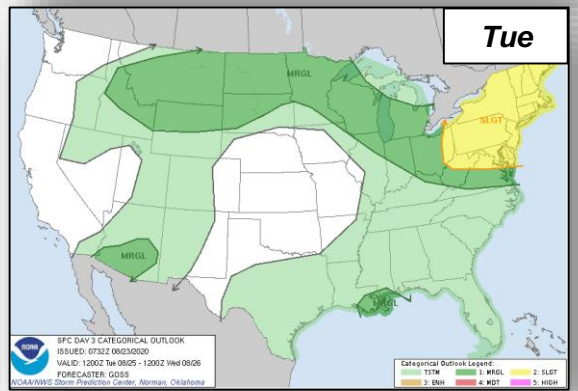
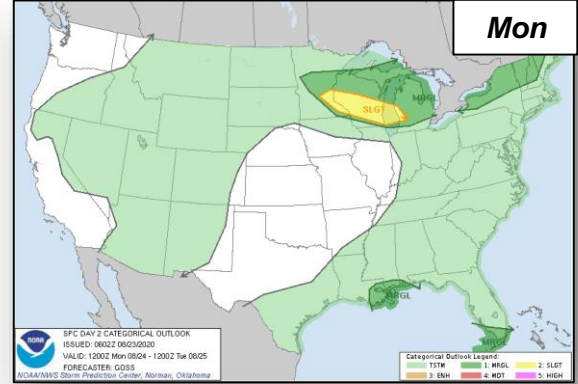
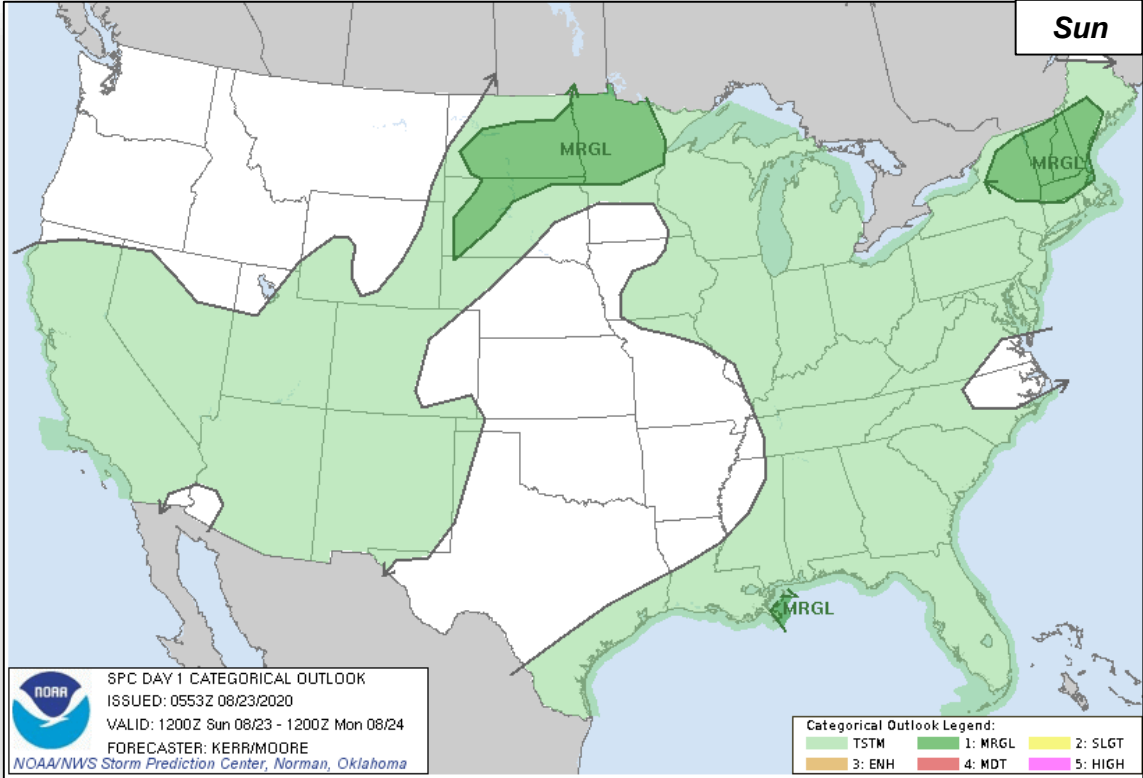
- NRCC at Level I
- Region II RRCC at Level II
- Regions I, III, V, VI, & X RRCCs at Level III
- Regions IV, VII, VIII, & IX RRCCs are rostered
- Regions VII, VIII & IX COVID-19 response being worked from the Virtual JFO
- NWC, all RWCs, and MOCs are monitoring



National Weather Forecast



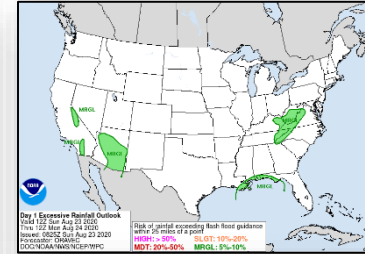
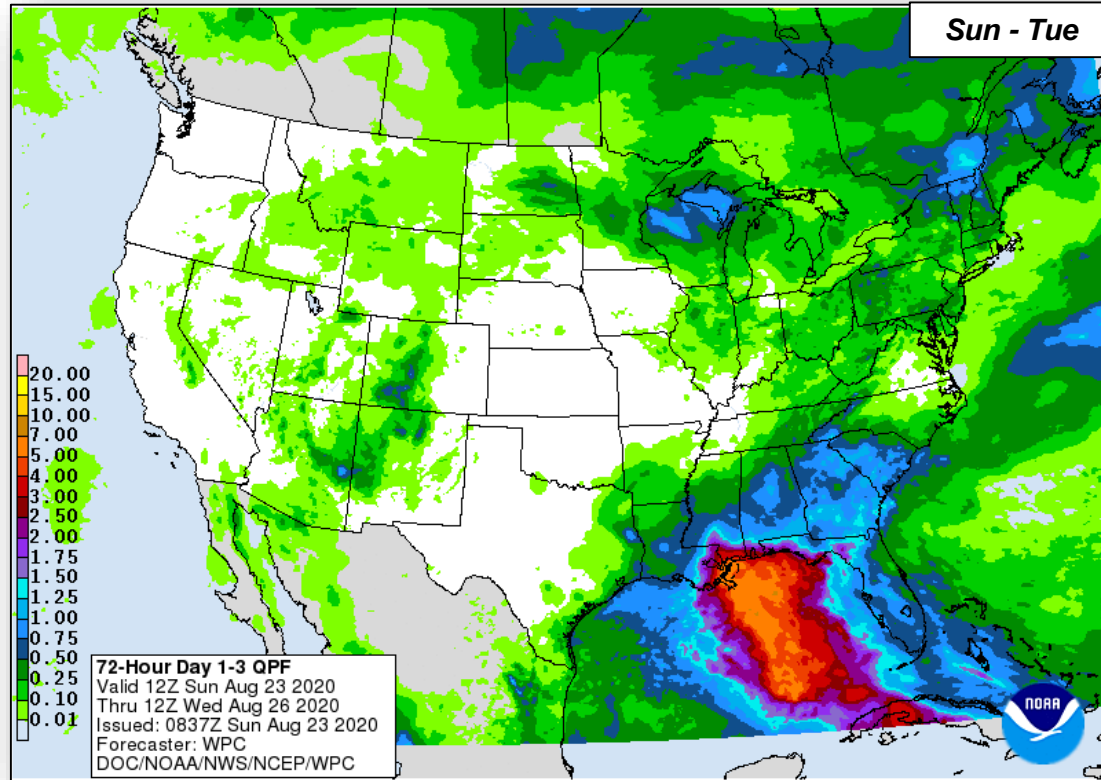
Severe Weather Outlook



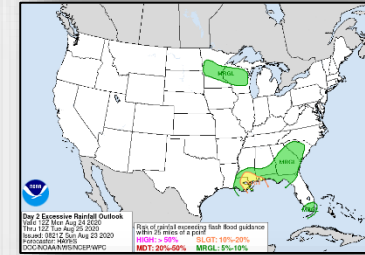
Precipitation & Excessive Rainfall



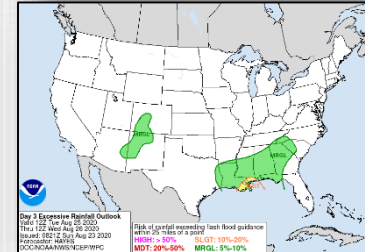
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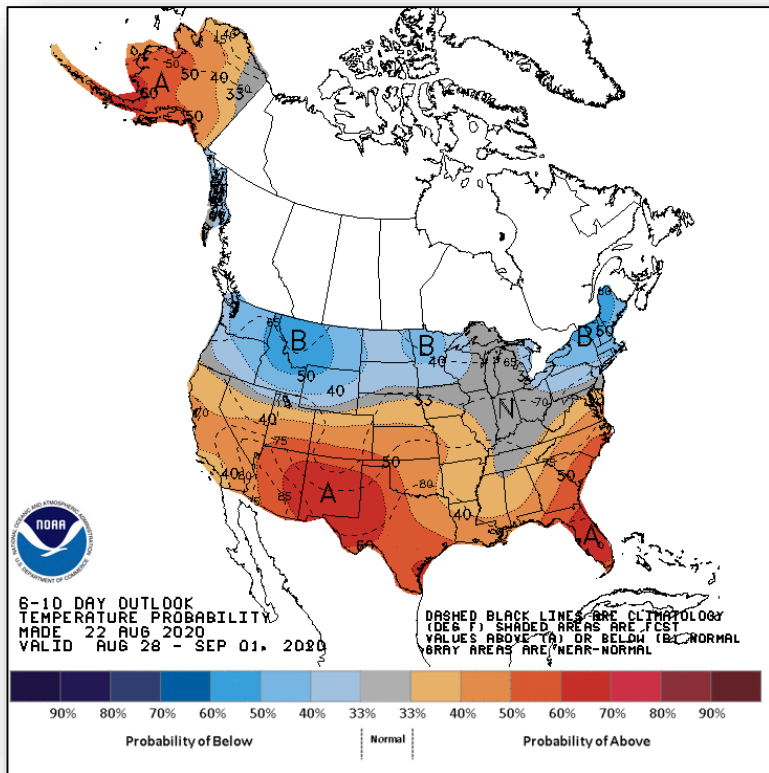


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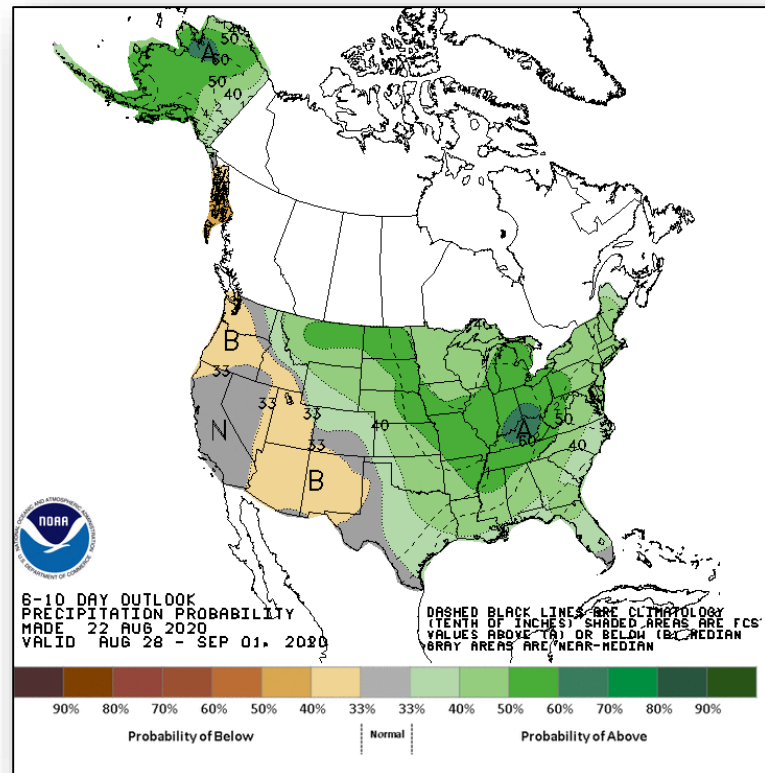
Long Range Outlooks – Aug 28- Sep 01



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6-10 Day Temperature Probability

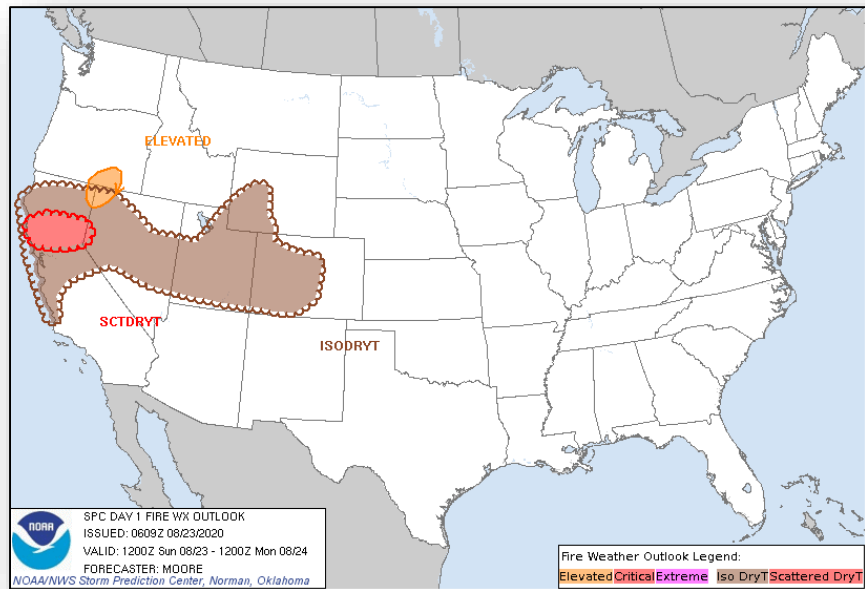


6-10 Day Precipitation Probability

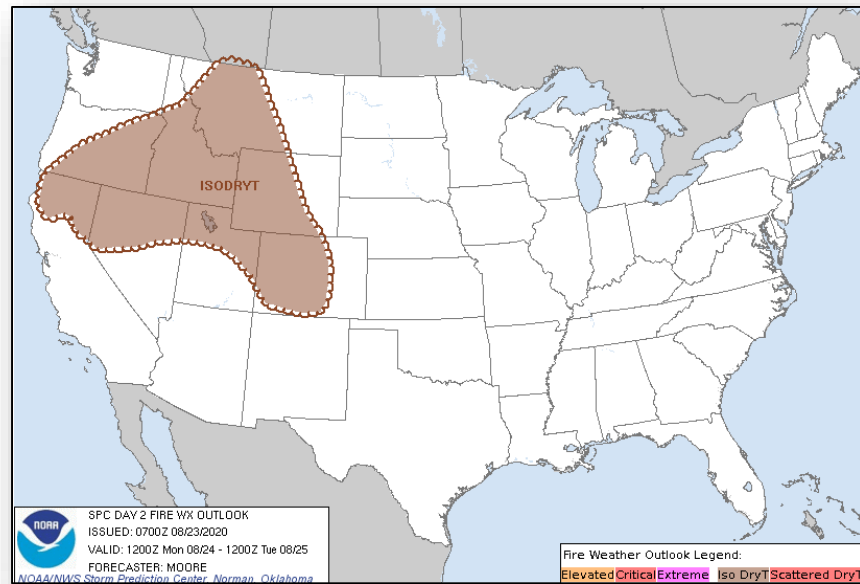
Fire Weather Outlook



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Today



Tomorrow

Sheep Fire – CA



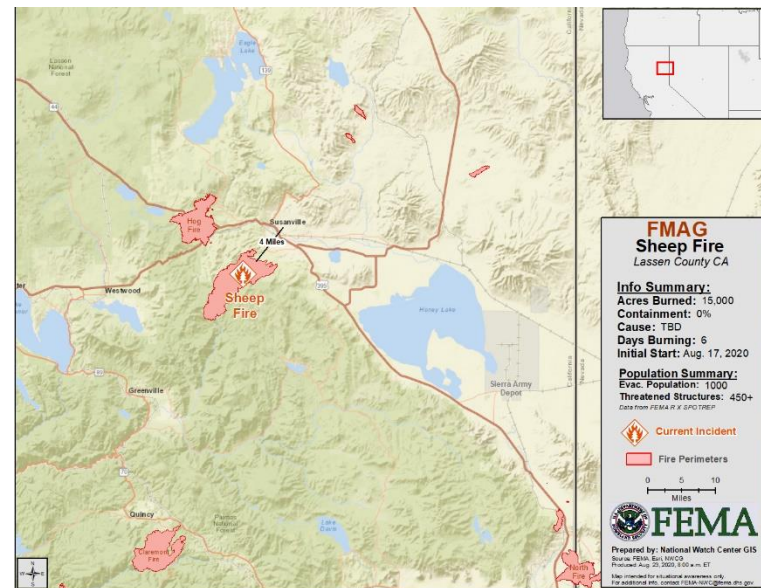
Fire Name (County, ST)	FMAG #	Acres Burned	Percent Contained	Evacuations	Structures (Homes / Other)			Fatalities / Injuries
					Threatened	Damaged	Destroyed	
Sheep Fire (Lassen County, CA)	XXXX-FM-CA	15,000	0%	M: 11,000 V: 0	H: 450 O: 0	H: 0 O: 0	H: 4 O: 0	0 / 0

Current Situation:

- Fire began August 17 and is burning on federal, state and private land
- 15,000 acres burned; 0% contained
- 450 homes in and around Susanville (pop 17,974) and Jamesville (pop 1,408) threatened
- Also threatening two schools, two power generation stations along with substations and associated transmission lines, and a watershed
- 4 homes destroyed
- Mandatory evacuations for 1,000 people
- Evacuation center established at Quincy High School
- No fatalities or injuries

Response:

- CA EOC at Full Activation (Wildfires and COVID-19)
- Region IX RWC and NWC continue to monitor
- FMAG approved August 22, 2020



Wildfire Summary



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Fire Name (County, ST)	FMAG #	Acres Burned	Percent Contained	Evacuations	Structures (Homes / Other)			Fatalities / Injuries
					Threatened	Damaged	Destroyed	
River Fire (Monterey County, CA)	5329-FM-CA	47,773 (+5,190)	15% (+3)	M: 20,917	H: 6,305	H: 7 (+1)	H: 8	0 / 0
				V: 0	O: 0	O: 1 (+1)	O: 11 (+7)	
LNU Lightning Fire Complex (Napa County, CA)	5331-FM-CA	325,138 (+22,740)	15%	M: 79,740 (+5,032)	H: 30,000	H: 211 (+106)	H: 716 (+241)	4 / 4
				V: 0	O: 500	O: 20	O: 129 (+124)	
Jones Fire (Nevada County, CA) FINAL	5332-FM-CA	705	50% (+20%)	M: Lifted	H: 0	H: 3 (+3)	H: 15 (+9)	0 / 0
				V: 0	O: 0	O: 0	O: 6 (-9)	
Carmel Fire (Monterey County, CA)	5333-FM-CA	6,695 (+1,626)	7% (+2)	M: 43,761 (+31,236)	H: 37,261 (+33,499)	H: 5 (+1)	H: 33 (+10)	0 / 0
				V: 0	O: 0	O: 2 (+1)	O: 14 (+7)	
Grizzly Creek Fire (Garfield & Eagle counties, CO)	5334-FM-CO	30,362 (+434)	30% (+8)	M: 231	H: 11,537	H: 0	H: 0	0 / 8 (+1)
				V: 0	O: 1,053	O: 0	O: 3	
Pine Gulch Fire (Garfield & Mesa counties, CO)	5335-FM-CO	126,613 (+1,422)	19%	M: 27	H: 50	H: 0	H: 1 (+1)	0 / 1 (+1)
				V: 0	O: 5	O: 0	O: 4 (+3)	

(Evacuations: M = Mandatory / V = Voluntary
Structures: H = Homes and Mixed Commercial/Residential / O = Non-residential Commercial/Other Minor Structures)

Wildfire Summary Continued



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Fire Name (County, ST)	FMAG #	Acres Burned	Percent Contained	Evacuations	Structures (Homes / Other)			Fatalities / Injuries
					Threatened	Damaged	Destroyed	
CZU Lightning Fire Complex (Santa Cruz and San Mateo counties, CA)	5336-FM-CA	67,000 (+10,000)	5% (+3)	M: 77,832	H: 24,323	H: 0	H: 115 (+18)	0 / 1 (-1)
				V: 0	O: 0	O: 0	O: 0	
Palmer Fire (Okanogan County, WA)	5337-FM-WA	13,500	19% (+8)	M: 153 homes	H: 300 (+100)	H:	H: 2	0 / 0
				V: 202 homes	O: 0	O:	O: 35	
SCU Lightning Fire Complex (Santa Clara and Stanislaus counties, CA)	5338-FM-CA	339,968 (+65,000)	10%	M: 6,305	H: 20,065	H: 0	H: 5	0 / 4 (+2)
				V: 0	O: 0	O: 0	O: 5	

(Evacuations: M = Mandatory / V = Voluntary
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Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments



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Region	State / Location	Event	IA/PA	Number of Counties		Start – End
				Requested	Complete	
I	CT	Tropical Storm Isaias Aug 4, 2020	IA	8	0	TBD
			PA	8	0	TBD
III	DE	Tropical Storm Isaias Aug 4-5, 2020	IA	2	0	8/20 - TBD
			PA	3	0	8/20 - TBD
III	MD	Tropical Storm Isaias Aug 4-5, 2020	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	5	0	8/21 – TBD
IV	NC	Hurricane Isaias Aug 3, 2020	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	14	0	8/18 – TBD
VI	TX	Hurricane Hanna Jul 25, 2020 and continuing	IA	6	6	7/29 – 8/20
			PA	6	0	7/29 – TBD
VII	IA	Derecho Aug 10, 2020 and continuing	IA	27	0	8/15 – TBD
			PA	16	0	8/15 – TBD

Declaration Approved



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Declaration: Major Disaster
FEMA-4558-DR-CA for California

Requested: August 20, 2020

Approved: August 22, 2020

Incident: Wildfires

Incident Period: August 14, 2020 and continuing

Provides:

- **IA:** 7 counties
- **PA:** Emergency protective measures (Category B), including direct federal assistance at 75 percent federal funding for 7 counties
- **Hazard Mitigation:** Statewide

FCO: Willie G. Nunn



■ IA & PA

Declaration Approved



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Declaration: Emergency Declaration FEMA-3537-EM-PR for Puerto Rico

Requested: August 21, 2020

Approved: August 22, 2020

Incident: Tropical Storm Laura

Incident Period: August 21, 2020 and continuing

Provides:

- **PA:** 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 all 78 municipalities

FCO: Alexis Amparo



■ PA

Declaration Request



Declaration: Emergency Declaration – Louisiana
Requested: Aug 22, 2020

Incident: Tropical Storm Marco

Incident Period: August 22, 2020 and continuing

Requesting:

- **PA:** Emergency protective measures (Category B), including direct Federal assistance for 35 parishes



Declaration Requests in Process – 6



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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
LA – Severe Storm and Tornadoes	DR		X	X	Jul 10
Sac & Fox Tribe of the Mississippi of Iowa – Severe Weather	DR	X	X	X	Aug 14
CA – Wildfires APPROVED August 22	DR	X	X	X	Aug 20
Puerto Rico – Tropical Storm Isaias	DR	X			Aug 21
Puerto Rico – Tropical Storm Laura APPROVED August 22	EM		X		Aug 21
Florida – Tropical Storm Laura	EM		X		Aug 21
Louisiana - Tropical Storm Marco	EM		X		Aug 22

FEMA Common Operating Picture



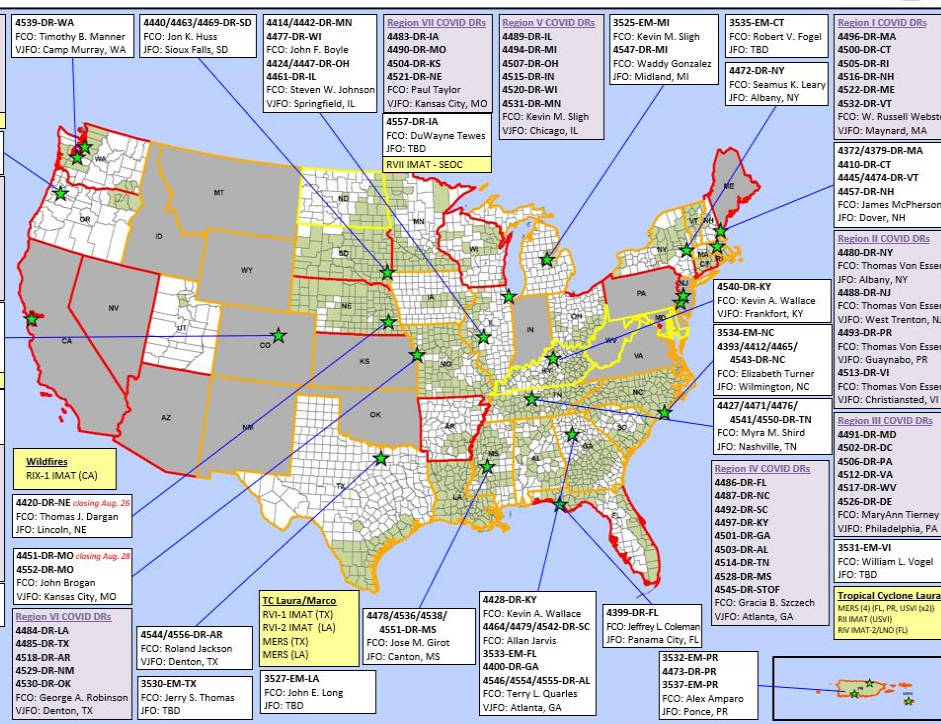
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NWC	NRCC
Enhanced	Level I

FEMA REGIONS		
WATCH		RRCC
Monitoring	I	Level III
Monitoring	II	Level II
Monitoring	III	Level III
Monitoring	IV	Rostered
Monitoring	V	Level III
Monitoring	VI	Level II
Alt. Location	VII	Rostered
Monitoring	VIII	Rostered
Monitoring	IX	Rostered
Monitoring	X	Level III

Notes:	
NRCC / RRCCs activated for COVID-19 Region II: TC Laura Region VI: TC Marco NWC: (TC Laura & Marco Aug 23) (DNC Aug 17 - 20); (RNC Aug 24-27) NRCC: Level I, 24/7 (TC Laura & Marco Aug 24)	CT: Isaias PR: Earthquakes USVI: TC Laura MS: Flooding CA: Wildfires/Civil Unrest All EOCs activated for COVID-19

<p>Major Disasters (DR): 110 Emergency Disasters (EM): 104 JFOs: 10 / VJOs: 16 Staging Area Distribution Center (DC) Declared county (non-COVID-19 declarations) Fully Activated Partially Activated Monitoring</p> <p>As of 8:00 a.m. ET August 23, 2020 Created by FEMA NWC</p>	<p>Region X COVID DRs 4481-DR-WA 4499-DR-OR 4533-DR-AK 4534-DR-ID FCO: Michael F. O'Hare VJO: Bothell, WA</p> <p>RX IMAT 4519-DR-OR FCO: Dolph A. Diemont VJO: Salem, OR</p> <p>Region VIII COVID DRs 4498-DR-CO 4508-DR-MT 4509-DR-ND 4525-DR-UT 4527-DR-SD 4535-DR-WY FCO: Lee K. dePalo VJO: Denver, CO</p> <p>4549-DR-UT FCO: Kenneth G. Clark 4553-DR-ND FCO: Nancy Casper VJO: Denver, CO</p> <p>RVIII IMAT 4558-DR-CA FCO: Willie G. Nunn JFO: TBD</p> <p>Region IX COVID DRs 4482-DR-CA 4495-DR-GU 4510-DR-HI 4511-DR-MP 4523-DR-NV 4524-DR-AZ 4537-DR-AS FCO: Robert J. Fenton VJO: Oakland, CA</p> <p>4549-DR-HI FCO: Colby Stanton JFO: TBD</p>	<p>4539-DR-WA FCO: Timothy B. Manner VJO: Camp Murray, WA</p> <p>4440/4463/4469-DR-SD FCO: Jon K. Huss JFO: Sioux Falls, SD</p> <p>4414/4442-DR-MN 4477-DR-WI FCO: John F. Boyle 4424/4447-DR-OH 4461-DR-IL FCO: Steven W. Johnson VJO: Springfield, IL</p> <p>Region VII COVID DRs 4483-DR-IA 4490-DR-MO 4504-DR-KS 4521-DR-NE 4520-DR-WI FCO: Paul Taylor VJO: Kansas City, MO</p> <p>4557-DR-IA FCO: DuWayne Tewes JFO: TBD</p> <p>RVII IMAT - SEOC</p> <p>Region V COVID DRs 4489-DR-IL 4494-DR-MI 4507-DR-OH 4515-DR-IN 4520-DR-WI 4531-DR-MN FCO: Kevin M. Sligh VJO: Chicago, IL</p> <p>3525-EM-MI FCO: Kevin M. Sligh 4547-DR-MI FCO: Waddy Gonzalez JFO: Midland, MI</p> <p>3535-EM-CT FCO: Robert V. Fogel JFO: TBD</p> <p>4472-DR-NY FCO: Seamus K. Leary JFO: Albany, NY</p> <p>Region I COVID DRs 4496-DR-MA 4500-DR-CT 4505-DR-NH 4516-DR-NI 4522-DR-ME 4532-DR-VT FCO: W. Russell Webster VJO: Maynard, MA</p> <p>4372/4379-DR-MA 4410-DR-CT 4445/4474-DR-VT 4457-DR-NH FCO: James McPherson JFO: Dover, NH</p> <p>Region II COVID DRs 4480-DR-NY FCO: Thomas Von Essen JFO: Albany, NY</p> <p>4489-DR-NJ FCO: Thomas Von Essen VJO: West Trenton, NJ</p> <p>4493-DR-PR FCO: Thomas Von Essen VJO: Guaynabo, PR</p> <p>4513-DR-VI FCO: Thomas Von Essen VJO: Christiansted, VI</p> <p>Region III COVID DRs 4491-DR-MD 4502-DR-DC 4506-DR-PA 4512-DR-VA 4517-DR-WV 4525-DR-DE FCO: MaryAnn Tierney VJO: Philadelphia, PA</p> <p>3531-EM-VI FCO: William L. Vogel JFO: TBD</p> <p>Region IV COVID DRs 4486-DR-NC 4487-DR-NC 4492-DR-SC 4497-DR-KY 4501-DR-GA 4503-DR-AL 4514-DR-TN 4528-DR-MS 4545-DR-STOF FCO: Gracia B. Szczech VJO: Atlanta, GA</p> <p>4399-DR-FL FCO: Jeffrey L. Coleman JFO: Panama City, FL</p> <p>4428-DR-KY FCO: Kevin A. Wallace 4464/4479/4542-DR-SC FCO: Allan Jarvis 3533-EM-FL 4400-DR-GA 4546/4554/4555-DR-AL FCO: Terry L. Quarles VJO: Atlanta, GA</p> <p>TC Laura/Marco RV1-1 IMAT (TX) RV1-2 IMAT (LA) MERS (TX) MERS (LA)</p> <p>4478/4536/4538/4551-DR-MS FCO: Jose M. Giron JFO: Canton, MS</p> <p>3527-EM-LA FCO: John E. Long JFO: TBD</p> <p>4544/4556-DR-AR FCO: Roland Jackson VJO: Denton, TX</p> <p>3530-EM-TX FCO: Jerry S. Thomas JFO: TBD</p> <p>Region VI COVID DRs 4484-DR-LA 4485-DR-TX 4518-DR-AR 4529-DR-NM 4530-DR-OK FCO: George A. Robinson Denton, TX</p>
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N-IMATs	
2 Teams	
Red	
Blue	On Alert
Gold	
R-IMATs	
4-6 Teams	
I	1
II	USVI
III	
IV-1	
IV-2	FL
V	2
VI-1	TX
VI-2	LA
VII	IA
VIII	(3) VJFO
IX-1	CA
IX-2	
X	RRCC
FMC	PMC
NMC	Deployed

Team:	US&R	MERS	FCOs	FDRCs	IM WORKFORCE
Status	>65%	>66%	≤1 Type I	= 2	
Assigned:	28	36	48	10	13,842 (C)
Unavailable	10 (+1)	0	3	0	2,779 ▼
Deployed:	0	6	41	8	5,537 ▲
Available:	18 (-1)	30	4	2	5,526 / 40% ▼

IM CADRE AVAILABILITY SUMMARY	
Cadres with 25% or Less Availability	
EHP 22% (142/655); FL 21% (33/158); FM 21% (52/243); OPS 20% (63/317); PA 23% (715/3,118); PLAN 23% (103/454); SAF 9% (5/55)	



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