

FEMA National Watch Center

Daily Operations Briefing

Wednesday, July 21, 2021

8:30 a.m. ET



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National Current Ops / Monitoring

New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Ops

- Wildfires – Western U.S.

Hazard Monitoring

- Heavy rain/flash flooding possible – Portions of the Southwest & Central Rockies
- Severe thunderstorms possible – Mid-Atlantic to the Northeast
- Elevated Fire Weather / Red Flag Warnings – CA, NV, OR, WA, & ID
- Isolated Dry Thunderstorms – Northern Intermountain & Rockies
- Tropical Activity:
 - [Atlantic: Disturbance 1: Low \(20%\)](#)

Disaster Declaration Activity

- [FMAG Approved: Cedar Creek Fire – Washington](#)

Event Monitoring

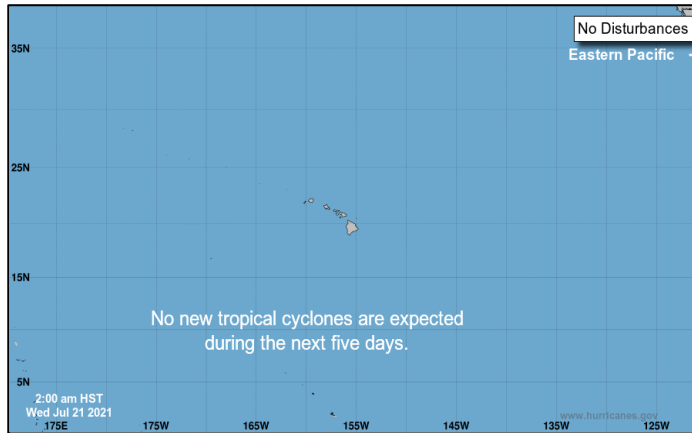
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Tropical Outlook – Five Day

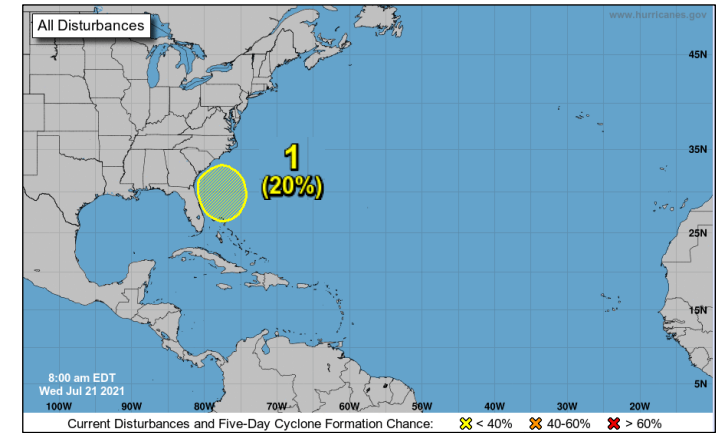
Central Pacific



Eastern Pacific



Atlantic



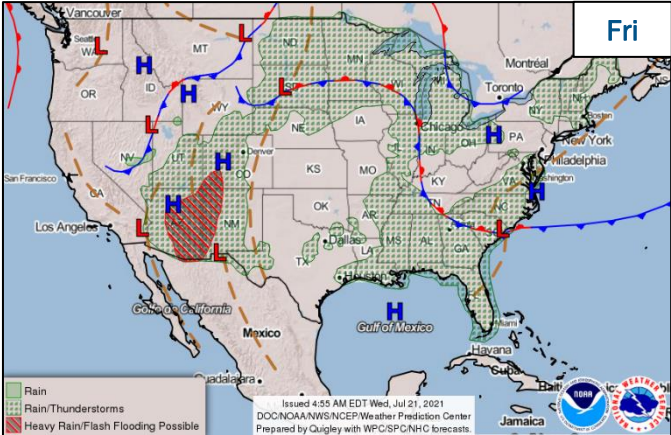
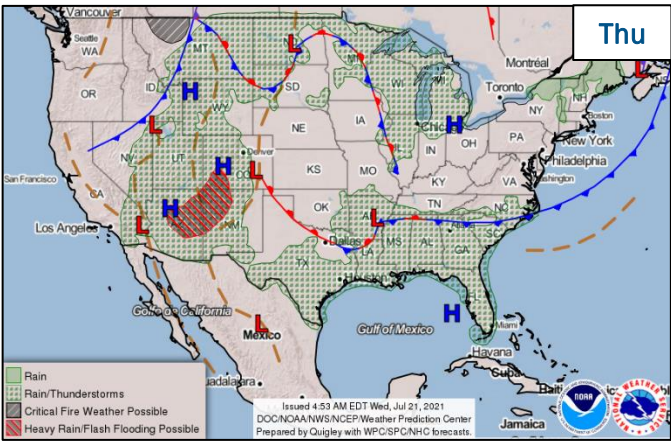
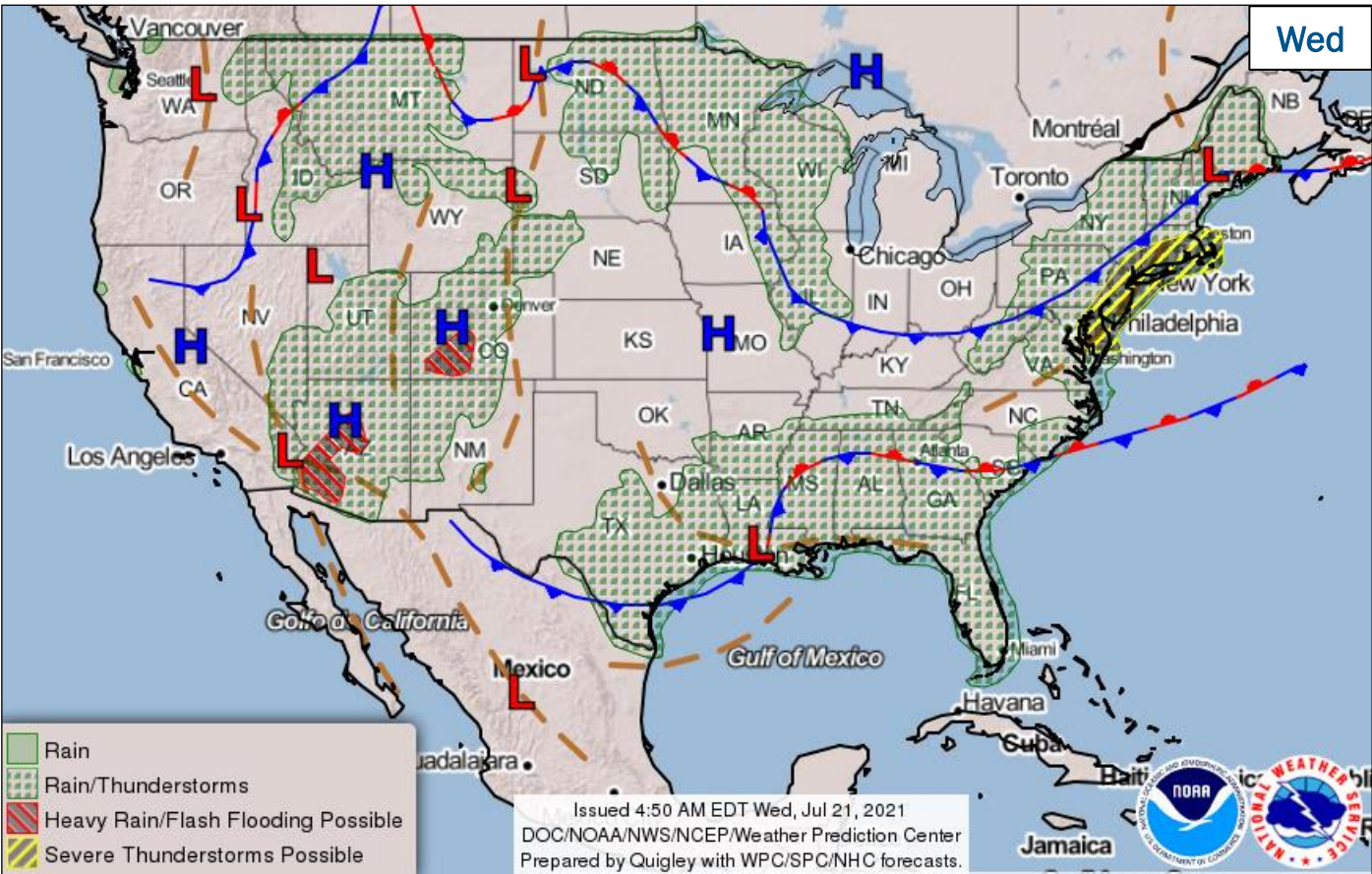
Disturbance 1 (as of 8:00 a.m. ET)

- Forecast to develop off the coast of the southeastern U.S.
- Gradual development over the weekend
- 48-hour formation chance: Low (near 0%)
- 5-day formation chance: Low (20%)



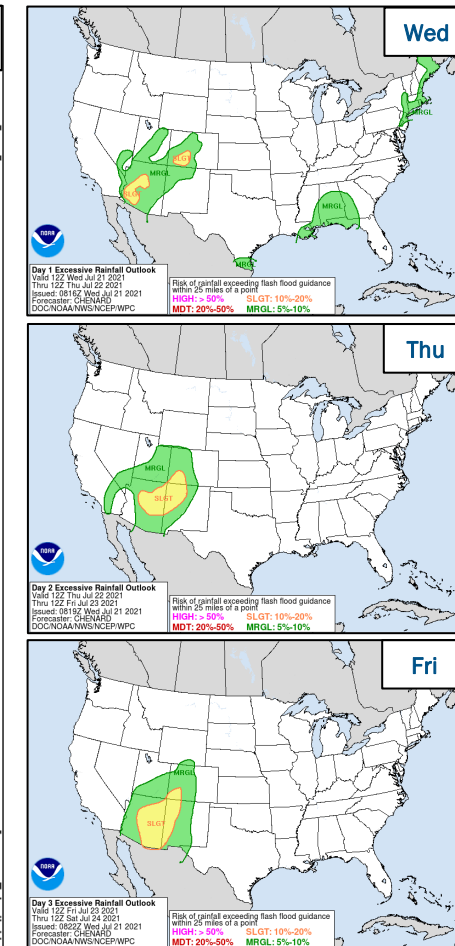
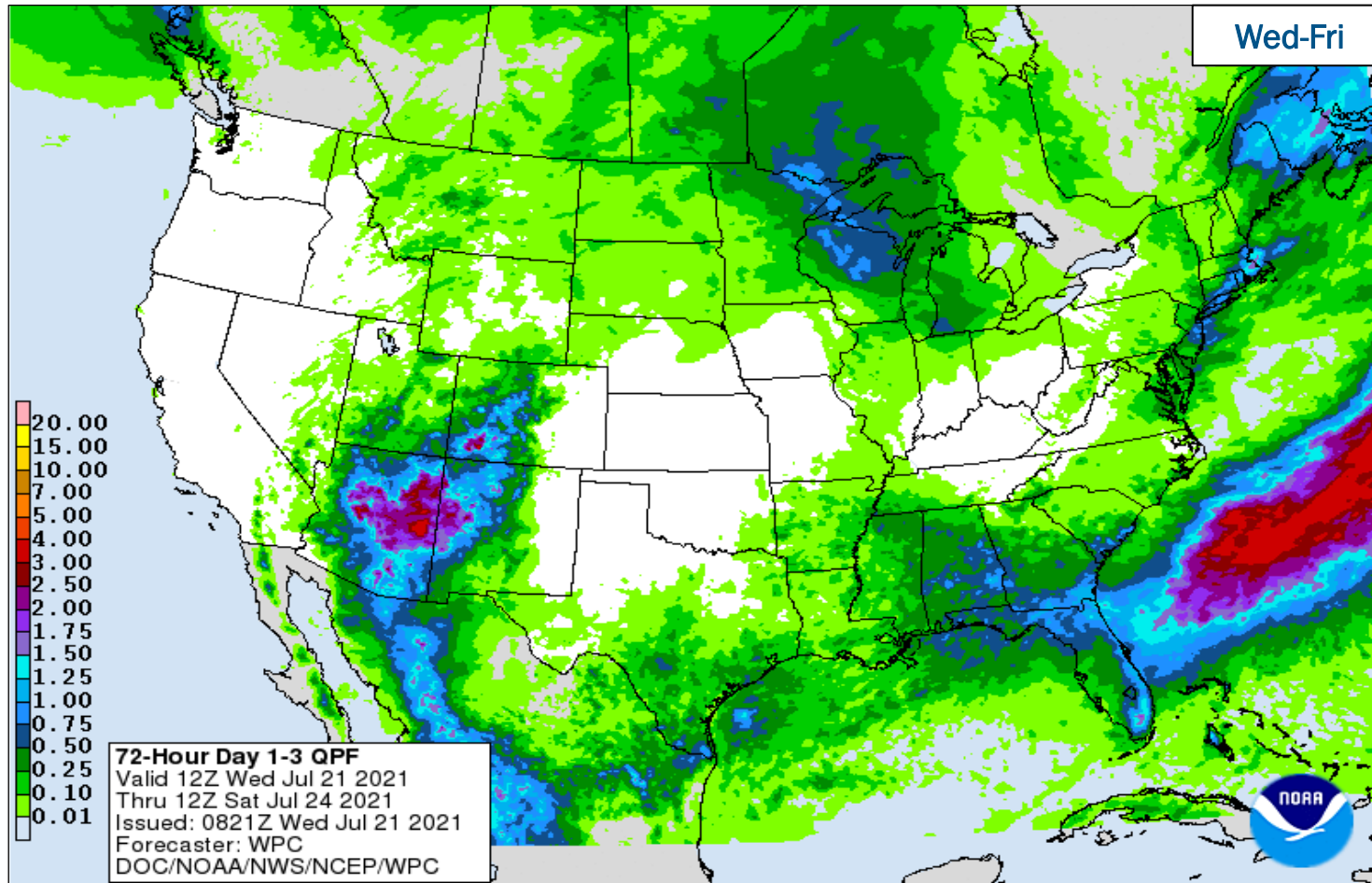
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National Weather Forecast



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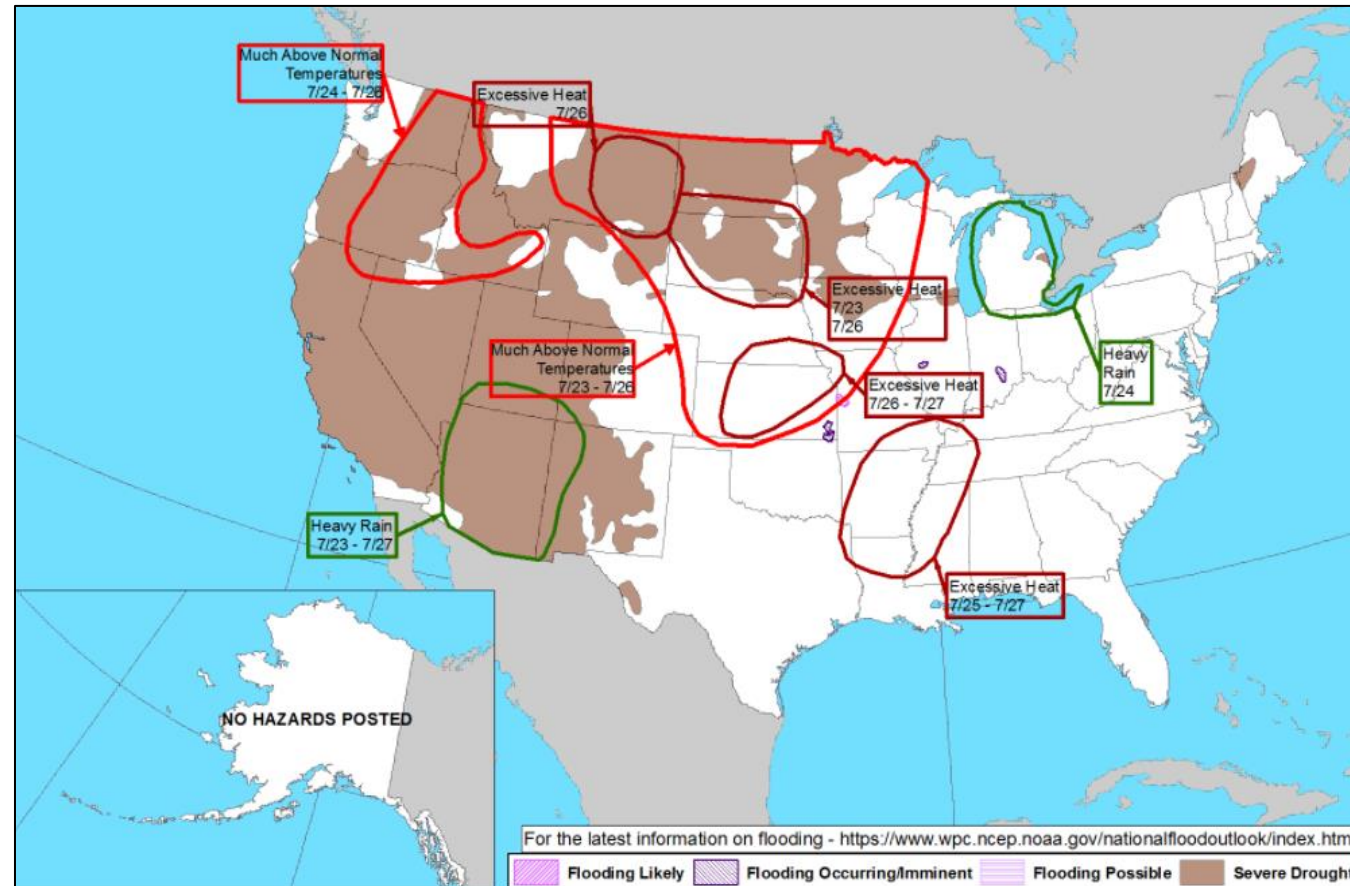
Precipitation & Excessive Rainfall



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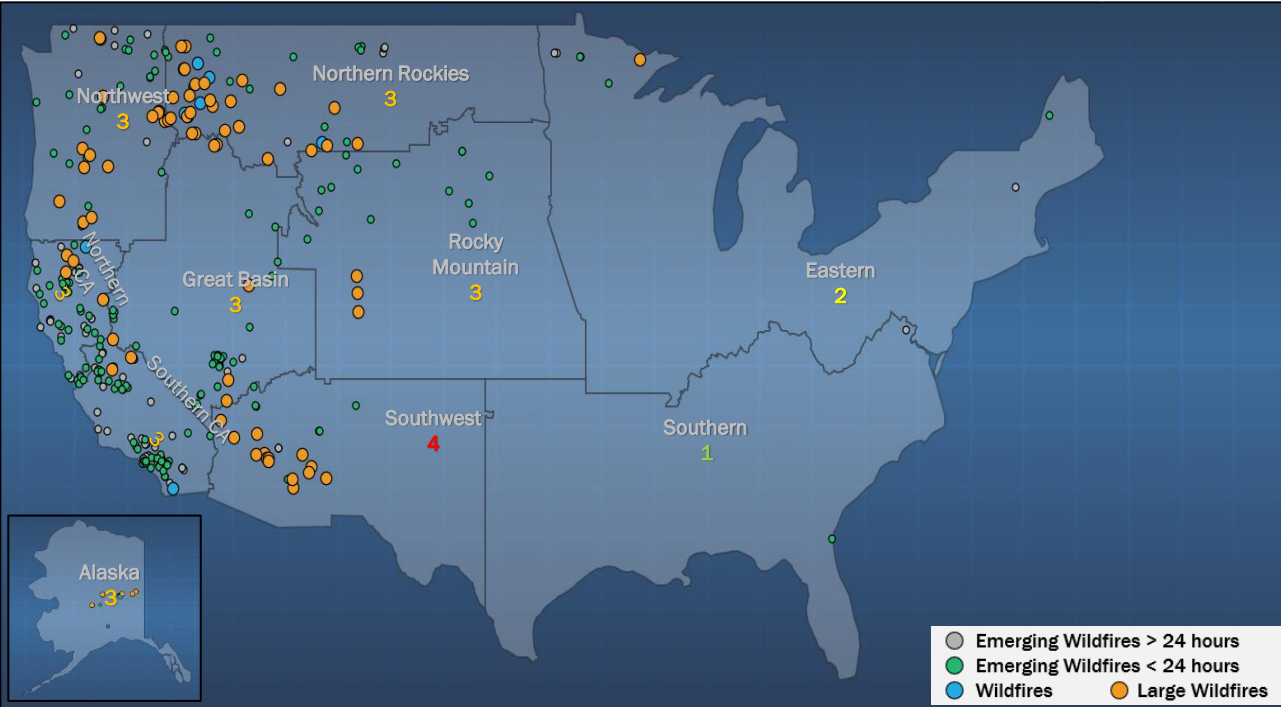
Hazards Outlook – Jul 23-27



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National Fire Activity *(as of Jul 21)*

National Preparedness Level		PL 5
Initial Attack Activity (24-hour period)	Light (130 fires)	
New large fires:	3	
Large fires contained:	3	
Uncontained large fires:	61	
Cumulative Acres Burned	2,636,109	
Total Responders (2021 Fire Season)	20,784	
Type 1 IMTs deployed	13 of 16	
Type 2 IMTs deployed	17 of 33	
Preparedness Levels Legend		
PL 1	Minimal fire activity; many resources available	
PL 2	Large wildland fires burning throughout country; resources mobilized from other areas	
PL 3	Wildfire activity ongoing throughout 25% of county; National Interagency Coordination Center (NICC) sets priorities, allocates resources, and mobilizes assets at national level	
PL 4	High levels of fire activity and areas are competing for firefighting resources; 60% of the nations wildland firefighting resources committed	
PL 5	Extremely high levels of fire activity; 80% of nations firefighting resources committed	

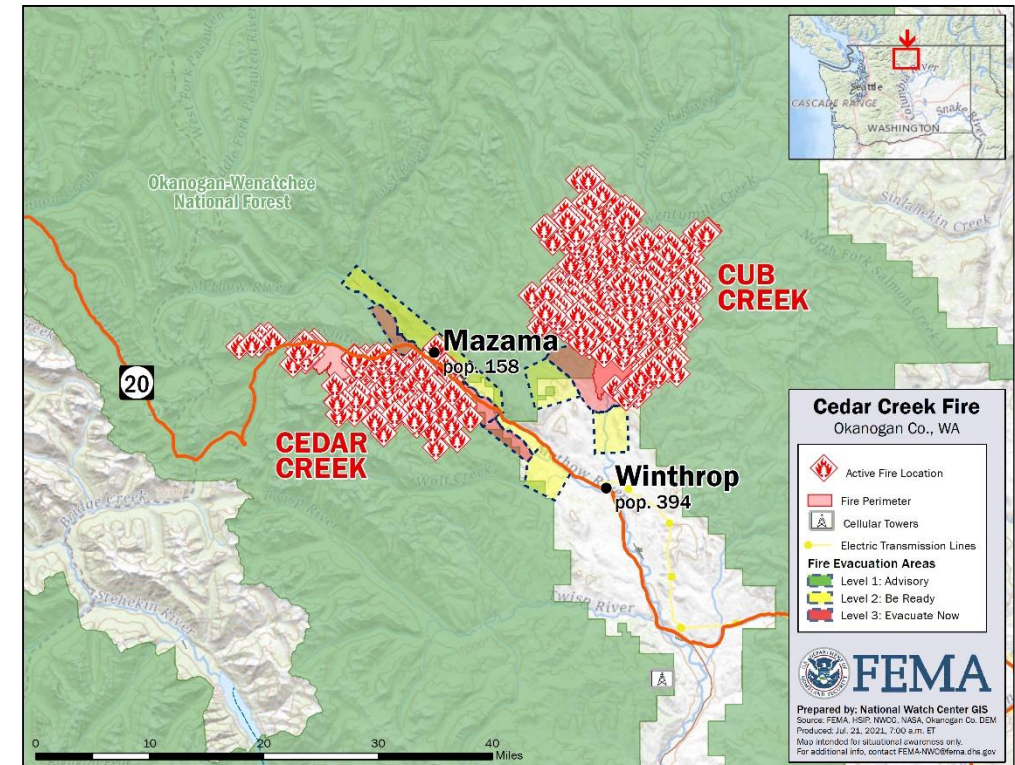
Cedar Creek Fire – Washington

Fire Name (County, ST)	FMAG #	Acres Burned	Percent Contained	Evacuations	Structures (Homes / Other)			Fatalities / Injuries
					Threatened	Damaged	Destroyed	
Cedar Creek (Okanogan, WA)	5401-FM-WA	5,945	10%	M: 199	H: 635	H: 0	H: 0	0 / 0
				V: 260	O: 0	O: 0	O: 0	

Situation: The fire began on July 11, 2021, and is burning on federal, state and private land threatening homes, infrastructure to include roads, utilities, recreation, and businesses in and around the communities of Mazama and the north end of Methow Valley (pop. 3k).

Response:

- WA EOC at Partial Activation (COVID-19 and Wildfires)
- FEMA Region X RWC monitoring; RRCC rostered
- FMAG approved on July 20, 2021



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Wildfire Summary

Fire Name (County, ST)	FMAG #	Acres Burned	Percent Contained	Evacuations	Structures (Homes / Other)			Fatalities / Injuries
					Threatened	Damaged	Destroyed	
Bootleg (Klamath, OR)	5396-FM-OR	388,360 (+36,848)	32% (+2)	M: 2,118	H: 3,411	H: 9	H: 67	0 / 1
				V: 0	O: 0	O: 5	O: 117	
Chuweah Creek (Okanogan & Colville Reservation, WA)	5397-FM-WA	36,407 (+230)	40%	M: 0	H: 350	H: 0	H: 3	0 / 1
				V: 500	O: 25	O: 0	O: 8	
Dixie (Plumas, CA)	5400-FM-CA	61,376 (+21,376)	15%	M: 0	H: 800	H: 0	H: 0	0 / 0
				V: 0	O: 10	O: 0	O: 0	

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



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Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

Region	State / Location	Event	IA	Number of Counties		Start – End
			PA	Requested	Complete	
V	MI	Severe Weather and Flooding Jun 25-26	IA	2	2	7/8 – 7/12
			PA	3	0	7/8 – TBD
VII	MO	Severe Weather Jun 19 – Jul 1	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	21	20	7/8 – TBD
VIII	Fort Peck Tribes (MT)	Severe Storms Jun 8	IA	1	0	6/21 – TBD
			PA	0	0	N/A
	ND	Severe Storms Jun 8-11	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	9	0	7/6 – TBD



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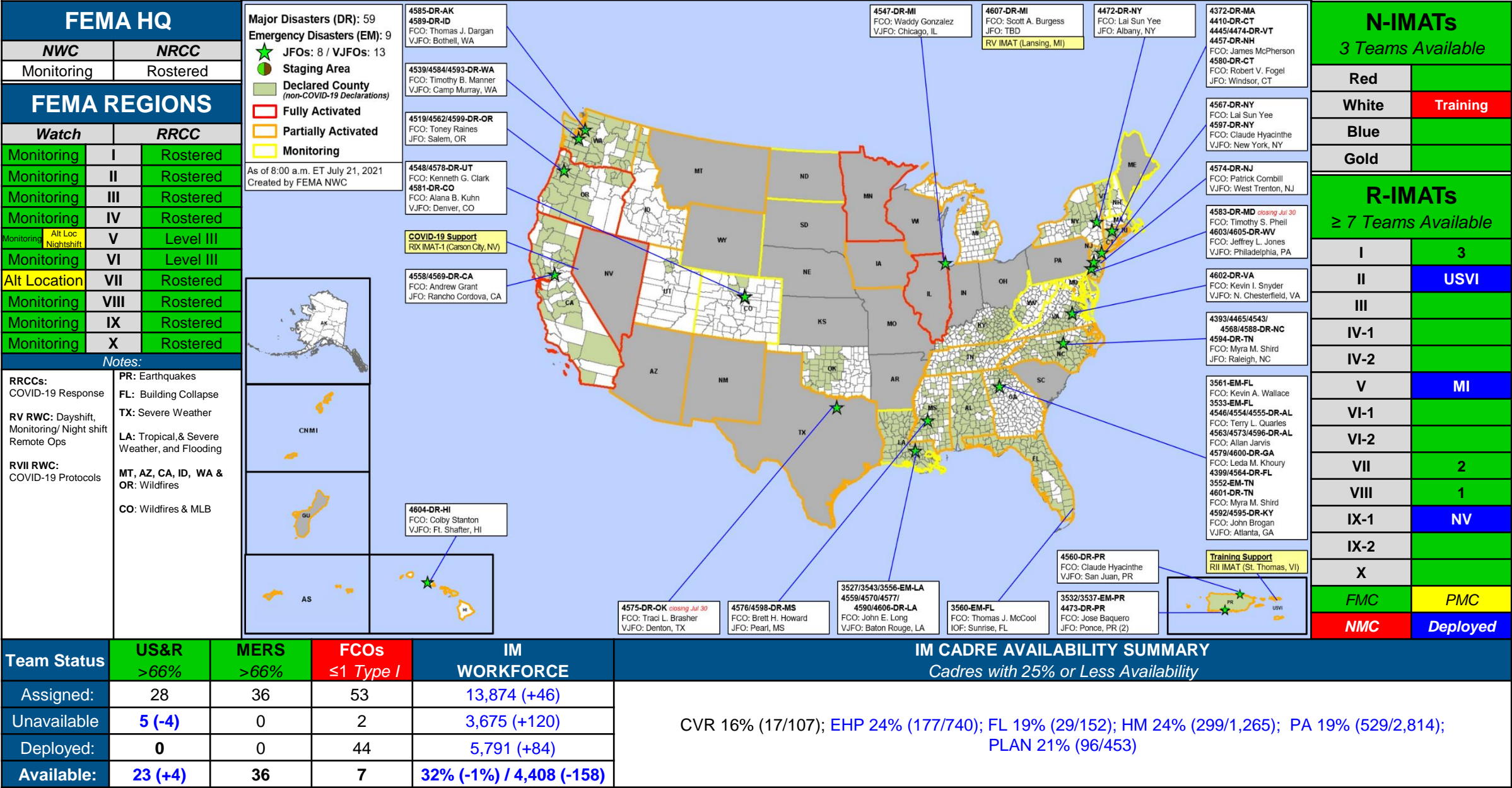
Declaration Requests in Process – 1

State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Type	IA	PA	HM	Requested
WY – Severe Winter Storms (Appeal)	DR		X	X	7/2



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