

FEMA National Watch Center

Daily Operations Briefing

Thursday, March 25, 2021

8:30 a.m. ET



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National Current Ops / Monitoring

New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Ops:

- COVID-19
- Potential severe weather outbreak – Lower Mississippi and Tennessee valleys (High Risk)

Hazard Monitoring:

- Severe thunderstorms possible – Southern Plains to Middle Mississippi and Ohio valleys and Southeast
- Heavy rain and flash flooding possible – Middle Mississippi Valley; Tennessee Valley to Southern Appalachians
- Freezing rain possible – Great Lakes

Disaster Declaration Activity:

- None

Event Monitoring:

- None



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Potential Severe Weather Outbreak – Lower MS/TN Valleys

Current Situation

Possible tornado outbreak is forecast into early this evening across parts of the Southeast into the Tennessee Valley. Several long-track strong (EF2+) tornadoes, destructive winds (75 mph+) and very large hail (2"+) are forecast from the Lower Mississippi Valley across parts of the Southeast and into the Tennessee and Ohio valleys. Storms are likely to begin midday from southeast AR into northeast LA and into southwest MS.

State Preparations/Response

- AL EOC: Partial Activation (COVID); will increase to higher Partial Activation level at 1:00 p.m. ET
- MS, TN & AR EOCs at Partial Activation (COVID)
- KY & LA EOCs at Monitoring (COVID)

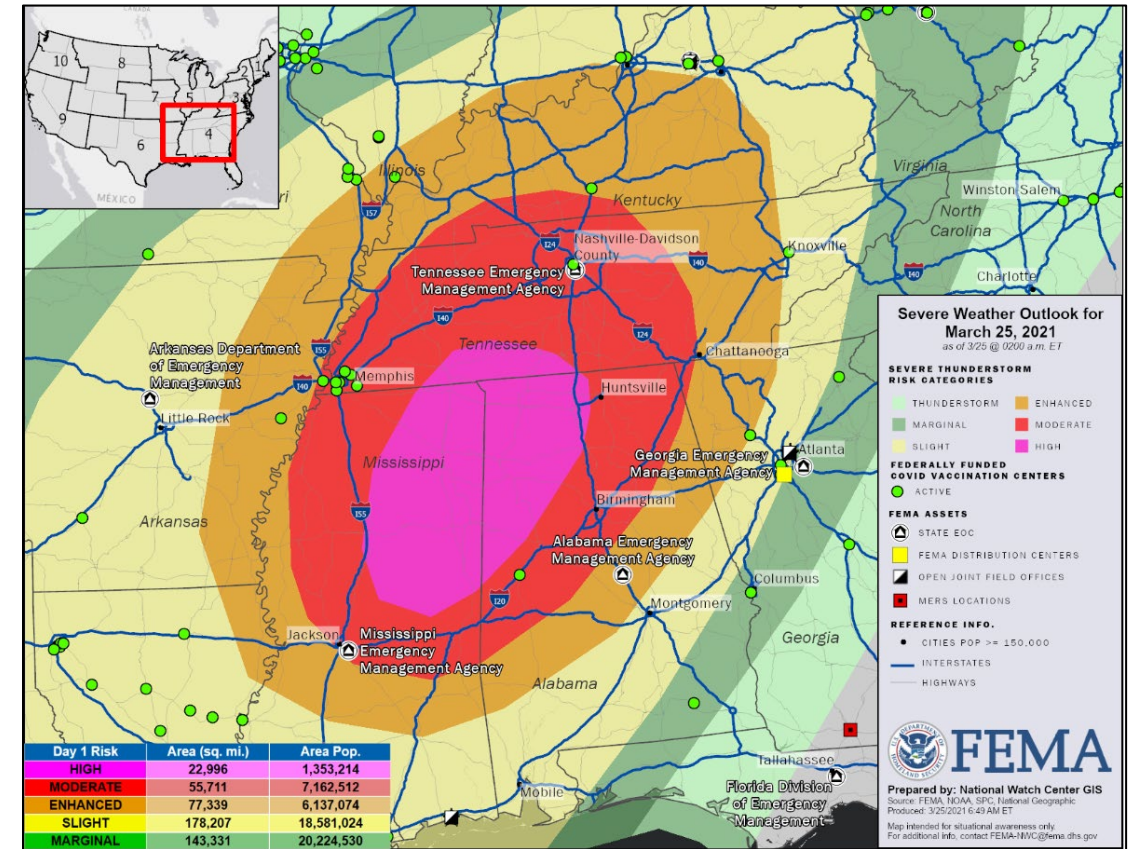
Federal Preparations/Response

Region IV

- Region IV will go to Enhanced Watch at 10:00 a.m. ET; RRCC at Level III (COVID)
- IMAT-1 is available, IMAT-2 deployed for COVID response but can re-deploy if needed
- 13 federal CVC sites in the Moderate and Enhanced risk areas
- No shortfalls, or requests for federal assistance

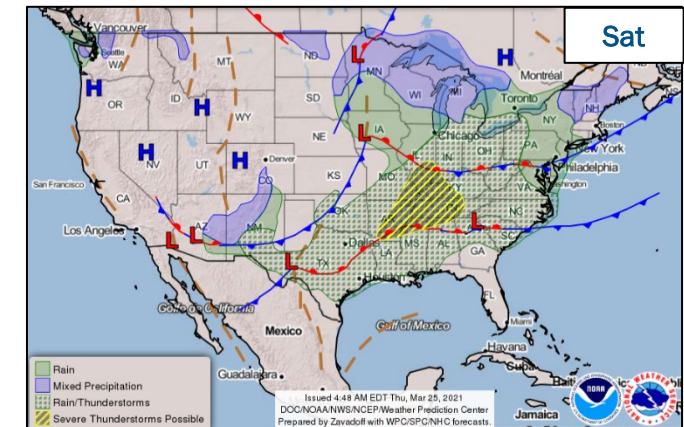
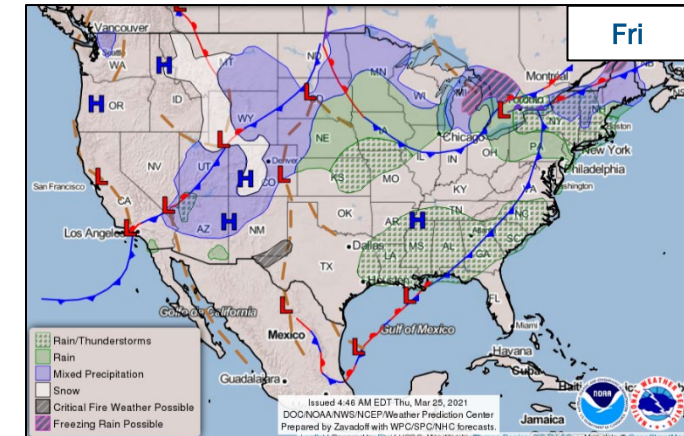
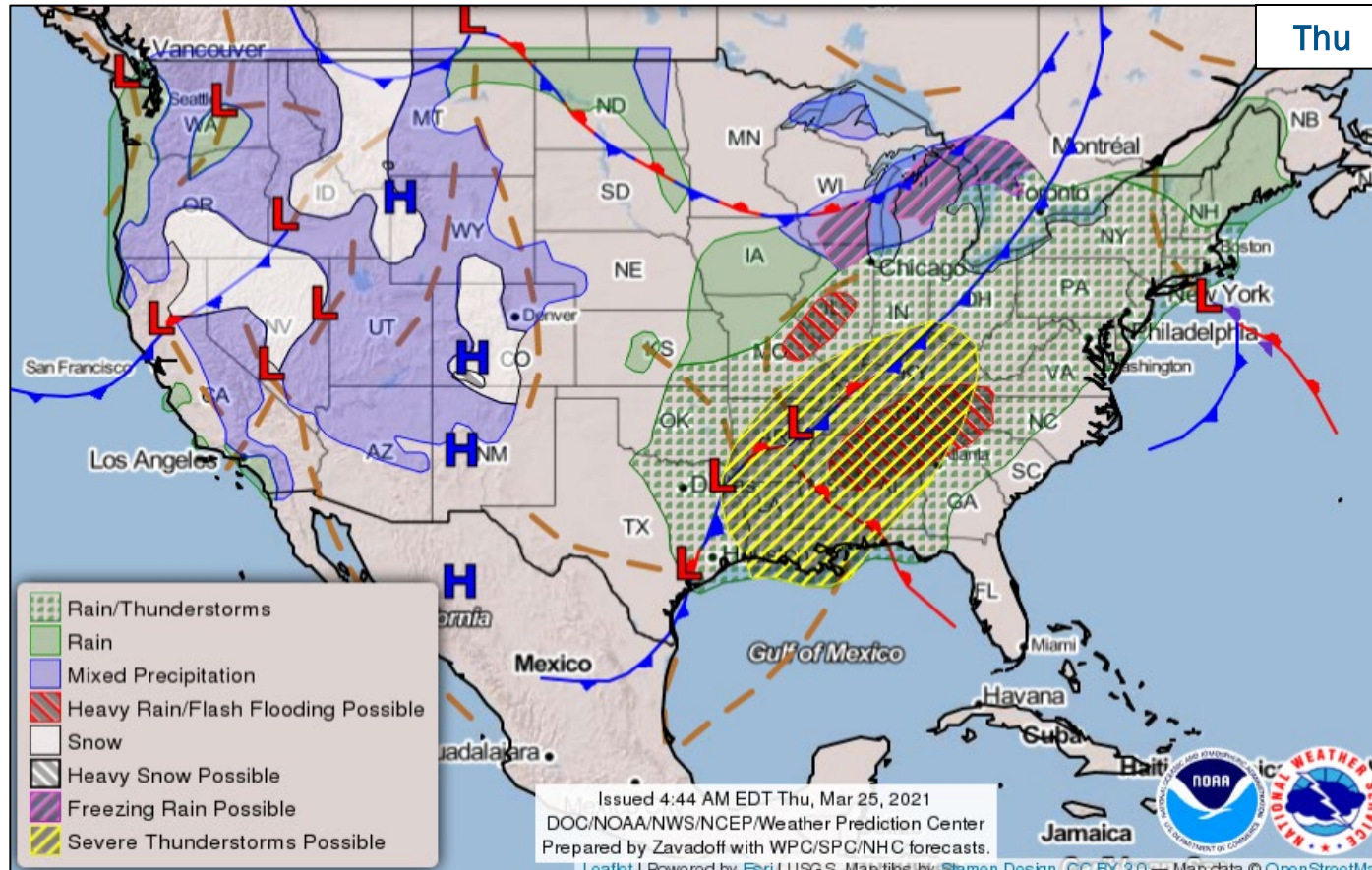
Region VI

- Region VI at Enhanced Watch (8:00 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. ET); RRCC at Level III (COVID)
- IMAT-1 deployed to NM and OK (vaccine support) and TX (Southwest Border Ops/UAC); IMAT-2 deployed to TX (vaccine support); Region VII IMAT is available
- No federal CVCs in the Moderate or Enhanced risk areas
- No shortfalls or requests for federal assistance



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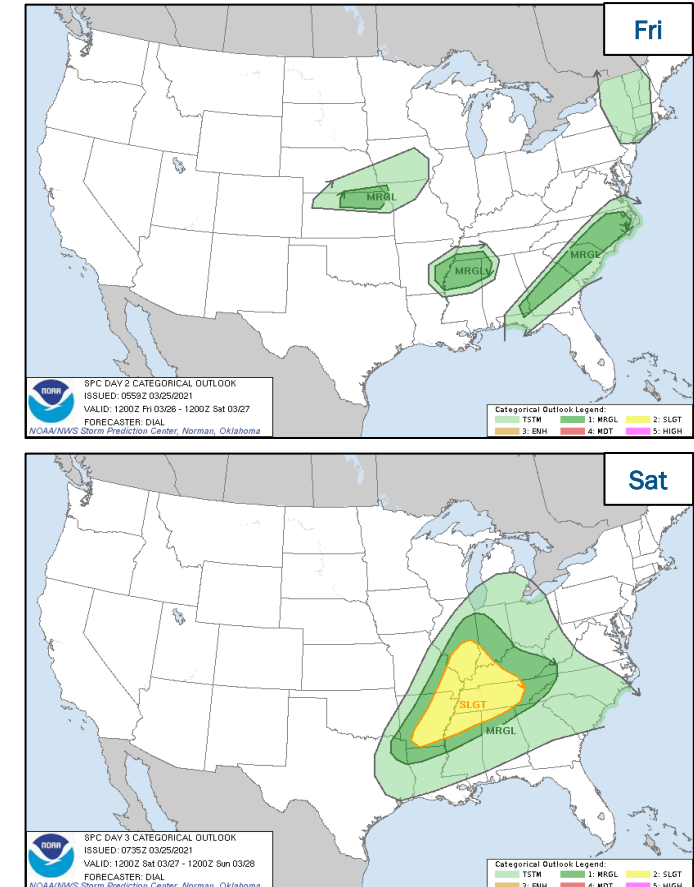
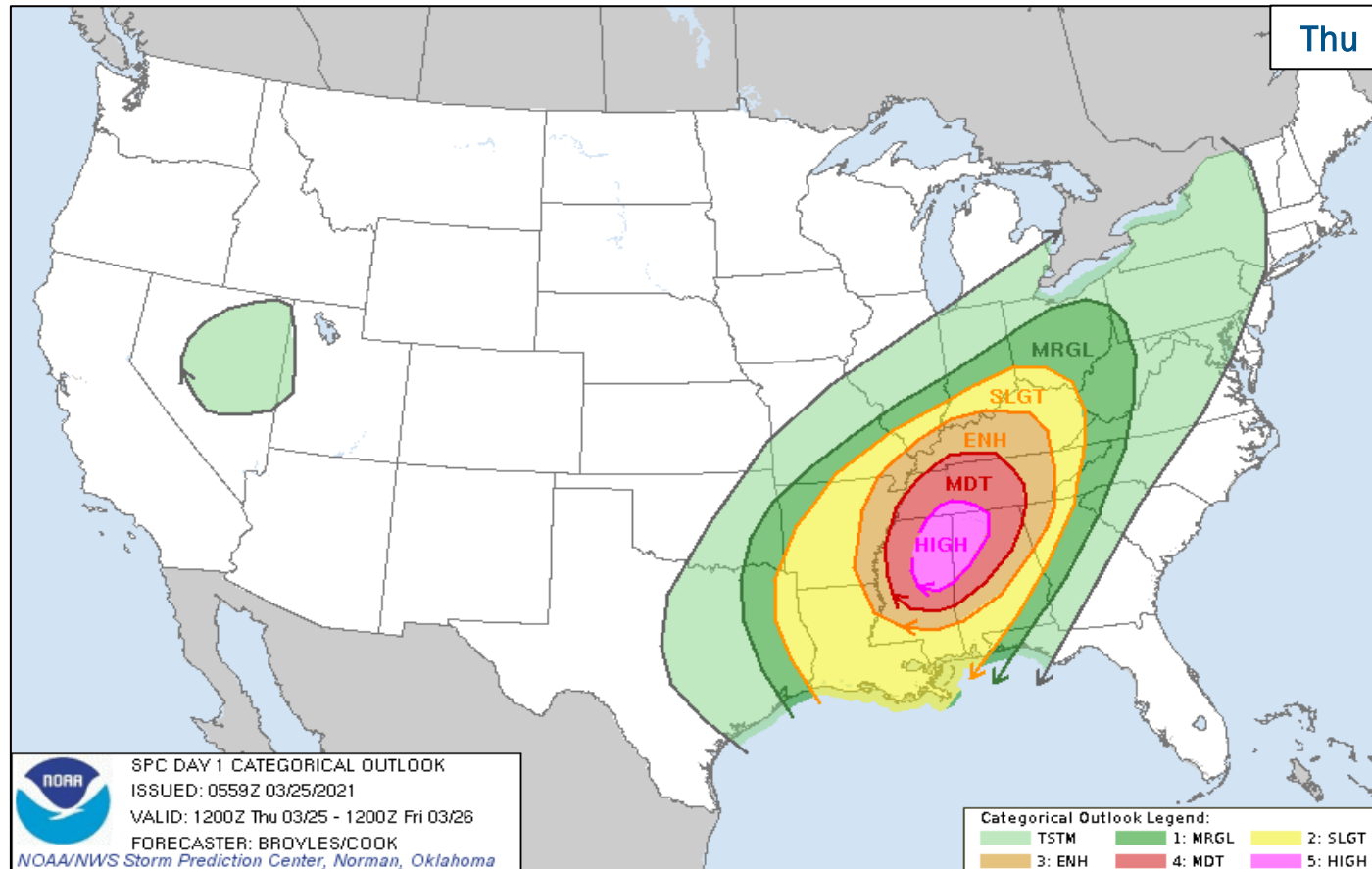
National Weather Forecast



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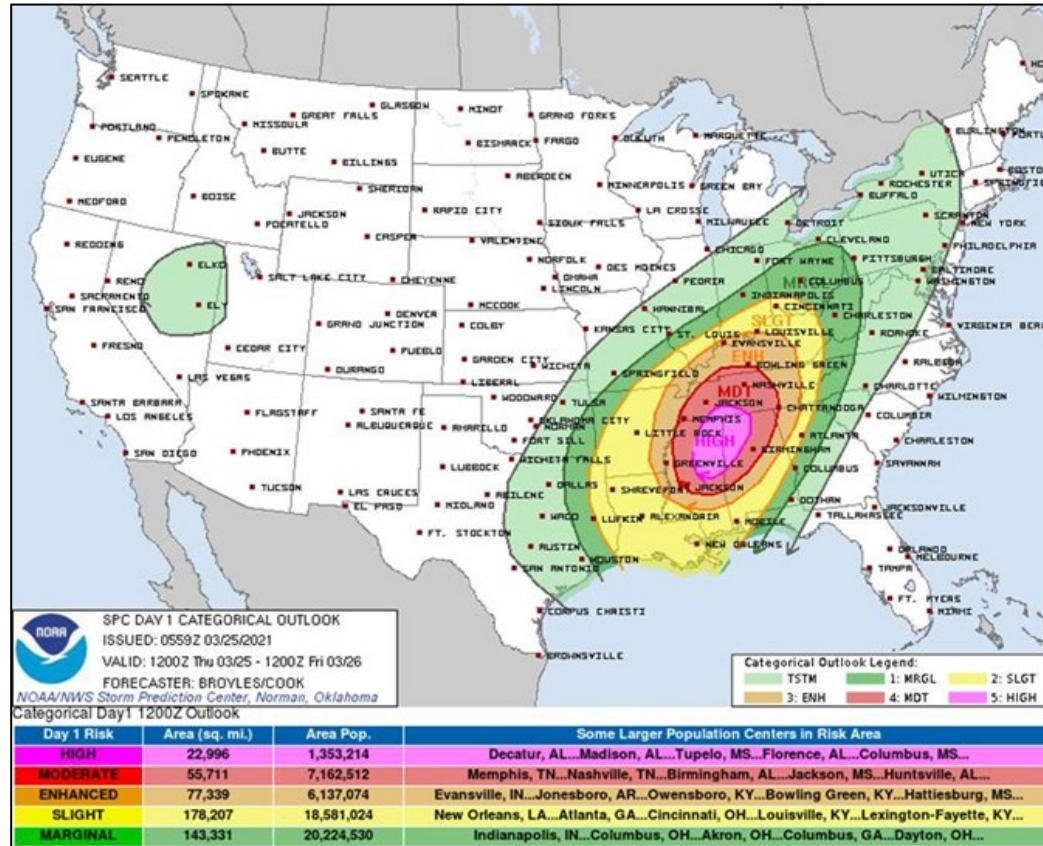
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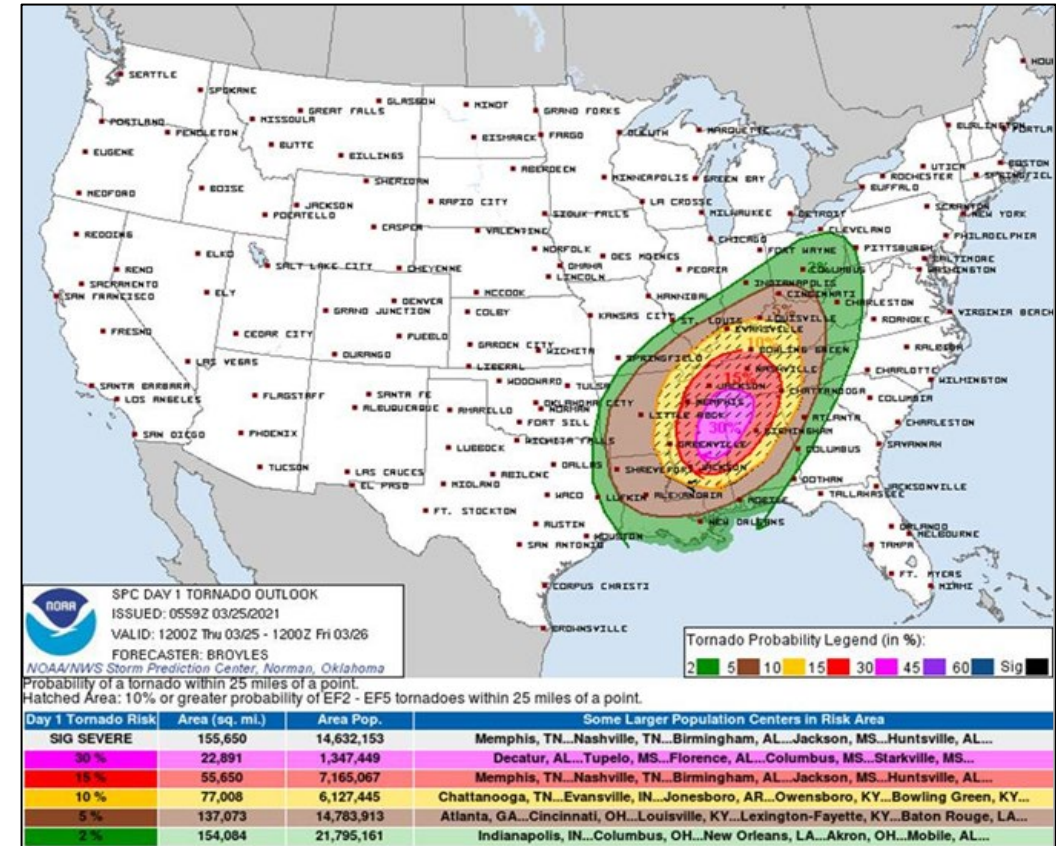
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Categorical Outlook



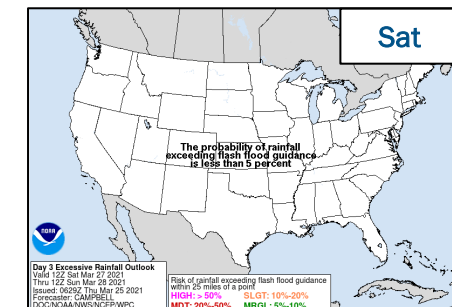
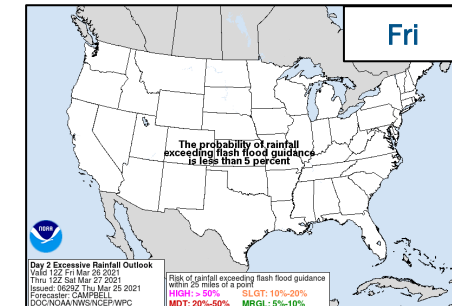
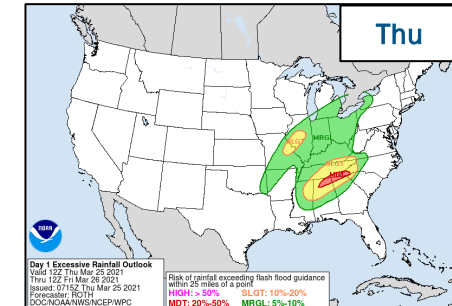
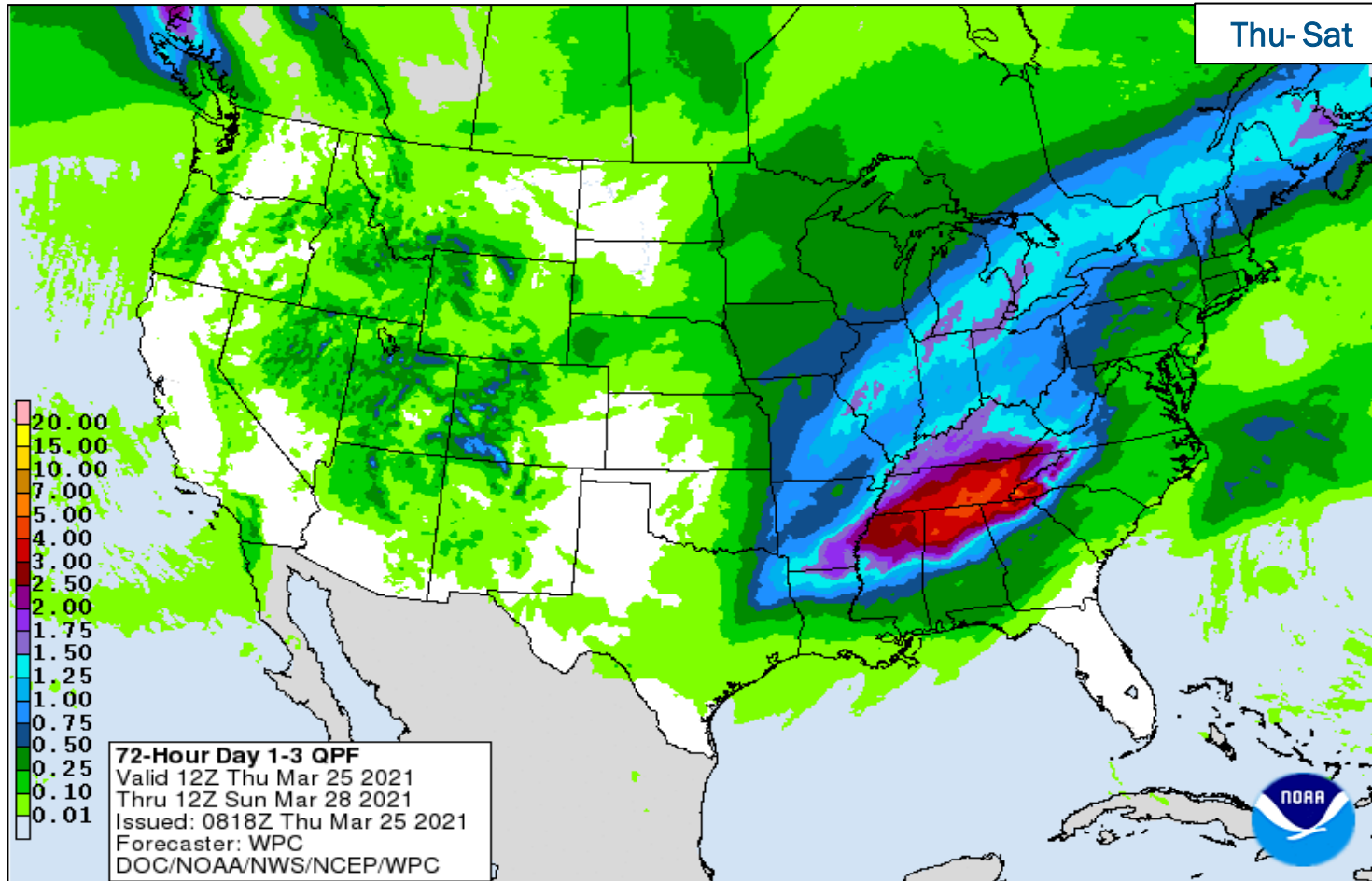
Tornado Outlook



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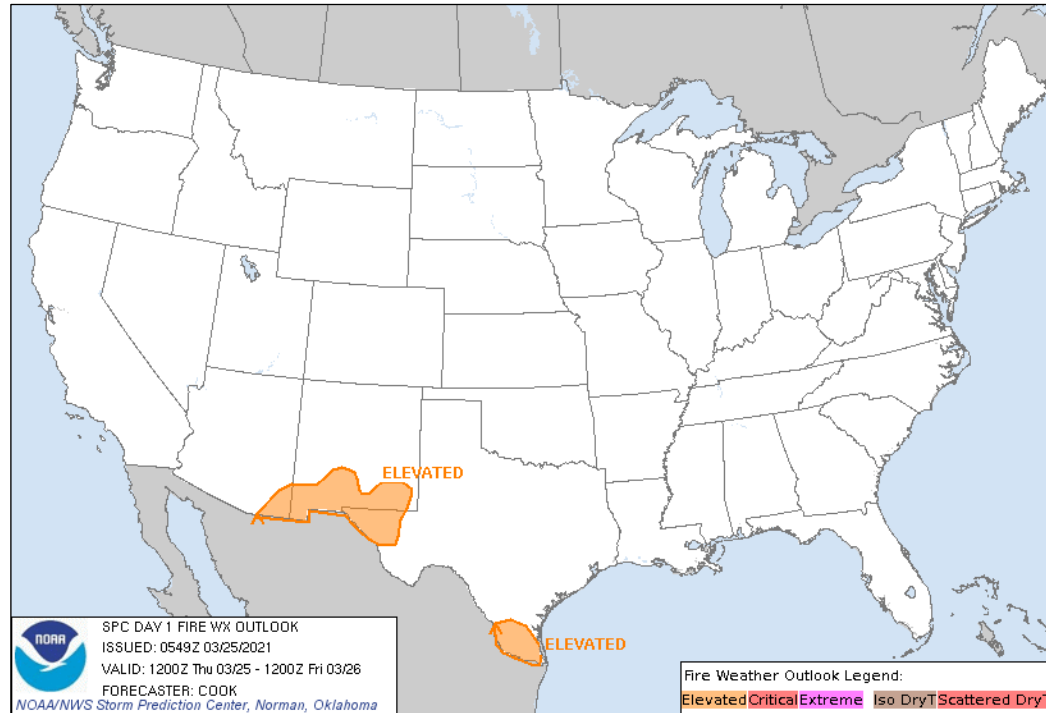
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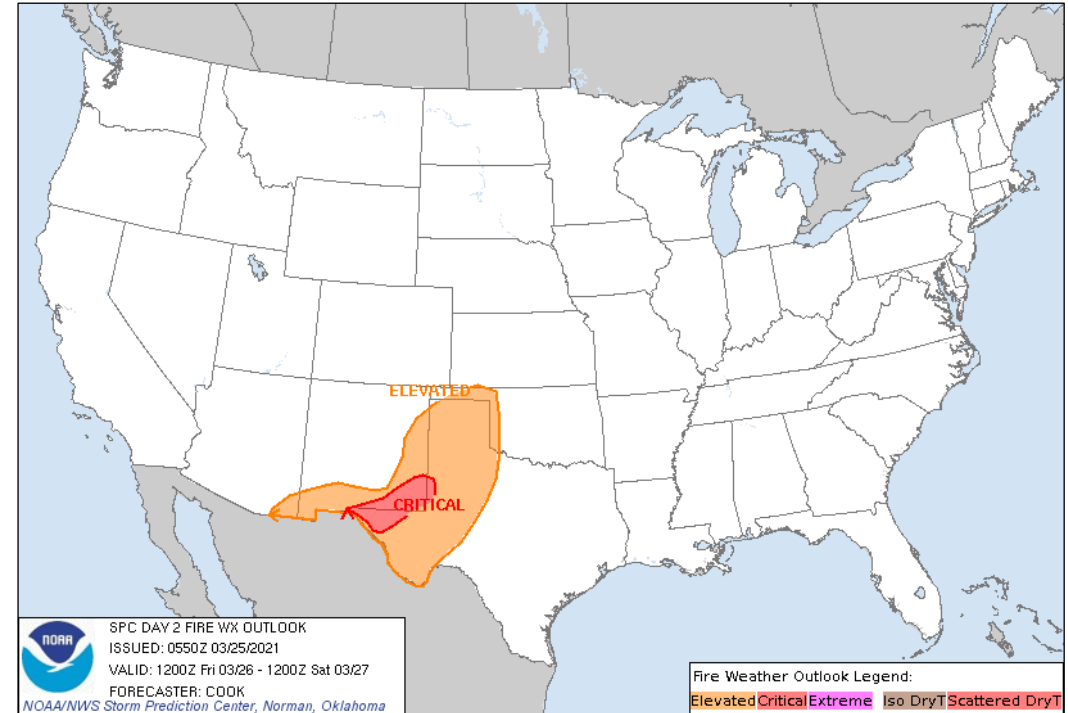
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Fire Weather Outlook



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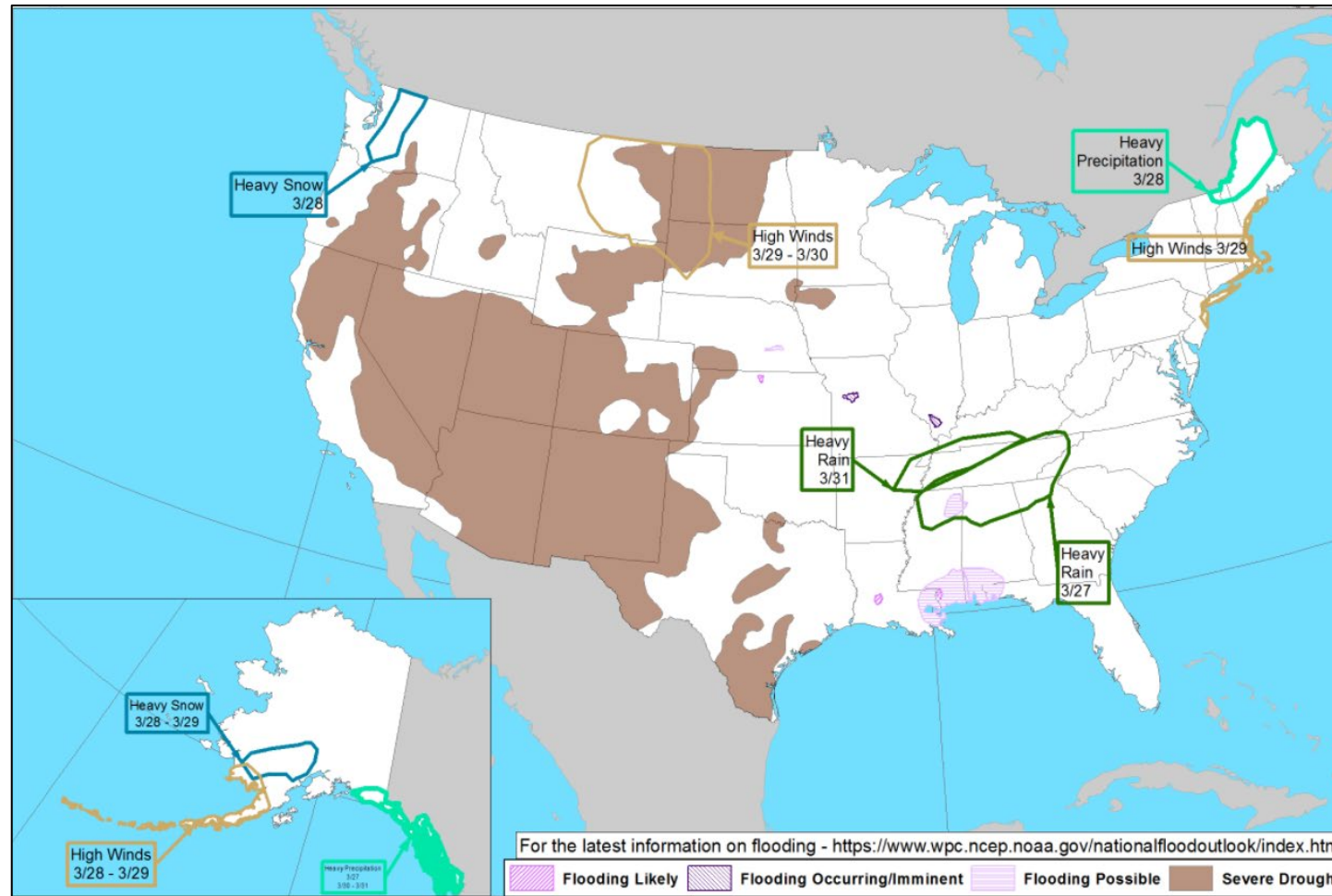
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Hazards Outlook – Mar 27 - 31

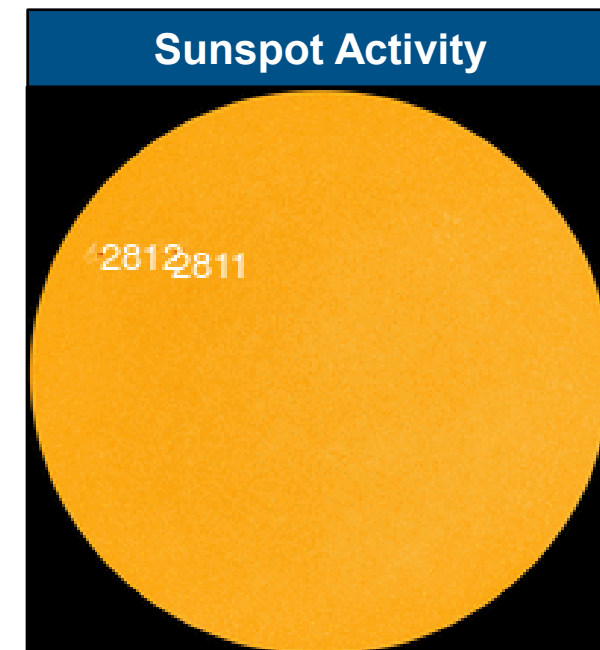
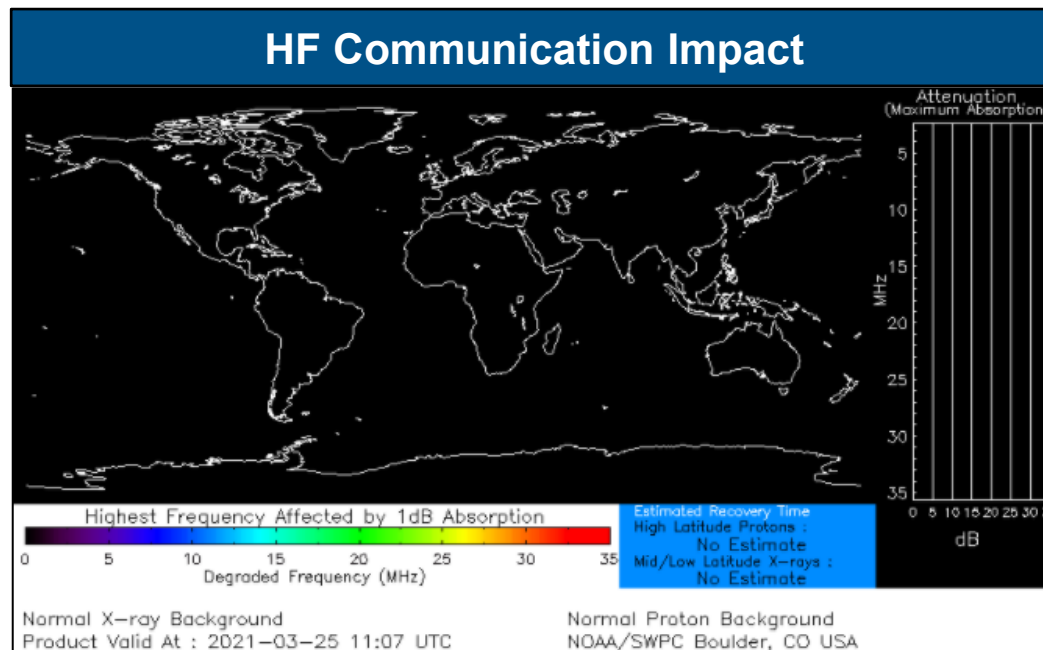


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Space Weather Outlook

	Space Weather Activity	Geomagnetic Storms	Solar Radiation	Radio Blackouts
Past 24 Hours	Minor	G1	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 For further information on Sunspot Activity refer to: https://www.swpc.noaa.gov/phenomena/sunspotssolar-cycle				



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Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

Region	State / Location	Event	IA	Number of Counties		Start – End
			PA	Requested	Complete	
II	NJ	Nor'easter/Winter Storm Jan 31 – Feb 2	IA	N/A	N/A	N/A
			PA	6	6 (+2)	3/15 – 3/23
III	VA	Severe Winter Storms Feb 8-20	IA	N/A	N/A	N/A
			PA	40	0	3/22 – TBD
	WV	Severe Winter Storms Feb 11-14	IA	N/A	N/A	N/A
			PA	5	0	3/24 – TBD
IV	MS	Severe Winter Weather Feb 11-19	IA	N/A	N/A	N/A
			PA	33 & 1 Tribe	15 (+3)	3/9 – TBD
	KY	Severe Flooding Feb 26 and continuing	IA	9	9	3/6 – 3/21
			PA	36	6	3/22 – TBD
	TN	Winter Storm Feb 10-19	IA	N/A	N/A	N/A
			PA	20	15	3/8 – TBD
IX	HI	Severe Weather, Flooding, and Landslides March 8-15, 2021	IA	2	2 (+2)	3/22 – 3/23
			PA	3 (+1)	0	TBD
X	OR	Severe Winter Storm Feb 11-22	IA	N/A	N/A	N/A
			PA	6	0	3/22 – TBD



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Declaration Requests in Process – 3

State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Type	IA	PA	HM	Requested
Poarch Band of Creek Indians – COVID-19 Pandemic (Appeal)	DR	X	X		3/11
WA – Severe Winter Storms, Straight-Line Winds, Flooding, Landslides, & Mudslides	DR		X	X	3/10
KY – Severe Winter Storms, Landslides, & Mudslides	DR		X	X	3/19



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FEMA Common Operating Picture

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NWC	NRCC
Monitoring	Level I

FEMA REGIONS

Watch	RRCC
Monitoring	I
Monitoring	II
Monitoring	III
Monitoring	IV
Monitoring	V
Enhanced	VI
Alt Location	VII
Monitoring	VIII
Monitoring	IX
Monitoring	X

Notes:

NRCC/ RRCCs: COVID-19 Response

RV RWC: Dayshift, Monitoring/ Night shift Remote Ops

RVi: Enhanced Watch (8:00 a.m.-11:30 p.m. ET (Severe Weather))

RIV: Will go to Enhanced Watch at 10:00 a.m. ET (Severe Weather)

RVII RWC: COVID Protocols

All State EOCs, activated for COVID-19 (except SD)

PR: Earthquakes

TX: Winter Weather

LA: TC Laura/Delta/Zeta

CA: Wildfires

HI: Flooding

AK: Winter Storms

Major Disasters (DR): 117

- COVID-19: 58

Emergency Disasters (EM): 54

- COVID-19: 43

- JFOs: 8 / VJFOs: 15

- Staging Area
- Declared County (non-COVID-19 Declarations)
- Fully Activated
- Partially Activated
- Monitoring

As of 8:00 a.m. ET March 25, 2021
Created by FEMA NWC

N-IMATs

1 Team Available

Red	TX
White	NCR
Blue	NY
Gold	VARIOUS
Silver	

R-IMATs

≤ 3 Teams Available

I	RRCC
II	USVI
III	RRCC
IV-1	
IV-2	RRCC
V	RRCC
VI-1	NM / OK / TX
VI-2	TX
VII	1
VIII	RRCC
IX-1	CA
IX-2	CA
X	RRCC

FMC	PMC
NMC	Deployed

Team Status

	US&R >66%	MERS > 66%	FCOs ≤1 Type I	IM WORKFORCE
Assigned:	28	36	52	13,707 (-2)
Unavailable	1	0	0	2,767 (-55)
Deployed:	0	0	52	8,222 (+59)
Available:	27	36	0	20% / 2,718 (-6)

IM CADRE AVAILABILITY SUMMARY

Cadres with 25% or Less Availability

CVR 3% (3/93); DFTO 23% (28/121); DI 5% (3/63); EA 16% (73/457); EHP 16% (116/707); FL 16% (24/154); HM 15% (182/1,237); HR 14% (29/207); IA 24% (576/2,440); IT 23% (142/615); LOG 14% (202/1,424); NDRS 15% (39/261); OPS 8% (27/345); PA 14% (397/2,921); PLAN 10% (48/460); SAF 8% (5/63); SEC 11% (13/119)



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