

FEMA National Watch Center

Daily Operations Briefing

Tuesday, September 1, 2026

8:30 a.m. ET



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National Current Operations / Monitoring

New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Operations

- No new significant incidents / operations

Hazard Monitoring

- Severe Thunderstorms – Northern Plains to Upper Mississippi Valley; Mid-Atlantic
- Heavy Rain / Flash Flooding – Gulf Coast
- Tropical Activity:
 - Atlantic: Tropical Storm Edouard
 - Eastern and Central Pacific:
 - Hurricane Karina (CAT 4)
 - Tropical Storm Lowell
 - Tropical Storm Marie

Disaster Declaration Activity

- No new declaration activity

Event Monitoring

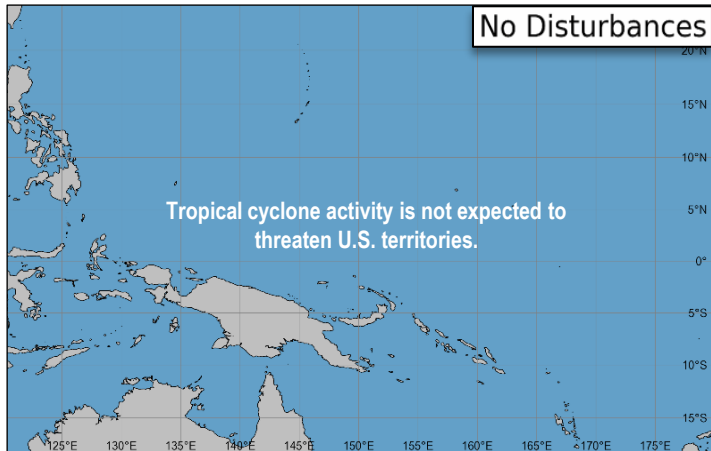
- No new significant events



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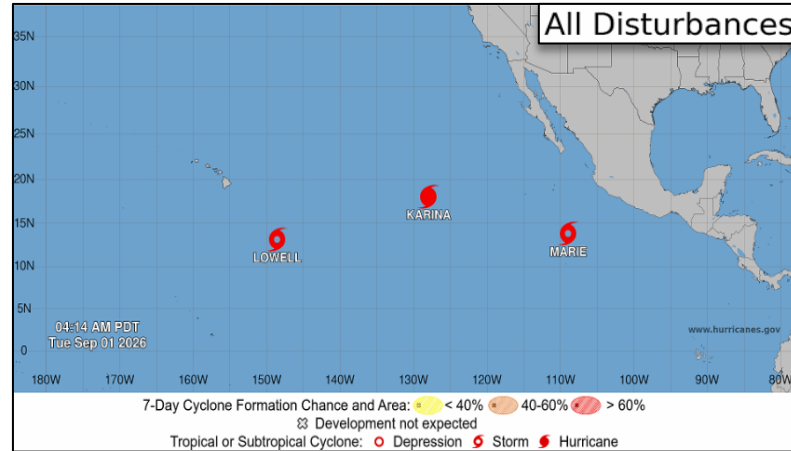
Tropical Outlook

Western Pacific



- Tropical cyclone activity is not expected to threaten U.S. territories.

Eastern and Central Pacific



[Hurricane Karina \(CAT 4\):](#) (Advisory #20, as of 5:00 a.m. ET)

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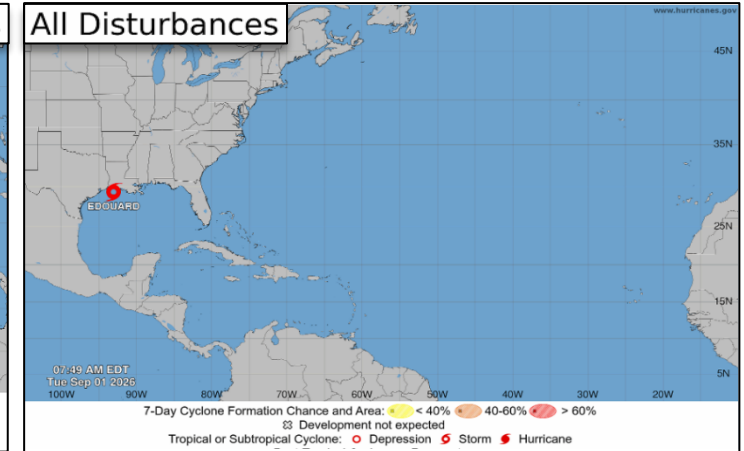
[Tropical Storm Lowell:](#) (Advisory #19, as of 5:00 a.m. ET)

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[Tropical Storm Marie:](#) (Advisory #1, as of 5:00 a.m. ET)

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Atlantic



[Tropical Storm Edouard:](#) (Advisory #4A, as of 8:00 a.m. ET)

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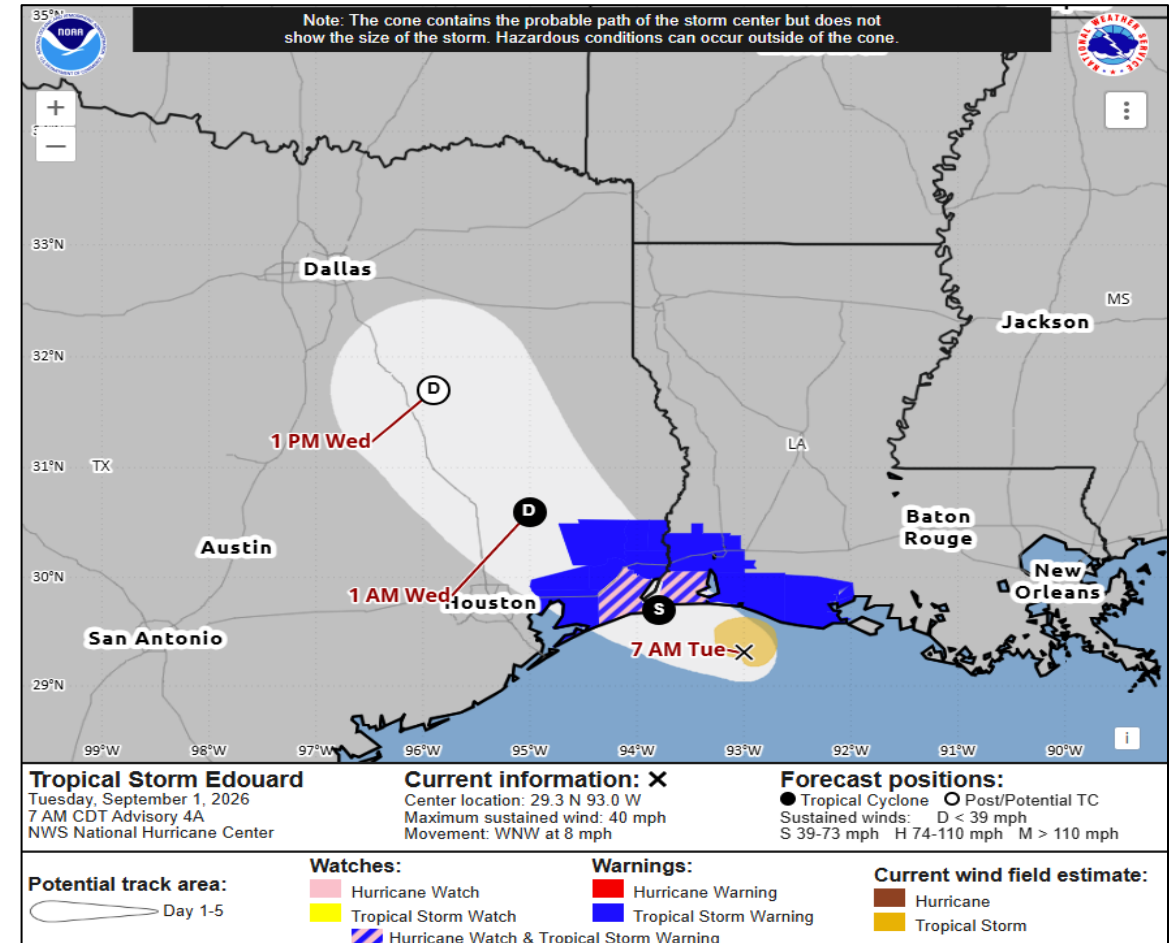
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Tropical Storm Edouard – Atlantic

Situation: *(Advisory #4A, as of 8:00 a.m. ET)*

- Located 40 miles SSE of Cameron, LA
- Moving WNW at 8 mph
- Maximum sustained winds of 40 mph
- Tropical storm-force winds extend outward up to 25 miles from the center
- Significant strengthening is forecast today, and Edouard could approach hurricane strength before it reaches the northwest Gulf coast later today



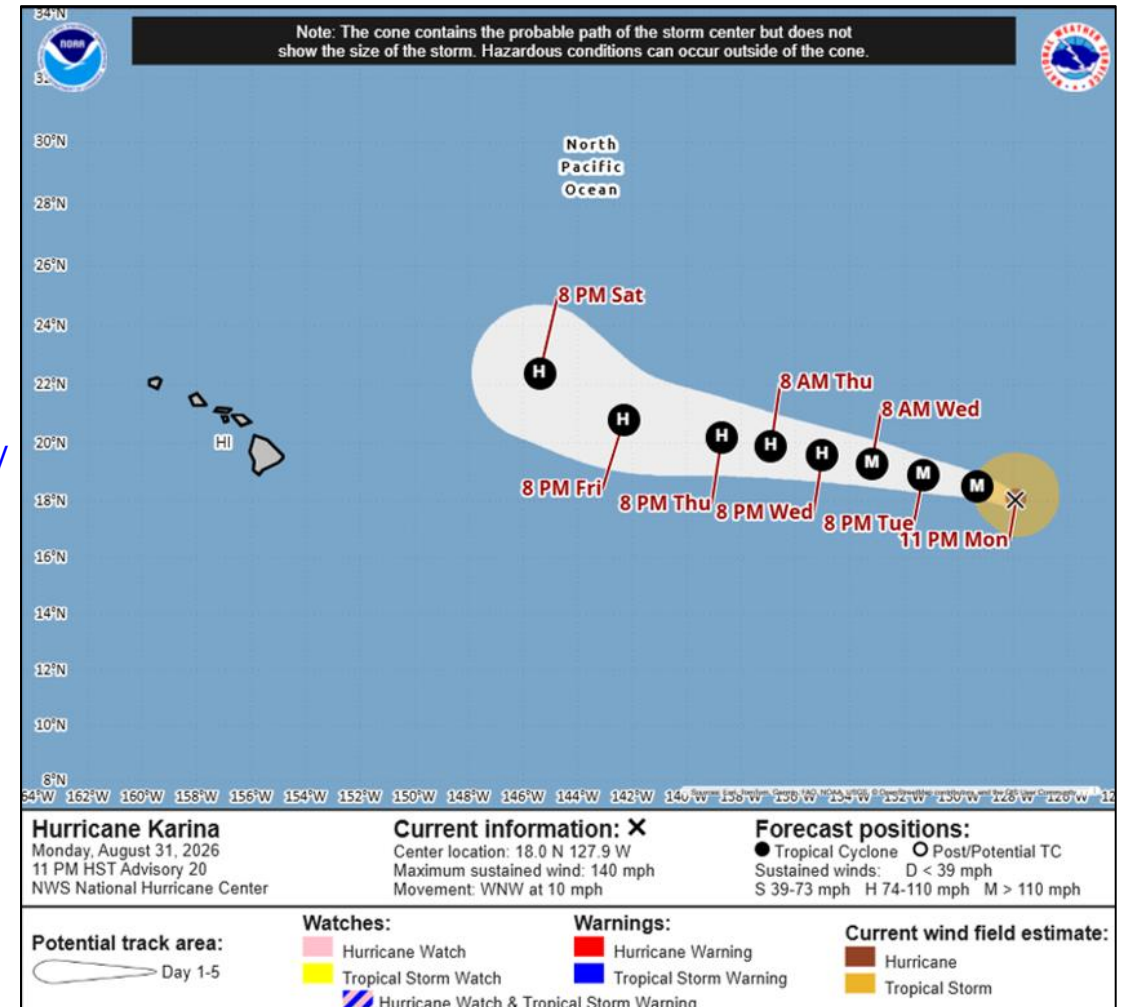
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Hurricane Karina (CAT 4) – Eastern Pacific

Situation: (Advisory #20, as of 5:00 a.m. ET)

- Located **1,210 miles** WSW of the southern tip of Baja California
- Moving **WNW** at **10** mph
- Maximum sustained winds of **140 mph**
- Hurricane-force winds up to **30 miles** out from center
- Tropical-storm-force winds up to **115 miles** out from center
- **Fluctuations in intensity are possible through this morning, followed by a gradual weakening trend beginning by late today**



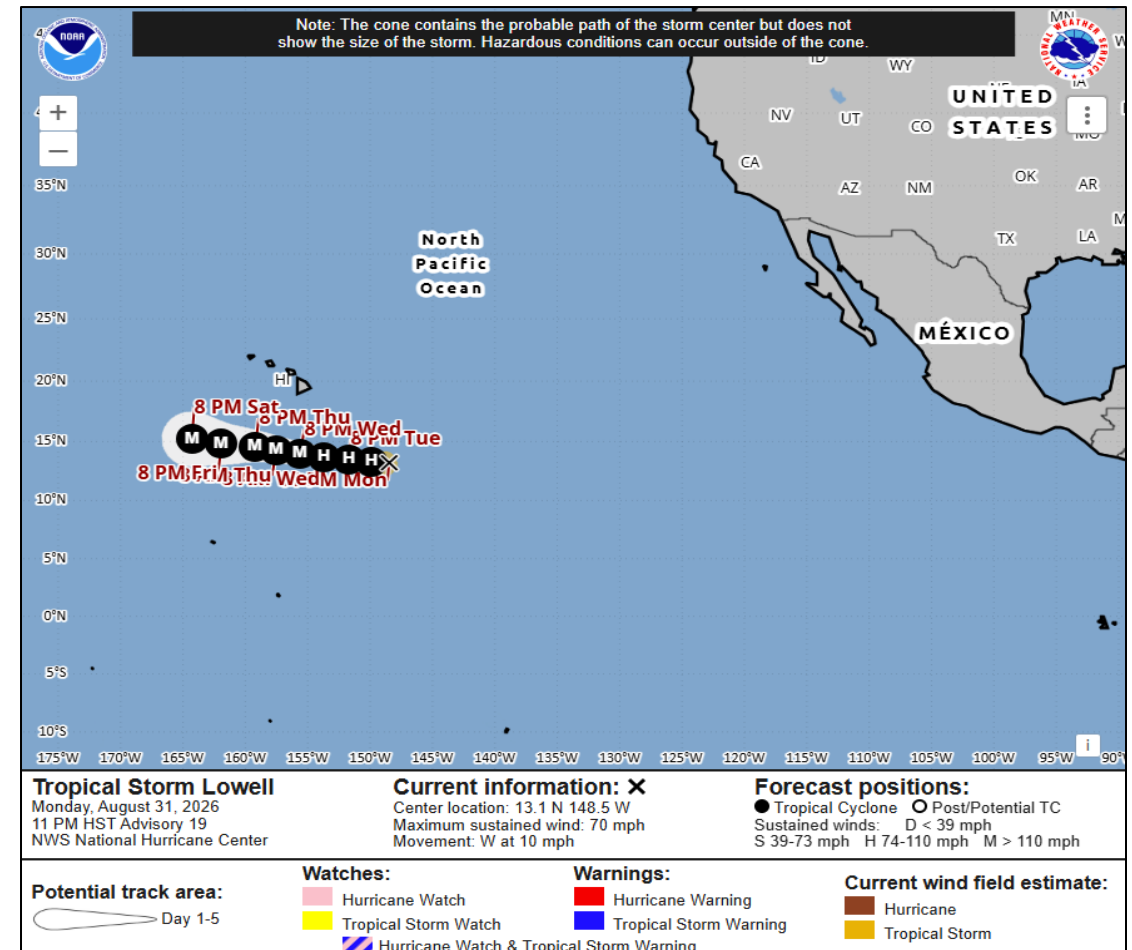
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Tropical Storm Lowell – Central Pacific

Situation: (Advisory #19, as of 5:00 a.m. ET)

- Located **630 miles SE** of Hilo, Hawaii
- Moving W at **10 mph**
- Maximum sustained winds of **70 mph**
- Tropical-storm-force winds up to **90 miles** out from center
- **Rapid intensification is forecast over the next couple of days, and** Lowell is expected to become a major hurricane by Wednesday



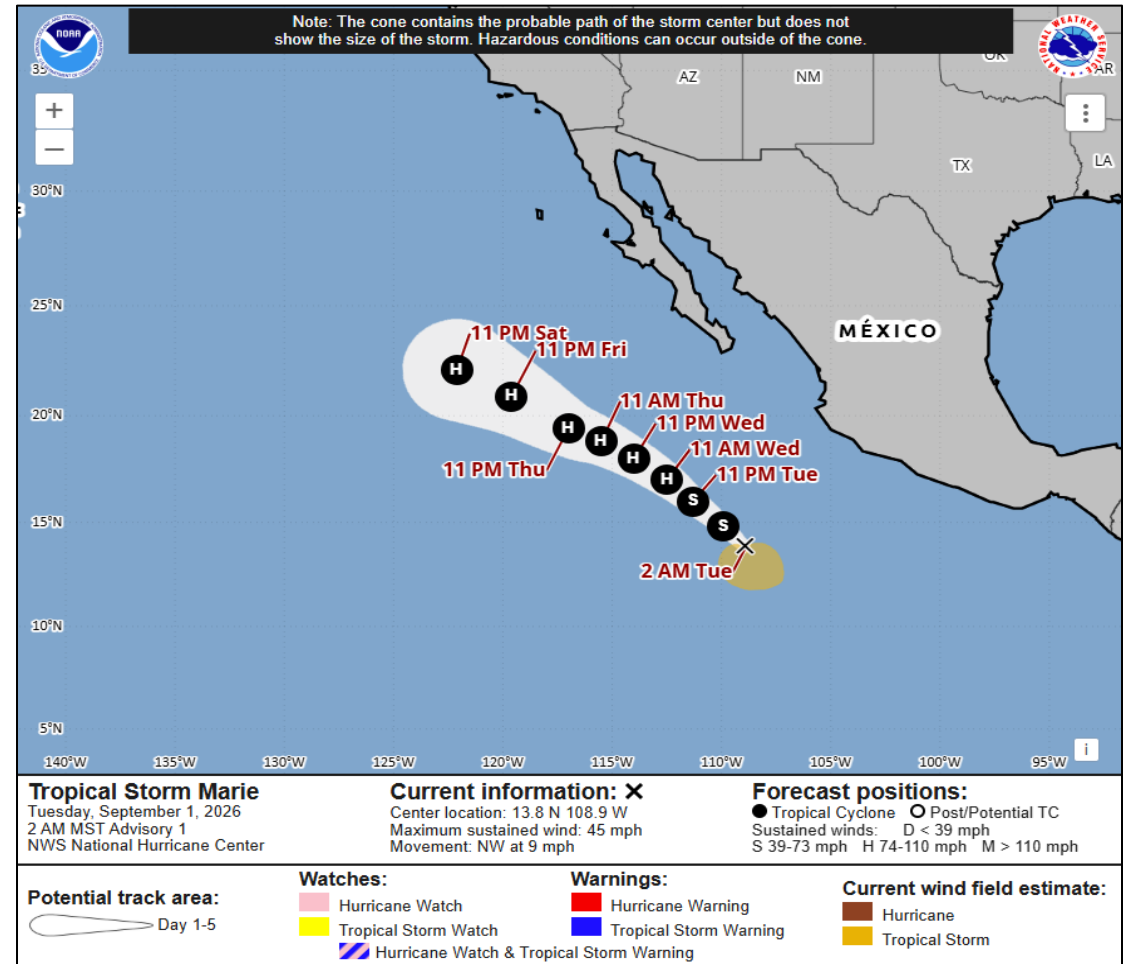
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Tropical Storm Marie – Eastern Pacific

Situation: (Advisory #1, as of 5:00 a.m. ET)

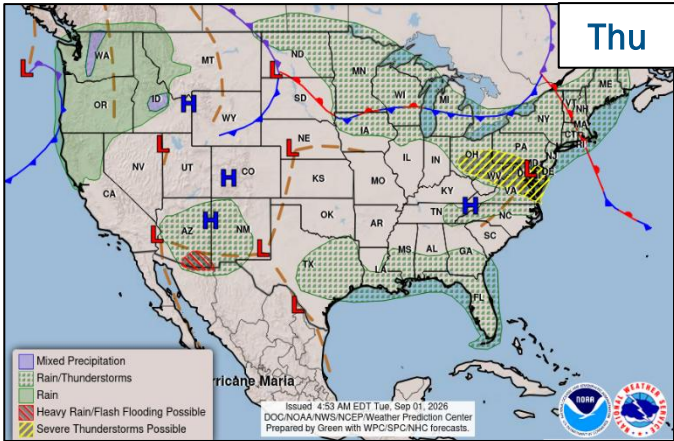
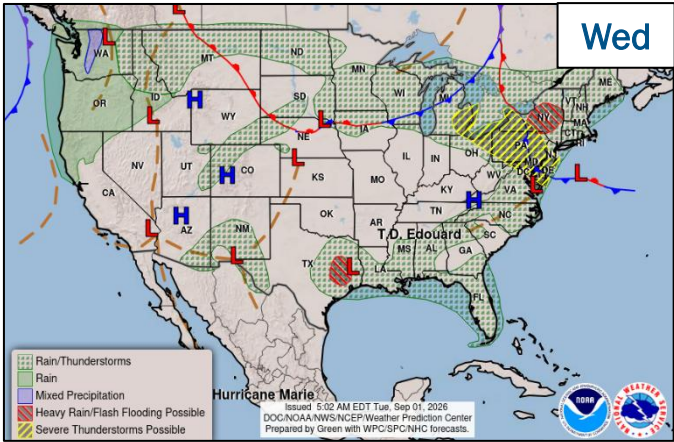
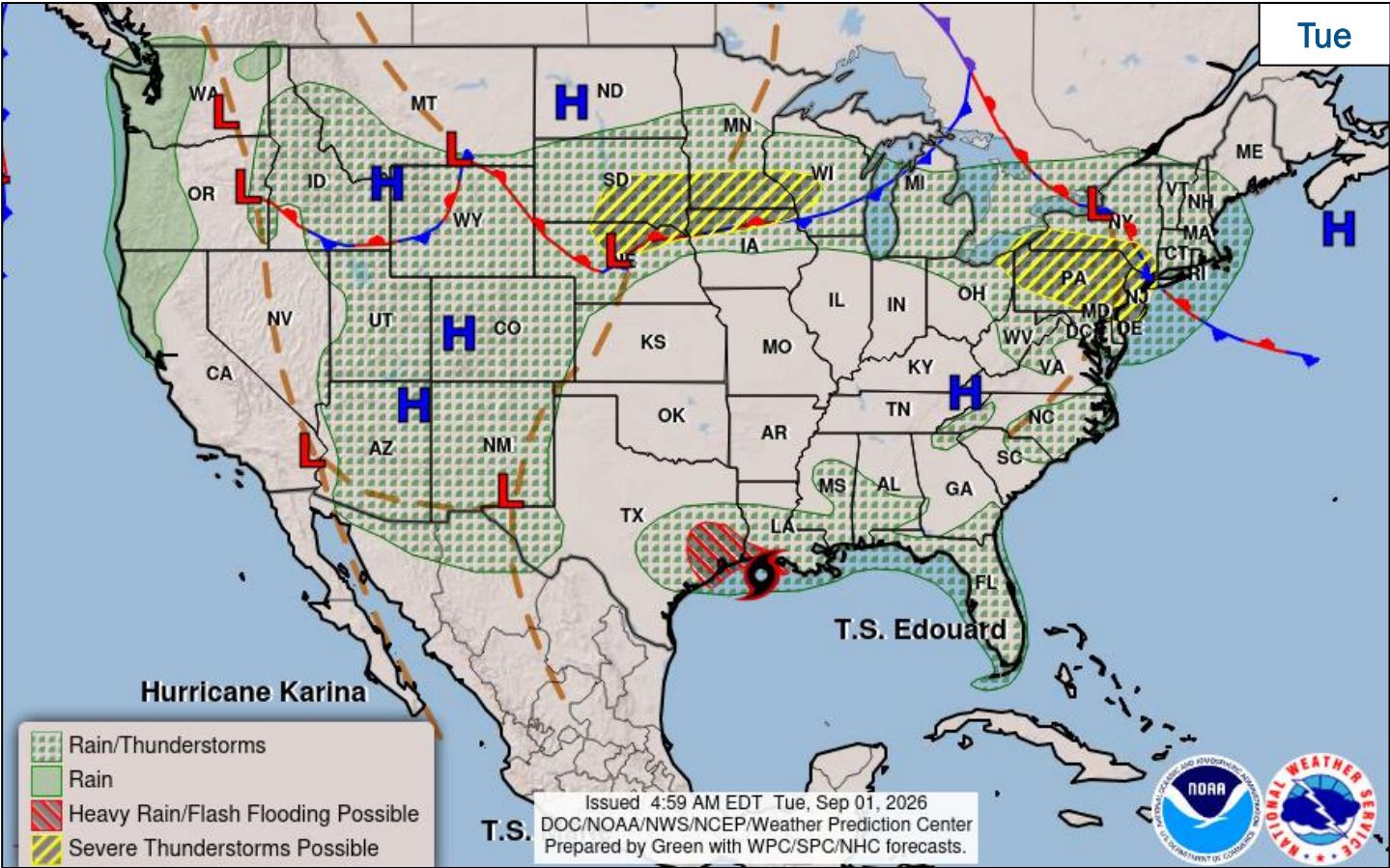
- Located 470 miles SW of Manzanillo, Mexico
- Moving NW at 9 mph
- Maximum sustained winds of 45 mph
- Tropical-storm-force winds extend up to 160 miles outward from center
- Gradual strengthening is forecast, and Marie is expected to become a hurricane in the next day or so



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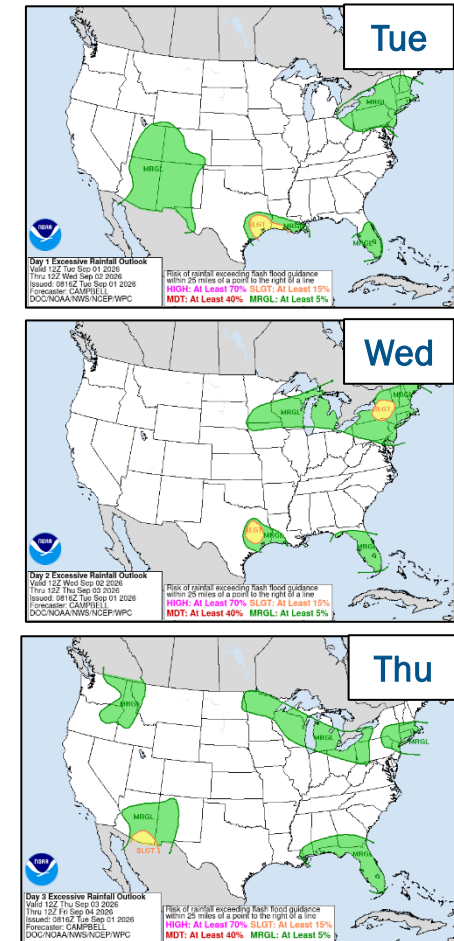
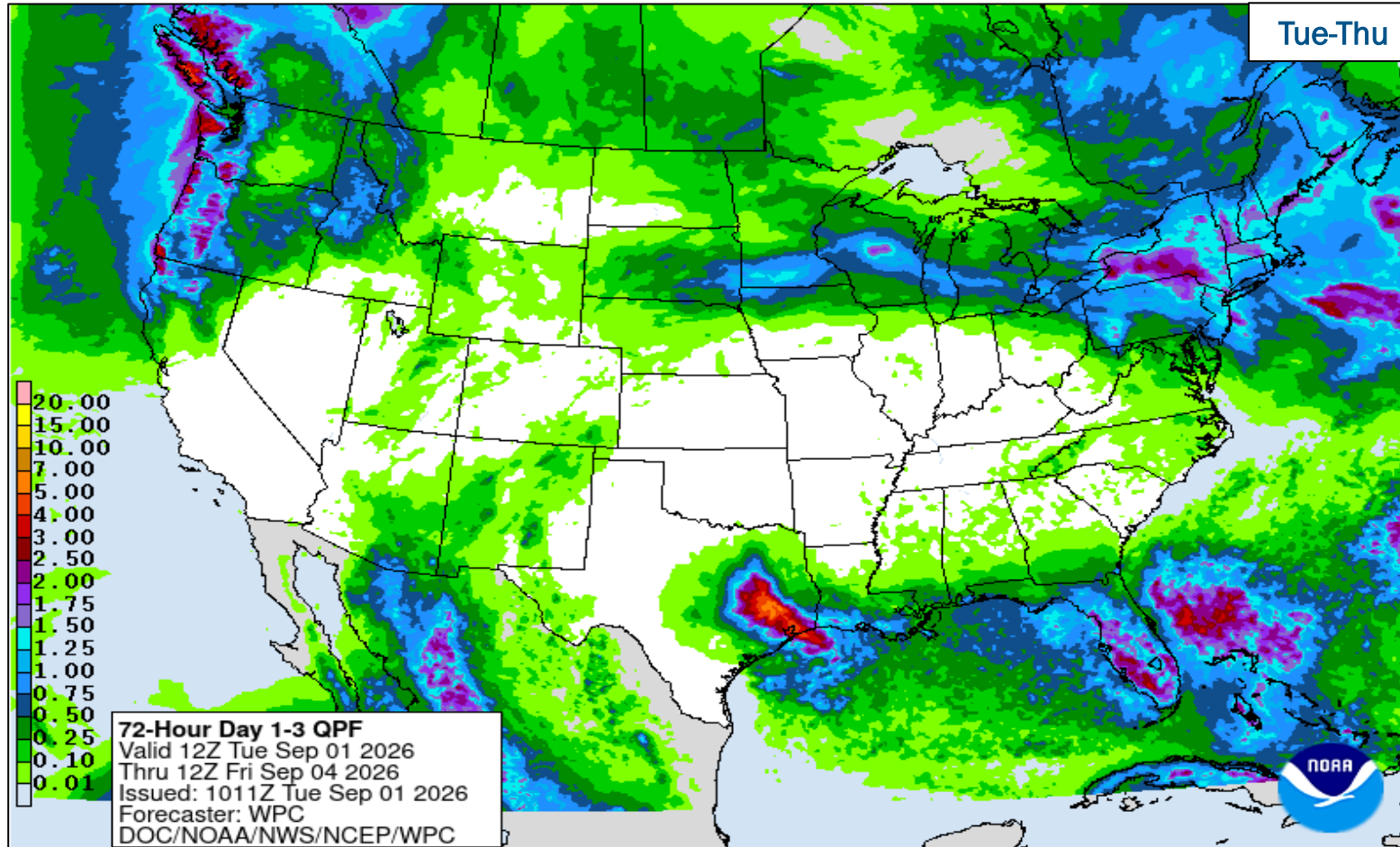
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National Weather Forecast



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Precipitation & Excessive Rainfall



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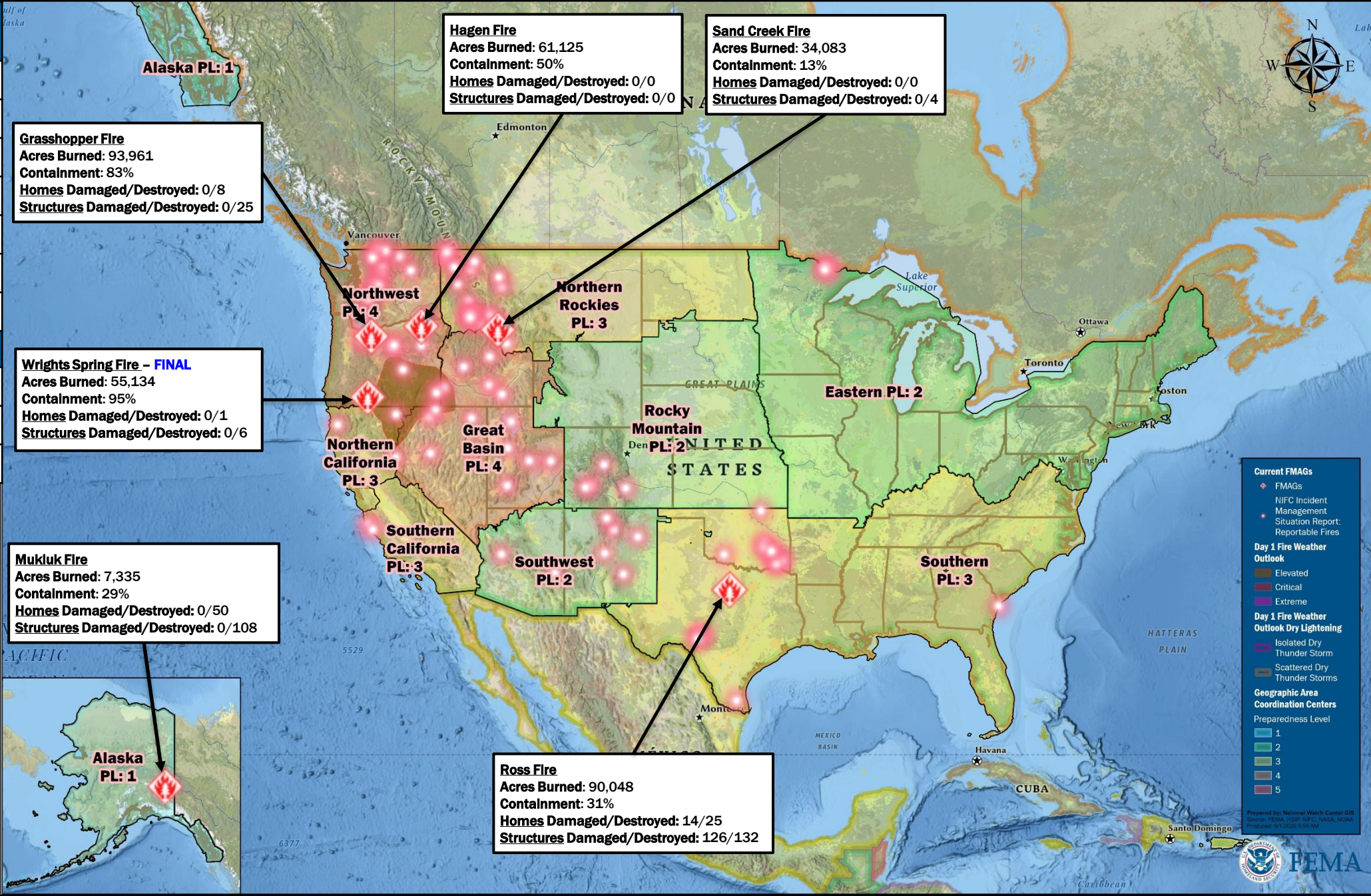
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National Fire Activity – September 1, 2026

PL 5

INITIAL ATTACK ACTIVITY (24-hour period)	Light (108 fires)
New Large Fires	4
Large Fires Contained	4
Uncontained Large Fires	93
Year-to-Date Acres Burned	8,238,284
Total Responders	22,434
Type 1 IMTs Deployed	1
Complex IMTs Deployed	16
FMAGS	Total
2026 (FYTD)	61
2025	75
3 Year Average	53

Preparedness Levels:	
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 country; 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 nation's wildland firefighting resources committed
PL 5	Extremely high levels of fire activity; 80% of nation's firefighting resources committed



Wildfire Summary

Fire Name (County, ST)	FMAG #	Acres Burned	Percent Contained	Evacuations	Structures (Homes / Other)			Fatalities / Injuries
					Threatened	Damaged	Destroyed	
Grasshopper (Wasco, OR)	5648-FM-OR	93,961 (+9)	83%	M: 12	H: 2,288	H: 0	H: 8	0 / 16
				V: 0	O: 0	O: 0	O: 25	
Hagen (Umatilla/Union, OR)	5664-FM-OR	61,125 (+150)	50% (+5)	M: 3,585	H: 1,434	H: 0	H: 0	0 / 10 (+4)
				V: 0	O: 0 (-717)	O: 0	O: 0	
Wrights Spring (Klamath, OR) FINAL	5666-FM-OR	55,134	95% (+5)	M: 27	H: 5 (-289)	H: 0	H: 1	1 / 3
				V: 0	O: 0 (-701)	O: 0	O: 6	
Sand Creek (Beaverhead, MT)	5671-FM-MT	34,083	13%	M: LIFTED	H: 168	H: 0	H: 0	0 / 6
				V: 0	O: 0	O: 0	O: 4	
Mukluk (Southeast Fairbanks, AK)	5672-FM-AK	7,335	29%	M: LIFTED	H: 0	H: 0	H: 50	0 / 0
				V: 0	O: 0	O: 0	O: 108 (+108)	
Ross (Palo Pinto, TX)	5675-FM-TX	90,048 (+4,745)	31%	M: 250	H: 100	H: 14	H: 25	0 / 2
				V: 0	O: 0	O: 126	O: 132	

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



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FEMA Common Operating Picture

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Incident Workforce

18,929
Assigned a Disaster Title

6,290 / 33%
Deployed

5,873 / 31%
Available to Deploy for 30 Days

6,766 / 36%
Remaining

Surge Capacity Force
7,702 / 0 / 770
Rostered / Deployed /
Est. Available to Deploy for 30 Days

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National Readiness

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NRCC

N-IMAT Red

N-IMAT White

N-IMAT Blue

N-IMAT Gold

N-IMAT HS

National Notes

National Watch:
• NWC: Staffing

NRCC:
• Rostered

National IMATs:
• N-IMAT Red: Staffing
• N-IMAT White: Staffing
• N-IMAT Blue: Staffing

REGIONAL BREAKDOWN

	JFO	DR	EM	JRO
R1	0	1	0	0
R2	0	0	0	2
R3	0	2	0	0
R4	4	13	0	1
R5	0	3	0	0
R6	4	6	3	3
R7	0	5	0	0
R8	1	5	0	0
R9	0	5	5	0
R10	4	7	1	0

Camp Murray, WA
EM-3650-WA
• R10 IMAT

Indianapolis, IN
EM-3651-IN
• R5 IMAT

Carson City, NV
Wildfire
• R9 IMAT-1

CNMI
DR-4910-MP &
EM-3647-MP
• R9 IMAT-2

Guam
DR-4910-MP & EM-
3648-GU
• ISB Delta

Alaska

Commonwealth of
Northern Mariana
Islands

Guam

Hawaii

American Samoa

TC Lowell

TC Karina

TC Marie

TC Edouard

- FEMA Headquarters
- Regional Offices
- National IMAT
- Regional IMAT
- MERS
- Incident Support Base
- Staging Management Team
- Pre-Positioned Site
- Distribution Center
- Open Joint Field Offices
- Joint Recovery Office
- FMAGs
- Large Fires
- State Activation Levels
 - Full
 - Partial
 - Monitoring
 - Normal
 - Declared Counties

Regional Readiness

Watch RRCC IMAT

Region 1

Region 2

Region 3

Region 4

Region 5

Region 6

Region 7

Region 8

Region 9

Region 10

Regional Notes

- Watches/RRCCs:
- R2 Watch: Equipment
 - R5 Watch: Staffing
- State EOCs:
- FL/MS: Previous Incidents
 - AK/CO/ID/NM/NV/OK/UT/WA: Wildfires
 - IL/KY/TN/TX/WV: Severe Weather
 - MP: TC Bavi/Saudel
 - PR/VA: Drought
 - WI: Support for 4923-DR-WI
 - HI: TC Lala/Moke
 - IN: Support for 4933-DR-IN
- IMATs:
- R1: Staffing
 - R3: 4932-EM-WV
 - R4: 1/2: Staffing
 - R5: 3651-EM-IN
 - R7: Reconstituting (FMC 9/8)
 - R9-1: 5674-FM-NV
 - R9-2: 4910-DR-MP
 - R10: 3650-EM-WA

Legend

- Fully Mission Capable
- Partially Mission Capable
- Requires Augmentation
- Deployed/Activated

Commodities & Equipment

	CONUS	Caribbean	Hawaii	Guam
Water				
Meals				
Generators				

SMT

Operational	11/11
Requires Augmentation	3/11
Deployed	0/11

MERS Det.

30/36 Operational	
Maynard	4/6
Frederick	6/6
Thomasville	6/6
Denton	6/6
Denver	4/6
Bothell	4/6

US&R

Task Forces	
Assigned	28
Non-FEMA Deployed	0
FEMA-Deployed	0
Not Mission Capable	0
Available	28
FEMA Support Staff	11/21

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Assigned	38
Not Mission Capable	2
Deployed	31 (20 FCOIR)
Available	5

Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

Region	State / Location	Event	IA	Number of Counties		Start – End
			PA	Requested	Complete	
R3	WV	Severe Storms Aug 15-18	IA	3	0	8/31 – TBD
			PA	0	0	N/A
R4	TN	Straight-line Winds and Severe Storms Aug 22	IA	1	1 (+1)	8/31 – 8/31
			PA	1	1 (+1)	8/31 – 8/31
R5	OH	Severe Weather Aug 11 and continuing	IA	23	23	8/24 – TBD
			PA	16	0	8/24 – TBD
	IL	Severe Weather Aug 11-16	IA	8	0	8/31 – TBD
			PA	0	0	N/A
R6	OK	Severe Storm Jul 4	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	4	4 (+4)	8/31 – 8/31
R7	KS	Severe Storms Aug 18--19	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	1	0	TBD – TBD
R8	RST*	Severe Storms, Hail, and Straight-line Winds Aug 11-12	IA	1	0	8/31 – TBD
			PA	1	0	8/31 – TBD

*Rosebud Sioux Tribe



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Declaration Requests in Process – 23

State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Type	IA	PA	HM	Requested
NY – Severe Winter Storm, Snowstorm, and Straight-line Winds – Appeal	DR		X	X	Mar 25
MA – Severe Winter Storm and Snowstorm – Appeal	DR		X	X	Apr 7
ND – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, and Tornadoes	DR		X	X	Jul 6
NH – Severe Storm and Flash Flooding – Appeal	DR		X	X	Jul 8
RI – Severe Winter Storm and Snowstorm – Appeal	DR		X	X	Jul 15
TX – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, and Flooding	DR	X	X	X	Jul 17
NJ – Severe Winter Storms and Snowstorm – Appeal	DR		X	X	Jul 20
HI – Earthquake	DR	X			Jul 21
ID – Severe Storm and Flooding	DR		X	X	Jul 22
KY – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides	DR	X	X	X	Jul 23
SD – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, and Flooding	DR		X	X	Jul 24
MO – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, and Flooding	DR		X	X	Jul 28
KS – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, and Flooding	DR		X	X	Jul 28
OST* – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, and Flooding	DR	X	X	X	Jul 29
IA – Severe Storms and Flooding	DR		X	X	Aug 3
IN – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, and Flooding	DR	X	X	X	Aug 6

*Oglala Sioux Tribe



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Declaration Requests in Process – 23 (cont'd)

State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Type	IA	PA	HM	Requested
GU – Super Typhoon Bavi	DR	X	X	X	Aug 11
KS – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, and Flooding	DR		X	X	Aug 11
MN – Severe Storms and Flooding	DR	X		X	Aug 20
UT – Cottonwood Fire, Flooding, and Mudslides	DR		X	X	Aug 22
CO – Wildfires, Flooding, and Mudslides	DR	X	X	X	Aug 23
WI – Severe Storms and Tornado	DR	X	X	X	Aug 26
NV – Hawk Fire	EM		X		Aug 27



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