

FEMA National Watch Center

Daily Operations Briefing

Wednesday, September 2, 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, Great Lakes to Mid-Atlantic
- Heavy Rain / Flash Flooding – Texas, Mid-Atlantic to Northeast
- Tropical Activity:
 - Atlantic: Tropical Depression Edouard
 - Eastern and Central Pacific:
 - Hurricane Karina (CAT-4)
 - Hurricane Lowell (CAT-4)
 - Tropical Storm Marie
 - Disturbance 1: Low (20%)

Disaster Declaration Activity

- No new declaration activity

Event Monitoring

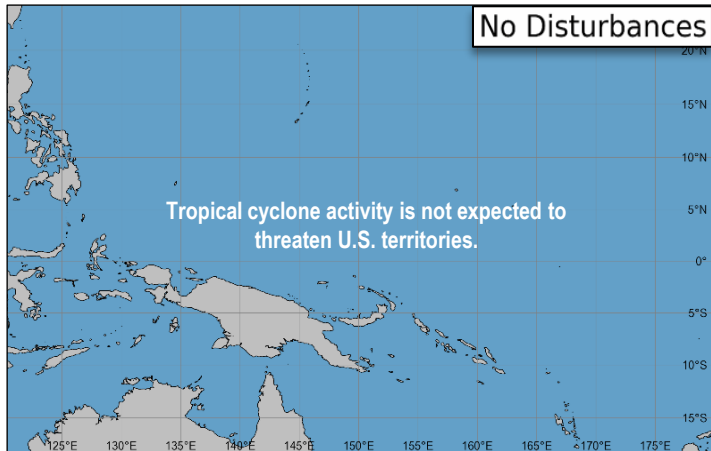
- No new significant events



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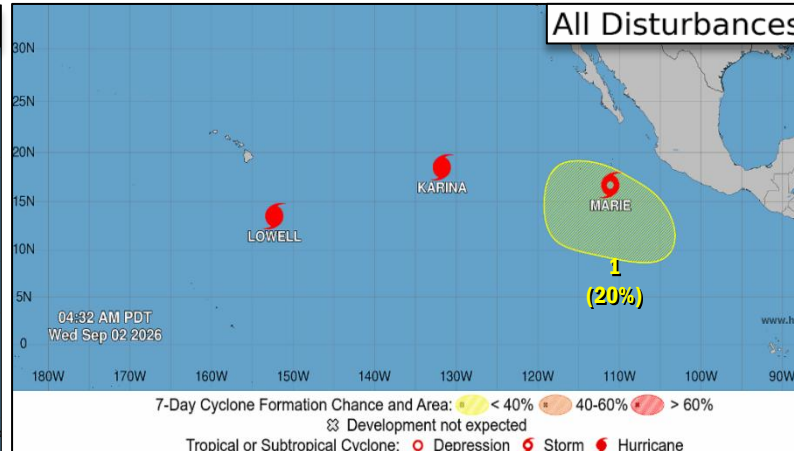
Tropical Outlook

Western Pacific



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

Eastern and Central Pacific



[Hurricane Karina \(CAT-4\): \(Advisory #24, as of 5:00 a.m. ET\)](#)

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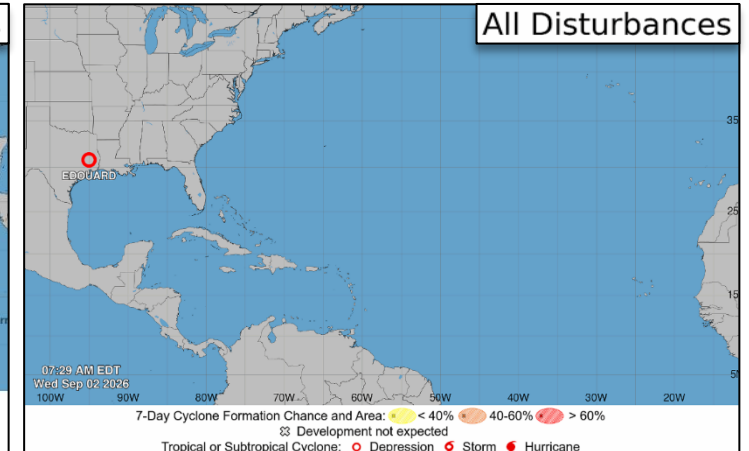
[Tropical Storm Marie: \(Advisory #5, as of 5:00 a.m. ET\)](#)

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[Disturbance 1: \(as of 8:00 a.m. ET\)](#)

- Could form well offshore of southwestern Mexico
- Gradual development is possible early next week as the system moves WNW at 10-15 mph
- Formation chance – 48 hour: Low (near 0%); 7-day: Low (20%)

Atlantic



[Tropical Depression Edouard: \(Advisory #8, as of 5:00 a.m. ET\)](#)

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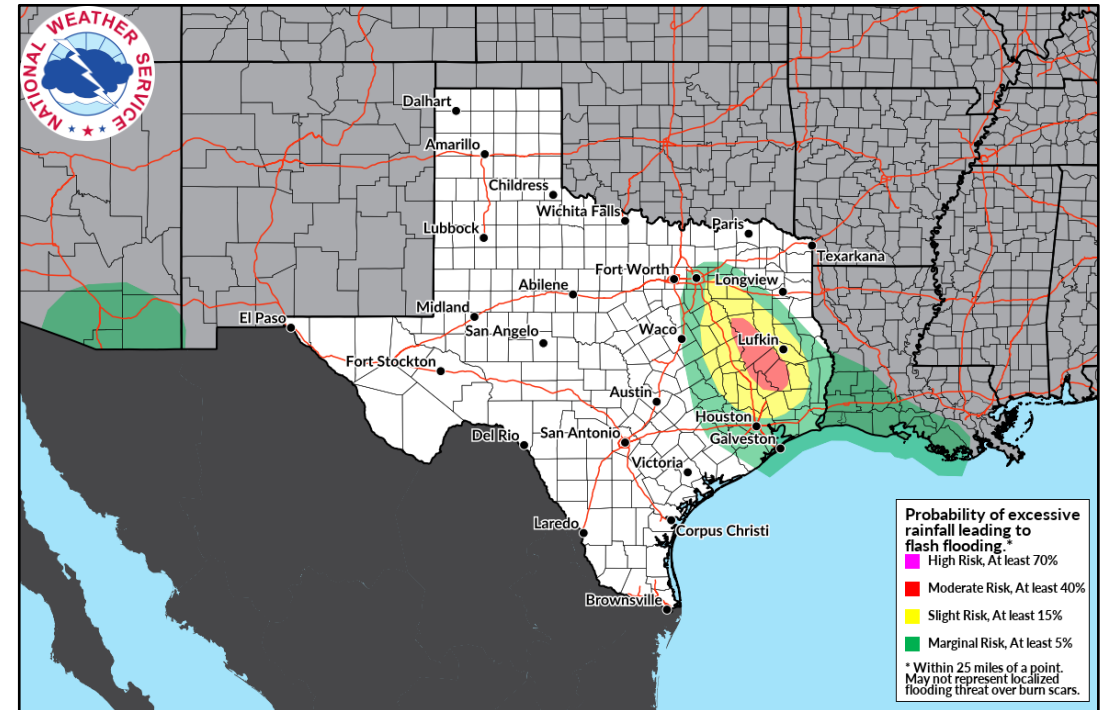
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Tropical Depression Edouard – Atlantic

Situation: (WPC Public Advisory #8, as of 5:00 a.m. ET)

- Located 70 miles NW of Beaumont, TX
- Moving NW at 5 mph
- Maximum sustained winds of 35 mph
- Continued weakening is expected, and Edouard is forecast to dissipate by tonight
- Total rainfall expected between 4"- 8"
- Localized totals greater than 12" has already fallen



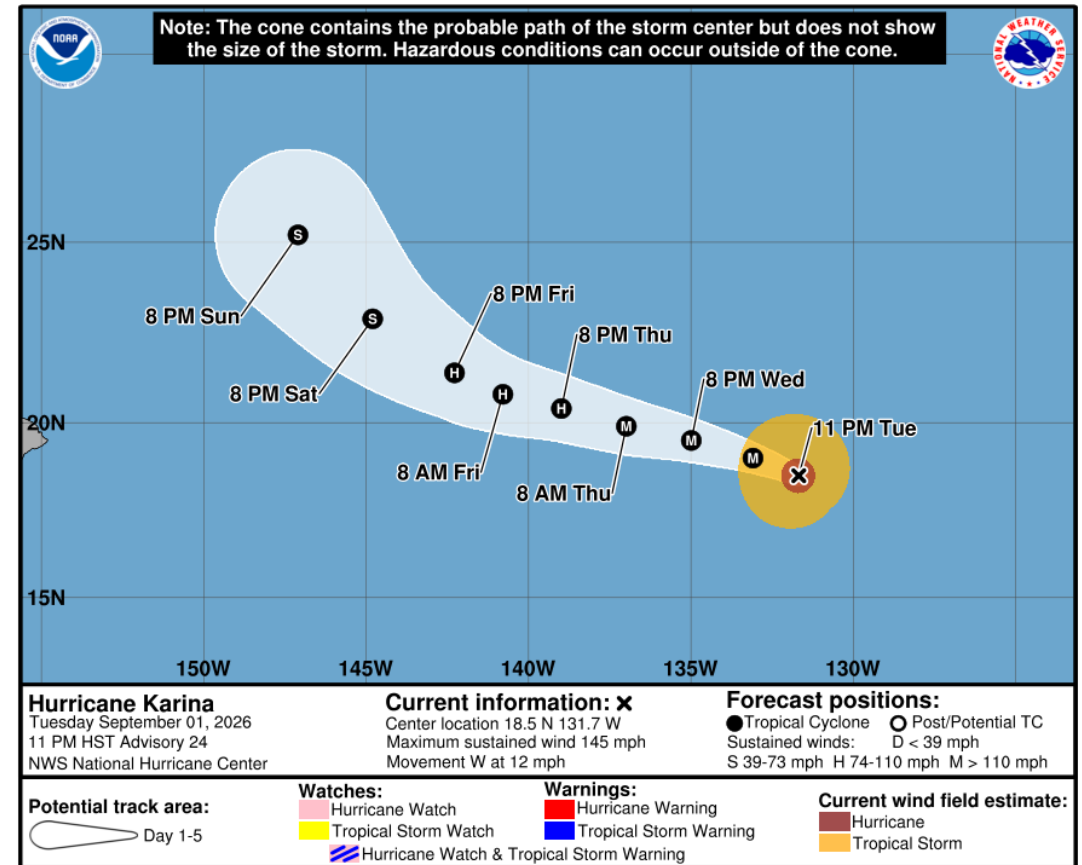
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Hurricane Karina (CAT-4) – Eastern Pacific

Situation: (Advisory #24, as of 5:00 a.m. ET)

- Located **1,440 miles W** of the southern tip of Baja California
- Moving **W at 12 mph**
- Maximum sustained winds of **145 mph**
- Hurricane-force winds up to **35 miles** out from center
- Tropical-storm-force winds up to **125 miles** out from center
- **Some additional strengthening is possible through Wednesday morning, followed by slow weakening over the next several days. However, Karina is likely to remain a major hurricane into Thursday.**



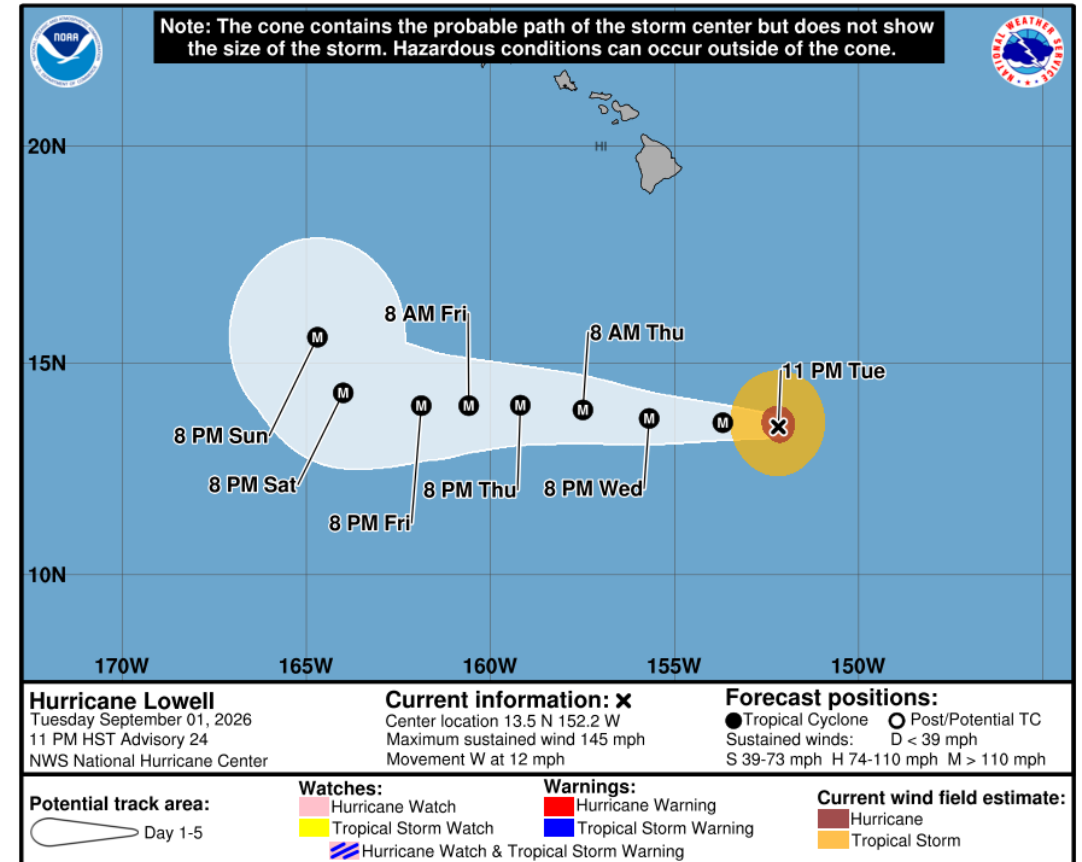
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Hurricane Lowell (CAT-4) – Central Pacific

Situation: (Advisory #24, as of 5:00 a.m. ET)

- Located **470 miles SSE** of Hilo, Hawaii
- Moving **W** at **12 mph**
- Maximum sustained winds of **145 mph**
- **Hurricane-force-winds** extend outward up to **35 miles** out from center
- Tropical-storm-force winds up to 90 miles out from center
- **Lowell could further strengthen on Wednesday and is expected to remain a powerful hurricane for the rest of the week**



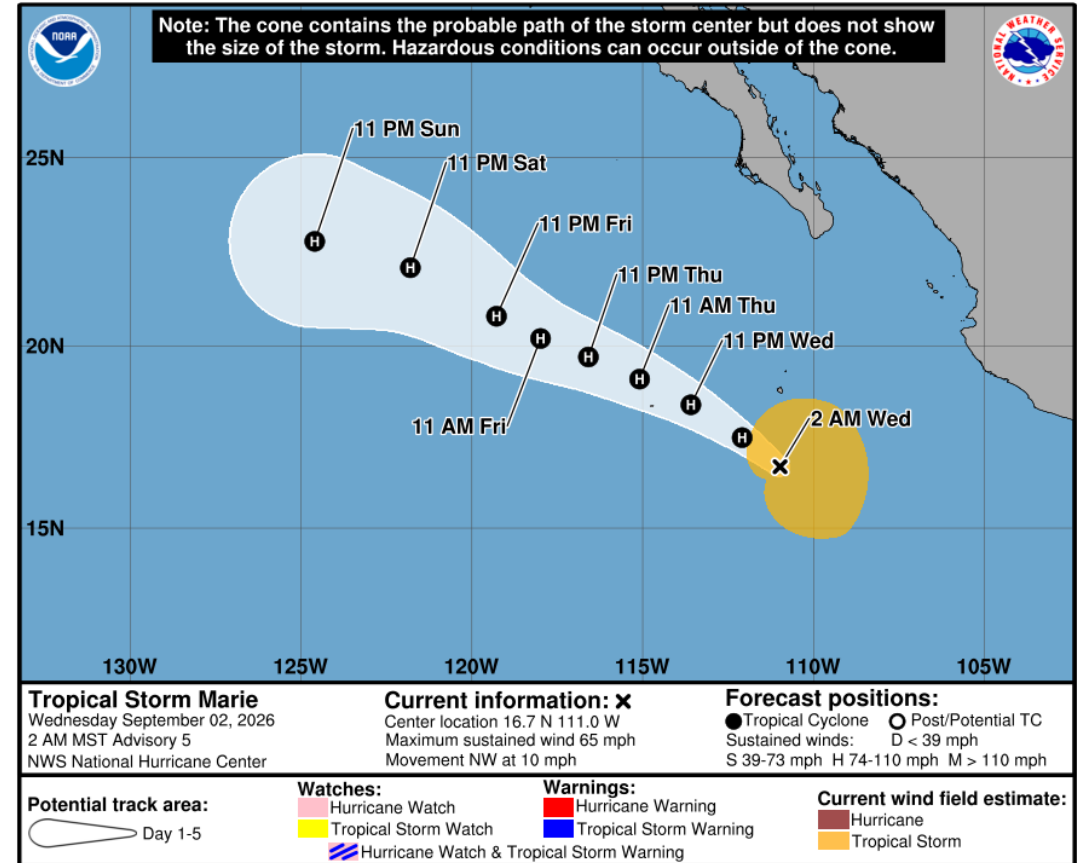
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Tropical Storm Marie – Eastern Pacific

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

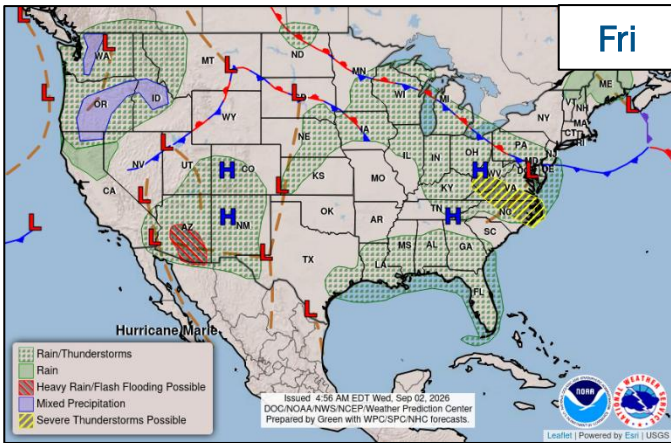
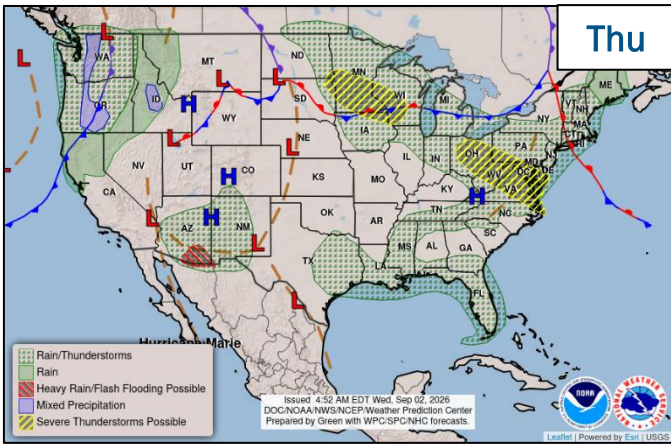
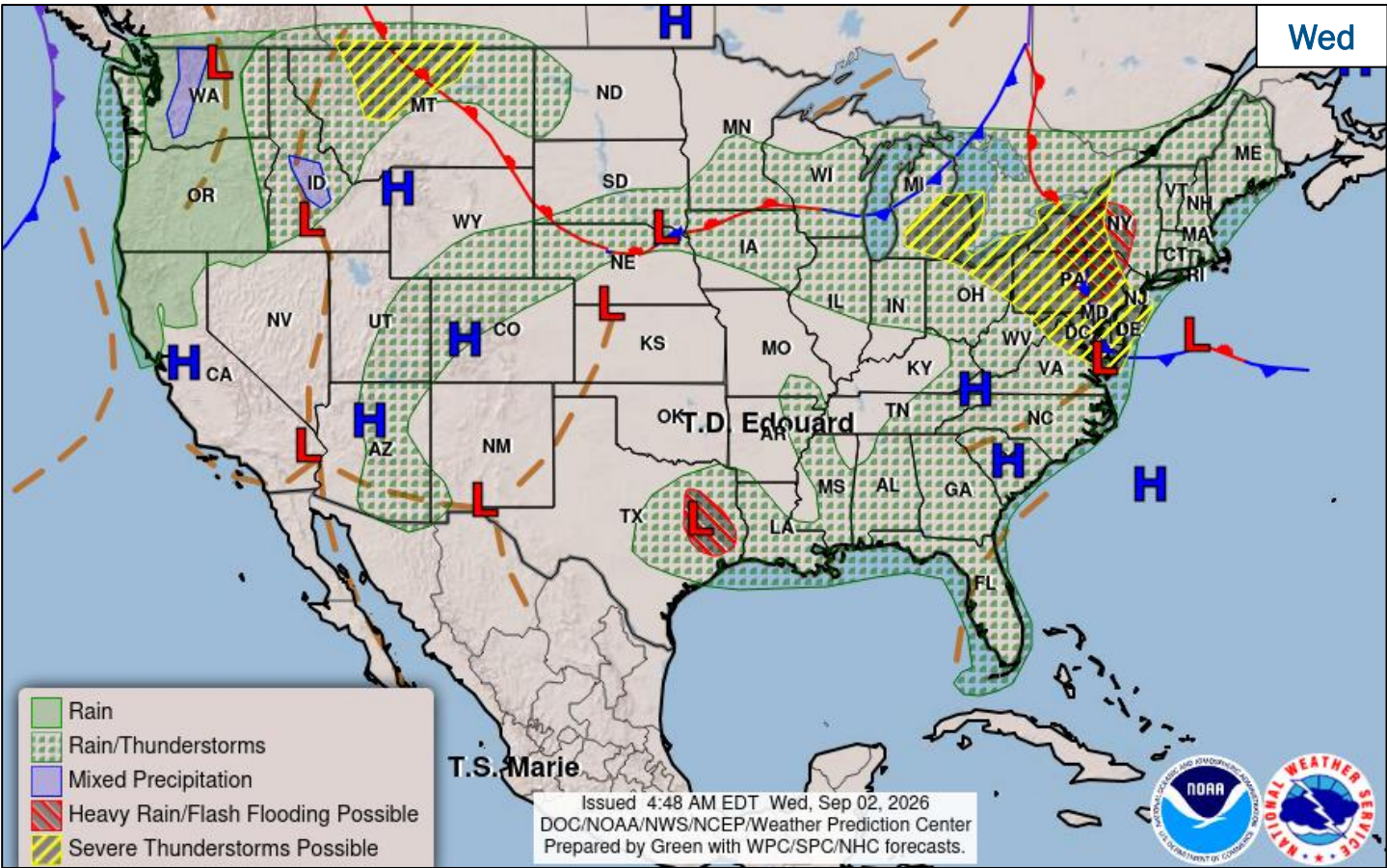
- Located **435 miles S** of the southern tip of Baja California
- Moving NW at **10 mph**
- Maximum sustained winds of **65 mph**
- Tropical-storm-force winds extend up to **185 miles** out from center
- **Some strengthening is forecast during the next 48 hours, and Marie is likely to become a hurricane later today**



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National Weather Forecast



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PL 5

The map displays fire risk levels across the United States, categorized by region and specific fire incidents. The regions and their corresponding risk levels are:

- Alaska PL: 1**
- Northwest PL: 4**
- Northern Rockies PL: 3**
- Rocky Mountain PL: 2**
- Eastern PL: 2**
- Northern California PL: 3**
- Great Basin PL: 4**

Specific fire incidents are highlighted with red flame icons and associated data boxes:

- Hagen Fire:** Acres Burned: 61,305; Containment: 53%; Homes Damaged/Destroyed: 0/0; Structures Damaged/Destroyed: 0/0.
- Sand Creek Fire:** Acres Burned: 34,733; Containment: 15%; Homes Damaged/Destroyed: 0/0; Structures Damaged/Destroyed: 0/4.
- Grasshopper Fire:** Acres Burned: 93,972; Containment: 83%; Homes Damaged/Destroyed: 0/8; Structures Damaged/Destroyed: 0/25.

The map also shows major cities (Vancouver, Toronto, Ottawa, Boston, New York, Washington, Denver) and geographical features (Lake Superior, Great Plains). A compass rose is located in the top right corner.

Mukluk Fire
 Acres Burned: 7,335
 Containment: 22%
 Homes Damaged/Destroyed: 0/50
 Structures Damaged/Destroyed: 0/108

Ross Fire
 Acres Burned: 90,048
 Containment: 31%
 Homes Damaged/Destroyed: 14/25
 Structures Damaged/Destroyed: 126/132

Alaska PL: 1

Southern California PL: 3

Southwest PL: 2

Southern PL: 3

Day 1 Fire Weather Outlook

- Elevated
- Critical
- Extreme

Day 1 Fire Weather Outlook Dry Lightening

- Isolated Dry Thunder Storm
- Scattered Dry Thunder Storms

Geographic Area Coordination Centers

Preparedness Level

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5

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FEMA Common Operating Picture

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Incident Workforce

18,928
Assigned a Disaster Title

6,337 / 33%
Deployed

6,054 / 32%
Available to Deploy for 30 Days

6,537 / 35%
Remaining

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

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National Readiness

National Watch Center

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

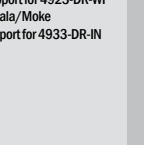
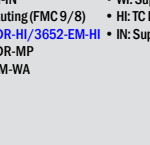
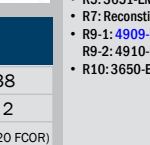
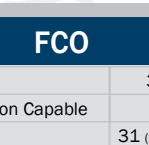
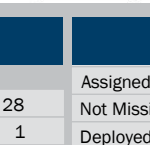
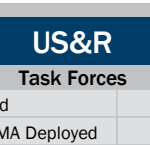
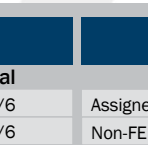
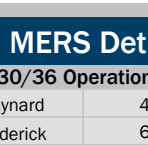
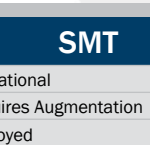
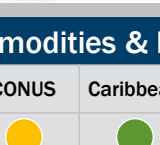
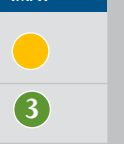
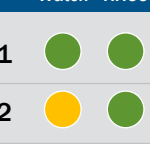
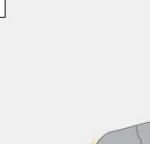
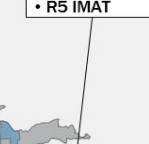
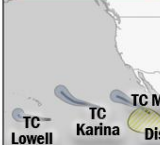
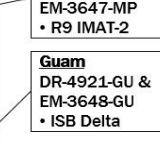
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EM-3651-IN
• R5 IMAT

Charleston, WV
DR-4932-WV
• R3 IMAT

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

Guam
DR-4921-GU &
EM-3648-GU
• ISB Delta

Honolulu, HI
DR-4909-HI &
EM-3652-HI
• R9 IMAT-1



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/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: 4909-DR-HI/3652-EM-HI
• 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	1
FEMA-Deployed	0
Not Mission Capable	0
Available	27
FEMA Support Staff	11/21

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Assigned	38
Not Mission Capable	2
Deployed	31 (20 FCOR)
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
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
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 – 24

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 – 24 (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
WV – Severe Storm, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides – Appeal	DR	X		X	Aug 31



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