

FEMA National Watch Center

Daily Operations Briefing

Monday, September 7, 2026

8:30 a.m. ET



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National Current Operations / Monitoring

New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Operations

- Hurricane Lowell (CAT-3) – Hawaii

Hazard Monitoring

- Severe Thunderstorms – Central / Northern Plains
- Heavy Rain / Flash Flooding – Montana
- Tropical Activity:
 - Eastern and Central Pacific:
 - Hurricane Lowell (CAT-3)
 - Tropical Storm Marie
 - Disturbance 1: Medium (50%)

Disaster Declaration Activity

- No new declaration activity

Event Monitoring

- No new significant events



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Hurricane Lowell (CAT-3) – Hawaii

Situation and Analysis: Hurricane Lowell remains a major hurricane but is expected to weaken later today before passing west of Kauai County late tonight into early Tuesday as a CAT-2 hurricane. A Hurricane Warning is in effect for Kauai County including the islands of Kauai and Niihau where hurricane conditions are expected to begin this afternoon and continue through Tuesday. Heavy rainfall is forecast to affect the islands today and continue through Wednesday (HLT Advisory #45A, as of 8:00 a.m. ET, Sep 7). FEMA HQ held an operations coordination call with FEMA Region 9 to prepare for potential impacts to the Hawaiian Islands. (FEMA R9 SPOTREP #8, as of 1:36 a.m. ET, Sep 7)

State / Local Response:

- HI SEOC at Partial Activation (TC Lala/Moke)
- Governor issued an Emergency Proclamation relating to September 2026 Tropical Cyclones

FEMA / Federal Response: (FEMA R9 SPOTREP #8, as of 1:36 a.m. ET, Sep 7)

FEMA Region 9:

- RWC at Enhanced Watch (Tropical Activity); RRCC is Rostered (activating Sep 8)
- R-IMAT 1 Deployed to HI (DR-4909-HI/EM-3652-HI)
- R-IMAT 2 Deployed to CNMI (DR-4910/EM-3647-MP)
- FEMA Integration Team (FIT) LNO Deployed to HIEMA

HQ:

- NWC is Monitoring
- Response Operations Coordination call held on Sep 4 at 1:00 p.m. ET
- N-IMAT Red Deployed to Honolulu, HI

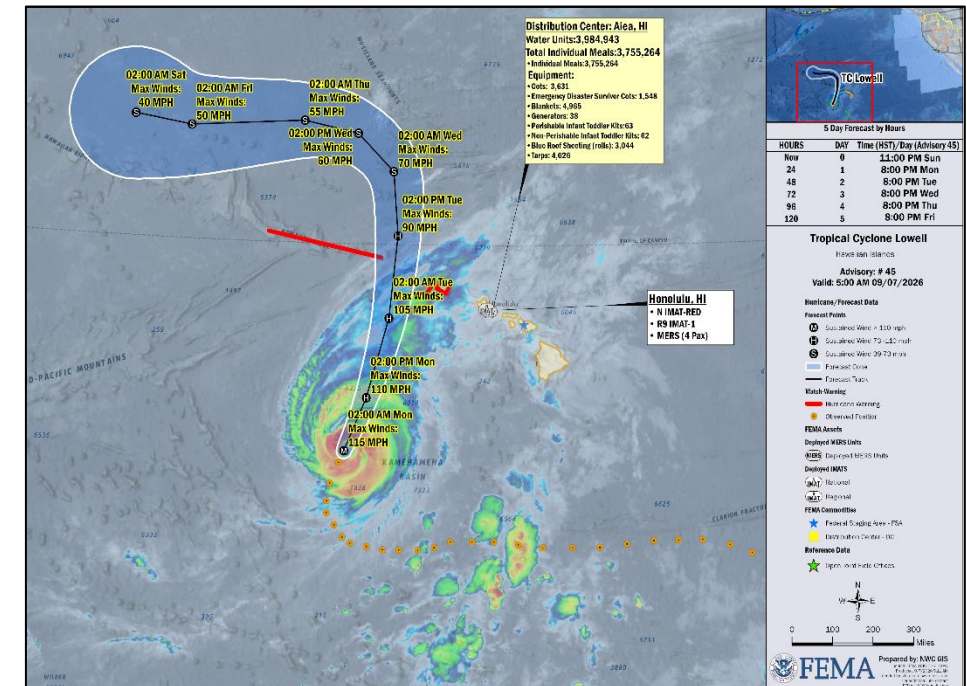
US&R:

- IST Red is Rostered
- 27 US&R teams available

DEC: Bothell MERS Deployed to Honolulu, HI

Logistics: SMT Hawaii and Tracy on warning order

Other Federal Agencies: DoW and Emergency Support Functions (ESF's) 3, 8, 11, and 12 deployed as of Sep 6



NWC will continue to monitor in coordination with FEMA Region 9, with continued reporting twice daily in the FEMA National Situation Report (3:00 a.m. / 5:00 p.m. ET) and the FEMA Daily Operations Briefing (8:30 a.m. ET).

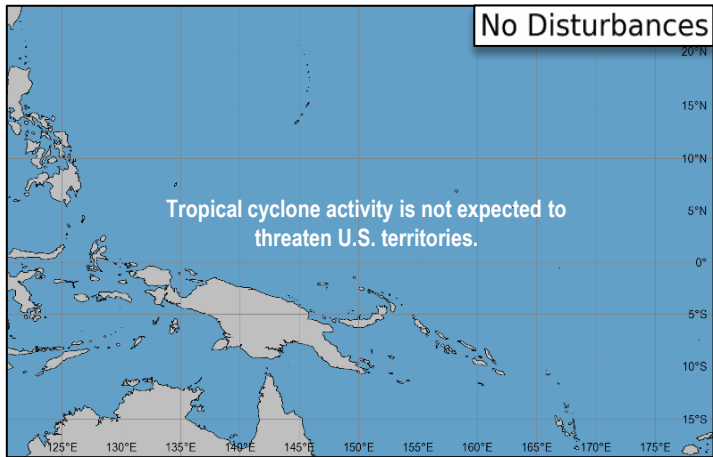


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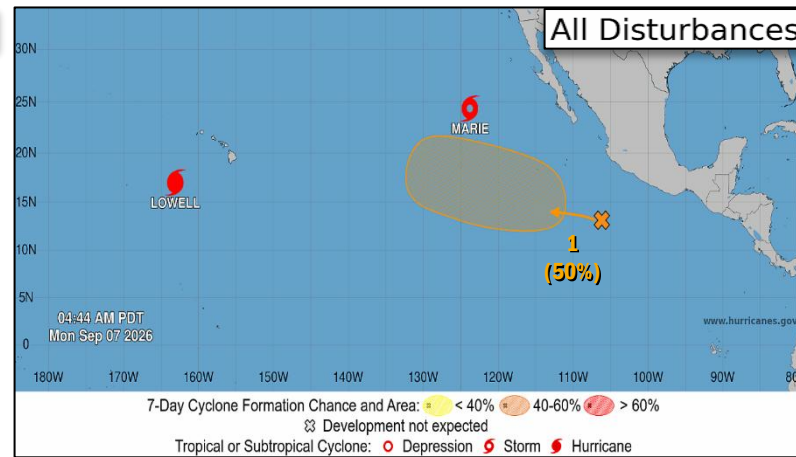
Tropical Outlook

Western Pacific



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

Eastern and Central Pacific



Hurricane Lowell (CAT-3): (*Advisory #45A, as of 8:00 a.m. ET*)

- See next slide

Tropical Storm Marie: (*Advisory #25, as of 5:00 a.m. ET*)

- See next slide

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

- Located several hundred miles SSW of the coast of southwestern Mexico
- Moving WNW at 10-15 mph
- Gradual development is possible, and a tropical depression could form during the middle or latter portions of the week
- Formation chance – 48 hour: Low (10%); 7-day: Medium (50%)

Atlantic



- Tropical cyclone activity is not expected during the next 7 days.



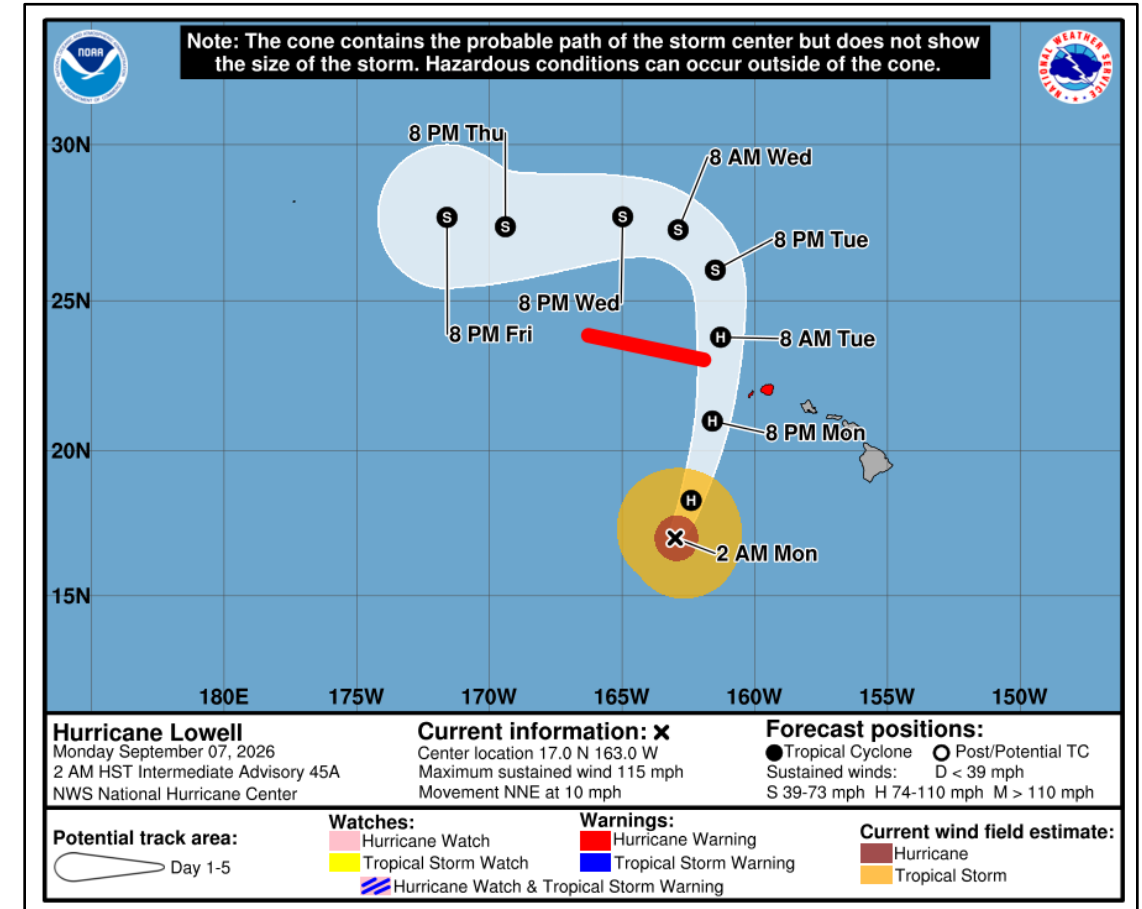
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Hurricane Lowell (CAT-3) – Central Pacific

Situation: (Advisory #45A, as of 8:00 a.m. ET)

- Located **445 miles** SW of Honolulu, HI
- Moving **NNE** at **10 mph**
- Maximum sustained winds of **115 mph**
- Hurricane-force-winds extend outward up to **60 miles** from center; tropical-storm-force winds extend outward up to 175 miles from center
- Gradual weakening is expected through tomorrow. However, Lowell is forecast to remain a hurricane as it passes near the Hawaiian Islands



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Tropical Storm Marie – Eastern Pacific

Situation: (Advisory #25, as of 5:00 a.m. ET)

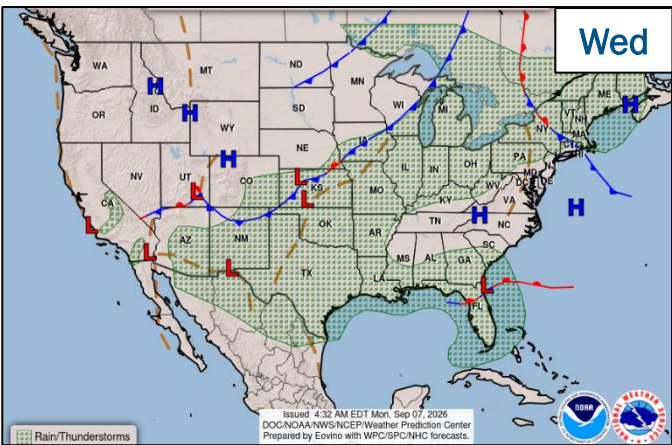
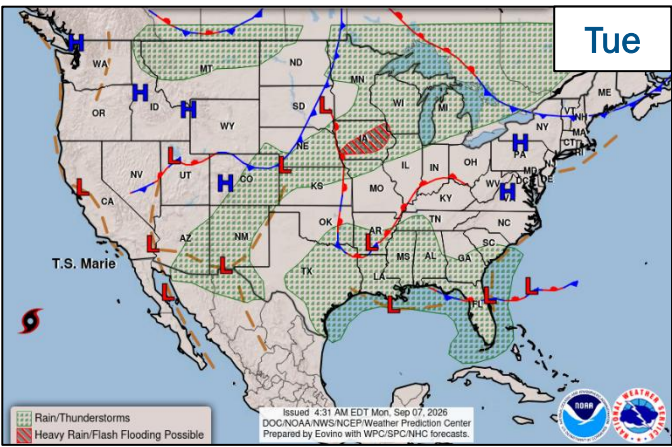
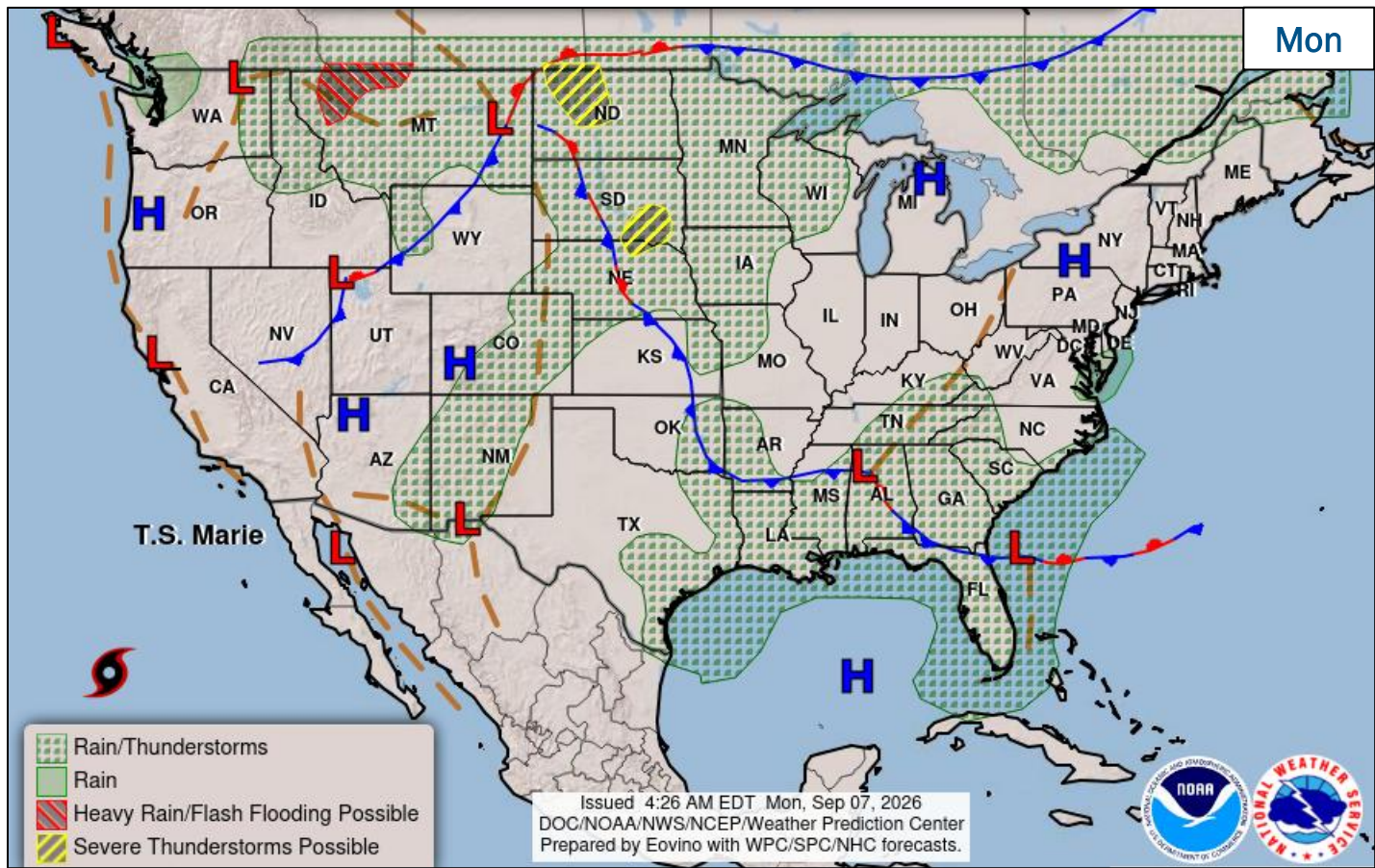
- Located **700 miles SW of San Diego**, California
- Moving NW at **8 mph**
- Maximum sustained winds of **65 mph**
- Tropical-storm-force winds extend up to **115 miles** from center
- Steady weakening is expected to continue for the next several days, **and** Marie is forecast to become a post-tropical remnant low **tomorrow night or early** Wednesday



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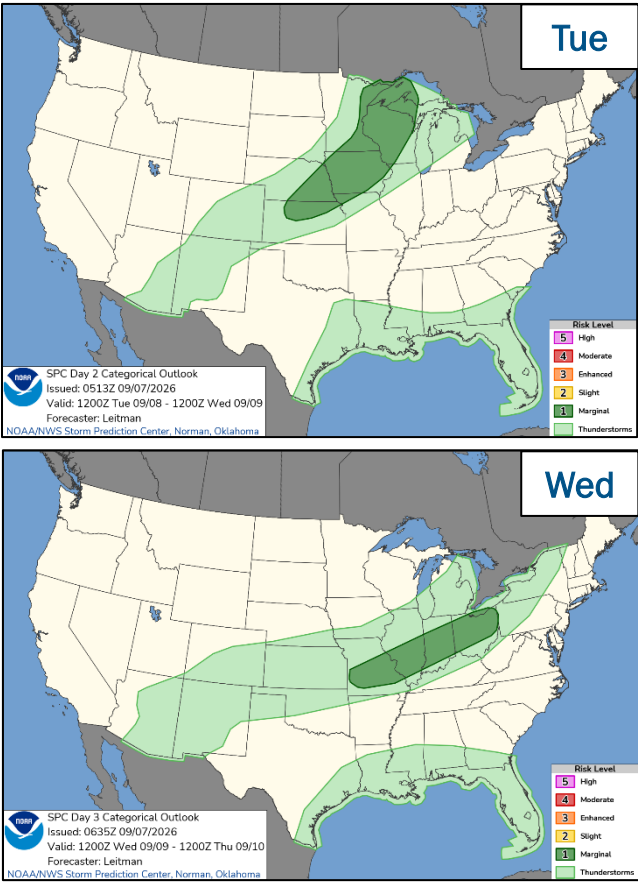
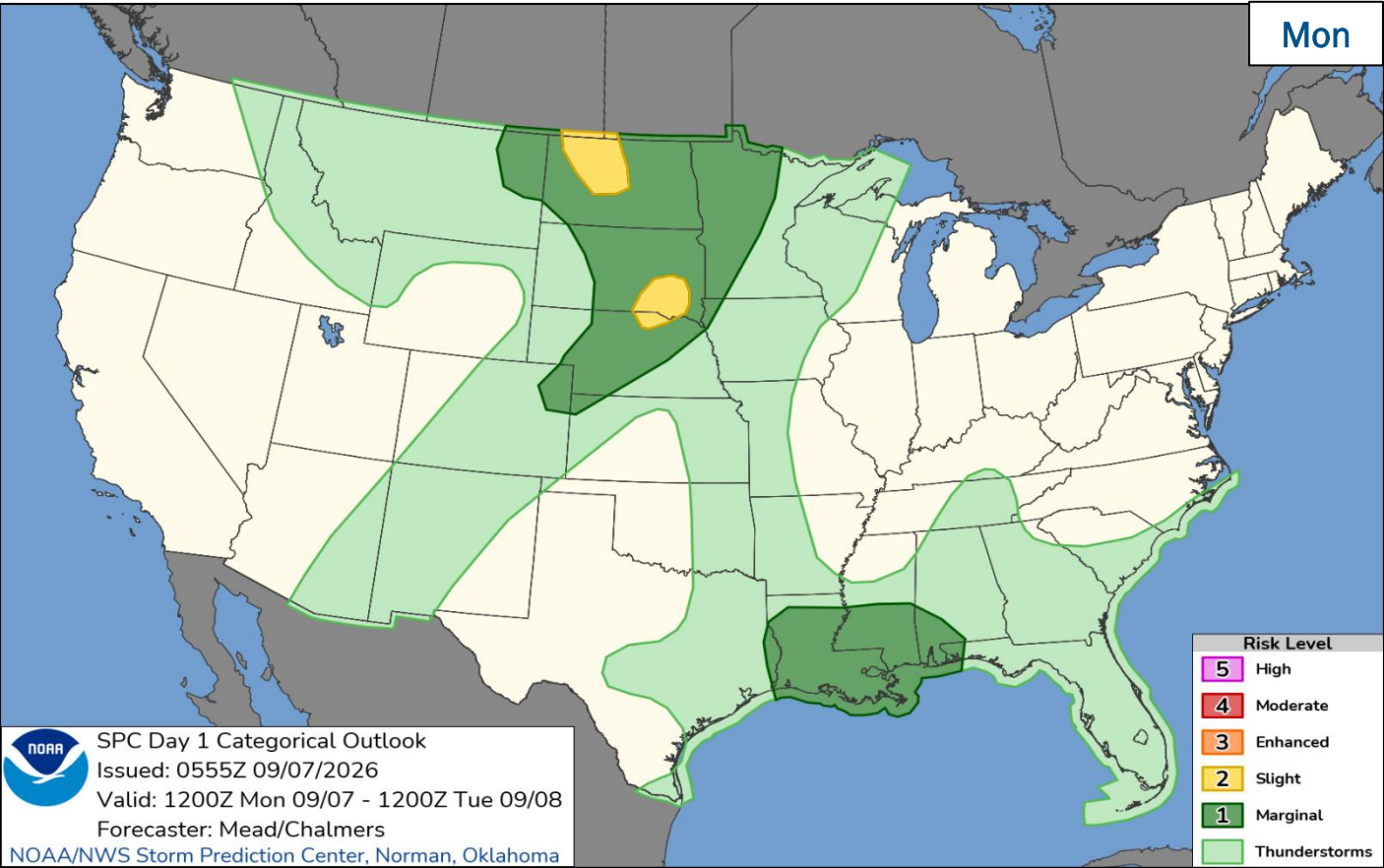
National Weather Forecast



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Severe Weather Outlook



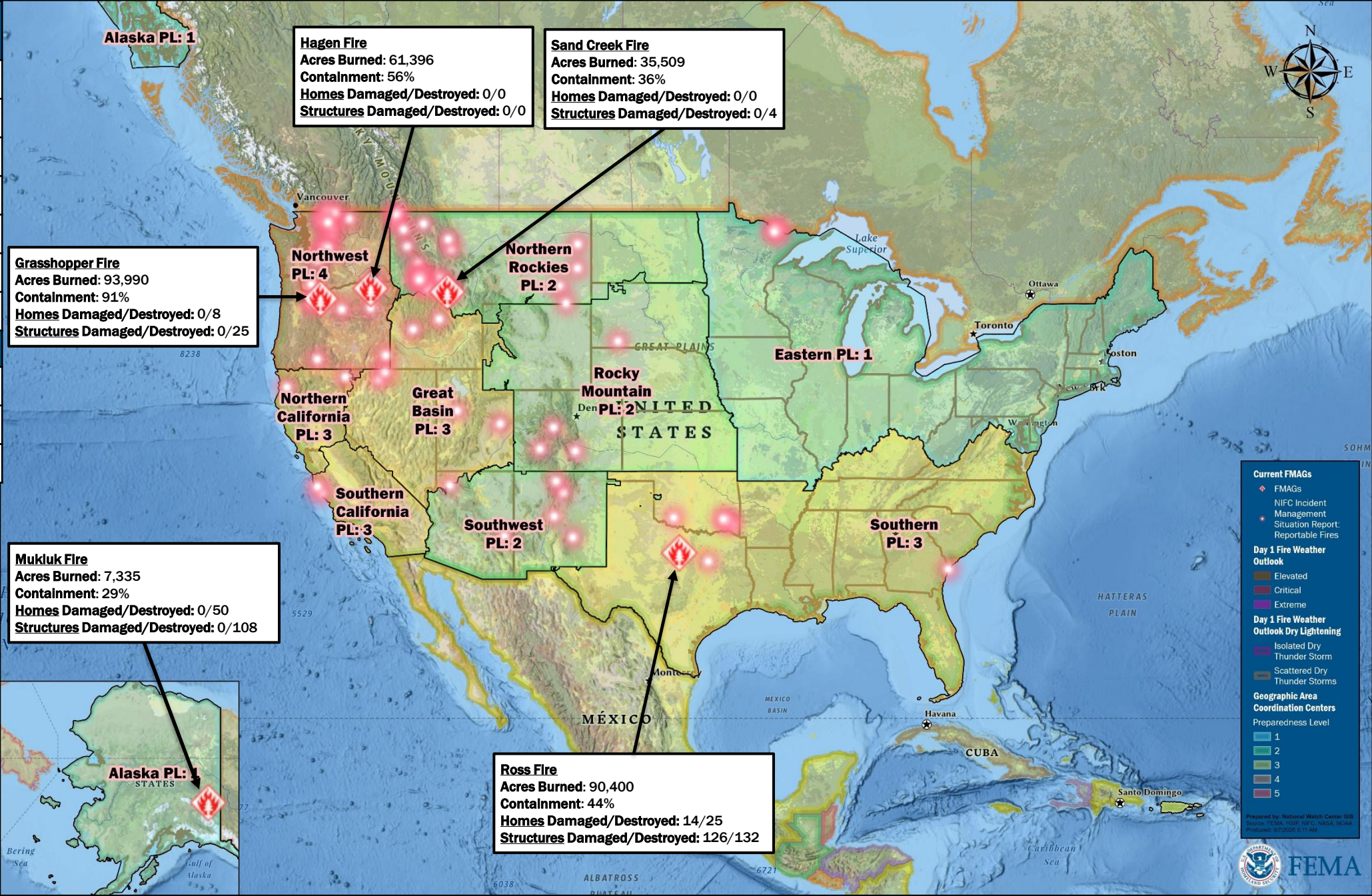
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National Fire Activity – September 7, 2026

PL 4

INITIAL ATTACK ACTIVITY (24-hour period)	Light (118 fires)
New Large Fires	2
Large Fires Contained	4
Uncontained Large Fires	75
Year-to-Date Acres Burned	8,302,657
Total Responders	16,502
Type 1 IMTs Deployed	1
Complex IMTs Deployed	18
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



Current FMAGS

- FMAGS
- NIFC Incident Management Situation Report Reportable Fires

Day 1 Fire Weather Outlook

- Elevated
- Critical
- Extreme

Day 1 Fire Weather Outlook Dry Lightning

- Isolated Dry
- Thunder Storm
- Scattered Dry
- Thunder Storms

Geographic Area Coordination Centers Preparedness Level

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5

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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	93,990 (-3)	91%	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	61,396	56%	M: 3,585	H: 307	H: 0	H: 0	0 / 12
				V: 0	O: 0	O: 0	O: 0	
Sand Creek (Beaverhead, MT)	5671-FM-MT	35,509 (+19)	36%	M: LIFTED	H: 42	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	
Ross (Palo Pinto, TX)	5675-FM-TX	90,400	44%	M: 250	H: 100	H: 14	H: 25	0 / 3
				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

18,930
Assigned a Disaster Title

6,310 / 33%
Deployed

6,034 / 32%
Available to Deploy for 30 Days

6,586 / 35%
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: Deployed to HI
(TC Lowell)
• 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	14	0	1
R5	0	3	0	0
R6	4	7	3	3
R7	0	9	0	0
R8	1	9	0	0
R9	0	6	6	0
R10	4	7	1	0



Alaska

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



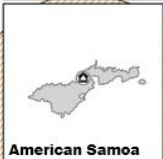
Guam

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



Hawaii

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



American Samoa



TC Lowell

TC Marie

Dist. 1

Camp Murray, WA
EM-3650-WA
• R10 IMAT

Minor Small
Stream & Iso.
Flash Poss.

Severe Wx:
Slight Risk

Elevated
Fire Wx

Severe Wx:
Slight Risk

Considerable
Flash Flash
Poss.

Indianapolis, IN
DR-4933-IN
EM-3651-IN
• R5 IMAT

Charleston, WV
DR-4932-WV
• R3 IMAT

South Carolina
DR-4829-SC
DR-4835-SC
DR-4858-SC
DR-4908-SC
Closing 09/18



Puerto Rico/U.S. Virgin Islands

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
• R9 Watch: Tropical Activity

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
• 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

FCO

Assigned	38
Not Mission Capable	1
Deployed	32 (22 FCO)
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
R7	KS	Severe Storms Aug 18-19	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	1	0	9/8 – TBD



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Declaration Requests in Process – 9

State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Type	IA	PA	HM	Requested
NH – Severe Storm and Flash Flooding – Appeal	DR		X	X	Jul 8
IN – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, and Flooding	DR	X	X	X	Aug 6
GU – Super Typhoon Bavi	DR	X	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
WI – Severe Storms and Tornado	DR	X	X	X	Aug 26
WV – Severe Storm, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides – Appeal	DR	X		X	Aug 31
OH – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, Flooding, and Landslides	DR	X			Sep 2
OK – Severe Storms and Straight-line Winds	DR		X	X	Sep 2



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