

FEMA National Watch Center

Daily Operations Briefing

Saturday, April 27, 2024

8:30 a.m. ET



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National Current Ops / Monitoring

New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Ops

- Tornadoic Activity in Multiple States (Region VI & VII)

Hazard Monitoring

- Severe Thunderstorms – Southern Plains to the Great Lakes
- Critical Fire Weather – Southern Plains / Central Plains
- Heavy Rain/Flash Flooding – Southern Plains to Middle Mississippi Valley

Disaster Declaration Activity

- No new declaration activity

Event Monitoring

- No new significant events



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Tornadic Activity in Multiple States (Region VI & VII)

Situation: (NWC Advisory as of 10:20 p.m. ET, Apr 26)

Overnight the Storm Prediction Center identified 78 potential possible tornados from north central Texas to eastern Nebraska and Iowa. Region VII has reported numerous homes severely damaged or destroyed. Areas with reported damage include Elkhorn (pop. 6k), Lincoln (pop. 293k), and Omaha, NE (pop. 486k), Minden, IA (pop. 600) and Des Moines, IA (pop. 214k) metro area. NWS teams are conducting Preliminary Damage Surveys. There have been no reported requests for FEMA assistance. Moderate Risk of severe thunderstorms has been issued due to threat for strong tornadoes. There is potential for a tornado outbreak today from North Texas into Oklahoma, southeast Kansas and far southwest Missouri. Tornado watches are in effect until 2:00 p.m. ET.

Lifelines: (RVII SPOTREP as of 1:13 a.m. ET, Apr 27)

Safety and Security:

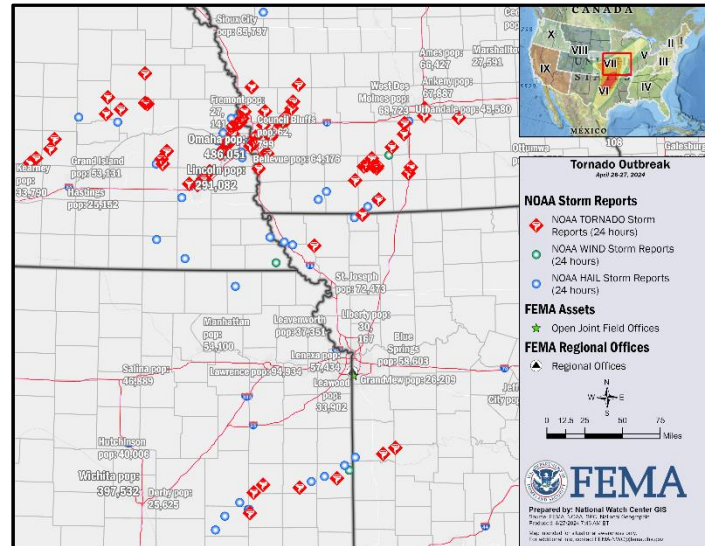
- FEMA Region VII:
 - Numerous homes and businesses reported as heavily damaged or destroyed
 - A building northeast of the state capital of Lincoln, Nebraska collapsed with 70 people inside (All parties evacuated safely. Three injuries reported)
 - 1 confirmed injury in Jasper County, IA

Food, Hydration and Shelter:

- Shelters: (ARC as of 12:01 a.m. ET)
 - NE: 2 congregate open (Elkhorn and Blair) / 0 occupants

Energy: (EAGLE-I as of 7:30 a.m. ET, Apr 27)

- 41k (0.1%) customers without power across FEMA Region VI and VII
- FEMA Region VI : 32k (0.2%) customers without power
 - TX: 29k (0.2%) customers without power – Camp County: 4k (66%) customers without power, Franklin: 2.5k (45%) customers without power, Titus: 7k (42%) customers without power
- FEMA Region VII: 32k (0.2%) customers without power
 - MO: 2k (0.1%) customers without power statewide
 - NE: 4k (0.1%) customers without power statewide
- NE – 4 transmission lines confirmed down and another 6 lines with considerable damage; crews are actively working



State	Tornadoes
IA	37
NE	29
KS	5
MO	4
TX	3

(SPC as of 2:45 a.m. ET Apr 27)

State / Local Response: (RVII SPOTREP as of 1:13 a.m. ET, Apr 27)

- TX SEOC is at Partial Activation
- OK SEOC is at Monitoring
- MO SEOC is at Partial Activation
- Kansas SEOC is at Monitoring and will re-open at 1 p.m. ET
- Kansas Governor issued a State of Disaster Emergency for severe storms
- Ponca Tribe of Nebraska Declares “State of Emergency” due to severe weather and tornadoes
- Iowa Governor has approved a Proclamation of Disaster Emergency for Pottawattamie County

FEMA Response:

Region VI:

- RWC is at Monitoring; RRCC is Rostered
- R-IMAT 1 & 2 are available

Region VII

- RWC is at Monitoring; will be Enhanced Watch at 9 a.m. ET; RRCC is Rostered
- R-IMAT is on alert for activation

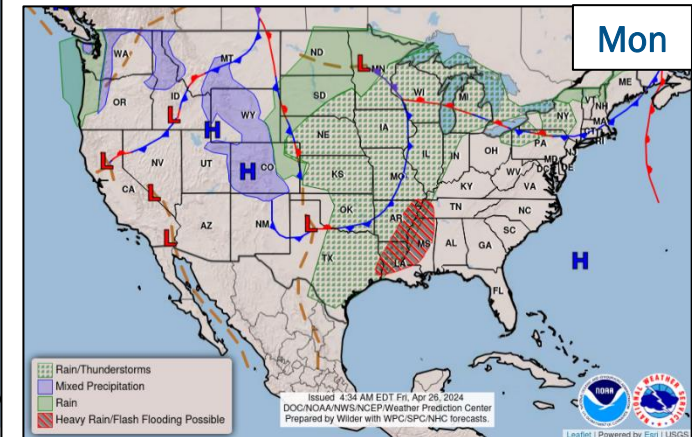
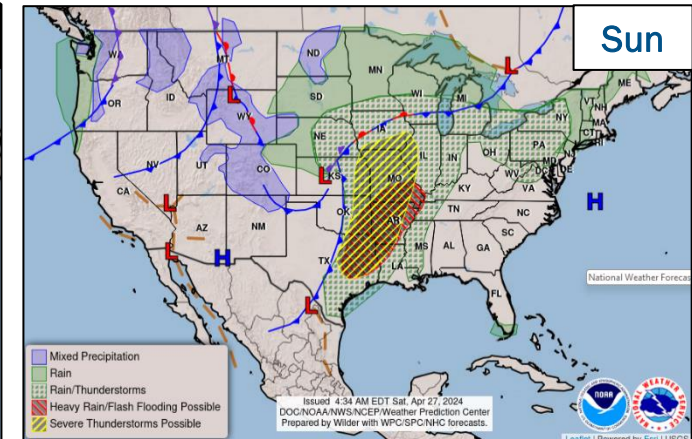
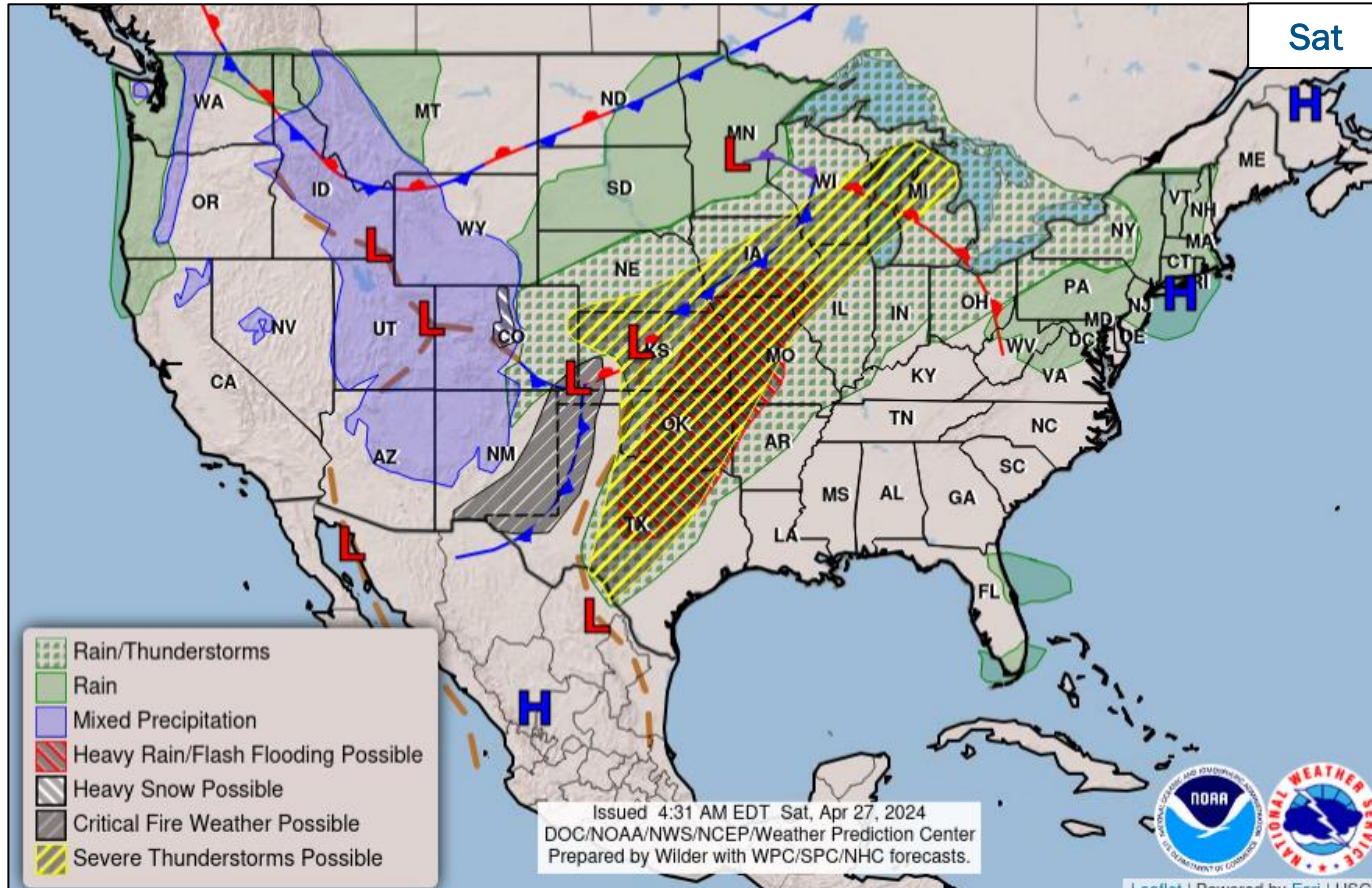
FEMA HQ:

- FEMA NWC continues to monitor in coordination with FEMA Regions VI & VII



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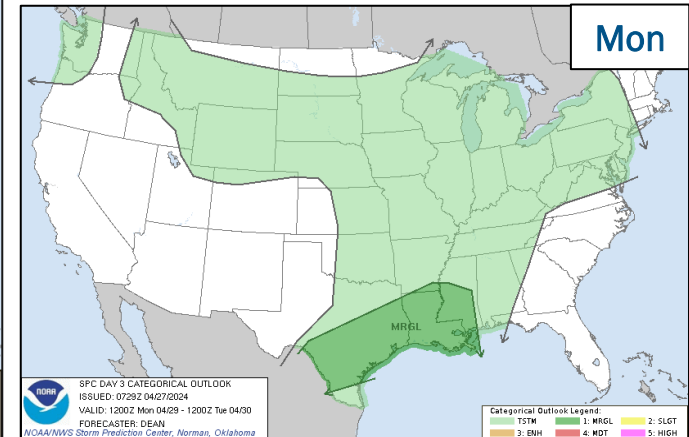
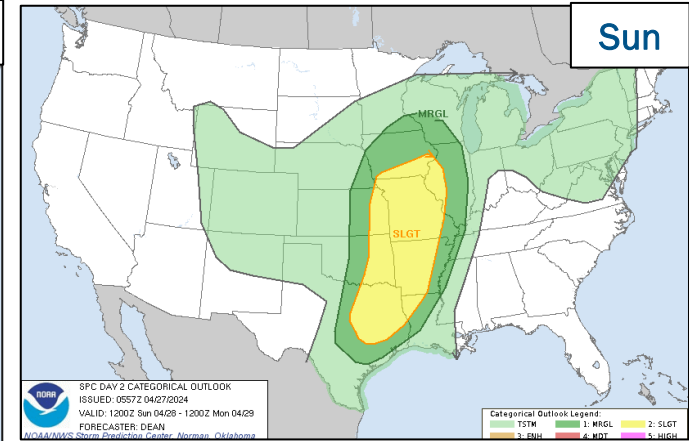
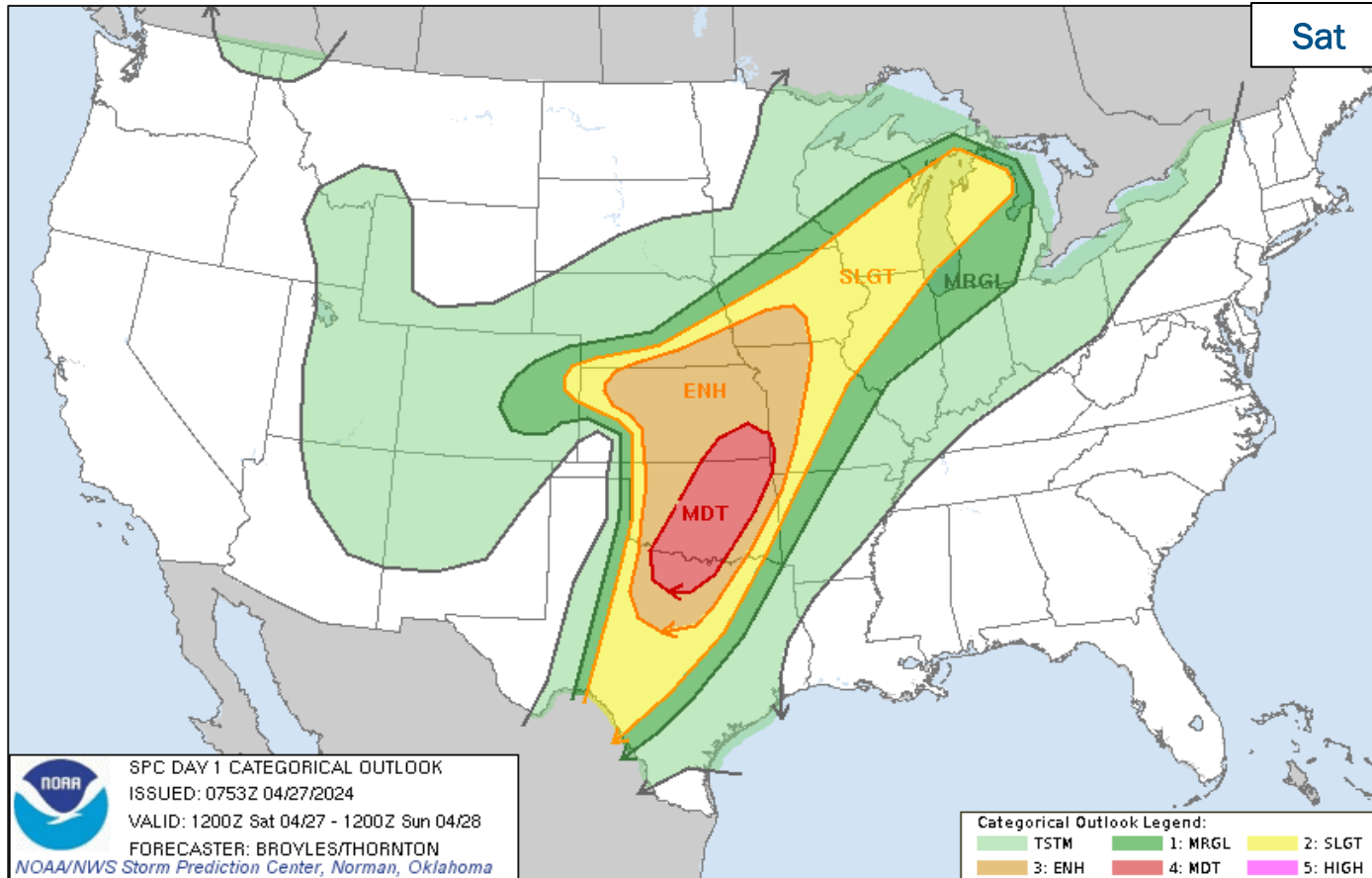
National Weather Forecast



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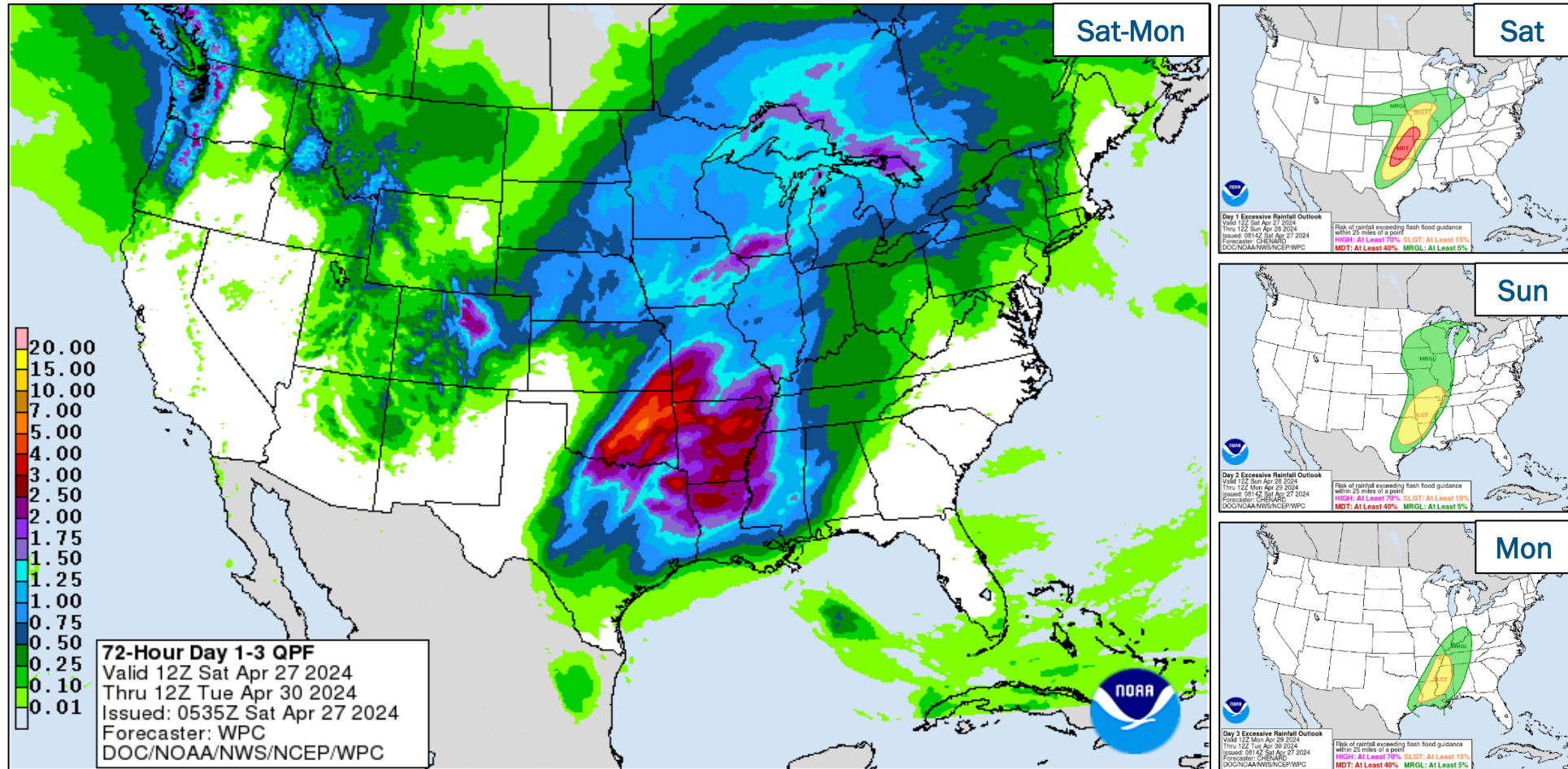
Severe Weather Outlook



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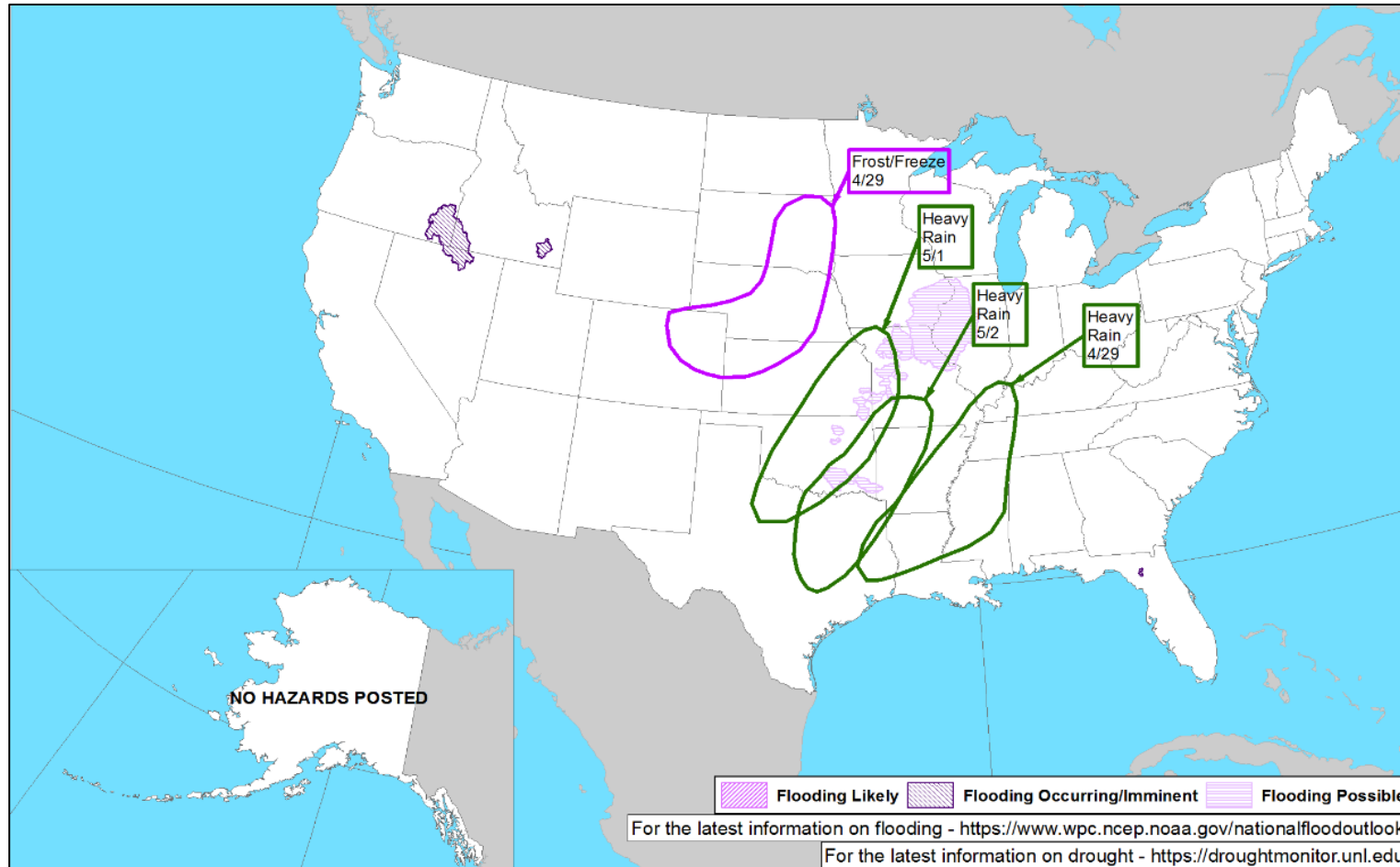
Precipitation & Excessive Rainfall



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Hazards Outlook – Apr 29–May 3



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FEMA Common Operating Picture

21 + 3 Joint Field Offices Virtual Joint Field Offices Supporting
76 + 2 Major Disasters Emergency Declarations
12 Direct Housing Missions **26** RSF-Supported Disasters

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FEMA HQ	
NWC	NRCC
Monitoring	Activated
FEMA REGIONS	
Watch	RRCC
Monitoring	I Rostered
Monitoring	II Rostered
Monitoring	III Rostered
Monitoring	IV Rostered
Monitoring	V Rostered
Enhanced	VI Rostered
Monitoring	VII Rostered
Monitoring	VIII Rostered
Monitoring	IX Rostered
Monitoring	X Rostered

N-IMATs	
2-5 Teams Available	
Red	
White	
Blue	
Gold	
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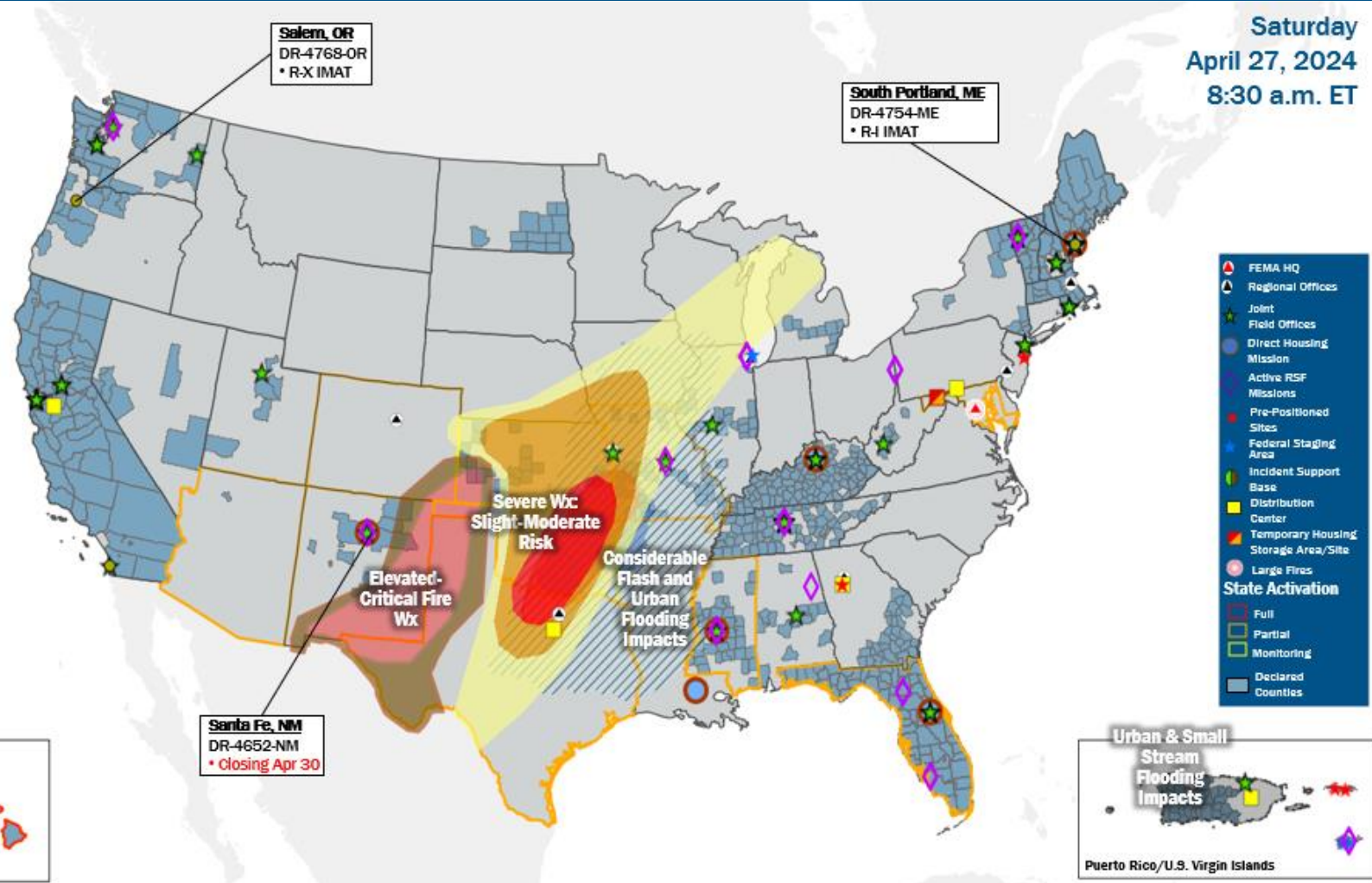
REGIONAL BREAKDOWN			
I/FD/V/FD	DR	EM	
I	4/0	15	2
II	1/1	3	0
III	1/0	1	0
IV	5/0	19	0
V	1/0	3	0
VI	1/0	1	0
VII	2/0	2	0
VIII	1/0	2	0
IX	2/1	21	0
X	3/1	9	0

R-IMATs	
≥ 7 Teams Available	
I	ME
II	
III	
IV-1	
IV-2	1
V	
VI-1	
VI-2	3
VII	2
VIII	
IX-1	Demobilizing
IX-2	Personnel
X	OR

Notes:
 RWCs/RRCCs/IMATs:
 NRCC: Sustained Ops
 RVI: Severe Weather
 RVII: Enhanced for severe weather at 9 a.m. ET
 STATE EOCs:
 FL/KS/MO/MS/OK/WV: Severe Weather
 TX: Ongoing Threats
 AZ/CO: SW Border
 MD: Key Bridge Incident
 HI/NJ/OK/WV: Wildfires
 CO: U.S. 50 Closure

Volunteer Force	
Rostered 7,784	Deployed 90 (-1)
Surge Capacity Force	
Rostered 7,878	Deployed 0

Fully Mission Capable (FMC)
Partially Mission Capable (PMC)
Not Mission Capable (NMC)
Deployed



Legend

- FEMA HQ
- Regional Offices
- Joint Field Offices
- Direct Housing Mission
- Active RSF Missions
- Pre-Positioned Sites
- Federal Staging Area
- Incident Support Base
- Distribution Center
- Temporary Housing Storage Area/Site
- Large Fires
- State Activation: Full, Partial, Monitoring, Declared Counties



IM Workforce
 13,893 (-2) Assigned
 4,403 (+40) Unavailable
 5,159 (-50) Deployed
 31% / 4,331 (+8) Available

IM Cadre Availability
 10 Cadres ≤ 25% Availability
 Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation: 19% (155/798);
 Field Leadership: 20% (30/149); Financial Management: 13% (28/224); Hazard Mitigation: 23% (288/1,262); Human Resources: 19% (33/176); Operations: 22% (70/322); Public Assistance: 23% (493/2,182); Planning: 11% (52/466); Safety: 11% (9/79); Security: 13% (18/141)

MERS
 > 66%
 36 Assigned
 0 Unavailable
 0 (-1) Deployed
 36 (+1) Available

US&R
 > 66%
 28 Assigned
 1 Unavailable
 0 Deployed
 27 Available

FCO
 ≤ 1 Type I
 49 Assigned
 6 Unavailable
 37 (24 FCOR) Deployed
 6 Available

Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

Region	State / Location	Incident	IA	Number of Counties		Start - End
			PA	Requested	Complete	
I	ME	Severe Winter Storm Apr 3-4	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	2	0	4/19 - TBD
	NH	Severe Storms and Flooding Apr 3 - Continuing	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	10	0	TBD
III	WV	Severe Storms and Tornadoes Apr 2-6	IA	11	11	4/16 - 4/23
			PA	7	0	4/29 - TBD
IV	KY	Severe Storms and Tornadoes Apr 1-2	IA	11	11	4/16 - 4/18
			PA	40	21	4/23 - TBD
V	OH	Flooding Apr 1-4	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	10	0	5/1 - TBD
VII	NE	Severe Storms Apr 6-7	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	8	0	4/15 - TBD



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Declaration Requests in Process – 7

State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Type	IA	PA	HM	Requested
OH – Train Derailment	DR	X	X	X	Jul 3
IA – Severe Winter Storms and Snowstorm	DR		X	X	Feb 13
MA – Severe Storms and Flooding (APPEAL)	DR	X	X	X	Mar 11
SBKN* – Severe Storms and Flooding	DR		X	X	Mar 21
WA – Severe Winter Storms, Straight-line Winds, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides	DR		X	X	Mar 22
OH – Tornadoes	DR	X		X	Mar 29
KS – Severe Winter Storm	DR		X	X	Apr 9

*Sycuan Band of the Kumeyaay Nation



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