

FEMA National Watch Center

Daily Operations Briefing

Tuesday, January 14, 2025

8:30 a.m. ET



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National Current Ops / Monitoring

New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Ops

- Wildfires – Southern California

Hazard Monitoring

- Extreme Fire Weather – Southern California
- Lake Effect Snow – Great Lakes

Disaster Declaration Activity

- No new declaration activity

Event Monitoring

- No significant events



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Wildfires – Southern California



Situation: Southern California is facing multiple uncontrolled fires, fueled by the ongoing Santa Ana wind event. Red Flag Warnings in effect through Wednesday evening. Santa Ana winds increase again in Southern California through Wednesday. Strongest winds are expected Tuesday. Elevated fire conditions will persist into Thursday.

Lifelines: (FEMA Region IX SLB, as of 11:00 p.m. ET, Jan 13)

Safety and Security:

- 106k (+900) mandatory evacuations for LA County
- 6:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. curfew in evacuation/warning zones
- 8,802 (+540) firefighting personnel deployed

Food, Hydration, and Shelter: (ARC Shelter Midnight Shelter Report as of 6:51 a.m. ET)

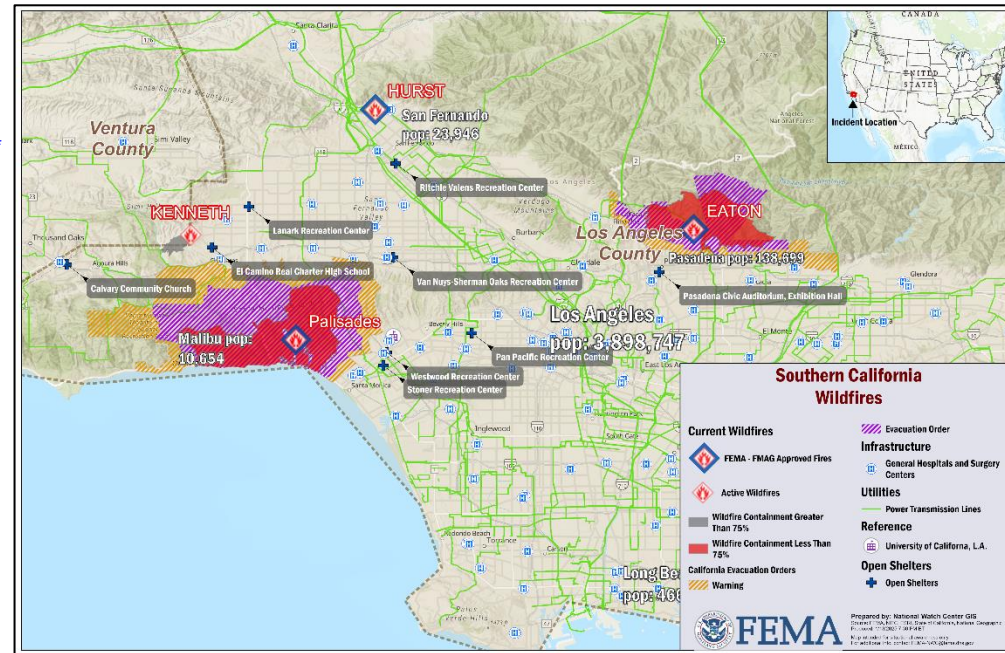
- 7 (-1) shelters open / 705 (-51) occupants

Shelter	Population
Westwood Recreation Center	204
Ritchie Valens Recreation Center	19
Pasadena Civic Auditorium Exhibition Hall	289
Pomona Fairplex	12
Stoner Recreation Center	34
Van Nuys-Sherman Oaks Recreation Center	18
Bob Hope Patriotic Hall	129

- 28 40ft containers of bottled water staged at March Air Reserve Base for any future state requests

Health and Medical:

- U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services (HHS) declared a Public Health Emergency for California
- Air Quality Index (AQI) ranges from Moderate to Unhealthy for the Palisades Fire and Moderate to Hazardous around the Eaton Fire
- 17 healthcare facilities evacuated; 75 facilities are being monitored; 6 clinics closed in LA County



The NWC will continue to monitor in coordination with FEMA Region IX, NWC Liaisons to SPC, HHS, and DOE, with continued reporting in the FEMA National Situation Report (5:00 p.m. ET / 3:00 a.m. ET) and the FEMA Daily Operations Briefing (8:30 a.m. ET).

Water Systems:

- Boil Water Notice for LA Department of Water and Power and LA County Water Works District
- Do Not Drink/Do not use Notices for Kinneloa Irrigation District, Pasadena, Lincoln Avenue Water Company, Rubio Canon Land and Water Association, Las Flores Water Company and Altadena

Energy: (Eagle-I, as of 7:30 a.m. ET)

81k (+29k) / 1% customers without power in the areas below:

- Los Angeles County: 44k (+12k) / 1%
- Ventura County: 21k (+17k) / 7%

Transportation:

- Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) Transit reports that all Commuter Express and DASH routes are subject to delays and rerouting
- Closures have been reported on CA-27 from Topanga Beach to Woodland Hills and CA-2 from La Cañada Flintridge to Red Box Gap
- Mass Transit not currently required for emergency transportation services



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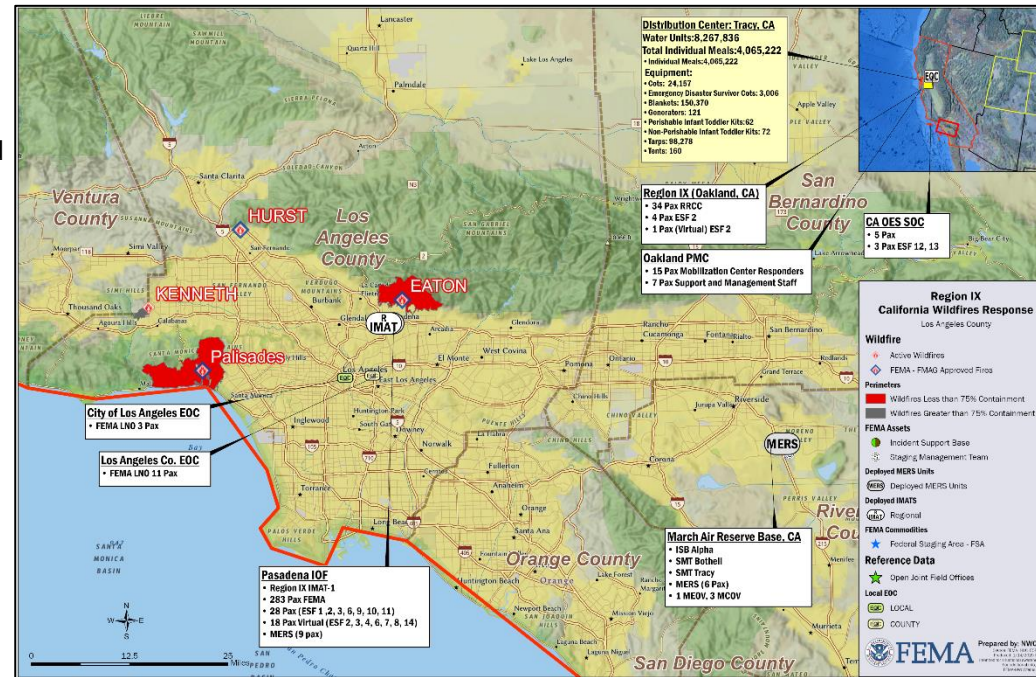
State / Local Response:

- CA SEOC is at Full Activation
- CA Governor declared a State of Emergency for Los Angeles and Ventura counties
 - Major Disaster FEMA-4856-DR-CA Approved

FEMA / Federal Response:

Region IX: (FEMA Region IX SLB, as of 11:00 p.m. ET, Jan 13)

- Region IX RRCC activated to Level III
- Pasadena Area Office open
- Region IX IMAT-1 deployed to the Pasadena Area Office
- LNO in place at CA SEOC; LNOs deployed to LA County and LA City
- FMAGs approved for Palisades, Eaton, and Hurst Fires



FEMA / Federal Response:

HQ:

- FEMA NWC is Monitoring
- US&R Blue IST is Rostered; US&R Branch identified available US&R Task Forces
- Staging Management Team (SMT) Bothell, SMT Tracy, and Incident Support Base (ISB) Team Alpha deployed to March Air Reserve Base
- Personnel Mobilization Center (PMC) light established
- MERS deployed to Pasadena and March ARB, CA

National Fire Preparedness Level (PL) – 2

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Wildfire Summary

Fire Name (County, ST)	FMAG #	Acres Burned	Percent Contained	Evacuations	Structures (Homes / Other)			Fatalities / Injuries
					Threatened	Damaged	Destroyed	
Palisades (Los Angeles, CA)	5549-FM-CA	23,713 (+6)	14% (+1%)	M:50,900* (-1,700)	H: 12,250	H: 5,427 (-80)*	H: 1,082 (+478)**	8 (+6)*** / 3
				V: 0	O: 0	O: 93 (+93)*	O: 198 (+194)**	
Eaton (Los Angeles, CA)	5550-FM-CA	14,117	33% (+6%)	M:55,100* (+2,600)	H:36,017	H: 5,669 (-225)*	H: 1,862 (+649)**	16 (+8)*** / 5
				V: 0	O: 3,411	O: 121 (+121)*	O: 860 (+860)**	

*Region IX SLB #6, as of 12:01 a.m. ET, Jan 14. Damage estimates are from Geospatial Damage Assessments and non-authoritative

**Confirmed structures destroyed per ICS-209s; Some non-authoritative estimates may be higher

***LA County Medical Examiner, as of 7:00 p.m. ET, Jan 13

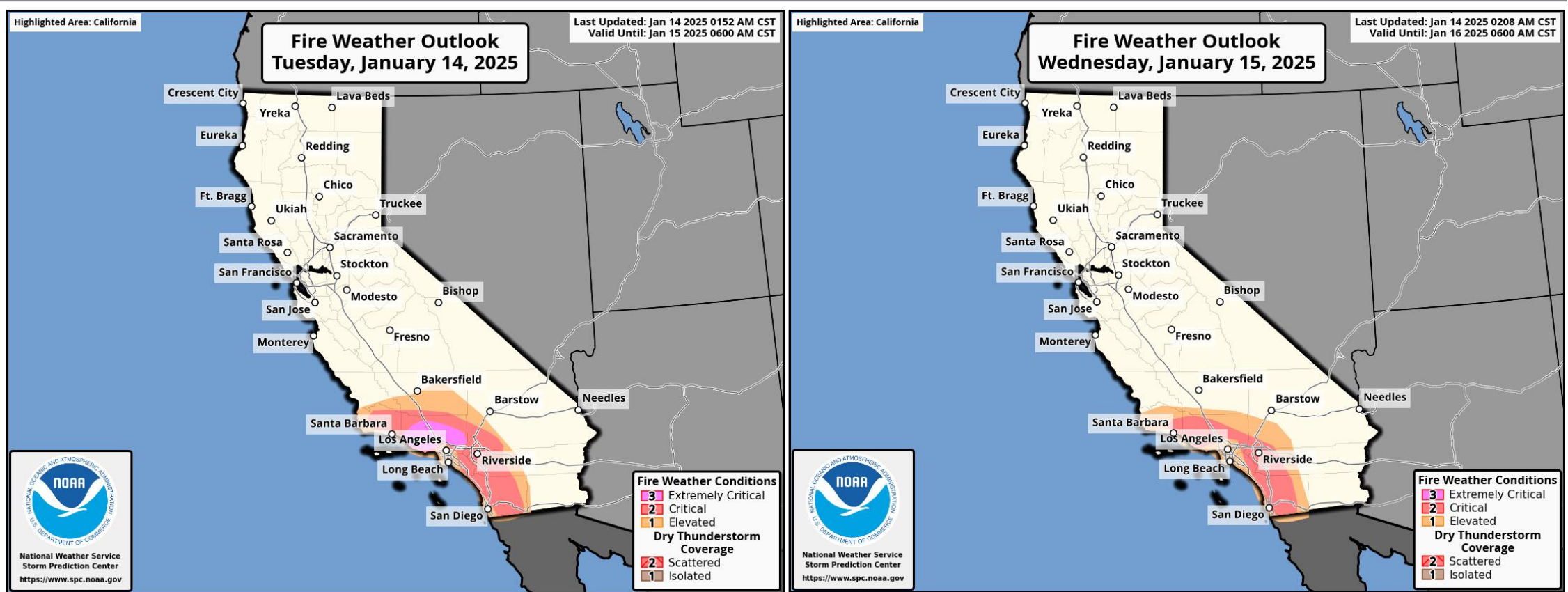
(Evacuations: M = Mandatory / V = Voluntary; Structures: H = Homes and Mixed Commercial/Residential / O = Non-residential Commercial/Other Minor Structures)



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Fire Weather Outlook



Today

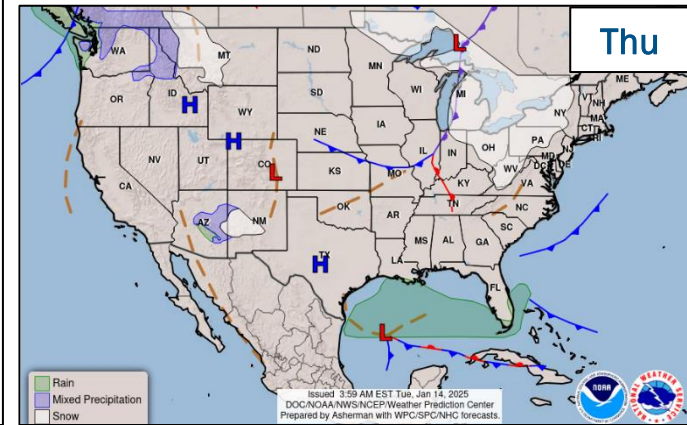
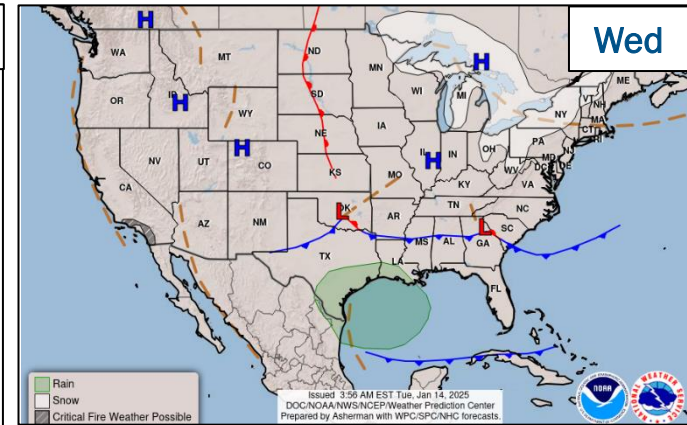
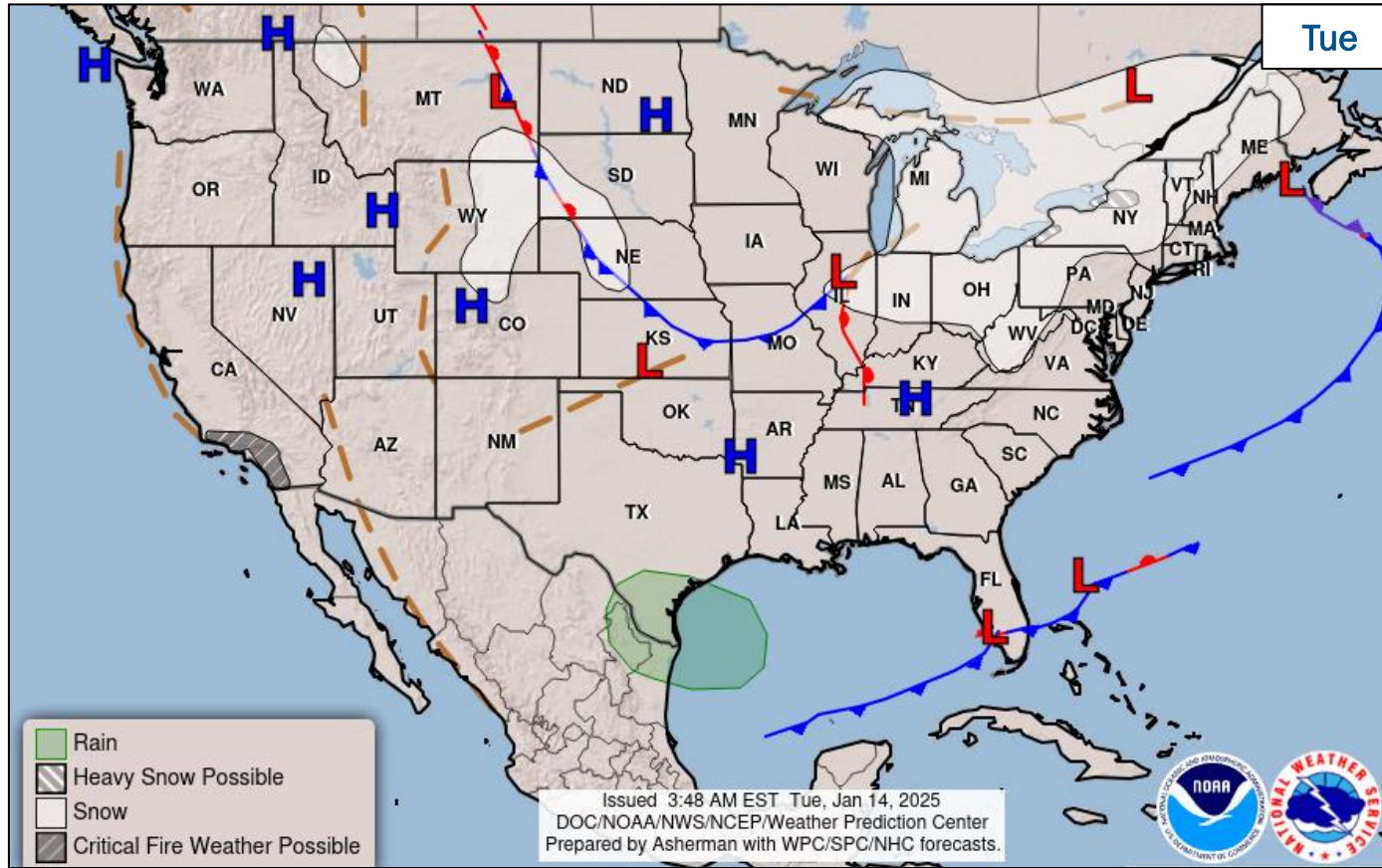
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National Weather Forecast



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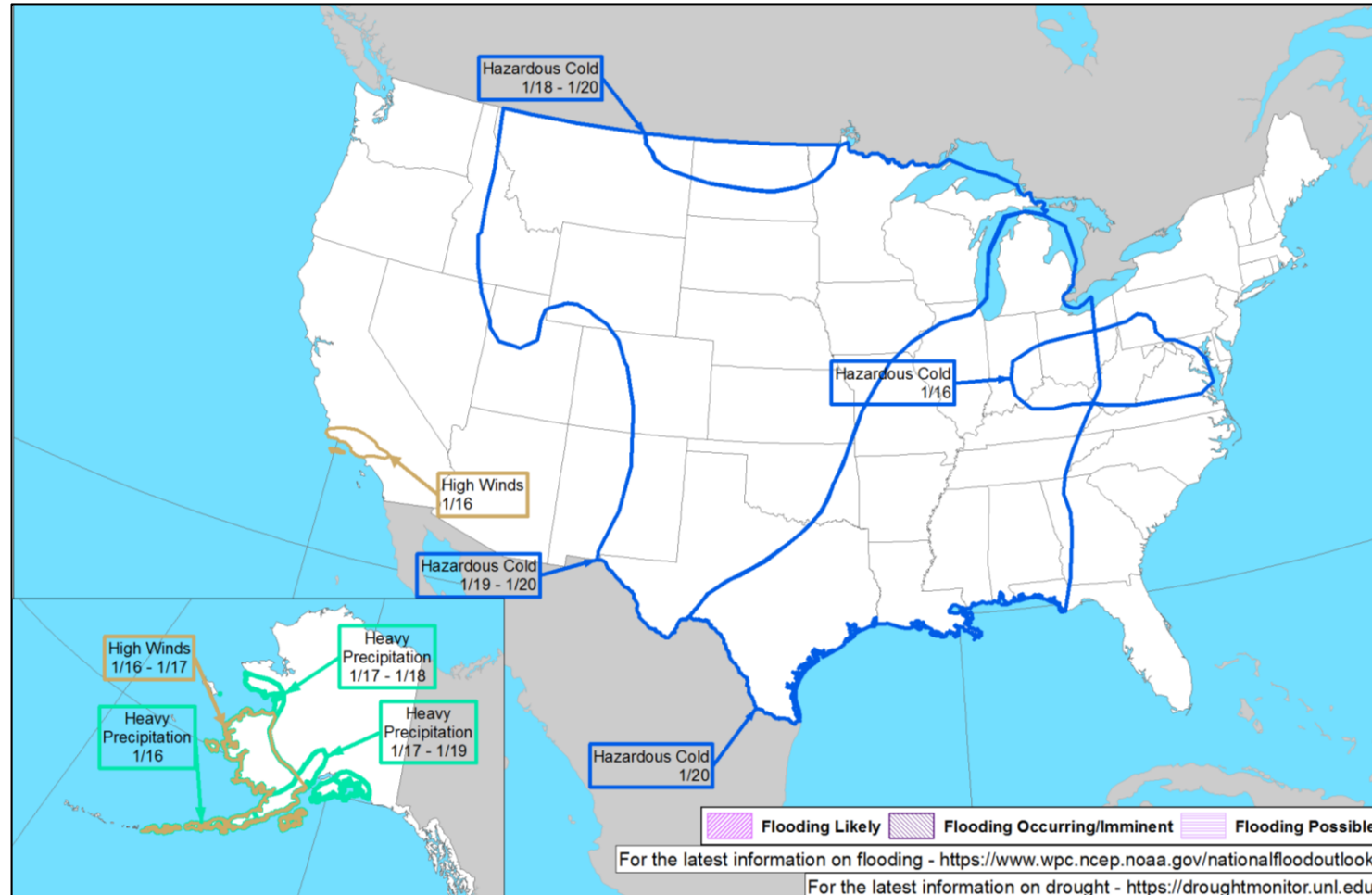
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Snowfall Forecast



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Hazards Outlook – Jan 16-20



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FEMA Common Operating Picture

31 + **3** Supporting **111** + **10** Major Disasters Emergency Declarations | **16** Direct Housing Missions **26** RSF-Supported Disasters **6** Joint Recovery Offices

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FEMA HQ	
NWC	NRCC
Monitoring	Steady State
FEMA REGIONS	
Watch	RRCC
Monitoring	I Rostered
Monitoring	II Rostered
Monitoring	III Rostered
Monitoring	IV Rostered
Monitoring	V Rostered
Monitoring	VI Rostered
Monitoring	VII Rostered
Monitoring	VIII Rostered
Monitoring	IX Level III
Monitoring	X Rostered

N-IMATs	
2-5 Teams Available	
Red	
White	NC (Sep 30)
Blue	
Gold	
HS	

R-IMATs	
≥7 Teams Available	
I	VT (Jan 6)
II	USVI (Oct 30)
III	
IV-1	GA (Oct 5)
IV-2	
V	
VI-1	
VI-2	3
VII	2/Personnel
VIII	SD (Nov 18)
IX-1	CA (Jan 8)
IX-2	AZ (Oct 8)
X	1

Notes:

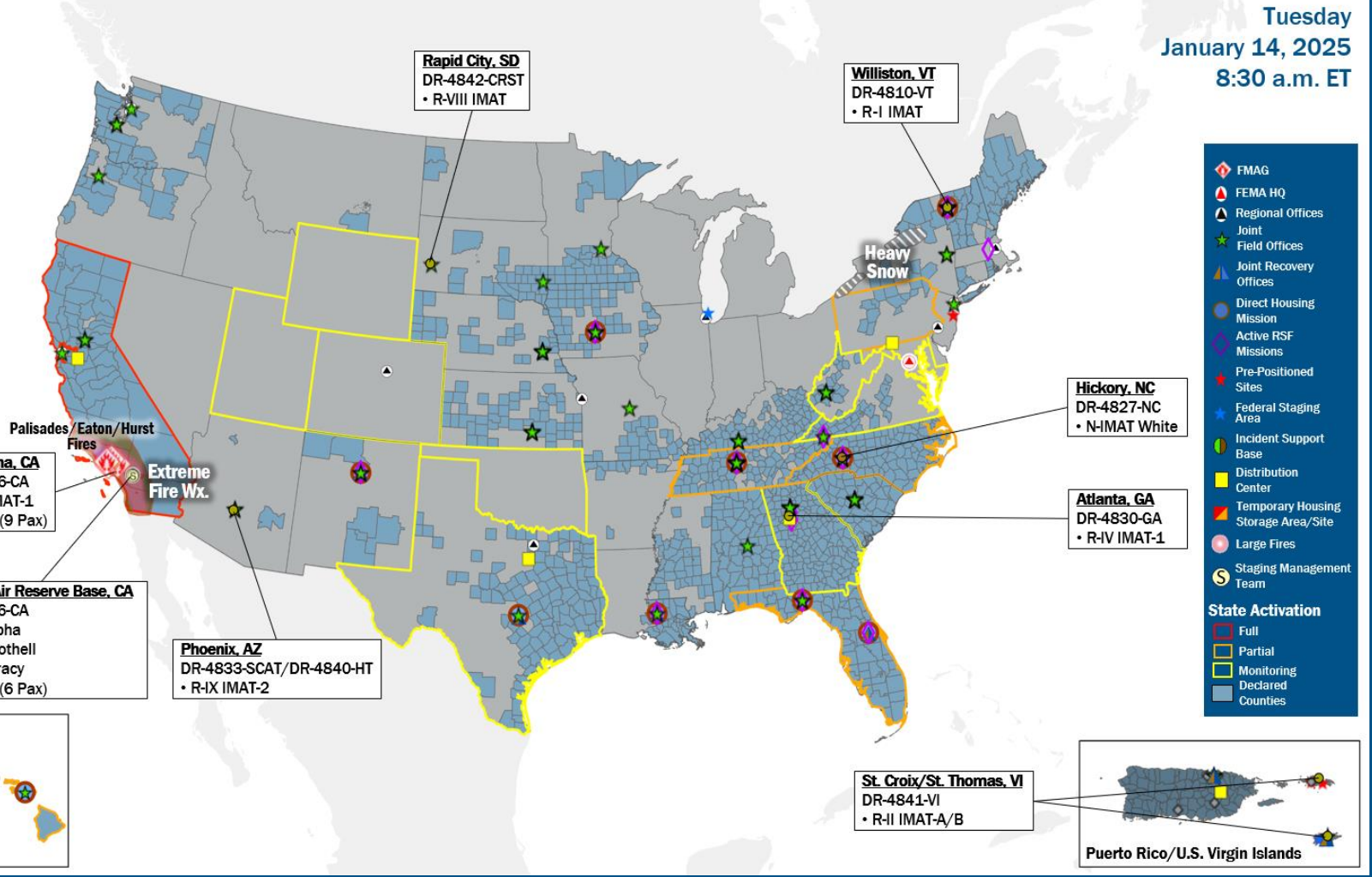
NRCC/RWCs/RRCCs:
• R-IX RRCC: Wildfires

State EOCs:
• OK: Severe Weather
• HI/CA/UT: Wildfires
• CO/VA/MD/TX/MS/GA/TN/WV/PA: Winter Weather
• FL: TC Milton
• FL/NC/TN/VA: TC Helene
• DC/WY/VA: Inauguration

Volunteer Force	
Rostered	Deployed
7,840	3
Surge Capacity Force	
Rostered	Deployed
9,000	15 (-1)

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

REGIONAL BREAKDOWN				
	JFO/VJFO	DR	EM	JRO
I	3/0	18	2	0
II	3/1	8	0	2
III	2/0	6	1	0
IV	7/0	28	7	1
V	1/0	1	0	0
VI	3/0	6	0	3
VII	4/0	14	0	0
VIII	2/0	4	0	0
IX	3/1	13	0	0
X	3/1	13	0	0



Legend:

- FMAG
- FEMA HQ
- Regional Offices
- Joint Field Offices
- Joint Recovery 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
- Staging Management Team

State Activation:

- Full
- Partial
- Monitoring
- Declared
- Counties

IM Workforce

14,349 (+1) Assigned
4,728 (+19) Unavailable
7,125 (-39) Deployed

17% / 2,496 (+21) Available

IM Cadre Availability

16 (+1) Cadres ≤ 25% Availability

Disability Integration: 22% (9/41); External Affairs: 13% (70/525); Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation: 16% (138/866); Field Leadership: 13% (20/150); Financial Management: 20% (48/235); Hazard Mitigation: 9% (105/1,216); Human Resources: 12% (23/185); Individual Assistance: 13% (358/2,734); Interagency Recovery Coordination: 24% (81/331); Information Technology: 17% (122/717); Logistics: 6% (106/1,676); Operations: 19% (71/368); Public Assistance: 14% (312/2,300); Planning: 8% (37/464); Safety: 7% (11/95); Security: 14% (19/138)

MERS

≥ 66%

36 Assigned
0 Unavailable
3 Deployed

33 Available

US&R

≥ 66%

28 Assigned
8 Unavailable
0 Deployed

20 Available

FCO

≤ 1 Type I

55 Assigned
7 (+1) Unavailable
48 (-1) (28 FCOR) Deployed

0 Available

Declaration Requests in Process – 6

State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Type	IA	PA	HM	Requested
NY – Severe Storms, Tornadoes, Straight-line Winds, and Flooding	EM		X		Jul 20
MI – Severe Storm and Tornadoes (APPEAL)	DR	X		X	Sep 11
CA – Park and Borel Fires (APPEAL)	DR	X	X	X	Dec 2
PA – Severe Winter Weather – DENIED	EM		X		Dec 6
AK – Severe Storm and Flooding	DR	X	X	X	Dec 16
OK – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, and Flooding	DR	X		X	Dec 20
LA – Terrorist Attack	EM	X	X		Jan 2



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Public Assistance (PA) Grant Program Activity

PA Activity Summary			
Projects	\$3,487,936,065 Obligated in the Past Week		
	807 Projects Created	737 Projects Obligated	
Applicants	33 Requests for PA Received in the Past Week		
	105 RPAs Approved	29 RPAs Denied/Withdrawn	
Timeliness	Median Days from RPA to Initial Project Obligation (Goal: 365 Days)		
	COVID-19 Declarations		Non-COVID-19 Declarations
	1712 Days In Past Month	1183 Days In Past 2 Years	215 Days In Past Month 363 Days In Past 2 Years

Most Active Declarations Per Amount Obligated in Past Week			
Declaration	Region	Obligated Last Week	Total Obligated
DR-4482-CA COVID-19	Region IX	\$983.6M	\$14.8B
DR-4340-VI Maria	Region II	\$955.3M	\$18.7B
DR-4339-PR Maria	Region II	\$257.3M	\$36.9B
DR-4494-MI COVID-19	Region V	\$228.8M	\$1.9B
DR-4486-FL COVID-19	Region IV	\$173.8M	\$5.3B
DR-4480-NY COVID-19	Region II	\$165.7M	\$17.1B
DR-4611-LA Ida	Region VI	\$93.4M	\$3.4B
DR-4491-MD COVID-19	Region III	\$85.9M	\$3.1B
DR-4499-OR COVID-19	Region X	\$61.9M	\$2.0B
DR-4489-IL COVID-19	Region V	\$41.7M	\$2.3B

This Week's Largest PA Obligations			
DR-4340-VI Maria	Region II	\$661.1M	XMUR808 - St Croix Richmond Power Generation Units
DR-4482-CA COVID-19	Region IX	\$452.7M	Bulk Purchases (PD) Feb. 2020-Ongoing
DR-4494-MI COVID-19	Region V	\$228.8M	MDHHS LTCF Testing
DR-4340-VI Maria	Region II	\$205.9M	TMUR801-WAPA Randolph E. Harley Power Generation Plant
DR-4482-CA COVID-19	Region IX	\$147.3M	Southern CA COVID-19 San Diego - 7/2/2022 - 5/11/2023
DR-4486-FL COVID-19	Region IV	\$145.2M	Florida Distribution Center Supplies and Materials from January 21, 2020 through June 30, 2022

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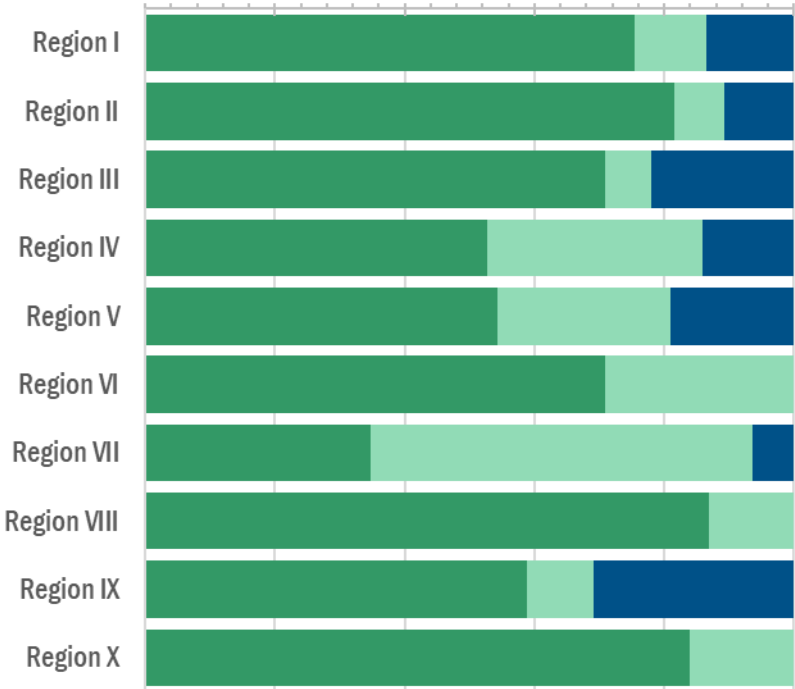
Public Assistance (PA) Grant Program Activity – per Region

Open Declaration Obligation Status

Percent of Total PA Estimate that has been Obligated or Closed – All Open PA Declarations

■ Closed Obligated Project Costs ■ Open Obligated Project Costs
■ Unobligated Estimated Costs

0% 20% 40% 60% 80% 100%



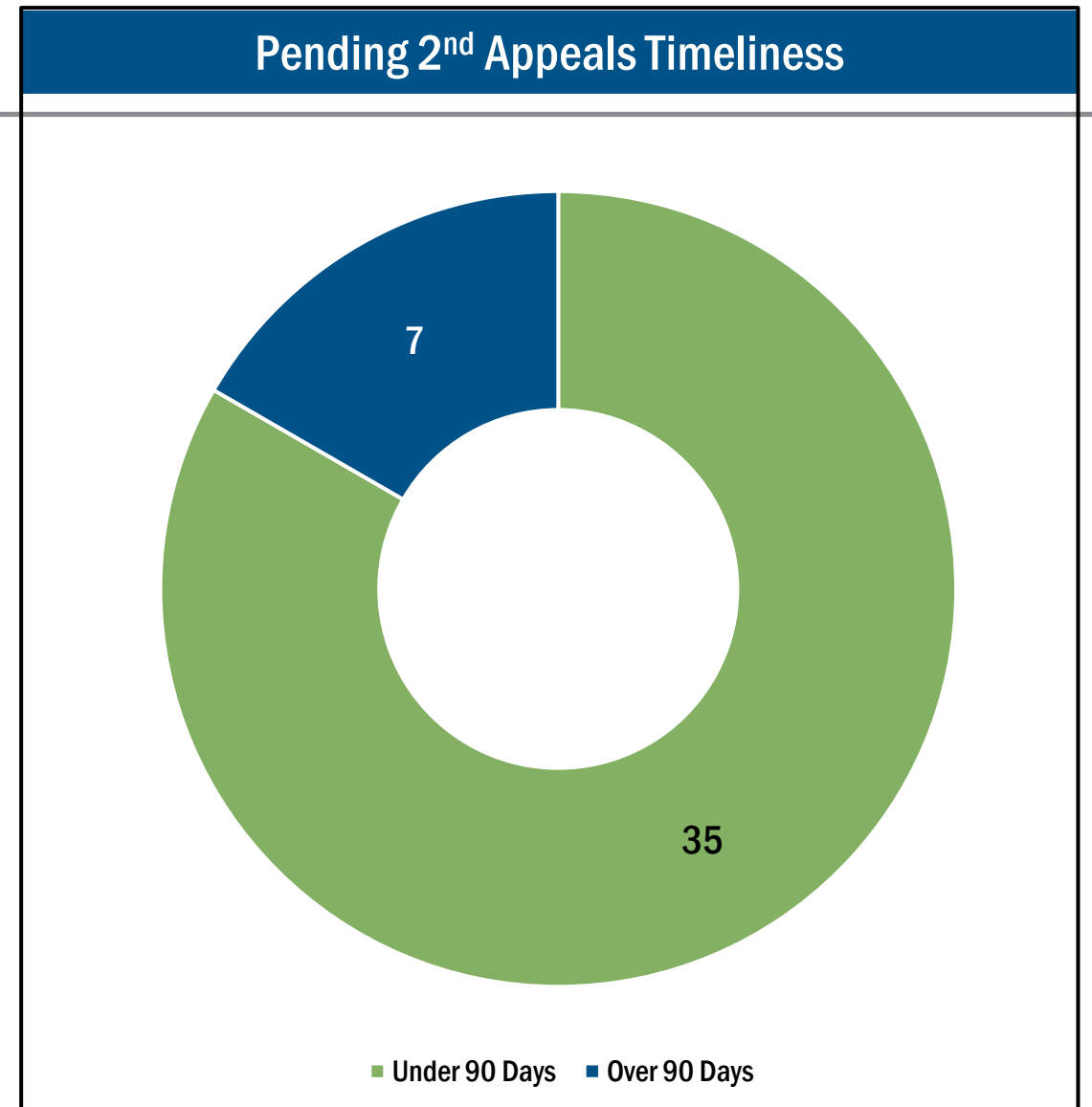
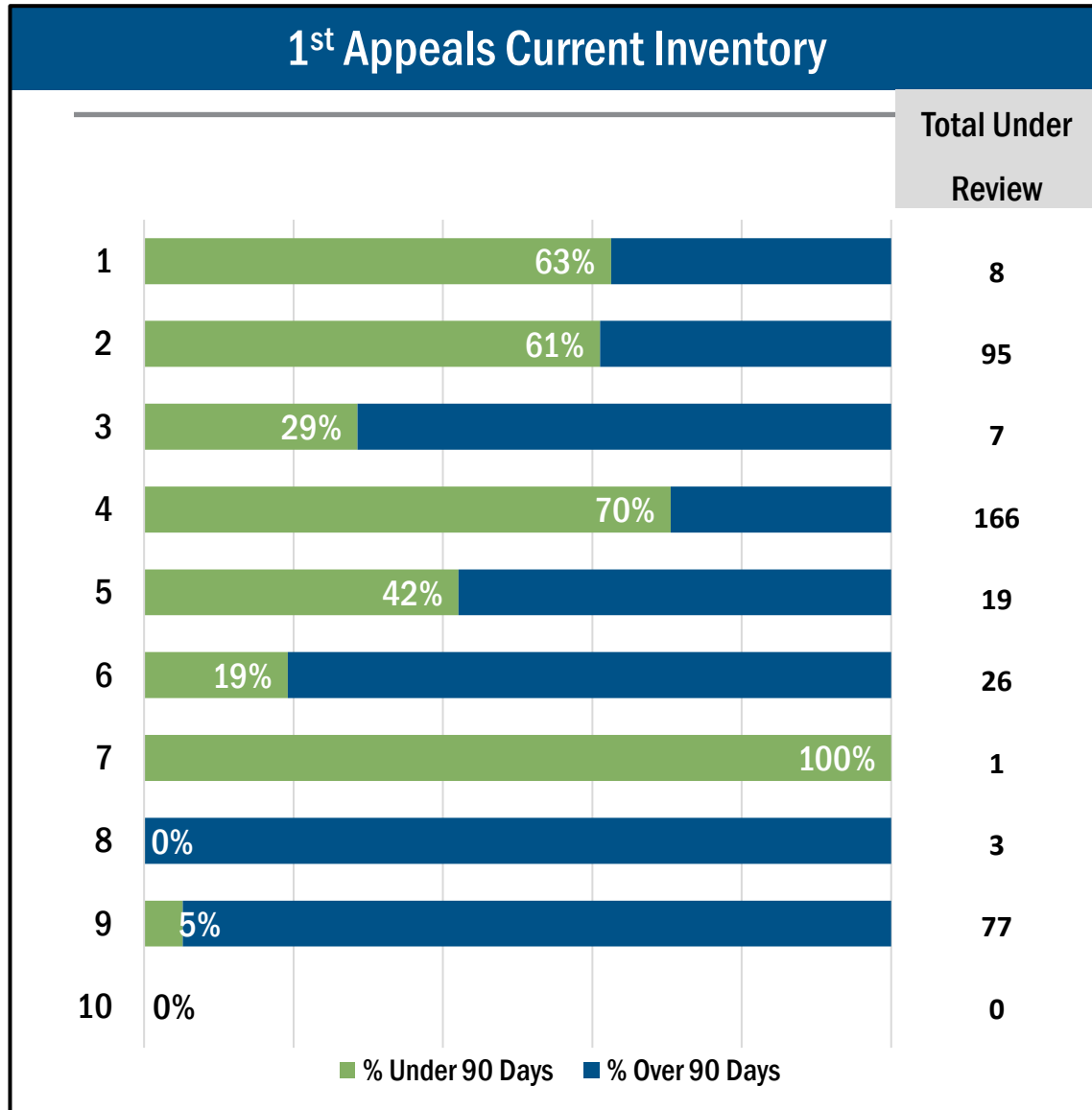
Total Estimated Cost of Open PA Declarations

Region I	\$8.7B
Region II	\$120.1B
Region III	\$10.9B
Region IV	\$35.5B
Region V	\$8.5B
Region VI	\$60.7B
Region VII	\$4.6B
Region VIII	\$4.8B
Region IX	\$32.9B
Region X	\$7.9B

PA Activity and Mitigation Use per Region

Region	Public Assistance		PA Mitigation					
	Total		Mitigation Projects Obligated			Mitigation Amount		
	Last Week	Last 2 Years	Last Week	Last 2 Years	% of Perm. Work 2 Yr.	Last Week	Last 2 Years	% of Perm. Work 2 Yr.
Region I	\$30.4M	\$2.9B	10	464	25.4%	\$1.2M	\$23.1M	14.5%
Region II	\$1.5B	\$27.8B	33	3,363	55.1%	\$28.0M	\$1.7B	9.7%
Region III	\$89.7M	\$2.3B	1	57	16.4%	\$12.0K	\$27.5M	37.1%
Region IV	\$331.4M	\$8.9B	2	937	16.3%	\$9.0K	\$53.3M	5.8%
Region V	\$276.6M	\$2.3B	6	177	16.1%	\$43.6K	\$6.2M	7.2%
Region VI	\$139.4M	\$3.5B	10	323	12.4%	\$3.4M	\$63.7M	3.2%
Region VII	\$30.7M	\$508.0M	2	146	19.9%	\$77.9K	\$7.3M	5.6%
Region VIII	\$5.6M	\$876.7M	15	124	12.3%	\$108.5K	\$7.2M	4.3%
Region IX	\$1.0B	\$9.2B	8	217	16.0%	\$570.5K	\$7.9M	2.6%
Region X	\$110.3M	\$3.2B	2	74	9.1%	\$222.7K	\$15.7M	5.2%
Grand Total	\$3.5B	\$61.5B	89	5,882	27.2%	\$33.7M	\$1.9B	8.8%

Public Assistance (PA) Appeals



Survivor Engagement

Weekly Call Center Activity

163,898 (100,097) Total Answered Calls (Weekly Change)

8 Seconds (0) Average Speed of Answer **99.6% (.1)%** Answer Rate

FEMA is continuing to deploy more staff through its strategic workforce augmentation team to further reduce call center answer times and answer rates.

Weekly Call Center Performance

	Offered Calls (Weekly Change)	Average Handle Time	Targeted Handle Time
Registration Intake:	16,623 (12,045)	15:49 Minutes	20 Minutes
Helpline:	147,275 (87,739)	11:35 Minutes	10 Minutes

Total Inspections Reporting for DR with Open Registration (Weekly Change)

DR	Declaration Date	Inspections Required	Assigned	Returned	Pending	% Completed
4818-NY	9/20/2024	0	101 (+4)	91 (+0)	10 (+4)	90% (-4%)
4821-GA	9/24/2024	0	5077 (+40)	5056 (+46)	21 (-6)	100% (+1%)
4827-NC	9/28/2024	94,917	94656 (+2393)	92660 (+1714)	1996 (+679)	98% (-1%)
4829-SC	9/29/2024	77,663	76576 (+2169)	75403 (+1659)	1173 (+510)	98% (-1%)
4830-GA	9/30/2024	97,102	95812 (+2546)	94447 (+1515)	1365 (+1031)	99% (-1%)
4840-AZ	10/25/2024	0	27 (+0)	27 (+0)	0 (+0)	100% (+0%)
4842-SD	11/1/2024	0	97 (+19)	83 (+10)	14 (+9)	86% (-8%)
4847-MT	11/14/2024	0	271 (+68)	187 (+66)	84 (+2)	69% (+9%)
4851-WV	12/9/2024	496	493 (+61)	458 (+85)	35 (-24)	93% (+7%)
4856-CA	1/8/2025	10,361	2994 (+2994)	109 (+109)	2885 (+2885)	4% (+%)
Totals:		280,539	276,104	268,521	7,583	97.25%

DS Deployed

1,980 Total Interactions In Current Week

439 Staff Deployed

Individual Assistance (IA) Activity

Assistance Overview

Total Registrations:
4,715,478

Applicants Paid:
2,209,807

Total Assistance Provided:
\$4,786,928,522

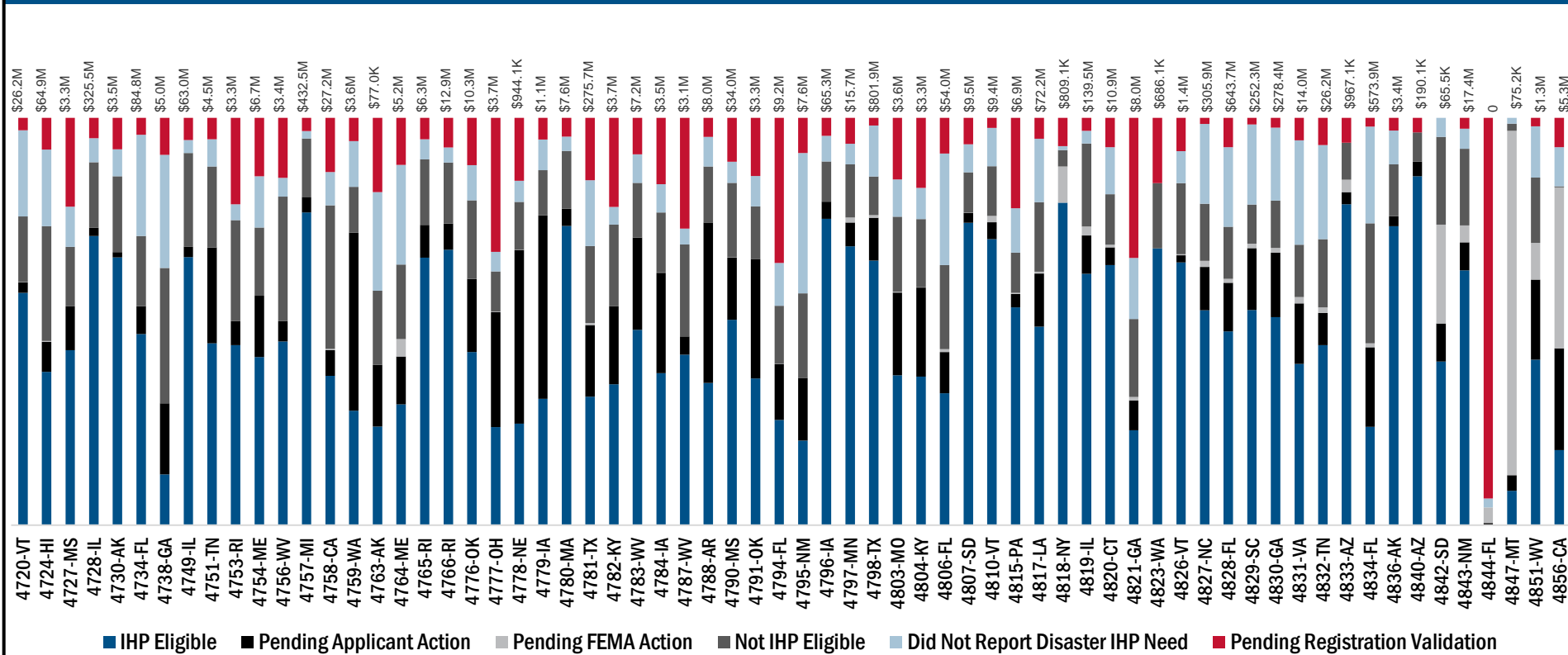
Transitional Sheltering Assistance (TSA)

Eligible Disaster
4827, 4828, 4829, 4834

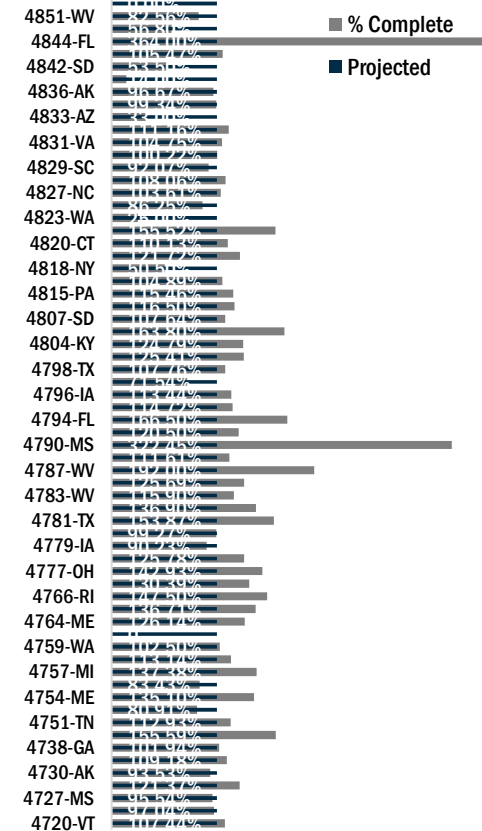
Cumulative
Eligible for TSA:
1,206,878

Current Eligible in
Extended Period:
880,367

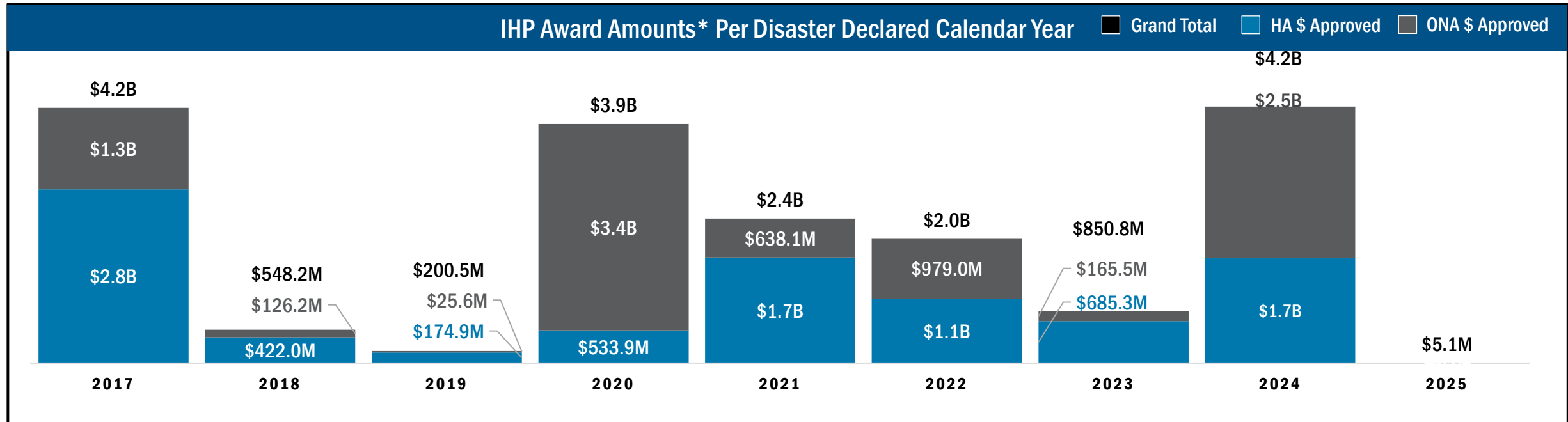
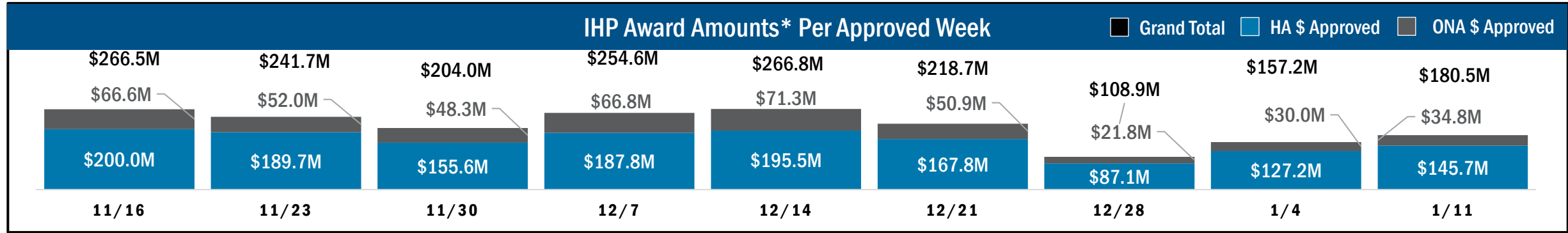
Registrations in Active Declarations



Percent Registered Based On Forecast



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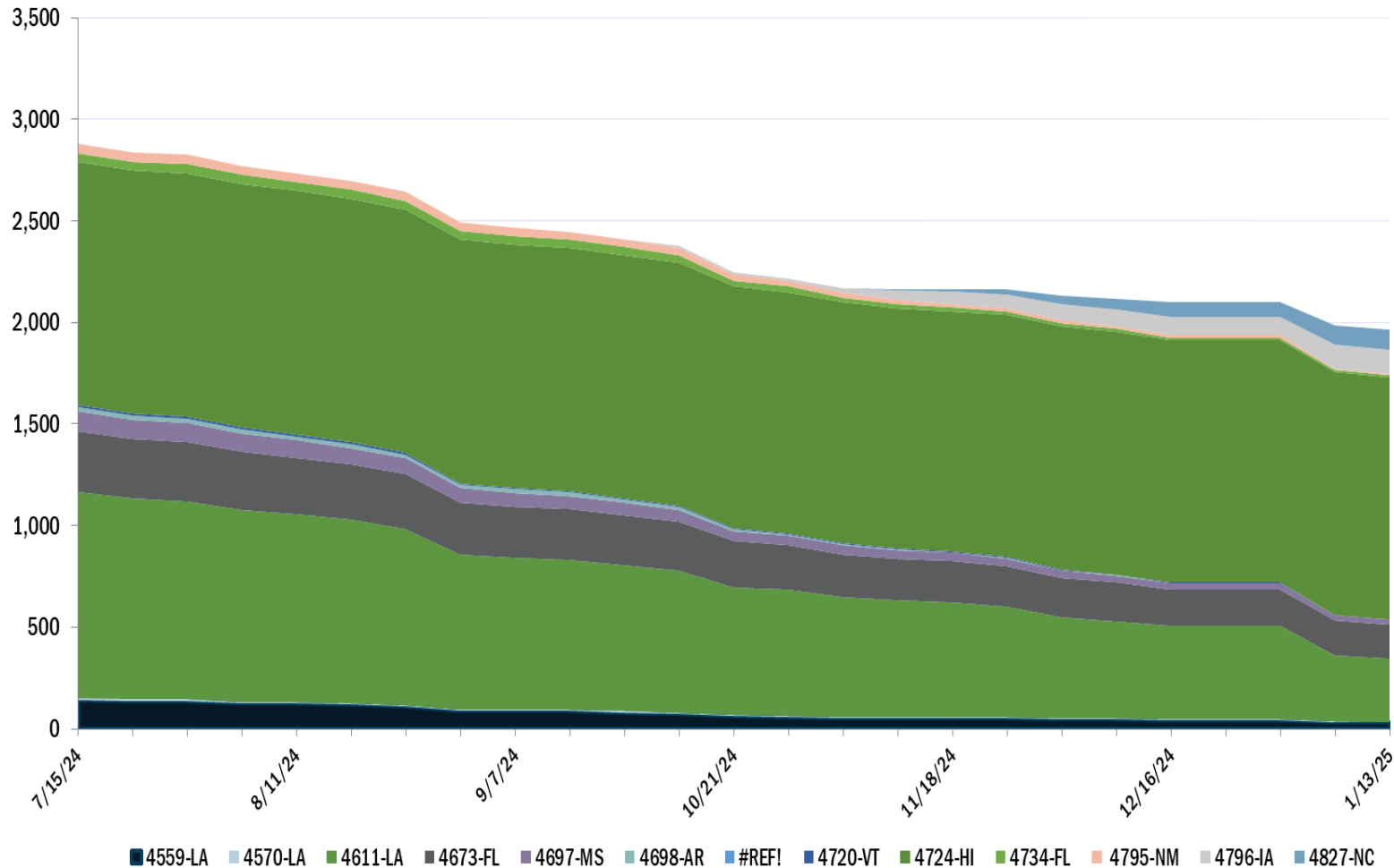


*IHP award amounts does not include covid dollars

Direct Housing

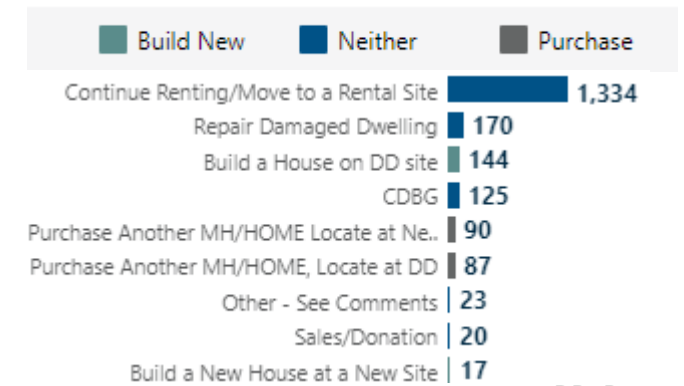
Total Households in FEMA Direct Housing per Disaster Declaration

There are currently **2,021** Households Occupying **2,034** Temporary Units



DR	Declaration Date	Assistance End Date	Current # of Households in Direct Housing (Weekly Change)
4828-FL	9/28/2024	3/28/2026	13 (7)
4827- NC	9/28/2024	3/28/2026	100 (8)
4796-IA	7/16/2024	12/26/2025	116 (-2)
4795-NM	7/16/2024	12/21/2025	39 (0)
4734-FL	8/31/2023	2/28/2025	9 (-1)
4724-HI	8/10/2023	2/10/2025	1188 (-4)
4720-VT	7/14/2023	1/14/2025	3 (0)
4698-AR	4/2/2023	10/2/2024	0 (0)
4697-MS	3/26/2023	9/26/2024	25 (0)
4673-FL	9/29/2022	9/29/2024	168 (-3)
4611-LA	8/29/2021	8/29/2024	312 (-14)
4570-LA	10/16/2020	8/29/2024	3 (0)
4559-LA	8/28/2020	8/29/2024	30 (-4)

Projected Housing Plans



DD- Damaged Dwelling



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