

FEMA National Watch Center

# Daily Operations Briefing

Tuesday, October 21, 2025

8:30 a.m. ET



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# National Current Ops / Monitoring

## New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Ops

- Coastal Flooding – Alaska

## Hazard Monitoring

- Heavy Rainfall/Flash Flooding – The Great Lakes and American Samoa
- Tropical Activity:
  - Atlantic:
    - Disturbance 1 (AL98): High (100%)
  - Central and Eastern Pacific:
    - Disturbance 1: High (70%)

## Disaster Declaration Activity

- No new declaration activity

## Event Monitoring

- No new significant events



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# Coastal Flooding – Alaska

AK



**Situation:** Western Alaska continues to recover from significant flooding that damaged homes, infrastructure, and critical water systems across 11 communities. While water levels have receded, restoration efforts are ongoing, with shelters housing displaced residents and additional evacuations possible due to infrastructure damage. Federal, state, and tribal coordination remains focused on life-sustaining measures, community stabilization, and infrastructure recovery. (FEMA R10 SLB #9, as of 7:00 p.m. ET, Oct 20)

**Lifeline Impacts:** (FEMA R10 SLB #9, as of 7:00 p.m. ET, Oct 20)

**Safety & Security:** Numerous homes and structures reported damaged and/or destroyed in 11 communities. Local damage assessments are ongoing.

**Food, Hydration, Shelter:** Shelters remain available throughout the affected region.

- 3 (-1) shelters open with 338 (+11) total occupants (ARC as of 6:51 a.m. ET, Oct 21)
- Additional evacuations may occur due to infrastructure and wastewater system damage in affected communities; however, future evacuations will utilize commercial flights

**Health & Medical:** One confirmed fatality

**Energy:** AKNG has delivered 10 total generators, power restoration efforts are ongoing all impacted areas

**Communication:** Communications are stabilizing in most areas; no new major outages reported today

**Transportation:** AK DOT continues to analyze information and develop cost estimates to rebuild infrastructure and boardwalks

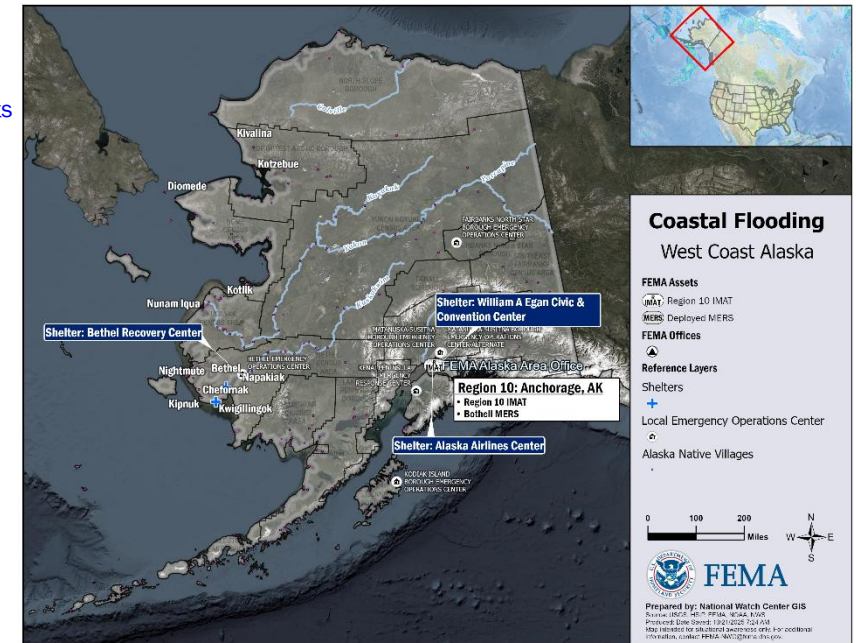
**Hazardous Materials:** Assessments continue for potential fuels contamination

**Water Systems:** Systems restorations making gradual progress.

- Critical potable water infrastructure has failed in multiple communities, assessments ongoing; boil water notices remain in effect for multiple communities
- Wastewater systems are non-operational in numerous locations due to flooded lagoons, collapsed systems, or damaged components

## State / Tribal / Local Response:

- AK SEOC at Full Activation (Landslides/Western Coast Storms)
- AK Gov declared State Disaster Emergency and activated the ANG Oct 9; an Expedited Major Disaster Declaration requested Oct 16
- 17 (+2) tribes declared a State of Emergency



## FEMA / Federal Response:

### FEMA R10:

- RRCC Level 3 (day shift), w/ LNOs from ESFs 6, 7, 10, 11, DCE, and NWS
- State, Tribal, and Mass Care LNOs deployed to AK SEOC
- R-IMAT deployed to AK Area Office

HQ: FEMA NWC is Monitoring

The NWC will continue to monitor in coordination with FEMA R10, with continued reporting in the twice daily FEMA National Situation Report (3:00 a.m. ET / 5:00 p.m. ET) and the FEMA Daily Operations Briefing (8:30 a.m. ET)

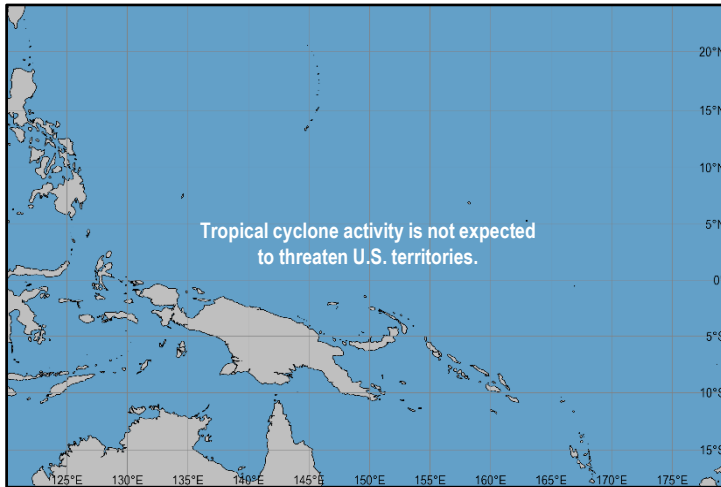


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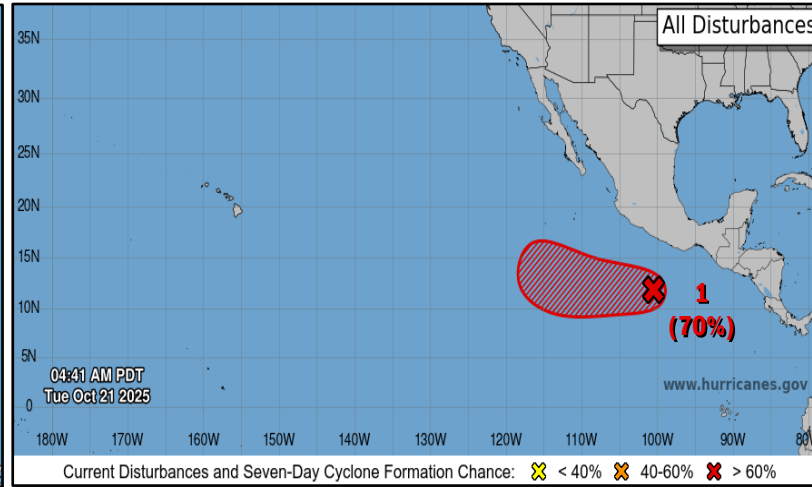
# Tropical Outlook

## Western Pacific



- No tropical cyclones threatening U.S. territories

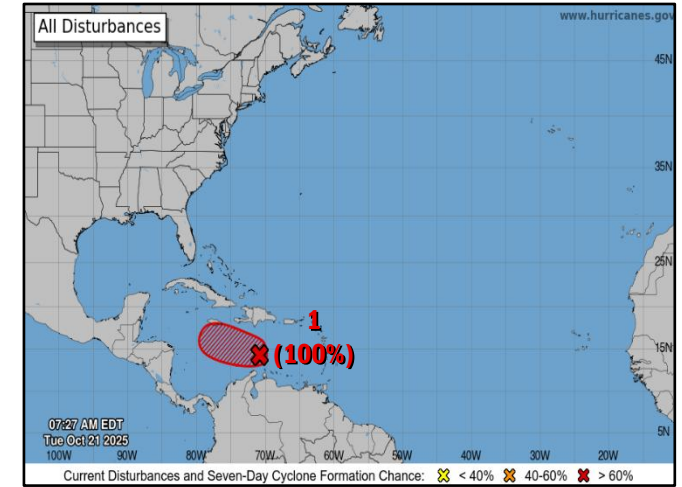
## Central and Eastern Pacific



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

- Located a few hundred miles south of the coast of southern Mexico
- Gradual development of the system is possible, and a tropical depression could form later this week
- Formation chance – 48-hour: Low (20%); 7 day: High (70%)

## Atlantic



### Disturbance 1 (AL98): (as of 8:00 a.m. ET)

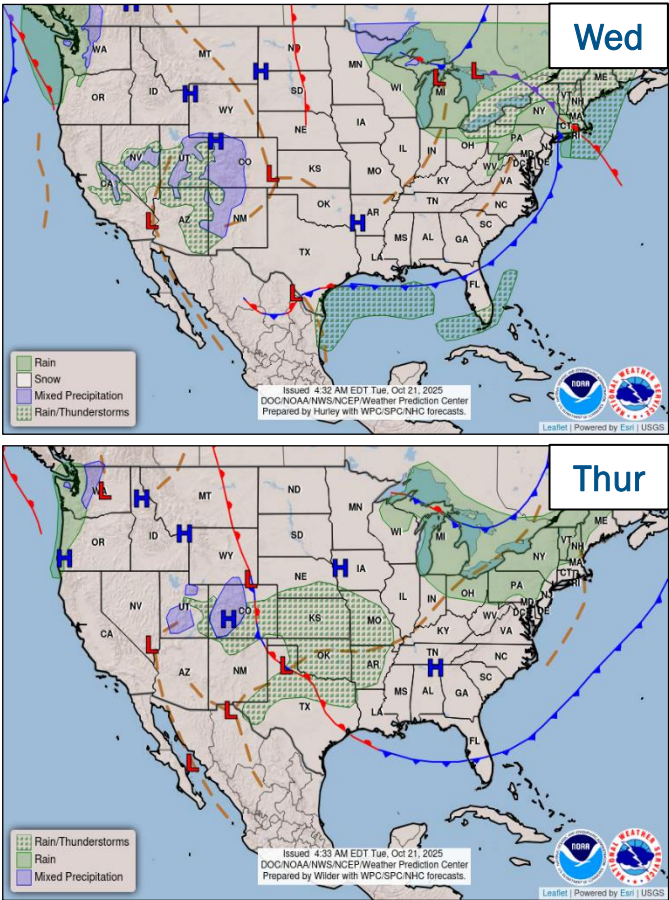
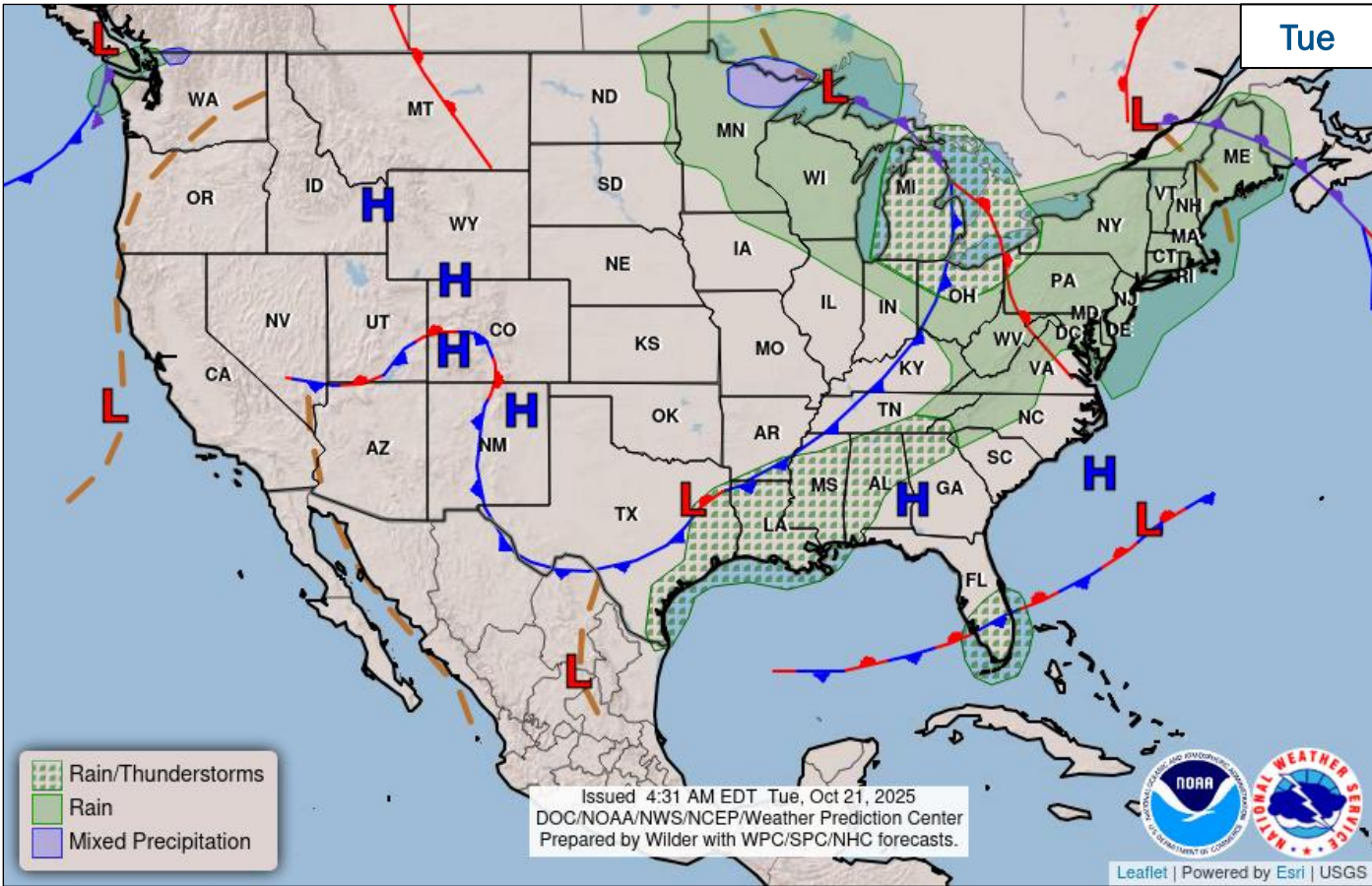
- Currently over the central Caribbean Sea
- A tropical storm is expected to form later today while the system moves slowly over the central Caribbean Sea
- Interests in Puerto Rico should monitor the risk of heavy rain and flooding, strong winds, and rough surf later this week
- Formation chance – 48-hour: High (100%); 7 day: High (100%)



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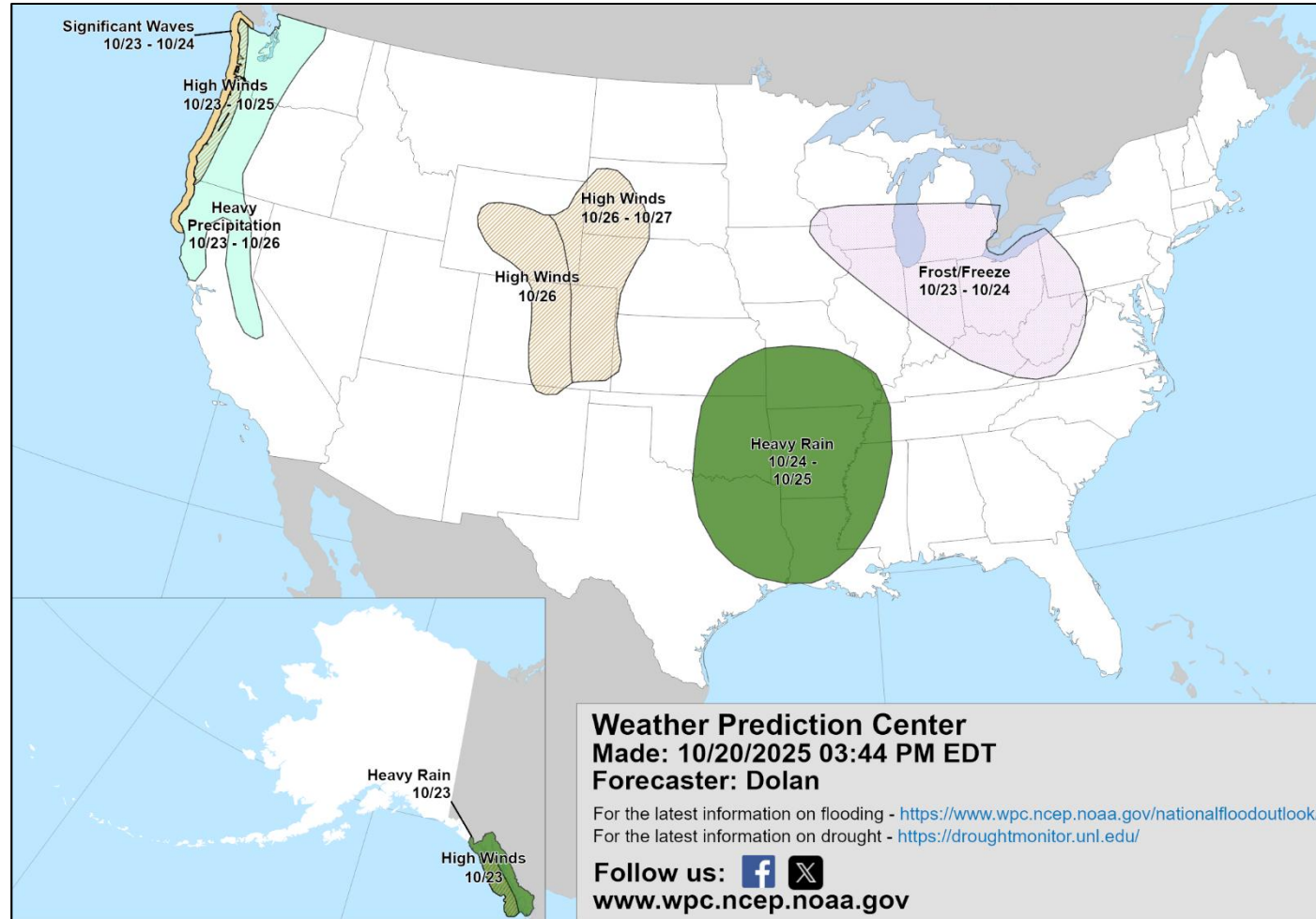


# National Weather Forecast



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# Hazards Outlook – Oct 23-27



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Notes:

NRCC/RWCs/RRCCs:

- R5 Watch: Staffing (Dayshift 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. ET)
- R10 RRCC: Coastal Storms

State EOCs:

- HI: Wildfires
- FL: Previous Incidents
- AZ/CO/MD/TX: Flooding
- VT: Drought
- AK: Coastal Storms
- TN: Plant Explosion
- KY: Severe Weather
- WA: EMAC Support
- MT: Prison Water System

IMATs:

- NSTR

Volunteer Force

Rostered

6,809

Deployed

6

Surge Capacity Force

Rostered

8,179

Deployed

0

N-IMATs

2-5 Teams Available

Red

White

Blue

Gold

HS

R-IMATs

≥ 7 Teams Available

R1

R2

R3

R4 (1)

R4 (2)

R5

R6 (1)

R6 (2)

R7

R8

R9 (1)

R9 (2)

R10

3

1

WI (Sep 15)

2

SD (Sep 22)

CA (Jan 8)

AK (Oct 12)

Fully Mission Capable (FMC)

Partially Mission Capable (PMC)

Not Mission Capable (NMC)

Deployed

REGIONAL BREAKDOWN

|     | JFO | DR | EM | JRO |
|-----|-----|----|----|-----|
| R1  | 0   | 0  | 0  | 0   |
| R2  | 0   | 0  | 0  | 2   |
| R3  | 2   | 7  | 1  | 0   |
| R4  | 7   | 19 | 5  | 1   |
| R5  | 0   | 2  | 0  | 0   |
| R6  | 4   | 9  | 1  | 3   |
| R7  | 1   | 10 | 0  | 0   |
| R8  | 1   | 4  | 0  | 0   |
| R9  | 1   | 3  | 0  | 0   |
| R10 | 1   | 1  | 0  | 0   |

Alaska

Anchorage, AK

Coastal Flooding

• R10 IMAT

• MERS

Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands

Guam

Hawaii

Flash and Urban Flooding Poss.

American Samoa

Pasadena, CA

DR-4856-CA

• R9 IMAT-1

Map of the United States showing disaster locations and FEMA presence. Callouts include: Sisseton, SD (DR-4890-SWO, R8 IMAT), Madison, WI (DR-4892-WI, R5 IMAT), Anchorage, AK (Coastal Flooding, R10 IMAT, MERS), Pasadena, CA (DR-4856-CA, R9 IMAT-1), Bristol, VA (DR-4831-VA, Closing 10/28), Elevated Fire Wx., and Puerto Rico/U.S. Virgin Islands (Dist. 1).

IM Workforce

11,748 (-24) Assigned

4,182 (-52) Unavailable

3,966 (+1) Deployed

31% (+1) / 3,600 (+27) Available

IM Cadre Availability

11 Cadres ≤ 25% Availability

Civil Rights: 19% (19/101); External Affairs: 21% (66/307); Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation: 11% (73/673); Field Leadership: 13% (16/122); Financial Management: 20% (37/184); Hazard Mitigation: 13% (104/786); Human Resources: 24% (39/161); Public Assistance: 19% (400/2,072); Planning: 16% (57/360); Safety: 21% (19/91); Security: 23% (26/111)

MERS

≥ 66%

36 Assigned

6 Unavailable

0 Deployed

30 Available

US&R

≥ 66%

28 Assigned

0 Unavailable

0 Deployed

28 Available

FCO

≤ 1 Type I

39 Assigned

4 (+1) Unavailable

33 (20 FCO) Deployed

2 (-1) Available

# Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

| Region | State / Location | Incident  | IA | Number of Counties |          | Start – End |
|--------|------------------|---|----|--------------------|----------|-------------|
|        |                  |   | PA | Requested          | Complete |             |
| 6      | PATN*            | Severe Storms and Flooding<br>Sep 28-29                                       | IA | 0                  | 0        | N/A         |
|        |                  |   | PA | 1                  | 0        | TBD – TBD   |
| 7      | KS               | Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Torrential Rain, and Flooding<br>Sep 8-10 | IA | 0                  | 0        | N/A         |
|        |                  |   | PA | 5                  | 1 (+1)   | 10/14 – TBD |

\*Pueblo of Acoma Tribal Nation



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# Declaration Requests in Process – 13

| State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description                          | Type | IA | PA | HM | Requested |
|---|------|----|----|----|-----------|
| MD – Severe Storm and Flooding (Appeal)                                   | DR   |    | X  | X  | Aug 19    |
| OK – Severe Storms, Tornadoes, Straight-line Winds, and Flooding (Appeal) | DR   |    | X  | X  | Aug 19    |
| LLBO* – Severe Storm and Straight-line Winds                              | DR   | X  | X  | X  | Aug 19    |
| IL – Severe Storms and Flooding   | DR   | X  |    | X  | Aug 21    |
| VT – Severe Storm and Flooding  | DR   |    | X  | X  | Aug 22    |
| AK – Chevak Public Safety Building Fire                                   | DR   |    | X  | X  | Aug 28    |
| ND – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, and Tornadoes                    | DR   |    | X  | X  | Sep 4     |
| NE – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, and Flooding                     | DR   |    | X  | X  | Sep 4     |
| IL – Severe Storms and Flooding   | DR   | X  |    | X  | Sep 15    |
| KS – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, and Flooding          | DR   |    | X  | X  | Sep 17    |
| RST** – Severe Storm, Straight-line Winds, and Tornado (Appeal)           | DR   | X  | X  | X  | Sep 18    |
| CO – Lee and Elk Fires, Flooding, and Mudslides                           | DR   |    | X  | X  | Sep 26    |
| AK – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, and Remnants of Typhoon Halong   | DR   | X  | X  | X  | Oct 16    |

\* Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe, \*\* Rosebud Sioux Tribe



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