

FEMA National Watch Center

Daily Operations Briefing

Monday, January 26, 2026

8:30 a.m. ET



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National Current Operations / Monitoring

New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Operations

- Winter Storms – Southern Plains to Eastern U.S.

Hazard Monitoring

- Heavy Snow – Northeast

Disaster Declaration Activity

- No new declaration activity

Event Monitoring

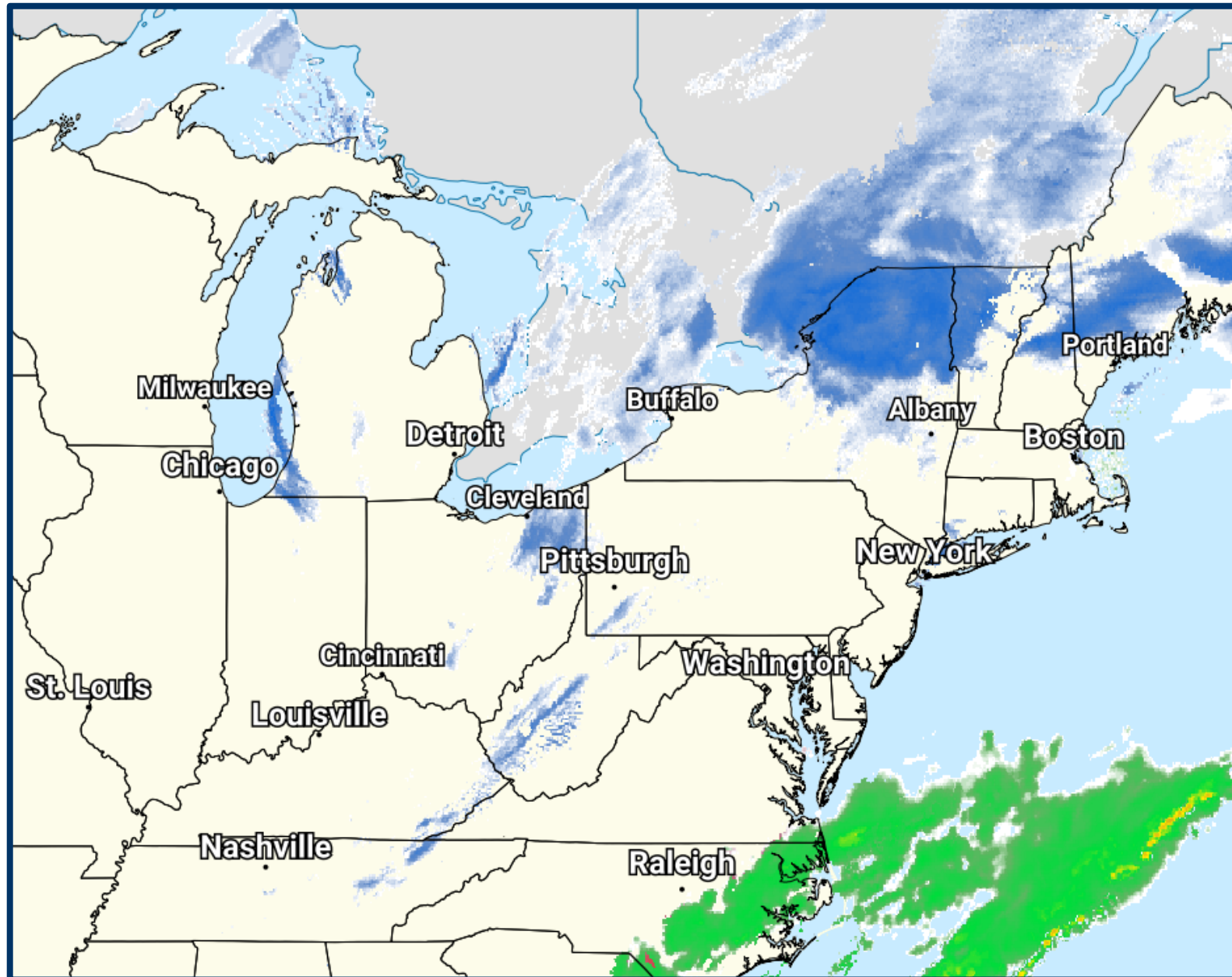
- No new significant events



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Radar & Estimated Precipitation Type

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Rain



Snow



Sleet

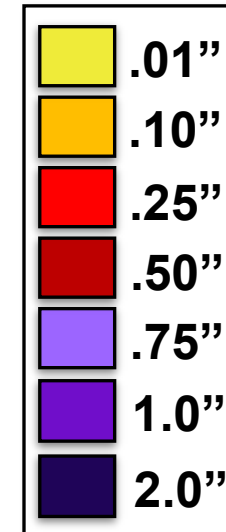
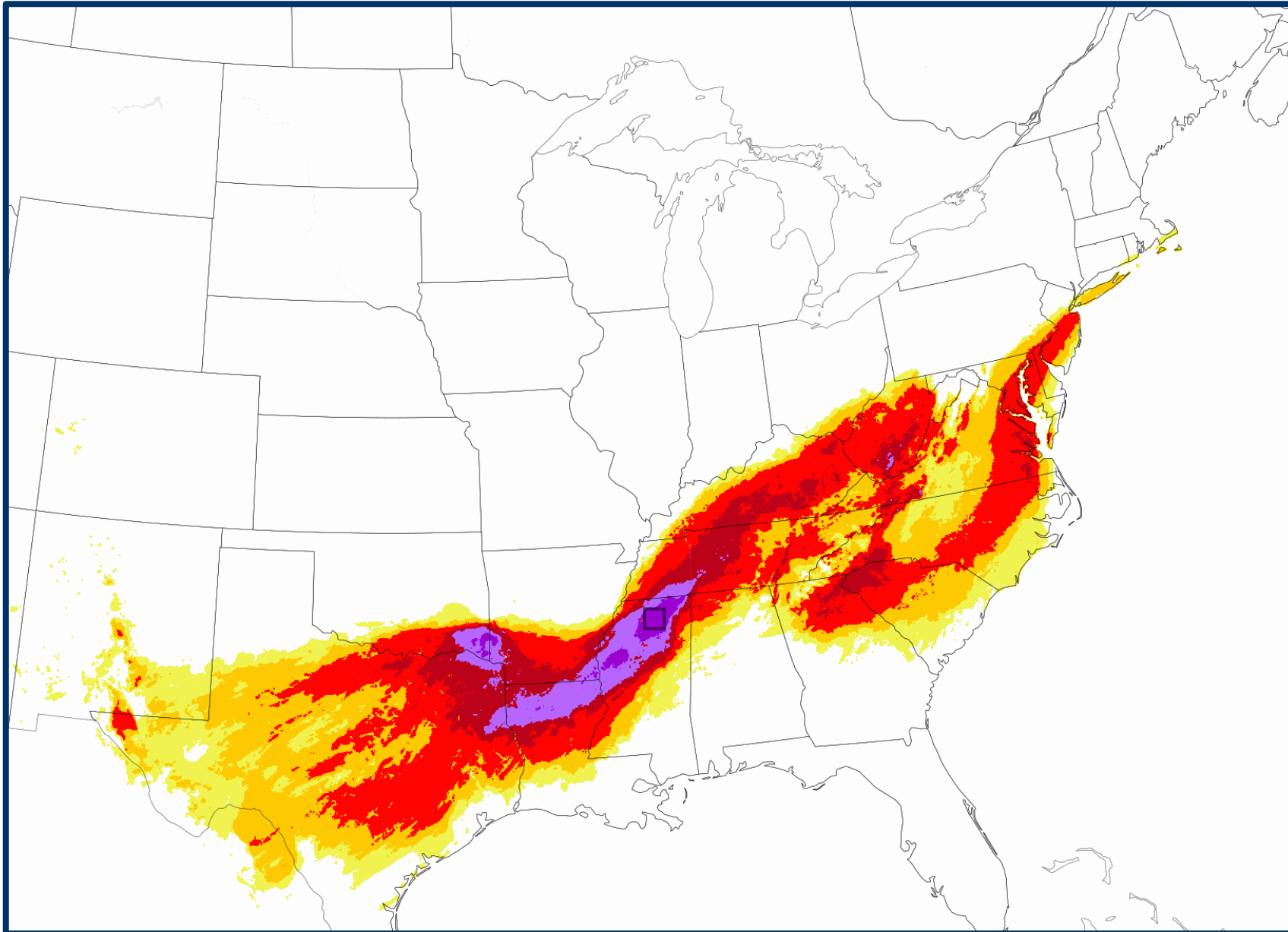


Freezing Rain



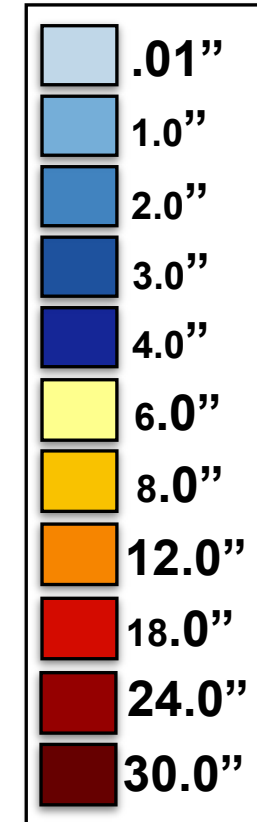
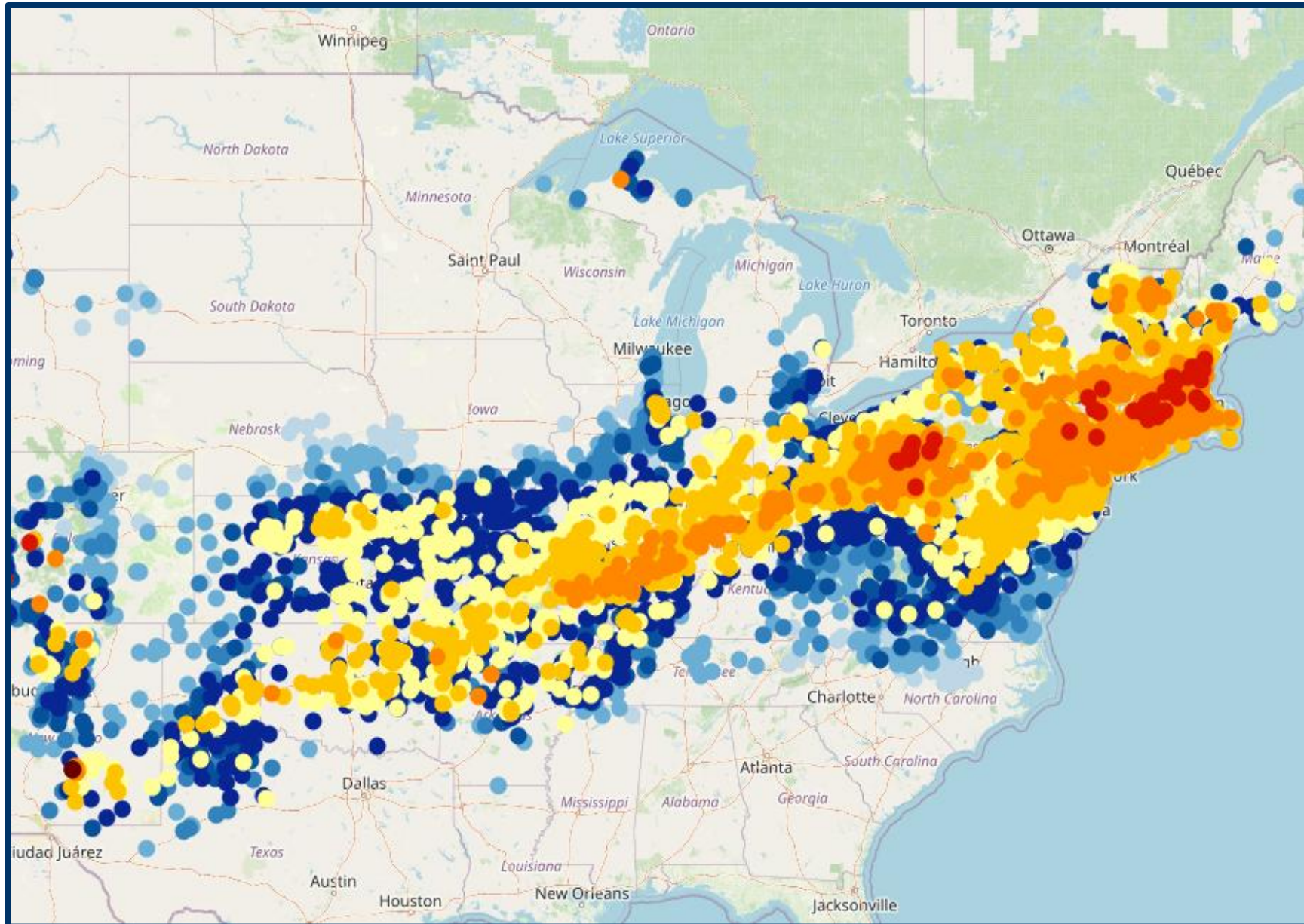
Estimated Ice Accumulation — Through Monday AM

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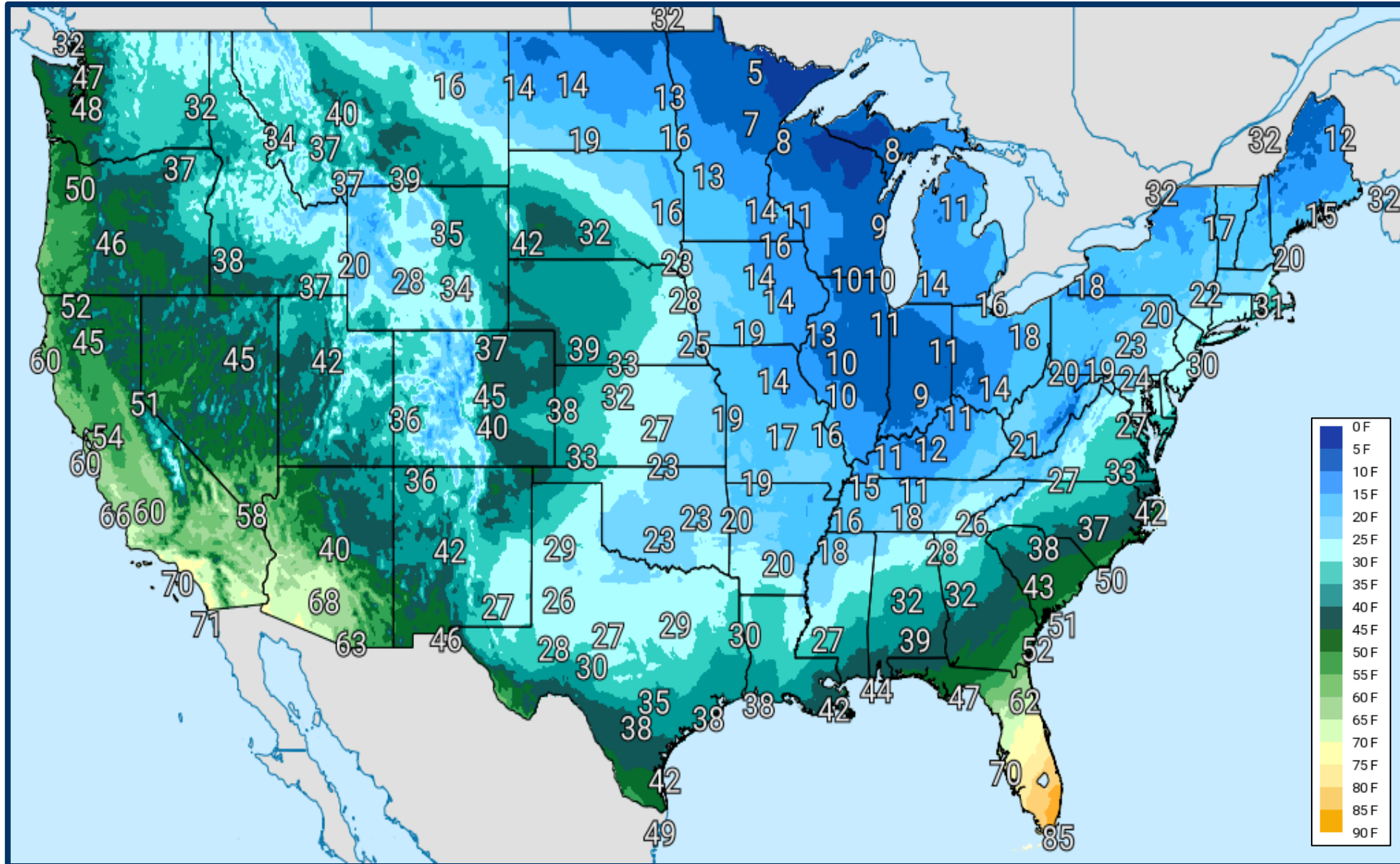
Snowfall Observations – Through Monday AM

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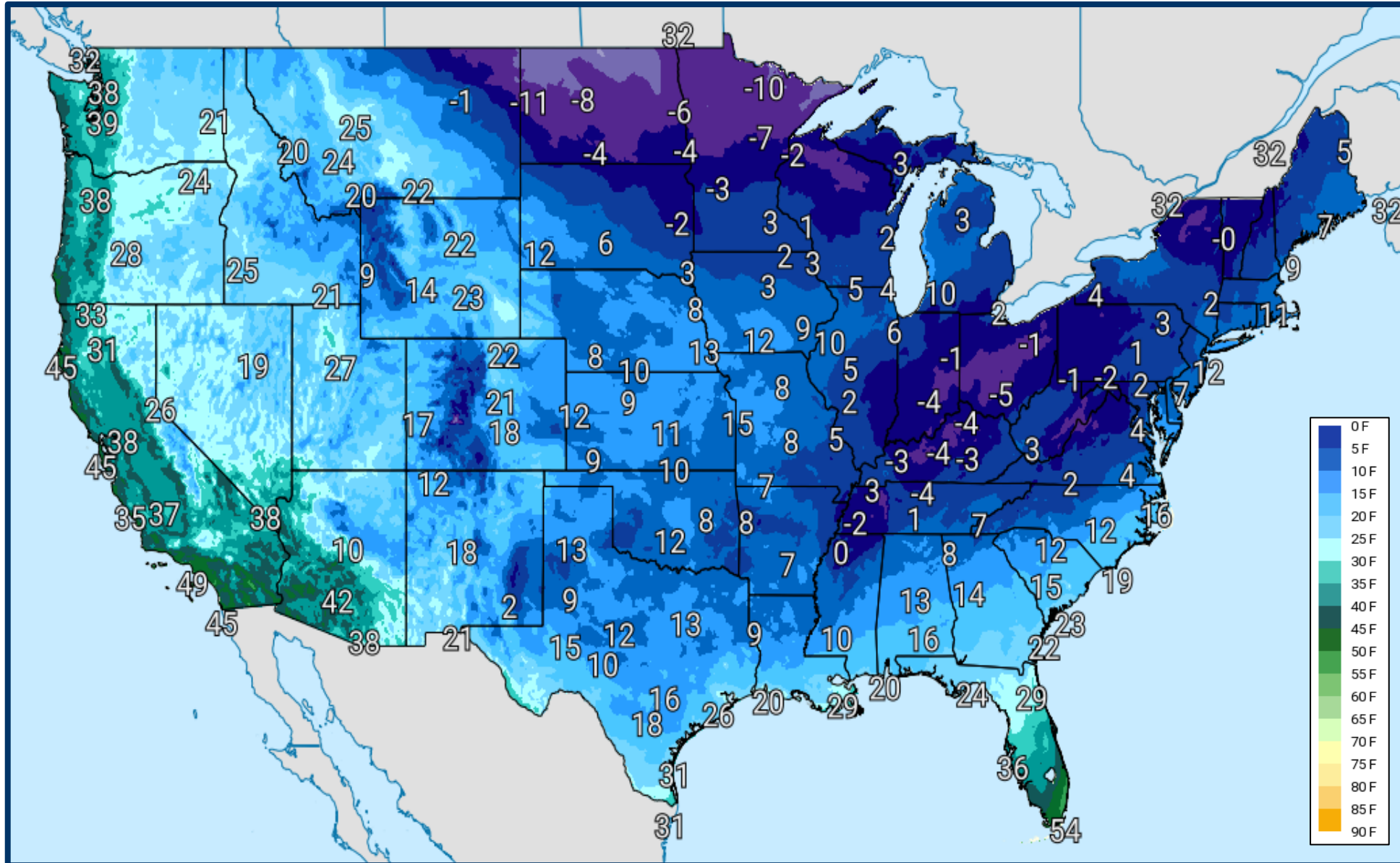
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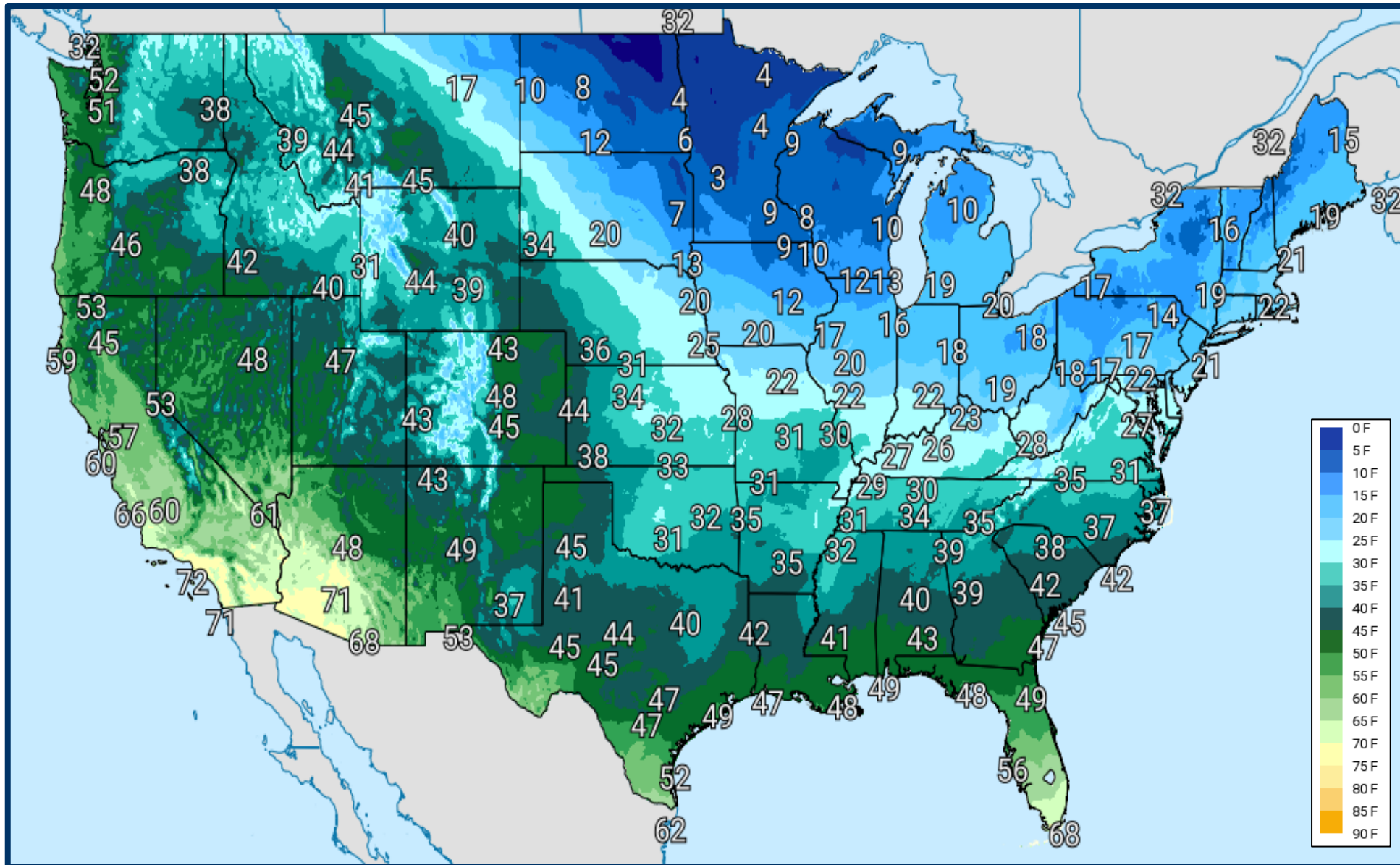
Low Temperatures - Tuesday, January 27

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Winter Storm - Southern Plains to Eastern U.S.



Situation: A major winter storm will shift impacts into the Northeast with heavy snow this evening and overnight. Over the Mid-Atlantic, sleet and freezing rain will diminish overnight. Extremely cold air behind the storm will prolong dangerous travel and infrastructure impacts through midweek.

Lifeline Impacts: (NRCC SLB, as of 7:00 p.m. ET, Jan 25)

Food, Hydration, Shelter: Shelter populations have increased in impacted areas overnight (ARC Shelter Report, as of 6:50 a.m. ET)

FEMA Region 3:

- VA: 10 (+9) shelters open / 66 (+65) occupants
- WV: 8 shelters open / 25 occupants

FEMA Region 4:

- NC: 31 (+23) shelters open / 109 (+45) occupants
- MS: 3 (+1) shelters open / 9 (+3) occupants
- SC: 23 (+22) shelter open / 295 (+290) occupants

FEMA Region 6:

- LA: 26 (+24) shelters open / 465 (+418) occupants
- OK: 13 (+9) shelters open / 189 (+50) occupants
- TX: 27 (+13) shelters open / 332 (+172) occupants

Health and Medical: 4 total confirmed weather-related fatalities

- IN: 2 confirmed fatalities
- LA: 2 confirmed fatalities

Energy: (DOE Eagle-I as of 8:15 a.m. ET)

FEMA Region 4:

- MS: 117k (+52k, 9%) customers without power
- TN: 228k (+101k, 8%) customers without power
- KY: 32k (1%) customers without power
- SC: 42k (1%) customers without power

FEMA Region 6:

- LA: 122k (+71k, 5%) customers without power
- TX: 59k (-61k) (<1%) customers without power

Transportation:

FEMA Region 4:

- MS: Tupelo Regional (TUP) closed until 1/27
 - SC: Greenville-Spartanburg International Airport closed
 - TN: Jackson Regional Airport/McKellar-Sipes closed until 1/27
- FEMA Region 6: LA: 19 closed roadways through impacted areas

State / Local Response:

FEMA Region 1:

- CT, MA, RI SEOCs at Partial Activation (Winter Storm)
- VT, ME, and NH SEOCs are Monitoring (Winter Storm)

FEMA Region 2:

- NJ, NY SEOCs at Partial Activation (Winter Storm)

FEMA Region 3:

- DE, MD, VA SEOCs at Full Activation (Winter Storm)
- WV, PA SEOCs at Partial Activation (Winter Storm)
- DC EOC at Monitoring (Winter Storm)

FEMA Region 4:

- GA, NC, and SC SEOCs at Full Activation (Winter Storm)
- AL, KY, MS, and TN SEOCs are at Partial Activation (Winter Storm)

FEMA Region 5:

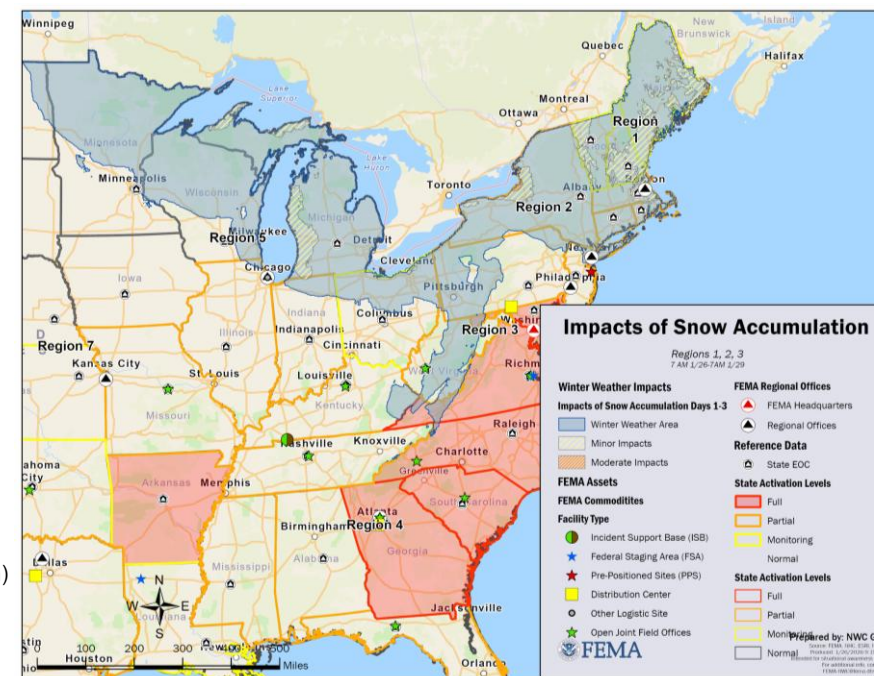
- IN and IL SEOCs at Partial Activation (Winter Storm)
- OH SEOC is Monitoring (Winter Storm)

FEMA Region 6:

- AR SEOC is at Full Activation (Winter Storm)
- TX SEOC is at Partial Activation (Winter Storm)
- LA, NM, and OK SEOCs are Monitoring (Winter Storm)

FEMA Region 7:

- MO SEOC at Partial Activation (Winter Storm)
- KS SEOC at Monitoring (Winter Storm)



(NWC GIS, as of 8:30 a.m. ET)



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Winter Storm - Southern Plains to Eastern U.S. (cont.)

FEMA / Federal Response:

FEMA Region 1: Watch is Monitoring; RRCC is at [Level 3](#); R-IMAT is available

FEMA Region 2: Watch is Monitoring; RRCC is at [Level 3](#) (Dayshift only); R-IMAT is available

FEMA Region 3:

- Watch is Monitoring; RRCC is at Level 3 (Severe Winter Storm); R-IMAT deployed to Richmond, VA
- All States have FEMA Integrated Team (FIT) in place engaged within SEOCs

FEMA Region 4:

- Watch is at Enhanced; RRCC at Level 3; R-IMATs are available, [R-IMAT 2 deploying to Jackson, MS today](#)
- All States have 2-3 temp power vendors each to pull capabilities for generators
- FIT LNOs deployed to all threatened states

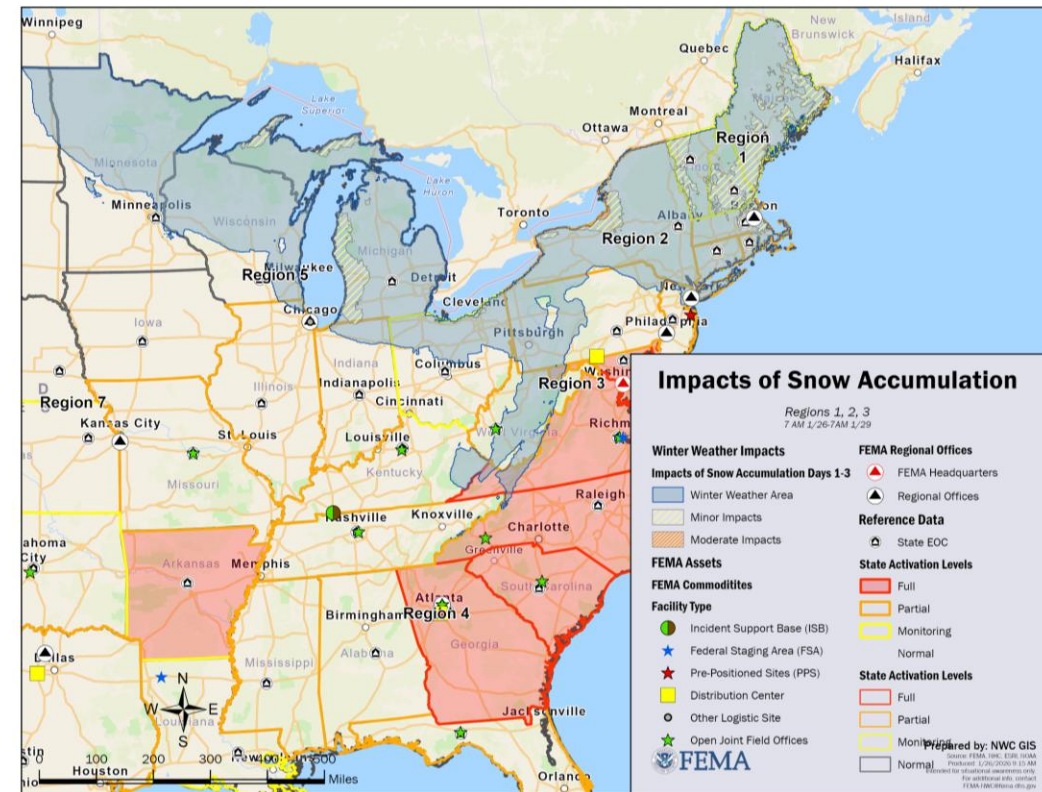
FEMA Region 5:

- Watch is at Enhanced (Severe Winter Storm); RRCC is Rostered; R-IMAT is available

FEMA Region 6:

- Watch is Monitoring; RRCC at Level 3 (Severe Winter Storm); R-IMAT 1 deployed to Austin, TX and R-IMAT 2 is deployed to Baton Rouge, LA
- FIT members in place in OK, AR, and NM

FEMA Region 7: Watch is [Monitoring](#); RRCC is Rostered; R-IMAT deployed to MO



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Winter Storm - Southern Plains to Eastern U.S. (cont.)

FEMA / Federal Response (cont.):

Department of Energy (DOE):

- DOE Energy Response Organization (ERO) is activated to manage ESF #12 operations and coordinate with industry partners
- Several Independent System Operators (ISO) declared conservative operations
- DOE ESF #12 responders deployed to FEMA Regions 3 & 6 RRCCs (virtually)

Department of Health and Human Services (HHS):

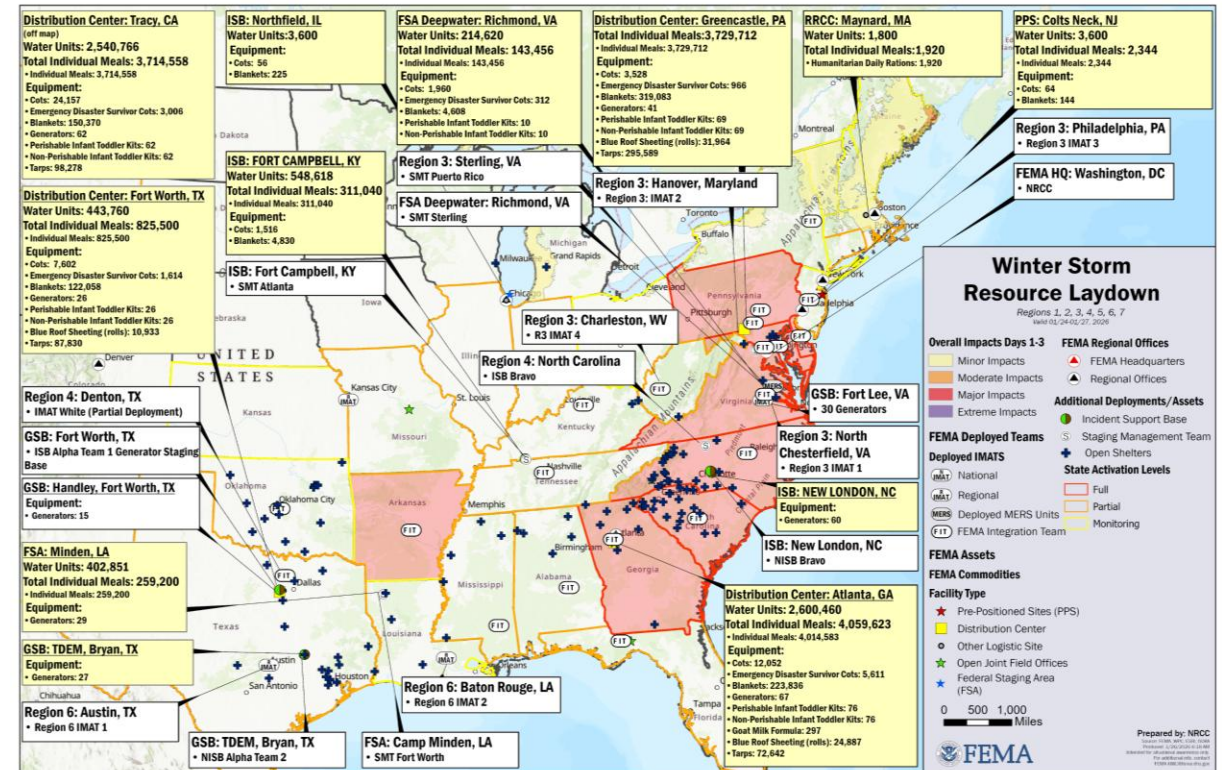
- Coordinating with FEMA and SLTT partners in preparation for potential staffing at SEOCs at state request

Department of Transportation (DOT):

- Monitoring and prepared to staff FEMA NRCC and FEMA RRCCs as needed

HQ:

- NWC is at Enhanced Watch; NRCC is at Level 3
- NISB Alpha Team 1 deployed to Ft. Worth, TX
- NISB Alpha Team 2 deployed to Bryan, TX
- NISB Bravo deployed to New London, NC
- SMT Ft. Worth deployed to Camp Minden, LA
- SMT Atlanta deployed to Fort Campbell, KY
- SMT Sterling deployed to Richmond, VA
- SMT Puerto Rico deployed to Sterling, VA
- N-IMAT White deployed an advance team to Denton, TX; remainder of the team on Alert



(NRCC GIS, as of 5:00 a.m. ET)

NWC will continue to monitor in coordination with FEMA Regions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7. Reporting will continue in the FEMA National Situation Report (5:00 p.m. / 3:00 a.m. ET) and the FEMA Daily Operations Briefing (8:30 a.m. ET).



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Approved Emergency Declarations – 12 (Winter Storm)

State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Type	IA	PA	HM	Requested
SC – Severe Winter Storm – Approved	EM		X		Jan 23
VA – Severe Winter Storm – Approved	EM		X		Jan 23
KY – Severe Winter Storm – Approved	EM		X		Jan 23
MD – Severe Winter Storm – Approved	EM		X		Jan 23
TN – Severe Winter Storm – Approved	EM		X		Jan 23
NC – Severe Winter Storm – Approved	EM		X		Jan 23
LA – Severe Winter Storm – Approved	EM		X		Jan 23
AR – Severe Winter Storm – Approved	EM		X		Jan 23
WV – Severe Winter Storm – Approved	EM		X		Jan 23
MS – Severe Winter Storm – Approved	EM		X		Jan 23
IN – Severe Winter Storm – Approved	EM		X		Jan 23
GA - Severe Winter Storm – Approved	EM		X		Jan 24



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FEMA Common Operating Picture

12

Joint Field
Offices

Supporting

40

Major
Disasters

+

20

Emergency
Declarations

8

Direct Housing
Missions

8

RSF-Supported
Disasters

6

Joint Recovery
Offices

FEDERAL HQ

NWC

Enhanced

NRCC

Level 3

FEDERAL REGIONS

Watch

Monitoring

Monitoring

Monitoring

Enhanced

Enhanced

Monitoring

Monitoring

Monitoring

Monitoring

RRCC

R1

Level 3

R2

Level 3

R3

Level 3

R4

Level 3

R5

Rostered

R6

Level 3

R7

Rostered

R8

Rostered

R9

Rostered

R10

Rostered

Notes:

NRCC/RWCCs/RRCCs:

- NRCC/NWC: Severe Winter Storm
- R1 RRCC: Level 3 (Severe Winter Storm; dayshift only)
- R2/R3/R4/R6 RRCC: Level 3 (Severe Winter Storm)
- R4/R5 Watch: Enhanced (Severe Winter Storm)

State EOCs:

- HI: Wildfires
- FL: Previous Incidents
- MT: Flooding
- AL/AR/CT/DC/DE/GA/IL/IN/KS/KY/LA/MA/MD/ME/MO/MS/NC/NH/NJ/NM/NY/OH/OK/PA/RI/SC/TN/TX/VA/VT/WV: Winter Storm

IMATs:

- N-IMAT White: Severe Winter Storm

Surge Capacity Force

Rostered

7,969

Deployed

0

N-IMATs	
2-5 Teams Available	
Red	
White	TX (Jan 25)
Blue	
Gold	
HS	
R-IMATs	
≥ 7 Teams Available	
R1	
R2	
R3	VA (Jan 22)
R4 (1)	
R4 (2)	MS (en route)
R5	
R6 (1)	TX (Jan 22)
R6 (2)	LA (Jan 22)
R7	MO (Oct 27)
R8	2
R9 (1)	
R9 (2)	1
R10	3
Legend	
<div></div>	Fully Mission Capable (FMC)
<div></div>	Partially Mission Capable (PMC)
<div></div>	Not Mission Capable (NMC)
<div></div>	Deployed

REGIONAL BREAKDOWN

	JFO	DR	EM	JRO
R1	0	0	0	0
R2	0	0	0	2
R3	2	4	4	0
R4	6	15	11	1
R5	0	2	1	0
R6	2	4	3	3
R7	1	12	0	0
R8	1	2	1	0
R9	0	0	0	0
R10	0	1	0	0

Alaska

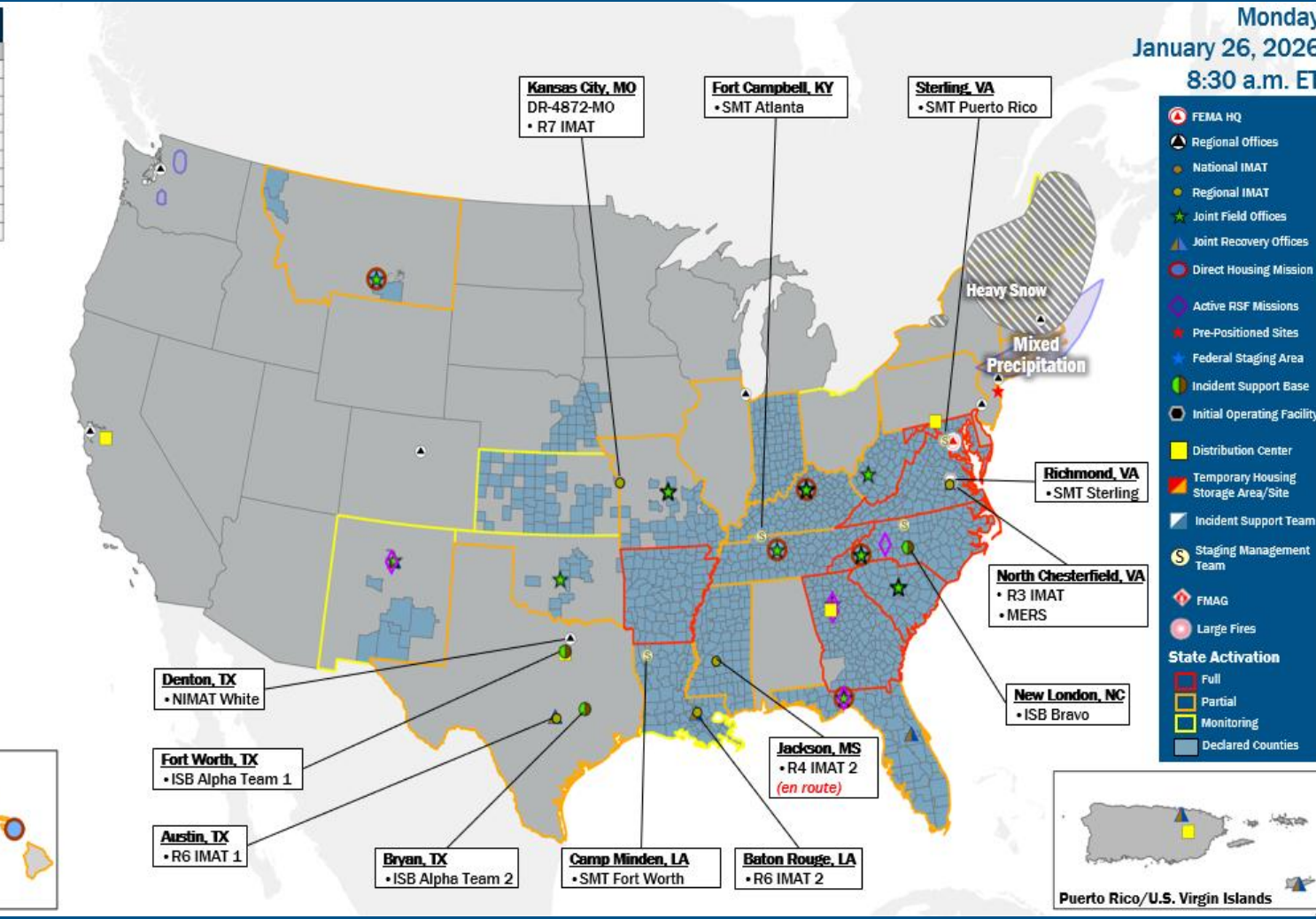
Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands

Guam

Flash Flooding Poss.

American Samoa

Hawaii



IM Workforce

11,529 Assigned

4,296 (-37) Unavailable

3,029 (-39) Deployed

36% / 4,204 (+76) Available

IM Cadre Availability

8 Cadres ≤ 25% Availability

Civil Rights: 23% (23/98); Disability Integration: 24% (4/17); External Affairs: 23% (64/283); Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation: 17% (110/659); Field Leadership: 16% (19/119); Hazard Mitigation: 18% (137/776); Planning: 19% (65/350); Safety: 24% (21/89)

MERS

≥ 66%

36 Assigned

6 Unavailable

1 Deployed

29 Available

US&R

≥ 66%

28 Assigned

1 Unavailable

0 Deployed

27 Available

FCO

≥ 4 Type I

36 Assigned

1 Unavailable

23 (14 FCOR) Deployed

12 Available

Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

Region	State / Location	Incident	IA	Number of Counties		Start – End
			PA	Requested	Completed	
R10	WA	Flooding, Landslides, Mudslides, and Straight-line Winds Dec 5-22, 2025	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	28	0	1/26 – TBD
	OR	Atmospheric River Dec 16-19, 2025	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	13	0	1/26 – TBD



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Declaration Requests in Process – 17

State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Type	IA	PA	HM	Requested
POA* – Severe Storms and Flooding	DR	X	X	X	Oct 22
AZ – Severe Storms and Flooding – Appeal	DR		X	X	Oct 24
AZ – Severe Storms, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides	DR	X			Nov 12
VT – Severe Storm and Flooding – Appeal	DR		X	X	Nov 20
IL – Severe Storms and Flooding – Appeal	DR	X			Nov 21
IL – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, and Flooding – Appeal	DR	X			Nov 21
KS – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, and Flooding	DR		X	X	Nov 21
SCA** – Severe Storms and Flooding	DR	X	X	X	Nov 26
LLBO*** – Building Fire	DR		X	X	Nov 30
SCA** – Severe Storms and Flooding	DR	X	X	X	Dec 15
MT – Severe Winter Storms and Straight-line Winds	EM		X		Dec 24
MT – Severe Storms and Flooding	DR		X	X	Jan 10
NVK**** – Severe Storms, Flooding, and Remnants of Typhoon Halong	DR		X	X	Jan 11
MT – Severe Winter Storms and Straight-line Winds	DR		X	X	Jan 15
CO – Severe Storms, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides – Appeal	DR		X	X	Jan 16

Pueblo of Acoma, **San Carlos Apache Tribe, *Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe, ****Native Village of Kipnuk*



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Declaration Requests in Process – 17 (cont.)

State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Type	IA	PA	HM	Requested
CO – Lee and Elk Fires, Flooding, and Mudslides – Appeal	DR		X	X	Jan 16
WA – Severe Storms, Straight-Line Winds, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides	DR	X			Jan 21



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