

FEMA National Watch Center

Daily Operations Briefing

Sunday, February 22, 2026

8:30 a.m. ET



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National Current Operations / Monitoring

New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Operations

- Winter Storm – Mid-Atlantic to Northeast

Hazard Monitoring

- Heavy Snow – Pacific Northwest, Mid-Atlantic to the Northeast
- Rain / Thunderstorms – Pacific Northwest to California, Southeastern U.S.

Disaster Declaration Activity

- No new declaration activity

Event Monitoring

- No new significant events



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Winter Storm – Mid-Atlantic to Northeast

Situation: A rapidly intensifying coastal low will bring a major winter storm to the Mid-Atlantic and Northeast Sunday–Monday (Feb 22–23). Heavy snow with snowfall rates of 1–2"+/hr and strong coastal winds may produce blizzard conditions from the Delmarva Peninsula through coastal New Jersey, the New York City metro/Long Island, and into southern New England. Dangerous travel is expected, with significant impacts to commutes across major metro areas and anticipated road closures, especially along coastal corridors and higher-elevation roadways. All lifelines are currently stable with jurisdictions in a pre-impact posture; there are no significant reported impacts to Safety & Security, Food/Hydration/Shelter, Communications, or Health and Medical services. (NWS Winter Key Messages as of 5:20 a.m. ET, Feb 22 and FEMA National Forecast and Summary Outlook – 24hr forecast, as of 3:30 p.m. ET, Feb 21)

Potential Impacts:

- Dangerous travel during peak of the storm
- Whiteout conditions from strong winds and blowing/drifted snow
- Strong winds (combined with heavy, wet snow may cause downed trees and limbs leading to power outages)

State / Local Response:

FEMA Region 1:

- CT, ME, MA, NH, RI, VT: All SEOCs at Normal Operations

FEMA Region 2:

- NJ/NY: SEOC Monitoring; Governors have declared a State of Emergency

FEMA Region 3:

- DC: DCHSEMA Monitoring (SOTUA)
- DE: SEOC Monitoring (Winter Weather)
- MD: SEOC Monitoring; MD Governor has declared a State of Preparedness
- VA, WV: SEOCs Normal Operations
- PA: SEOC Normal Operations; will activate at 12:00 pm, Feb 22 (Winter Weather)

FEMA / Federal Response:

FEMA Region 1:

- RWC Monitoring; RRCC Rostered
- R-IMAT FMC

FEMA Region 2:

- RWC Monitoring; RRCC Rostered
- R-IMAT FMC

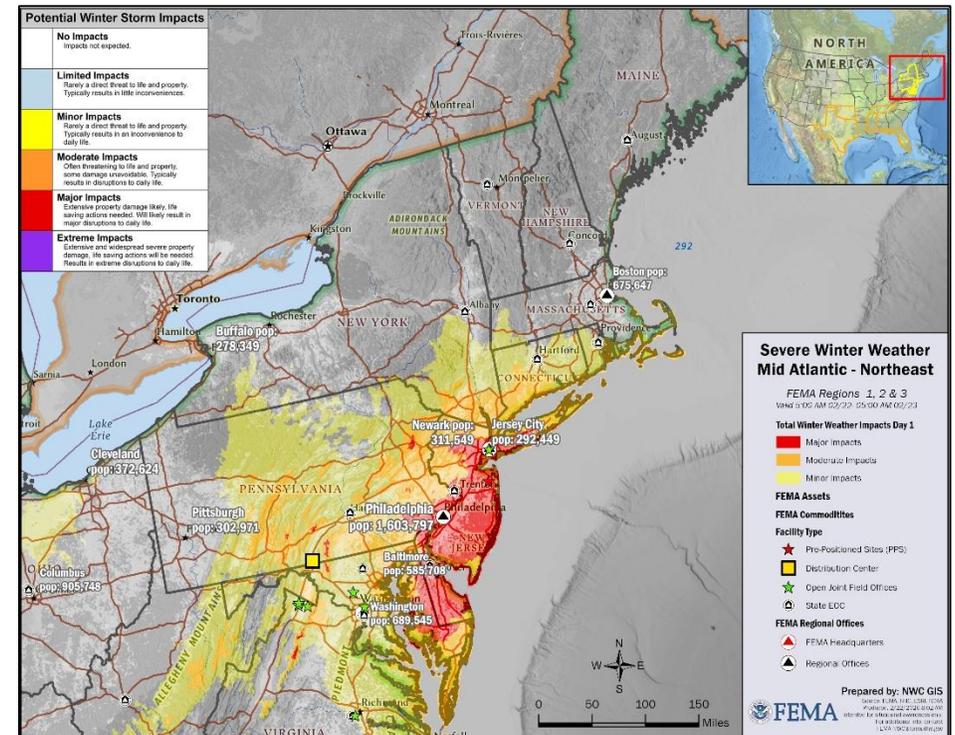
FEMA Region 3:

- RWC Monitoring; RRCC Rostered
- R-IMAT FMC

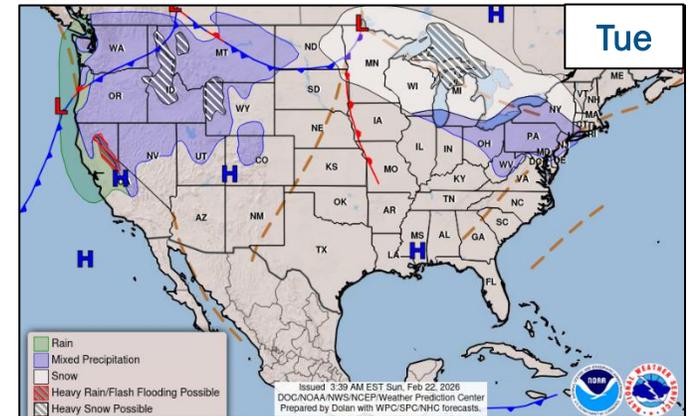
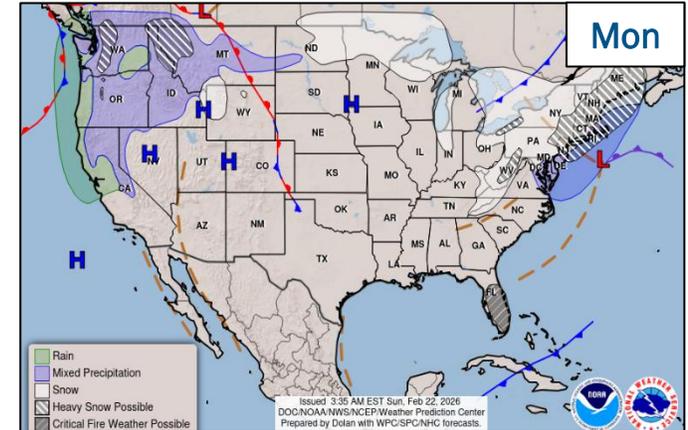
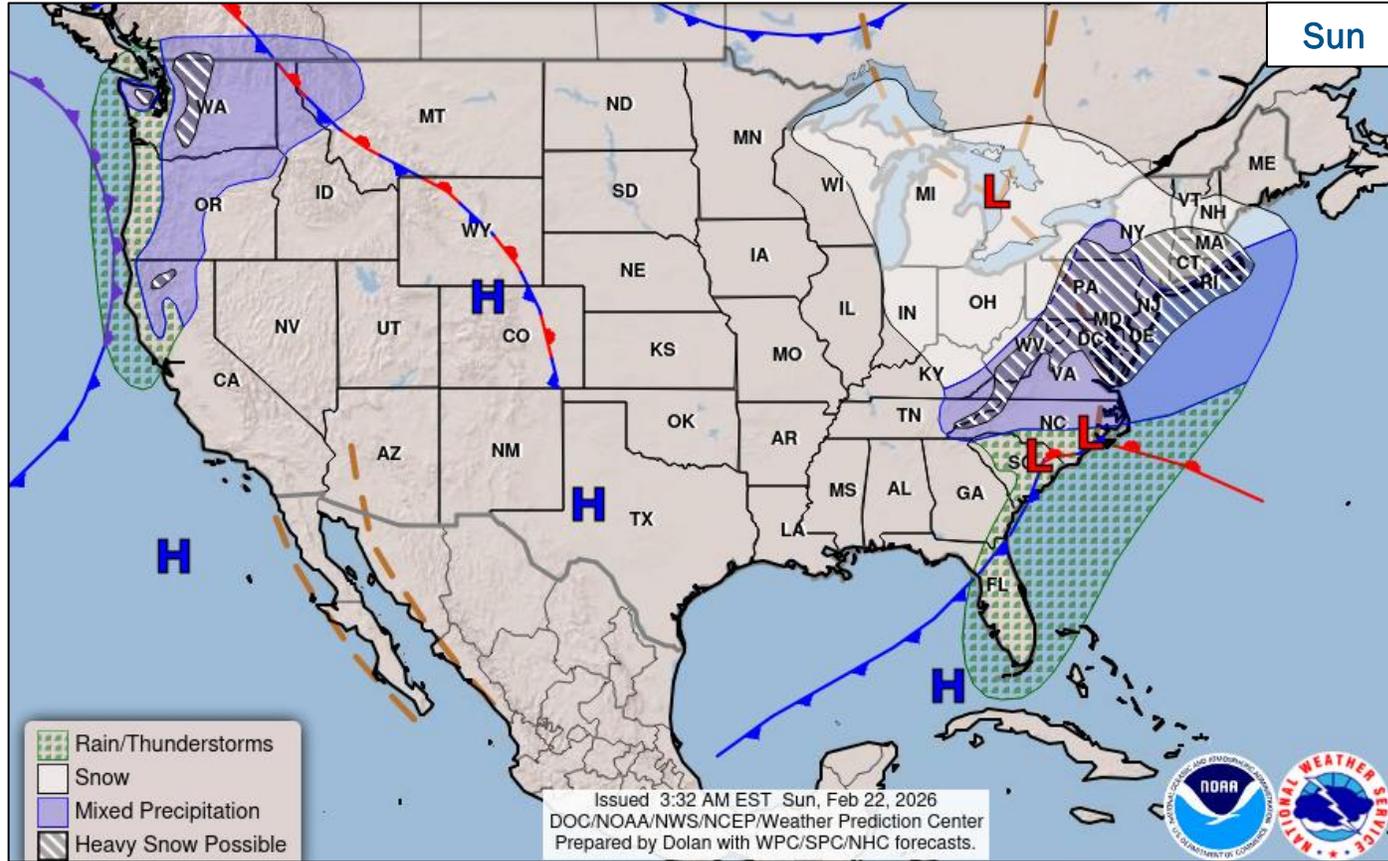
HQ:

- NWC is Monitoring
- FEMA HQ Response Operations Division led a synchronization call with Response leadership, the National Watch, and Regions 1-3 to assess the forecast, identify potential requirements, and discuss initial preparedness actions.

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



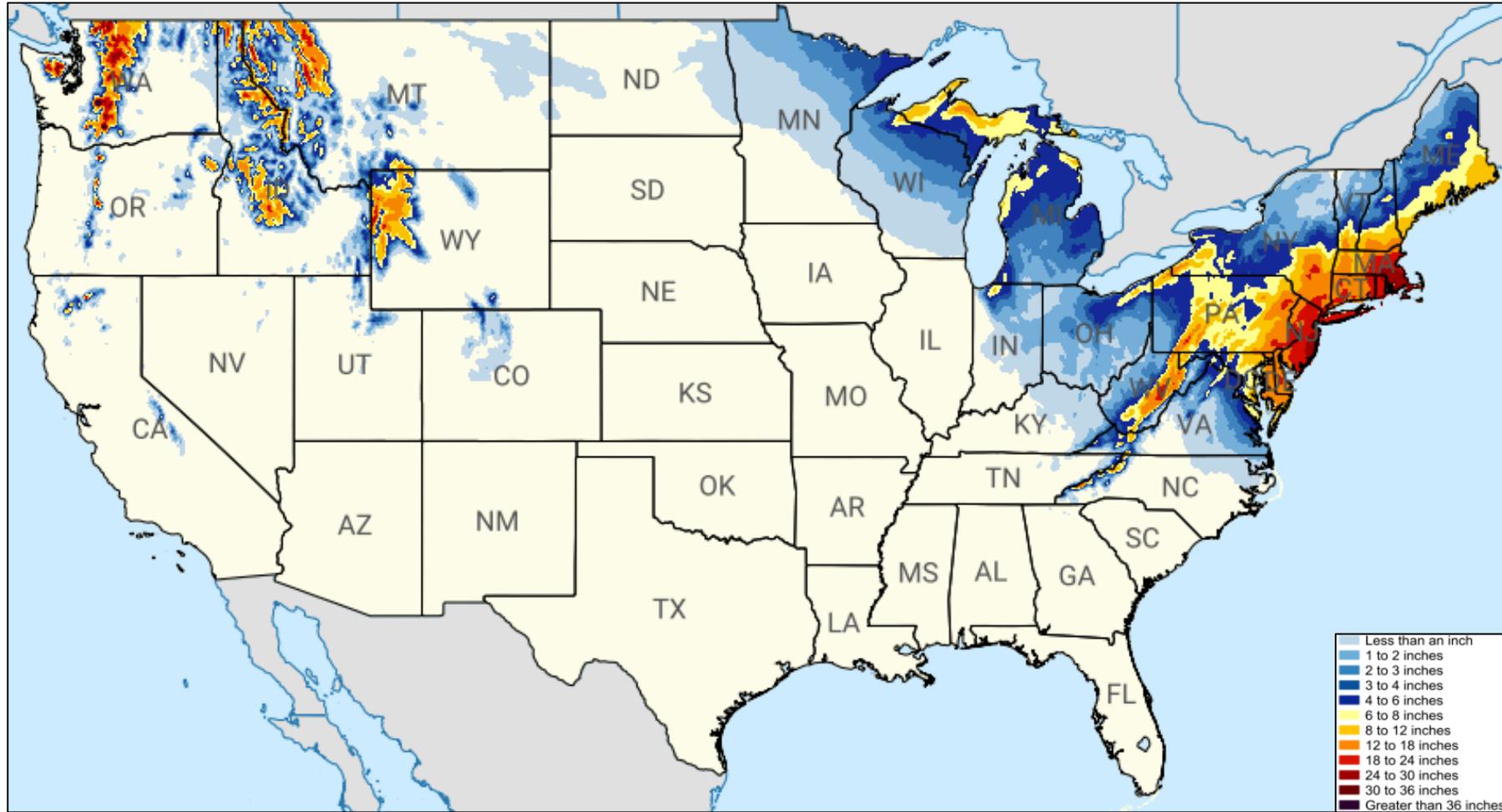
National Weather Forecast



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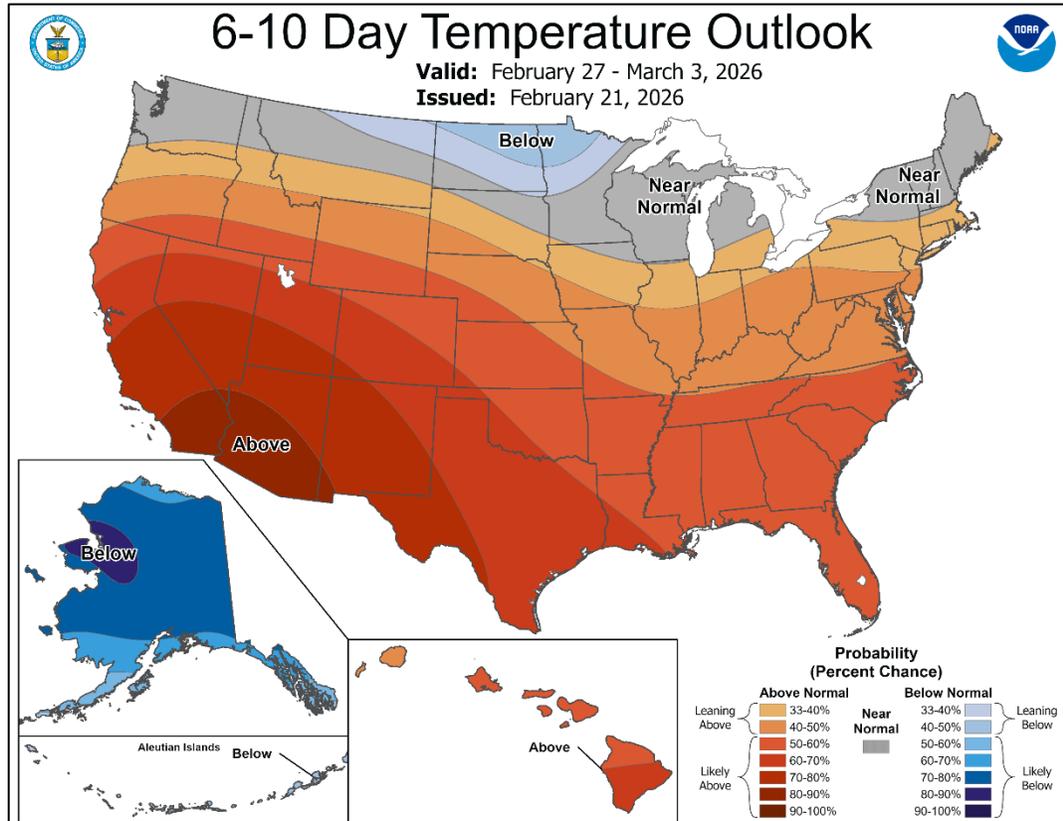
Snowfall Forecast



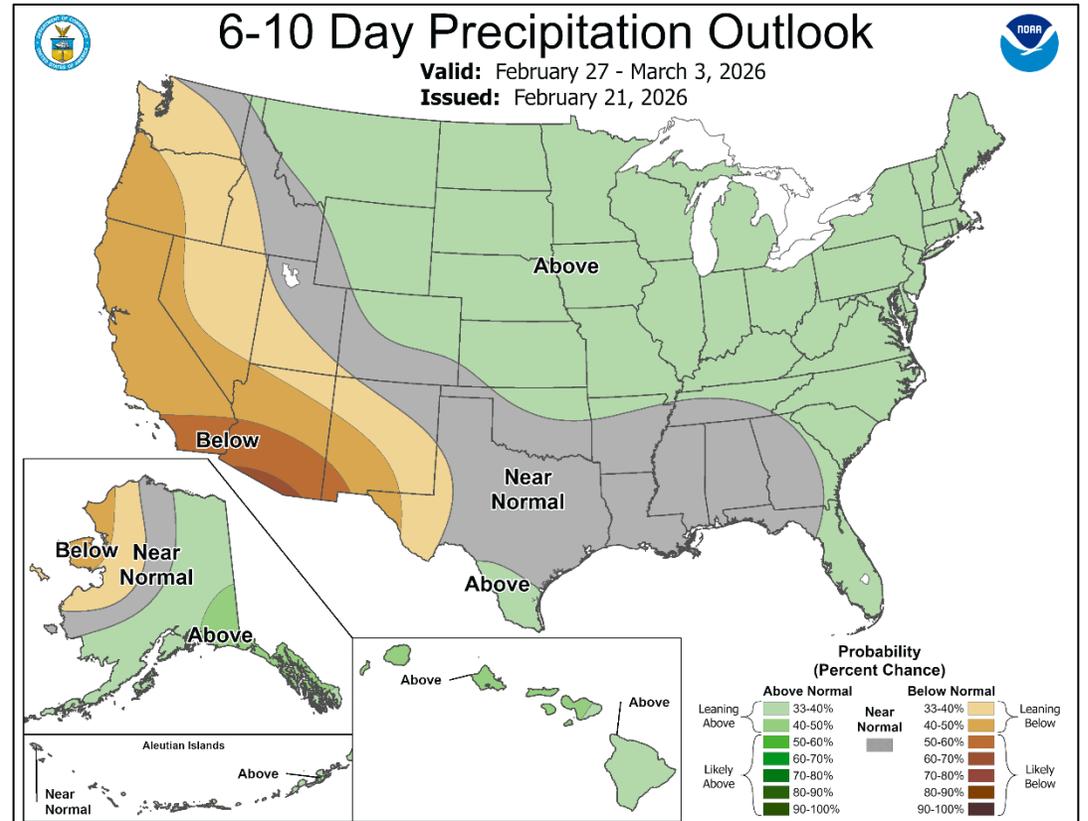
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Long Range Outlooks – Feb 27 – Mar 3



6-10 Day Temperature Probability



6-10 Day Precipitation Probability



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Wildfire Summary

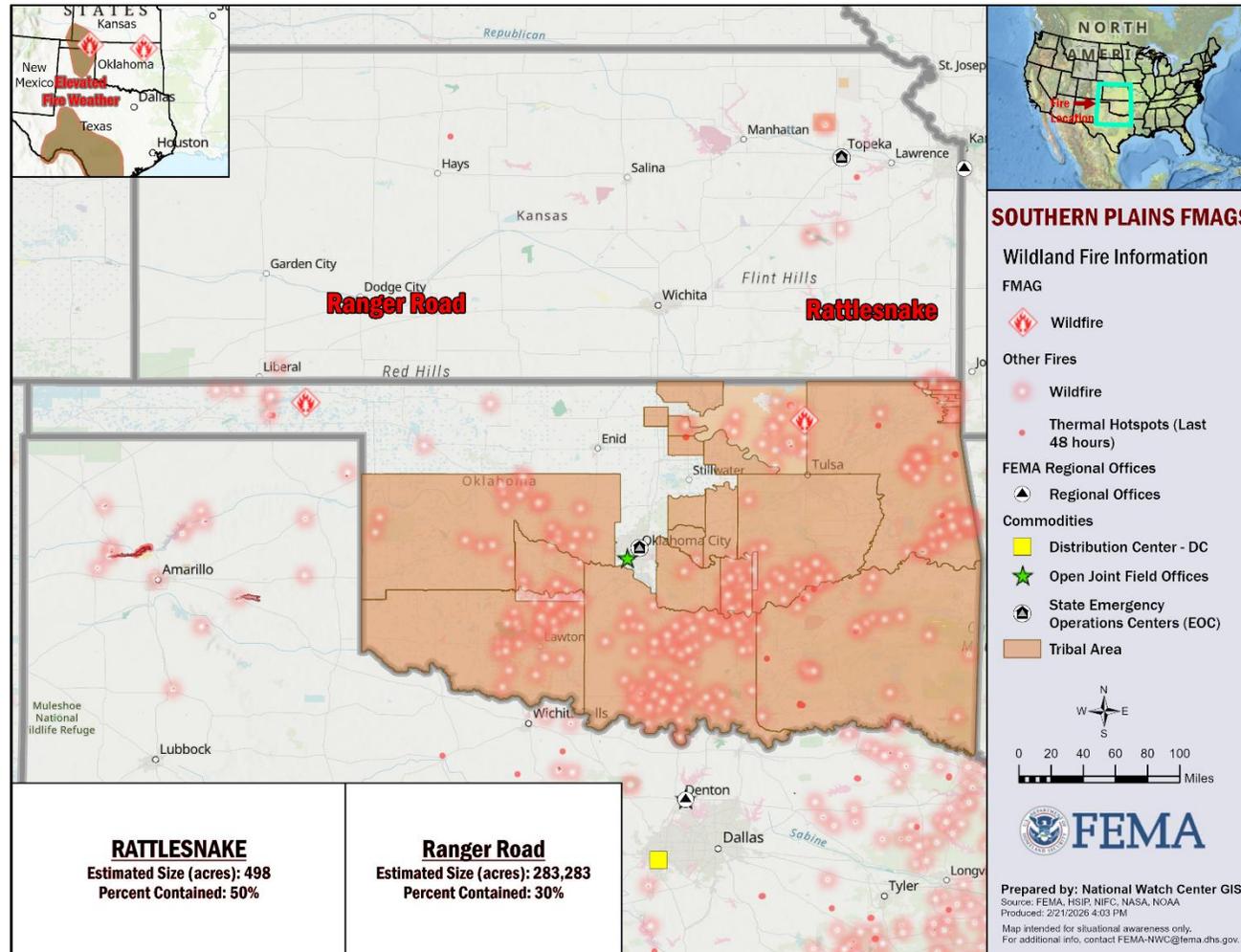
Fire Name (County, ST)	FMAG #	Acres Burned	Percent Contained	Evacuations	Structures (Homes / Other)			Fatalities / Injuries
					Threatened	Damaged	Destroyed	
Ranger Road (Beaver, OK)	5617-FM-OK	283,283	30%	M: 771	H: 926	H: 0	H: 0	0 / 1
				V: 0	O: 2	O: 0	O: 0	
Rattlesnake (Osage/Washington, OK)	5621-FM-OK	498 (-902)	50% (+50)	M: 0	H: 14 (-535)	H: 0	H: 0 (-2)	0 / 0
				V: 874	O: 20 (+20)	O: 0	O: 0	

(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

12 Joint Field Offices **Supporting** **25** Major Disasters **+ 19** Emergency Declarations **8** Direct Housing Missions **5** RSF-Supported Disasters **6** Joint Recovery Offices

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FEMA HQ	
NWC	NRCC
Monitoring	Steady State
FEMA REGIONS	
Watch	RRCC
Monitoring	R1 Rostered
Monitoring	R2 Rostered
Alt. Location	R3 Rostered
Monitoring	R4 Rostered
Monitoring	R5 Rostered
Monitoring	R6 Rostered
Monitoring	R7 Rostered
Monitoring	R8 Rostered
Monitoring	R9 Rostered
Monitoring	R10 Rostered

N-IMATs	
2-5 Teams Available	
Red	
White	
Blue	
Gold	
HS	

R-IMATs	
≥ 7 Teams Available	
R1	2
R2	
R3	
R4 (1)	
R4 (2)	MS (Jan 26)
R5	1
R6 (1)	
R6 (2)	
R7	MO (Feb 15)
R8	3
R9 (1)	
R9 (2)	
R10	

Notes:	
NRCC/RWCs/RRCCs:	State EOCs:
• R3 RWC: Alternate location effective Feb 22, 2026, for approximately 4 weeks	• HI: Wildfires
	• FL: Previous Incidents
	• DE/MD/MS/NJ/NY/TN: Winter Storm
	• PR: Influenza Epidemic
	• OK/TX: Fire Weather
	• DC: State of the Union
IMATs:	
• NSTR	
Surge Capacity Force	
Rostered	Deployed
7,974	0

REGIONAL BREAKDOWN				
	JFO	DR	EM	JRO
R1	0	0	0	0
R2	0	0	0	2
R3	1	1	3	0
R4	6	17	11	1
R5	0	0	1	0
R6	3	5	3	3
R7	0	0	0	0
R8	1	1	1	0
R9	0	0	0	0
R10	1	1	0	0



Alaska



Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands



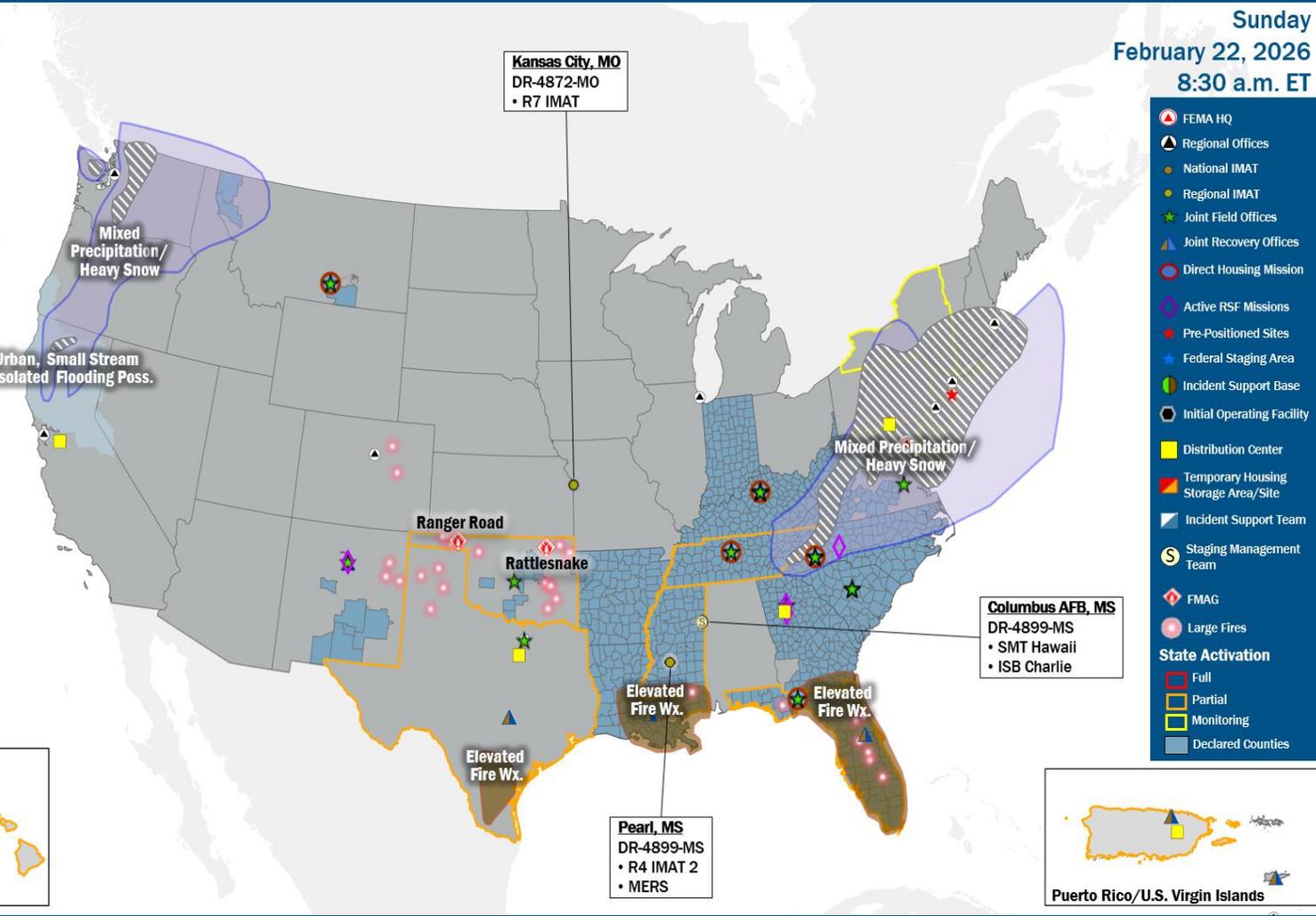
Guam



American Samoa



Hawaii



- ▲ FEMA HQ
- ▲ Regional Offices
- National IMAT
- Regional IMAT
- ★ Joint Field Offices
- ▲ Joint Recovery Offices
- Direct Housing Mission
- Active RSF Missions
- ★ Pre-Positioned Sites
- ★ Federal Staging Area
- Incident Support Base
- Initial Operating Facility
- Distribution Center
- Temporary Housing Storage Area/Site
- Incident Support Team
- Staging Management Team
- ◆ FMAG
- Large Fires
- State Activation**
- Full
- Partial
- Monitoring
- Declared Counties

IM Workforce

11,389 Assigned
4,180 (-1) Unavailable
2,781 (-9) Deployed

39% / 4,428 (+10) Available

IM Cadre Availability

7 (+1) Cadres ≤ 25% Availability

Civil Rights: 23% (22/96); Disability Integration: 25% (4/16); Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation: 16% (102/653); External Affairs: 25% (68/273); Field Leadership: 19% (22/117); Hazard Mitigation: 19% (143/771); Planning: 18% (64/346)

MERS

≥ 66%

36 Assigned
6 Unavailable
1 Deployed

29 Available

US&R

≥ 66%

28 Assigned
0 Unavailable
0 Deployed

28 Available

FCO

3 Type I

36 Assigned
4 Unavailable
25 (16 FCO) Deployed

7 Available

Declaration Requests in Process – 18

State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Type	IA	PA	HM	Requested
AZ – Severe Storms and Flooding – Appeal	DR		X	X	Oct 24
IL – Severe Storms and Flooding – Appeal	DR	X			Nov 21
SCA* – Severe Storms and Flooding	DR	X	X	X	Nov 26
SCA* – Severe Storms and Flooding	DR	X	X	X	Dec 15
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
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
SD – Straight-line Winds	DR		X	X	Jan 27
AK – Severe Storms and Straight-line Winds	DR		X	X	Jan 30
KY – Severe Winter Storm	DR		X	X	Feb 5

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State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Type	IA	PA	HM	Requested
ID – Straight-Line Winds	DR		X	X	Feb 6
FPA & ST* – Severe Storm and Straight-Line Winds	DR	X		X	Feb 11
CTM* – Straight-line Winds	DR	X		X	Feb 12
FBIC* – Severe Storms and Straight-line Winds	DR	X		X	Feb 13
OR – Severe Storms, Straight-Line Winds, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides	DR		X	X	Feb 18

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