

FEMA National Watch Center

Daily Operations Briefing

Monday, March 23, 2026

8:30 a.m. ET



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National Current Operations / Monitoring

New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Operations

- Flooding / Kona Low – Hawaii
- Potomac Interceptor Spill – Washington, DC (periodic updates)

Hazard Monitoring

- Flash Flooding – Hawaii

Disaster Declaration Activity

- FMAG Approval: Dibble Creek Fire – OK
- FMAG Approval: Jumping Juniper Fire – OK

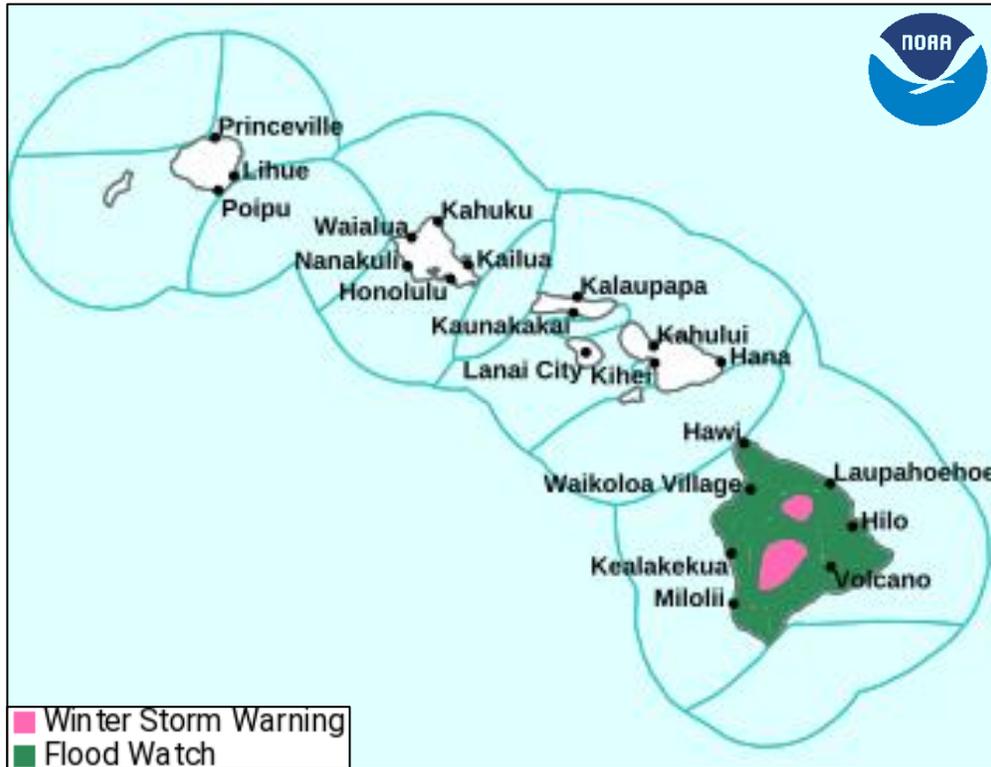
Event Monitoring

- No new significant events

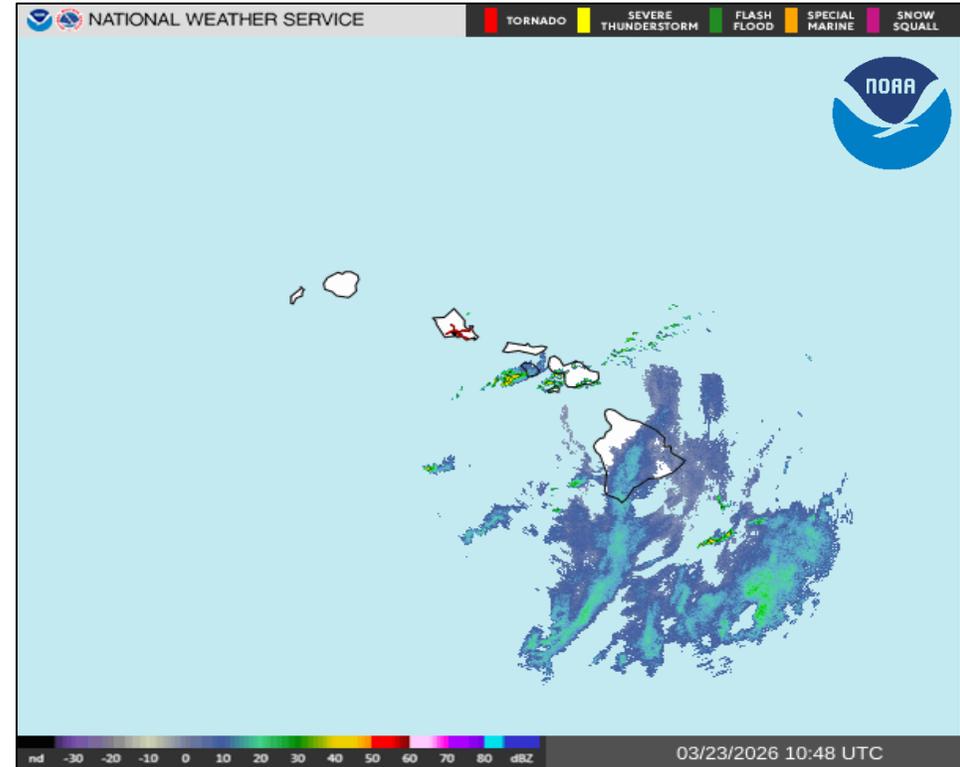


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Hawaii Weather Outlook



Watches and Warnings



Weather Radar



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Flooding / Kona Low – Hawaii

State / Local Response:

- HI SEOC is at Full Activation (Severe Weather / Wildfire Recovery)
 - HI National Guard activated
 - Governor issued Emergency Proclamation on Mar 19

FEMA / Federal Response:

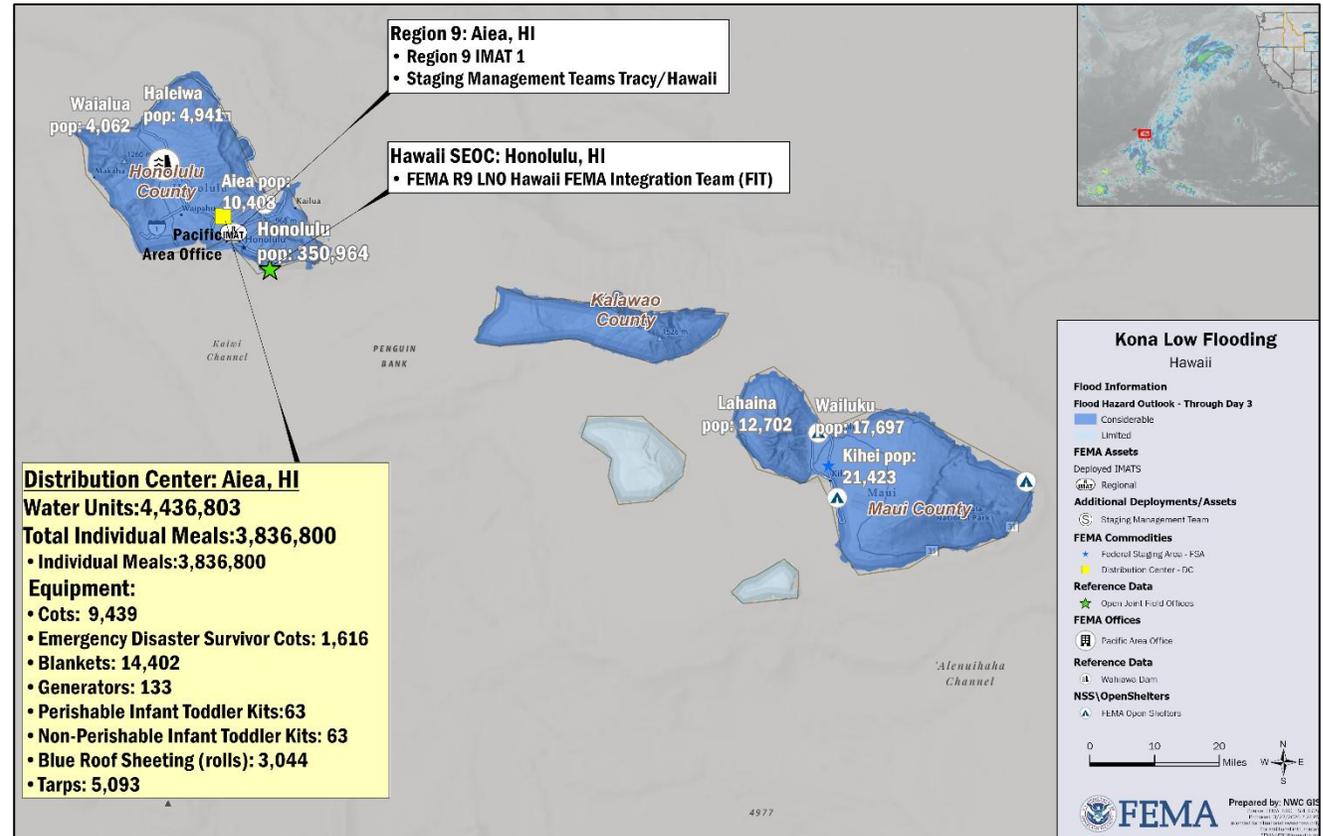
FEMA Region 9:

- RRCC at Level 3, with select ESFs
- FEMA Region 9 LNO Hawaii FEMA Integration Team (FIT) deployed to Hawaii Emergency Management Agency (HIEMA) SEOC
- R-IMAT 1 deployed to Oahu, HI
- Joint Preliminary Damage Assessment tentatively scheduled to begin today

HQ:

- NWC is Monitoring
- US&R ESF #9 Alert has been cancelled
- Response Operations Coordination call held with FEMA Region 9 on Mar 21
- Staging Distribution Center Hawaii activated with Transportation support
- Staging Management Teams (SMT) Hawaii and SMT Tracy deployed to distribution center in Hawaii

The FEMA National Watch Center will continue to monitor in coordination with FEMA Region 9 with continued reporting in the daily FEMA Daily Operations Briefing (8:30 a.m. ET) and the twice daily FEMA National Situation Report (3:00 a.m. ET / 5:00 p.m. ET).



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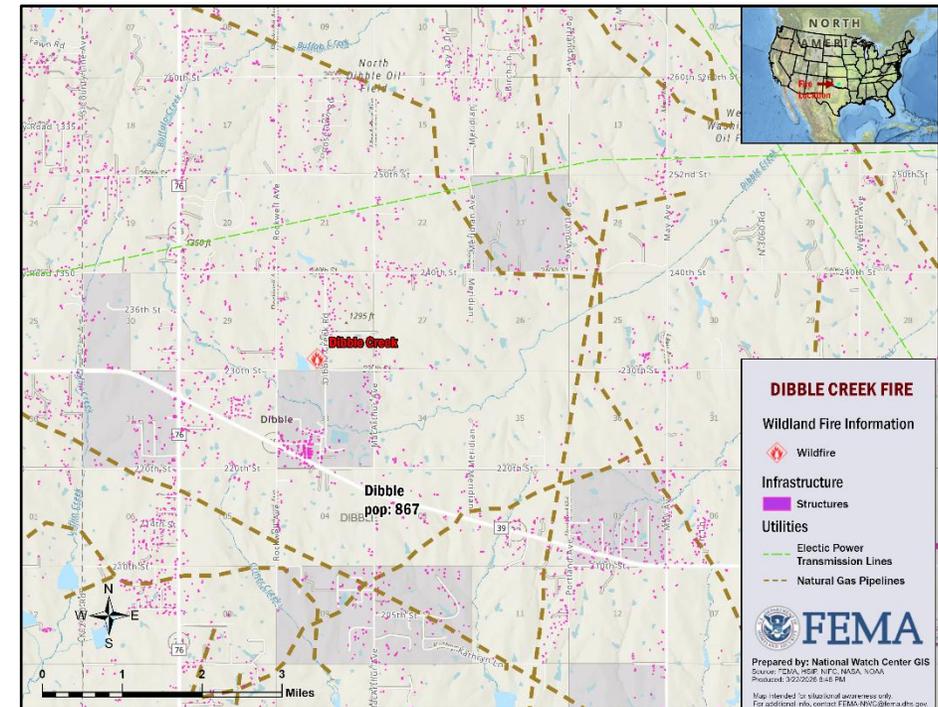
Dibble Creek Fire – Oklahoma

Fire Name (County, ST)	FMAG #	Acres Burned	Percent Contained	Evacuations	Structures (Homes / Other)			Fatalities / Injuries
					Threatened	Damaged	Destroyed	
Dibble Creek (McClain, OK)	5627-FM-OK	100	0%	M: UNKNOWN	H: 259	H: 0	H: 0	0 / 0
				V: 0	O: 0	O: 0	O: 0	

Situation: The Acting FEMA Region 6 Regional Administrator has approved a Fire Management Assistance Grant (FMAG) for the Dibble Creek Fire, which has burned approximately 100 acres with 0% containment. The fire is burning on state and private land in the communities of Dibble and Criner (*combined pop. 858*). Aside from the FMAG approval, no additional federal assistance has been requested.

Response:

- FMAG approved Mar 22
- OK SEOC at Partial Activation (Severe Weather)
- FEMA Region 6 / Denton MOC is Monitoring



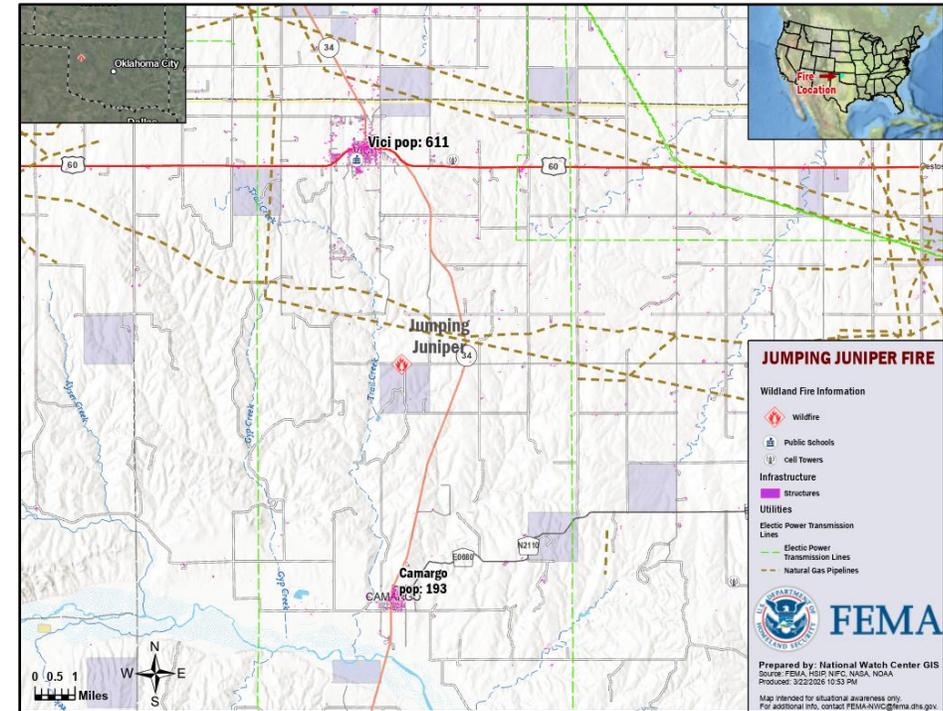
Jumping Juniper Fire – Oklahoma

Fire Name (County, ST)	FMAG #	Acres Burned	Percent Contained	Evacuations	Structures (Homes / Other)			Fatalities / Injuries
					Threatened	Damaged	Destroyed	
Jumping Juniper (Dewey, OK)	5628-FM-OK	1,500	0%	M: 396	H: 202	H: 0	H: 0	0 / 0
				V: 0	O: 0	O: 0	O: 0	

Situation: The Acting FEMA Region 6 Regional Administrator has approved a Fire Management Assistance Grant (FMAG) for the Jumping Juniper Fire, which has burned approximately 1,500 acres with 0% containment. The fire is burning on state and private land near the community of Camargo, OK (pop. 396). Aside from the FMAG approval, no additional federal assistance has been requested.

Response:

- FMAG approved Mar 22
- OK SEOC at Partial Activation (Severe Weather)
- FEMA Region 6 / Denton MOC is Monitoring



Wildfire Summary

Fire Name (County, ST)	FMAG #	Acres Burned	Percent Contained	Evacuations	Structures (Homes / Other)			Fatalities / Injuries
					Threatened	Damaged	Destroyed	
Buckhorn (Murray, OK)	5626-FM-NE	1,585	0%	M: 0	H: 600	H: 0	H: 0	0 / 0
				V: 164	0: 0	0: 0	0: 0	



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Potomac Interceptor Spill – Washington, D.C.

Situation: On Feb 20, the President approved a Federal Emergency Declaration providing federal assistance to Washington, D.C., Maryland, and Virginia following the Jan 19, Potomac Interceptor (PI) sewer line collapse, which discharged 240 million gallons of untreated sewage into the Potomac River. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is the designated lead federal agency for response to the PI sewer line collapse. [All emergency repairs to the Potomac Interceptor have been completed and DC Water has transitioned to conducting permanent repairs.](#)

State / Local Response: (*Potomac Interceptor SITREP #23, as of 5:00 p.m. ET, March 20*)

DC HSEMA is Monitoring (PI Sewer Line)

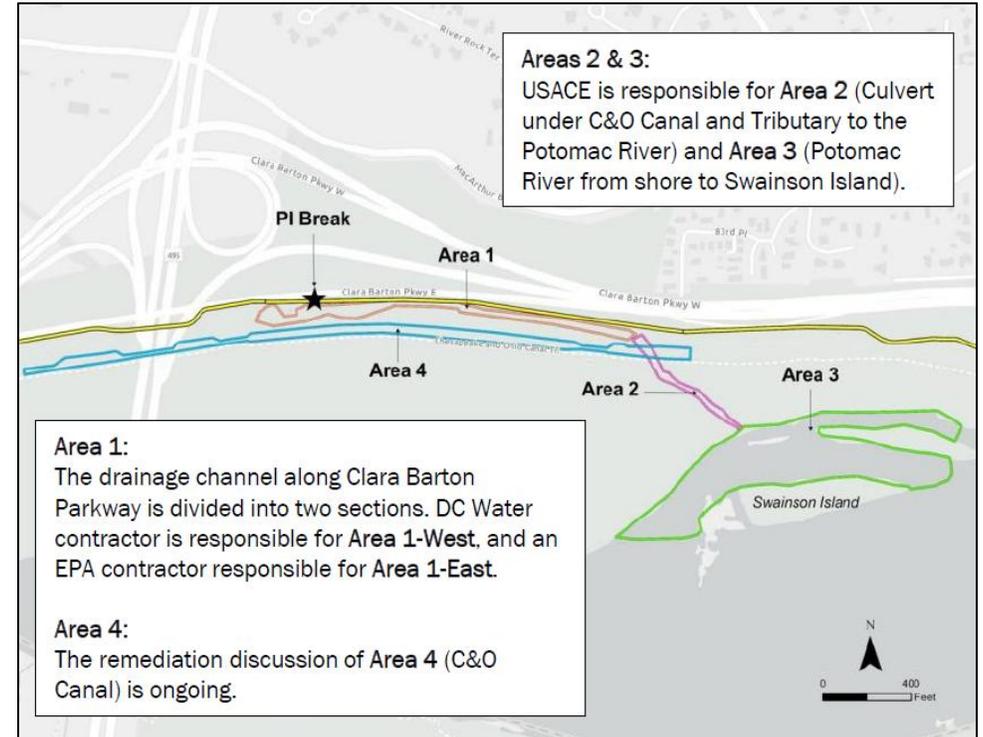
- DC Water continues daily water sampling efforts at 10 sites along the Potomac
- Flow was restored to the Potomac Interceptor on Mar 14 at 12:00 p.m. ET.; sections of the pipe will remain open to continue permanent repair work
- Environmental rehabilitation work continues upstream and downstream from the damaged section of the Potomac Interceptor
- DC Water completed the initial phase of rehabilitation effective Mar 22, pending an inspection by National Park Service (*FCO, as of 6:51 a.m. ET*)

FEMA / Federal Response: (*Potomac Interceptor SITREP #23, as of 5:00 p.m. ET, March 20*)

- EPA remediation is [continuing in Area 1E](#)
- [USACE closeout memos for Areas 2 and 3 have been signed and release of USACE assets has been approved](#)
- [NPS has completed initial canal rewatering efforts in Area 4 and continues to provide water to flush the canal](#)
- [FEMA efforts focus on response coordination, prioritizing resources for pipeline repairs and environmental remediation](#)

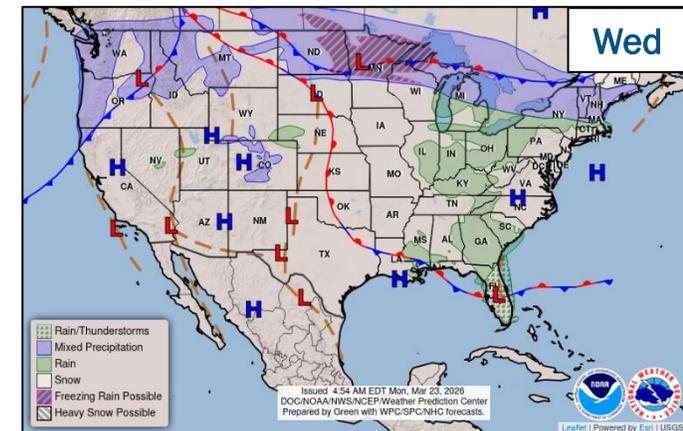
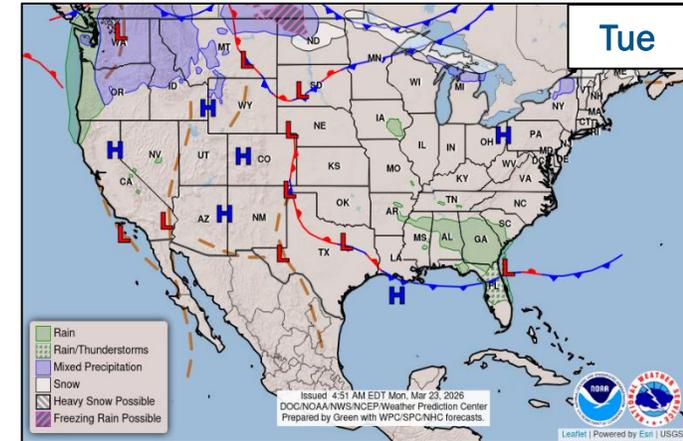
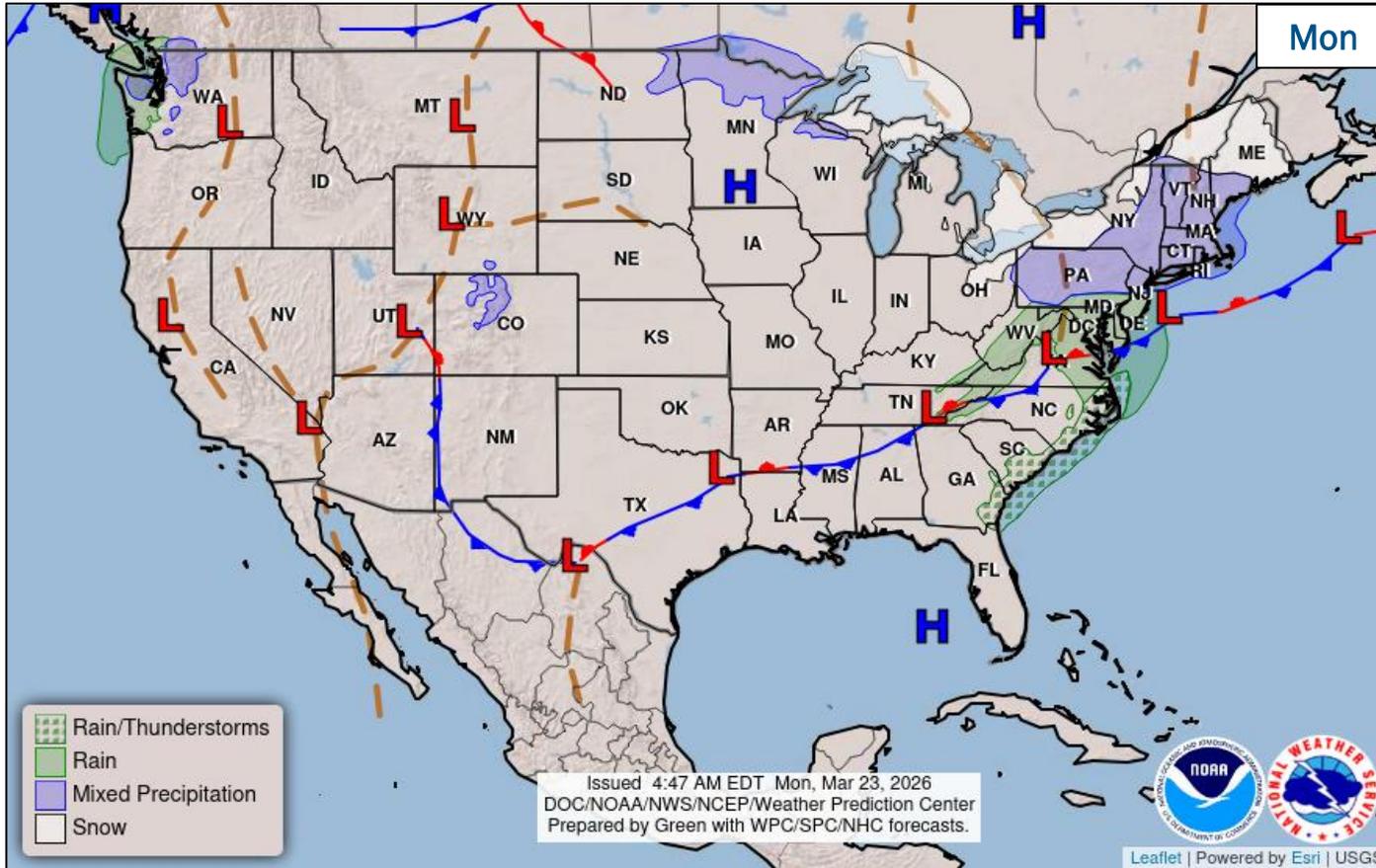
FEMA Region 3: RWC is Monitoring; R-IMAT is deployed to D.C.

HQ: NWC is Monitoring



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FEMA Common Operating Picture

14 Joint Field Offices **24** + **10** Supporting Major Disasters **8** Direct Housing Missions **5** RSF-Supported Disasters **6** Joint Recovery Offices

Monday
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FEMA HQ	
NWC	NRCC
Monitoring	Steady State
FEMA REGIONS	
Watch	RRCC
Monitoring	R1 Rostered
Monitoring	R2 Rostered
Monitoring	R3 Rostered
Monitoring	R4 Rostered
Monitoring	R5 Rostered
Monitoring	R6 Rostered
Monitoring	R7 Rostered
Monitoring	R8 Rostered
Monitoring	R9 Level 3
Monitoring	R10 Rostered
Notes:	
NRCC/RWCs/RRCCs:	State EOCs:
• R5 RWC: Staffing (Dayshift Only)	• DC: Potomac Interceptor
• R9 RRCC: Kona Low	• FL: Previous Incidents
	• MS: Winter Storm
	• PR: Influenza Epidemic
	• HI/KS/NE/OK/TX: Wildfires
	• HI/KY/MI/OK/TN/TX: Severe Weather
	• MS: Winter Weather
	• ID: Atmospheric Event
Surge Capacity Force	
Rostered 7,965	Deployed 0

N-IMATs	
2-5 Teams Available	
Red	
White	
Blue	
Gold	
HS	
R-IMATs	
≥ 7 Teams Available	
R1	2
R2	AL* (Mar 22)
R3	DC (Feb 24)
R4 (1)	
R4 (2)	
R5	
R6 (1)	
R6 (2)	AL* (Mar 23)
R7	MO (Feb 15)
R8	1
R9 (1)	HI (Mar 21)
R9 (2)	3/Reconstituting
R10	AL* (Mar 22)
Legend	
Green	Fully Mission Capable (FMC)
Yellow	Partially Mission Capable (PMC)
Red	Not Mission Capable (NMC)
Blue	Deployed

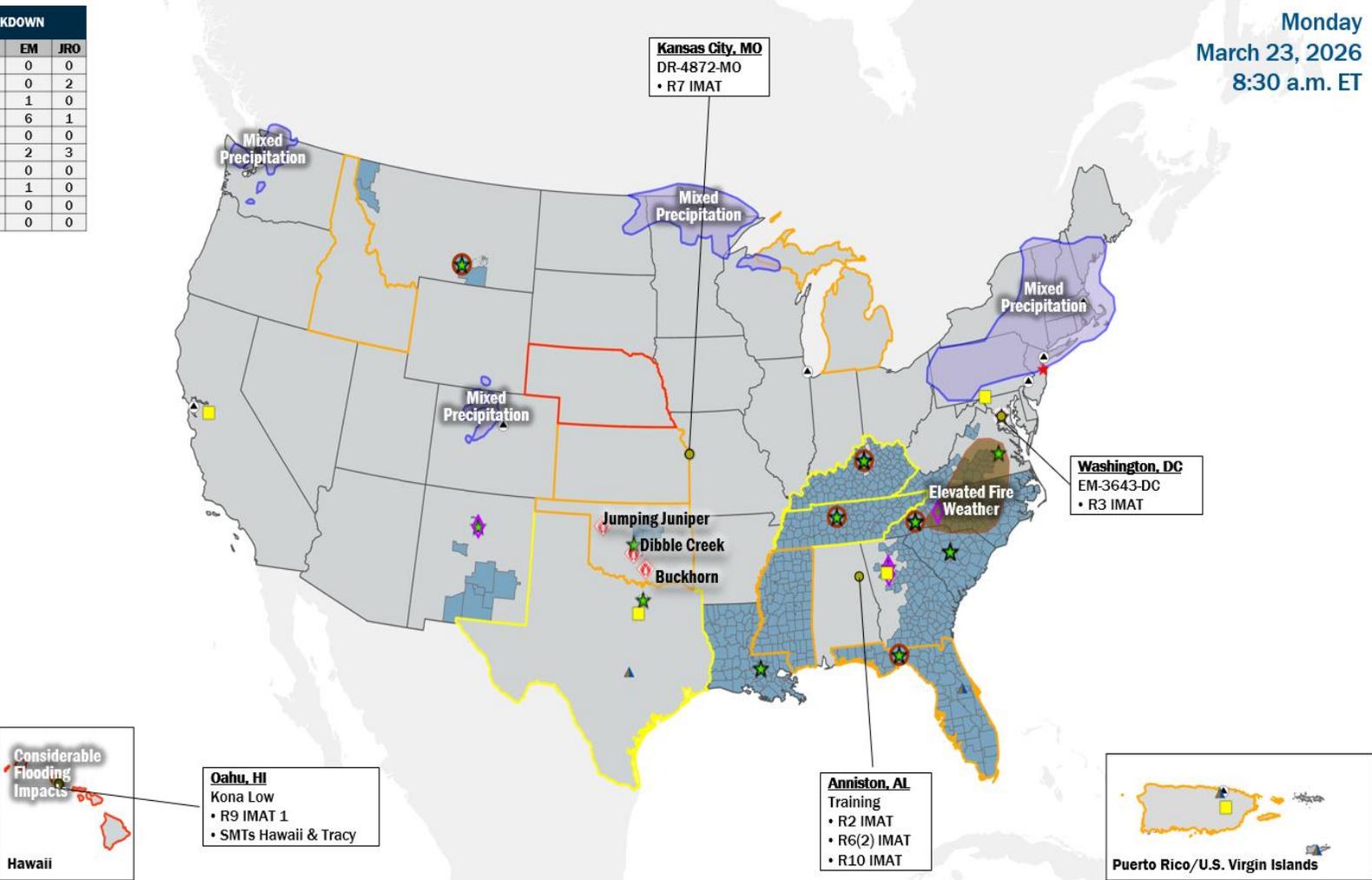
REGIONAL BREAKDOWN				
	JFO	DR	EM	JRO
R1	0	0	0	0
R2	0	0	0	2
R3	2	1	1	0
R4	6	17	6	1
R5	0	0	0	0
R6	4	4	2	3
R7	0	0	0	0
R8	1	1	1	0
R9	0	0	0	0
R10	1	1	0	0

Alaska

Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands

Guam

American Samoa



IM Workforce

11,266 Assigned
4,148 (-14) Unavailable
2,542 (-5) Deployed

41% (+1) / 4,576 (+19) Available

IM Cadre Availability

6 Cadres ≤ 25% Availability

Civil Rights: 23% (22/94); Disability Integration: 19% (3/16); Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation: 17% (108/641); Field Leadership: 18% (21/118); Hazard Mitigation: 20% (152/764); Planning: 20% (69/345)

MERS

≥ 66%

36 Assigned
6 Unavailable
0 Deployed

30 Available

US&R

≥ 66%

28 Assigned
0 Unavailable
0 Deployed

28 Available

FCO

2 Type I

35 Assigned
2 Unavailable
26 (14 FCOR) Deployed

7 Available

Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

Region	State / Location	Incident	IA	Number of Counties		Start - End
			PA	Requested	Completed	
1	MA	Severe Winter Storm Feb 22-23	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	6	0	3/11 - TBD
	MWT ¹	Severe Winter Storm Feb 22-23	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	1	0	3/18 - TBD
	RI	Severe Winter Storm	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	5	0	3/12 - TBD
2	NJ	Winter Storm Feb 22-23	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	19	0	3/13 - TBD
	NY	Winter Storm Feb 22	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	8	0	3/16 - TBD
3	DE	Severe Winter Storm Feb 22-23	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	3	0	3/16 - TBD
5	IL	Severe Weather Mar 10	IA	1	0	3/25 - TBD
			PA	0	0	N/A
9	HI	Kona Low 1.0 Mar 10-16	IA	3	0	3/23 - TBD
			PA	3	0	3/23 - TBD

¹Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe



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Declaration Requests in Process – 22

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 ¹ – Severe Storms and Flooding	DR	X	X	X	Nov 26
SCA ¹ – Severe Storms and Flooding	DR	X	X	X	Dec 15
MT – Severe Storms and Flooding	DR		X	X	Jan 10
NVK ² – 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
ID – Straight-line Winds	DR		X	X	Feb 6
FPA & ST ³ – Severe Storm and Straight-line Winds	DR	X		X	Feb 11

¹San Carlos Apache Tribe / ²Native Village of Kipnuk / ³Fort Peck Assiniboine & Sioux Tribes



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Declaration Requests in Process – 22 (cont'd)

State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Type	IA	PA	HM	Requested
CTM ⁴ – Straight-line Winds	DR	X		X	Feb 12
FBIC ⁵ – 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
WA – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides	DR		X	X	Feb 17
SC – Severe Winter Storm	DR		X	X	Feb 25
GA – Severe Winter Storm	DR		X	X	Mar 12
CN ⁶ – Severe Winter Storm	DR		X	X	Mar 18

⁴Crow Tribe of Montana / ⁵Fort Belknap Indian Community / ⁶Chickasaw Nation



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