

FEMA National Watch Center

Daily Operations Briefing

Friday, July 24, 2026

8:30 a.m. ET



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National Current Operations / Monitoring

New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Operations

- TC Bertha – FEMA Regions 4 & 6 – FINAL
- Flooding – West Virginia – FINAL

Hazard Monitoring

- Severe Thunderstorms – Northern Dakota, Minnesota
- Heavy Rain / Flash Flooding – Middle Mississippi Valley to the Southeast
- Critical Fire Weather – California, Pacific Northwest
- Tropical Activity:
 - Eastern and Central Pacific:
 - Hurricane Fausto (CAT-2)
 - Disturbance 1 (EP98): High (near 100%)
 - Disturbance 2: High (70%)

Disaster Declaration Activity

- Request: Major Disaster Declaration – CNMI
- Request: Major Disaster Declaration – KY

Event Monitoring

- No new significant events

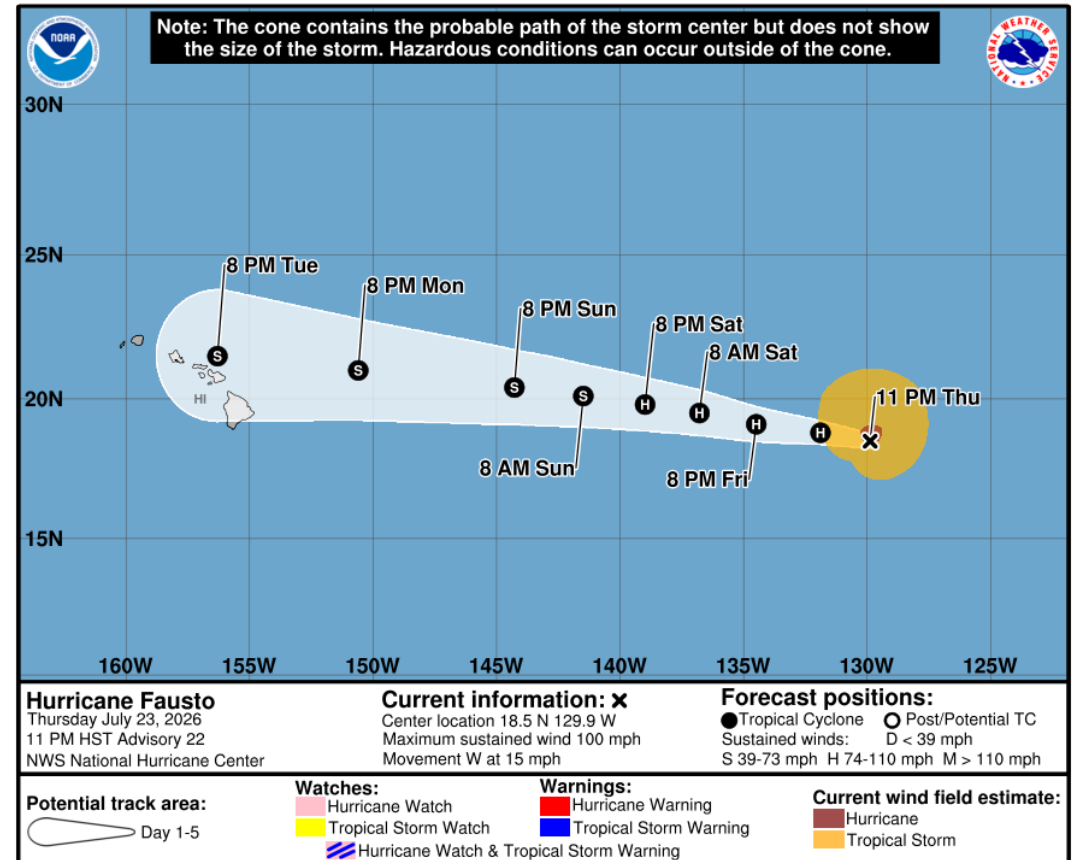


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Hurricane Fausto (CAT-2) – Eastern and Central Pacific

Situation: (Advisory #22, as of 5:00 a.m. ET)

- Located **1,645** miles **E** of **Hawaii**
- Moving **W** at **15** mph
- Maximum sustained winds of **100** mph
- Hurricane-force winds extend outward up to 45 miles and tropical-storm-force winds extend outward up to 185 miles
- **Fausto has strengthened to a CAT 2 storm while moving toward Hawaii**
- Forecast to maintain intensity through **tonight**, followed by **steady** weakening **through the weekend**

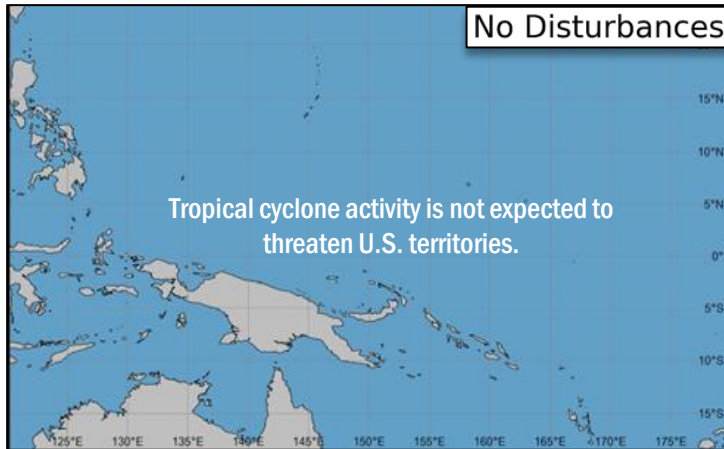


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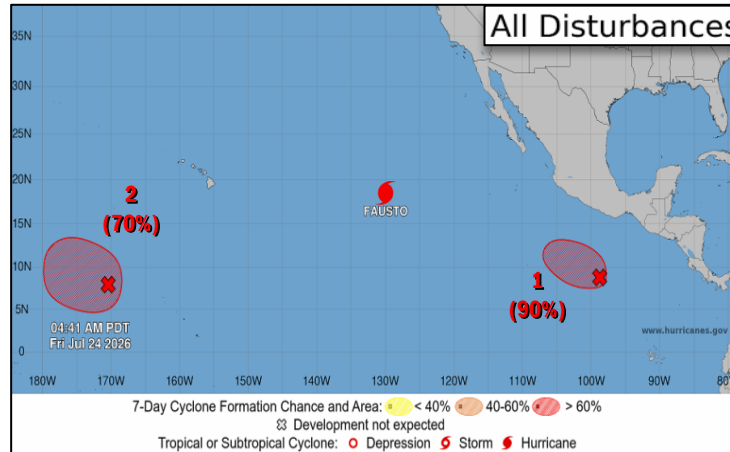
Tropical Outlook

Western Pacific



- Tropical cyclone activity is not expected to threaten U.S. territories.

Eastern and Central Pacific



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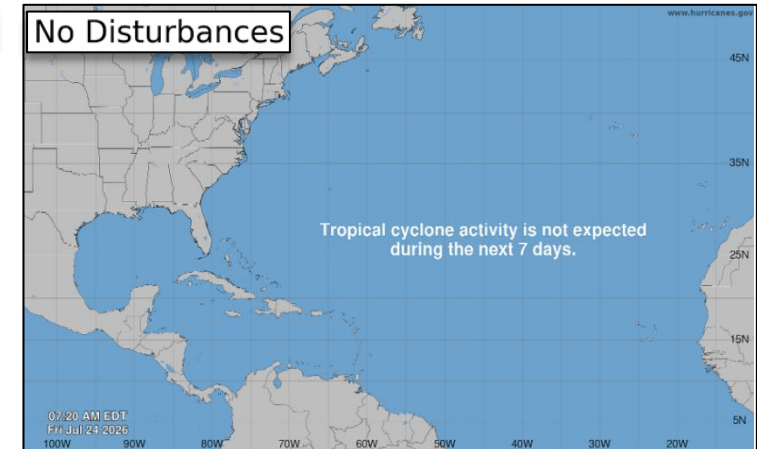
Disturbance 1 (EP98): (as of 8:00 a.m. ET)

- Located several hundred miles S of southern Mexico coast
- Moving WNW at 10-15 mph
- Gradual development of this system is expected, and a tropical depression is expected to form late this weekend or over the weekend
- Formation chance – 48-hour: High (near 100%); 7-day: High (near 100%)

Disturbance 2: (as of 8:00 a.m. ET)

- Located well SW of the Hawaiian islands
- Moving slowly W to WNW
- Environmental conditions appear conducive for some gradual development; tropical depression likely to form this weekend or early next week
- Formation chance – 48-hour: Low (20%); 7-day: High (70%)

Atlantic



- Tropical cyclone activity is not expected to threaten U.S. territories.



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Situation and Analysis: Bertha has dissipated this morning after making landfall in the southern region. The Region continues to assess damages. The National Watch Center continues to coordinate with FEMA Regions 4 and 6 for continue support and any future impacts. The National Hurricane Center has issued the final public advisory for Bertha. (HLT as of 11: 00 p.m. ET, Jul 24)

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Flooding – West Virginia – FINAL

Situation: Severe thunderstorms brought heavy rainfall of 5 to 7 inches to central and northern West Virginia, resulting in catastrophic flooding. Lewis and Upshur counties were among the hardest-hit areas, prompting emergency response actions and numerous waters rescues due to flooding and related damage. The next 24-48 hours will focus on transition to supply distribution, continued health and welfare checks, and sustained debris clearing (*National Guard Senior Liaison Update as of 8:16 a.m. ET, Jul 24*).

Lifeline Impacts: (FEMA Region 3 SPOTREP #26, as of 2:00 p.m. ET, Jul 23)

Food, Hydration, Shelter: Shelter use is trending downward

- 1 (-2) shelters open / 5 (-59) occupants (*ARC Morning Report, 6:48 a.m. ET, as of Jul 24*)
- Bottled water is being provided to affected residents

Health and Medical: Stonewall Jackson Memorial Hospital commercial power has been restored, and access

routes are now clear

Water Systems: Water system restoration is ongoing

Energy: Approximately 55 service connections affected by broken distribution lines

Transportation: WV DOH is actively clearing roads and assessing bridges for safety

State /Local Response:

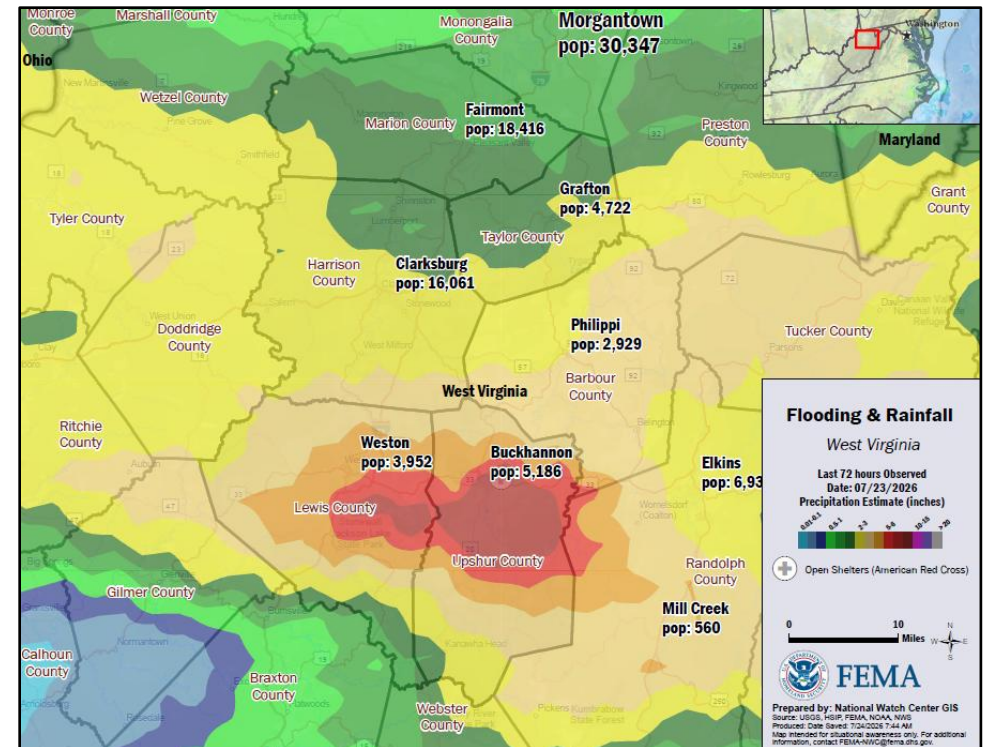
- WV SEOC at Full Activation (Severe Weather)
 - Governor declared a State of Emergency for all 55 counties
 - WV National Guard helicopters and personnel deployed to Clarksburg for search and rescue efforts
 - Airlift rescue is limited to daylight hours, citing power line/tree hazards

Federal / FEMA Response:

FEMA Region 3:

- Watch is Monitoring; RRCC is Rostered; R-IMAT is available
- Liaison Officer (LNO) deployed to WV SEOC (*FEMA Region 3 Activation Order, as of 9:45 p.m. ET*)

FEMA HQ: NWC is Monitoring

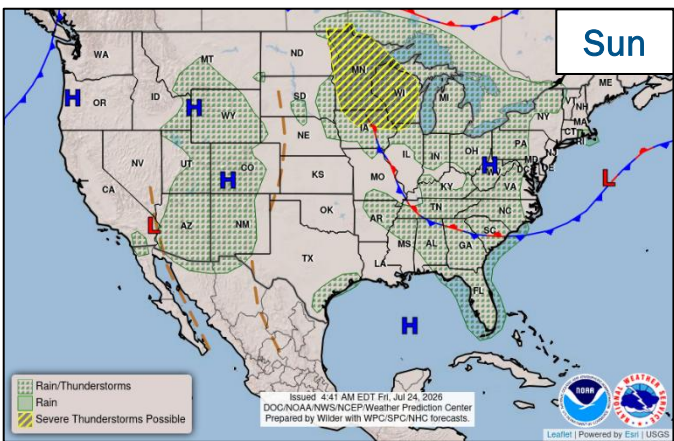
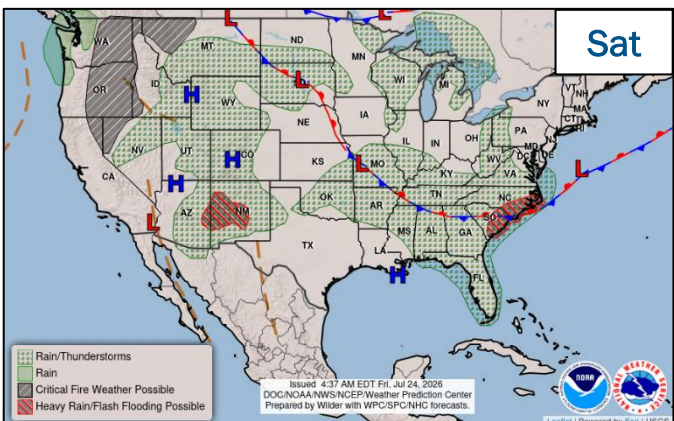
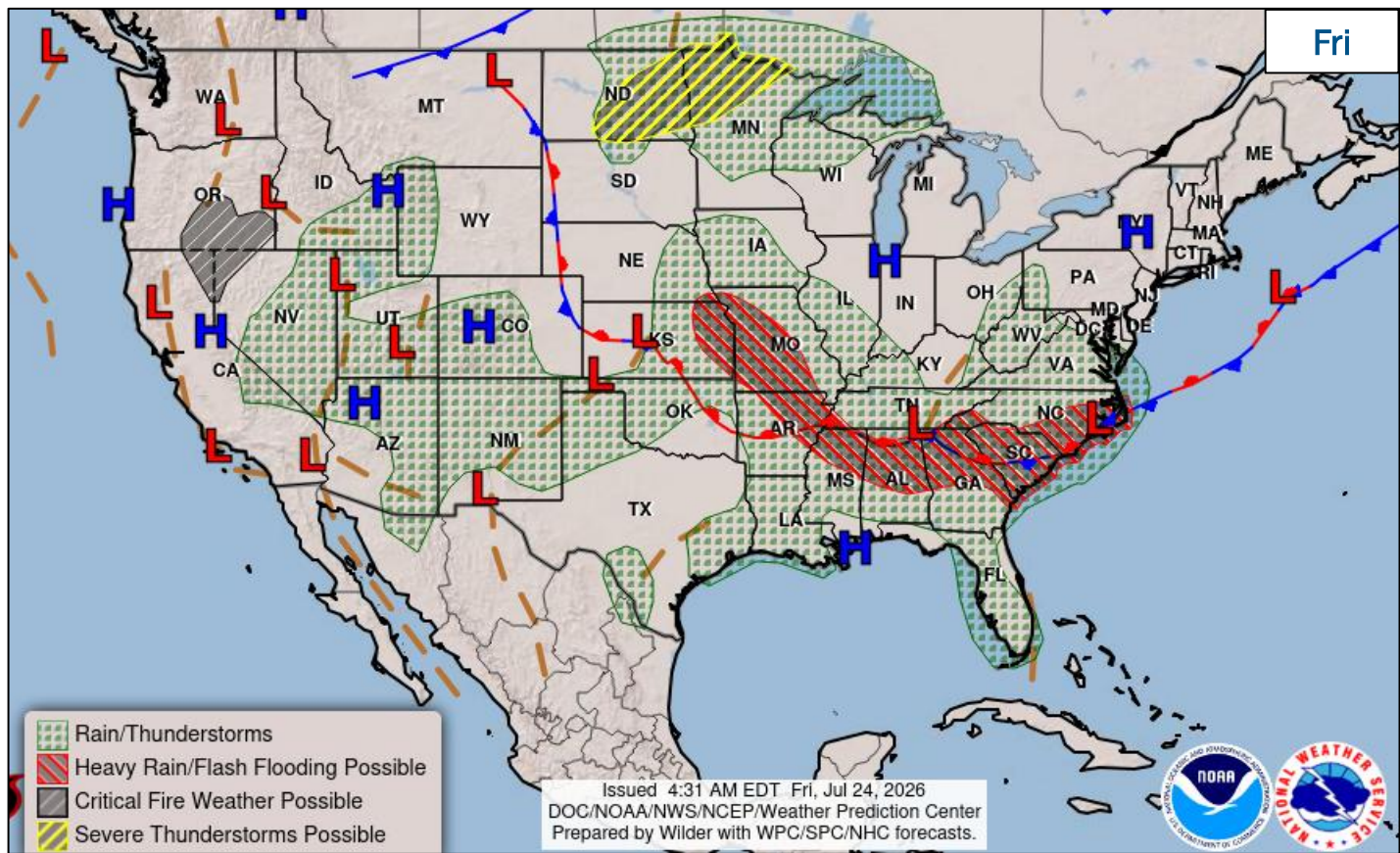


FEMA NWC will continue to monitor the situation in coordination with FEMA Region 3. Updates will be provided in the FEMA Daily Operations Briefing (8:30 a.m. ET) and in the twice daily FEMA National Situation Report (3:00 a.m. ET / 5:00 p.m. ET).



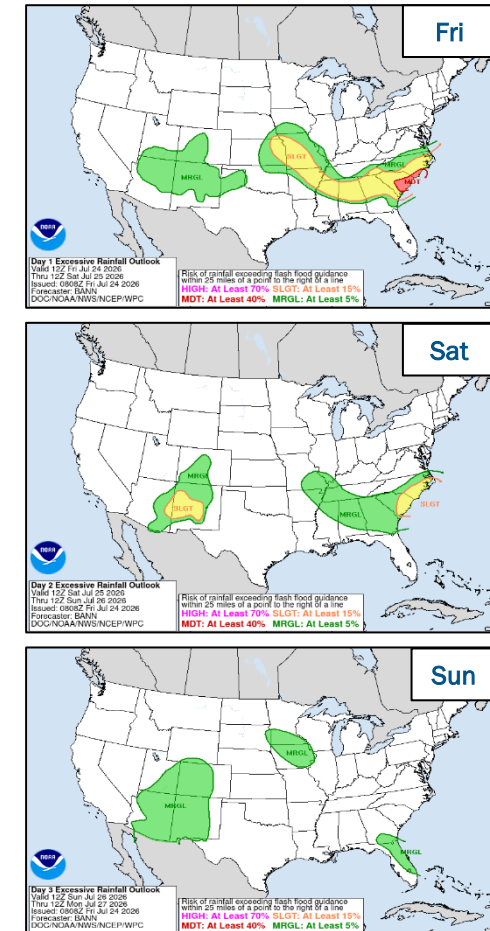
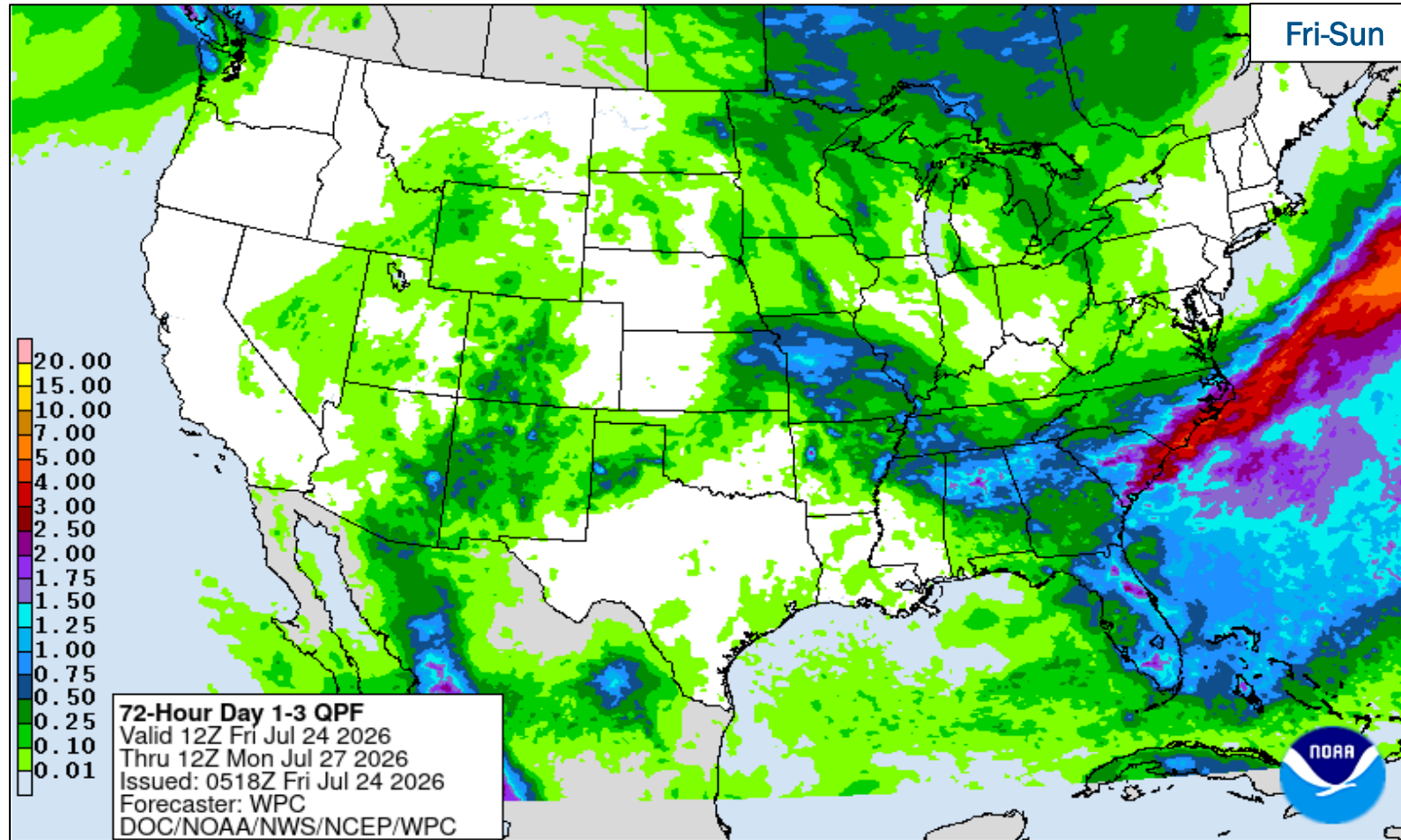
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National Weather Forecast



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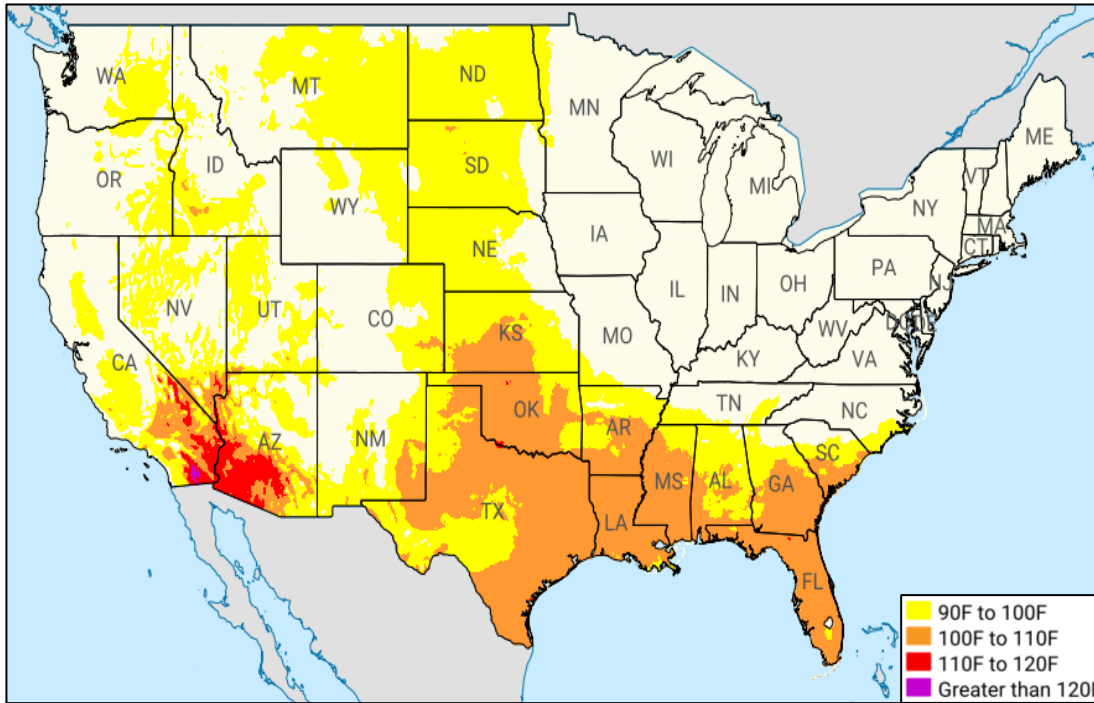
Precipitation & Excessive Rainfall



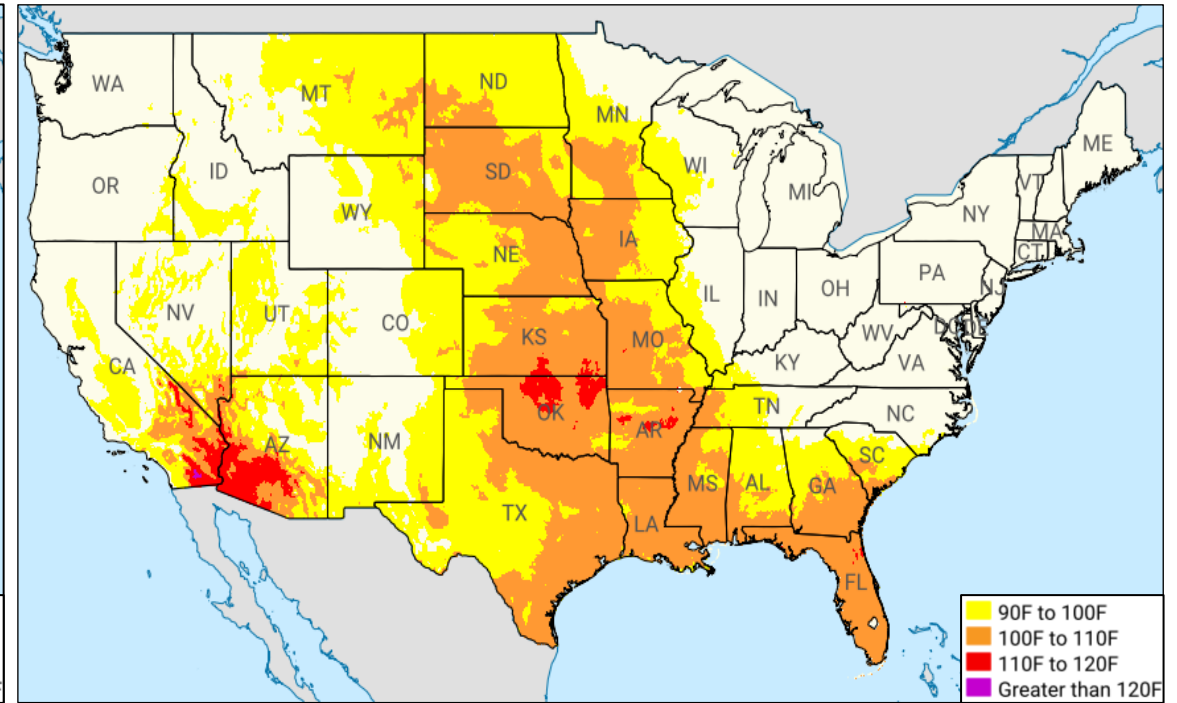
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Heat Threat



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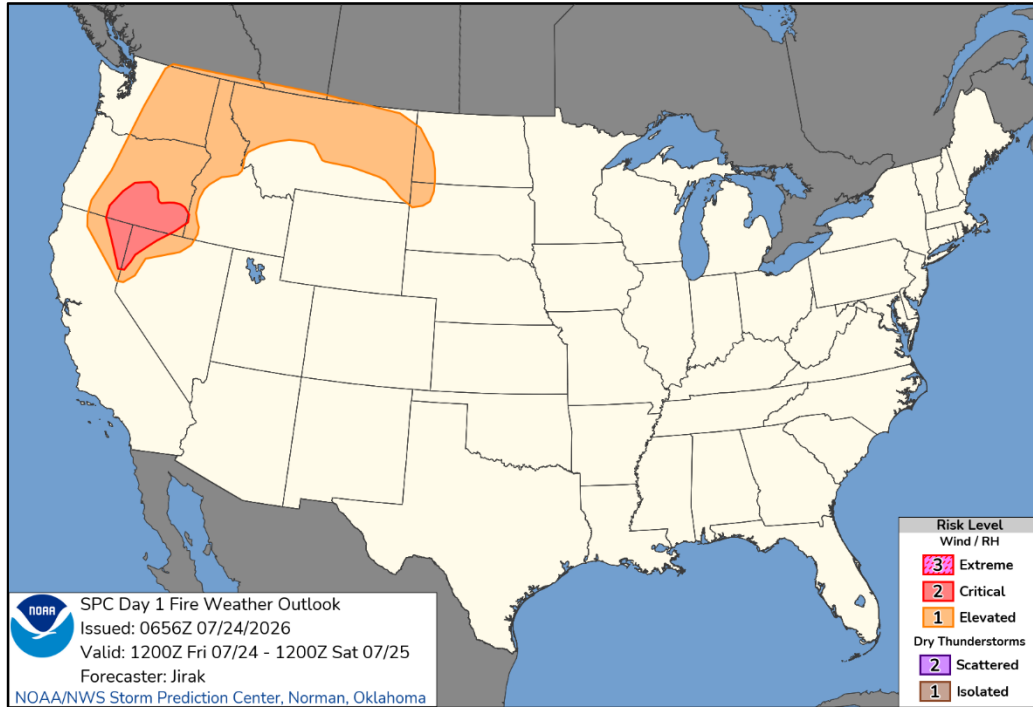


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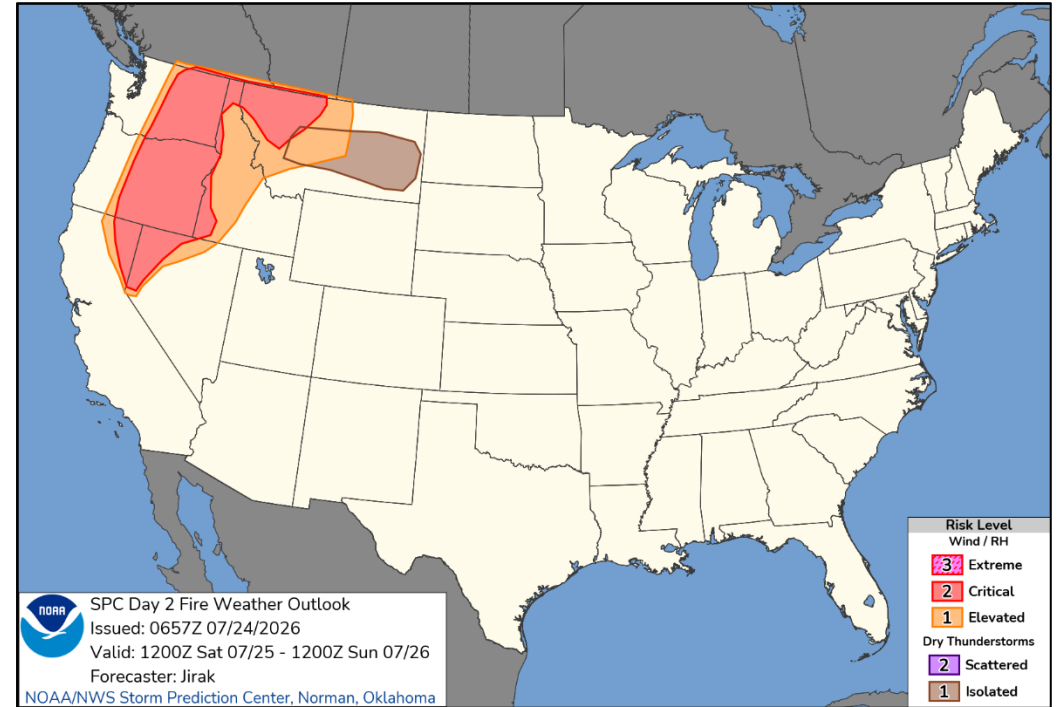


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Fire Weather Outlook



Today



Tomorrow



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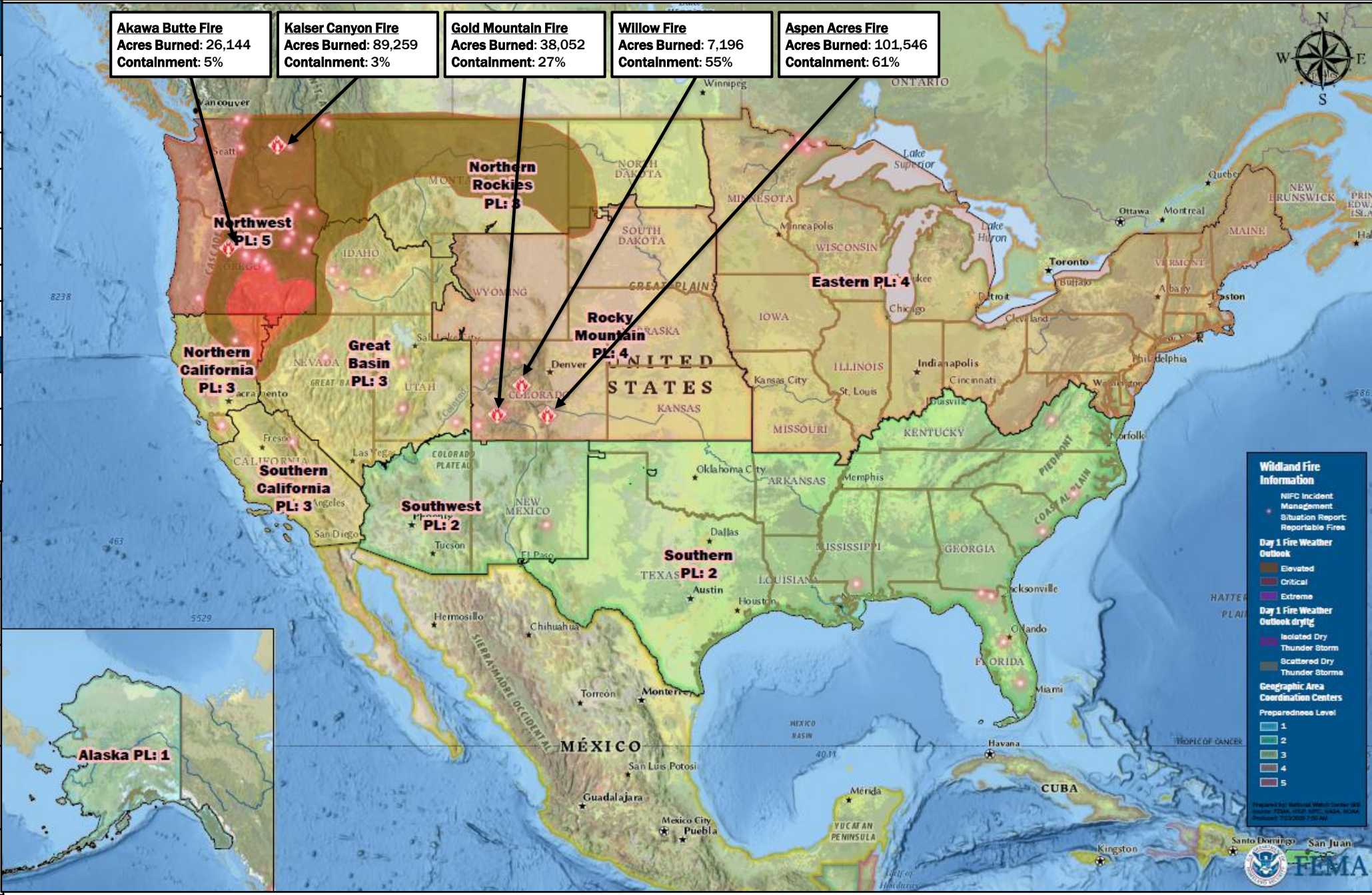
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National Fire Activity – July 24, 2026

PL 5

INITIAL ATTACK ACTIVITY (24-hour period)	Light (104 fires)
New Large Fires	6
Large Fires Contained	5
Uncontained Large Fires	70
Year-to-Date Acres Burned	3,912,187
Total Responders	21,171
Type 1 IMTs Deployed	1
Complex IMTs Deployed	24
FMAGS	Total
2026 (FYTD)	33
2025	75
3 Year Average	53

Preparedness Level: 5	
PL 1	Minimal fire activity; many resources available
PL 2	Large wildland fires burning throughout country; resources mobilized from other areas
PL 3	Wildfire activity ongoing throughout 25% of country; National Interagency Coordination Center (NICC) sets priorities, allocates resources, and mobilizes assets at national level
PL 4	High levels of fire activity and areas are competing for firefighting resources; 60% of the nation's wildland firefighting resources committed
PL 5	Extremely high levels of fire activity; 80% of nation's firefighting resources committed



Wildfire Summary

Fire Name (County, ST)	FMAG #	Acres Burned	Percent Contained	Evacuations	Structures (Homes / Other)			Fatalities / Injuries
					Threatened	Damaged	Destroyed	
Aspen Acres (Custer, CO)	5642-FM-CO	101,546	61%	M: 120 (-1,270)	H: 500	H: 50	H: 356	0 / 16 (+2)
				V: 0	O: 0	O: 9	O: 559	
Gold Mountain (Ouray, CO)	5643-FM-CO	38,052 (+8)	27% (+3)	M: 269	H: 256	H: 0	H: 0	1 / 17 (+2)
				V: 0	O: 332	O: 0	O: 5	
Willow (Lake, CO)	5644-FM-CO	7,196	55% (+4)	M: 223 (48)	H: 15	H: 0	H: 0	0 / 16 (+1)
				V: 0	O: 0	O: 0	O: 0	
Kaiser Canyon (Okanogan, WA)	5646-FM-WA	89,259 (+9,617)	3%	M: 800	H: 950	H: 0	H: 13	0 / 3
				V: 0	O: 20	O: 0	O: 0	
Akawa Butte (Jefferson, OR)	5647-FM-OR	26,144 (+12,539)	5% (+2)	M: 2,402 (+344)*	H: 3,525 (+2,833)	H: 0	H: 1 (+1)	0 / 1 (+1)
				V: 0	O: 1,288 (+1,280)	O: 0	O: 0	

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

*ICS-209 Block 30



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FEMA Common Operating Picture

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NWC **NRCC**

Watch FEMA Regions RRCC

Region 1	Maynard	
Region 2	Brooklyn	
Region 3	Philadelphia	
Region 4	Atlanta	
Region 5	Chicago	
Region 6	Denton	
Region 7	Kansas City	
Region 8	Denver	
Region 9	Oakland	
Region 10	Bothell	

Notes

- Watches/RRCCs:
- R2 Watch: Equipment
 - R5 Watch: Staffing
 - R10 RRCC: Staffing
- IMATs:
- N-IMAT Red: Deployed (4909-DR-HI)
 - N-IMAT White: Deployed (3648-EM-GU)
 - N-IMAT Blue: Deployed (TX Flooding)
 - N-IMAT HS - Reconstituting
 - R1: Staffing
 - R3: Staffing
 - R4-1/2: Staffing
 - R5: Deployed (4925-DR-MI)
 - R6-1: Deployed (4927-DR-LA)
 - R6-2: Deployed (3649-EM-TX)
 - R7: Staffing
 - R8: Deployed (4923-DR-WI)
 - R9-1: Deployed (4909-DR-HI)
 - R9-2: (4910-DR-MP/3647-EM-MP)
 - R10: Staffing
- State EOCs:
- DC: Summer 2026 Events
 - MS: Previous Incidents
 - AZ/CO/ID/MN/NV/OR: Wildfires
 - WA: Fire Season
 - KY/TX/WV: Severe Weather
 - MP: TC Sinkaku/TC Bavi
 - UT: Major Events/Drought/Crop Loss
 - FL: Previous Incidents
 - NJ: FIFA World Cup/Severe Weather
 - GU: TC Bavi
 - VA: Drought Conditions
 - WI: Support for 4923-DR-WI
 - WY: Flooding, Public Health, Frontier Days
 - NM: Flooding

Incident Workforce

19,115
Assigned a Disaster Title

7,172 / 38%
Deployed

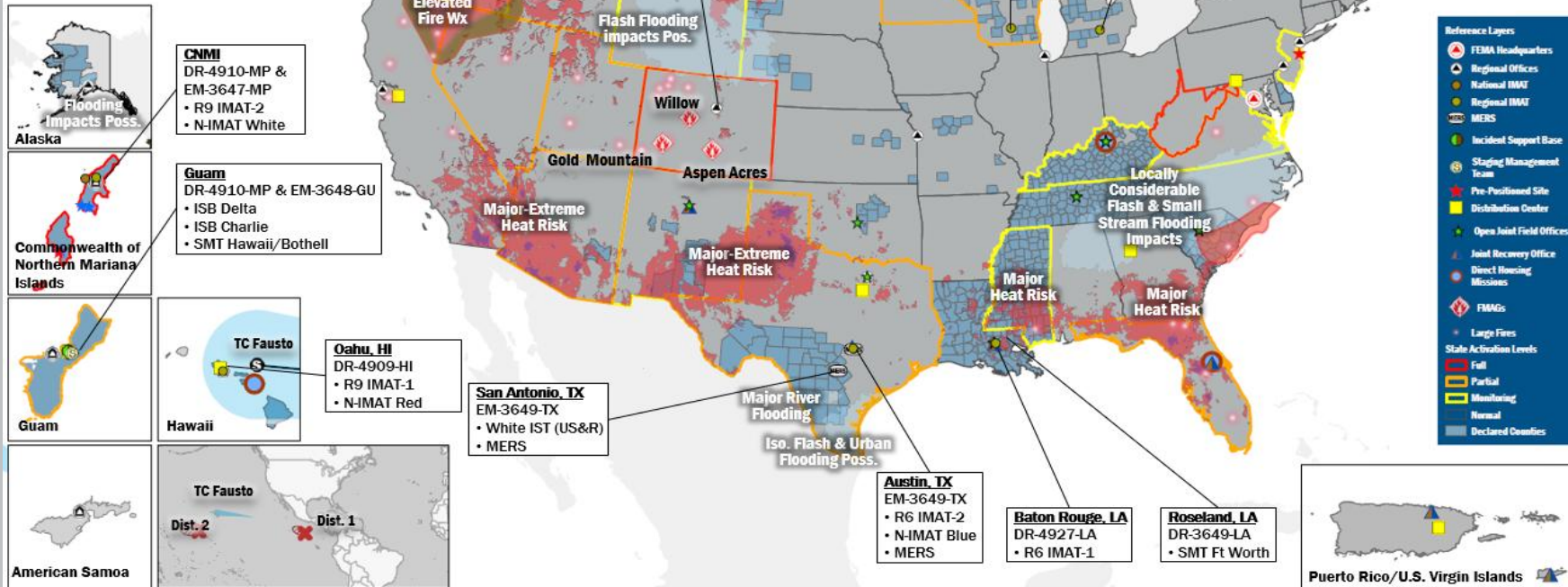
5,472 / 29%
Available
to Deploy for 30 Days

6,471 / 33%
Remaining

Surge Capacity Force
7,693 / 0 / 769
Rostered / Deployed /
Est. Available to Deploy for 30 Days

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REGIONAL BREAKDOWN				
	JFO	DR	EM	JRO
R1	0	1	0	0
R2	0	0	0	2
R3	0	1	0	0
R4	4	12	0	1
R5	0	2	0	0
R6	4	6	3	3
R7	0	3	0	0
R8	1	6	0	0
R9	0	4	4	0
R10	4	7	0	0



National IMAT

HI	Red
MP	White
TX	Blue
	Gold
	HS

Regional IMAT

1	Region 1
3	Region 2
	Region 3
2	Region 4
MI	Region 5
LA TX	Region 6
	Region 7
WI	Region 8
HI MP	Region 9
	Region 10

Commodities & Equipment

CONUS	Distribution Centers			Water	Meals	Gen.
	DC Tracy, CA					
	DC Atlanta, GA					
	DC Fort Worth, TX					
	DC Greencastle, PA					
OCONUS	DC Guam	92%	100%	84%	3	
	DC Hawaii	99%	93%	42%	3	
	DC Caribbean	86%	88%	78%		

Logistics Staffing

CONUS	Distribution Centers		Staff	Housing	Staff
	DC Tracy, CA	67%			
	DC Atlanta, GA	80%			
	DC Fort Worth, TX	57%			
	DC Greencastle, PA	89%			
OCONUS	DC Guam	77%			
	DC Hawaii	70%			
	DC Caribbean	92%			

SMT

Operational	7/11
Requires Augmentation	3/11
Deployed	3/11

MERS Det.

30/36 Operational	
Maynard	4/6
Frederick	6/6
Thomasville	6/6
Denton	6/6
Denver	4/6
Bothell	4/6

US&R

Task Forces	
Assigned	28
Non-FEMA Deployed	1
FEMA-Deployed	4
Not Mission Capable	1
Available	22
FEMA Support Staff	11/21

FCO

Assigned	37
Not Mission Capable	2
Deployed	26 (20 FCOOR)
Available	9

Legend

	Fully Mission Capable
	Partially Mission Capable
	Requires Augmentation
	Deployed/Activated

Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

Region	State / Location	Event	IA	Number of Counties		Start – End
			PA	Requested	Complete	
R5	IN	Severe Weather & Flooding	IA	9	4	7/16 – TBD
			PA	42	12	7/16 – TBD
R6	TX	Severe Storms, Straight-Line Winds, Tornadoes & Flooding Jul 12 and continuing	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	35 (+1)	0	7/22 – TBD
R7	IA	Severe Storms Jul 3-16	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	7	0	TBD – TBD
	KS	Severe Weather Jun 4-15	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	34	27	6/22 – TBD
		Severe Weather Jun 18-30	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	8	0	TBD – TBD
	MO	Severe Storms & Flooding Jul 9-11	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	9	0	7/21 – TBD
R8	SD	Severe Storms, Winds & Tornadoes Jun 29-Jul 3	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	10	1	7/16 – TBD



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Declaration Request – Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands

Declaration Type: Major Disaster Declaration – MP

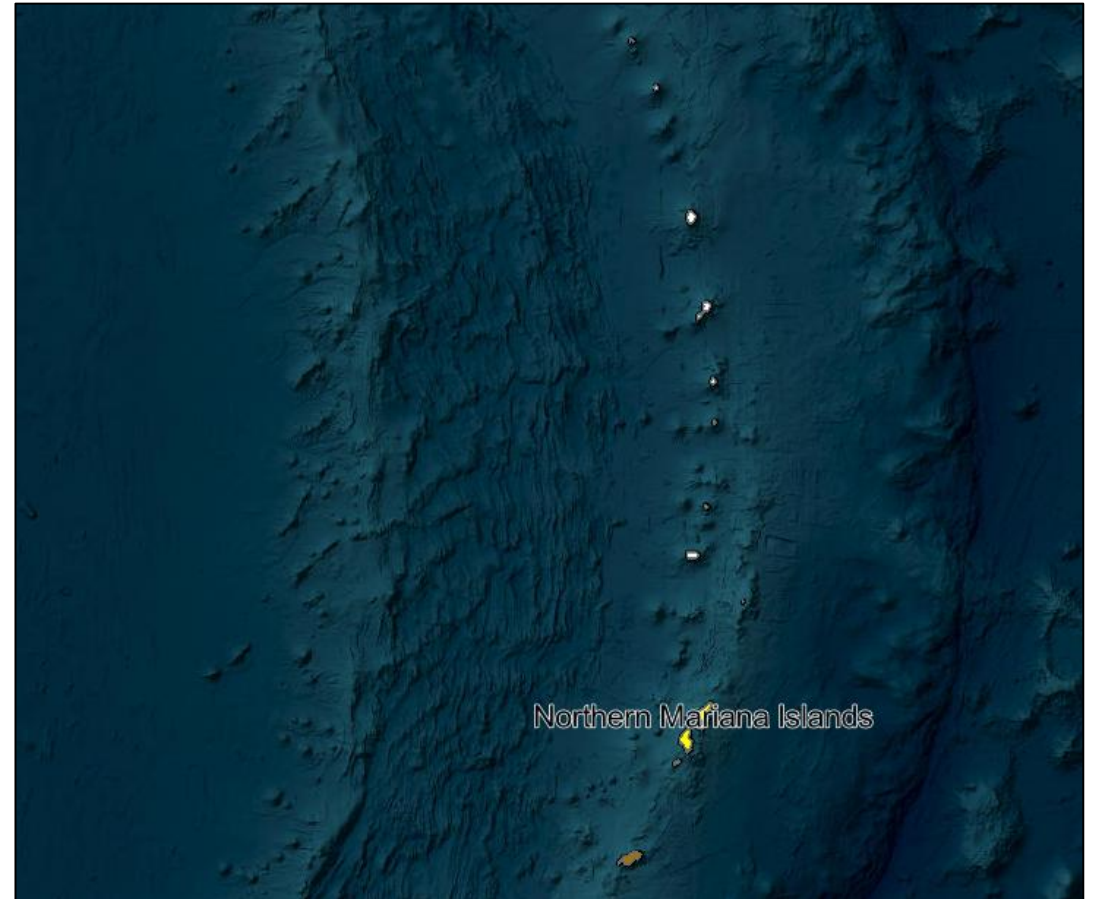
Date Requested: Jul 23

Incident: Super Typhoon Bavi

Incident Period: July 4-12

Requested:

- **IA/PA:** 1 island
- **PA:** 2 islands
- **Hazard Mitigation:** 3 islands



■ IA/PA

■ PA



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Declaration Request – Kentucky

Declaration Type: Major Disaster Declaration – KY

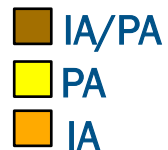
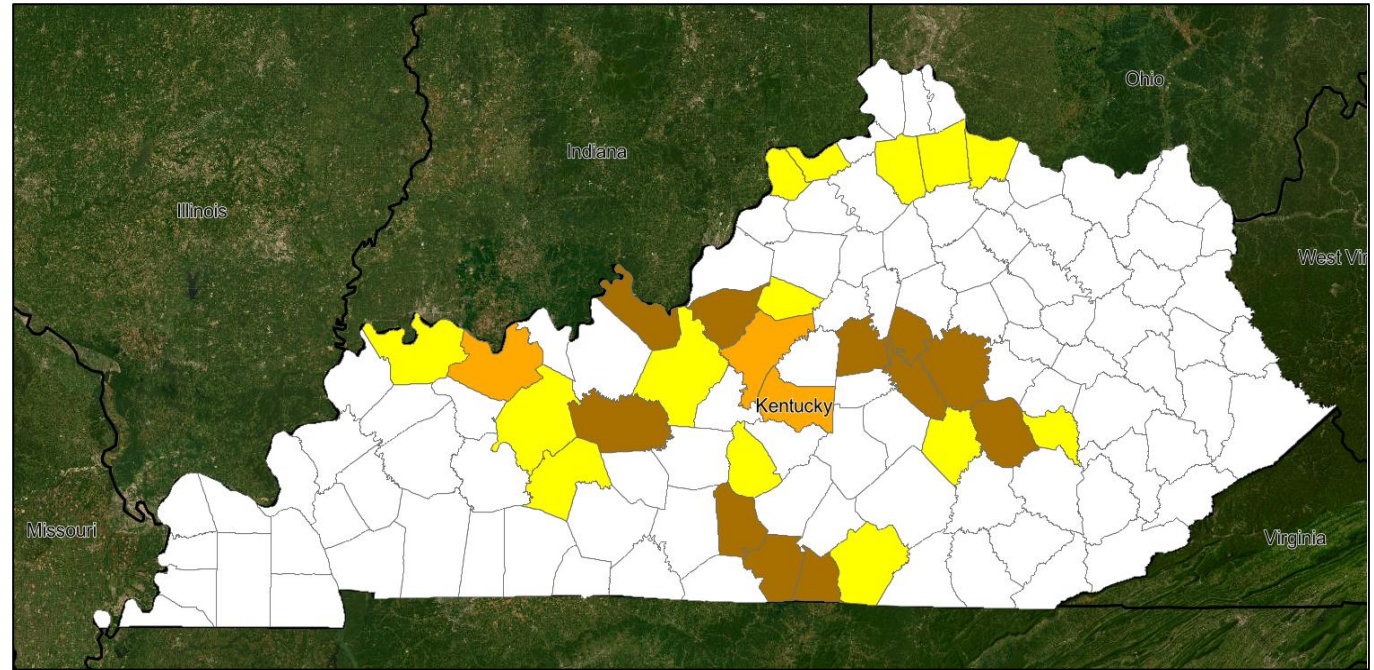
Date Requested: Jul 23

Incident: Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides

Incident Period: Jun 17-30

Requested:

- **IA/PA:** 11 counties
- **IA:** 3 counties
- **PA:** 14 counties
- **Hazard Mitigation:** Commonwealth-wide



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Declaration Requests in Process – 13

State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Type	IA	PA	HM	Requested
NE – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, and Flooding	DR		X	X	Jul 15
NE – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, and Flooding	DR		X	X	Jun 17
MI – Severe Storms and Tornadoes – Appeal	DR	X		X	Jun 23
ND – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, and Tornadoes	DR		X	X	Jul 6
NH – Severe Storm and Flooding	DR		X	X	Jul 8
MO – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, and Flooding	DR		X	X	Jul 9
RI – Severe Winter Storm and Snowstorm – Appeal	DR		X	X	Jul 15
MS – Severe Storms and Flooding	DR	X	X	X	Jul 16
NJ – Severe Winter Storms and Snowstorm – Appeal	DR		X	X	Jul 20
WV – Severe Storms, Flooding, Landslide, and Mudslides	DR	X		X	Jul 21
HI – Earthquake	DR	X			Jul 21
CNMI – Super Typhoon Bavi	DR	X	X	X	Jul 23
KY – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides	DR	X	X	X	Jul 23



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