



# **FEMA**

## **Daily Operations Briefing**

**Wednesday, January 22, 2014**

**8:30 a.m. EST**

# Significant Activity: Jan 18–22, 2014



## **Significant Events:**

- Mid-Atlantic Winter Storm
- Chemical Spill – Charleston, WV (FEMA-3366-EM) (FINAL)

## **Significant Weather:**

- Snow – Upper Mississippi Valley to Great Lakes and Ohio Valley; Northeast; Northern Plains to Southern Rockies
- Heavy snow – Great Lakes
- Red Flag Warnings: AL & CA
- Critical Fire Weather Areas: None
- Space Weather: No space weather storms occurred/predicted next 24 hours

## **FEMA Readiness:**

- Region III RRCC at Level III
- NE-TF1 (State activated) for Omaha, NE plant explosion

## **Declarations:**

- Major Disaster Declaration Request – VT
- Major Disaster Declaration Request – OK
- Major Disaster Declaration Request – TX
- Amendment No.1 to FEMA-4159-DR-TX

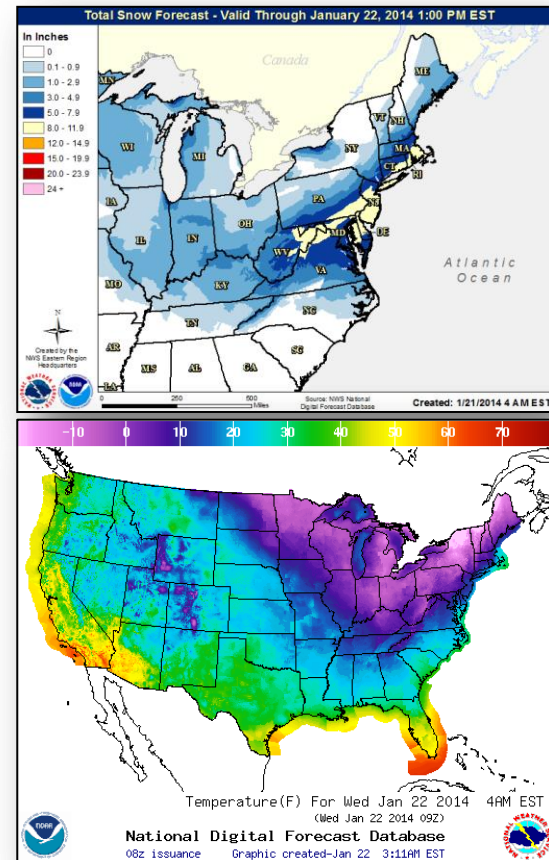
# Mid-Atlantic Winter Storm Impacts

## Hazards

- Moderate to heavy snow will continue this morning across coastal southern New England, where highest snow accumulations of 12-18 inches are expected.
- Wind gusts of 25-35 mph will cause areas of blowing and drifting snow and reduced visibilities; locally stronger gusts to 50 mph will cause blizzard conditions in southeast MA this morning.
- Gusty winds combined with cold temperatures will produce dangerously cold wind chills of -20 to -40 degrees in Ohio Valley, Central Appalachians and interior New England this morning.

## Impacts

- Multiple accidents and road closures and delays reported across affected areas
- All airports are open with no major delays; thousands of flights preemptively cancelled
- Amtrak reported multiple significant train delays and some route cancellations; operating on modified schedule today in Northeast corridor
- Power outages as of 8:00 am EST, Jan 22 are totaling 26,815 for all affected Regions
  - Region I: 750 / Region II: 1,650 / Region III: 15,900 / Region IV: 3,740 / Region V: 4,775 (Department of Energy's EAGLE-I system. Note: Comprehensive National coverage of all electric service providers is not available.)
- Multiple school and local government closures across impacted areas
- No fatalities or injuries



# Mid-Atlantic Winter Storm Response



## **State/Local**

- NJ, DE, MD, PA, VA, & TN SEOCs at various levels of Partial Activation for winter storm
- OH, NJ & DE Governors all declared a State of Emergency
- NYC OEM at Level II, Full Activation

## **FEMA/National Response**

- Federal Government in NCR closed Jan 21; two-hour delayed opening today
- Regions I & II open with 2 hour delayed opening
- Region III open with option for unscheduled leave or unscheduled telework
- No Regions activated in response to this storm
- No requests for FEMA assistance

## **Other Federal Response**

- US DOT issued Emergency Declaration for Midwestern & Eastern Regions, allowing drivers of commercial vehicles delivering propane & home heating fuels into affected areas to drive longer hours



 = Partially Activated State EOCs

# Disaster Requests & Declarations



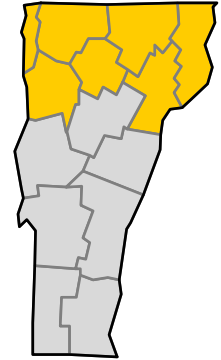
Declaration Requests in Process		Requests APPROVED (since last report)	Requests DENIED (since last report)
4	Date Requested	0	0
AK – DR Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, and Flooding	January 9, 2014		
VT – DR Severe Winter Storms and Ice Storm	January 17, 2014		
OK - Severe Winter Storm	January 17, 2014		
TX – Severe Winter Storm	January 17, 2014		

# Major Disaster Declaration Request – VT



## January 17, 2014

- Request for Major Disaster Declaration for State of Vermont
- For ice storm and severe winter storms that occurred Dec 20-29, 2013
- Requesting:
  - Public Assistance for 7 counties
  - Hazard Mitigation Statewide



 = Requested counties

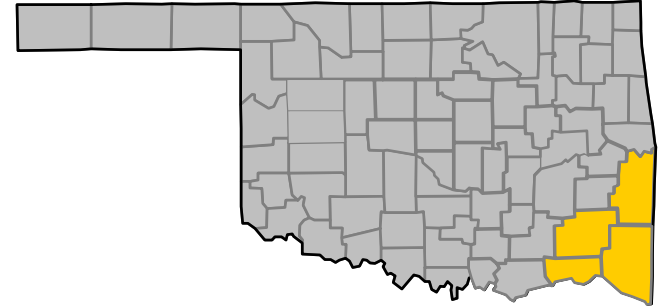
# Major Disaster Declaration Request – OK



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## January 17, 2014

- Request for Major Disaster Declaration for State of Oklahoma
- For a severe winter storm that occurred Dec 5-12, 2013
- Requesting:
  - Public Assistance for 4 counties
  - Hazard Mitigation Statewide



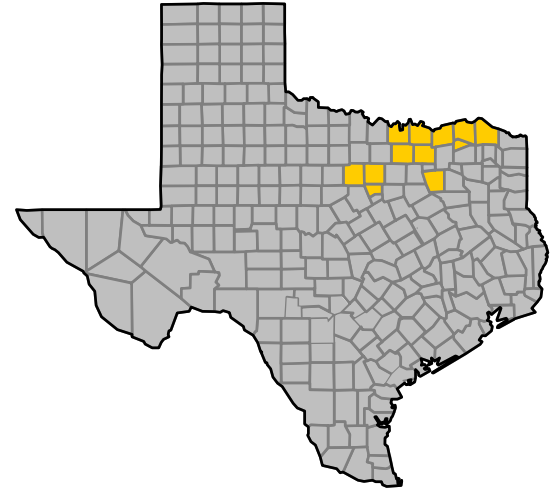
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# Major Disaster Declaration Request – TX



**January 17, 2014**

- Request for Major Disaster Declaration for State of Texas
- For a severe winter storm that occurred Dec 5-9, 2013
- Requesting:
  - Public Assistance for 12 counties
  - Hazard Mitigation Statewide



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# Disaster Amendments

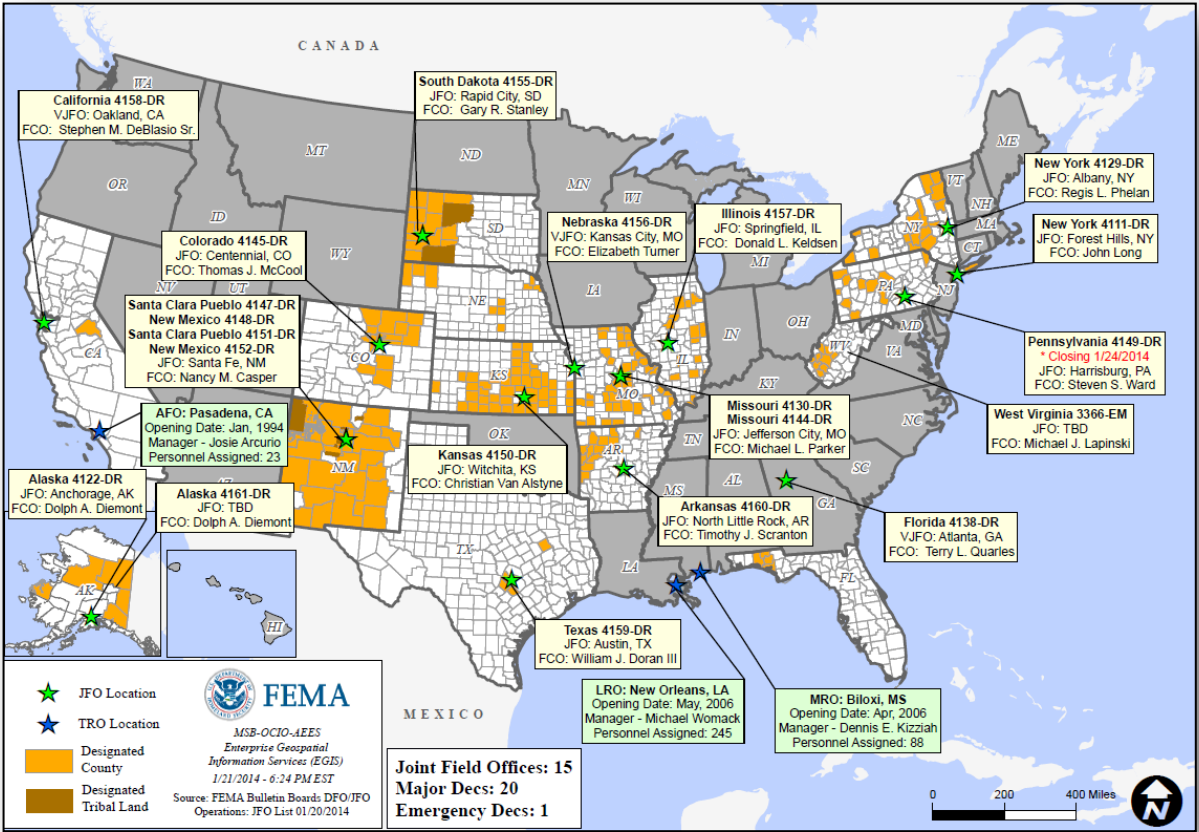


Amendment	Effective Date	Action
Amendment No. 1 to FEMA-4159-DR-TX	January 17, 2013	Adds Freestone County for Public Assistance

# Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

Region	State / Location	Event	IA/PA	Number of Counties		Start – End
				Requested	Complete	
I	ME	Severe Winter Storm Dec 21 – Jan 1	IA	4	0	1/22 - 1/24
			PA	13	7	1/16 – 1/22

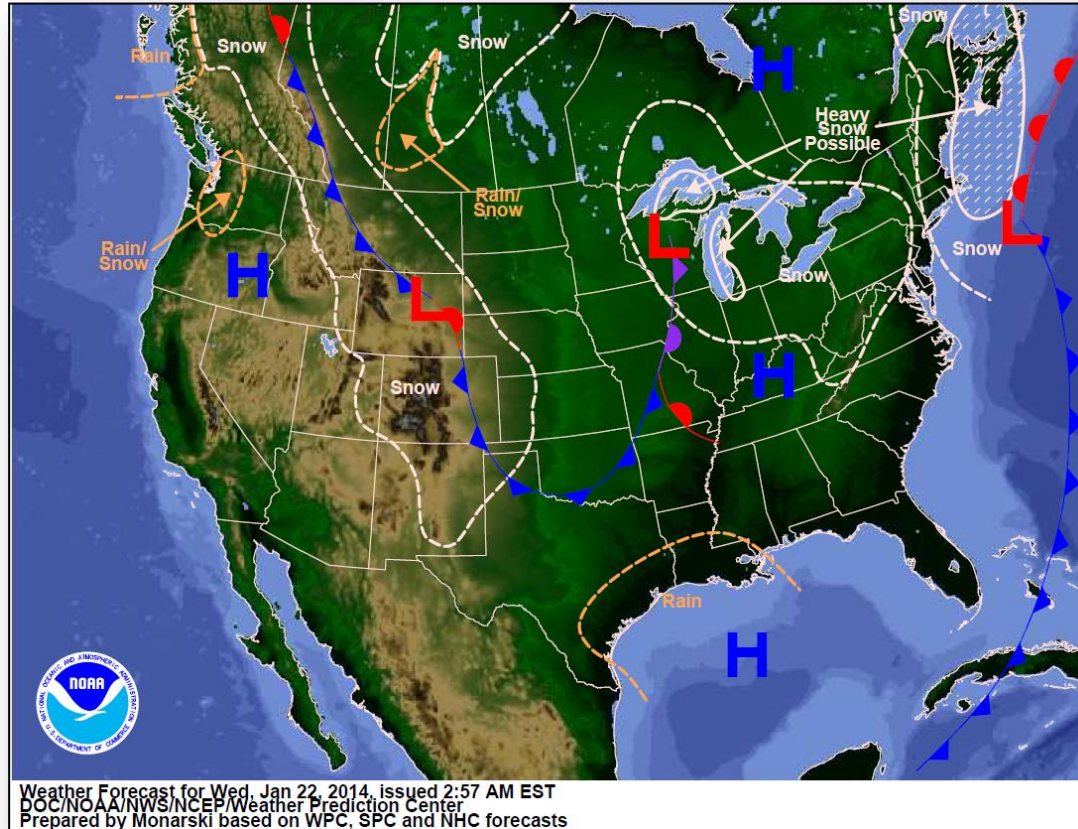
# Open Field Offices as of January 22, 2014



# National Weather Forecast



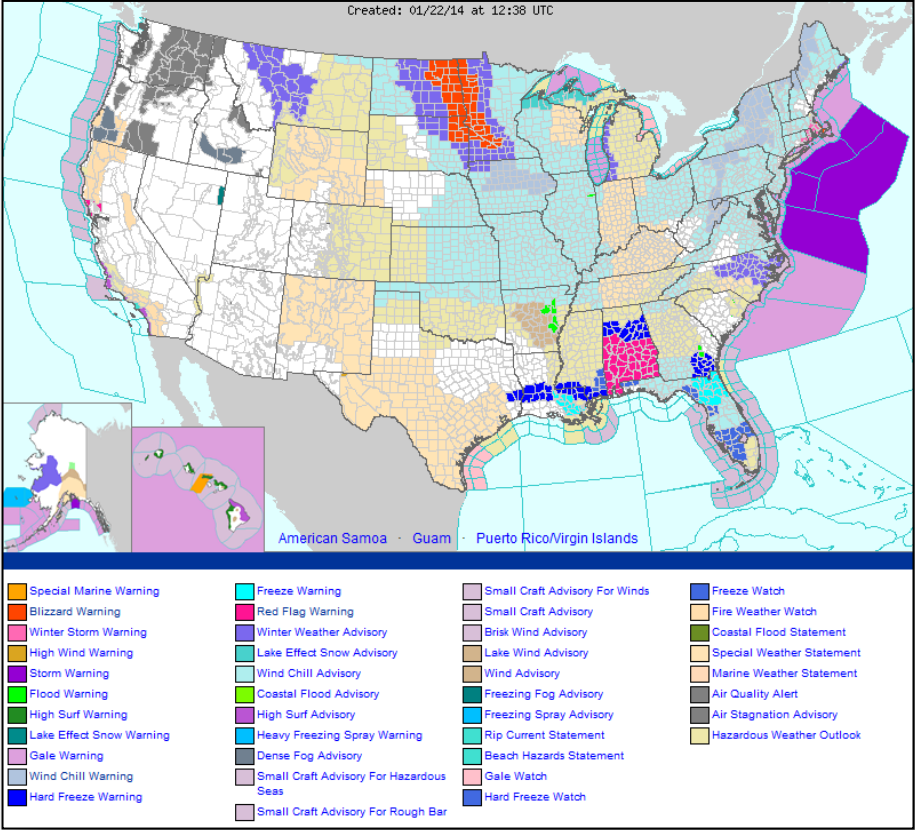
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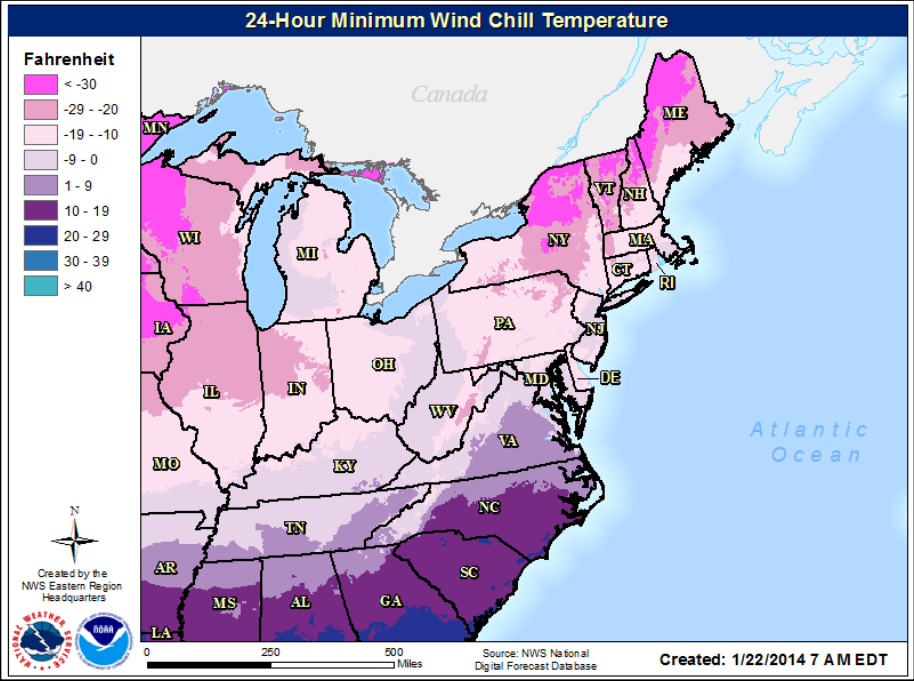
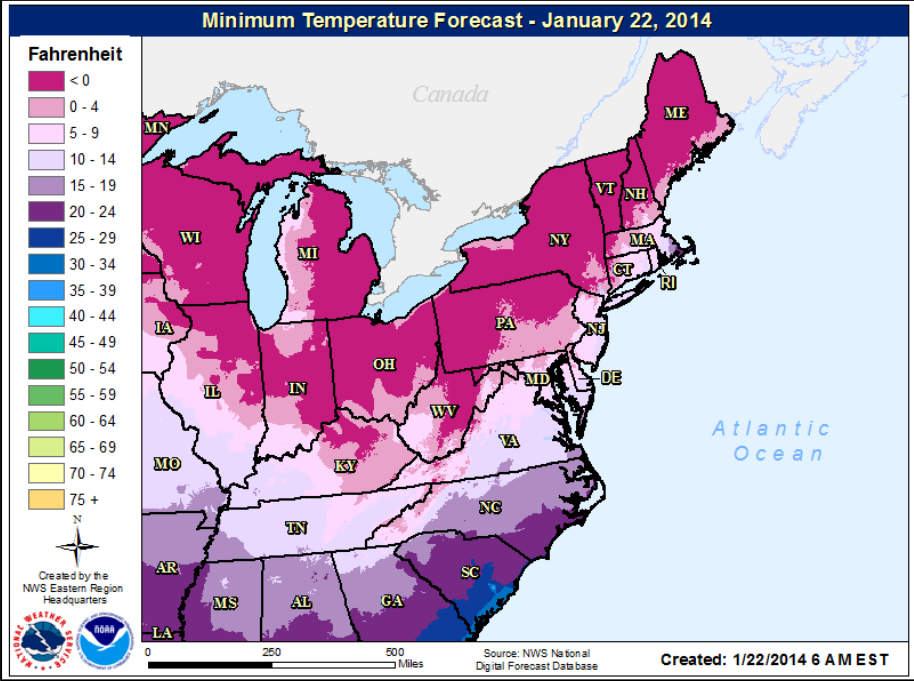
# Active Watches/Warnings



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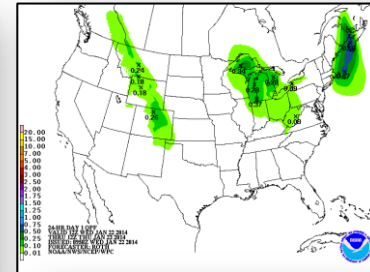
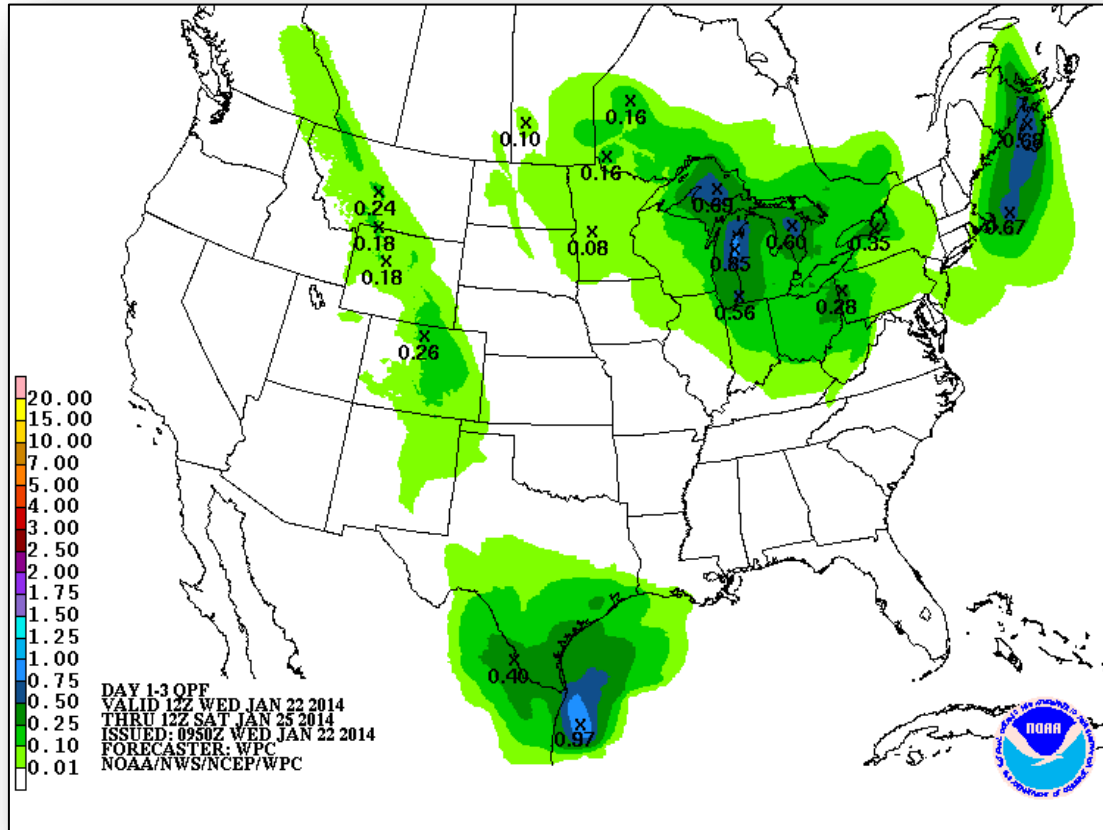
# Cold Temperatures/Wind Chills



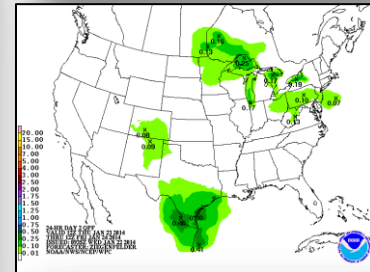
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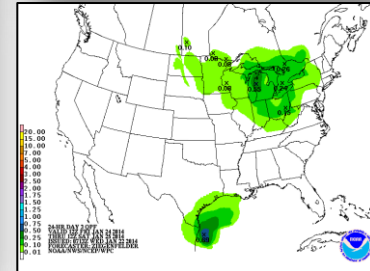
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Day 1



Day 2



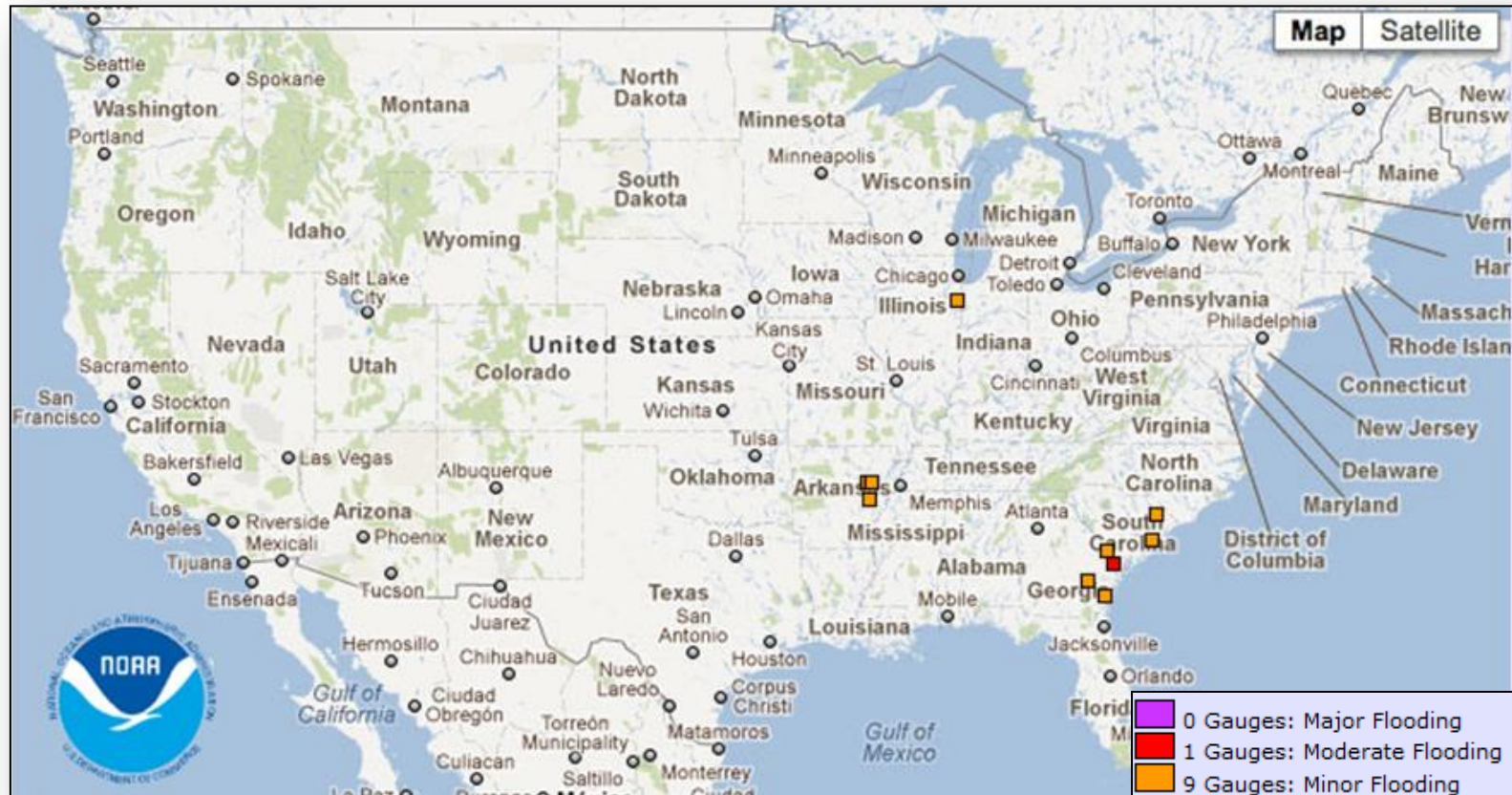
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# River Forecast – 7 Day



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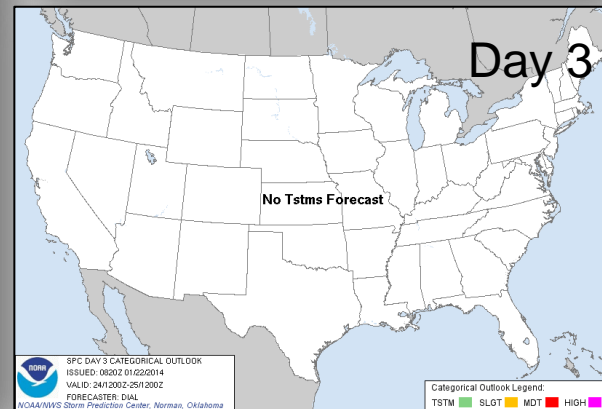
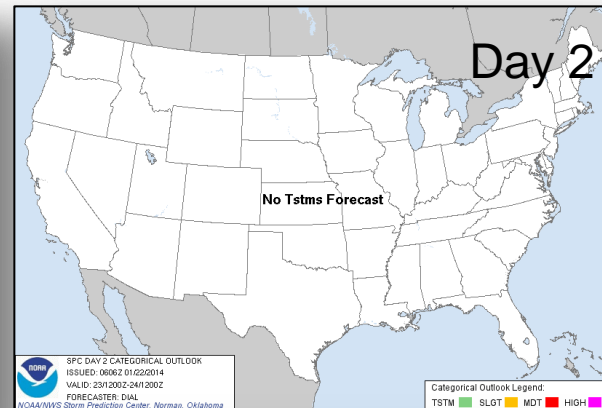
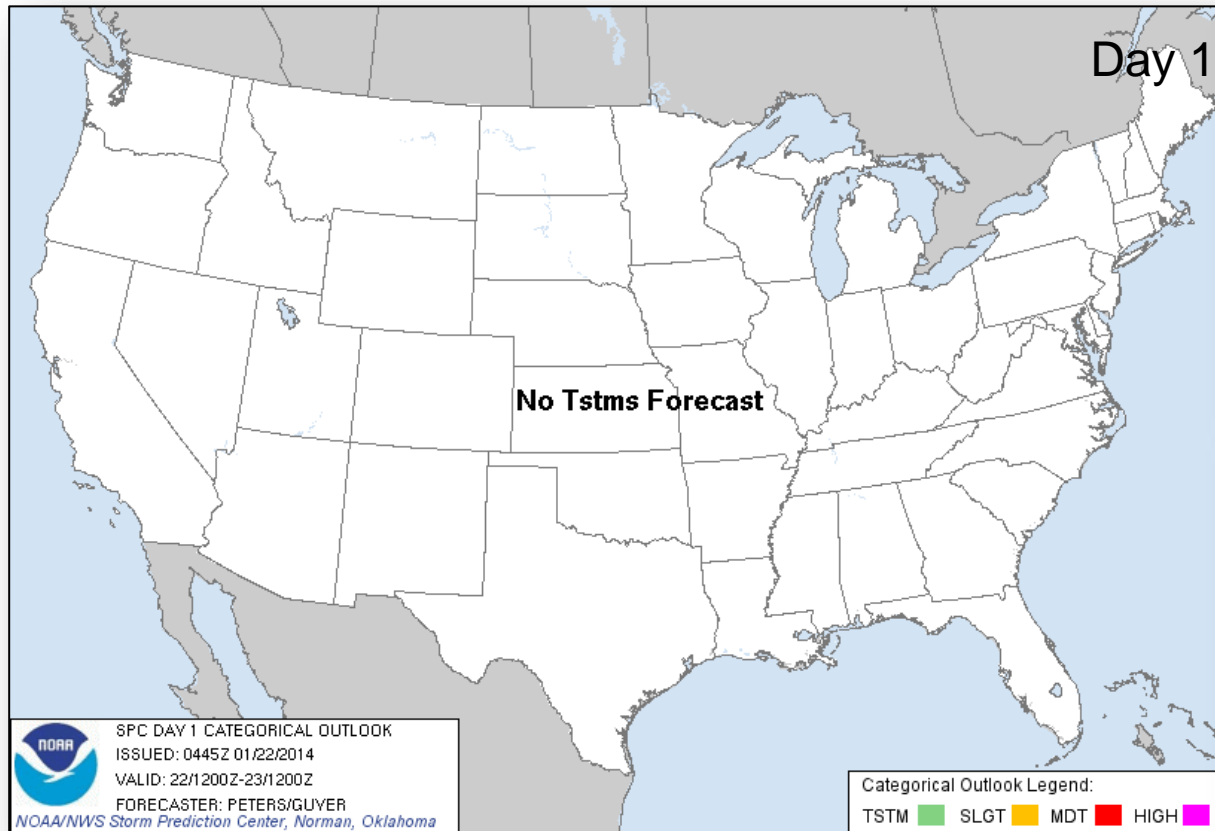




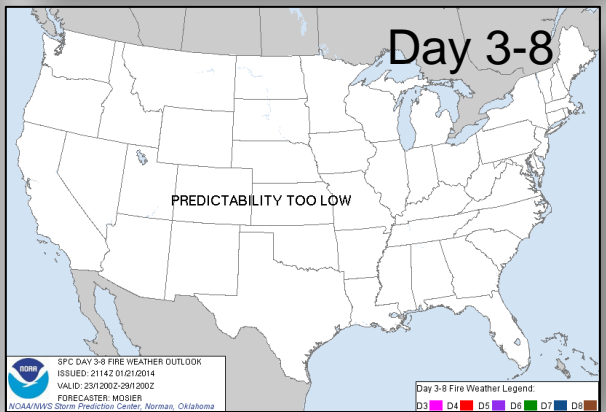
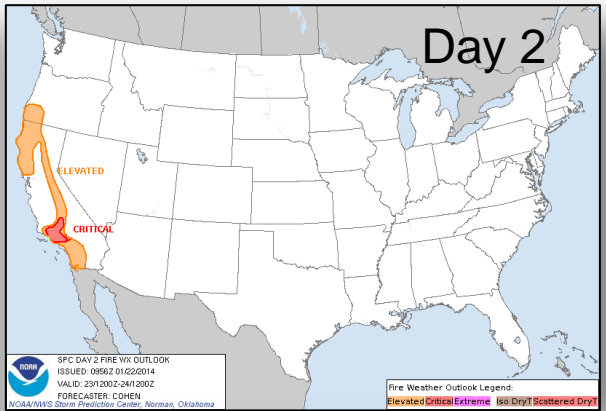
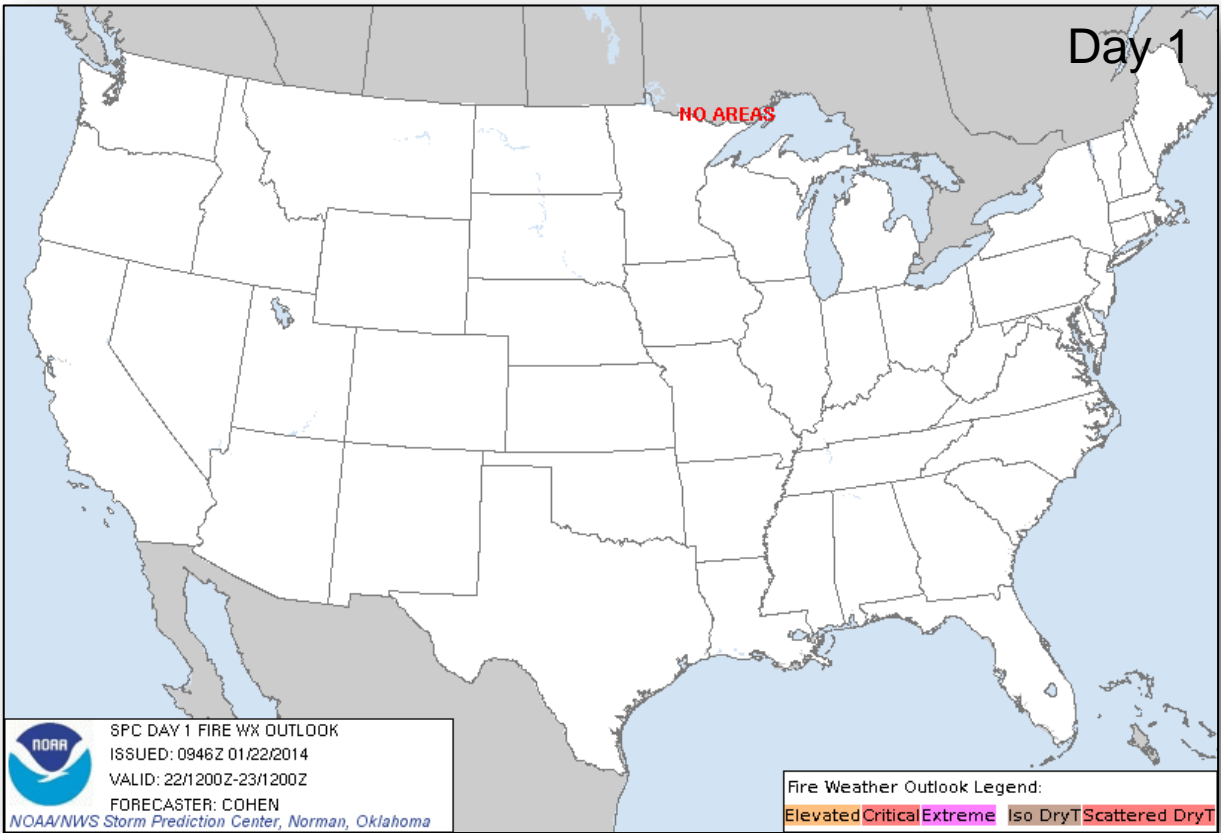
# Convective Outlooks Days 1 – 3



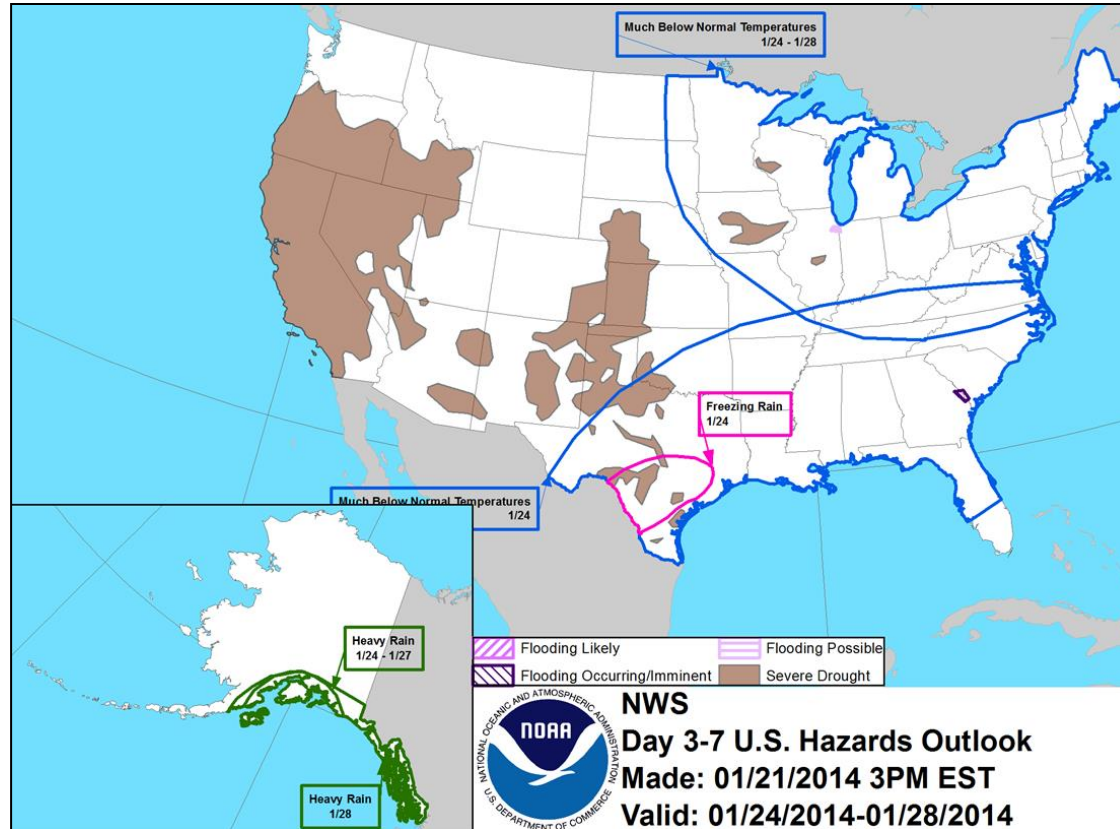
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# Critical Fire Weather Areas Days 1 – 8



# Hazard Outlook: January 24 – 28

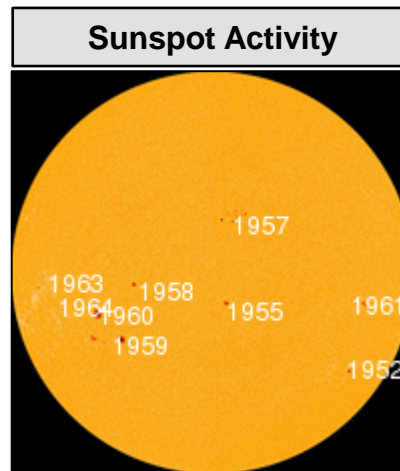
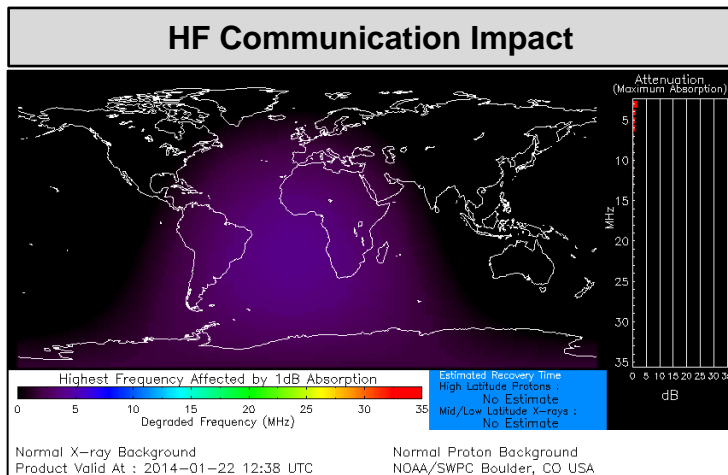


# Space Weather



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NOAA Scales Activity (Range: 1/minor to 5/extreme)	Past 24 Hours	Current	Next 24 Hours
Space Weather Activity:	None	None	None
• Geomagnetic Storms	None	None	None
• Solar Radiation Storms	None	None	None
• Radio Blackouts	None	None	None



# FEMA Readiness – Deployable Teams/Assets



Deployable Teams/Assets									
Resource	Status	Total	Available		Partially Available	Not Available	Deployed/ Activated	Comments	Rating Criterion
FCO		40	11	27%	N/A	3	26	• FDRCs – Yellow due to number available	OFDC Readiness: FCO   Green   Yellow   Red Type 1   3+   2   1 Type 2   4+   3   2 Type 3   4   3   2
FDRC		9	2	22%	0	0	7		FDRC   3   2   1
US&R		28	25	89%	2	1	0	• NV-TF1 (Yellow/Conditional) • NM-TF1 (Yellow/Conditional) • NE-TF1 (Reconstituting)	• Green = Available/FMC • Yellow = Available/PMC • Red = Out-of-Service • Blue = Assigned/Deployed
National IMAT		3	3	100%	0	0	0		• Green: 3 avail • Yellow: 1 avail • Red: 0 avail <i>Individual N-IMAT red if 50% of Section Chiefs and/or Team Leader is unavailable for deployment.</i>
Regional IMAT		13	7	54%	1	1	4	• Teams deployed to: TX, NM, CO & CA • Type III team deployed to WV • Region VIII IMAT returned from SD; partially available while reconstituting	• Green: > 6 avail • Yellow: 4 -6 teams available • Red: > 8 teams deployed/unavailable <i>R-IMAT also red if TL Ops/Log Chief is unavailable and has no qualified replacement.</i>
MCOV		55	52	95%	0	2	1	• 1 in CO	• Green = Available/FMC • Yellow = Available/PMC • Red = Out-of-Service • Blue = Assigned/Deployed

# FEMA Readiness – National/Regional Teams



## National/Regional Teams

Resource	Status	Total	Available		Partially Available	Not Available	Deployed/ Activated	Comments	Rating Criterion
NWC		5	5	100%	0	0	Steady State		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Green = FMC</li> <li>• Yellow = PMC</li> <li>• Red = NMC</li> </ul>
NRCC		6	369	94%	0	0	Not Activated		
HLT		1	1	100%	0	0	Not Activated		
DEST							Not Activated		
RRCCs		10	9	90%	0	0	R III Activated	• Region III RRCC at Level III	
RWCs/MOCs		10	10	100%	0	0	24/7		



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