

FEMA National Watch Center

Daily Operations Briefing

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National Current Ops / Monitoring

New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Ops

- COVID-19
- Severe Weather Outbreak (Mar 5-6) – Midwest - Final

Hazard Monitoring

- Severe thunderstorms – Tennessee and Ohio valleys into the Mid-Atlantic
- Freezing Rain – Great Lakes to the Northeast

Disaster Declaration Activity

- Request: Major Disaster Declaration – VA
- Request: Major Disaster Declaration – TN
- 3 FMAG Approvals

Event Monitoring

- No significant events



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Severe Weather Outbreak – Midwest - FINAL

Current Situation: Severe weather moved through the Midwest March 5-6. A supercell thunderstorm produced a long track and significant tornado in central IA from Winterset to Newton, tracking just southeast of the Des Moines metro area. IA was the hardest hit with preliminary reports of 35 tornado touchdowns, along with 1 in WI and 1 in IN. Flash flooding and basement flooding affected WI; along with wind damage to trees and utility lines in IL and IN. There were 127 total wind reports (IA, MO, WI, IL, IN, OH), and 29 hail reports (IA, MO, WI). Currently there are no requests for FEMA assistance. Damage assessments are ongoing.

Lifeline Impacts: (Region VII SPOTREP 1:20 a.m. ET)

Safety and Security:

- IA: 25-30 homes damaged or destroyed in mostly rural areas of Madison Co.

Food, Water, Shelter:

- No shelters open

Health and Medical:

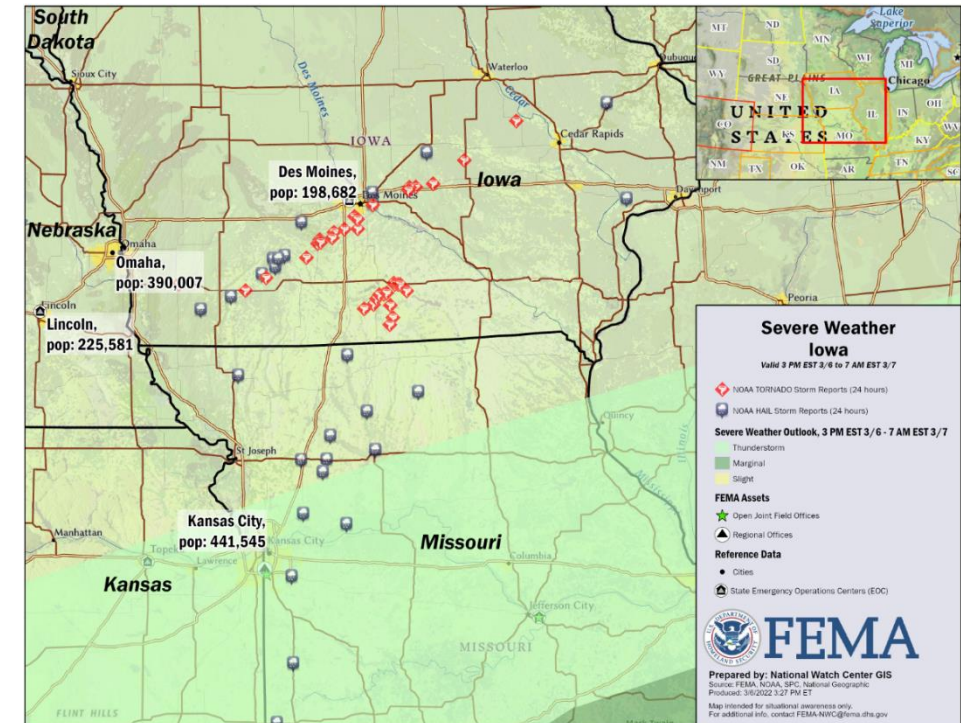
- IA: 7 (+1) fatalities (6 in Madison Co., 1 in Lucas Co.) and 6 (+2) injuries (4 in Madison Co., 2 in Polk Co., multiple in Lucas Co.)

Energy:

- IA: less than 1% of customers without power statewide (Eagle-I, as of 5:15 a.m. ET)

Response:

- IA EOC at Partial Activation (COVID), Gov. issued a disaster proclamation for Madison Co.
- IL EOC at Partial Activation (COVID); OH, IN, and WI EOCs at Normal Operations
- FEMA Regions V & VII RWCs and the NWC continue to monitor



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Adkins Ave Fire – Florida

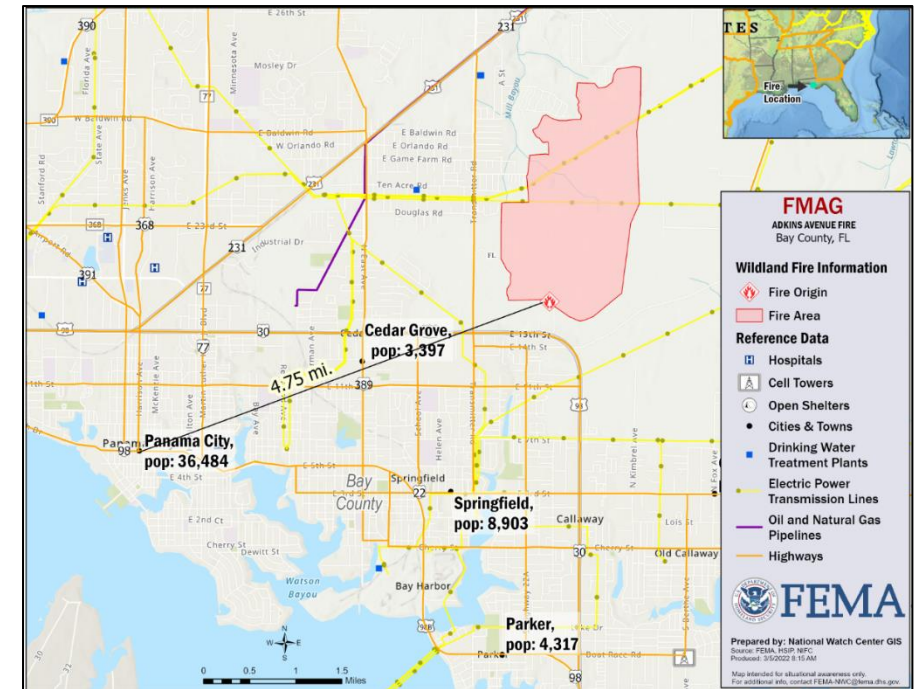
Fire Name (Co., ST)	FMAG #	Acres Burned	Percent Contained	Evacuations	Structures (Homes / Other)			Fatalities / Injuries
					Threatened	Damaged	Destroyed	
Adkins Ave. (Bay, FL)	XXXX-FM-FL	1,400	35% (+15) (FL DEM)	M: 2,500	H: 1,000	H: 12 (+12)	H: 2 (+2)	0 / 0
				V: 0	O: 6	O: 0	O: 0	

Situation:

- The fire began on Mar 4 and is burning on state and private land in and around Panama City, Bay Co. (pop 174,705), FL
- 1,000 homes (71% are primary residences), 6 commercial/residential structures, local roads and bridges, 4 fire/medial infrastructures, a utility substation, 15 industrial businesses, wildlife, environmental and cultural resources threatened
- Mandatory evacuations in effect for 2,500 people
- 1 shelter open with 7 occupants (ARC Midnight Shelter Count as of 6:47 a.m. ET)

Response:

- FMAG approved Mar 5
- FL EOC at Normal Operations
- Region IV RWC and NWC continue to monitor



Bertha Swamp Road Fire – Florida

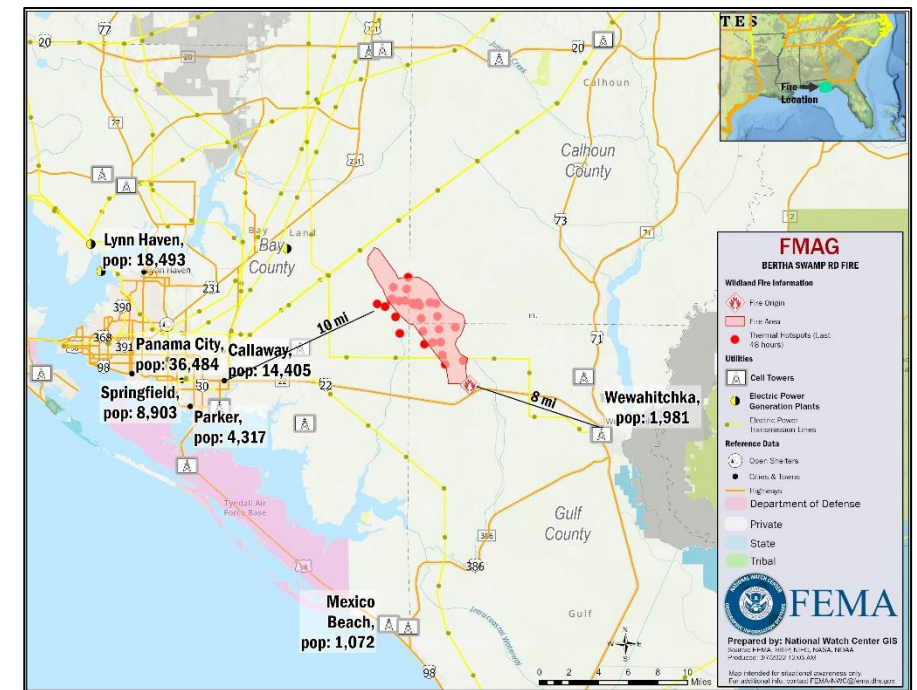
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Bertha Swamp Road (Bay, Calhoun & Gulf, FL)	XXXX-FM-FL	9,000	10%	M: 6,340	H: 2,536	H: 0	H: 0	0 / 0
				V: 0	O: 10	O: 0	O: 0	

Situation:

- The fire began on Mar 4 and is burning on state and private land in and around Panama City, Bay Co. (pop 174,705), FL. The fire started in Gulf (pop. 13,639) and spread to Bay and Calhoun (pop. 14,105) Cos.
- 2,536 homes, 6 recreational areas, 10 businesses, and 3 mobile home parks threatened
- Mandatory/voluntary evacuations in effect for 6,340 people
- 1 shelter open with 10 occupants *(FEMA Region IV Spot Report as of 9:56 p.m. ET)*

Response:

- FMAG approved Mar 6
- FL EOC at Normal Operations
- Region IV RWC and NWC continue to monitor



Cottonwood Complex Fire – Kansas

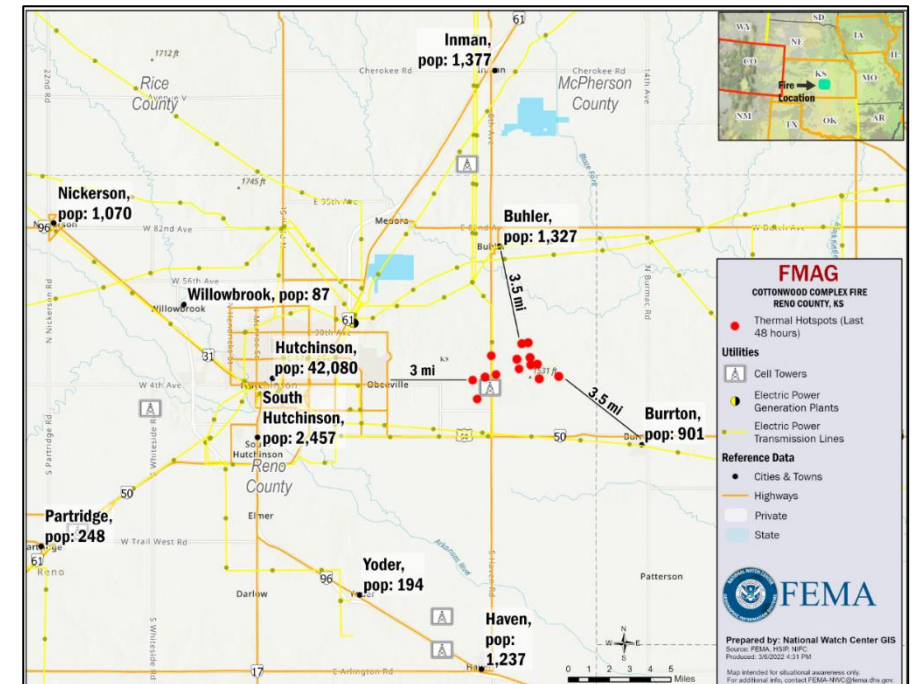
Fire Name (Co., ST)	FMAG #	Acres Burned	Percent Contained	Evacuations	Structures (Homes / Other)			Fatalities / Injuries
					Threatened	Damaged	Destroyed	
Cottonwood Complex (Reno & Harvey, KS)	XXXX-FM-KS	2,000	0%	M: Lifted	H: 200	H: 40	H: 34	0 / 0
				V: 0	O: 0	O: 0	O: 92	

Situation:

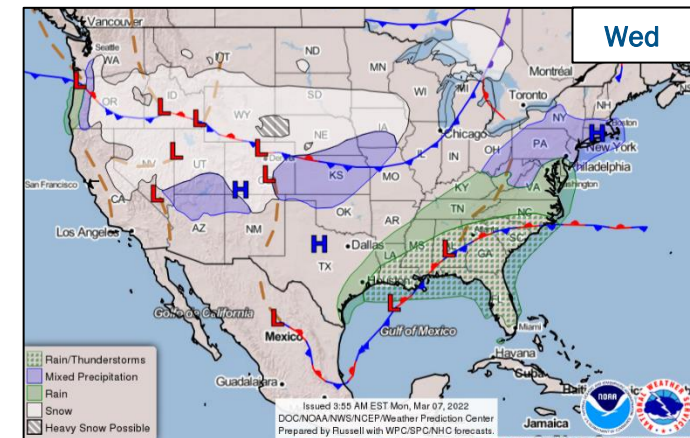
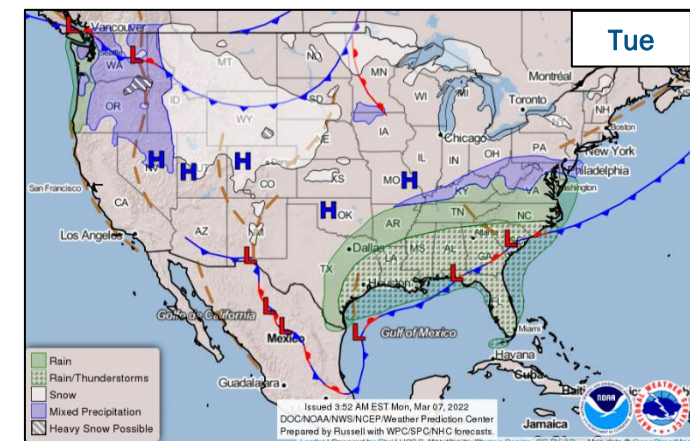
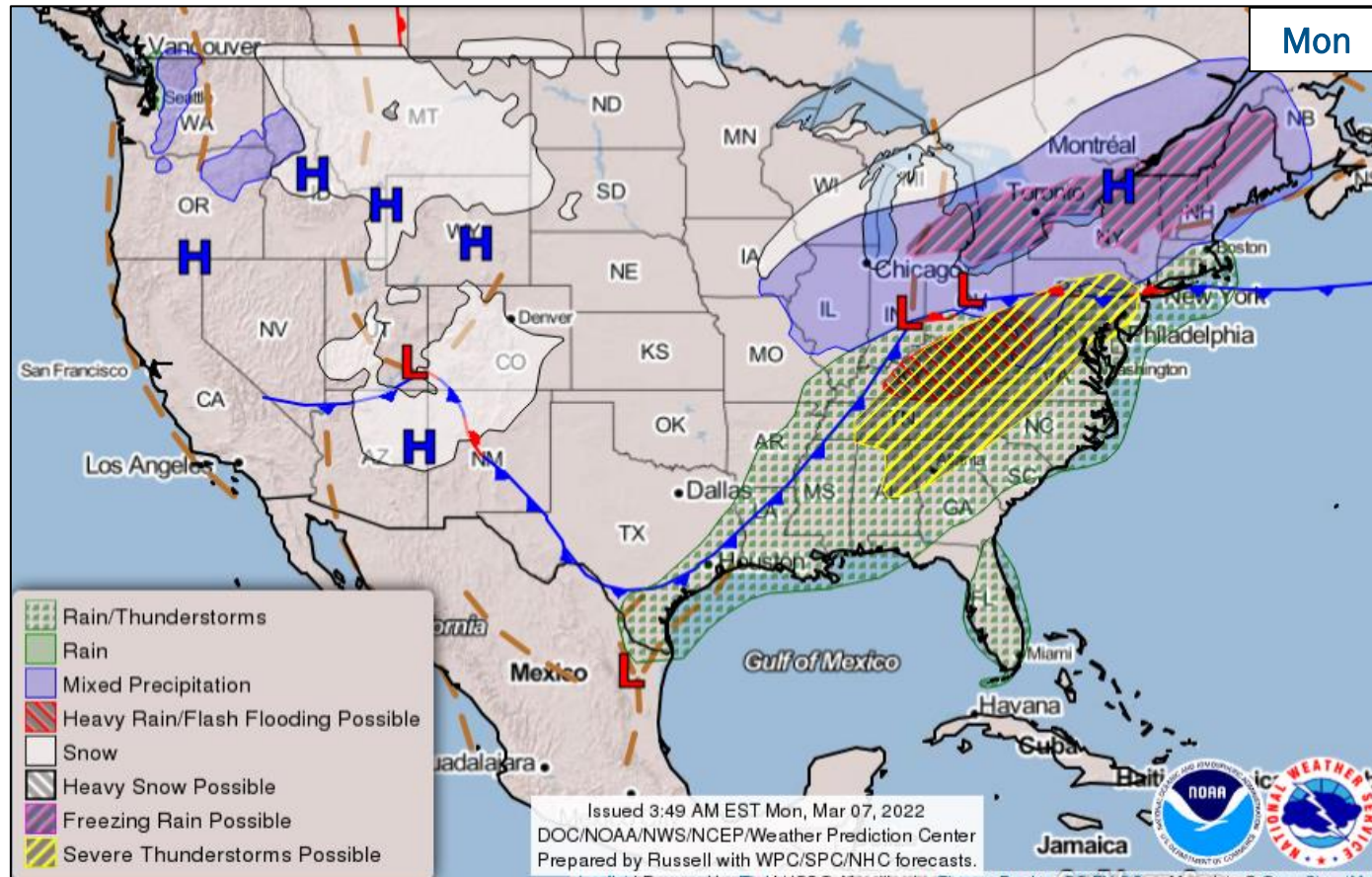
- The fire began on Mar 5 and is burning on private land in and around the communities of Hutchinson (pop. 40k) in Reno Co. and Burrton (pop. 900) in Harvey Co.
- **Evacuations for 100 homes in Reno Co. and 100 people in Harvey Co. have been lifted**
- Shelters have closed
- 34 homes and 92 outbuildings destroyed
- No fatalities; unknown number of injuries

Response:

- FMAG approved Mar 5
- KS EOC at Partial Activation (Wildfire activity and COVID)
- Region VII RWC and NWC continue to monitor



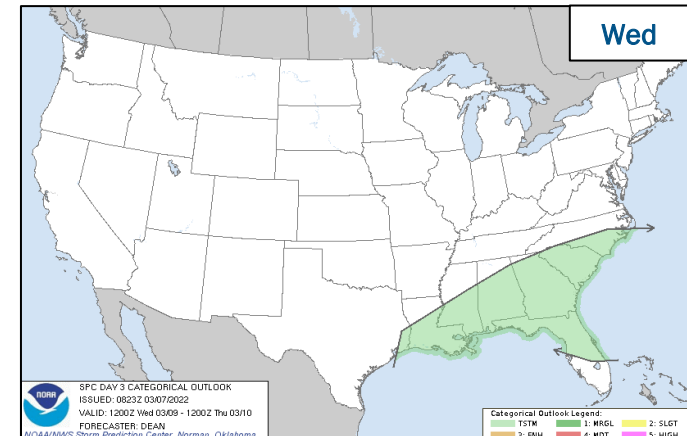
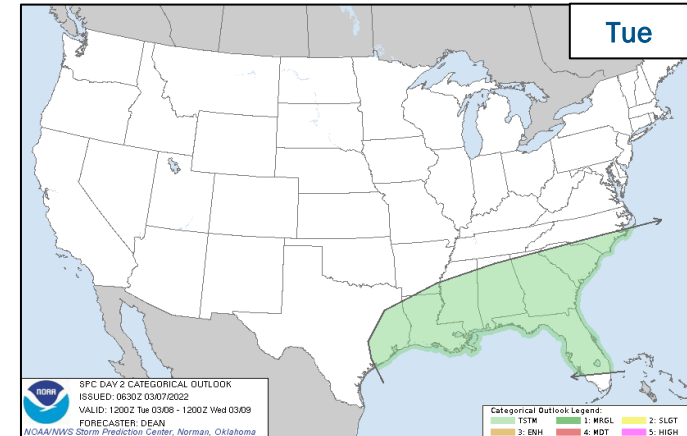
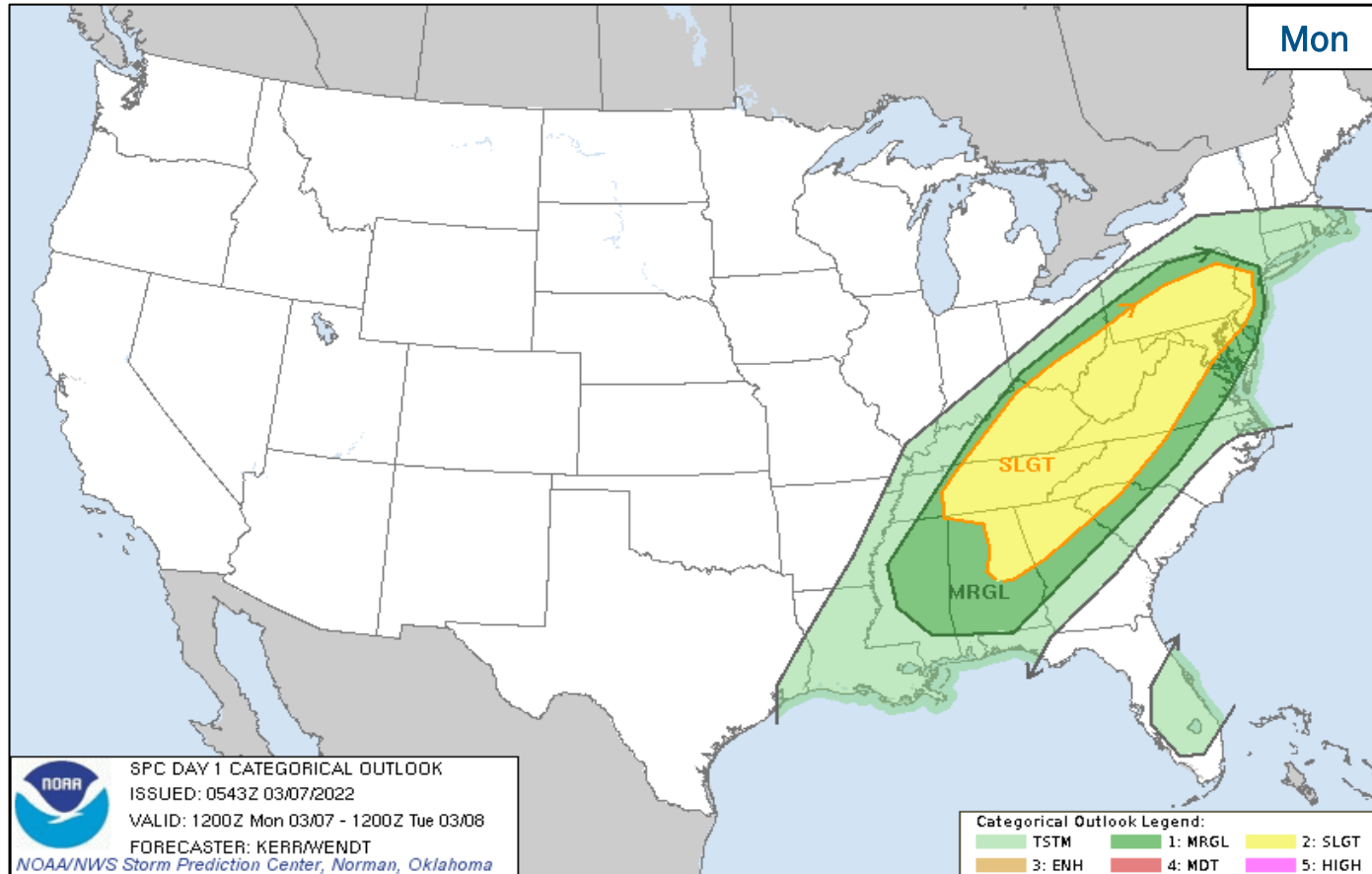
National Weather Forecast



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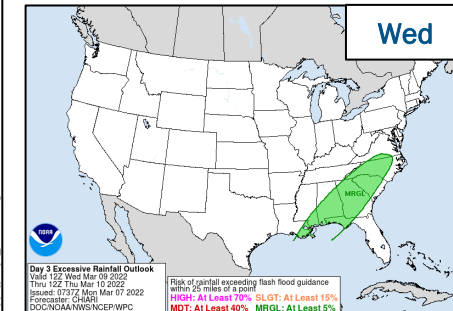
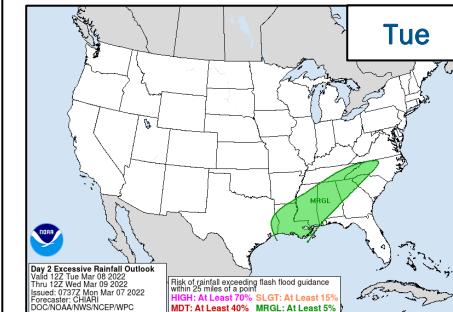
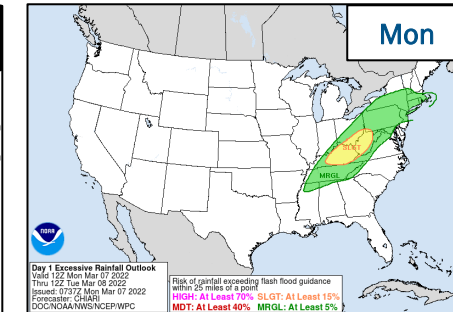
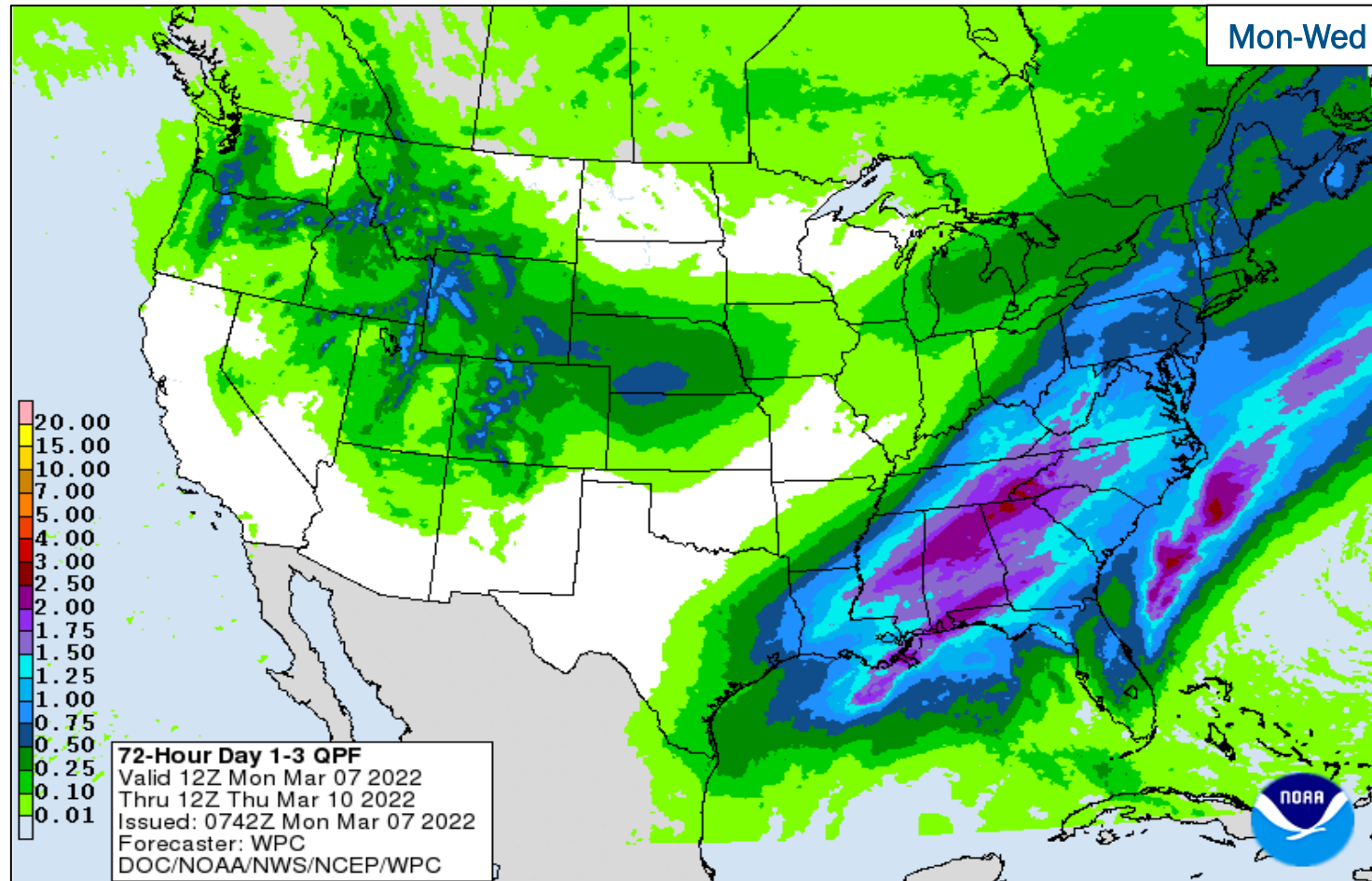
Severe Weather Outlook



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Precipitation & Excessive Rainfall



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Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

Region	State / Location	Incident	IA	Number of Counties		Start – End
			PA	Requested	Complete	
I	MA	Snow Feb 3-4	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	6	0	2/22 – TBD
	RI	Snow Jan 28-29	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	5	0	3/3 – TBD



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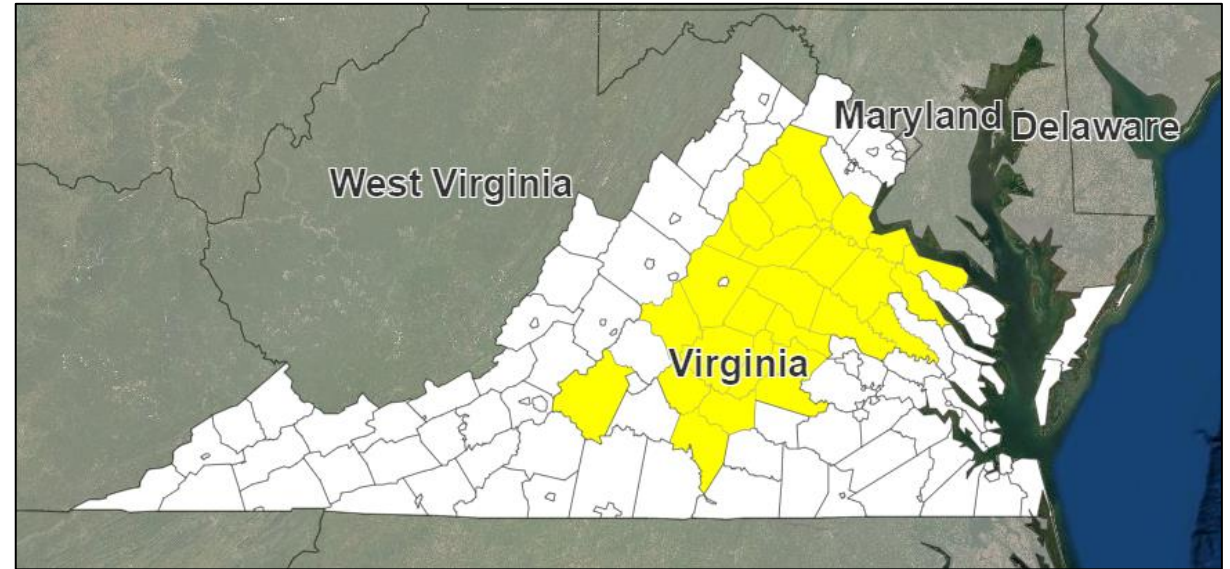
Declaration Request – Virginia

Declaration Type: Major Disaster – Virginia
Requested: Mar 3

Incident: Severe Winter Storm and Snowstorm
Incident Period: Jan 2-3

Requested:

- **PA:** 27 counties and 1 independent city
- **Snow Assistance:** 2 counties
- **Hazard Mitigation:** Entire commonwealth



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Declaration Request – Tennessee

Declaration Type: Major Disaster – Tennessee
Requested: Mar 3

Incident: Severe Winter Storm
Incident Period: Feb 3-4

Requested:

- **PA:** 7 counties
- **Hazard Mitigation:** Statewide



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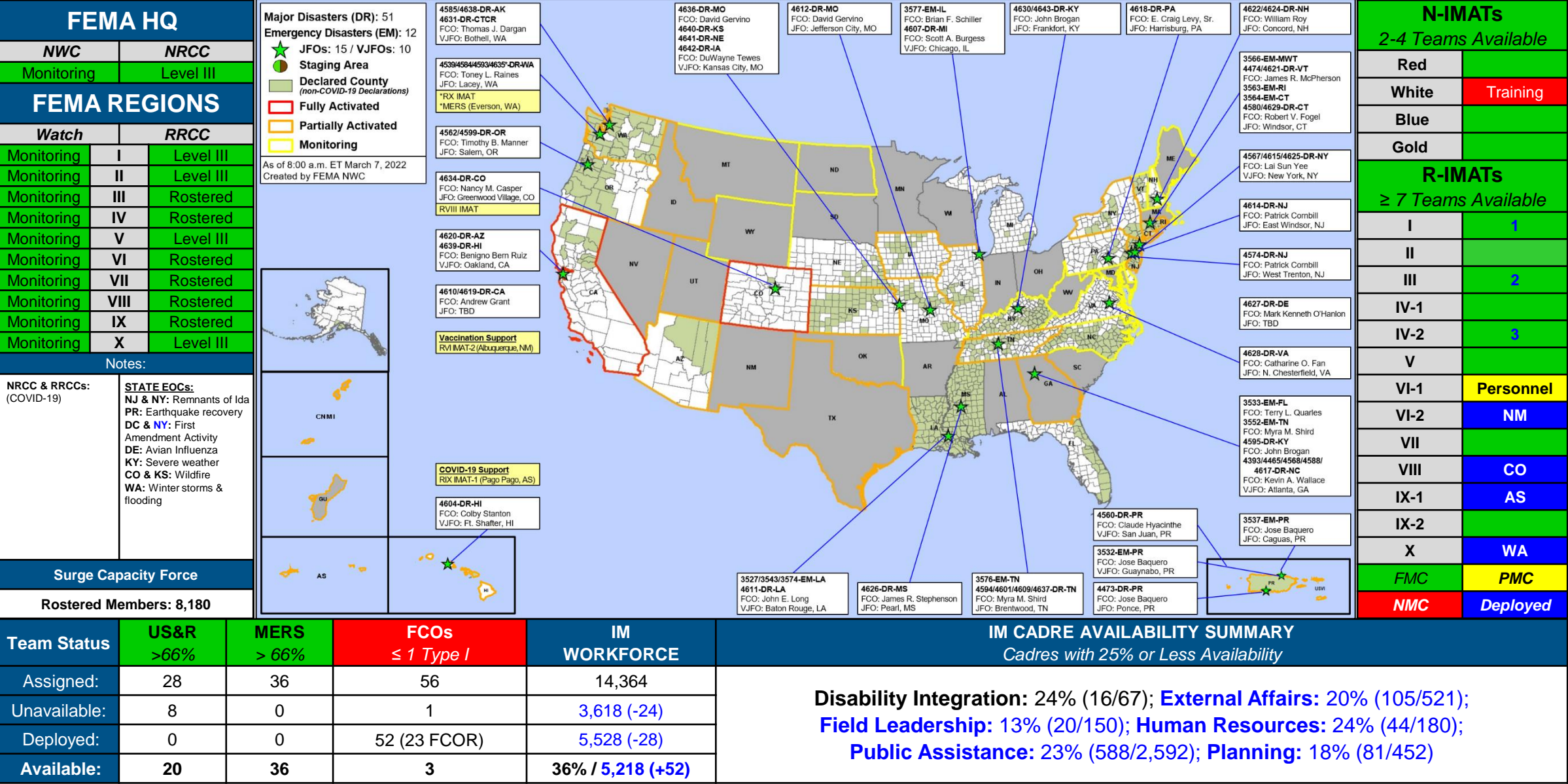
Declaration Requests in Process – 6

State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Type	IA	PA	HM	Requested
ME – Severe Storms and Flooding	DR		X	X	Feb 15
AK – Severe Winter Storm, Snowstorm, and Straight-line Winds	DR		X	X	Feb 23
FL – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, and Tornadoes – APPEAL	DR	X			Feb 24
AK – Severe Winter Storm and Straight-line Winds	DR		X	X	Feb 25
VA – Severe Winter Storm and Snowstorm	DR		X	X	Mar 3
TN – Severe Winter Storm	DR		X	X	Mar 3



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FEMA Common Operating Picture





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