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Daily Operations Briefing

Monday, August 24, 2020

8:30 a.m. ET

National Current Operations and Monitoring



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Significant Incidents or Threats:

- Tropical Cyclones Laura and Marco – Preparations and Response
- Severe thunderstorms possible – Upper Mississippi Valley
- Heavy rain and flash flooding possible – Gulf Coast
- Wildfire activity
- COVID-19

Tropical Activity:

- Atlantic:
 - Tropical Cyclone Laura
 - Tropical Cyclone Marco
- Eastern Pacific:
 - Disturbance 1: High (90%)
 - Disturbance 2: High (80%)
- Central Pacific: No activity affecting U.S. interests
- Western Pacific: No activity affecting U.S. interests

Declaration Activity:

- Requested: Emergency Declaration –Texas
- Approved: Emergency Declaration – Louisiana and Mississippi

Tropical Outlook – Atlantic



Tropical Cyclone Marco (Advisory #16 as of 8:00 a.m. ET)

- 85 miles SSE of the mouth of the Mississippi River
- Moving NW at 10 mph
- Maximum sustained winds 50 mph
- Forecast to become a tropical depression late on Tuesday and dissipate on Wednesday
- Tropical storm force winds extend 105 miles
- Forecast to approach the coast of LA this afternoon, and then turn west and move very close the coast of LA through Tuesday night

Watches and Warnings

- Storm Surge Warning – Morgan City, LA to Ocean Springs, MS and Lake Borgne
- Tropical Storm Warning – Intracoastal City to MS/AL border; Lake Pontchartrain, Lake Maurepas, and Metro New Orleans

Hazard Affecting Land

- Storm surge: Morgan City, LA to Ocean Springs, MS including Lake Borgne – 2-4 feet
- Rainfall: 3-5 inches with isolated maximum amounts of 10 inches across portions of the northeast and north-central Gulf Coast through Tuesday; may cause flash, urban, and small stream flooding
- A couple of tornadoes are possible today from southeast LA to the western FL Panhandle



Tropical Outlook – Atlantic

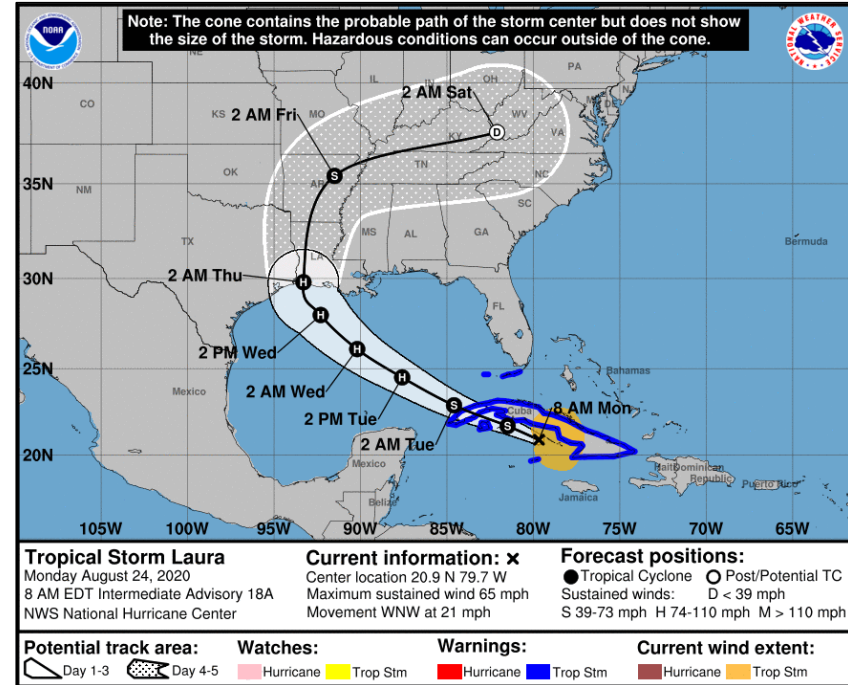


Tropical Storm Laura (Advisory #18 as of 8:00 a.m. ET)

- 125 miles ESE of Cayo Largo, Cuba
- Moving WNW at 21 mph
- Maximum sustained winds 65 mph
- Forecast to become a hurricane by early Tuesday
- Tropical storm force winds extend 175 miles
- The center will move over the Caribbean Sea just offshore of the southern coast of Cuba today, and into the southeastern Gulf of Mexico early Tuesday morning
- Forecast to move over the central and northwestern Gulf of Mexico Tuesday night and Wednesday
- Tropical Storm Warning for Florida Keys

Hazards Affecting Land

- Rainfall through Tuesday, 1-2 inches in the Florida Key
- Rainfall Wednesday into Friday, 5-10 inches, with isolated maximum amounts of 15 inches, across portions of the west-central U.S. Gulf Coast near the TX and LA border north into portions of the Lower Mississippi Valley
- Rain could cause widespread flash and urban flooding.
- Isolated tornadoes possible later today into tonight across the Florida Keys



Tropical Outlook – Eastern Pacific

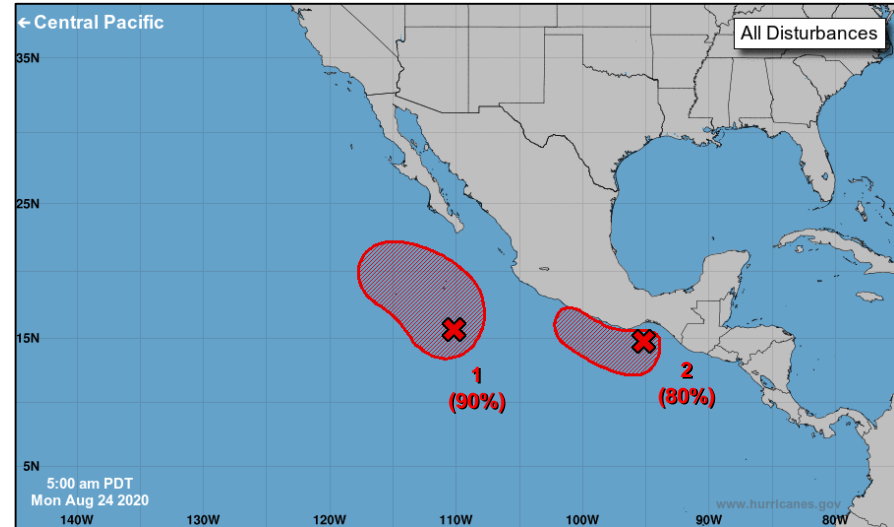


Disturbance 1 (as of 8:00 a.m. ET)

- Several hundred miles SSW of the southern tip of the Baja California peninsula
- Drifting N
- A tropical depression is expected to form this week
- Formation chance through 48 hours: High (70%)
- Formation chance through 5 days: High (90%)

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

- A couple of hundred miles SW of the Gulf of Tehuantepec
- Moving slowly NW
- A tropical depression is likely to form within the next couple of days
- Formation chance through 48 hours: High (70%)
- Formation chance through 5 days: High (80%)



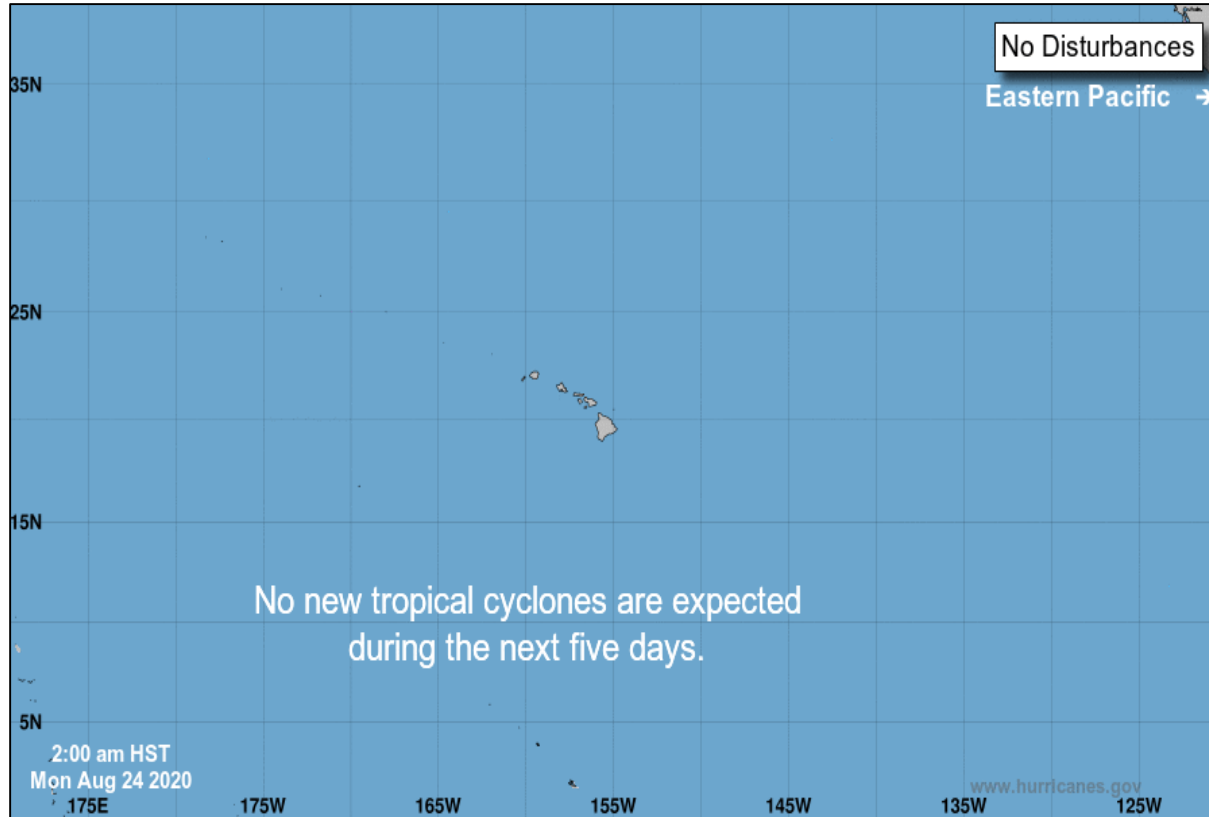
Current Disturbances & 5 Day Cyclone Formation: ✕ < 40% | ✕ 40-60% | ✕ > 60%
Tropical / Sub-Tropical Cyclone: ○ Depression | ● Storm | ● Hurricane | ⊗ Post-Tropical Cyclone / Remnants

Potential track area: Day 1-3 Day 4-5
Watches: Hurricane Trop Stm
Warnings: Hurricane Trop Stm
Current wind extent: Hurricane Trop Stm

Tropical Outlook – Central Pacific



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Tropical Cyclones Laura and Marco – Preparations/Response



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Situation:

Tropical Cyclone Marco will bring strong winds, life-threatening storm surge, heavy rainfall, and a tornado threat along portions of the Gulf Coast. Tropical storm conditions and an isolated tornado threat are possible from Laura over the middle and lower Florida Keys.

Lifeline Impacts

Safety and Security

- LA: Mandatory and voluntary evacuations in effect for 11 parishes
- LA: USAR teams and equipment staged
- TX: USAR teams and equipment, ambulances, and transportation buses staged
- FL: Monroe County evacuations lifted

Food, Water, Shelter

- LA: 2 shelters open; 6 shelters on stand-by
- MS: Shelter locations on stand-by in 4 counties
- PR: All shelters closed
- PR: Less than 1% of customers without water due to lack of power

Health and Medical

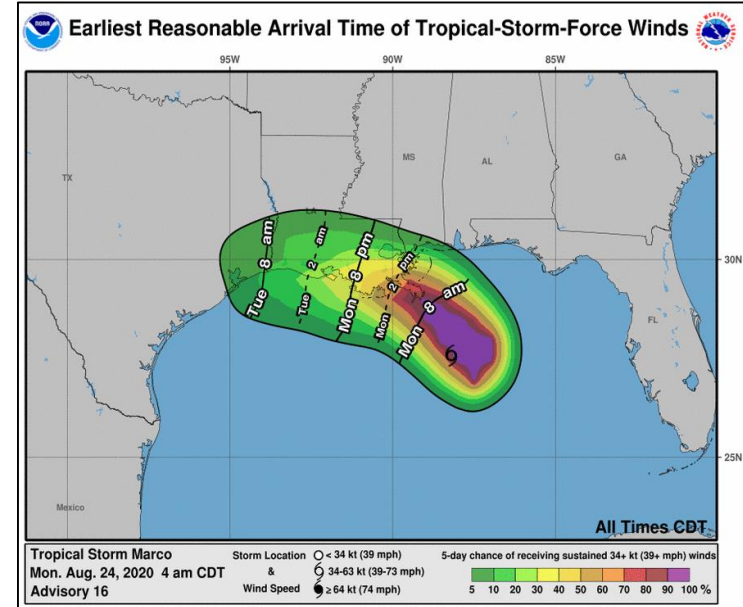
- PR: Power restored to all health care facilities

Energy

- LA: 13% oil & 4% natural gas production in the Gulf of Mexico are shut-in; Oil platforms evacuated
- PR: minimal power outages (less than 2% of customers)

Transportation

- Port of San Juan, PR and all USVI ports re-opened; all other PR ports remain closed; airports open



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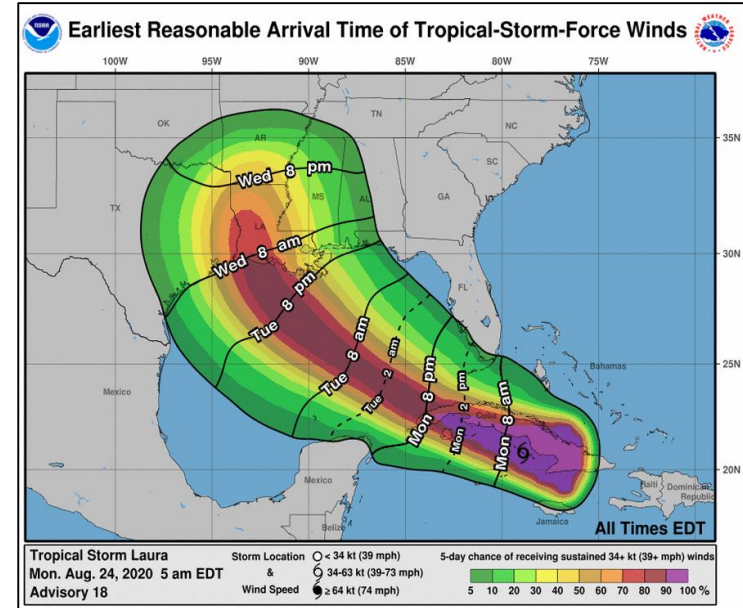
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State/Local Preparations/Response:

- PR EOC at **Partial Activation** (COVID-19); **de-activated for TC Laura**
- USVI EOC at **Partial Activation** (COVID-19); **de-activated for TC Laura**
- FL EOC at Full Activation; **Governor declared state of emergency, requested EM**
- **MS EOC at Partial Activation; Governor declared state of emergency**
- LA EOC at Partial Activation (COVID-19); **Governor declared state of emergency**
- **TX EOC at Partial Activation; Governor declared state of emergency, requested EM**

Federal Preparations/Response:

- NWC at Enhanced Watch (**RNC Aug 24-27**) / NRCC at **Level I, 24/7**
- Region II RRCC at Level II, Full Activation with select ESFs; **Transitioning to Level III today at 1:00 p.m. ET**
 - IMAT deployed to USVI
- **Region IV RRCC at Level III (RNC Aug 24-27)**
 - **IMAT-2 demobilized from FL, returning to home station**
- Region VI RRCC at Level II with select ESFs
 - IMAT-1 deployed to Austin, TX
 - IMAT-2 deployed to Baton Rouge, LA
- Logistics HQ: Staging Management Team (SMT) Atlanta deployed to Camp Beauregard, LA, SMT Fort Worth deployed to Roseland, LA, and National ISB Team deployed to Craig Field, AL
- MERS deployed to USVI, PR, Baton Rouge, LA, and Austin, TX
- Emergency Declaration 3537-EM-PR approved Aug 22
- **Emergency Declaration 3538-EM-LA approved Aug 23**
- **Emergency Declaration 3539-EM-MS approved Aug 23**



COVID-19 Update



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Situation: Upward trajectory in COVID-19 case count continues across 3 states, with 10 states in a plateau status, and 43 states on a downward trajectory.
23,110 Federal employees deployed / activated; 1,946 FEMA employees deployed.

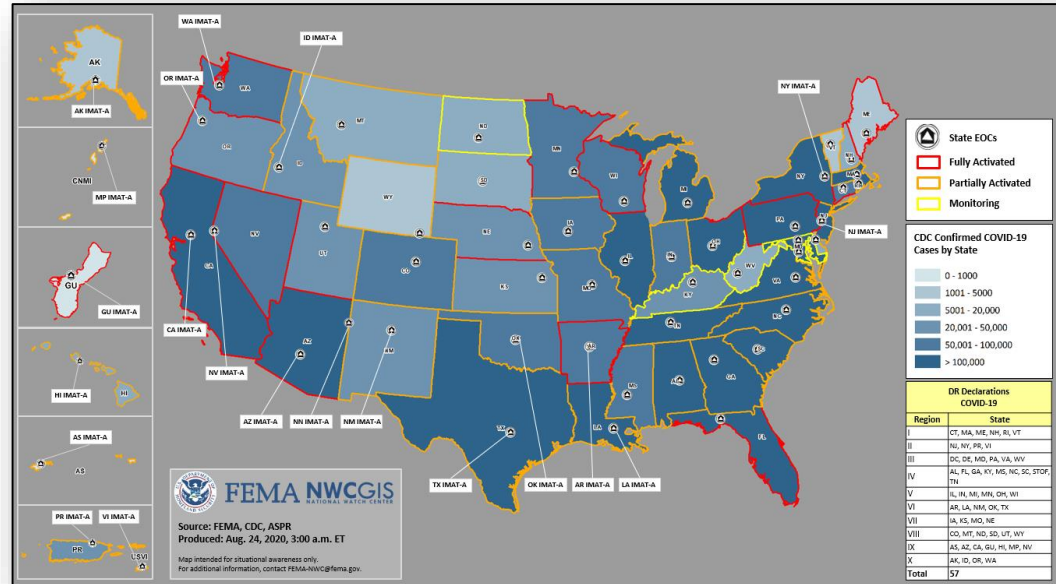
Nationwide Testing: 75,653,239 cumulative as of Aug 21

COVID-19 positive cases continue to increase globally
(CDC COVID-19 update as of Aug 23)

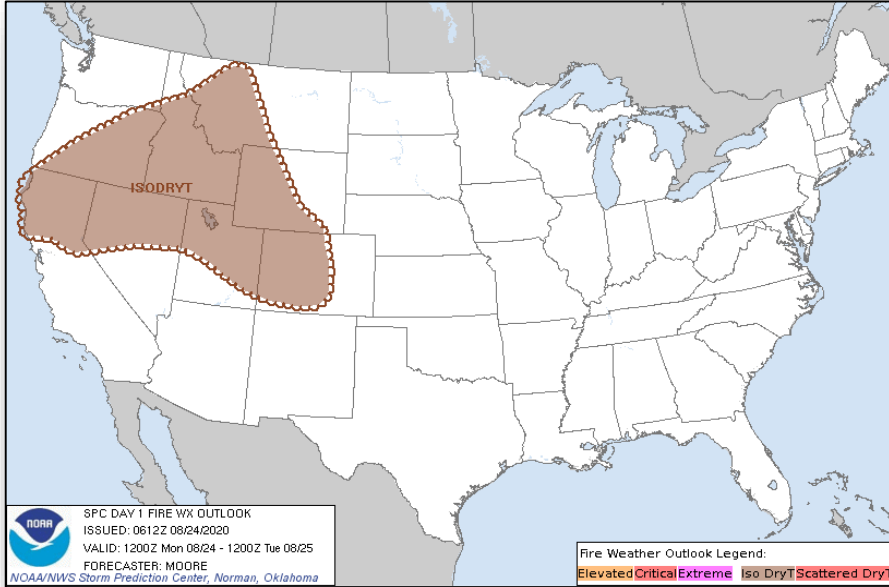
- Confirmed Cases of COVID-19
 - United States: 5,643,812 (+ 45,265)
 - Worldwide: 22,813,065 (+ 275,606)
- Deaths caused by COVID-19
 - United States: 175,651 (+ 1,010)
 - Worldwide: 795,134 (+ 5,927)

Response:

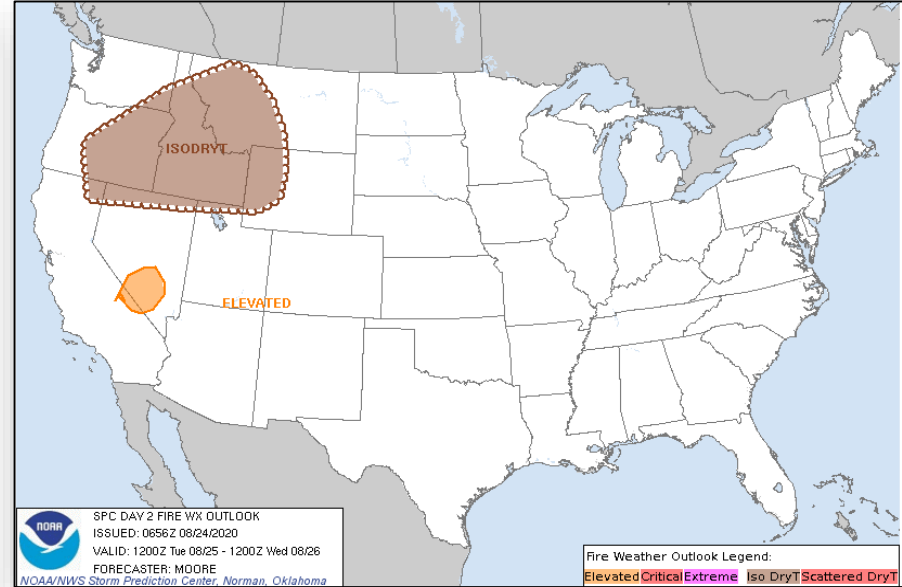
- NRCC at Level I
- Region II RRCC at Level II
- Regions I, III, V, VI, & X RRCCs at Level III
- Regions IV, VII, VIII, & IX RRCCs are rostered
- Regions VII, VIII & IX COVID-19 response being worked from the Virtual JFO
- NWC, all RWCs, and MOCs are monitoring



Fire Weather Outlook

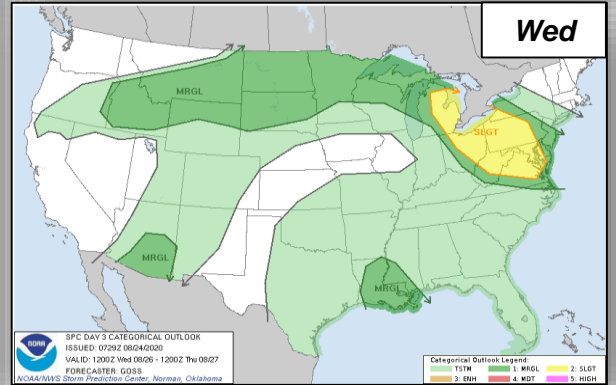
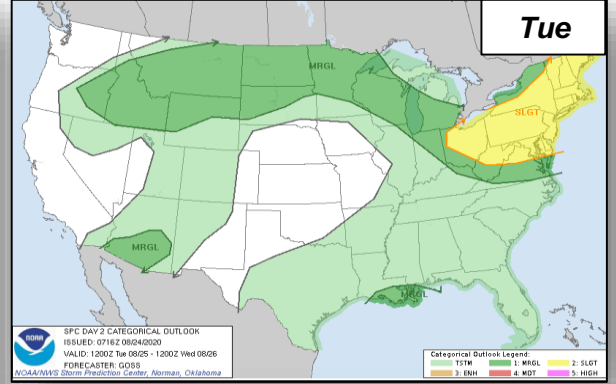
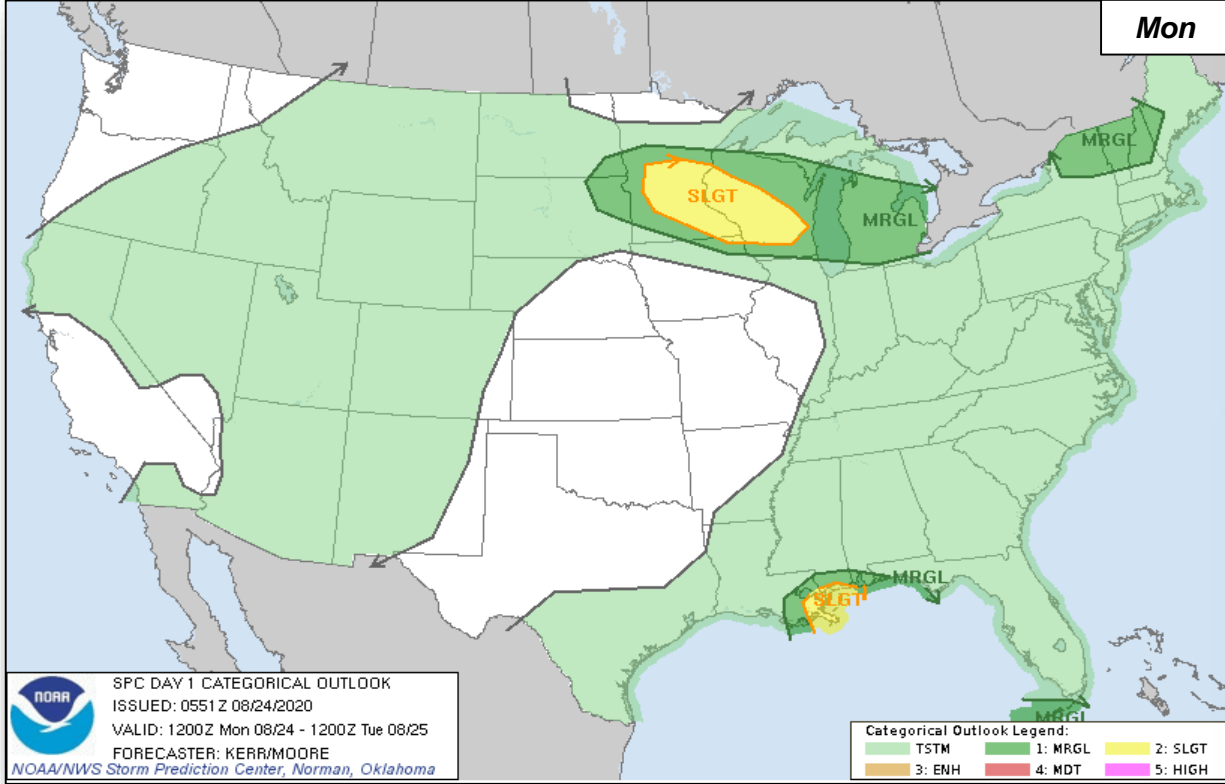


Today



Tomorrow

Severe Weather Outlook



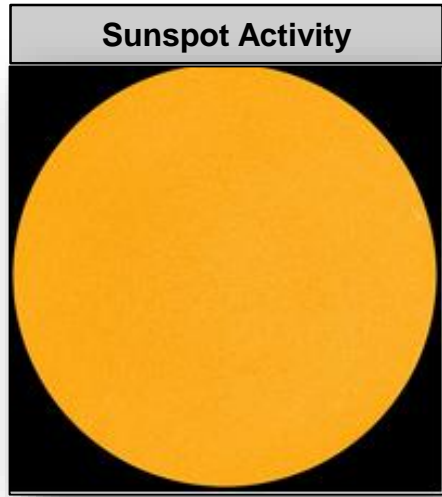
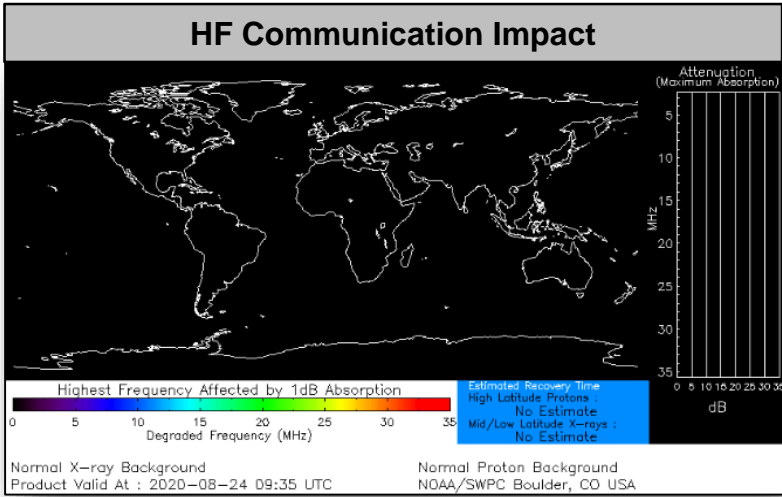
Space Weather



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	Space Weather Activity	Geomagnetic Storms	Solar Radiation	Radio Blackouts
Past 24 Hours	None	None	None	None
Next 24 Hours	None	None	None	None

For further information on NOAA Space Weather Scales refer to: <http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/noaa-scales-explanation>
 For further information on Sun Spot Activity refer to: <https://www.swpc.noaa.gov/phenomena/sunspotssolar-cycle>



Wildfire Summary



Fire Name (County, ST)	FMAG #	Acres Burned	Percent Contained	Evacuations	Structures (Homes / Other)			Fatalities / Injuries
					Threatened	Damaged	Destroyed	
Palmer Fire (Okanogan County, WA)	5337-FM-WA	17,880 (+4,380)	27% (+8)	M: 153 homes	H: 300	H: 0	H: 2	0 / 0
				V: 202 homes	O: 0	O: 0	O: 35	
Grizzly Creek Fire (Garfield & Eagle counties, CO)	5334-FM-CO	30,362	31% (+1)	M: 60 (-171)	H: 4,258 (-7,279)	H: 0	H: 0	0 / 10 (+2)
				V: 0	O: 1,053	O: 0	O: 3	
Pine Gulch Fire (Garfield & Mesa counties, CO)	5335-FM-CO	129,715 (+3,102)	44% (+25)	M: 27	H: 50	H: 0	H: 1	0 / 1
				V: 0	O: 5	O: 0	O: 4	
River Fire (Monterey County, CA)	5329-FM-CA	48,424 (+651)	20% (+5)	M: 20,917	H: 6,305	H: 8 (+1)	H: 8	0 / 0
				V: 0	O: 0	O: 1	O: 13 (+2)	
LNU Lightning Fire Complex (Napa County, CA)	5331-FM-CA	347,630 (+22,502)	21% (+6)	M: 79,916 (+176)	H: 30,000	H: 211	H: 722 (+6)	4 / 4
				V: 0	O: 500	O: 23 (+3)	O: 149 (+20)	
Carmel Fire (Monterey County, CA)	5333-FM-CA	6,695	15% (+8)	M: 43,761	H: 13,261 (-24,000)	H: 5	H: 35 (+2)	0 / 0
				V: 0	O: 0	O: 16 (+14)	O: 2 (-12)	
CZU Lightning Fire Complex (Santa Cruz and San Mateo counties, CA)	5336-FM-CA	74,000 (+7,000)	8% (+3)	M: 77,832	H: 24,323	H: 11 (+11)	H: 131 (+16)	0 / 1 (-1)
				V: 0	O: 0	O: 1 (+1)	O: 32 (+32)	
SCU Lightning Fire Complex (Santa Clara and Stanislaus counties, CA)	5338-FM-CA	343,965 (+3,997)	10%	M: 6,323 (+18)	H: 20,065	H: 0	H: 12 (+7)	0 / 4
				V: 0	O: 0	O: 0	O: 5	
Sheep Fire – CA (Lassen County, CA)	5339-FM-CA	23,423 (+8,423)	0%	M: 300 (-700)	H: 400 (-50)	H: 0	H: 2 (-2)	0 / 0
				V: 0	O: 155 (+155)	O: 0	O: 1 (+1)	

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

Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments



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Region	State / Location	Event	IA/PA	Number of Counties		Start – End
				Requested	Complete	
I	CT	Tropical Storm Isaias Aug 4, 2020	IA	8	0	TBD
			PA	8	0	TBD
III	DE	Tropical Storm Isaias Aug 4-5, 2020	IA	2	0	8/20 - TBD
			PA	3	0	8/20 - TBD
III	MD	Tropical Storm Isaias Aug 4-5, 2020	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	5	0	8/21 – TBD
IV	NC	Hurricane Isaias Aug 3, 2020	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	14	0	8/18 – TBD
VI	TX	Hurricane Hanna Jul 25, 2020 and continuing	IA	6	6	7/29 – 8/20
			PA	6	0	7/29 – TBD
VII	IA	Derecho Aug 10, 2020 and continuing	IA	27	0	8/15 – TBD
			PA	16	0	8/15 – TBD

Declaration Request



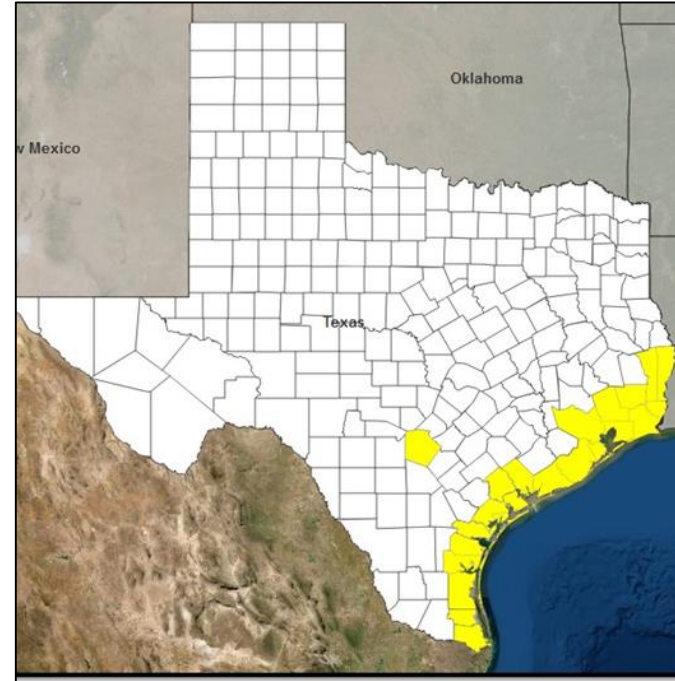
Declaration: Emergency Declaration – Texas
Requested: August 23, 2020

Incident: Hurricane Marco and Tropical Storm
Laura

Incident Period: August 23, 2020 and continuing

Requesting:

- **PA:** Emergency protective measures (Category B), including direct Federal assistance for 23 counties



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Declaration Approved



Declaration: Emergency Declaration - Mississippi
FEMA-3539-EM-MS

Requested: August 23, 2020

Approved: August 23, 2020

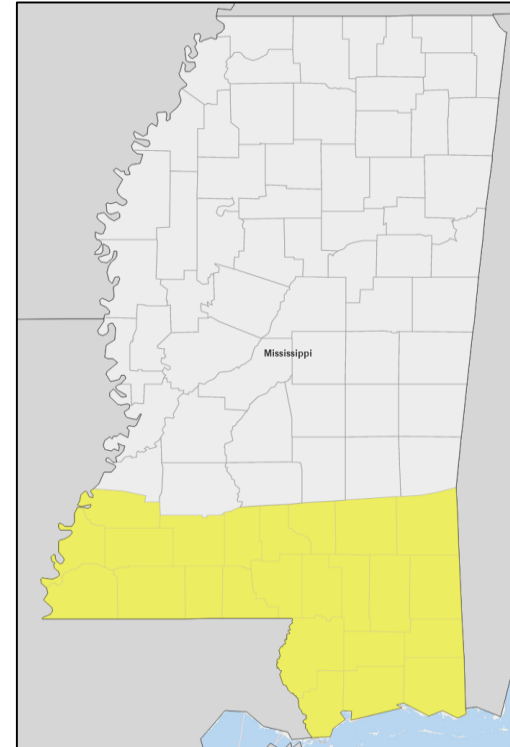
Incident: Hurricane Marco and Tropical Storm Laura

Incident Period: August 23, 2020 and continuing

Provides:

- **PA:** Emergency protective measures (Category B), limited to reimbursement for mass care including evacuation and shelter support at 75 percent federal funding for 24 counties

FCO: Brett H. Howard



■ PA

Declaration Approved



Declaration: Emergency Declaration - Louisiana
FEMA-3538-EM-LA

Requested: August 22, 2020

Approved: August 23, 2020

Incident: Tropical Storms Laura and Marco

Incident Period: August 22, 2020 and continuing

Provides:

PA:

- Emergency protective measures (Category B), limited to direct federal assistance and reimbursement for mass care including evacuation and shelter support under the Public Assistance program for 35 parishes
- Emergency protective measures (Category B), limited to direct federal assistance under the Public Assistance program for 29 parishes

FCO: John E. Long



■ PA

Declaration Requests in Process – 6



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State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Type	IA	PA	HM	Requested
Poarch Band of Creek Indians – COVID-19 Pandemic	DR	X	X		May 15
LA – Severe Storm and Tornadoes	DR		X	X	Jul 10
Sac & Fox Tribe of the Mississippi of Iowa – Severe Weather	DR	X	X	X	Aug 14
Puerto Rico – Tropical Storm Isaias	DR	X			Aug 21
Florida – Tropical Storm Laura	EM		X		Aug 21
Louisiana – Tropical Storm Marco - APPROVED (Aug 23)	EM		X		Aug 22
Mississippi – Hurricanes Laura and Marco - APPROVED (Aug 23)	EM		X		Aug 23
Texas – Hurricane Marco and Tropical Storm Laura	EM		X		Aug 23

FEMA Common Operating Picture



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FEMA HQ	
NWC	NRCC
Enhanced	Level I

FEMA REGIONS		
WATCH	RRCC	
Monitoring	I	Level III
Monitoring	II	Level II
Monitoring	III	Level III
Monitoring	IV	Level III
Monitoring	V	Level III
Monitoring	VI	Level II
Alt. Location	VII	Rostered
Monitoring	VIII	Rostered
Monitoring	IX	Rostered
Monitoring	X	Level III

Notes:

- NRCC / RRCCs activated for COVID-19
- NRCC: Level I, 24/7
- NWC: (RNC Aug 24-27)
- Region II: TC Laura
- Region IV: RNC
- Region VI: TC Marco (TC Laura & Marco Aug 24)
- CT: Isaias
- PR: Earthquakes & TC Laura
- CA: Wildfires
- IA: Derecho
- AL, FL, MS, LA, TX: TC Laura & Marco
- All EOCs activated for COVID-19

Major Disasters (DR): 110
Emergency Disasters (EM): 106
JFOs: 10 / VJFOs: 16
 Staging Area
 Distribution Center (DC)
 Declared County (non-COVID-19 Declarations)
 Fully Activated
 Partially Activated
 Monitoring

As of 8:00 a.m. ET August 24, 2020
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Region II COVID DRs
 4483-DR-WA FCO: Timothy B. Manner VJFO: Camp Murray, WA
 4533-DR-AK FCO: Michael F. O'Hare VJFO: Bethel, WA
 4534-DR-ID
 4535-DR-OR FCO: Dolph A. Diemont VJFO: Salem, OR
 4536-DR-UT
 4537-DR-SD
 4538-DR-WY FCO: Lee K. dePalo VJFO: Denver, CO
 4548-DR-UT FCO: Kenneth G. Clark
 4553-DR-ND
 4554-DR-ND FCO: Nancy Casper VJFO: Denver, CO
 4558-DR-CA FCO: Willie G. Nunn VJFO: TBD
 4559-DR-CA FCO: John Brogan VJFO: Kansas City, MO

Region III COVID DRs
 4482-DR-CA
 4495-DR-GU
 4510-DR-HI
 4511-DR-MP
 4523-DR-WY
 4524-DR-AZ
 4537-DR-AS FCO: Robert J. Fenton VJFO: Oakland, CA
 4549-DR-OR FCO: Colby Stanton VJFO: TBD

Region IV COVID DRs
 4484-DR-LA
 4485-DR-TX
 4518-DR-AR
 4529-DR-NM
 4530-DR-OK FCO: George A. Robinson VJFO: Denton, TX

Region V COVID DRs
 4489-DR-IL
 4490-DR-MO
 4507-DR-OH
 4515-DR-IN
 4520-DR-WI
 4531-DR-MN FCO: Kevin M. Sligh VJFO: Chicago, IL
 4557-DR-IA FCO: DuWayne Tewes VJFO: TBD
 RVII IMAT - SEOC

Region VI COVID DRs
 4440/4463/4469-DR-SD FCO: Jon K. Huss VJFO: Sioux Falls, SD
 4414/4442-DR-MN
 4477-DR-WI FCO: John F. Boyle
 4424/4447-DR-OH
 4461-DR-IL FCO: Steven W. Johnson VJFO: Springfield, IL
 4442-DR-NE closing Aug. 26 FCO: Thomas J. Dargan VJFO: Lincoln, NE
 4451-DR-MO closing Aug. 28 FCO: Robert J. Fenton VJFO: Kansas City, MO
 4544/4556-DR-AR FCO: Roland Jackson VJFO: Denton, TX
 4548-DR-LA
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 4483-DR-IA
 4490-DR-MO
 4507-DR-OH
 4515-DR-IN
 4520-DR-WI
 4531-DR-MN FCO: Kevin M. Sligh VJFO: Chicago, IL
 4557-DR-IA FCO: DuWayne Tewes VJFO: TBD
 RVII IMAT - SEOC

Region VIII COVID DRs
 4498-DR-CO
 4508-DR-MT
 4509-DR-ND
 4525-DR-UT
 4527-DR-SD
 4535-DR-WY FCO: Lee K. dePalo VJFO: Denver, CO
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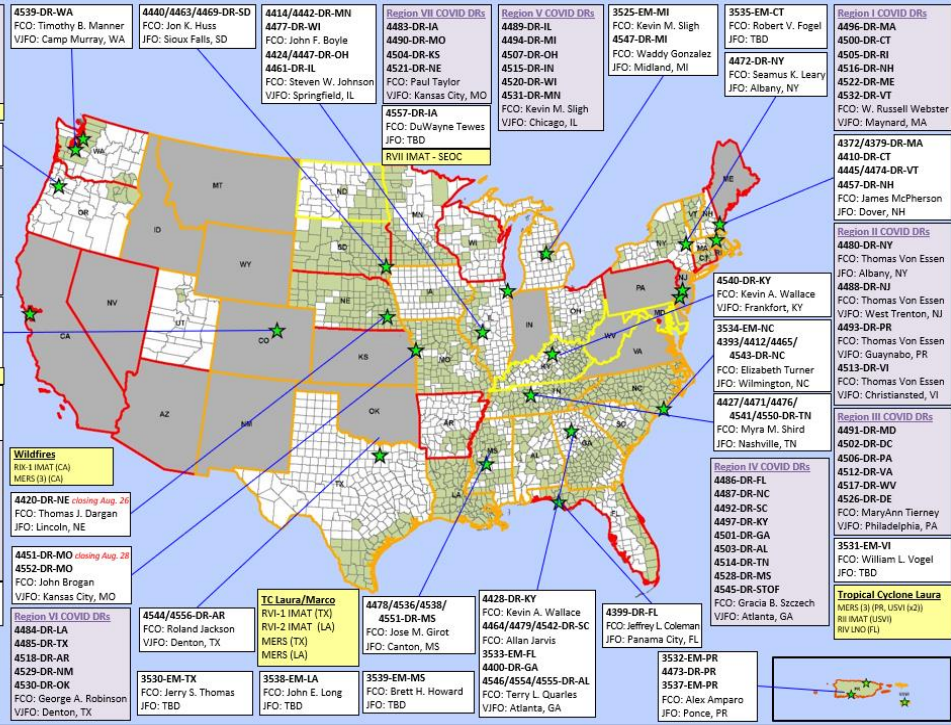
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Wildfires
 RW-1 IMAT (CA)
 MERS (I) (CA)

TC Laura/Marco
 RV-1 IMAT (TX)
 RV-2 IMAT (LA)
 MERS (TX)
 MERS (LA)

3532-EM-PR
 4473-DR-PR
 3537-EM-PR
 FCO: Alex Amparo VJFO: Ponce, PR



N-IMATs	
2 Teams	
Red	
Blue	On Alert
Gold	

R-IMATs	
4-6 Teams	
I	1
II	USVI
III	
IV-1	
IV-2	
V	2
VI-1	TX
VI-2	LA
VII	IA
VIII	(3) VJFO
IX-1	CA
IX-2	
X	RRCC

FMC	PMC
NMC	Deployed

Team:	US&R	MERS	FCOs	FDRCS	IM WORKFORCE
Status	33%-65%	>66%	≤1 Type I	= 2	
Assigned:	28	36	48	10	13,842 (IC)
Unavailable	11 (+1)	0	3	0	2,774 ▼
Deployed:	0	6	41	8	5,611 ▲
Available:	17 (+1)	30	4	2	5,457 / 39% ▼

IM CADRE AVAILABILITY SUMMARY	
Cadres with 25% or Less Availability	
EHP 22% (143/655); FL 21% (33/158); FM 22% (53/243); OPS 17% (54/317); PA 23% (710/3,114); PLAN 23% (105/454); SAF 15% (8/55)	



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