

FEMA National Watch Center

Daily Operations Briefing

Monday, August 24, 2026

8:30 a.m. ET



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National Current Operations / Monitoring

New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Operations

- No new significant incidents / operations

Hazard Monitoring

- Severe Thunderstorms – Northern-Central Plains and Lower Mississippi Valley
- Tropical Activity:
 - Atlantic:
 - Disturbance 1 (AL95): Med (50%)
 - Disturbance 2: Med (50%)
 - Eastern and Central Pacific:
 - Tropical Storm Lala
 - Tropical Depression Moke
 - Tropical Storm Iselle
 - Disturbance 1 (EP91): Med (40%)
 - Disturbance 2: High (80%)
 - Disturbance 3: Low (30%)
 - Disturbance 4: Low (20%)

Disaster Declaration Activity

- No new declaration activity

Event Monitoring

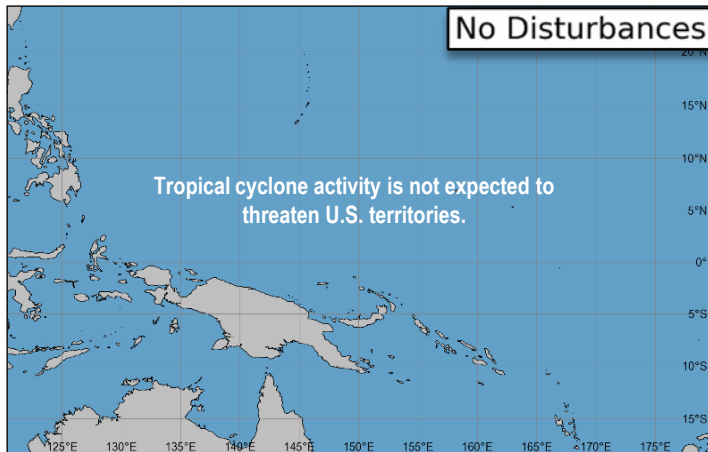
- No new significant events



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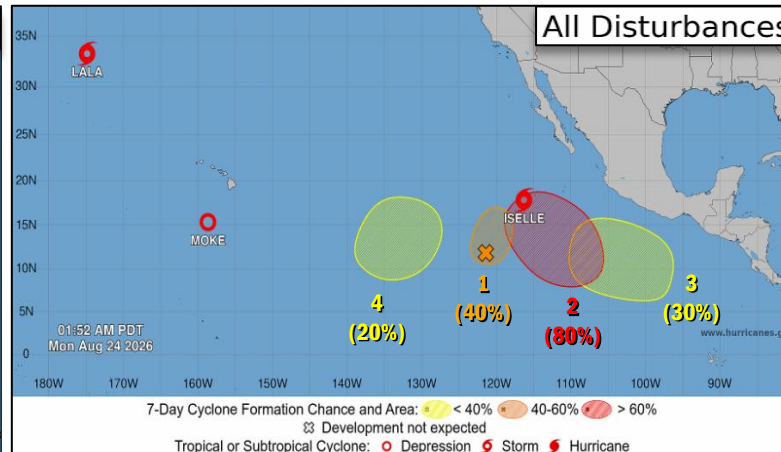
Tropical Outlook

Western Pacific



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

Eastern and Central Pacific



Tropical Storm Lala: (Advisory #48, as of 5:00 a.m. ET)

- See slide below

Tropical Depression Moke: (Advisory #16 as of 5:00 a.m. ET)

- See slide below

Tropical Storm Iselle: (Advisory #4, as of 5:00 a.m. ET)

- See slide below

Disturbance 1 (EP91): (as of 2:00 a.m. ET)

- Located well **SW** of the Baja California peninsula
- Conditions could support a short-lived tropical depression during the next **day or so before it merges with Tropical Storm Iselle**
- Formation chance – 48 hours: Med (40%) ; 7 days: Med (40%)

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

- Expected to develop well S of the Baja California peninsula
- A tropical depression **is likely to form later this week or over the weekend**
- Formation chance – 48 hours: Low (near 0%); 7 days: High (80%)

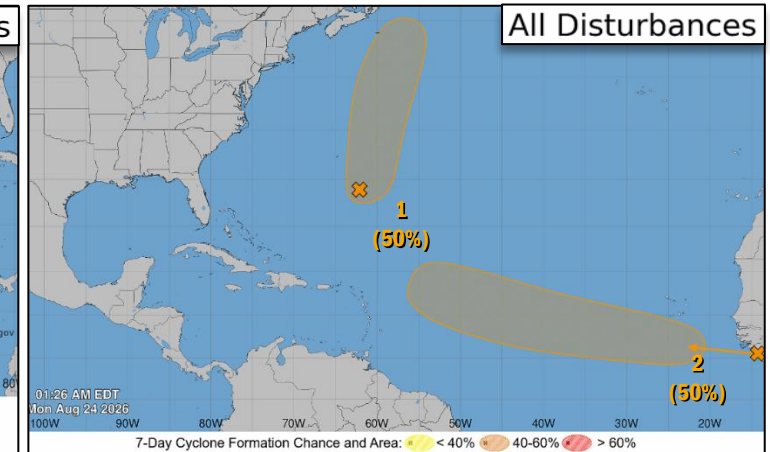
Disturbance 3: (as of 2:00 a.m. ET)

- Area of low pressure could form well offshore of Central America late this week
- Conditions conducive for gradual development of this system over the weekend while moving WNW at 10-15 mph
- Formation chance – 48 hours: Low (near 0%); 7 days: Low (30%)

Disturbance 4: (as of 2:00 a.m. ET)

- Low pressure forecast to form well to the ESE of the Hawaiian Islands
- Some slow development of this system is possible later this week
- Formation chance – 48 hours: Low (near 0%); 7 days: Low (20%)

Atlantic



Disturbance 1 (AL95): (as of 2:00 a.m. ET)

- Area of low pressure is located a few hundred miles SE of Bermuda
- Further development is possible, and the system could become a short-lived tropical depression or storm during the next couple of days
- Formation chance – 48 hours: Med (50%); 7 days: Med (50%)

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

- Tropical wave expected to move off the west coast of Africa **later today and area of low pressure could form in association with the wave early this week**
- Environmental conditions are forecast to be marginally conducive for development, and a tropical depression could form by the middle to latter portions of **this week**
- Formation chance – 48 hours: Low (10%); 7 days: Med (50%)



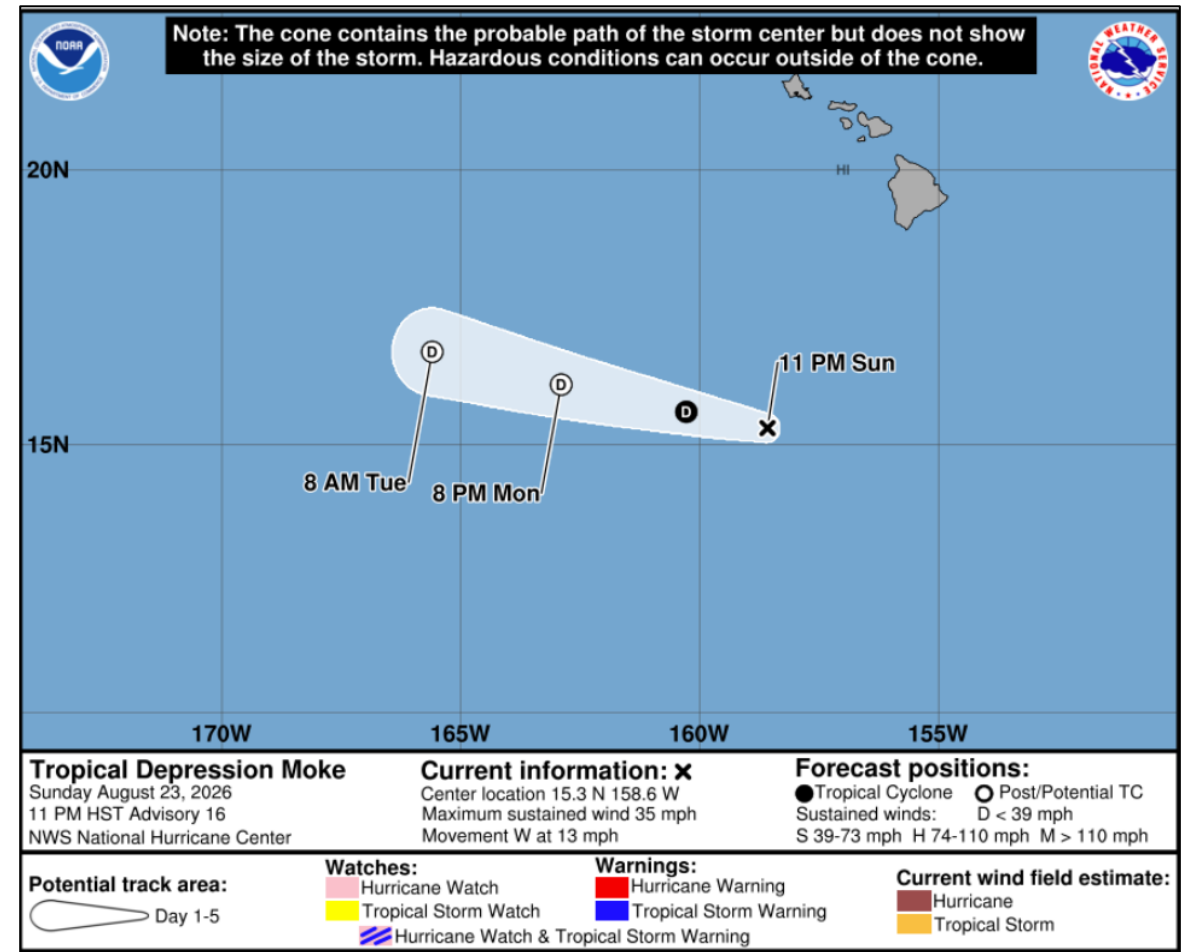
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Tropical Depression Moke – Central Pacific

Situation: (Advisory #16, as of 5:00 a.m. ET)

- Located 380 miles SW of Hilo, Hawaii
- Moving W at 13 mph
- Maximum sustained winds of 35 mph
- The center of Moke will pass SW of the Big Island of Hawaii today and well S of the smaller main Hawaiian Islands
- Moke is forecast to degenerate to a remnant low later today and dissipate on Tuesday



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Tropical Storm Iselle – Eastern Pacific

Situation: (Advisory #4, as of 5:00 a.m. ET)

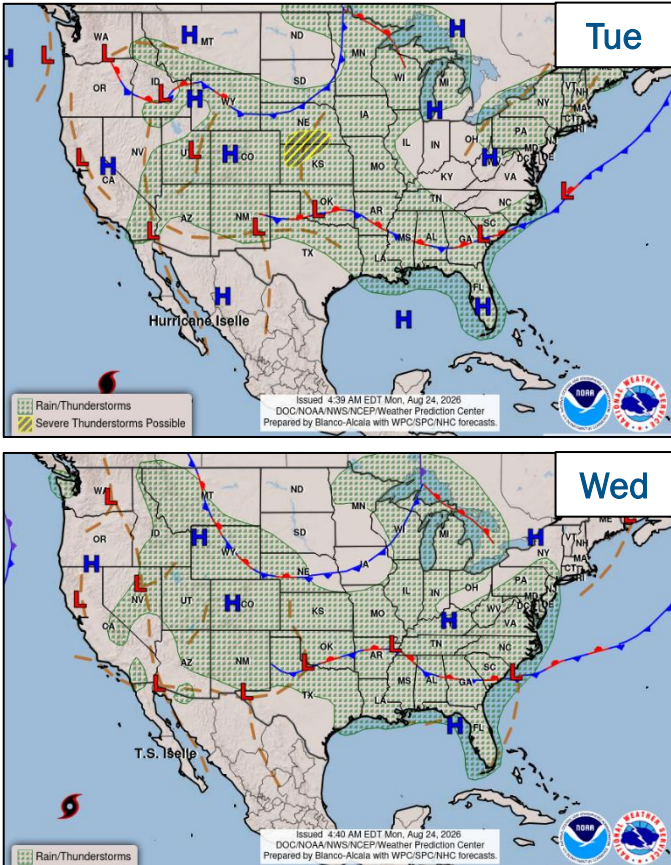
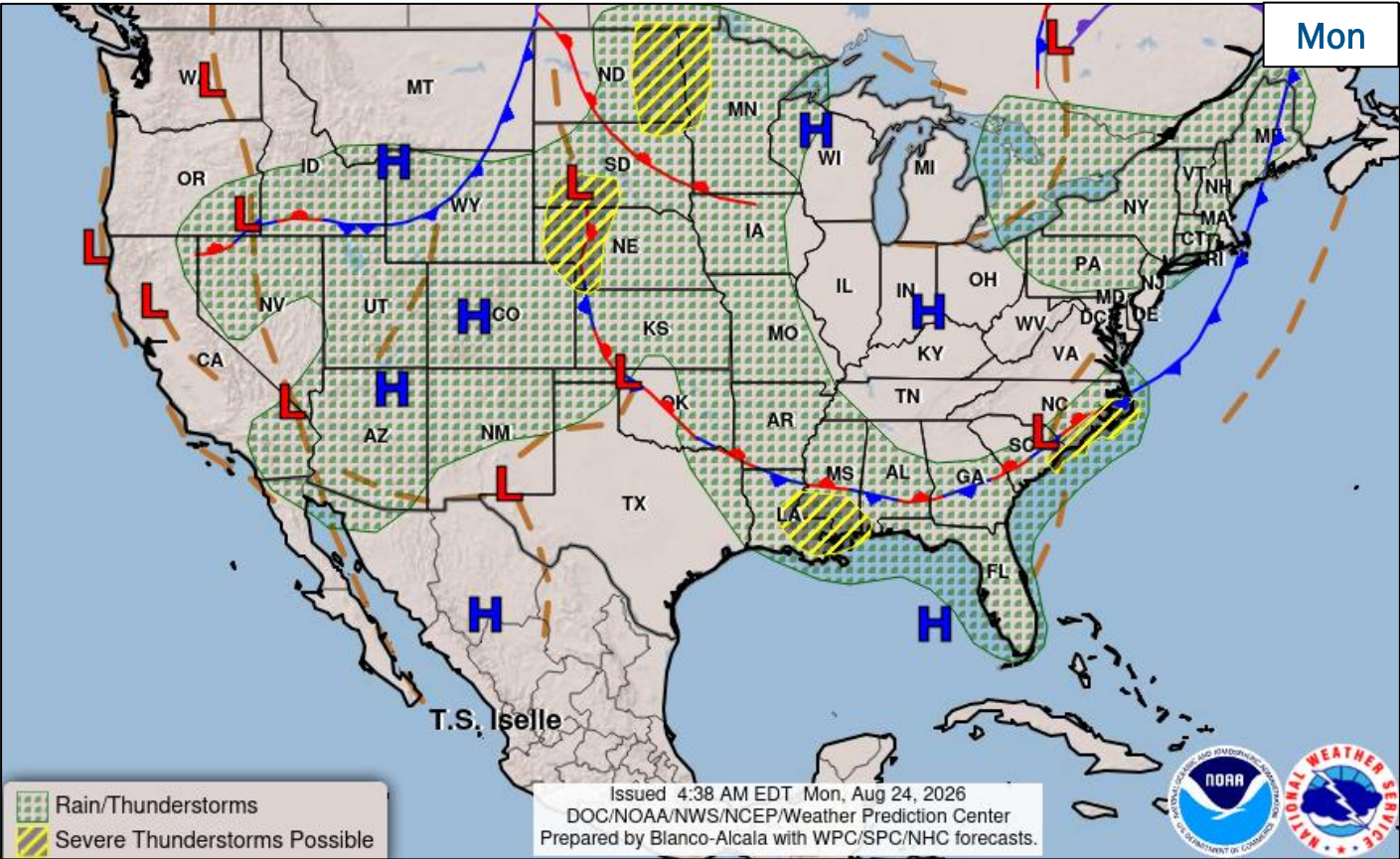
- Located 540 mi SW of the southern tip of Baja California
- Moving NW at 12 mph
- Maximum sustained winds of 60 mph
- Tropical storm-force winds extend outwards up to 125 miles from center
- Some strengthening is expected over the next day or so
- Iselle could become a short-lived hurricane by late tonight
- Gradual weakening is forecast to start on Tuesday



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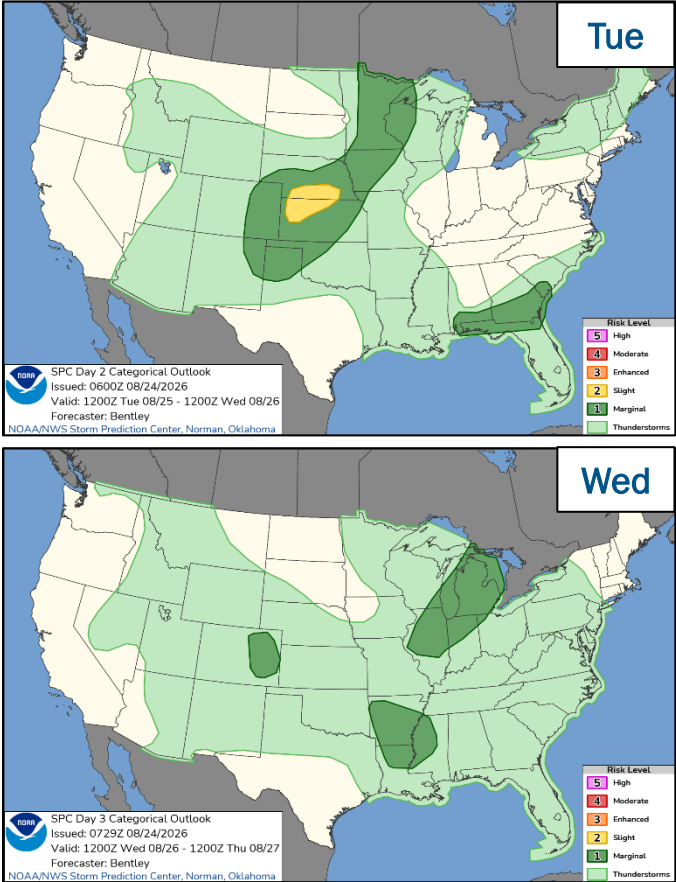
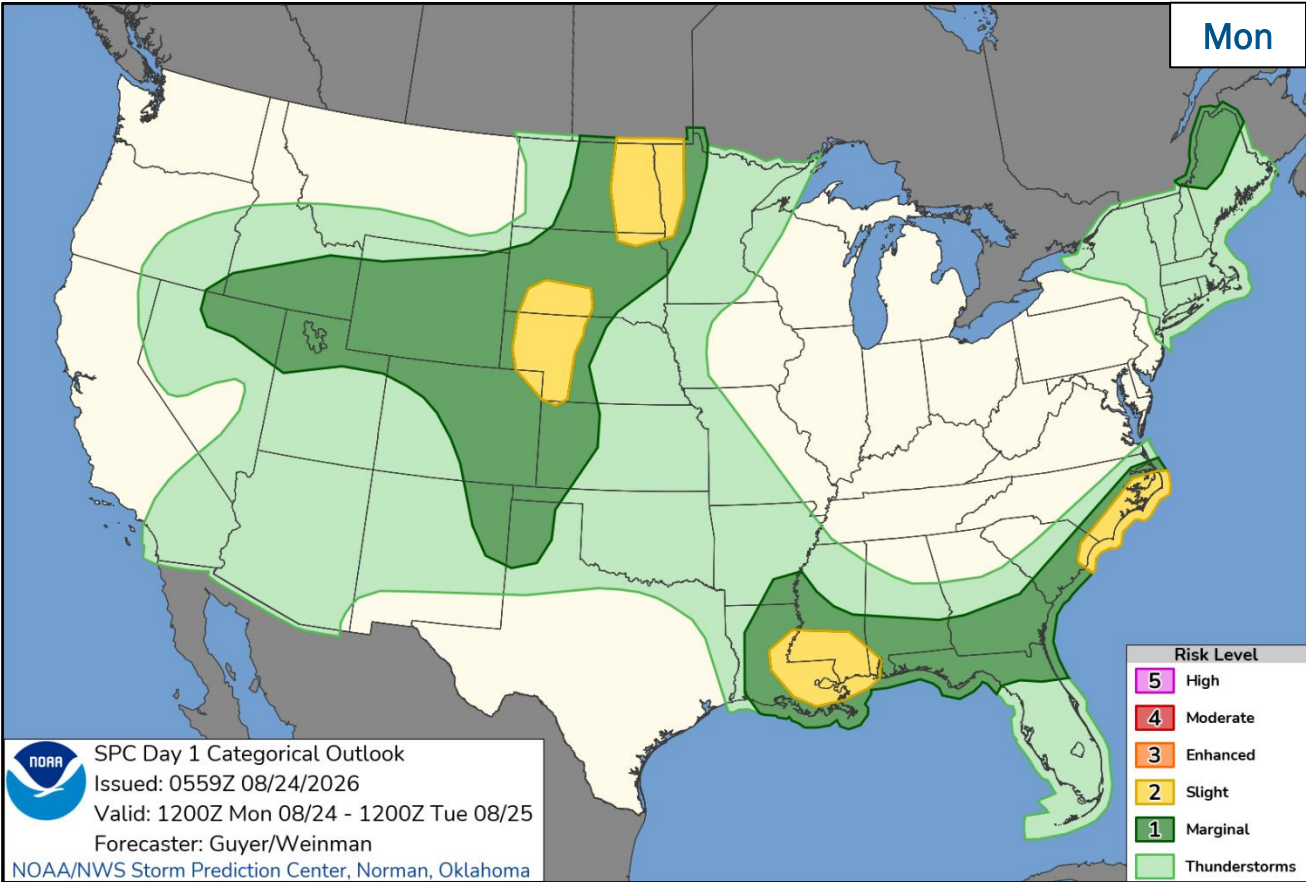
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National Weather Forecast



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Severe Weather Outlook



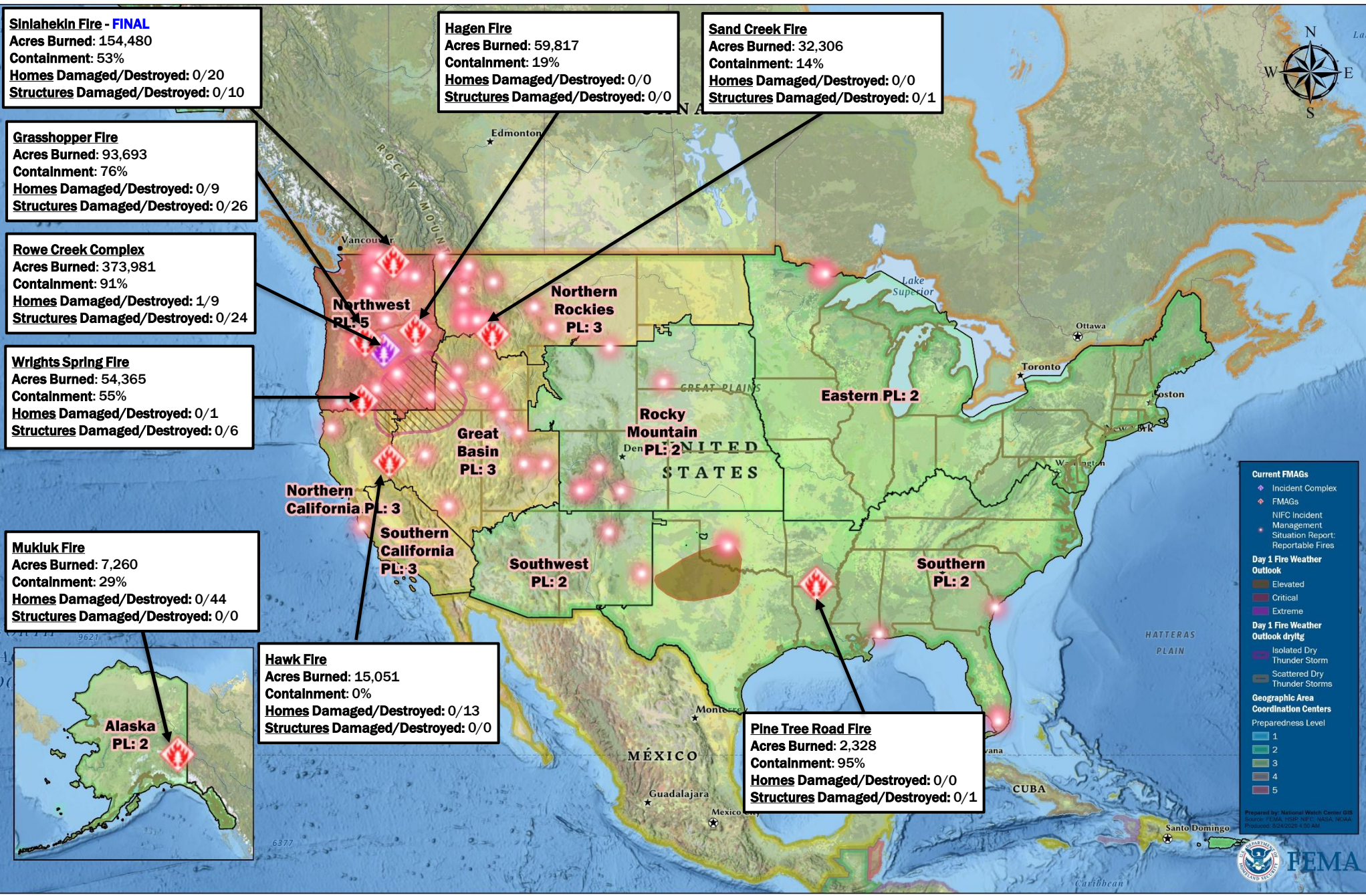
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National Fire Activity – August 24, 2026

INITIAL ATTACK ACTIVITY (24-hour period)	Moderate (200 fires)
New Large Fires	5
Large Fires Contained	1
Uncontained Large Fires	79
Year-to-Date Acres Burned	7,738,302
Total Responders	22,122
Type 1 IMTs Deployed	1
Complex IMTs Deployed	21
FMAGS	Total
2026 (FYTD)	60
2025	75
3 Year Average	53

Preparedness Levels:

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





FEMA Common Operating Picture

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Incident Workforce

18,968
Assigned a Disaster Title

6,447 / 34%
Deployed

5,974 / 31%
Available to Deploy for 30 Days

6,547 / 35%
Remaining

Surge Capacity Force
7,702 / 0 / 770
Rostered / Deployed /
Est. Available to Deploy for 30 Days

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National Readiness

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NRCC

N-IMAT Red

N-IMAT White

N-IMAT Blue

N-IMAT Gold

N-IMAT HS

National Notes

National Watch:
• NWC: Staffing

NRCC:
• Rostered

National IMATs:
• N-IMAT Red: Staffing
• N-IMAT White: Staffing
• N-IMAT Blue: Staffing

REGIONAL BREAKDOWN

	JFO	DR	EM	JRO
R1	0	1	0	0
R2	0	0	0	2
R3	0	2	0	0
R4	4	13	0	1
R5	0	2	1	0
R6	4	6	3	3
R7	0	5	0	0
R8	1	5	0	0
R9	0	5	4	0
R10	4	7	1	0

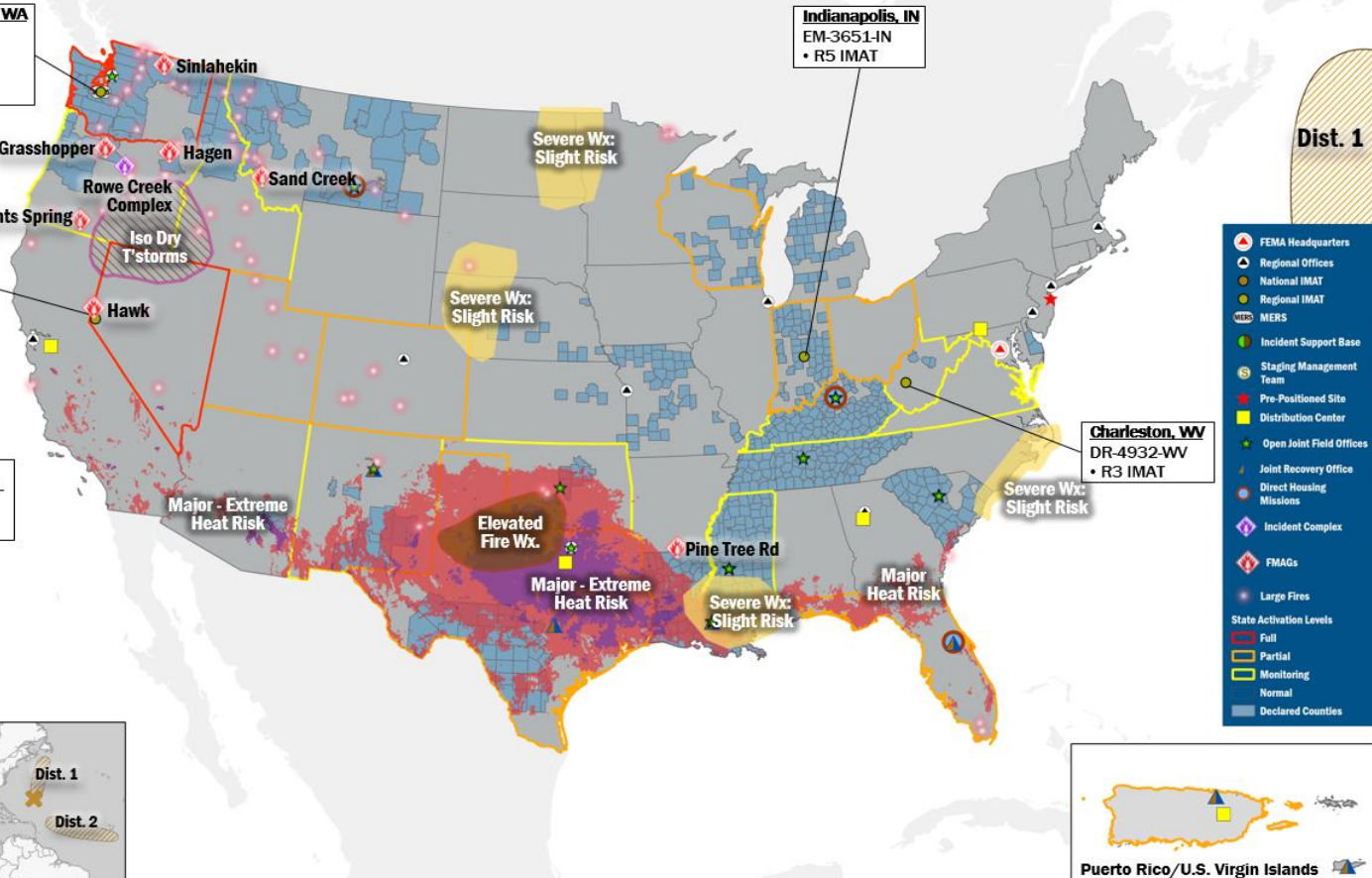
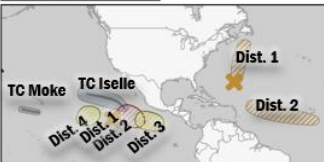
Camp Murray, WA
EM-3650-WA
• R10 IMAT
• R7 IMAT
• MERS

Indianapolis, IN
EM-3651-IN
• R5 IMAT

Carson City, NV
Wildfire
• R9 IMAT-1

CNMI
DR-4910-MP &
EM-3647-MP
• R9 IMAT-2

Guam
DR-4910-MP & EM-
3648-GU
• ISB Delta



Regional Readiness

Watch RRCC IMAT

Region 1			3
Region 2			2
Region 3			WV
Region 4			1
Region 5			IN
Region 6			
Region 7			WA
Region 8			
Region 9			NV MP
Region 10			WA

Regional Notes

Watches/RRCCs:
• R2 Watch: Equipment
• R5 Watch: Staffing

State EOCs:
• FL/MS: Previous Incidents
• AK/CO/ID/NV/NM/OK/OR/WA: Wildfires
• IN/KY/OH/TX/WV: Severe Weather
• MP: TC Bavi / TC Saudel
• UT: Wildfire/Major Events/Drought/Crop Loss
• PR/VA: Drought
• Wt: Support for 4923-DR-WI
• HI: TC Lala

IMATs:
• R1: Staffing
• R3: Deployed (4932-DR-WV)
• R4-1: Staffing
• R4-2: Staffing
• R5: Deployed (3651-EM-IN)
• R7: Deployed (3650-EM-WA)
• R9-1: Deployed (XXXX-FM-NV)
• R9-2: (4910-DR-MP)
• R10: Deployed (3650-EM-WA)

Legend

- Fully Mission Capable
- Partially Mission Capable
- Requires Augmentation
- Deployed/Activated

Commodities & Equipment

	CONUS	Caribbean	Hawaii	Guam
Water				
Meals				
Generators				

SMT

Operational	11/11
Requires Augmentation	3/11
Deployed	0/11

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	0
FEMA-Deployed	0
Not Mission Capable	0
Available	28
FEMA Support Staff	11/21

FCO

Assigned	38
Not Mission Capable	1
Deployed	31 (22 FCO)
Available	6

Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

Region	State / Location	Event	IA	Number of Counties		Start - End
			PA	Requested	Complete	
R5	OH	Severe Weather Aug 11 and continuing	IA	18	0	8/24 - TBD
			PA	16	0	8/24 - TBD
R8	CO	Aspen Acres Fire Jun 29 and continuing	IA	2	0	7/28 - TBD
			PA	2	0	7/28 - TBD
	RST*	Severe Storms, Hail, and Straight-line Winds Aug 11-12	IA	1	0	8/31 - TBD
			PA	1	0	8/31 - TBD

*Rosebud Sioux Tribe



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Declaration Requests in Process – 21

State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Type	IA	PA	HM	Requested
NY – Severe Winter Storm, Snowstorm, and Straight-line Winds – Appeal	DR		X	X	Mar 25
MA – Severe Winter Storm and Snowstorm – Appeal	DR		X	X	Apr 7
ND – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, and Tornadoes	DR		X	X	Jul 6
NH – Severe Storm and Flash Flooding – Appeal	DR		X	X	Jul 8
RI – Severe Winter Storm and Snowstorm – Appeal	DR		X	X	Jul 15
TX – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, and Flooding	DR	X	X	X	Jul 17
NJ – Severe Winter Storms and Snowstorm – Appeal	DR		X	X	Jul 20
HI – Earthquake	DR	X			Jul 21
ID – Severe Storm and Flooding	DR		X	X	Jul 22
KY – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides	DR	X	X	X	Jul 23
SD – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, and Flooding	DR		X	X	Jul 24
MO – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, and Flooding	DR		X	X	Jul 28
KS – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, and Flooding	DR		X	X	Jul 28
OST* – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, and Flooding	DR	X	X	X	Jul 29
IA – Severe Storms and Flooding	DR		X	X	Aug 3
IN – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, and Flooding	DR	X	X	X	Aug 6
GU – Super Typhoon Bavi	DR	X	X	X	Aug 11
KS – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, and Flooding	DR		X	X	Aug 11
MN – Severe Storms and Flooding	DR	X		X	Aug 20
IN - Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, and Flooding	DR	X	X	X	Aug 20
HI – Hurricane Lala	EM		X		Aug 22

*Oglala Sioux Tribe



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