

FEMA National Watch Center

Daily Operations Briefing

Wednesday, September 8, 2021

8:30 a.m. ET



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National Current Ops / Monitoring

New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Ops

- Tropical Cyclone Ida – Recovery
- Wildfire Activity – Western U.S.
 - Caldor Fire – CA

Hazard Monitoring

- Severe thunderstorms possible – Mid-Atlantic to Northeast
- Heavy rain and flash flooding possible – Mid-Atlantic to Northeast
- Critical fire weather – Northern Rockies
- Tropical Activity
 - Atlantic:
 - Hurricane Larry (CAT 3)
 - Disturbance 1: Medium (50%)
 - Disturbance 2: Low (20%)
 - Eastern Pacific:
 - Tropical Depression Fifteen-E
 - Disturbance 1: Low (20%)

Disaster Declaration Activity

- Amendment No. 1 to FEMA-4611-DR-LA

Event Monitoring

- United Nations General Assembly



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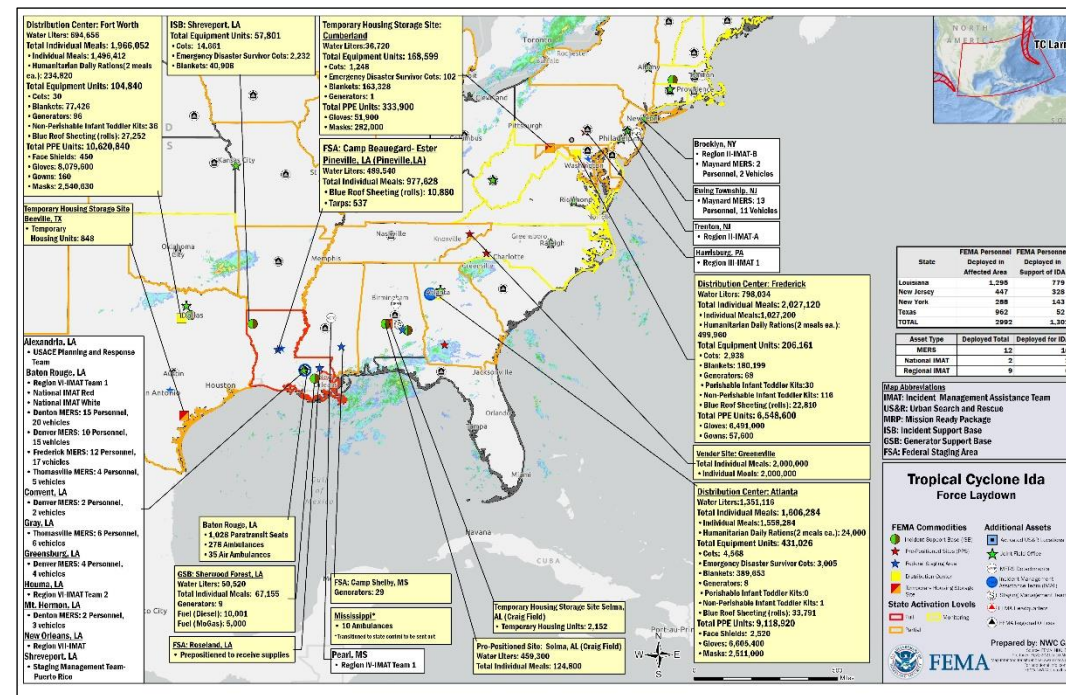
Tropical Cyclone Ida

Situation: Priorities remain power, fuel, hospitals and medical.

FEMA / Federal Response:

FEMA HQ:

- NRCC at [Level III](#), 24/7; NWC is monitoring
- Major Disaster Declaration FEMA-4611-DR-LA; JFO established in Baton Rouge, LA
- Major Disaster Declaration FEMA-4614-DR-NJ approved on Sep 5
- Major Disaster Declaration FEMA-4615-DR-NY approved on Sep 5
- Emergency Declarations: approved for LA, MS, NJ and NY
- National IMAT Red and White deployed to Baton Rouge, LA
- Region VII IMAT deployed to New Orleans, LA
- MERS: Denton, Denver, Thomasville, Maynard, and Frederick supporting



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Tropical Cyclone Ida – Region VI



Lifeline Impacts: (Tropical Cyclone Ida SLB as of 6:00 a.m. ET, Sep 8)

Safety and Security:

- LA: Mandatory evacuations for **5 (-4)** parishes; voluntary evacuations for **2 (-9)** parishes (FEMA-4611-DR-LA SitRep #5, Sep 7)

Food, Water, Shelter:

- LA: **223 (-8)** Boil Water Advisories in effect impacting **585k (-262k)** people; **43 (-19)** water system outages affecting **62k (+4k)** people
- LA: **15 (-1)** shelters open with **1,584 (+218)** occupants (ARC Midnight Shelter Count as of 7:01 a.m. ET)

Health and Medical:

- LA: **15 (-1)** hospitals fully evacuated; **18 (-7)** hospitals on generator power; **21 (-2)** nursing homes fully evacuated; **35 (+4)** nursing homes on generators; **47 assisted living facilities fully evacuated, 21 on generators**

Energy:

- LA: **353k (-79k) (16%, -3%)** customers without power (DOE Eagle-I as of 5:45 a.m. ET)
- Most Entergy LA areas, including New Orleans East and Orleans Parish, expected to be restored today;** full restoration to heavily impacted areas by Sep 29-30

Transportation:

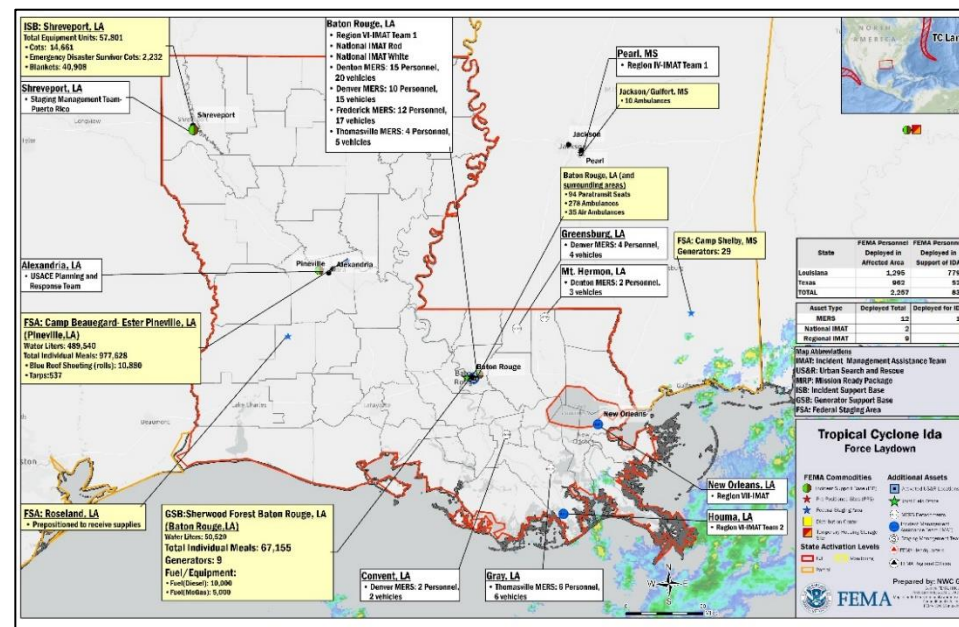
- LA: Rail service to New Orleans area will not return to normal until Mays Rail Yard is open, debris removed, and power crews are on site; Amtrak service from New Orleans to Memphis suspended, line serves as an evacuation route for the city; **affects 6 rail lines; no ETA for restoration**

State / Local Response:

- LA EOC at Full Activation (TC Ida and COVID)

FEMA Region VI Response:

- RRCC at Level III, day shift only
- IMAT-1 deployed to Baton Rouge, LA
- IMAT-2 deployed to Houma, LA



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The diagram illustrates the interconnectedness of NJ and NY in disaster response. NJ is linked to NY through a central 'Health and Medical' hub. NJ also connects to 'Food, Water, Sheltering' and 'Energy (Power & Fuel)'. NY connects to 'Safety and Security', 'Food, Water, Sheltering', 'Energy (Power & Fuel)', 'Communications', 'Transportation', and 'Hazardous Materials'.

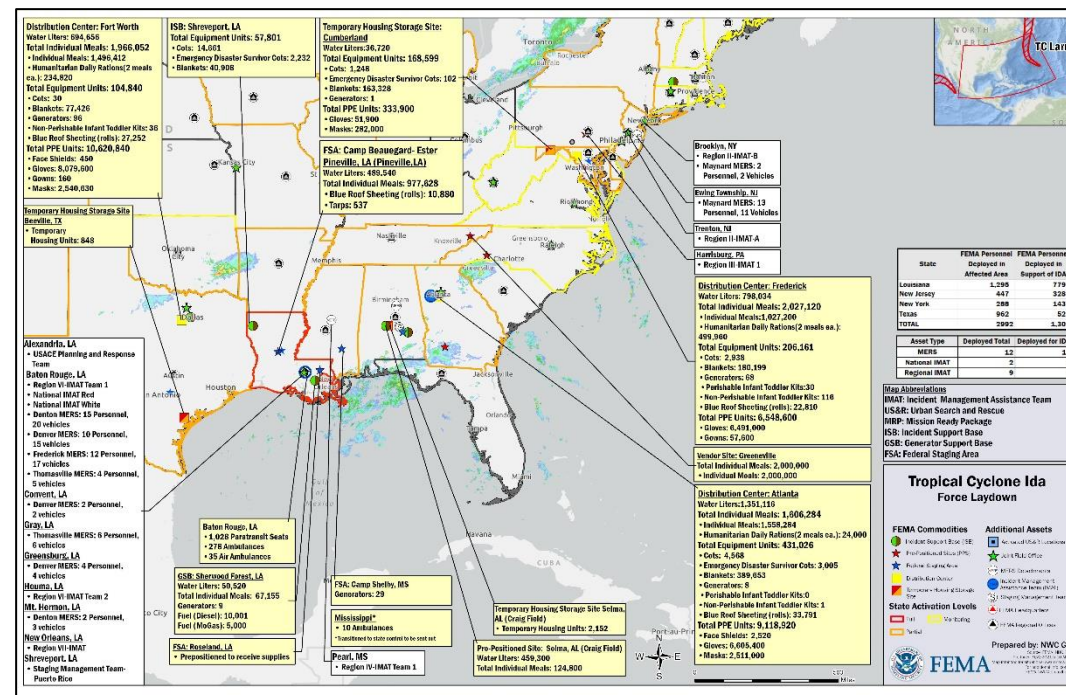
Food, Water, Shelter:

- NJ: Congregate shelters: 1 (-1) with 28 (-6) occupants (*Region II as of 7:26 a.m. ET*)
- NY: Congregate shelters: 1 with 36 (-6) occupants; non-congregate shelters: 11 with 16 occupants (*ARC Midnight Shelter Count as of 7:01 a.m. ET*)

- NY: 3 (-1) medical facilities impacted by flash flooding event; no evacuations
- NJ: 1 nursing home evacuated, 1 assisted living facility evacuated, 1 flooded
- Fatalities: NY: 17 confirmed; NJ: 27 confirmed

- NJ EOC at Partial Activation (Ida and COVID)
- NY EOC at Partial Activation (Ida and COVID)

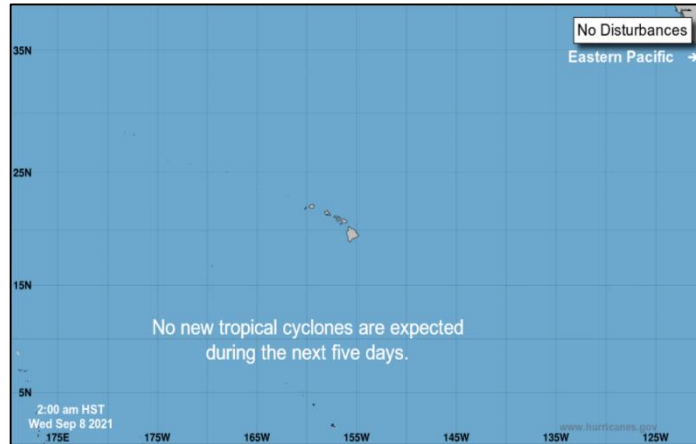
- RRCC at Level III, 24/7, with ESFs 1, 7, 13
- IMAT deployed to NJ EOC; collateral IMAT deployed to Brooklyn, NY IOF
- LNOs deployed to NYC EOC; Westchester County, NY; NY state EOC, NJ EOC
- Emergency Declarations FEMA-3572-EM-NY and FEMA-3573-EM-NJ
- Major Disaster Declarations FEMA-4614-DR-NJ and FEMA-4615-DR-NY



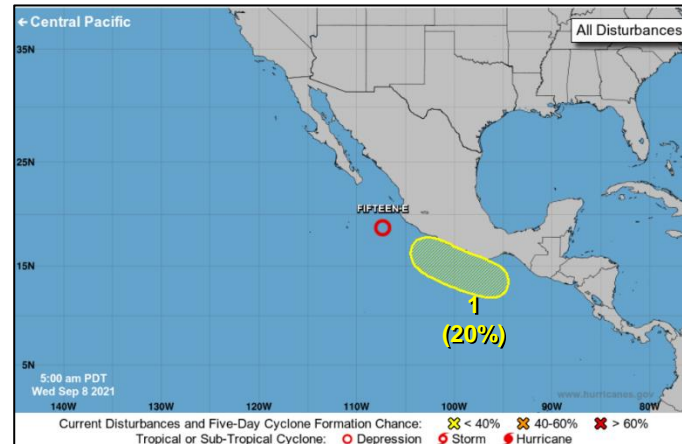
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Tropical Outlook – Five Day

Central Pacific



Eastern Pacific



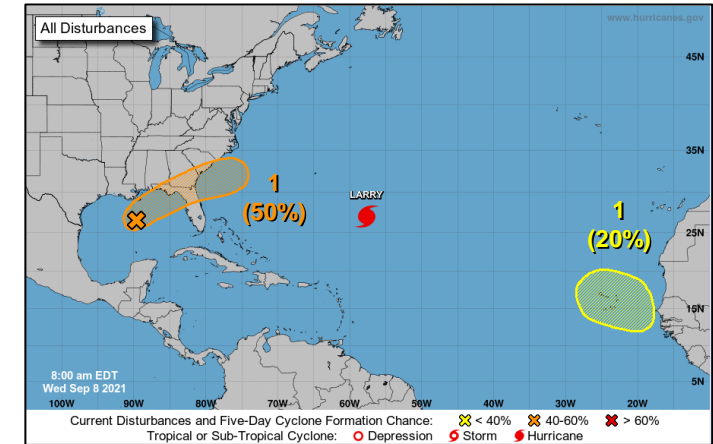
Tropical Depression Fifteen-E (Advisory #3 as of 5:00 a.m. ET)

- 185 miles W of Manzanillo, Mexico
- Moving NNW at 3 mph
- Maximum sustained winds 35 mph
- Expected to become a tropical storm later today, could become a short-lived hurricane Thursday or Thursday night

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

- Expected to form over the weekend a couple of hundred miles south of the southern coast of Mexico
- Formation chance: 48 hours: Low (near 0%); 5 days: Low (20%)

Atlantic



Hurricane Larry (CAT 3) (Advisory #31 as of 5:00 a.m. ET)

- 605 miles SE of Bermuda
- Moving NW at 10 mph
- Maximum sustained winds 115 mph

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

- Located over central and eastern Gulf of Mexico
- Expected to cross into the southeastern U.S.
- Could bring heavy rain to portions of Florida panhandle and southern GA through Thursday
- Formation chance: 48 hours: Medium (50%); 5 days: Medium (50%)

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

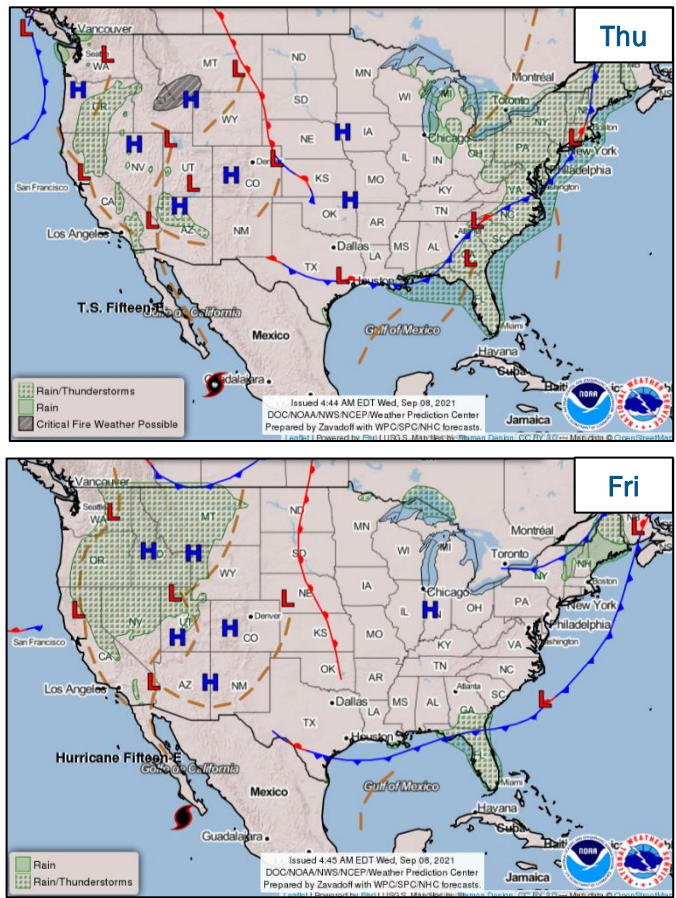
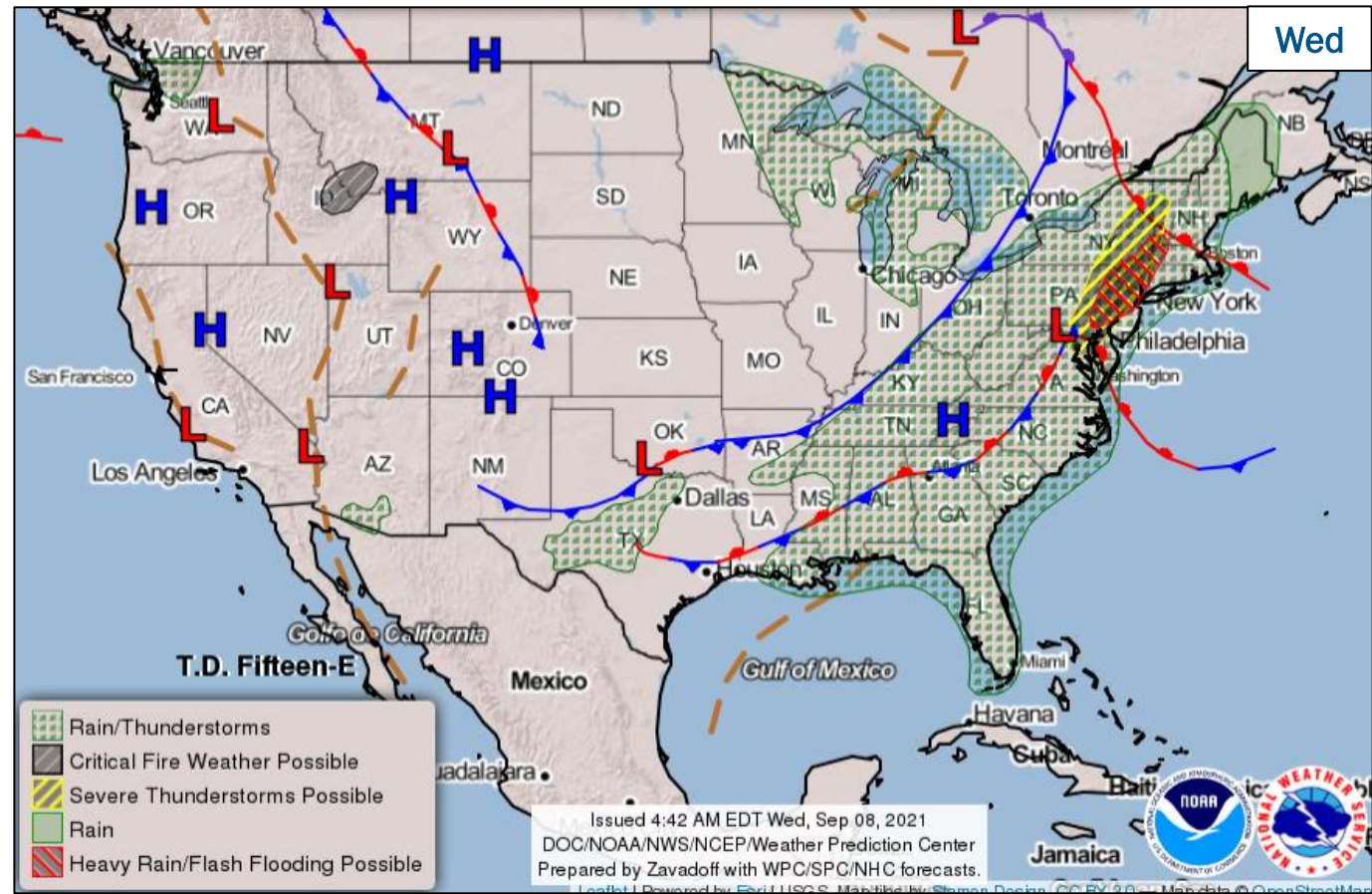
- Expected to emerge off western coast of Africa in a few days
- Formation chance: 48 hours: Low (near 0%); 5 days: Low (20%)



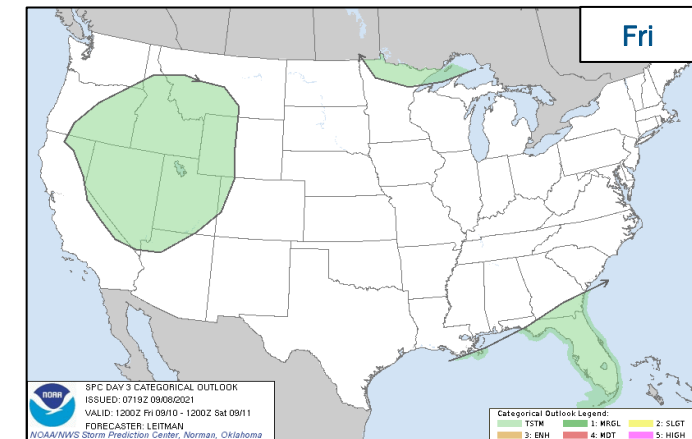
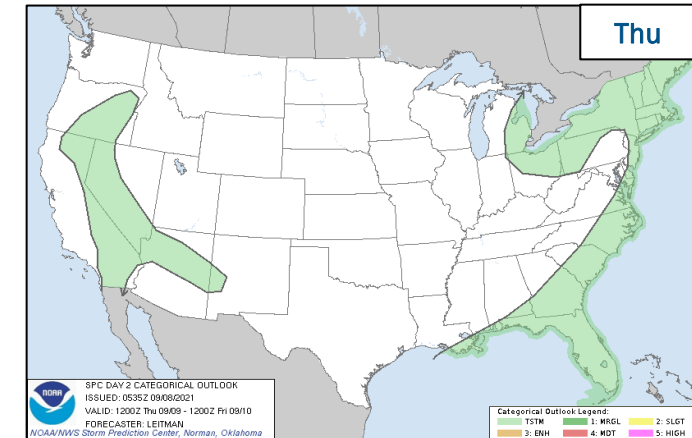
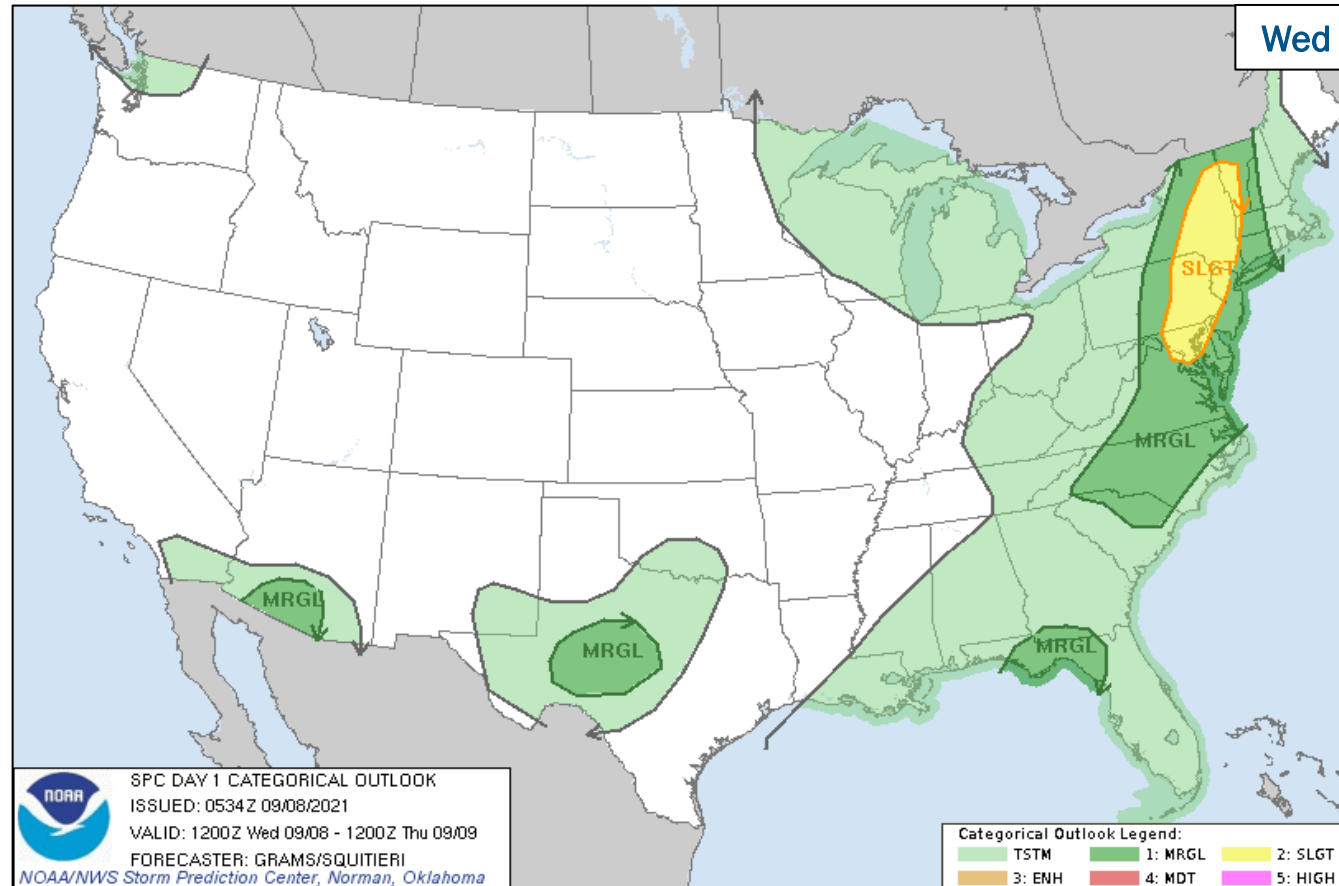
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National Weather Forecast



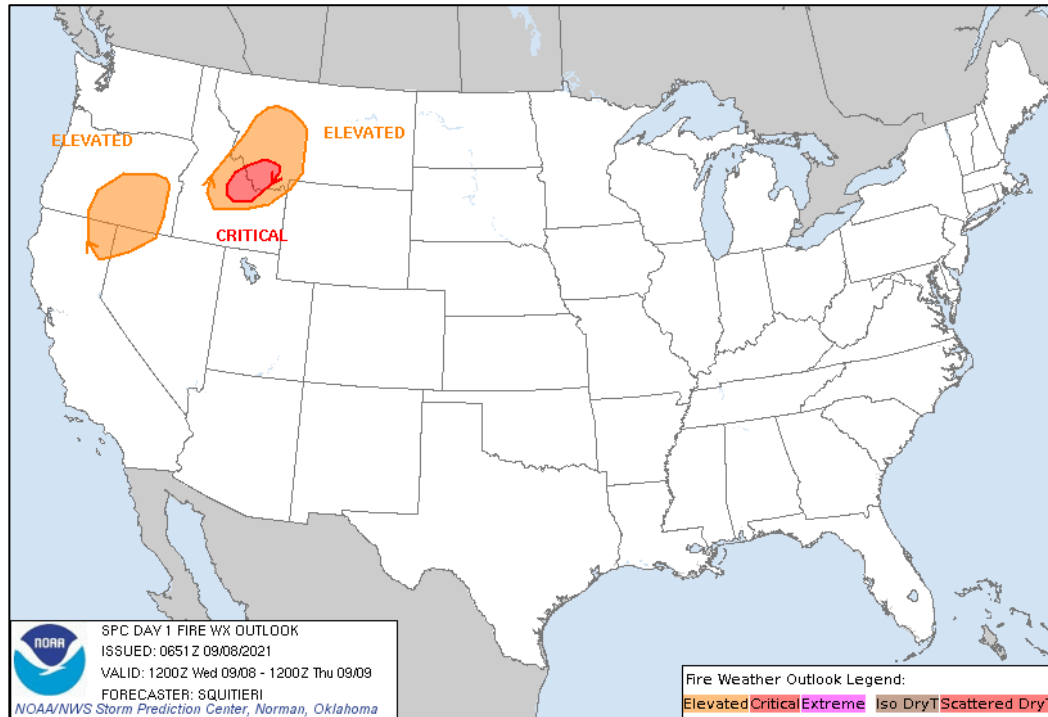
Severe Weather Outlook



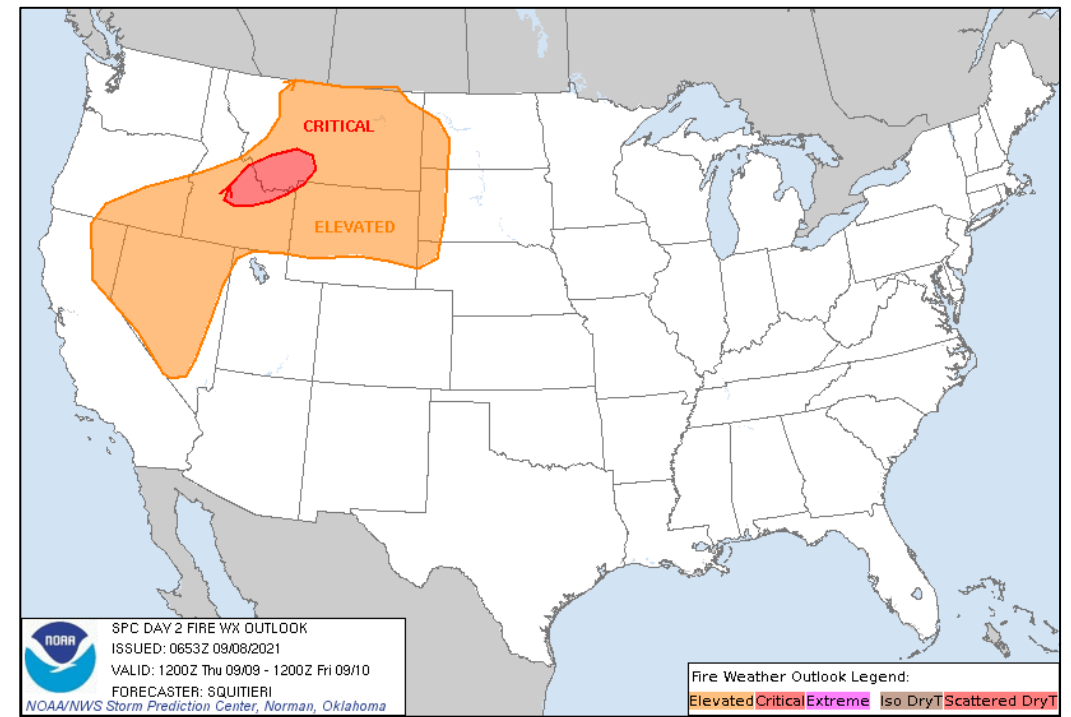
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Fire Weather Outlook



Today



Tomorrow

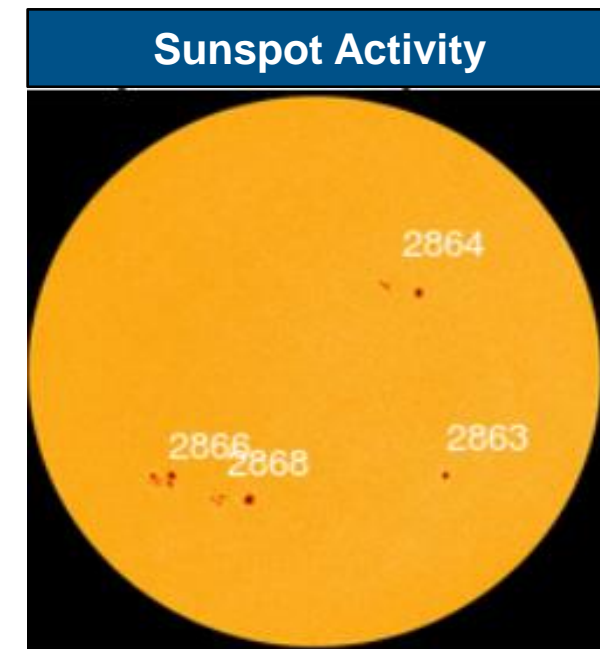
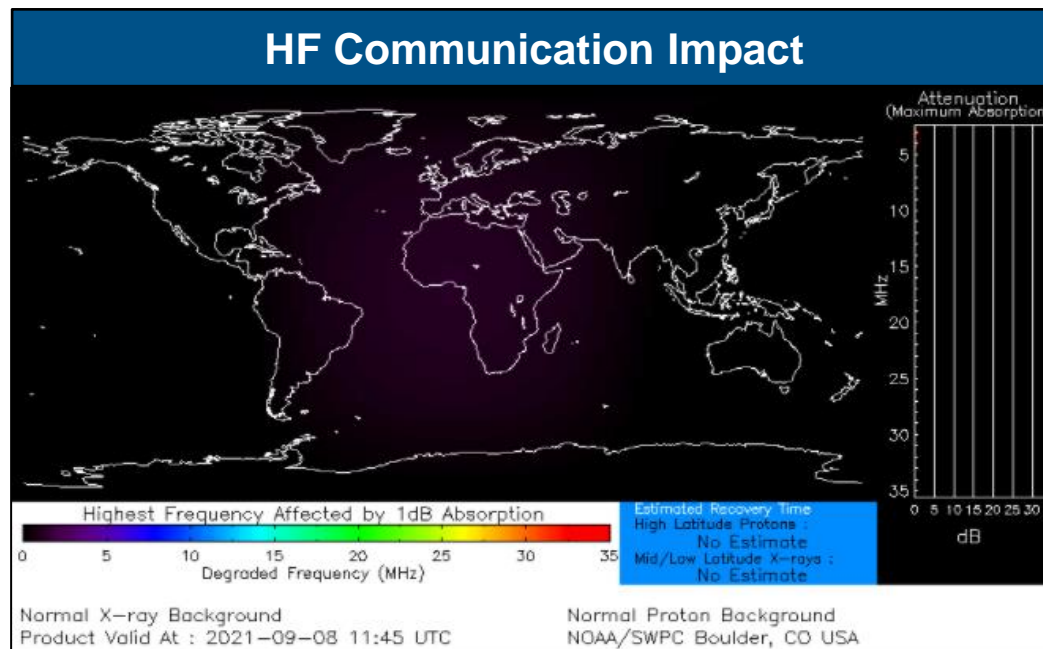


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Space Weather Outlook

	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 Sunspot Activity refer to: https://www.swpc.noaa.gov/phenomena/sunspotssolar-cycle				

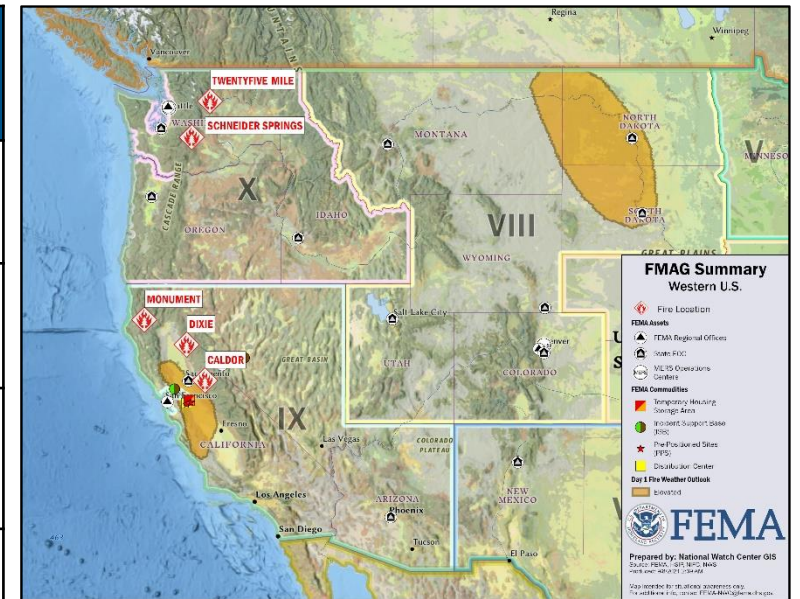


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Wildfire Summary

Fire Name (County, ST)	FMAG #	Acres Burned	Percent Contained	Evacuations	Structures (Homes / Other)			Fatalities / Injuries
					Threatened	Damaged	Destroyed	
Dixie (Plumas, CA)	5400-FM-CA	919,300 (+4,645)	59% (+1)	M: 972	H: 5,927	H: 56	H: 704	1 / 10
				V: 0	O: 31	O: 36	O: 578	
Monument (Trinity, CA)	5412-FM-CA	185,917 (+1,777)	42% (+1)	M: 7,600	H: 5,780	H: 3	H: 20	0 / 9
				V: 0	O: 4,800	O: 0	O: 30	
Caldor (El Dorado, CA)	5413-FM-CA	217,007 (+649)	50% (+2)	M: 10,970 (-731)	H: 23,691	H: 51 (+1)	H: 776 (+24)	0 / 7
				V: 0	O: 956	O: 28 (+2)	O: 220 (+7)	
Twenty-five Mile (Chelan, WA)	5414-FM-WA	17,864 (+604)	40%	M: 0	H: 688	H: 0	H: 2	0 / 19 (+2)
				V: 0	O: 84	O: 0	O: 12	
Schneider Springs (Yakima, WA)	5415-FM-WA	94,206 (+1,431)	17% (+3)	M: 240	H: 0	H: 0	H: 0	0 / 7
				V: 0	O: 0	O: 0	O: 0	



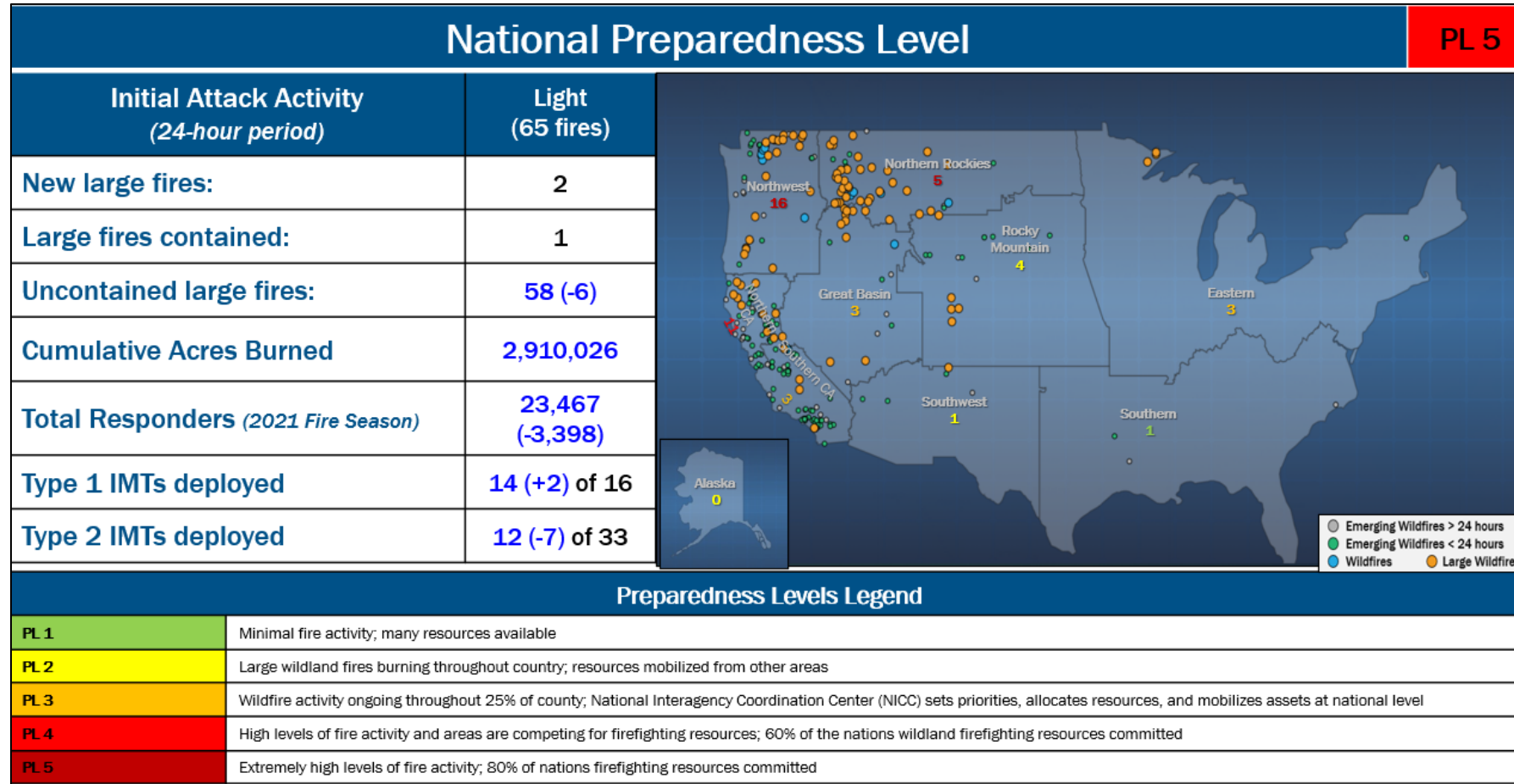
(Evacuations: M = Mandatory / V = Voluntary; Structures: H = Homes and Mixed Commercial/Residential / O = Non-residential Commercial/Other Minor Structures)



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National Fire Activity *(as of Sep 7)*



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Caldor Fire – California

CA



Situation: This is now California's second worst fire season with over 2 million acres burned (DR-5610-CA SLB #11 as of 3:00 p.m. ET, Sep 7). USDA Forest Service has temporarily closed all National Forests in California through September 17, 2021. (Caldor 209 as of 11:00 p.m. ET, Sep 6) Critical elements of infrastructure have been damaged or destroyed, including portions of E.I.D wooden flumes, valued at \$20 million, which are necessary for the transportation of potable water. A critical fiberoptic line along Highway 50 has been destroyed and will have a significant effect on communications. (Caldor ICS-209 as of 8:49 a.m. ET, Sep 7)

Impacts:

Safety and Security:

- Evacuations in CA, El Dorado County: portions of Grizzly Flat Road and String Canyon Road downgraded from Evacuation Orders to precautionary Warnings; evacuation warning lifted for South Sly Park (Caldor ICS-209 as of 8:48 a.m. ET, Sep 7)

Food, Water, Shelter:

- 13 (-4) congregate shelters with 163 (-70) occupants; 7 (+1) non-congregate shelters with 13 (+1) occupants across CA and NV (ARC Midnight Shelter Count as of 7:01 a.m. ET)

Energy:

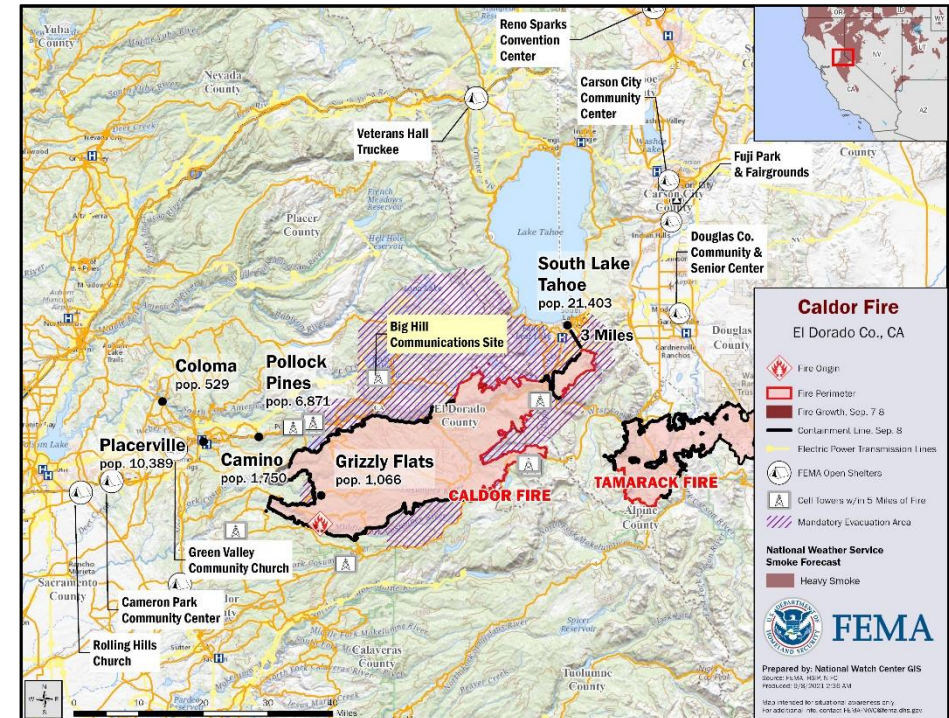
- 1,597 (+284) (1.3%) customers without power in El Dorado County (DOE Eagle-I as of 6:30 a.m. ET)

State / Local Response:

- CA & NV EOCs at Full Activation (Wildfires and COVID); Governors issued States of Emergency

FEMA / Federal Response:

- Region IX RWC monitoring; IMAT-1 & IMAT-2 deployed to CA; LNOs deployed to CA and NV
- Region X IMAT deployed to NV
- FEMA Logistics Staging Management Team (SMT) deployed to Travis AFB, CA
- Incident Support Team (IST) deployed to Naval Air Station Fallon, NV
- NWC monitoring; NRCC at Level III, 24/7 (TC Ida)
- FEMA-4610-DR-CA approved for CA Wildfires; FEMA-3571-EM-CA approved for Caldor Fire



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Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

Region	State / Location	Incident	IA	Number of Counties		Start – End
			PA	Requested	Complete	
I	NH	Severe Storms and Flooding Jul 29-30	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	2	0	TBD – TBD
		Severe Storms and Flooding Jul 17-19	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	3	2	8/4 – TBD
	MA	Severe Storms and Flooding Jul 16-21	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	5	0	8/10 – TBD
III	PA	Tropical Depression Ida Sep 1 and continuing	IA	5	0	9/5 – TBD
			PA	0	0	N/A
	DE	Tropical Depression Ida Sep 1 and continuing	IA	1	0	9/9-TBD
			PA	0	0	N/A
IV	MS	Tropical Cyclone Ida Aug 29	IA	8	0	TBD
			PA	0	0	N/A
V	Red Lake Nation	Tornado Jul 26	IA	1	1	8/30 – 9/1
			PA	1	0	8/30 – TBD
VIII	UT	Flooding Jul 15-Aug 19	IA	7	0	8/24 – TBD
			PA	7	0	8/24 – TBD
	MT	Richard Spring Wildfire Aug 10 and continuing	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	3	0	9/7 – TBD
X	OR	Bootleg Fire Jul 6	IA	2	0	9/7 – TBD
			PA	0	0	N/A

Declaration Requests in Process – 3

State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Type	IA	PA	HM	Requested
Fort Peck Assiniboine & Sioux Tribes – Severe Storm, Straight-line Winds, and Flooding	DR	X		X	Aug 3
NC – Tropical Storm Fred	DR	X	X	X	Aug 27
AZ – Severe Storms and Flooding	DR		X	X	Sep 2



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Declaration Amendments

Declaration	Number	Issued	Action
FEMA-4611-DR-LA	1	7 Sep	Adds 7 parishes for permanent work (Categories C-G) under the Public Assistance program (already designated for Individual Assistance and Categories A and B)



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FEMA Common Operating Picture

FEMA HQ				Major Disasters (DR): 63 Emergency Disasters (EM): 15	
NWC	NRCC				
Monitoring	Level III				
FEMA REGIONS					
Watch	RRCC				
Monitoring	I	Level III			
Monitoring	II	Level III			
Monitoring	III	Level III			
Monitoring	IV	Rostered			
Monitoring	V	Level III			
Monitoring	VI	Level III			
Alt Location	VII	Rostered			
Monitoring	VIII	Rostered			
Monitoring	IX	Rostered			
Monitoring	X	Level III			
Notes:					
NRCC: Ida		PR: Earthquakes			
RCCs: COVID-19		NY, NJ, DE, MD, LA & OK: TC Ida			
RII RRCC: Ida/COVID		TX: Severe Weather			
RIII RRCC: Afghan Repatriation		OR: Drought & Wildfires			
RV RWC: Day Shift / Monitoring Night Shift / Remote Ops		MT, CO, AZ, CA, NV, ID, & WA: Wildfires			
RVII RWC: COVID-19 Protocols		MI: Hazmat			
Team Status	US&R 33-65%	MERS 33-65%	FCOs ≤ 1 Type I	IM WORKFORCE	IM CADRE AVAILABILITY SUMMARY <i>Cadres with 25% or Less Availability</i>
Assigned:	28	36	57	14,271 (+7)	Civil Rights: 17% (19/112); Disability Integration: 13% (8/60); Disaster Survivor Assistance: 20% (244/1,210) External Affairs: 21% (113/528); Field Leadership: 15% (22/151); Hazard Mitigation: 19% (247/1,307); Human Resources: 24% (48/204); Information Technology: 16% (99/607); Logistics 17% (243/1,426); National Disaster Recovery Support: 23% (61/268); Operations: 17% (64/370); Public Assistance: 22% (628/2,843); Planning: 6% (28/454); Safety: 19% (15/80); Security 21% (29/136)
Unavailable	6 (+2)	0	4 (+2)	3,654 (-140)	
Deployed:	4 (-2)	14	46 (27 (+1) FCOR)	7,109 (+39)	
Available:	18	22	7 (-2)	25%(+1) / 3,508 (+108)	

The map displays the United States divided into FEMA regions, color-coded by disaster status: Red (Active), White (Standby), Blue (Inactive), Gold (Inactive), and Yellow (Inactive). The map also shows the locations of FEMA Headquarters (HQ) and Regional Emergency Management Teams (REMTs). A legend indicates the status of various counties: Green (Declared County), Orange (Fully Activated), Yellow (Partially Activated), and Grey (Monitoring).

FEMA HQ
NWC: Monitoring
NRCC: Level III

FEMA REGIONS
Watch: Monitoring
RRCC: Level III

Notes:
NRCC: Ida
RCCs: COVID-19
RII RRCC: Ida/COVID
RIII RRCC: Afghan Repatriation
RV RWC: Day Shift / Monitoring Night Shift / Remote Ops
RVII RWC: COVID-19 Protocols
PR: Earthquakes
NY, NJ, DE, MD, LA & OK: TC Ida
TX: Severe Weather
OR: Drought & Wildfires
MT, CO, AZ, CA, NV, ID, & WA: Wildfires
MI: Hazmat

Disaster Status Legend:
Green: Declared County (non-COVID-19 Declarations)
Orange: Fully Activated
Yellow: Partially Activated
Grey: Monitoring

Disaster Status Summary:
As of 8:00 a.m. ET September 8, 2021
Created by FEMA NWC

Disaster Status Details:
4595-DR-AK
4589-DR-ID
FCO: Thomas J. Dargan
VJFO: Bothell, WA
4539/4584/4593-DR-WA
FCO: Timothy B. Manner
VJFO: Camp Murray, WA
4562/4599-DR-OR
FCO: Toney Raines
JFO: Salem, OR
4548/4578-DR-UT
FCO: Kenneth G. Clark
4581-DR-CO
FCO: Alana B. Kuhn
4608-DR-MT
FCO: Jon K. Huss
4613-DR-ND
FCO: Lance Davis
VJFO: Denver, CO
4610-DR-CA
FCO: Andrew Grant
JFO: TBD
RX IMAT-12 (Sacramento, CA)
MERS (Mather & Tracy, CA)
3571-EM-CA
FCO: Dolph A. Diemont
JFO: TBD
RX IMAT (Carson City, NV)
4604-DR-HI
FCO: Colby Stanton
VJFO: Ft. Shafter, HI
TC Ida - IMAT
N-IMAT Red/White (Baton Rouge, LA)
RII-A (Trerion, NJ)
RII-B (Brooklyn, NY)
RII (Harrisburg, PA)
RII-V (Pearl, MS)
RII-V1 (Baton Rouge, LA)
RII-V2 (Houston, LA)
RII-V3 (New Orleans, LA)
TC Ida - Logistics
PSA (Roseland, LA, Pineville, LA, & Camp Shelby, MS)
ISB (Shreveport, LA)
GSSB (Shenwood Forest, LA)
PPS (Selma, AL)
Distribution Center (Ft. Worth, TX; Atlanta, GA; Frederick, MD)
Temporary Housing Storage Site (Beverly, TX, Selma, AL, & Cumberland, MD)
3527/3543/3556-EM-LA
4559/4570/4577/4590/
4606/4611*-DR-LA
FCO: John E. Long
VJFO: Baton Rouge, LA
*MERS (Greensburg, Baton Rouge, Mt Hermon, Convent, & Gray, LA)
3569-EM-MS
FCO: Thomas J. McCool
JFO: TBD
4616-DR-NE
FCO: Robert Haywood
JFO: TBD
4612-DR-MO
FCO: David Gervino
JFO: TBD
4547-DR-MI
FCO: Waddy Gonzalez
4607-DR-MI
FCO: Scott A. Burgess
VJFO: Chicago, IL
4603/4605-DR-WV
FCO: Jeffrey L. Jones
JFO: Charleston, WV
3567-EM-VT
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JFO: TBD
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FCO: Patrick Cornbill
JFO: TBD
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JFO: Albany, NY
3563-EM-RH
FCO: Benjie Abbott
JFO: TBD
3566-EM-MWVT
4372-DR-MA
4410-DR-CT
4445/4474-DR-VT
4457-DR-NH
FCO: James R. McPherson
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4580-DR-CT
FCO: Robert V. Fogel
JFO: Windsor, CT
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FCO: Claude Hyacinthe
VJFO: New York, NY
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FCO: Patrick Cornbill
VJFO: West Trenton, NJ
4602-DR-VA
FCO: Timothy S. Phell
VJFO: N. Chesterfield, VA
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4568/4588-DR-NC
4594/4601-DR-TN
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JFO: Raleigh, NC
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4399/4564-DR-FL
FCO: Kevin A. Wallace
3533-EM-FL
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FCO: Terry L. Quarles
4563/4573/4596-DR-AL
FCO: James R. Stephenson
4579/4600-DR-GA
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4609-DR-TN*
FCO: Myra M. Shird
4592/4595-DR-KY
FCO: John Brogan
4576/4598-DR-MS
FCO: Brett Howard
VJFO: Atlanta, GA
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FCO: Claude Hyacinthe
VJFO: San Juan, PR
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4473-DR-PR
FCO: Jose Baquero
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