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Daily Operations Briefing

Wednesday, January 16, 2019

8:30 a.m. EST

Significant Activity – Jan 15-16



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Significant Events: Southern California Storms

Significant Weather:

- Heavy rain, flash flooding, mud and debris flows - California burn scar area
- Heavy snow and blizzards - higher elevations of California
- Freezing rain – Northern Intermountain; Central Plains to Middle Mississippi Valley
- Snow, freezing rain, and bitter cold - Great Lakes

Tropical Activity: Western Pacific – No activity affecting U.S. interests

Declaration Activity: None

Southern California Storms



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Situation:

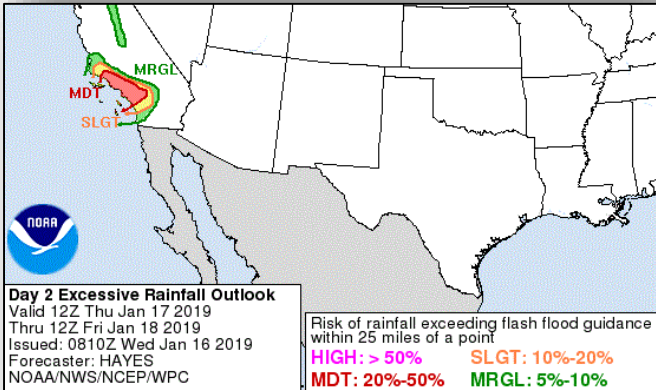
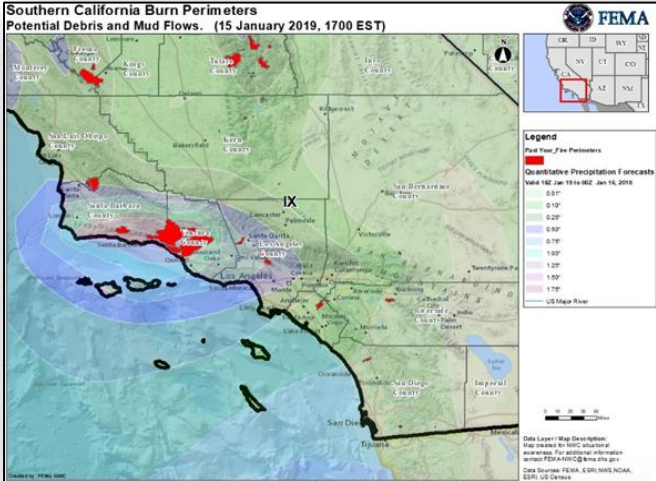
- Heavy rains and thunderstorms will continue over thru Thursday. While mudslides have been reported in portions of southern CA, no widespread significant damages have occurred.

Impacts:

- **Safety and Security:**
 - Mandatory evacuations lifted for Santa Barbara County
 - Mandatory evacuations downgraded to voluntary evacuations for Ventura County
 - Some mandatory evacuations remain in effect for Los Angeles County
- **Food, Water, & Sheltering:**
 - Shelters have closed in Ventura County
 - One shelter open in Riverside County
 - One shelter open in Santa Barbara County (*Region IX Spotrep Update #3*)
- **Health and Medical:**
 - Sage Mountain Senior Living Facility (Ventura County) evacuated
- **Transportation:**
 - Mudslides and inclement weather have closed portions of several major highways; alternate routes are available

Response:

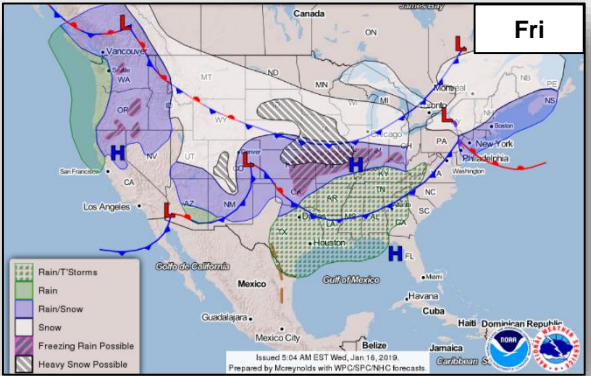
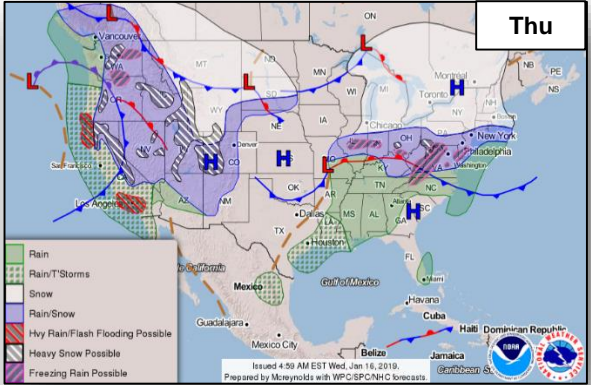
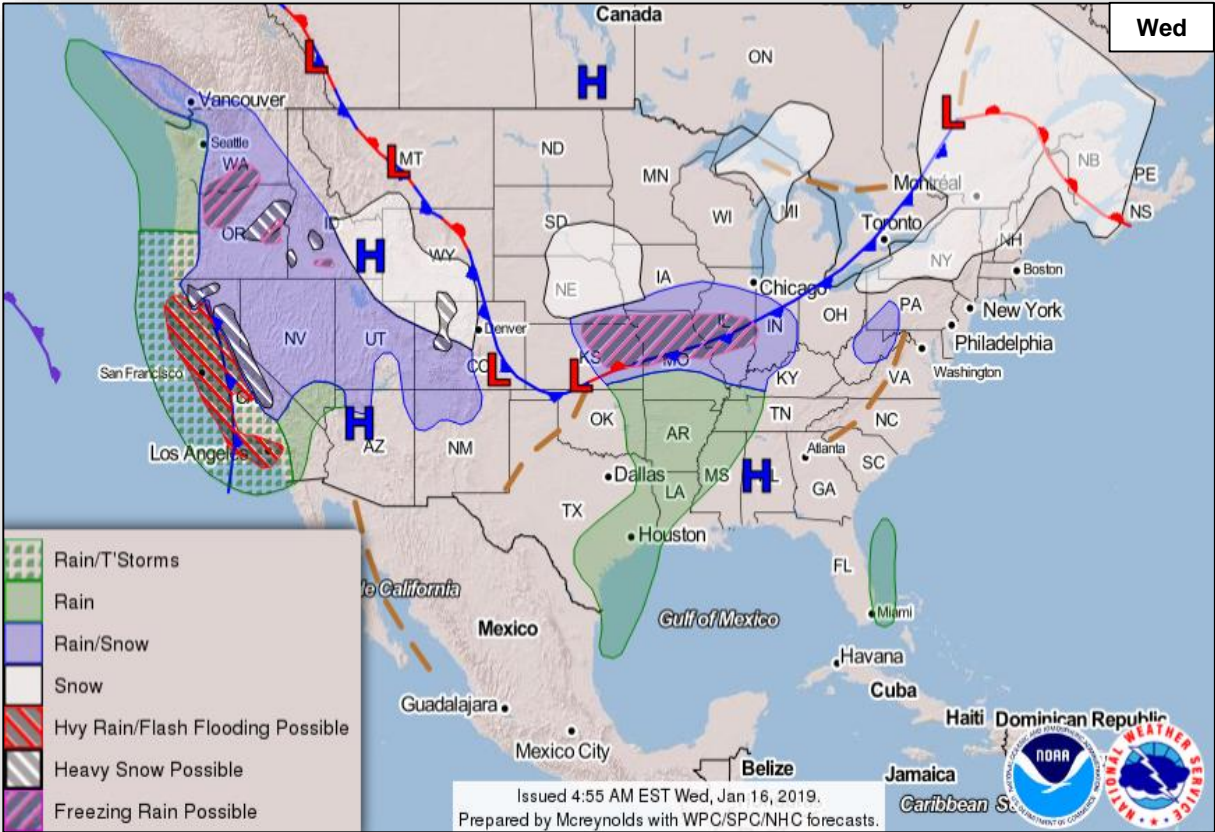
- CA EOC is at Partial Activation
- FEMA Region IX RWC and NWC are at Steady State but continue to monitor



National Weather Forecast



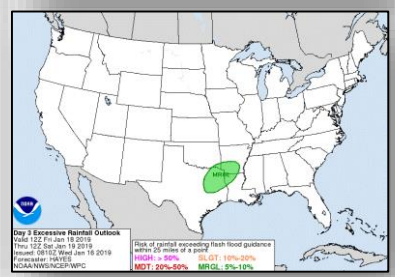
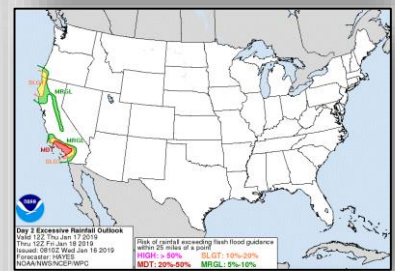
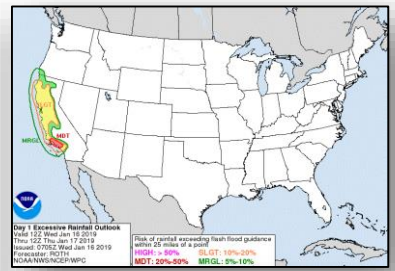
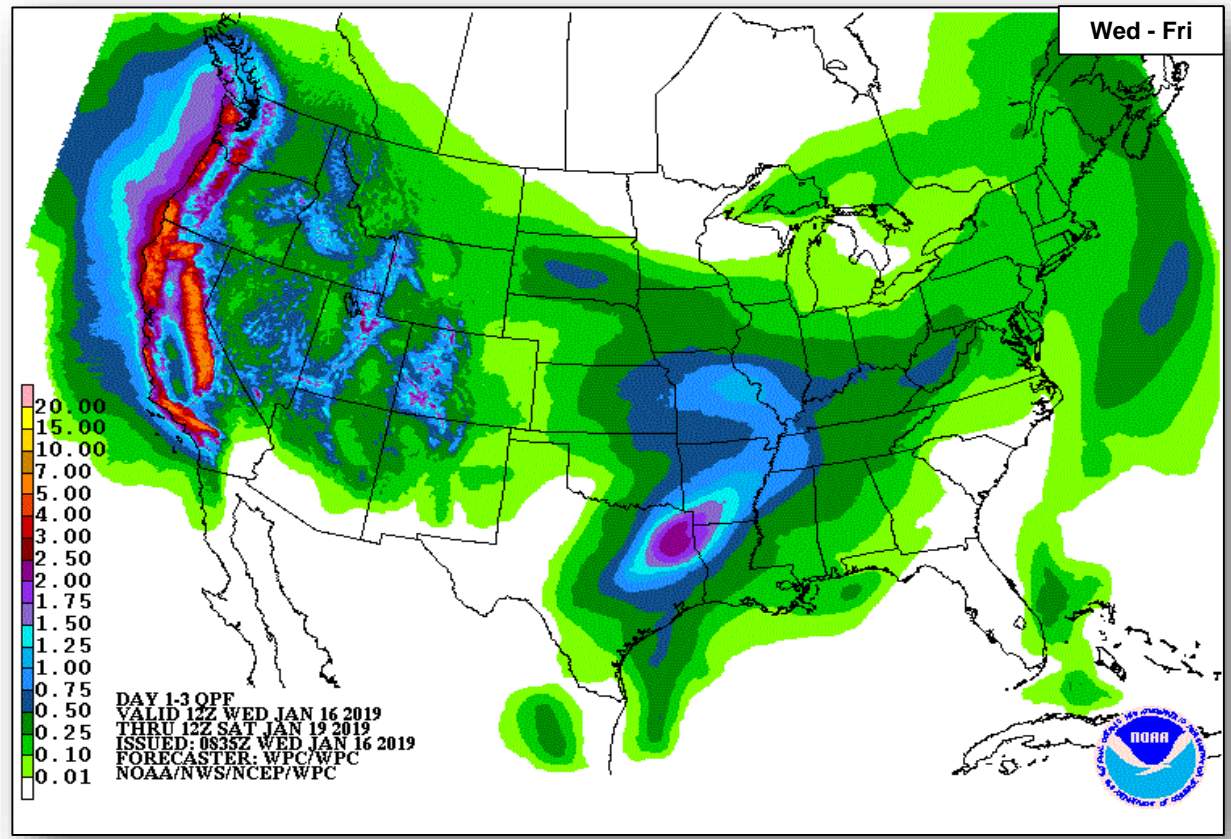
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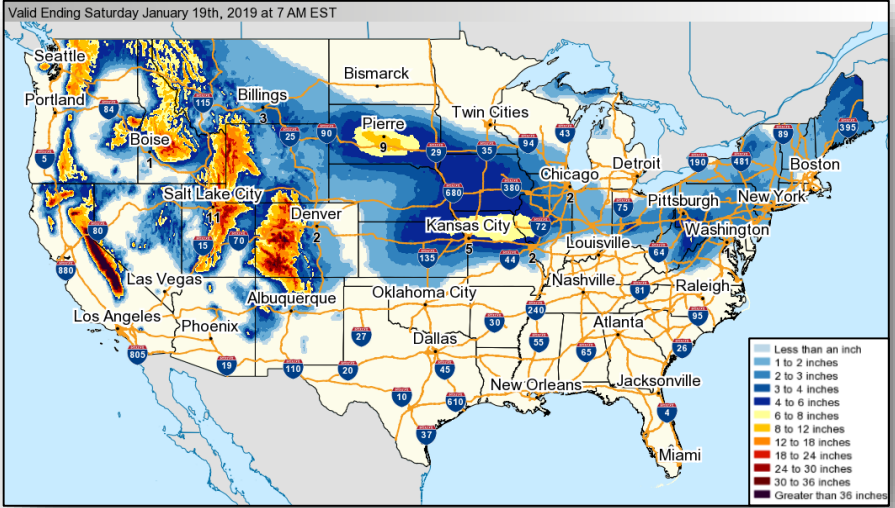
Precipitation / Excessive Rainfall Forecast



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Winter Precipitation Outlook



Forecast Snowfall

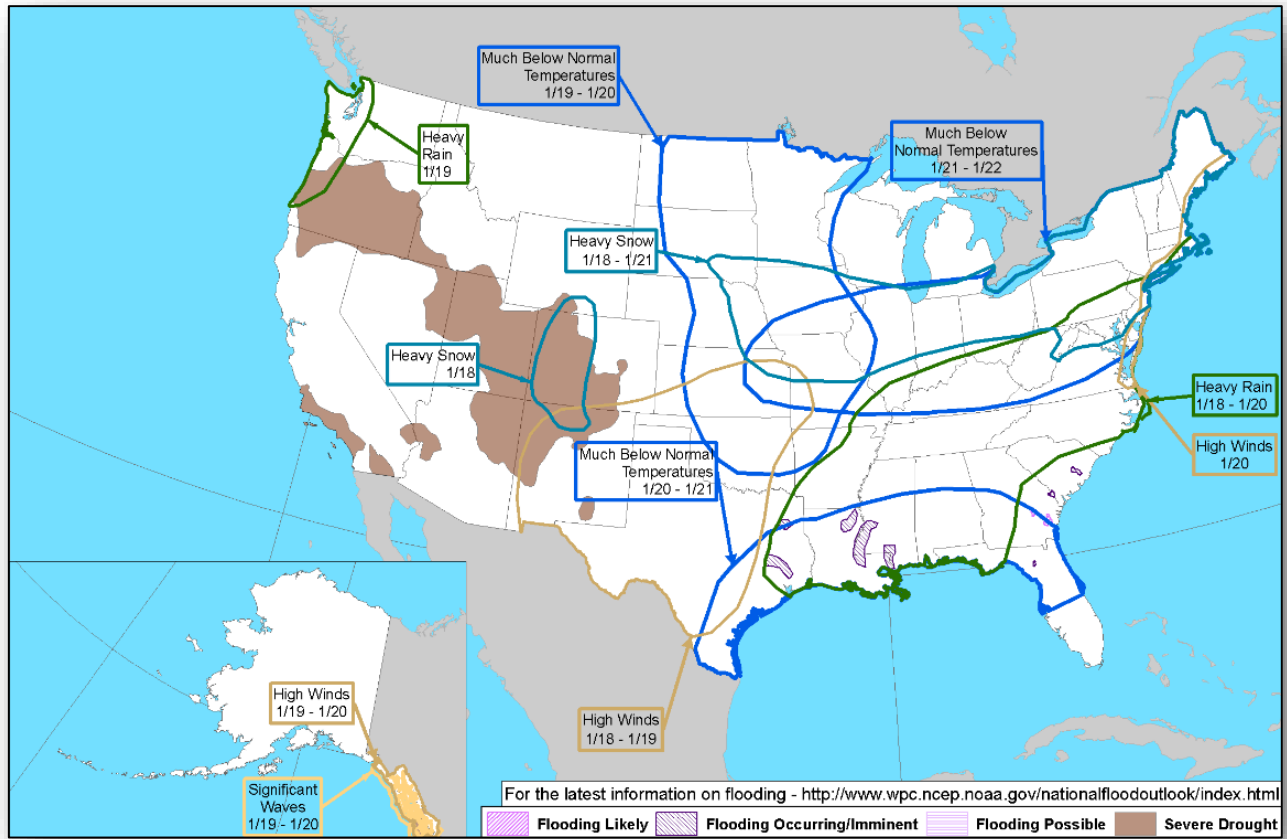


Forecast Ice Accumulation

Hazards Outlook – Jan 18-22



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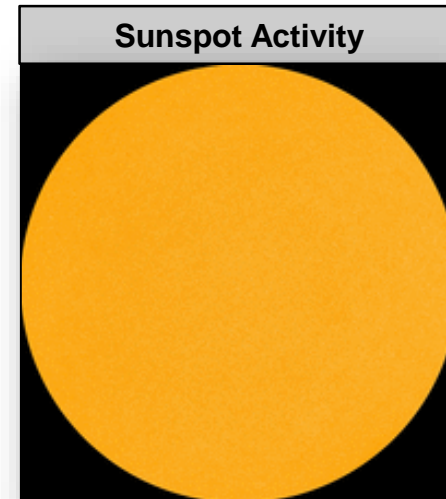
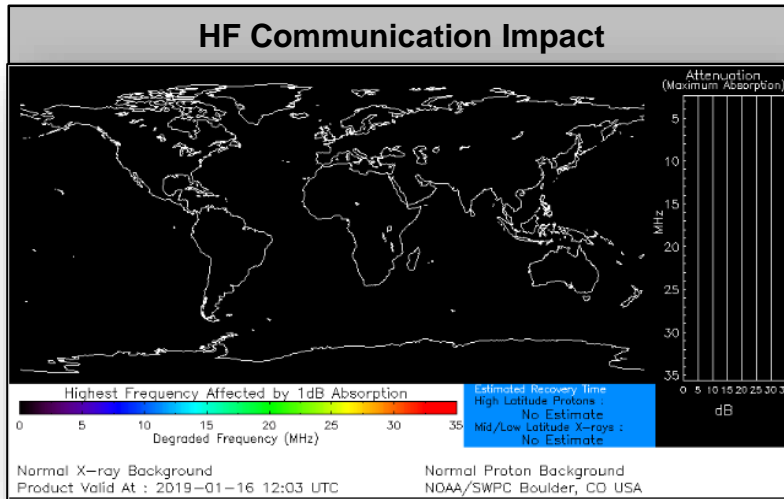
Space Weather



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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>



Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments



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Region	State / Location	Event	IA / PA	Number of Counties		Start – End
				Requested	Completed	
VI	TX	Flooding September 10, 2018 and continuing	IA	4	4	10/31 – 12/11
			PA	51	39 (+1)	10/29 – TBD

Disaster Requests & Declarations



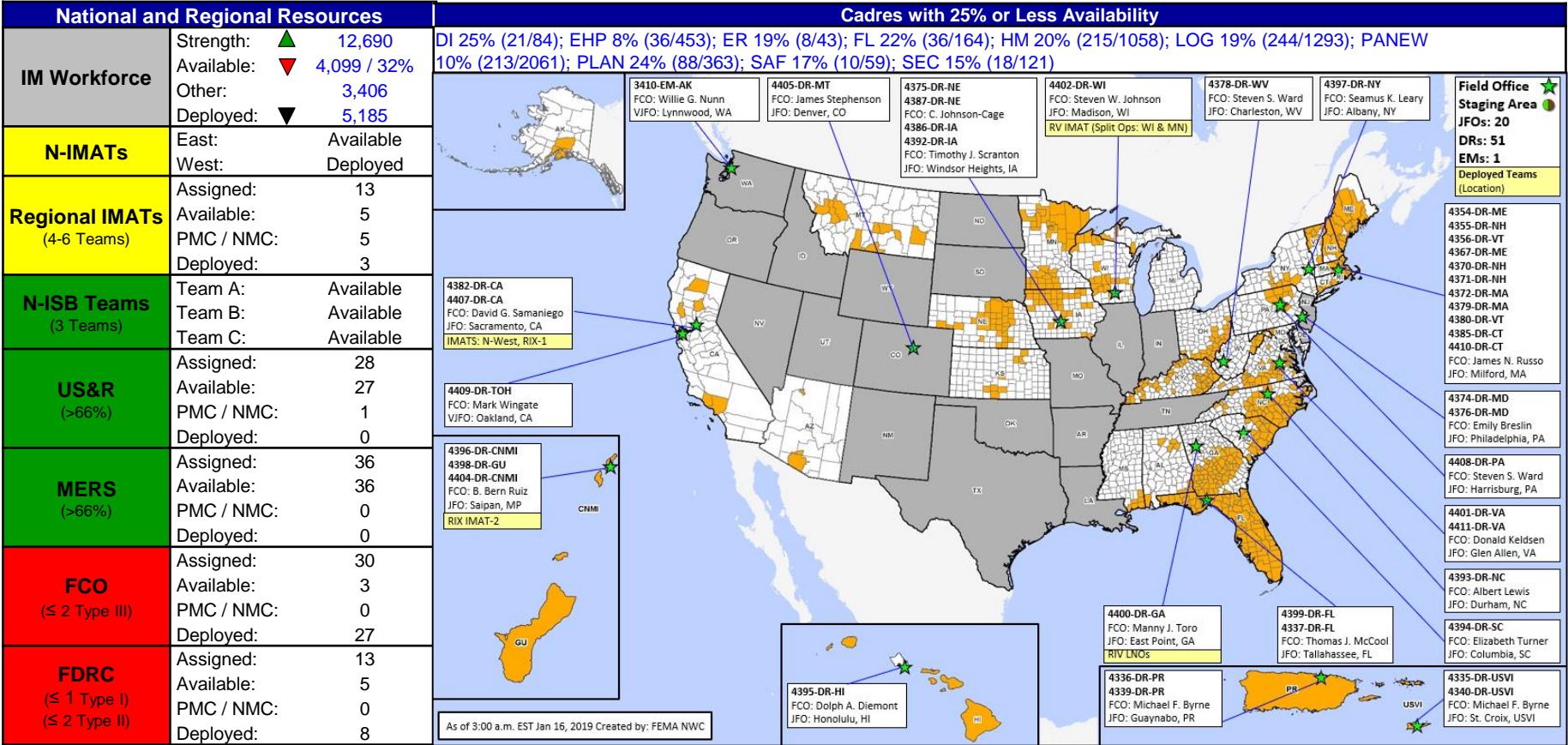
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Declaration Requests in Process					Requests APPROVED (since last report)	Requests DENIED (since last report)
5	IA	PA	HM	Date Requested	0	0
LA – (Appeal) DR Flooding		X	X	October 26, 2018		
TX – DR Severe Storms and Flooding	X	X	X	October 30, 2018		
KS – DR Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, and Flooding		X	X	November 14, 2018		
MN – DR Severe Storms and Flooding		X	X	November 27, 2018		
NC – DR Tropical Storm Michael		X	X	December 11, 2018		

Readiness – Deployable Teams and Assets



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FEMA Readiness – Activation Teams



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Status		Activated Team	Activation Level	Activation Times	Reason / Comments
NWC (5 Teams)	Available				
NRCC (2 Teams)	Available	Gold			
HLT	Available				
RWC / MOCs (10 Regions)	Steady State				
RRCCs (10 Regions)	Available				

Backup Regions: VIII, IV, and II



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