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Daily Operations Briefing

Saturday, October 6, 2018

8:30 a.m. EDT

Significant Activity – Oct 5-6



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Significant Events: None

Tropical Activity:

- Atlantic – Tropical Storm Leslie; Disturbance 1 (High: 90%)
- Eastern Pacific – Hurricane Sergio (CAT 3); Disturbance 1 (Low: 10%)
- Central Pacific – Tropical Storm Walaka
- Western Pacific – No activity affecting U.S. interests

Significant Weather:

- Strong to severe thunderstorms – Southern Plains & Ohio Valley to Lower Great Lakes
- Heavy rain & flash flooding possible – Southwest and Southern Plains to the Mid-Atlantic

Declaration Activity:

- Major Disaster Declaration Request – Wisconsin

Tropical Outlook – Atlantic



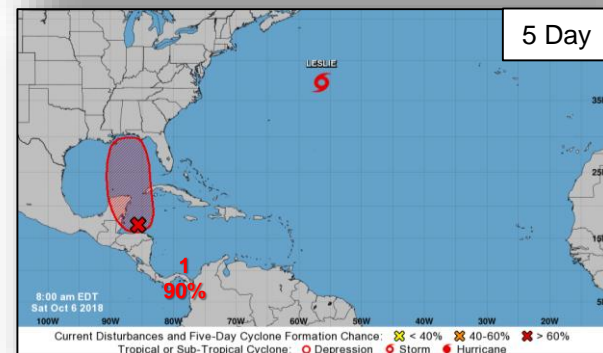
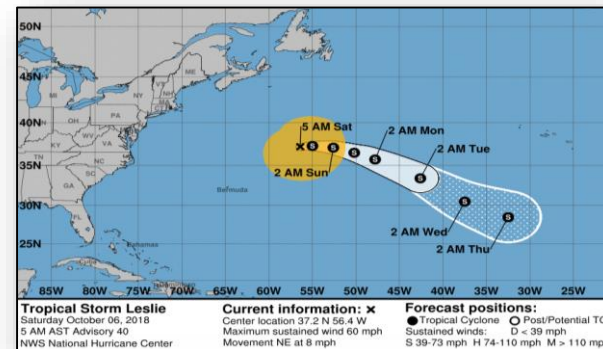
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Tropical Storm Leslie (Advisory #40 as of 5:00 a.m. EDT)

- 585 miles NE of Bermuda
- Moving NE at 8 mph
- Maximum sustained winds 60 mph
- Tropical storm force winds extend 290 miles
- No coastal watches or warnings in effect

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

- Just north of the Bay Islands of Honduras, moving slowly northward
- Tropical depression or tropical storm expected to form over northwestern Caribbean Sea or southern Gulf of Mexico on Sunday or Monday
- On the forecast track, the NHC estimates a possible landfall along the central to eastern Gulf of Mexico Wednesday to Thursday
- Formation chance through 48 hours: High (80%)
- Formation chance through 5 days: High (90%)



Tropical Outlook – Eastern Pacific

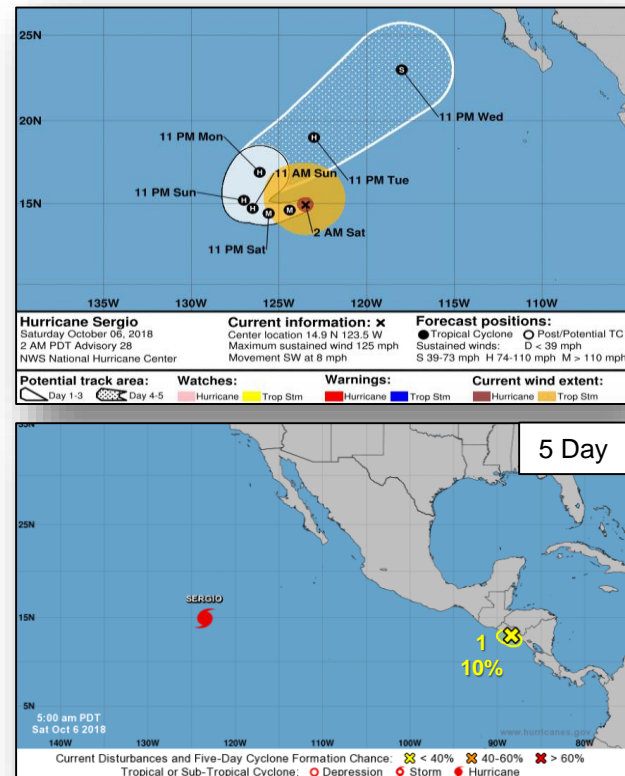


Hurricane Sergio (CAT 3) (Advisory #28 as of 5:00 a.m. EDT)

- 1,045 miles WSW of the southern tip of Baja of California, Mexico
- Moving SW at 8 mph
- Maximum sustained winds 125 mph
- No threat to U.S. interests

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

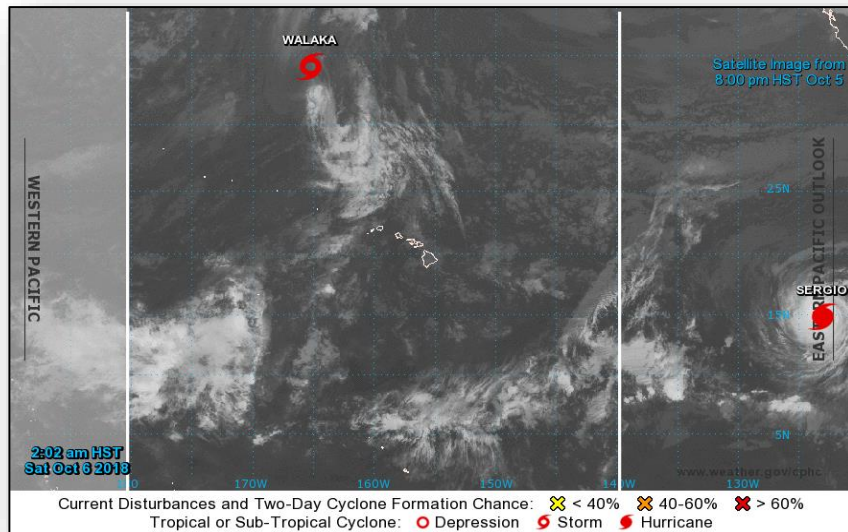
- Located along the coast of Central America
- Close proximity to land expected to limit potential for tropical cyclone formation
- Formation chance through 48 hours: Low (10%)
- Formation chance through 5 days: Low (10%)



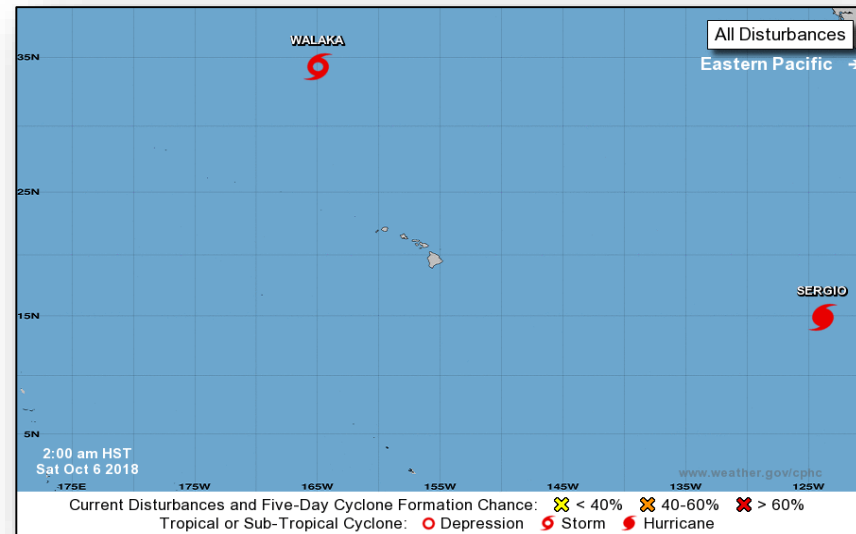
Tropical Outlook – Central Pacific



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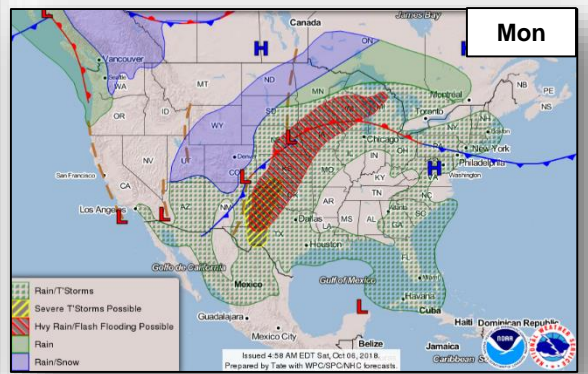
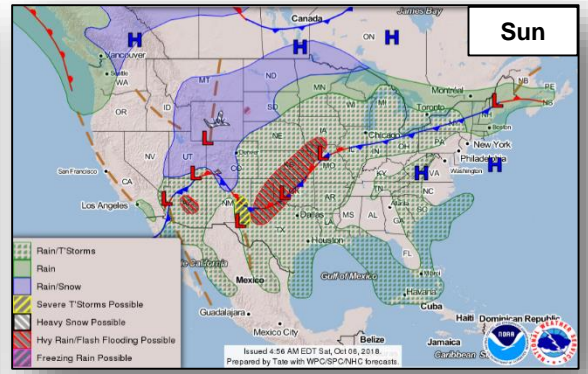
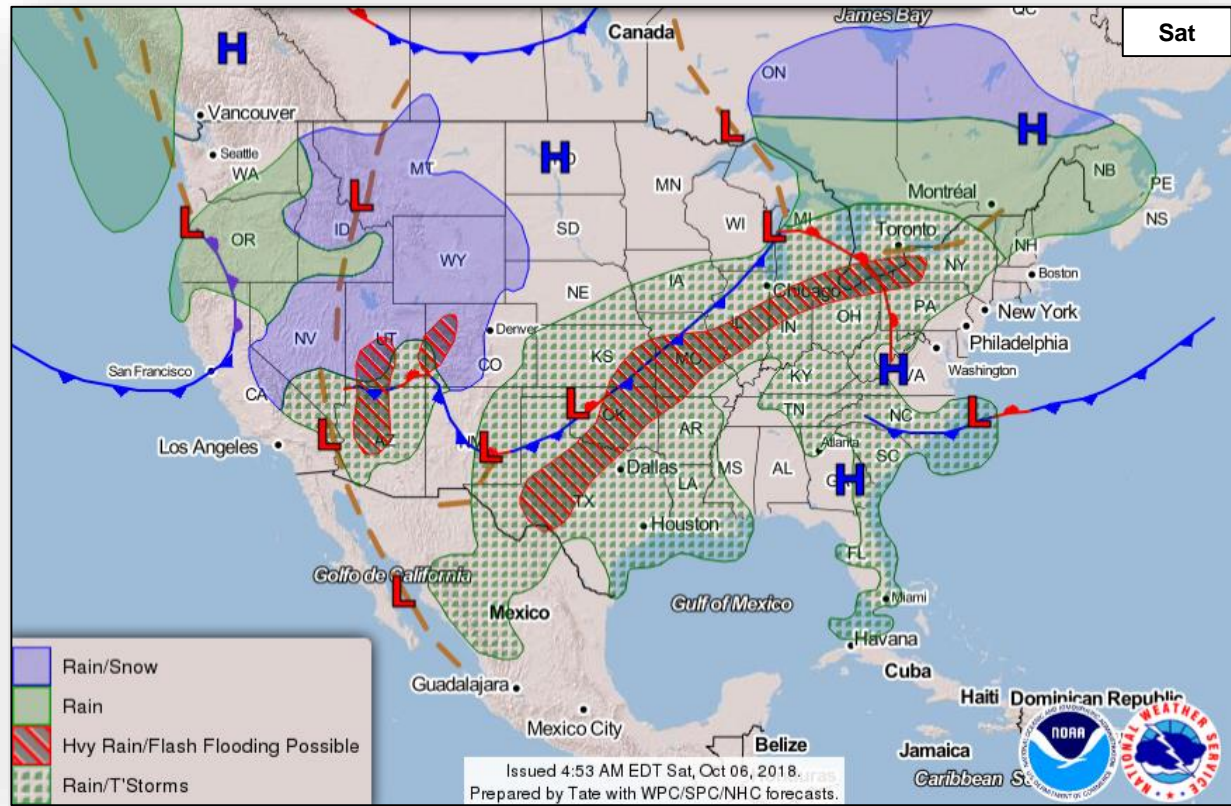


48 Hour Outlook



5 Day Outlook

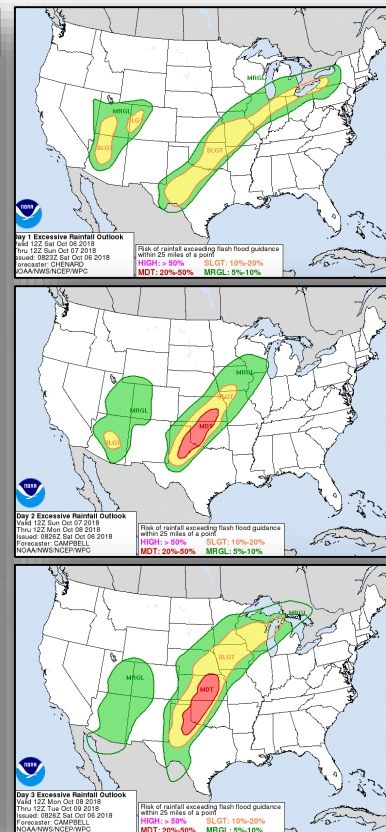
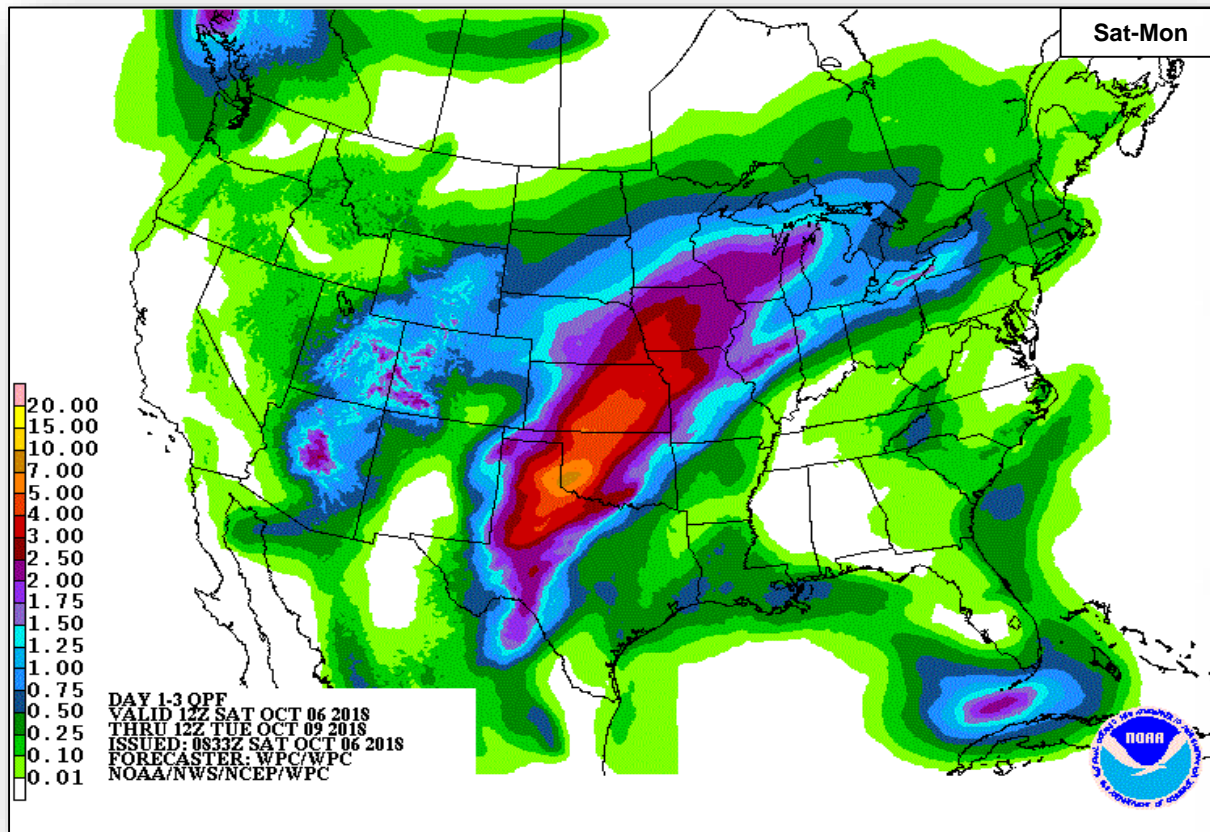
National Weather Forecast



Precipitation / Excessive Rainfall Forecast



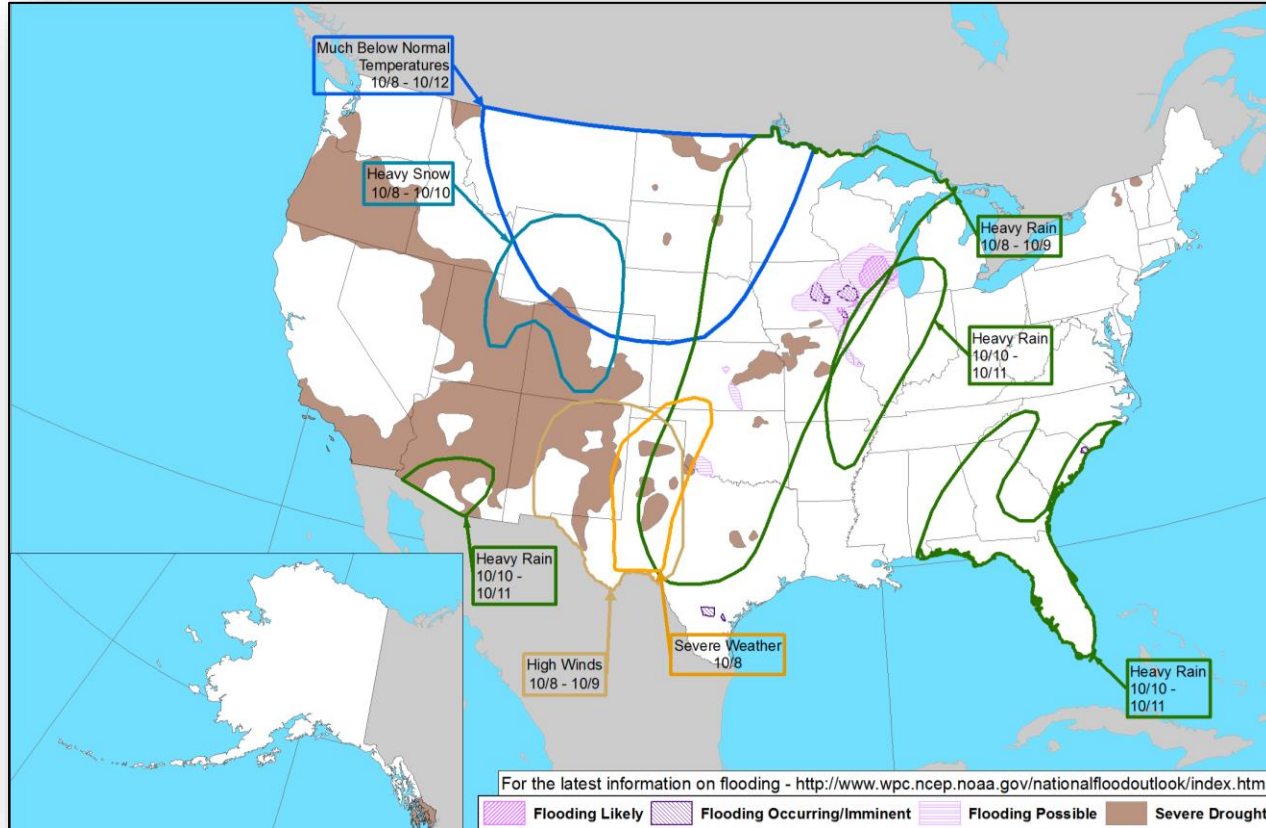
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Hazards Outlook – Oct 8-12



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National Fire Activity



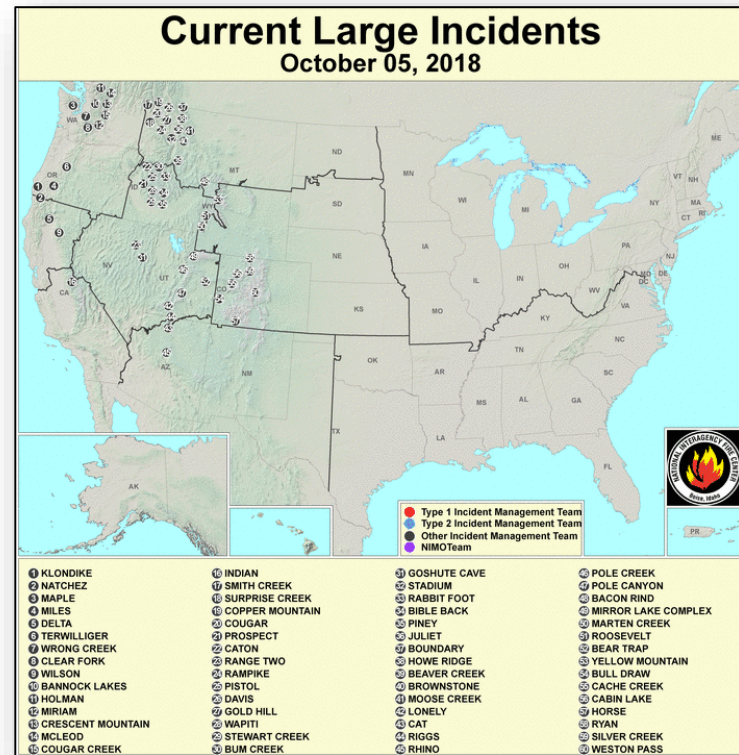
National Preparedness Level: 1

Initial attack activity	Light (44) new fires
New large fires	0
Large fires contained	8
Uncontained large fires	12
NIMOs committed	1
Type 1 IMTs committed	1 (of 22 teams)
Type 2 IMTs committed	2 (of 46 teams)

NIFC lowered the National Preparedness Level to PL 1 on October 4

The change is based on a decrease in national fire activity; the majority of large fires are contained or nearing containment; significant demobilization; and improved fuel conditions as a result of precipitation in the west.

Preparedness Levels range from 1 to 5, with 5 being the highest level.



National Preparedness Level 1: Minimal large fire activity nationally. Most Geographic Areas have low to moderate fire danger. There is little or no commitment of National Resources.

Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments



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Region	State / Location	Event	IA / PA	Number of Counties		Start – End
				Requested	Completed	
III	PA	Severe Weather July 21 – 27, 2018	IA	12	12	9/19 – 9/27
			PA	14	11	9/20 – TBD
	PA	Severe Weather August 10 – 15, 2018	IA	14	14	9/20 – 9/27
			PA	15	10	9/19 – TBD
	PA	Flooding August 31, 2018	IA	2	2	9/24 – 10/1
			PA	1	0	9/27 – TBD
	VA	Hurricane Florence September 8 – 21, 2018	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	31	6	9/28 – TBD

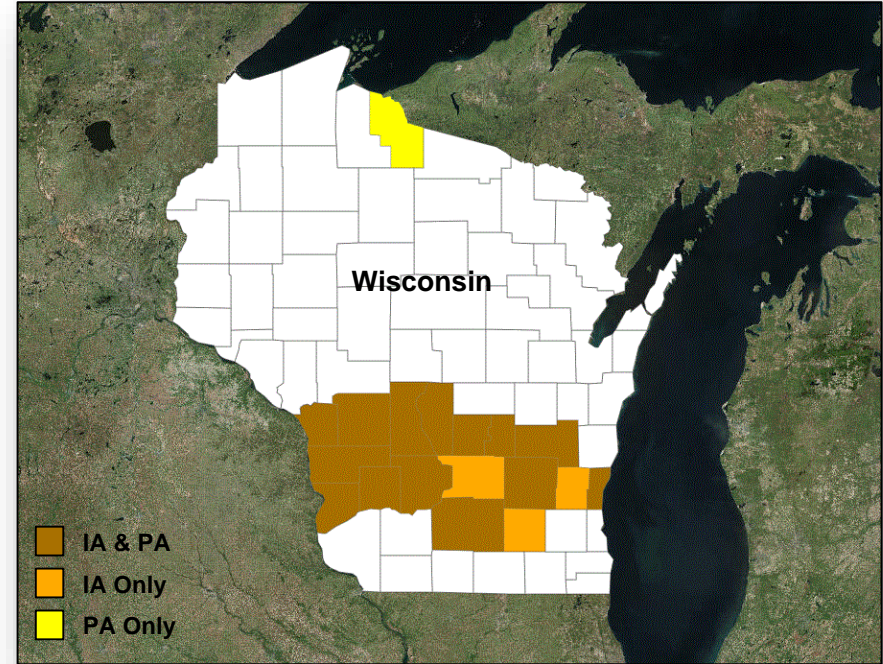
Declaration Request



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Wisconsin

- The Governor requested a Major Disaster Declaration on October 4, 2018
- For severe storms, flooding, landslides, straight-line winds, and tornadoes, which occurred August 17 – September 14, 2018
- Requesting:
 - Individual Assistance and Public Assistance for 14 counties
 - Public Assistance only for one county
 - Individual Assistance only for three counties
 - Hazard Mitigation statewide



Disaster Requests & Declarations



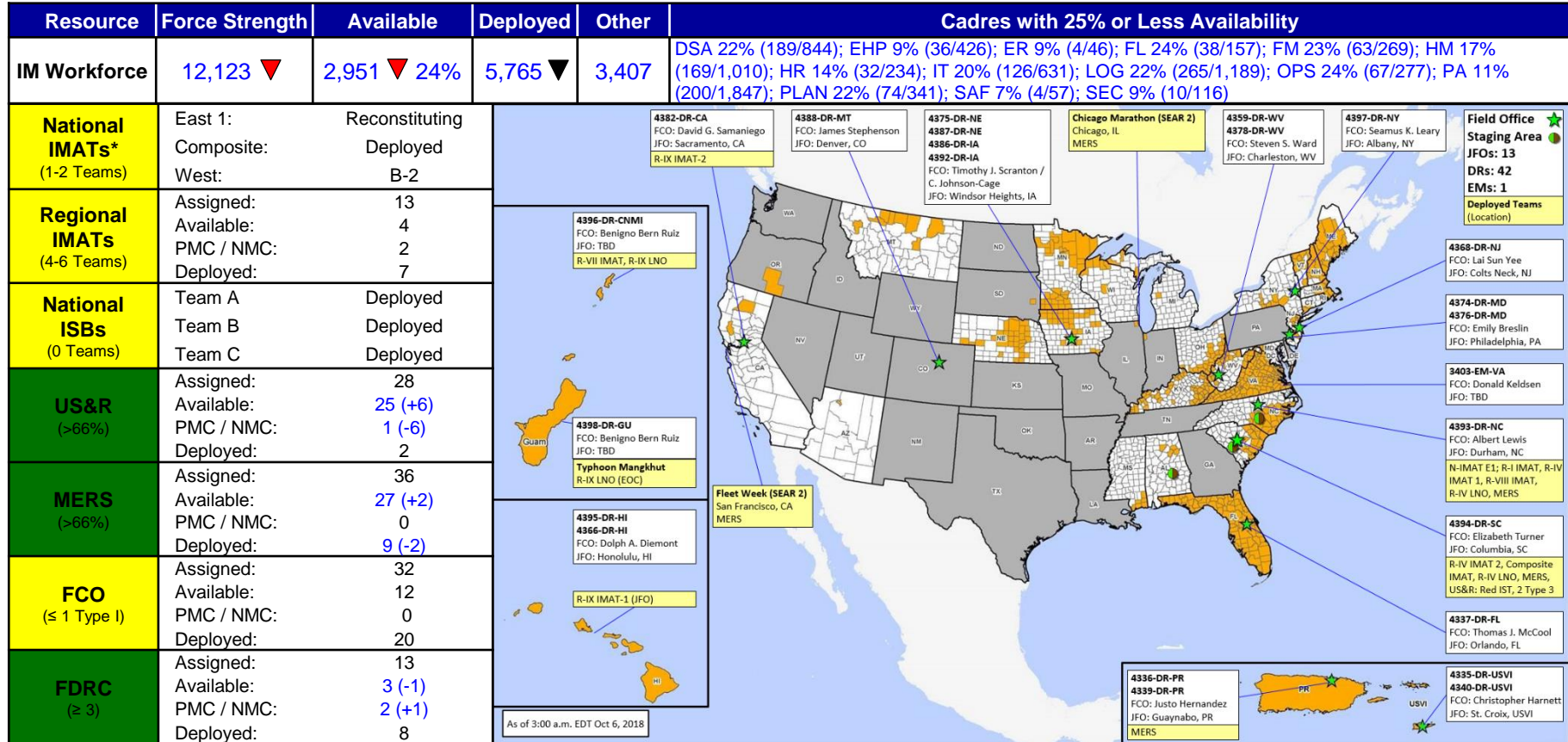
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Declaration Requests in Process					Requests APPROVED (since last report)	Requests DENIED (since last report)
6	IA	PA	HM	Date Requested	0	0
PA – DR (Appeal) Severe Storms, Flooding, and Landslides		X	X	September 7, 2018		
NC – DR (Appeal) Severe Storms, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides	X	X	X	September 19, 2018		
SD – DR (Appeal) Severe Storms and Flooding		X	X	September 25, 2018		
KS – DR Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, and Flooding		X	X	September 25, 2018		
VA – DR Hurricane Florence		X	X	October 3, 2018		
WI – DR Severe Storms, Tornadoes, Straight-line Winds, Flooding and Landslides	X	X	X	October 4, 2018		

Readiness – Deployable Teams and Assets



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* **B-2 Status:** Assemble ≤ 2-hrs, On Site ≤ 18-hrs; **B-48 Status:** Assemble and deploy ≤ 48hrs; **Charlie Status:** No team assemble time requirement

FEMA Readiness – Activation Teams



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

Backup Regions: **VI, VIII, & V**



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