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Daily Operations Briefing

Friday, January 12, 2018

8:30 a.m. EST

Significant Activity – Jan 11-12



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Significant Events: Flash Flooding/Mudslides – CA

Tropical Activity: None

Significant Weather:

- Blizzard Warning – Upper Mississippi Valley and Northern Plains
- Heavy snow – Ohio Valley to the Northeast
- Freezing rain – Tennessee Valley to the Northeast
- Elevated Fire weather – Southern Plains/Rockies
- Space Weather
 - Past 24 hours: None
 - Next 24 hours: None

Earthquake Activity: No significant activity

Declaration Activity: None

California – Flooding/Mudslides



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Situation

Rescue and cleanup efforts continue in Southern California. No rain forecast for the next several days limiting risk of additional damage from mudslides in burn scar areas.

Impacts

- Fatalities: 17 confirmed
- Evacuations (Mandatory): **34K (+5K)**
- Transportation:
 - Road closures: Major highways (U.S. Highway 101) & state routes closed in Santa Barbara & Los Angeles counties
 - Union Pacific Rail Subdivision between Santa Barbara and Carpinteria suspended
- In Montecito, a natural gas and water shut-off is affecting 13,500 people

State and Local Response

- CA EOC at Full Activation (24/7), Southern REOC at Partial Activation
- Santa Barbara County declared Local Emergency; County EOC at Full Activation (24/7)
- Search & Rescue: Elements of CA TF-2, TF-5, TF-6, and TF-8 supporting response; two Canine Search Mission Ready Packages; additional regional US&R & Swift Water teams deployed in support
- Shelters: **Two (-1) open with 37 (+11) occupants** (ARC Midnight Shelter Count)
- Boil Water Notice continues for Montecito

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- FEMA-4353-DR-CA (wildfires), expanded to include flooding, mudflow & debris flow
- Region IX RWC is monitoring; LNOs deployed to Santa Barbara & Ventura County EOCs



Source: FEMA Region IX

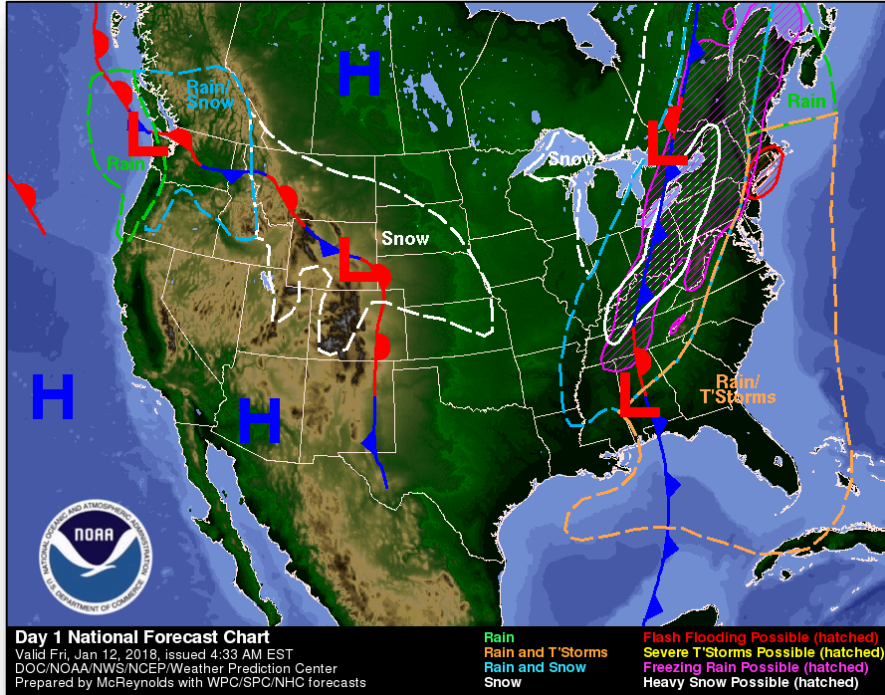


Source: Santa Barbara County Fire Department

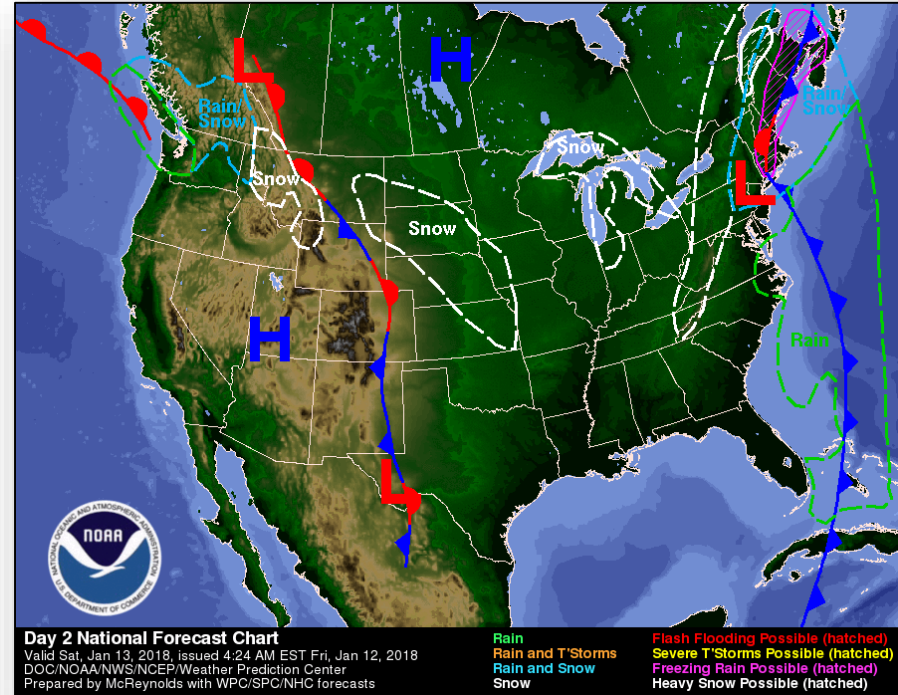
National Weather Forecast



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Today



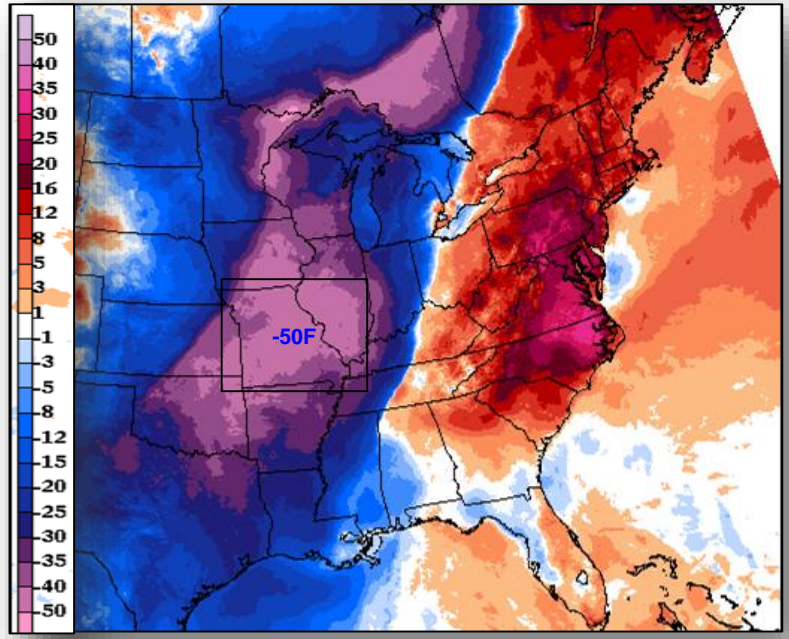
Tomorrow

Central/Northeast U.S. Winter Storm

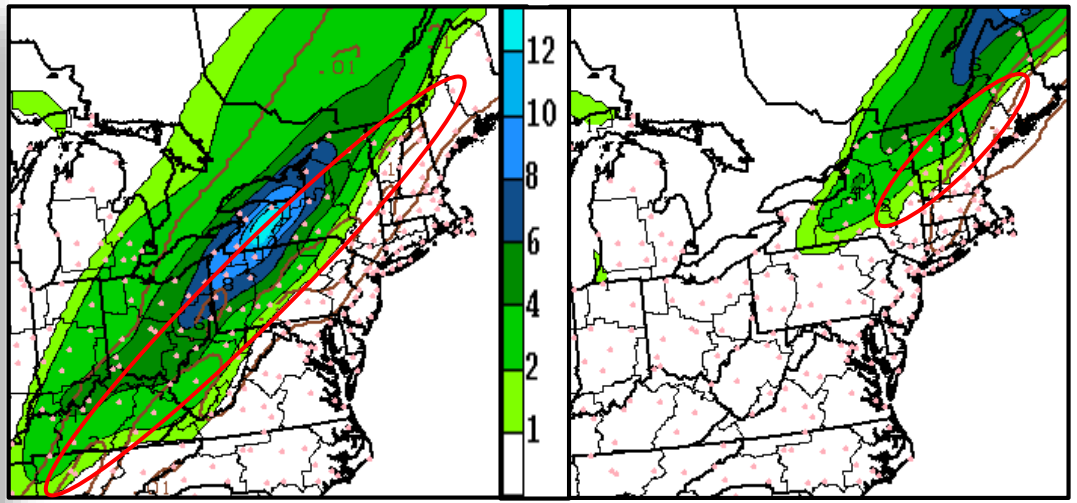


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24h Surface Temperature Change



24-hour snow and ice accumulations through:
7 am EST Sat. Jan. 13 7 am EST Sun. Jan. 14

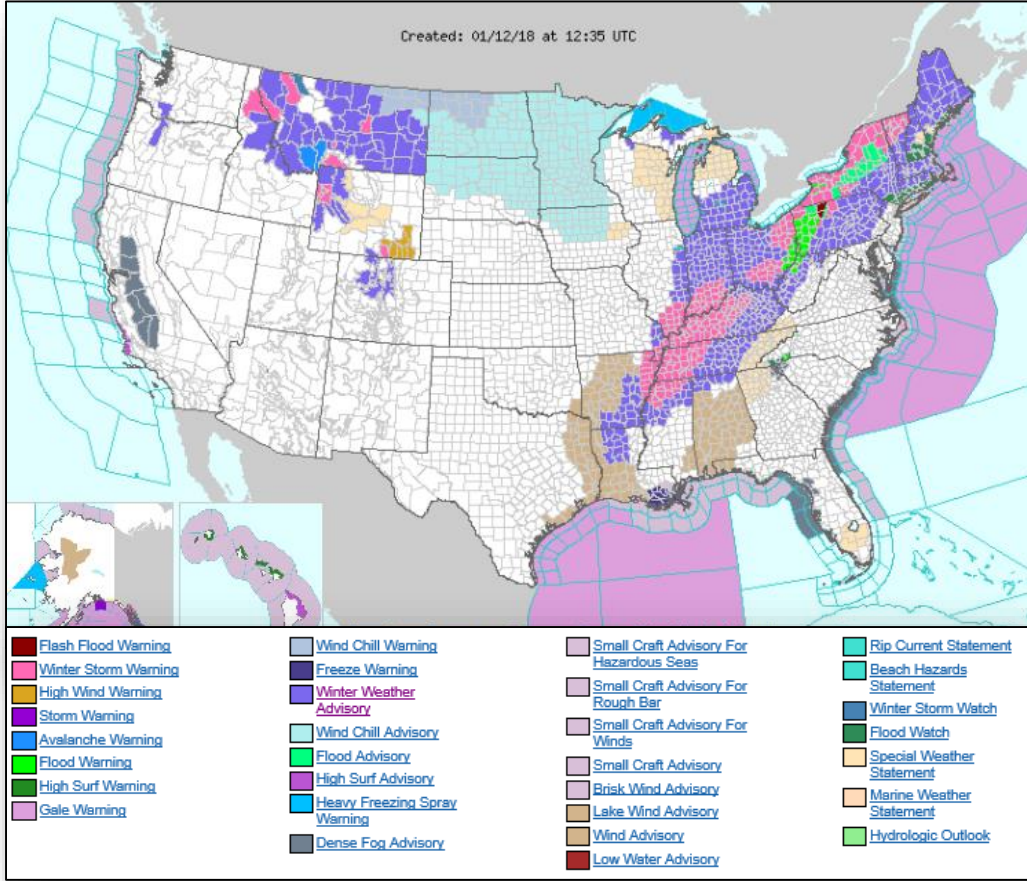


1-2 inches of rain (not shown) will occur in ahead of the arctic front today through tonight before temperatures fall below freezing. Flash freeze tonight and Saturday morning.

Active Watches and Warnings



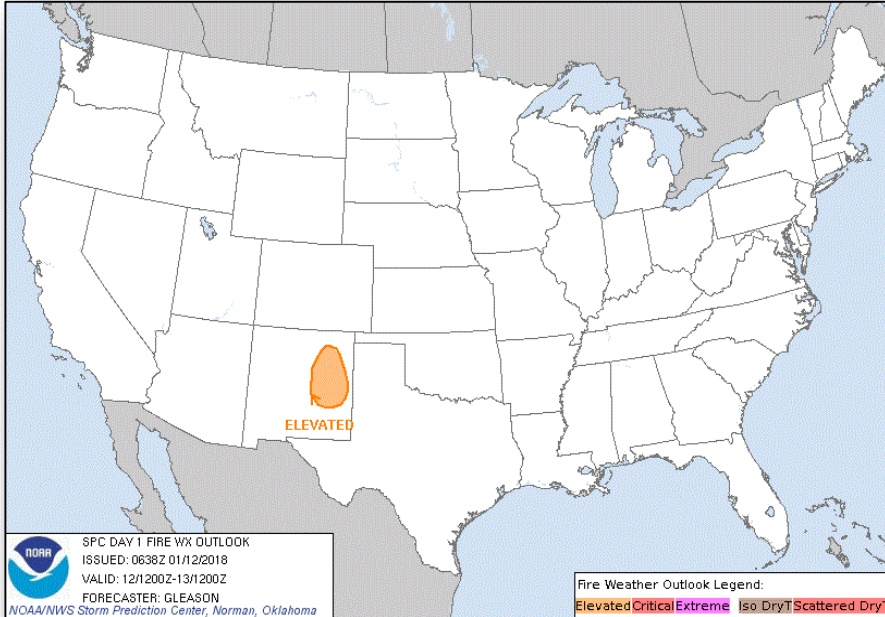
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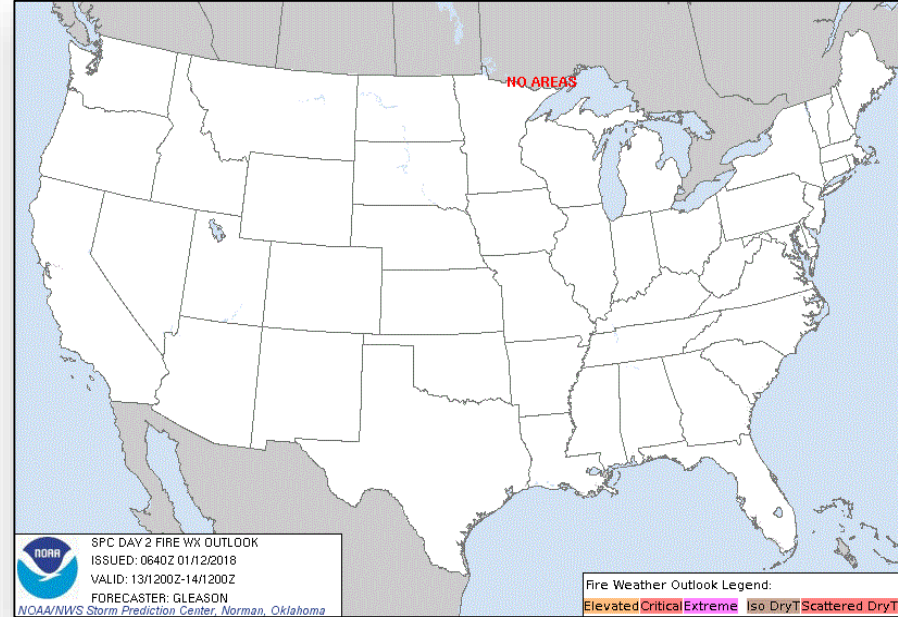
Fire Weather Outlook



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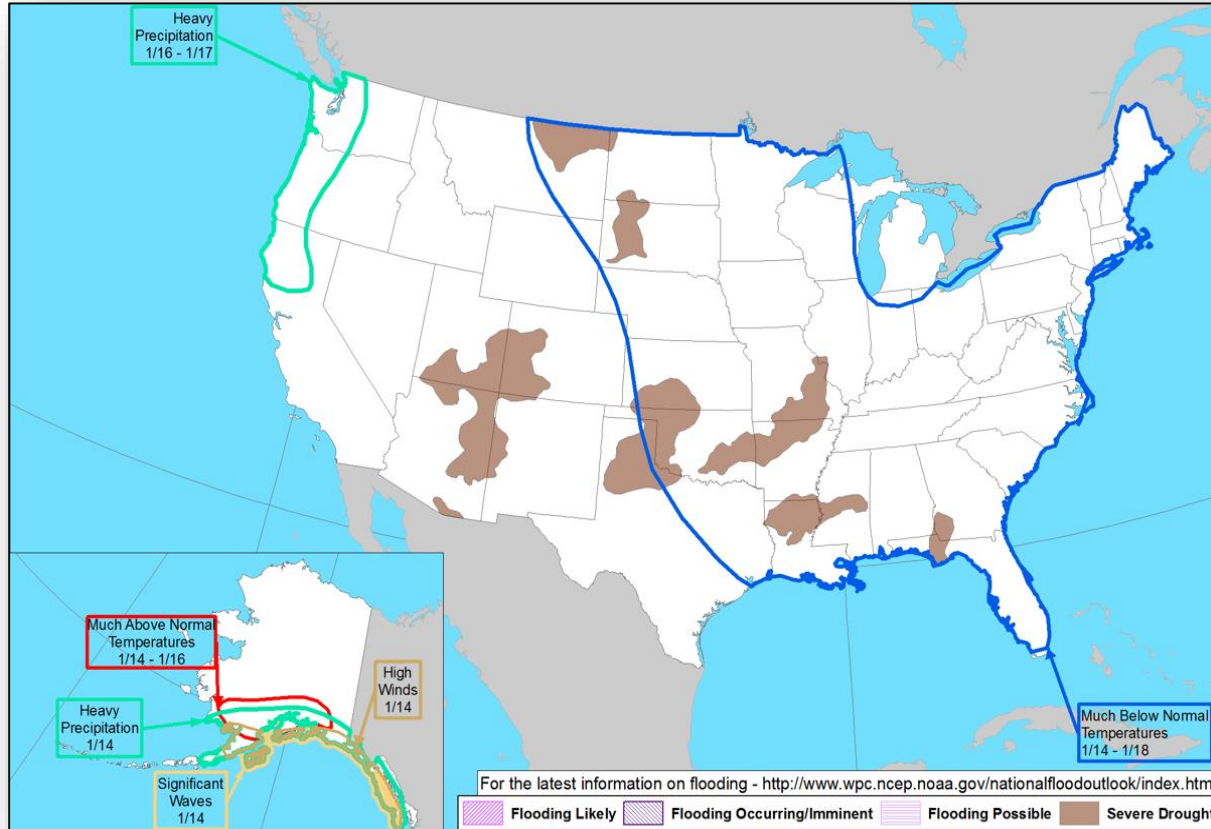


Tomorrow

Hazards Outlook – Jan 14-18



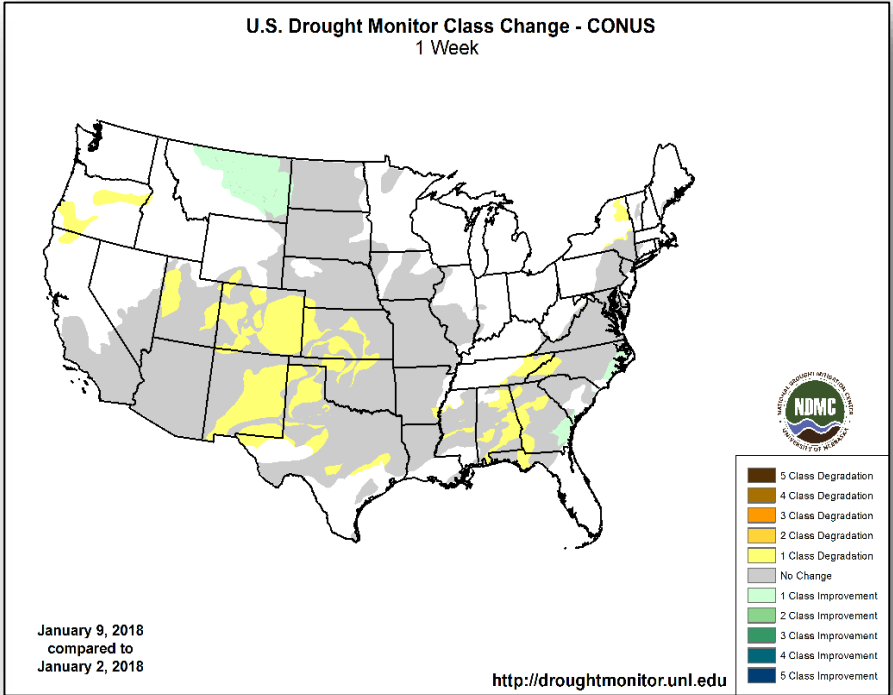
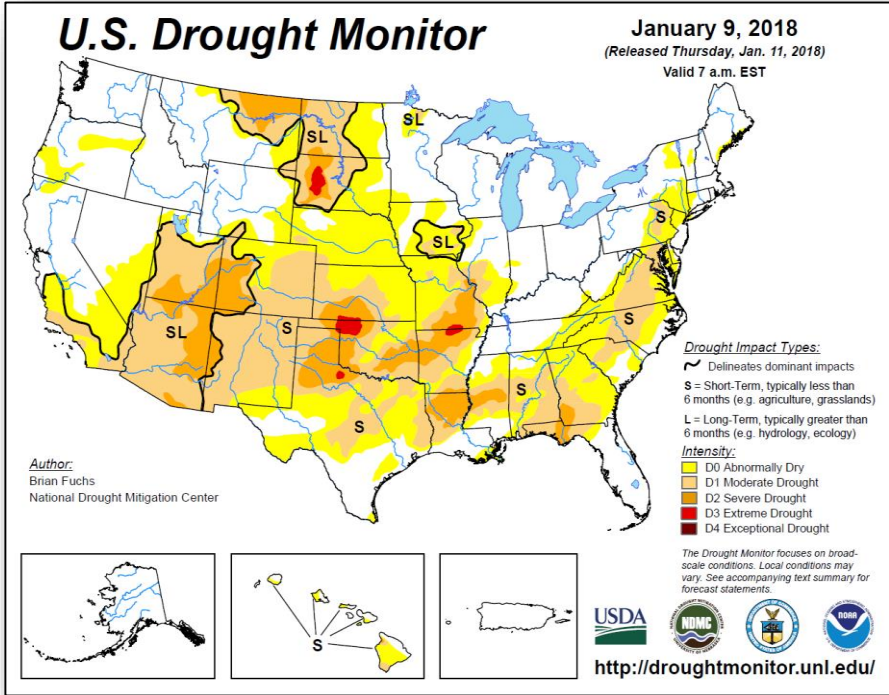
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U.S. Drought Monitor



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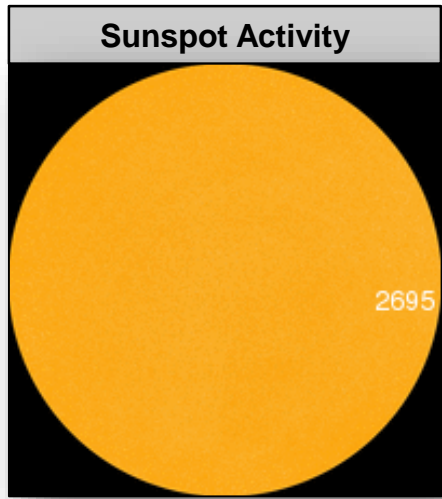
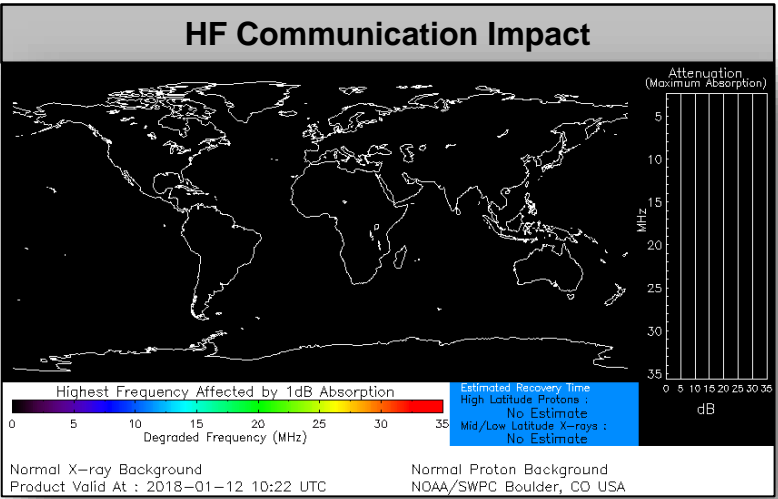
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	Space Weather Activity	Geomagnetic Storms	Solar Radiation	Radio Blackouts
Past 24 Hours	None	None	None	None
Next 24 Hours	None	None	None	None

For further information on NOAA Space Weather Scales refer to <http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/noaa-scales-explanation>



Disaster Requests & Declarations



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Declaration Requests in Process					Requests APPROVED (since last report)	Requests DENIED (since last report)
1	IA	PA	HM	Date Requested	0	0
NY – DR (Appeal) Severe Storms and Flooding	X	X	X	January 2, 2018		

Readiness – Deployable Teams and Assets



Resource	Force Strength	Available	Deployed	Other	Cadres with 25% or Less Availability	
Total Workforce	11,509 ▲	4,930 ▼ 42%	5,188 ▲	1,391	DI 23% (18/79) EHP 15% (52/351), PA 25% (375/1496), SEC 23% (23/100)	
National IMATs* (3 Teams)	East 1: East 2: West:	B-2 B-48 Charlie				
Regional IMATs (≤3 Teams)	Assigned: Available: PMC / NMC: Deployed:	13 3 1 9				
US&R (>66%)	Assigned: Available: PMC / NMC: Deployed:	28 24 4 0				
MERS (>66%)	Assigned: Available: NMC: Deployed:	36 33 0 3				
FCO (≤1 Type I)	Assigned: Available: PMC / NMC: Deployed:	37 4 7 26				
FDRC (≤2)	Assigned: Available: PMC / NMC: Deployed:	14 2 1 11				

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

FEMA Readiness – Activation Teams



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Resource	Status	Total	Status	Activated Team	Activation Level	Activation Times	Reason / Comments
NWC		5	Steady State				
NRCC		2	Available				
HLT		1	Available				
RWCs/MOCs		10	Steady State				
RRCCs		10	Available				

Backup Regions: VIII, X, & III



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