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Daily Operations Briefing

Wednesday, January 28, 2015

8:30 a.m. EST

Significant Activity: Jan 27 – 28



Significant Events: Severe Winter Weather – Northeast

Significant Weather:

- Freezing rain possible – Upper Mississippi Valley to Great Lakes
- Snow – Northern Intermountain/Northern Plains to Central Great Basin/Central Plains; Upper Mississippi Valley to Great Lakes; Northeast
- Rain and snow – Central Great Basin, Northern Intermountain; Northern/Central Plains; Upper Mississippi Valley to Great Lakes
- Elevated Fire Weather Area: CO, KS & OK; Red Flag Warnings: OK
- Space Weather: Past 24 hours – minor, R1 radio blackouts occurred; next 24 hours – none

Tropical Activity: No activity affecting U.S. or territories

FEMA Readiness:

- Region I RRCC at Level III with ESFs, will return to Watch/Steady State at 12:00 pm EST
- Region II RRCC returned to Watch/Steady State
- Region IX RWC at Enhanced Watch, 24/7 for Super Bowl
- NWC transitioned to Enhanced Watch, day shift only

Disaster Declaration Activity: Major Disaster Declaration approved for Soboba Band of Luiseño Indians

Severe Winter Weather – Northeast



Current Situation:

- Coastal storm is moving away from U.S.; all weather related impacts continue to diminish
- Lingering snow in ME – accumulations will be minimal

Impacts:

- No significant property damage reported
- ▲ Storm related electric customer outages total 18,544 across eleven states, a decrease of 12,467 since 5:00 PM EST (*Department of Energy*)
- ▲ All major airports & maritime ports re-opened; all highway travel bans lifted

State Response:

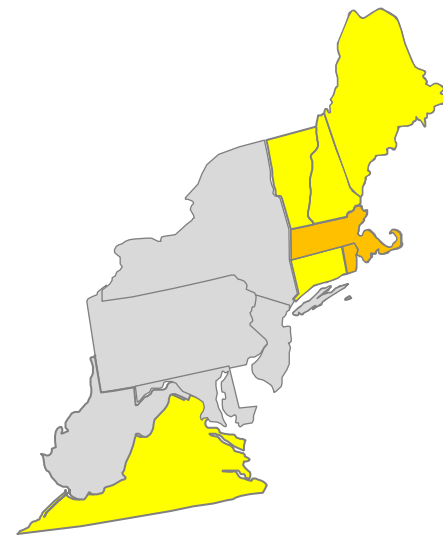
- State EOCs Fully Activated: MA & RI
- ▲ State EOCs Partially Activated: CT, ME, NH, VT & VA
- ▲ State EOCs returned to normal operations: NJ, NY State, NYC OEM, MD & PA
- State of Emergency declared in ME, CT, MA, NH, NJ, NY, PA & RI
- ▲ Open shelters/occupants: MA, 25/349; NJ, 1/0 (*as of 6:30 am EST*)

FEMA Regions

- ▲ Region I RRCC at Level III; will return to Watch/Steady State and ESFs, LNOs & DoD will be released by 12:00 pm EST
- ▲ Region II RRCC returned to Normal Operations; all LNOs in Regions II & III have been released

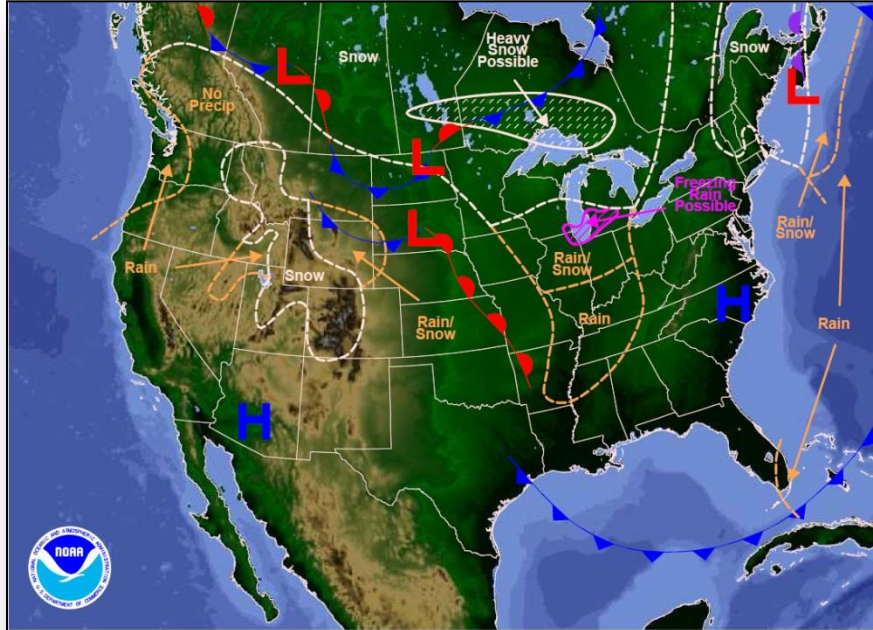
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- ▲ NRCC not activated; NWC Enhanced Watch transitioned to day shift only
- ▲ Type IV PRT cancelled; ISB Echo Team demobilized; all generators returned to Frederick, MD
- No shortfalls or unmet needs; no requests for FEMA assistance

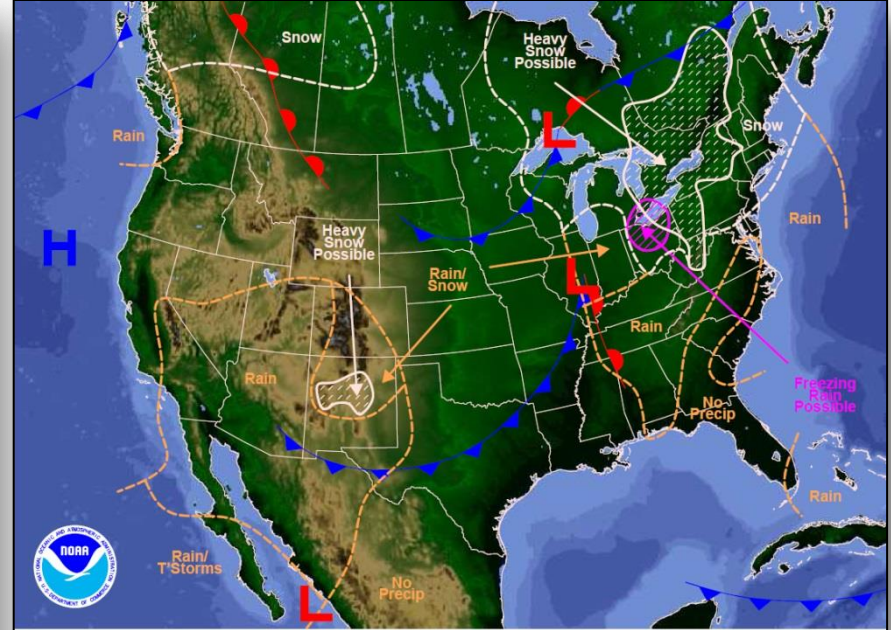


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National Weather Forecast

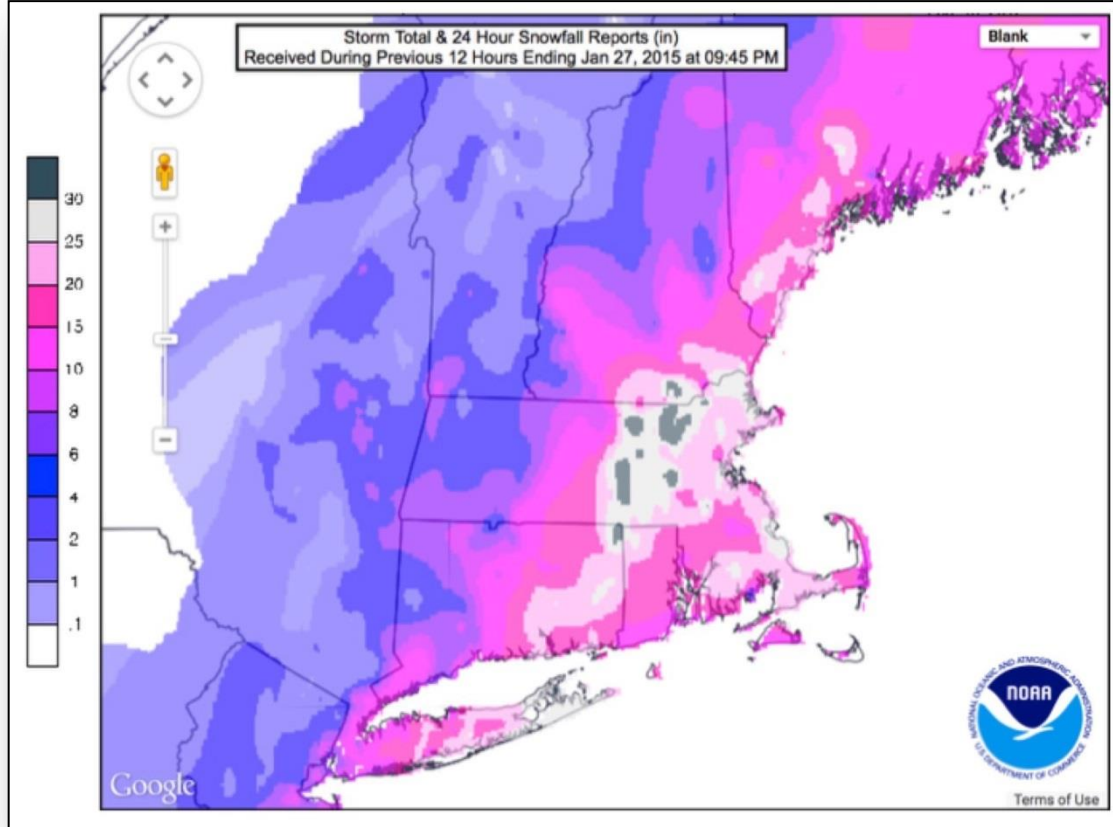


Weather Forecast for Wed, Jan 28, 2015, issued 3:50 AM EST
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center
Prepared by McCreynolds based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts



Weather Forecast for Thu, Jan 29, 2015, issued 4:35 AM EST Wed, Jan 28, 2015
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center
Prepared by McCreynolds based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts

Estimated Observed Snowfall



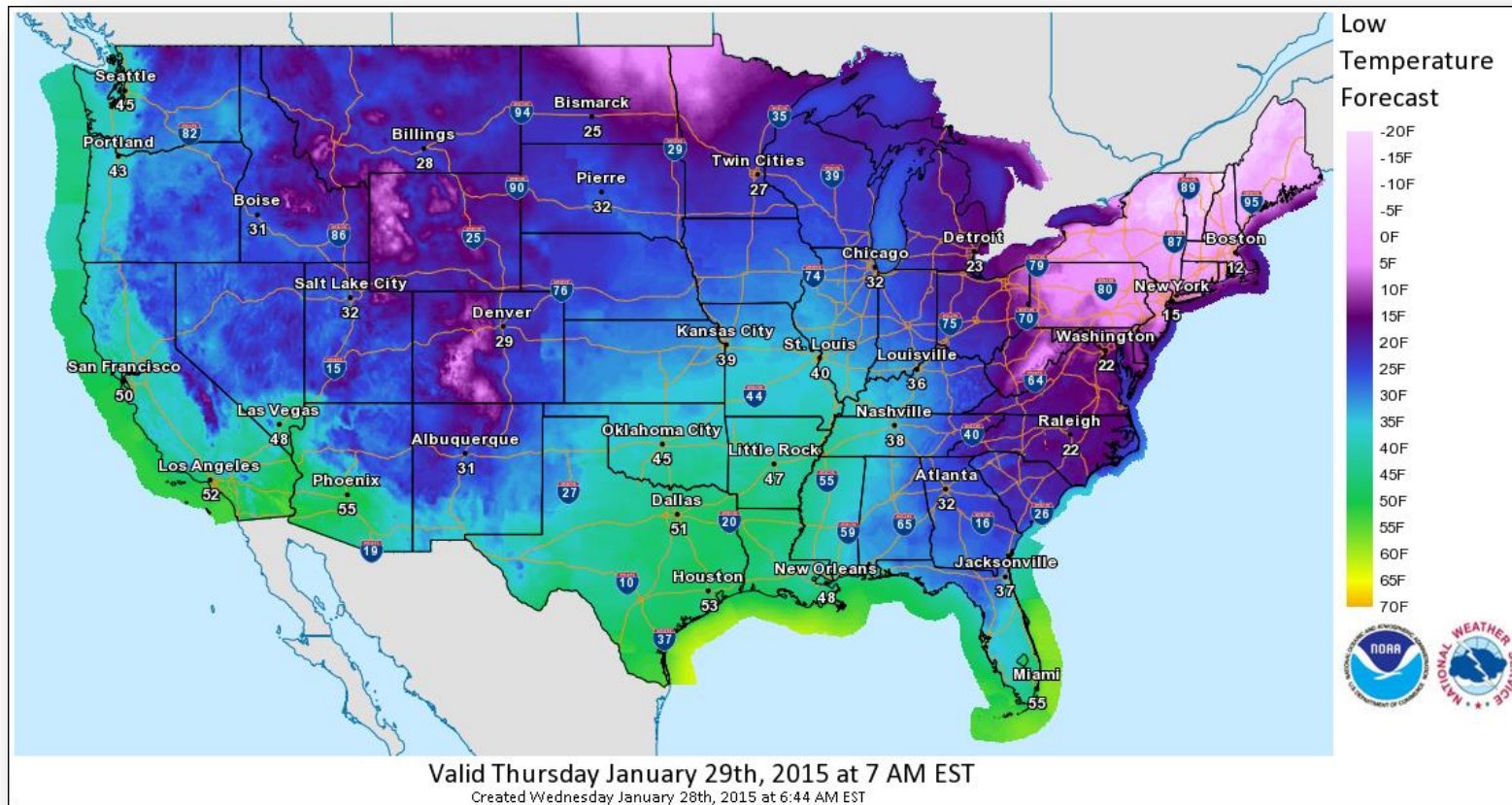
Strong Wind Gusts by State:

- 78 mph at Nantucket, MA
- 78 mph at Mount Washington, NH
- 61 mph at Eastport, ME
- 60 mph at Westhampton Airport, NY

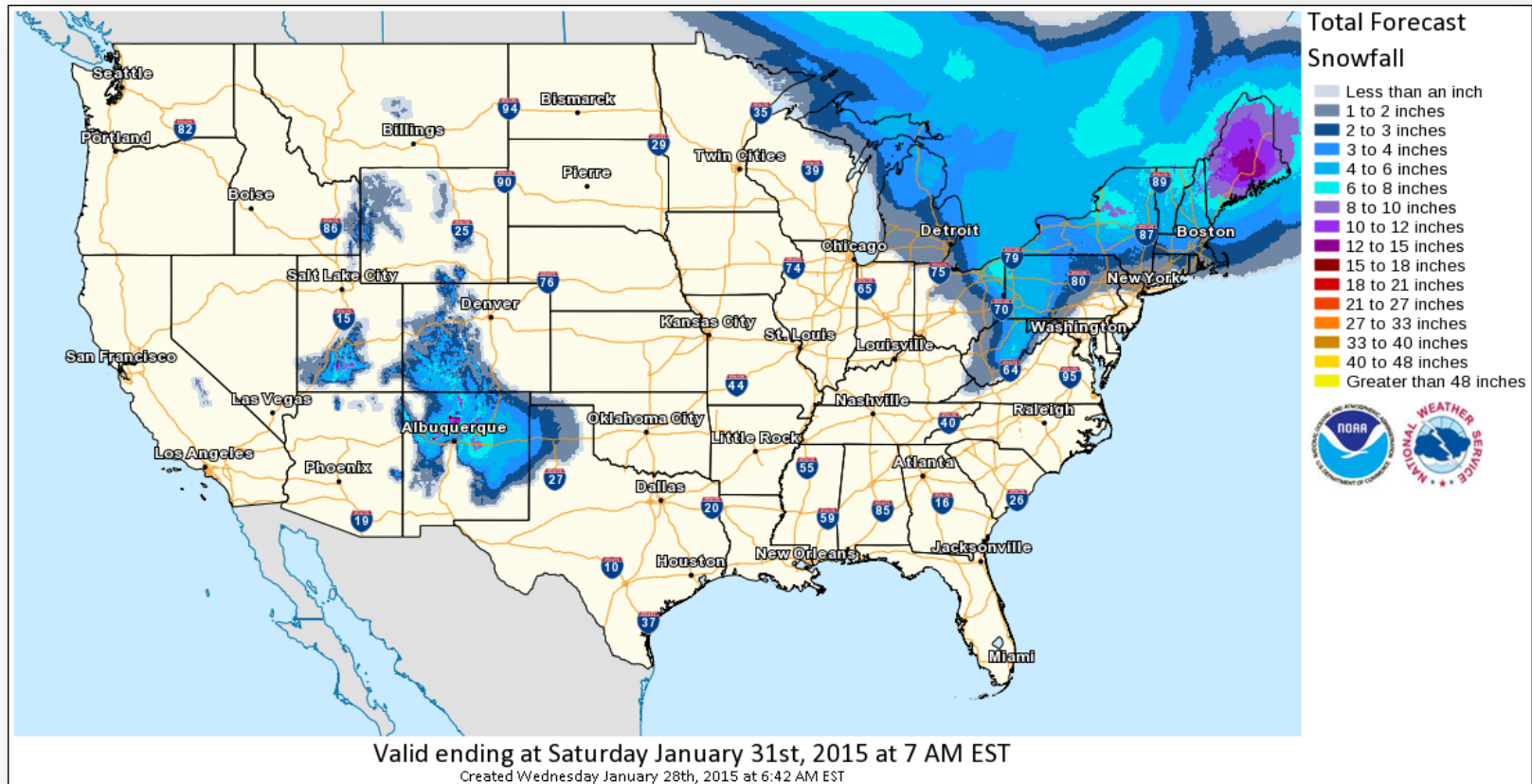
Snowfall Amounts by State:

- 36.0 inches in Lunenburg, MA
- 33.5 inches at Thompson, CT
- 33.2 inches at Nashua, NH
- 30.0 inches at Orient, NY
- 27.4 inches at Portland, ME
- 26.5 inches at Burrillville, RI

Low Temperatures



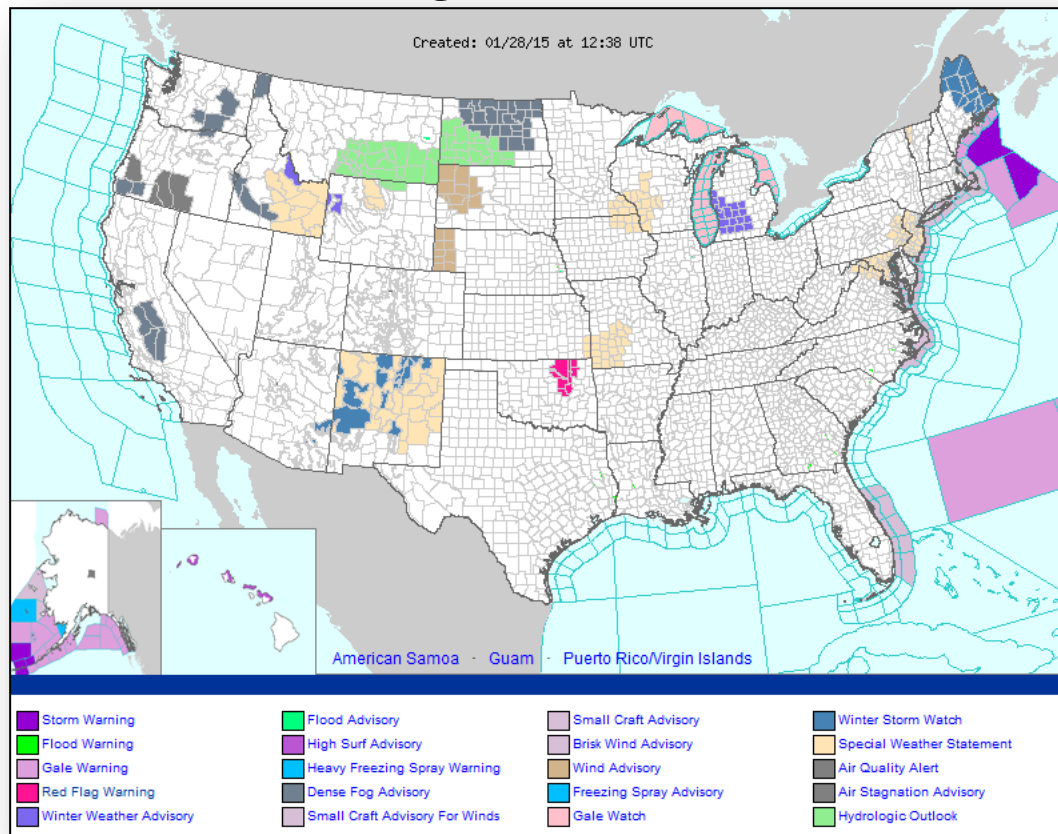
Total Forecast Snowfall



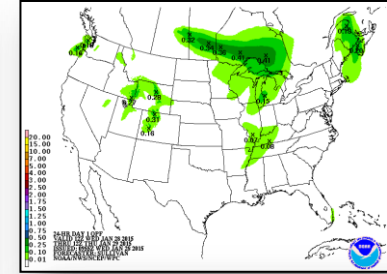
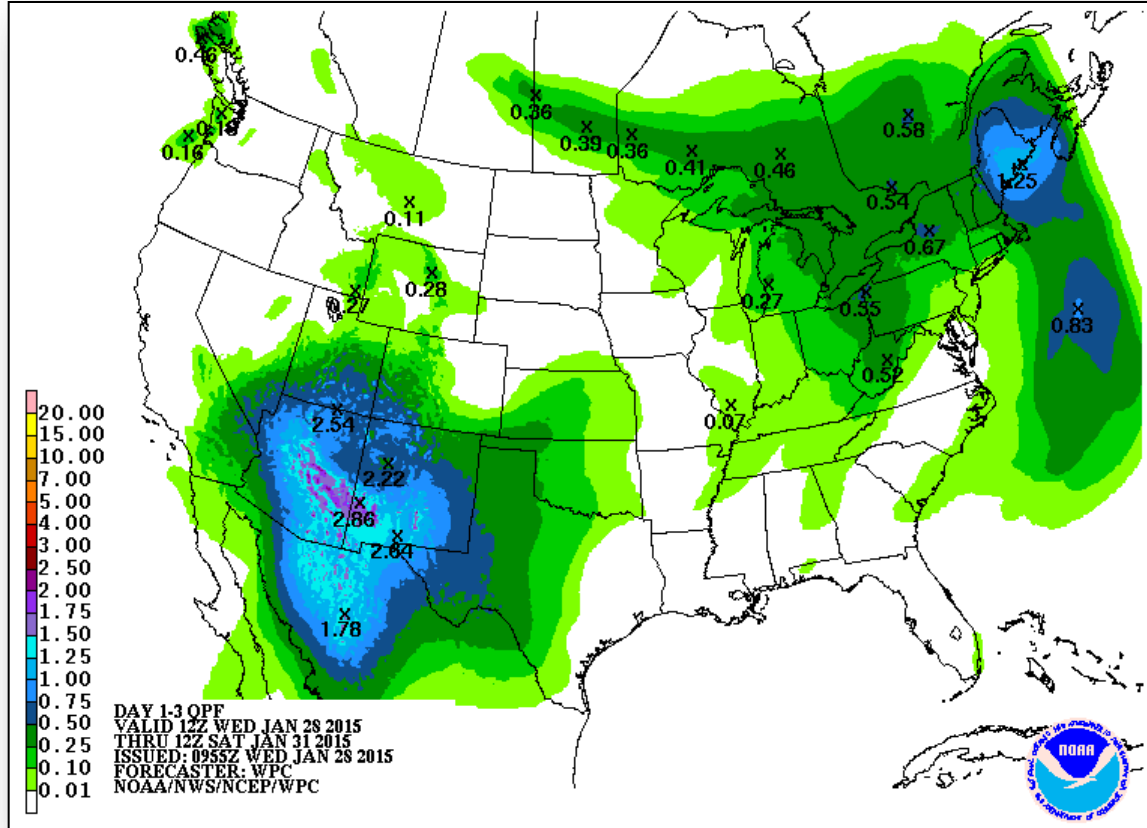
Active Watches/Warnings



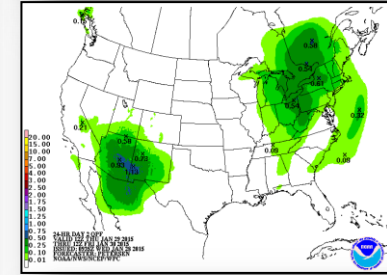
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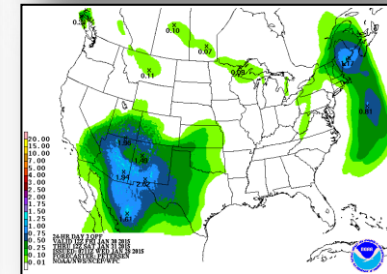
Precipitation Forecast – 3 Day



Day 1

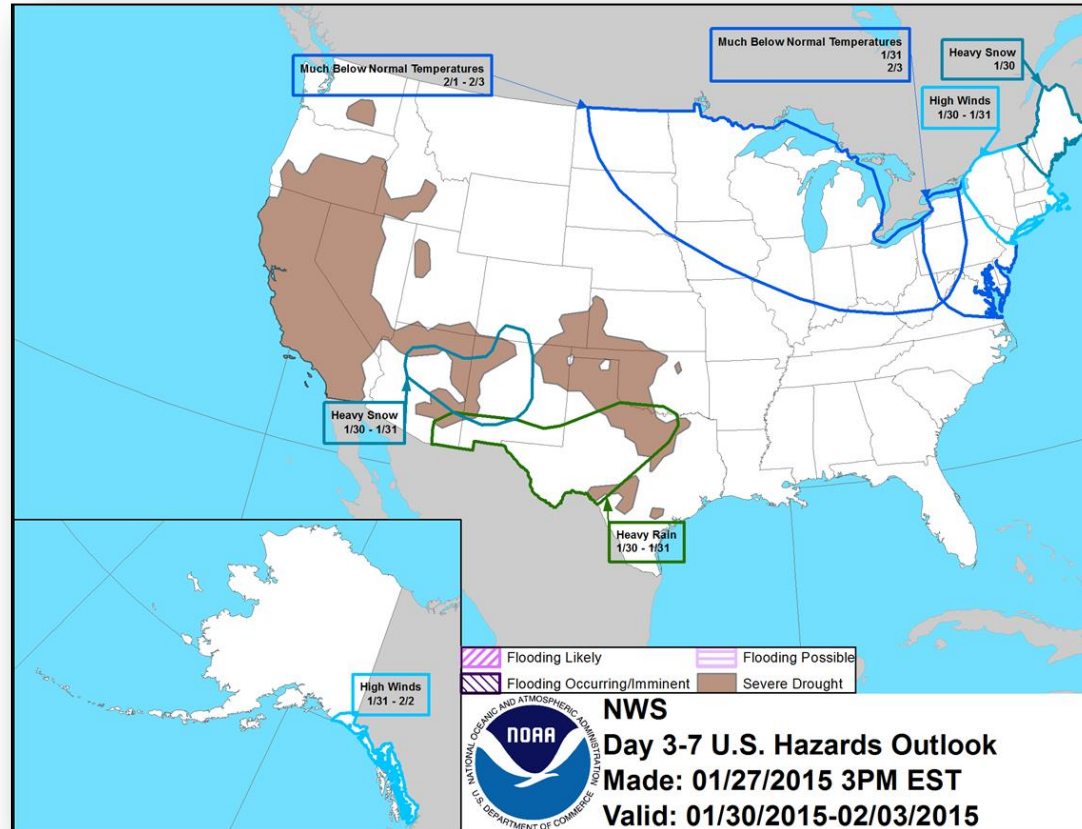


Day 2



Day 3

Hazard Outlook: Jan 30 – Feb 3



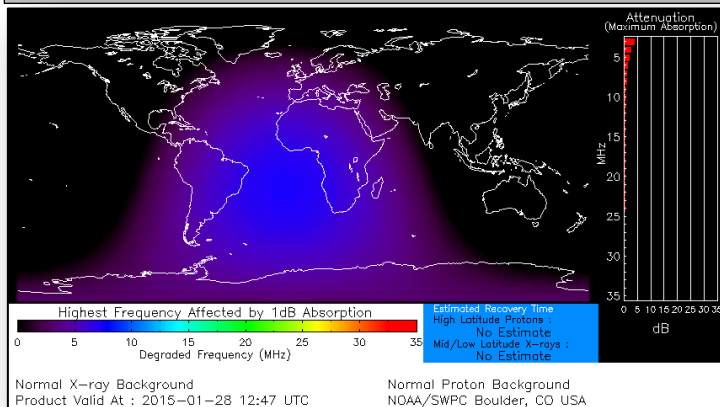
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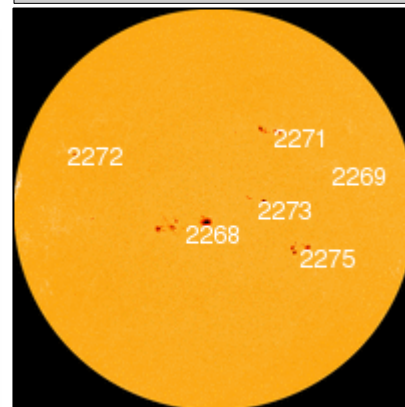
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NOAA Scales Activity (Range: 1/minor to 5/extreme)	Past 24 Hours	Current	Next 24 Hours
Space Weather Activity:	Minor	None	None
• Geomagnetic Storms	None	None	None
• Solar Radiation Storms	None	None	None
• Radio Blackouts	R1	None	None

HF Communication Impact



Sunspot Activity



Disaster Requests & Declarations



Declaration Requests in Process		Requests APPROVED (since last report)	Requests DENIED (since last report)
1	Date Requested	1	0
Soboba Band of Luiseño Indian Reservation – DR Severe Storms, Flooding, and Mudslides	January 15, 2015	Declared January 27, 2015	
Vermont – DR Severe Winter Storm	January 23, 2015		

Major Disaster Declaration – Soboba Band of Luiseño Indian Reservation



January 27, 2015

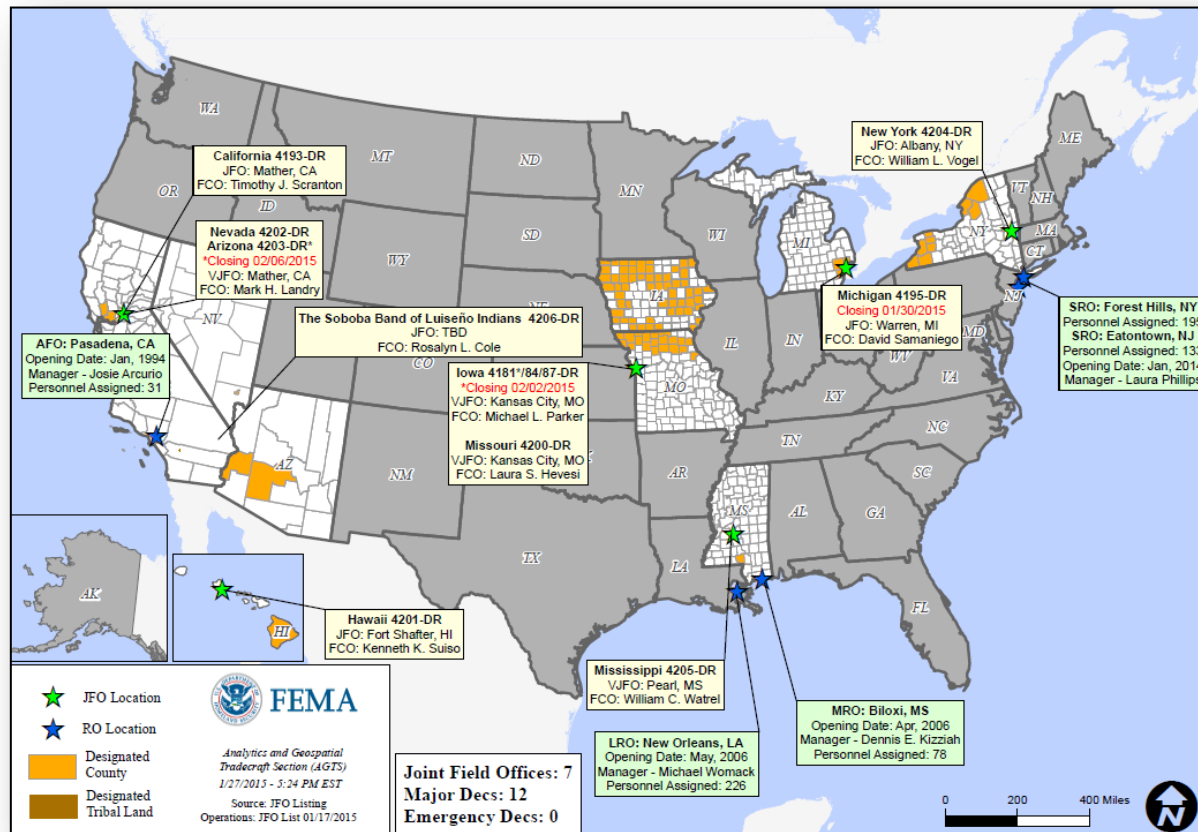
- Major Disaster Declaration approved for Soboba Band of Luiseño Indians
- For severe storms, flooding, and mudslides during the period of December 4-6, 2014
- Provides:
 - Public Assistance for the Soboba Band of Luiseño Indians and associated lands
 - Hazard Mitigation for the Soboba Band of Luiseño Indians
 - FCO is Rosalyn L. Cole



Open Field Offices as of Jan 28



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FEMA Readiness – Deployable Teams /Assets



Deployable Teams/Assets									
Resource	Status	Total	FMC Available		Partially Available	Not Available	Detailed Deployed Activated	Comments	Rating Criterion
FCO		39	19	49%	0	2	18		OFDC Readiness: FCO Green Yellow Red Type 1 3+ 2 1 Type 2 4+ 3 2 Type 3 4 3 2 FDRC 3 2 1
FDRC		10	8	80%	0	0	2		
US&R		28	27	96%	0	1	0	NM-TF1 (Red – Personnel shortages)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green = Available/FMC • Yellow = Available/PMC • Red = Out-of-Service • Blue = Assigned/Deployed
National IMAT		3	1	33%	0	0	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IMAT East 1 – Deployed to FEMA HQ • IMAT East 2 – Deployed to GA 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green: 3 avail • Yellow: 1-2 avail • Red: 0 avail (<i>Individual N-IMAT red if 50% of Section Chiefs and/or Team Leader is unavailable for deployment.</i>)
Regional IMAT		13	7	54%	0	4	2	<u>Not Mission Capable (NMC):</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regions IV-3, V, VI-1 & IX-1 (personnel shortages) <u>Deployed</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Region II-1 to NY • Region IX-2 to CA 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green: 7 or more avail • Yellow: 4 - 6 teams available • Red: > 8 teams deployed/unavailable <i>R-IMAT also red if TL Ops/Log Chief is unavailable and has no qualified replacement.</i>
MCOV		60	59	98%	0	1	0		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green = 80 – 100% avail • Yellow = 60 – 79% avail • Red = 59% or below avail • Readiness remains 95%

FEMA Readiness – National/Regional Teams



National/Regional Teams									
Resource	Status	Total	FMC Available		Partially Available	Not Available	Deployed/ Activated	Comments	Rating Criterion
NWC		5	5	100%	0	0	Activated	•Enhanced Watch (day shift only)	• Green = FMC • Yellow = PMC • Red = NMC
NRCC		2	344	89%	0	44	Not Activated		
HLT		1	N/A	N/A	0	0	Not Activated		
DEST							Not Activated		
RRCCs		10	10	100%	0	0	Activated – RI	• Region I at Level III; will return to Normal Operations at 12:00 pm EST • Region II returned to Normal Operations	
RWCs/MOCs		10	10	100%	0	0	Not Activated	• Region IX – Enhanced Watch (24/7) thru Feb 2	



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