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Daily Operations Briefing

Sunday, February 11, 2018 8:30 a.m. EST

Significant Activity – Feb 9-11



Significant Events: Tropical Cyclone 09P (Gita) – American Samoa

Tropical Activity:

Western Pacific – Tropical Cyclone 09P (Gita); Tropical Storm 02W

Significant Weather:

- Flash flooding possible Southeast; Mid-Atlantic
- Freezing rain possible Tennessee Valley to Appalachians and Northeast
- Critical/elevated fire weather southern CA, CA/AZ border
- Red Flag Warnings southern CA
- Space Weather:
 - o Past 24 hours: None
 - Next 24 hours: None

Earthquake Activity: No significant activity

Declaration Activity:

Request for Emergency Declaration – American Samoa

Tropical Cyclone Gita



Current Situation (Warning #10 as of 4:00 a.m. EST February 11)

Tropical Cyclone Gita was located 469 miles S of Pago Pago; moving SW at 8 mph, away from American Samoa; maximum sustained winds are 104 mph.

Impacts:

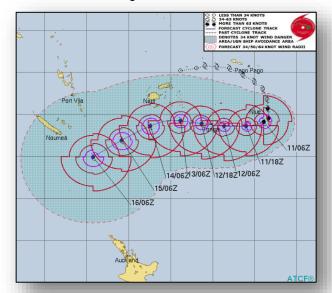
- Fatalities / Injuries: No fatalities; 5 minor injuries
- Damages: Preliminary reports of 200 homes destroyed or with some type of roof damage
- Evacuations: None
- Shelters and Occupants: 7 (+2) shelters open with 603 occupants (ARC Midnight Shelter Count as of 6:10 am EST)
- Power Outages: 60% of island without power; 40% due to damage, 20% due to preemptive shutdown to protect the power grid; estimated 3-5 days to restore
- Transportation: Pago Pago airport has re-opened subject to wind limitations; port of Pago Pago remains closed but may re-open tomorrow; some roads washed out or blocked by debris
- Communications: Intermittent telephone, cellular and internet service
- Water: water service is operating at 50%
- Hospital: Lyndon B. Johnson Hospital back on commercial power

Territory Response:

- American Samoa EOC at Full Activation
- Governor declared a State of Emergency and requested an Emergency Declaration

Federal Response:

- · FEMA Region IX RWC is monitoring
- Region IX IMAT-2 deploying to American Samoa (AS) with ESFs 2, 3, 8 and 12
- 1 LNO deployed to AS, 1 en-route
- · Bothell MERS deploying personnel and assets to AS
- FEMA NWC is monitoring

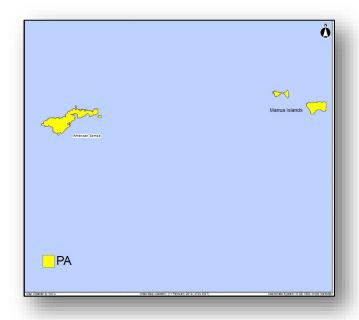


Declaration Request

FEMA

American Samoa

- Governor requested an Emergency Declaration (EM) on February 10, 2018 for American Samoa
- For Tropical Storm Gita beginning February 7, 2018 and continuing
- Requesting debris removal and emergency protective measures (Categories A and B), including direct federal assistance, under Public Assistance program



Tropical Outlook – Western Pacific



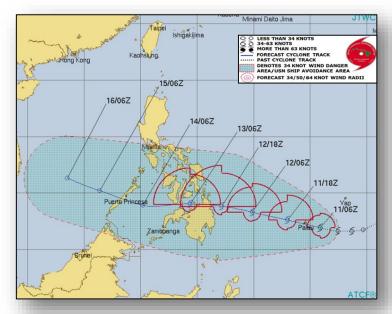
Tropical Storm 02W (Warning #11 as of 4:00 a.m. EST, February 11)

- Located 106 miles ESE of Koror, Palau
- Moving W at 22 mph; this general motion expected to continue next few days
- Maximum sustained winds 40 mph
- · Expected to slowly intensify next couple of days

Preparations:

- Republic of Palau EOC is at Normal Operations
- FEMA Region IX RWC is monitoring
- FEMA NWC is monitoring

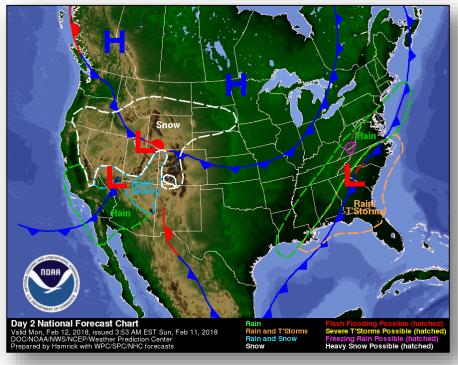
Note: Republic of Palau is a presidential republic in free association with the U.S.



National Weather Forecast



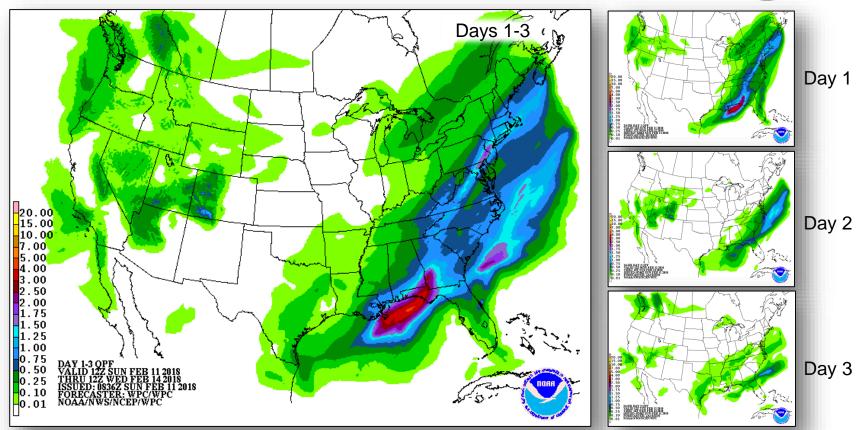




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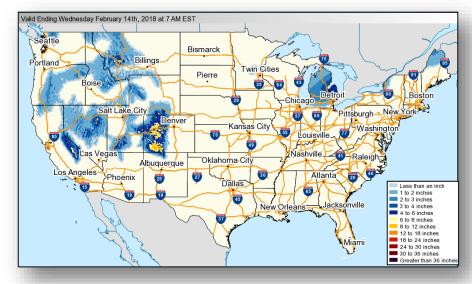
Precipitation Forecast





Winter Precipitation Outlook





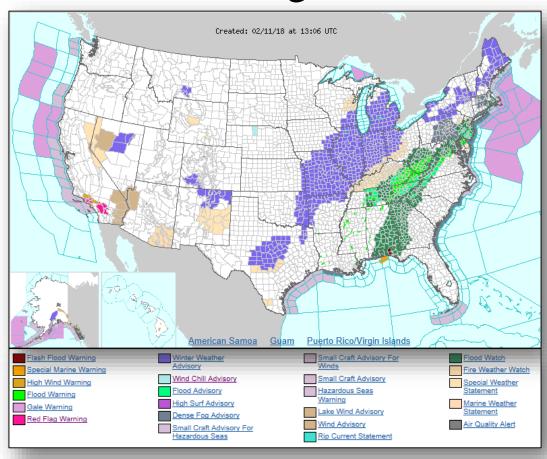
Forecast Snowfall



Forecast Ice Accumulation

Active Watches and Warnings

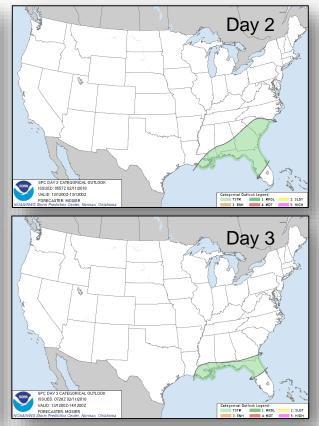




Severe Weather Outlook – Days 1-3

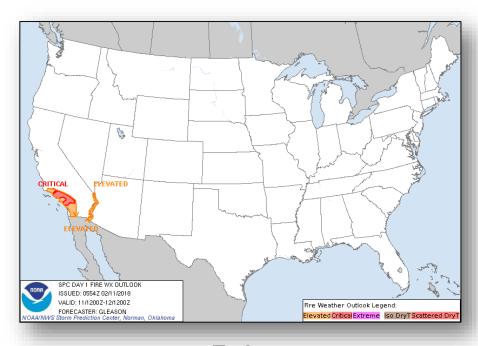


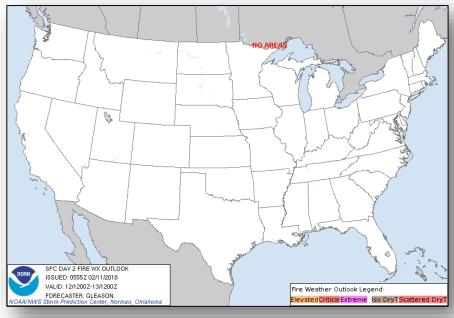




Fire Weather Outlook



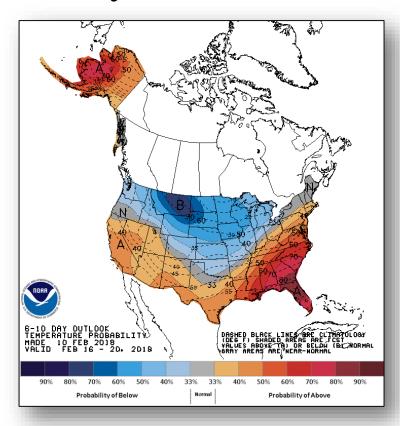




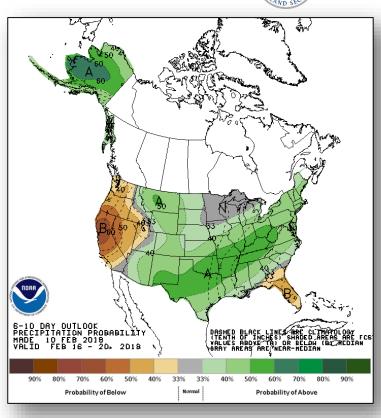
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6-10 Day Outlooks





6-10 Day Temperature Probability



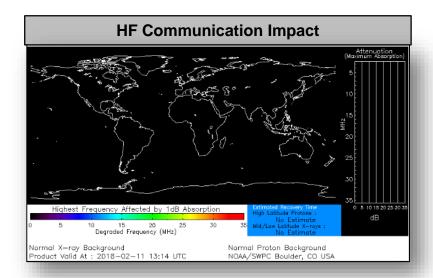
6-10 Day Precipitation Probability

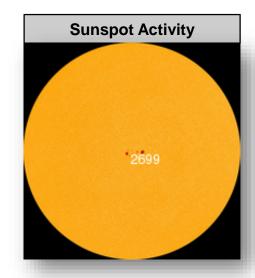
Space Weather



	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



Declaration Requests in Process	Requests APPROVED (since last report)	Requests DENIED (since last report)				
3	IA	РА	нм	Date Requested	0	0
AK – DR Severe Storm		х	x	January 25, 2018		
MT – (Appeal) Wildfires		Х	Х	January 26, 2018		
AS – EM Tropical Storm Gita		Х		February 10, 2018		

Readiness – Deployable Teams and Assets



Resource	Force Strength	Available	Deployed	Other	Cadres with 25% or Less Availability
Total Workfor	rce 11,604 🕪	5,177@44%	4,989 🕪	1,438	EHP 19% (68/351); PA-NEW 23% (354/1,510); SAF 19% (13/67); SEC 20% (20/102)
National IMATs*	East 1: East 2:	B-2 Charlie		7	4327-DR-WY VIFO: Denver, CO FOC: Jon Huss (Closing February 12) 4343-DR-WI VIFO: Chicago, IL FCO: Janet M. Odeshoo 4331-DR-WV IFO: Chicasto, WV FCO: Steven S. Ward (Closing February 16) Field Offices ★ JFOs: 17 DRs: 33
(3 Teams)	West:	B-48	AK.	5	EMs: 2 Deployed Teams
Regional	Assigned: Available:	13 5	and the second		(Location) H330-DR-VT 4316-DR-NH
IMATs (4 - 6 Teams)	PMC / NMC: Deployed:	1 7	4351-DR-Al VJFO: Anch 4342-DR-ID	orage, AK	4329-DR-NH VIJFO: Maynard, MA 4354-DR-NE* 4355-DR-NH**
US&R (> 66%)	Assigned: Available: PMC / NMC: Deployed:	28 28 0 0	4344-DR-C/ 4353-DR-C/ JFO: Sacran FCO: Willia	A* A** nento, CA m Roche	4356-DR-VT IFO: Manchester, NH FCO: James N. Russo *R-I IMAT (Augusta, IK) **MERS: Maynard (Manchester, NH) 4346-DR-SC
MERS (> 66%)	Assigned: Available: NMC: Deployed:	36 35 0	**MERS: Bo	ueblo of Acoma	4349-DR. AL FCO: Warren J. Riley 4350-DR-MS FCO: Manny J. Toro VIFO: Atlanta, GA 438-DR-MS FCO: Warren J. Riley 4350-DR-MS FCO: Manny J. Toro VIFO: Atlanta, GA 438-DR-MS FCO: Warren Robins, GA
FCO (≤ 1 Type I)	Assigned: Available: PMC / NMC: Deployed:		ropical Cyclone Gita Suppo	rt	A325-DR-NE
FDRC (≥ 3)	Assigned: Available: PMC / NMC: Deployed:	14	ago Pago, AS (EOC) -IX (IMAT-2 & LNOS (x2) AERS: Bothell AS	As o	4345-DR-LS 4347-DR-LS VJFO: Kansas City, MO FCO: C, Johnson-Cage R-VII IMAT (R-VII HQ) of 3:00 a.m. EST February 11, 2018 4332-DR-TX JFO: Austin, TX FCO: Kevin L. Hannes MERS: Denton 4335-DR-LA 4277-DR-LA 4277-DR-LA 4339-DR-PR 4338-DR-PR 4339-DR-PR JFO: Guaynabo, PR FCO: Michael F. Byrne MERS: Bothell, Denton, Denver, Frederick, Maynard, Thomasville

^{*}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



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, V, & III



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