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When disaster mitigation is cost effective, we are on the road to bringing disasters to an end.



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Daily Operations Briefing

Tuesday, February 13, 2018

8:30 a.m. EST

Significant Activity – Feb 12-13



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Significant Events: Tropical Cyclone Gita – American Samoa

Tropical Activity:

- Western Pacific – Tropical Cyclone Gita

Significant Weather:

- Heavy snow – Central and Southern Rockies
- Space Weather:
 - Past 24 hours: None
 - Next 24 hours: None

Earthquake Activity: No significant activity

Declaration Activity: None

Tropical Cyclone Gita



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Current Situation

Pago Pago, AS recovery efforts are ongoing. High Surf Advisory remains in effect.

Impacts:

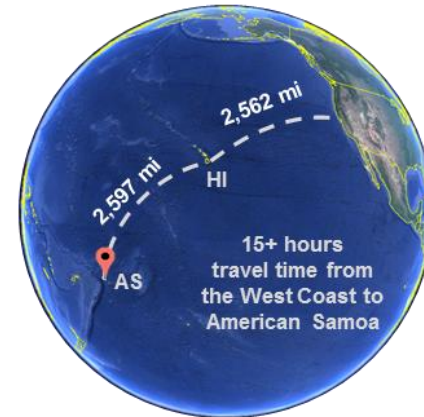
- **Fatalities / Injuries:** No fatalities; 5 minor injuries
- Preliminary reports of 200 homes damaged / destroyed
- **Joint PDAs expected to begin today or tomorrow**
- **Evacuations:** None
- **Shelters and Occupants:** 10 shelters (+3) open with 1,048, down from a peak of 1,186 yesterday *(Open Shelter Report as of 6:25 a.m. EST)*
- **Power Outages:** 75% of power restored, full restoration in 2-4 days; 70% of power lines restored on Tutuila Island
- **Transportation:** None
- **Communications:** Internet, Landline, and Cellular is intermittent
- **Water:** Municipal water service is operating at 85% (+5); low water pressure remains an issue for commercial recovery

Territory Response:

- American Samoa EOC at Full Activation
- Governor declared a State of Emergency

Federal Response:

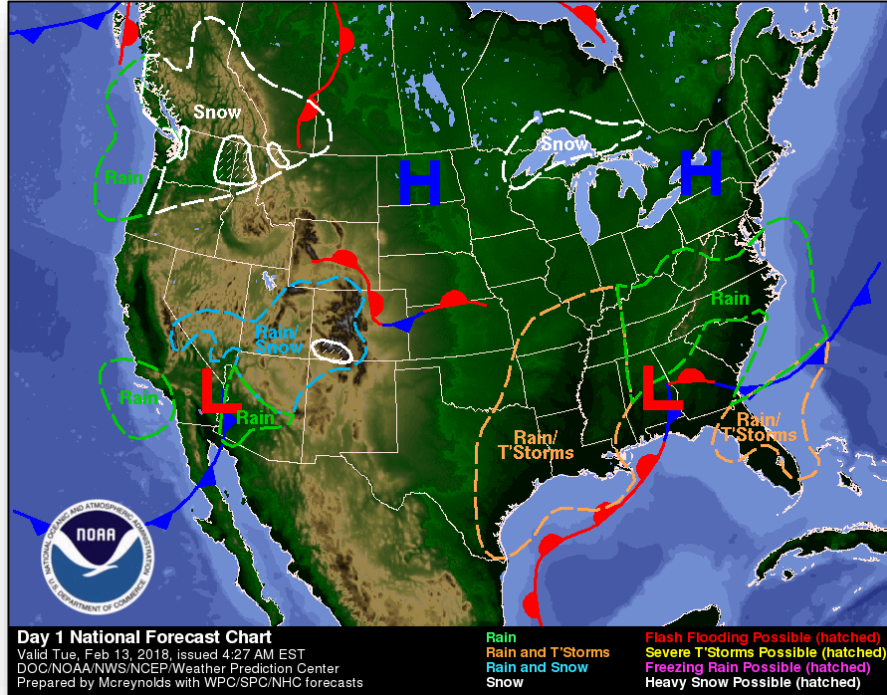
- FEMA Region IX RWC is monitoring
- Region IX LNOs (2x) at EOC
- Region IX IMAT-2 deployed
- Bothell MERS deploying personnel and assets
- FEMA NWC is monitoring
- DoD Support: DCE, strategic airlift, ground transportation and responder berthing on AS, ISB at the Army Reserve Center, FSA on HI (Hickam AFB)
- FEMA-3397-EM-AS approved 11 February, 2018



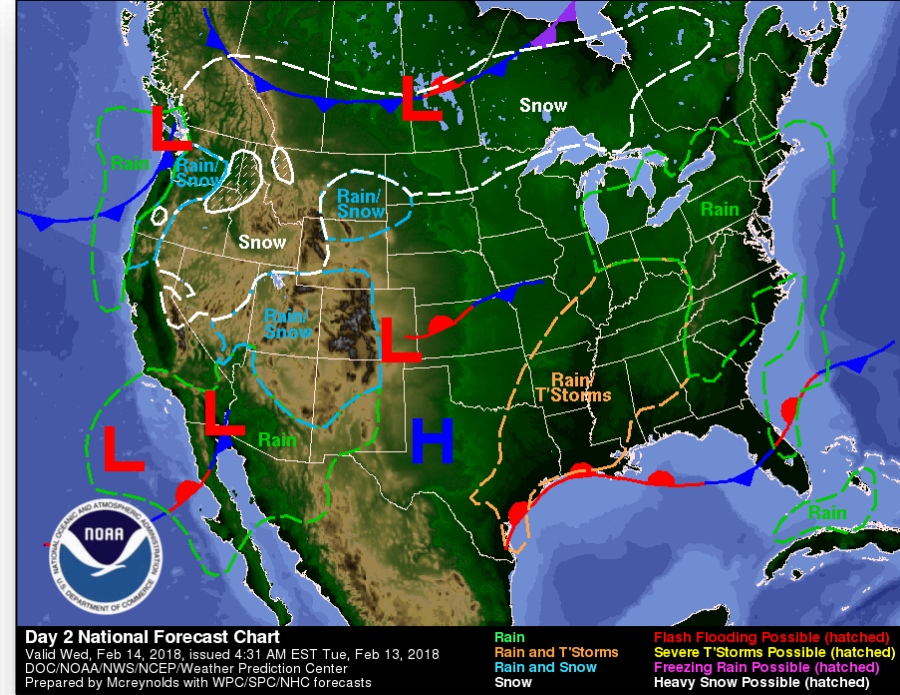
National Weather Forecast



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Today

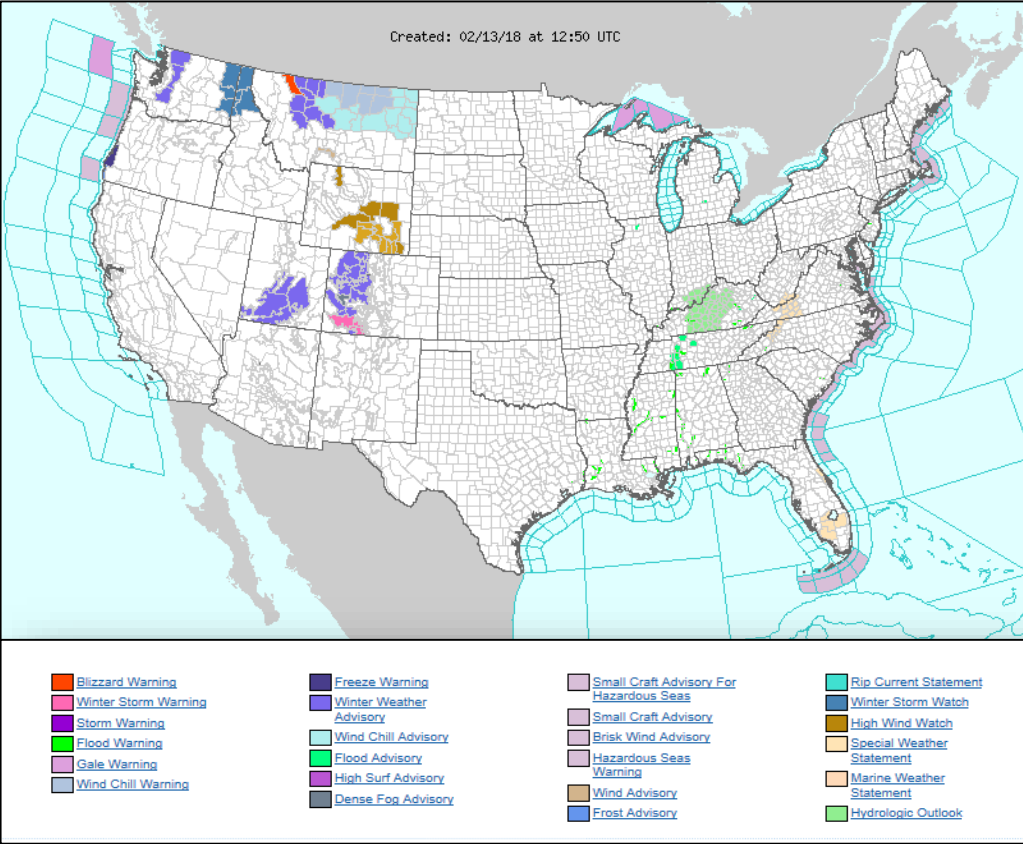


Tomorrow

Active Watches and Warnings



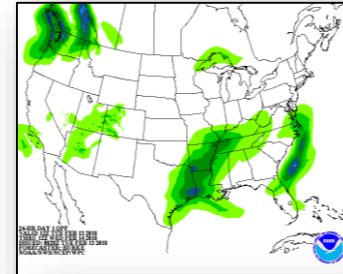
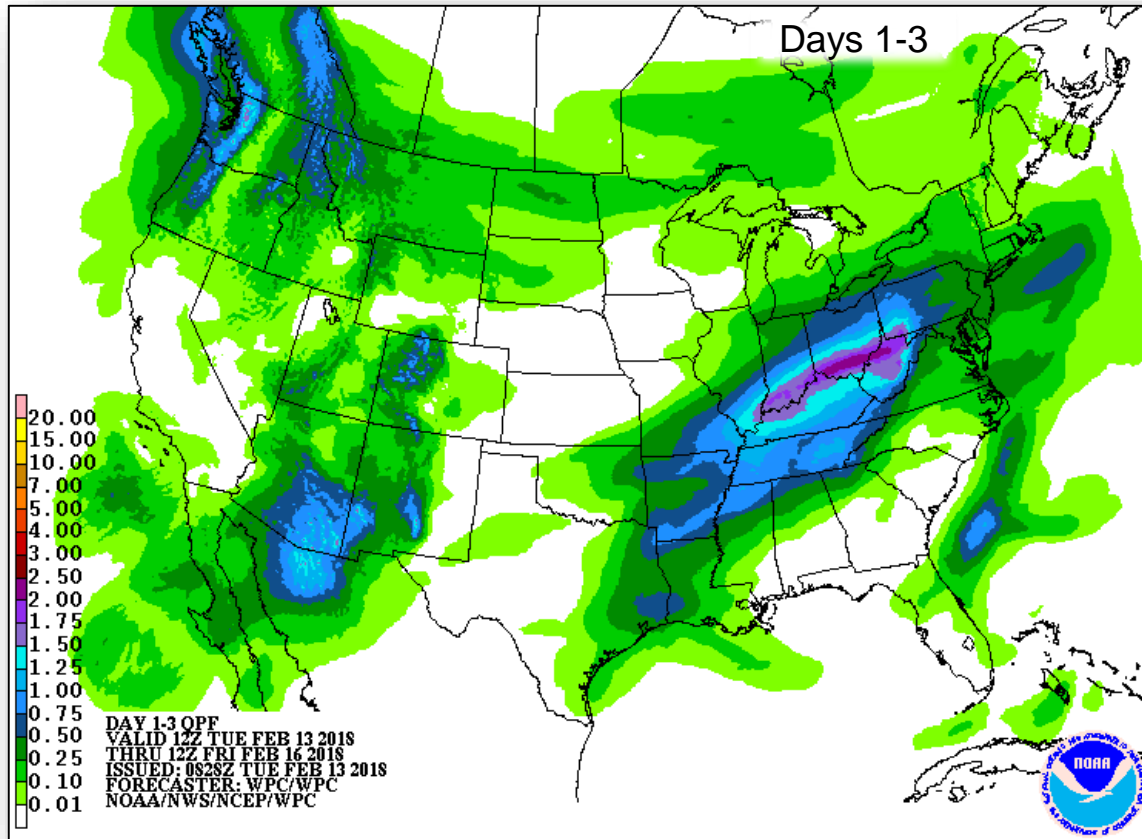
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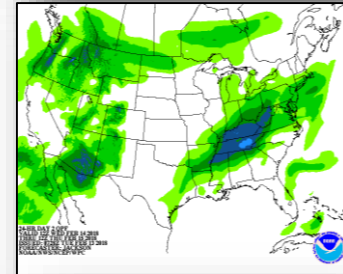
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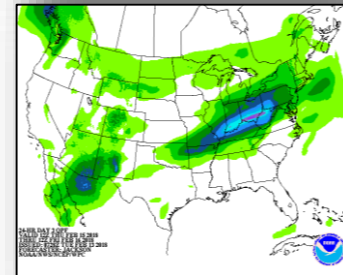
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Day 1



Day 2

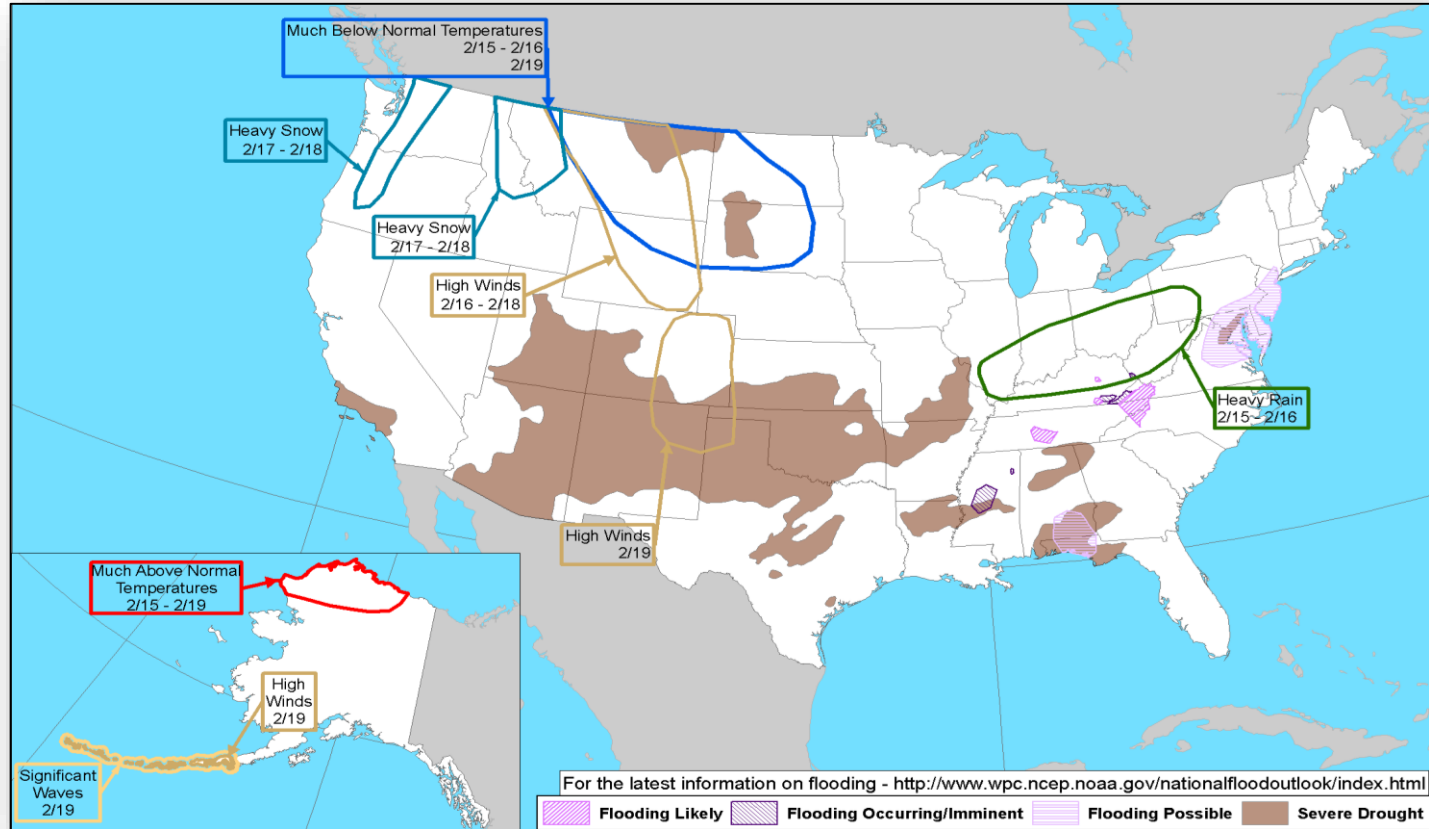


Day 3

Hazards Outlook – Feb 15-19



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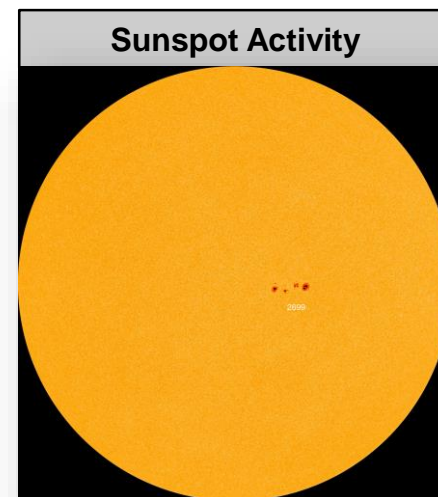
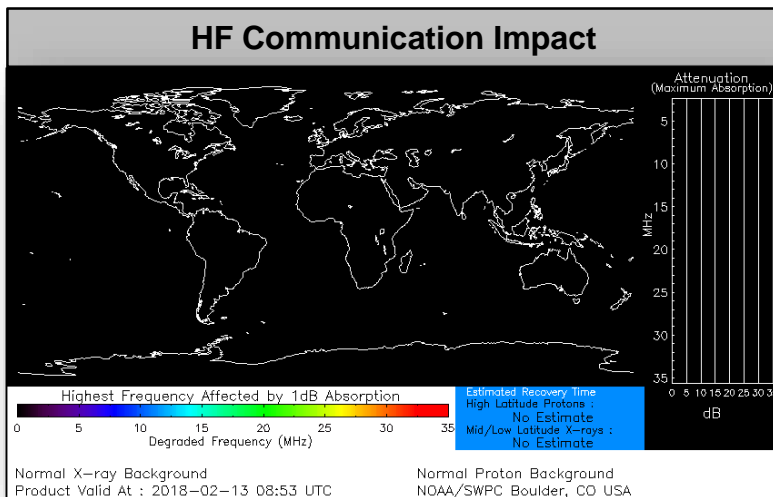


Space Weather



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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				



Disaster Requests & Declarations



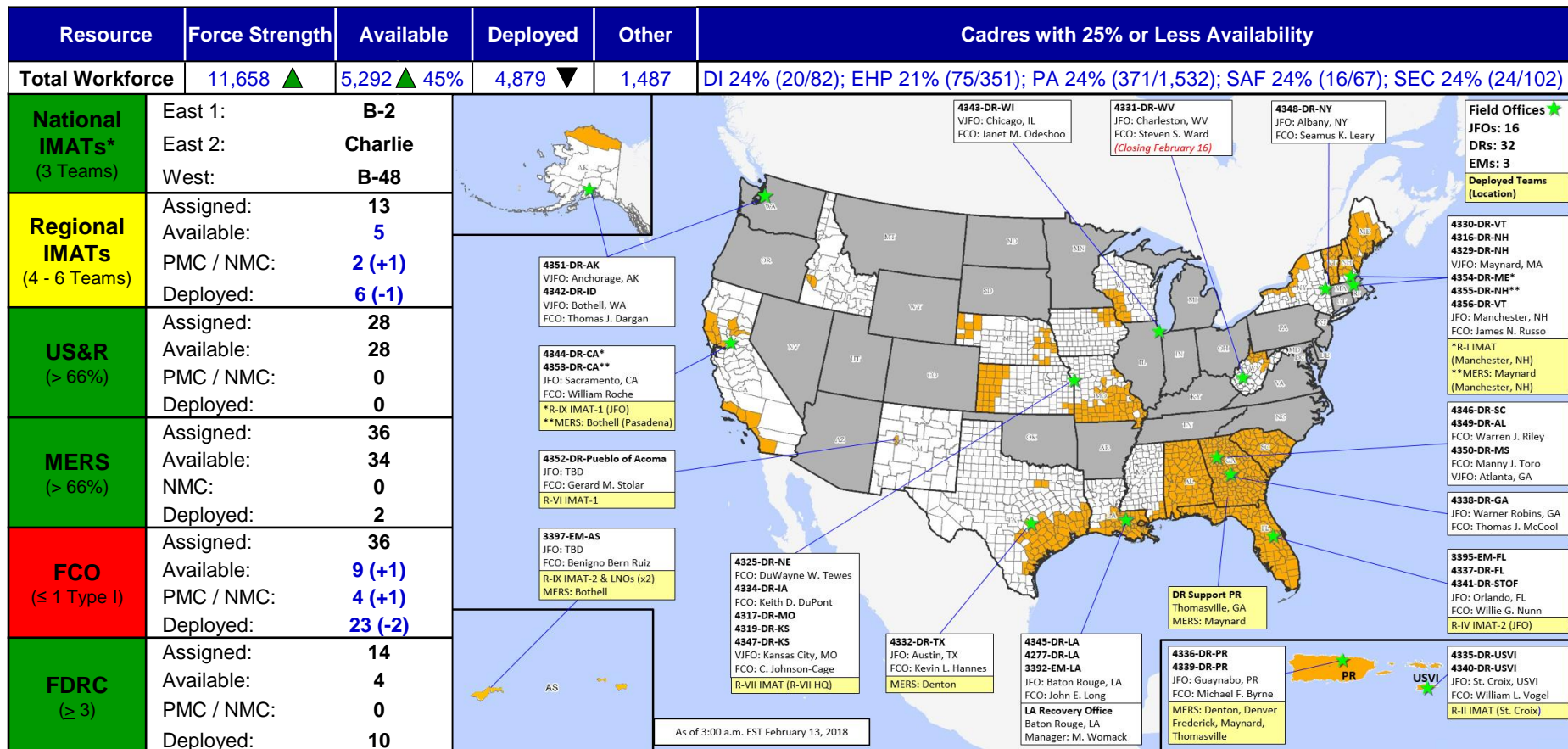
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Declaration Requests in Process					Requests APPROVED (since last report)	Requests DENIED (since last report)
2	IA	PA	HM	Date Requested	0	0
AK – DR Severe Storm		X	X	January 25, 2018		
MT – (Appeal) Wildfires		X	X	January 26, 2018		

Readiness – Deployable Teams and Assets



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*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, V, & III



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