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Daily Operations Briefing

Wednesday, February 28, 2018

8:30 a.m. EST

Significant Activity – Feb 27-28



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Significant Events: Central U.S. Flooding

Tropical Activity:

- Western Pacific – No activity affecting U.S. interests

Significant Weather:

- Flash flooding possible – Southern Plains to Tennessee Valley
- Severe thunderstorms possible – Southern Plains/Lower Mississippi Valley
- Critical/elevated Fire Weather – NM, TX, OK & CO
- Red Flag Warnings – TX
- Space Weather:
 - Past 24 hours: None observed
 - Next 24 hours: None predicted

Earthquake Activity: No significant activity

Declaration Activity: None

Central U.S. Flooding



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Current Situation:

The Upper Ohio River System, as well as the Southern Arkansas and Northern Louisiana areas will be flowing into the Lower Mississippi Basin over the next few weeks.

Potential impacts to the area:

Region IV:

- KY: Additional PDA requests likely (PA PDAs for 22 counties began February 22)
- TN: Lauderdale, Tipton, Dyer, Lake, Hardin, Decatur, and Perry Counties could see flooding which may lead to assessments in March; Majority of flooding is low lying and agricultural areas
- MS: Majority of flooding is low lying and agricultural areas. Potential for PDA requests in counties
- All other Region IV states will see localized and some flash flooding in low lying, agricultural and flood prone areas for the coming week. No wide spread significant threats to populations expected

Region VI:

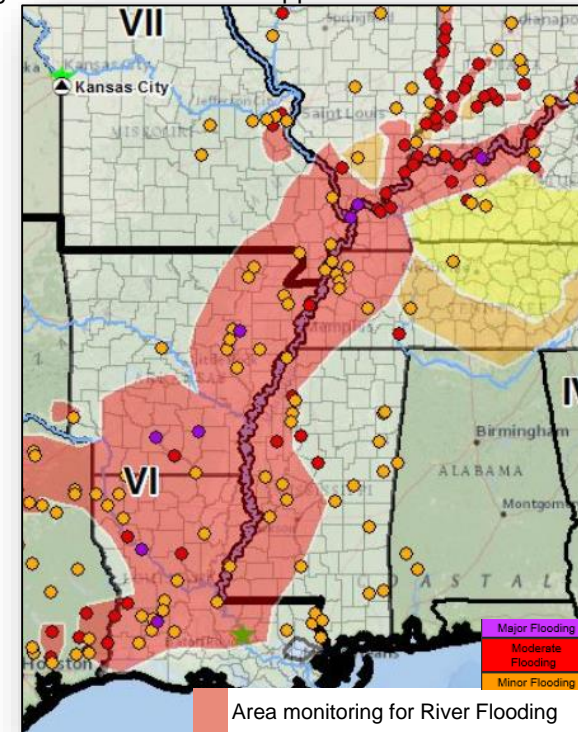
- AR: Localized flooding in low lying, agricultural and flood prone areas for the coming week. No wide spread significant threats to populations expected
- LA: Baton Rouge gauge expected to reach Major Flood stage, Baton Rouge has extensive flood controls and impacts are not expected to be significant. Long term forecast show minor flooding in New Orleans

State/Commonwealth Response:

- State of Emergency in effect for OH, IL, IN & LA
- State EOC Activations: Partial Activation: IL & IN; Monitoring: KY, MS and TN

FEMA Regional Response:

- Regions III - VII: Continues to monitor the situation and provide daily analysis
- LNOs identified for AR, LA, and TX

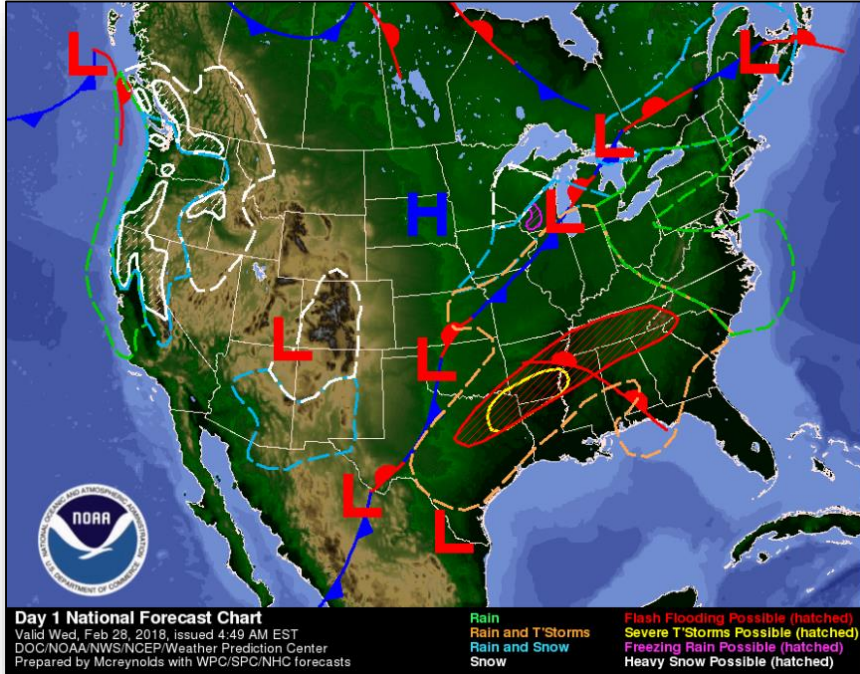


Based on current analysis, forecast rainfall and river gauges, there are no widespread significant threats/impacts due to Riverine Flooding expected. Analysis from FEMA Regions IV and VI included

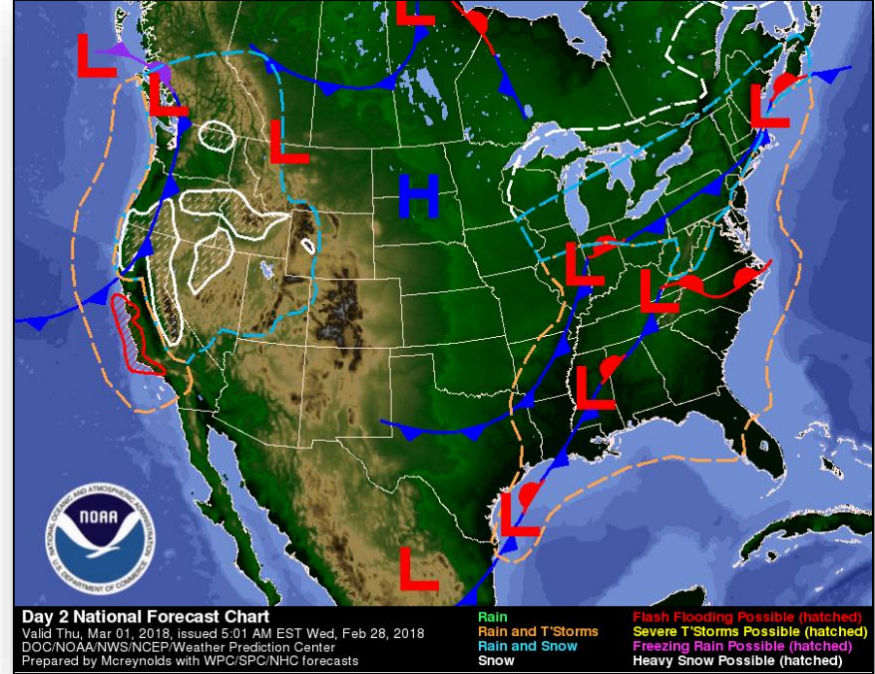
National Weather Forecast



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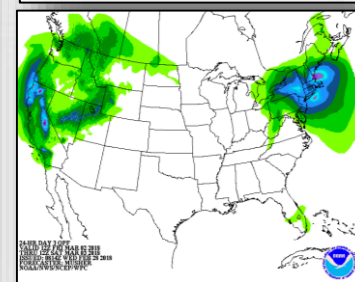
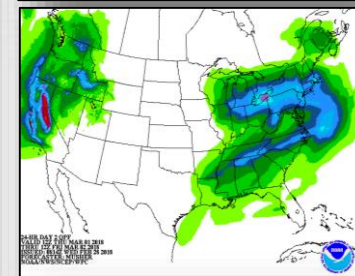
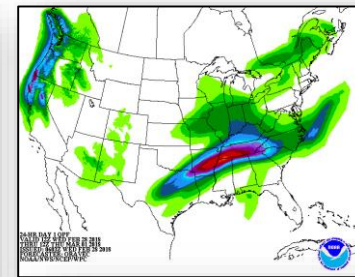
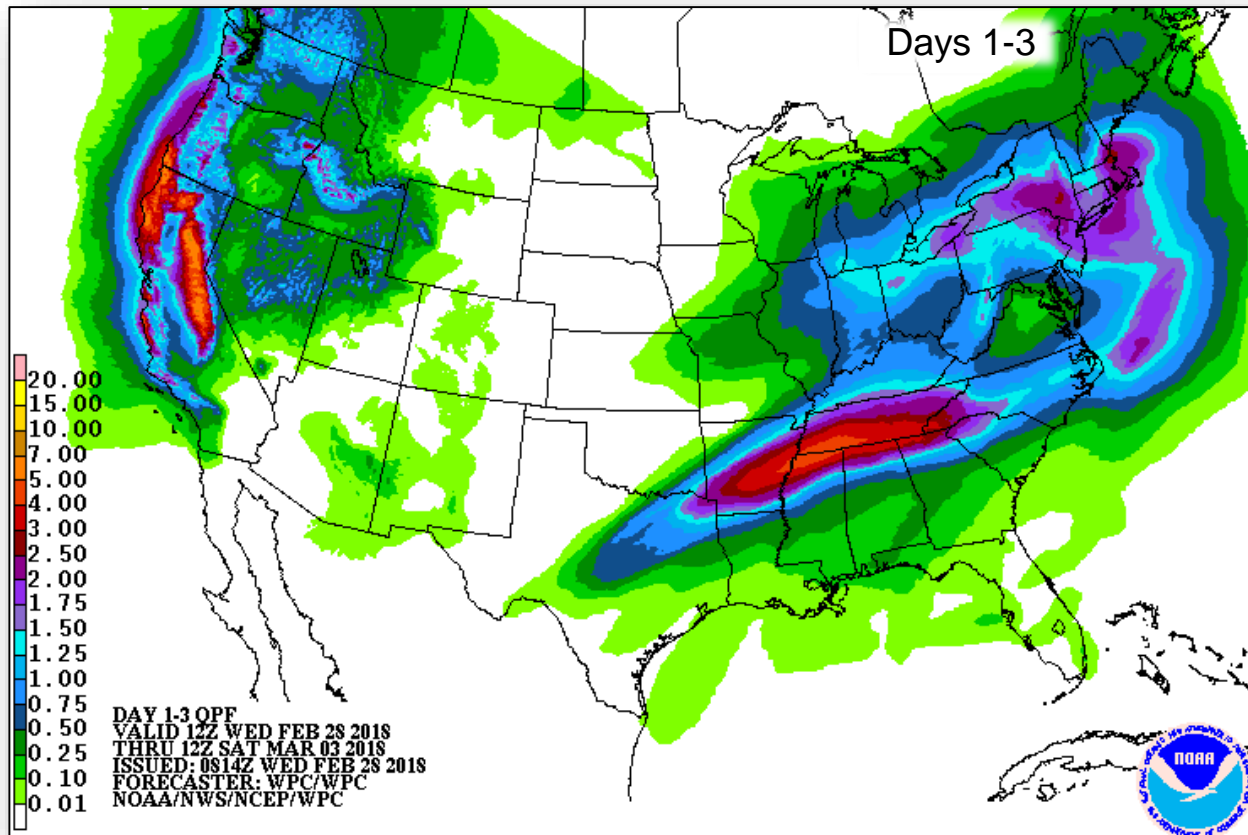


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Precipitation Forecast



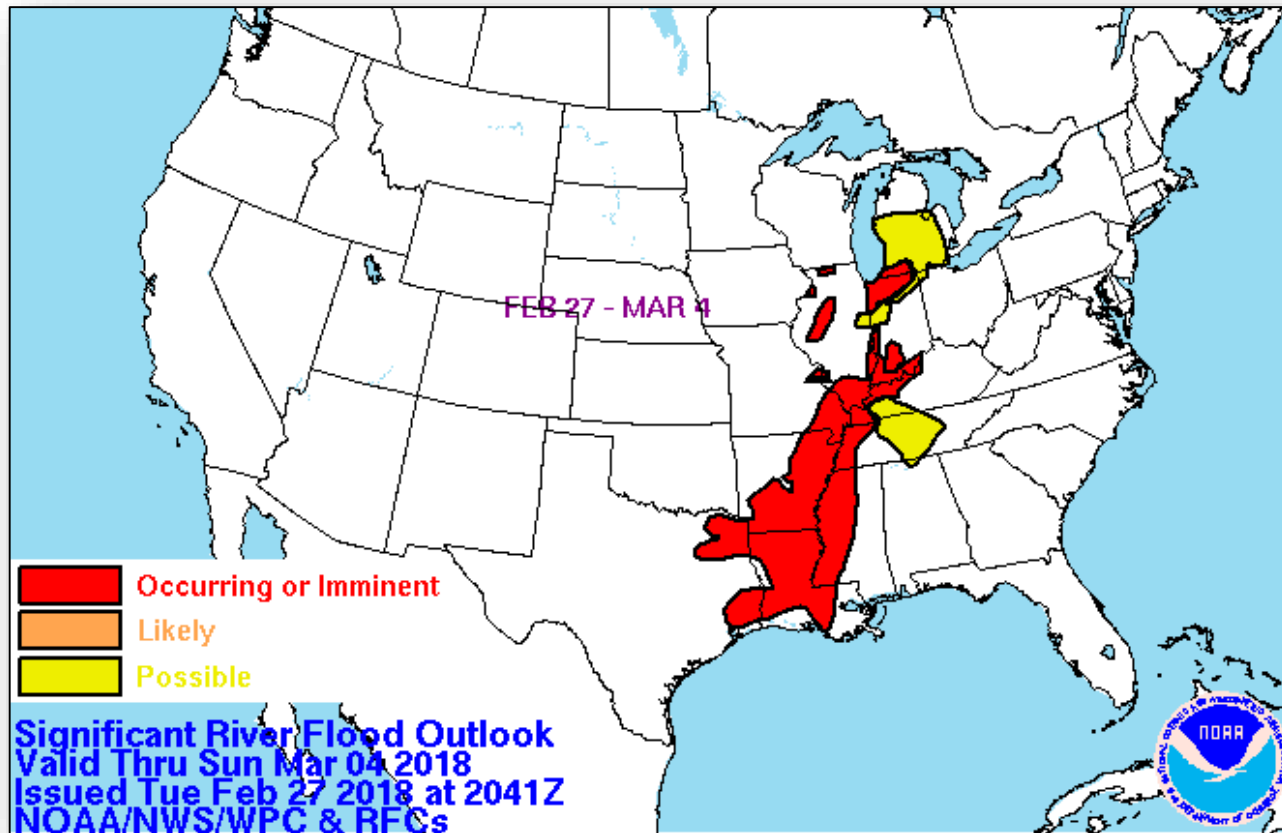
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Significant River Flood Outlook



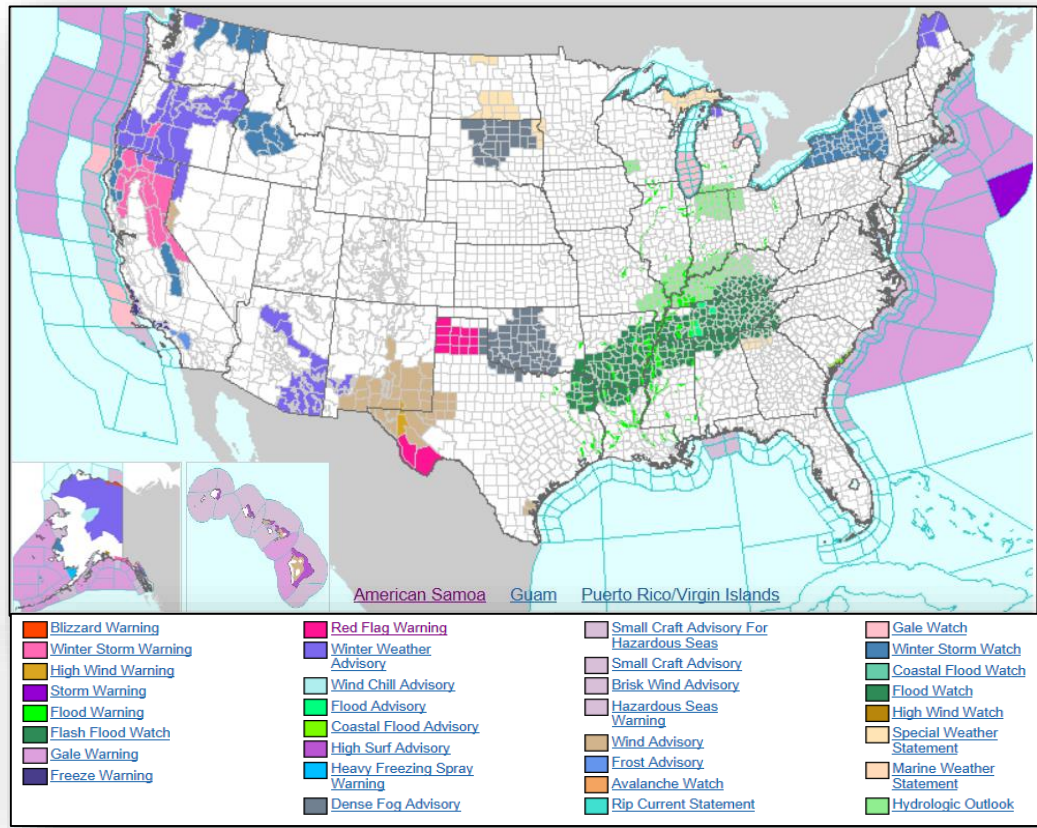
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Active Watches and Warnings

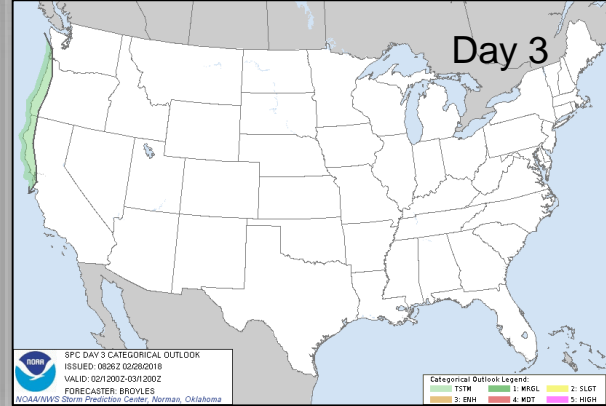
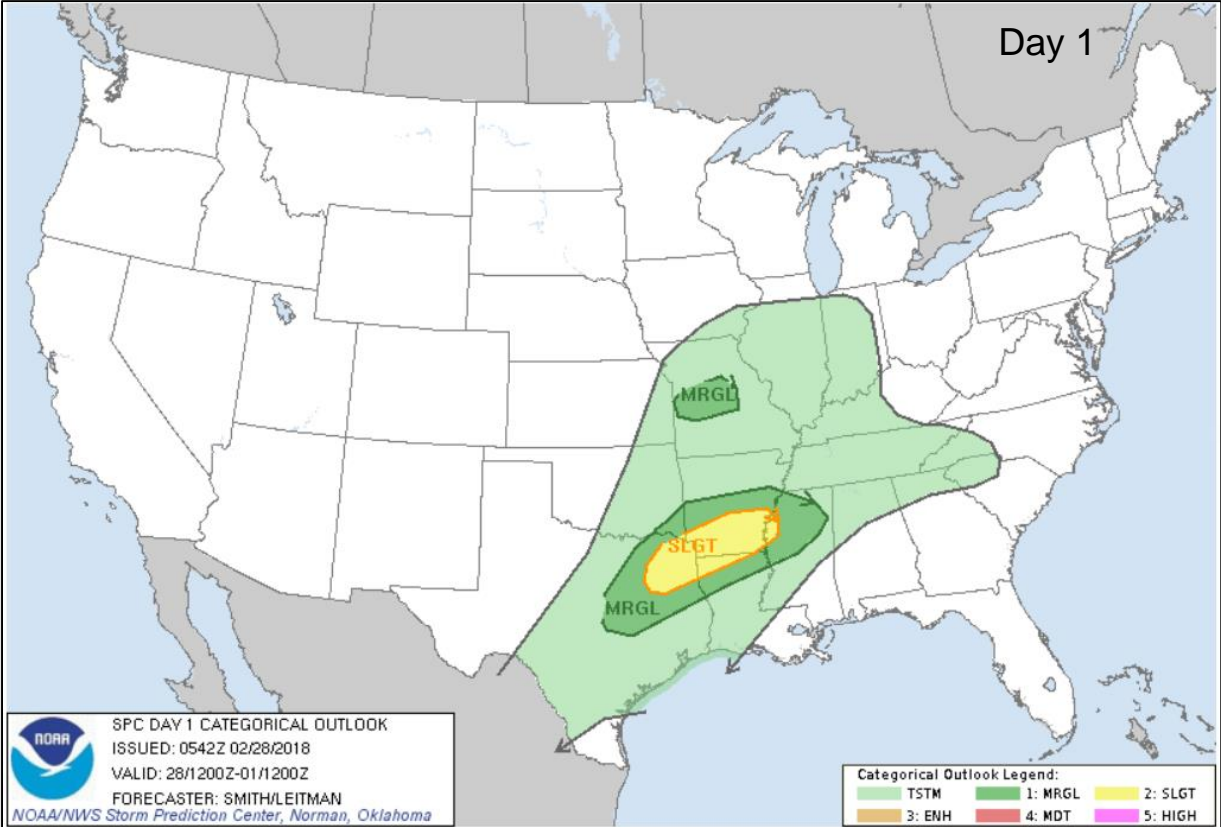


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American Samoa Guam Puerto Rico/Virgin Islands

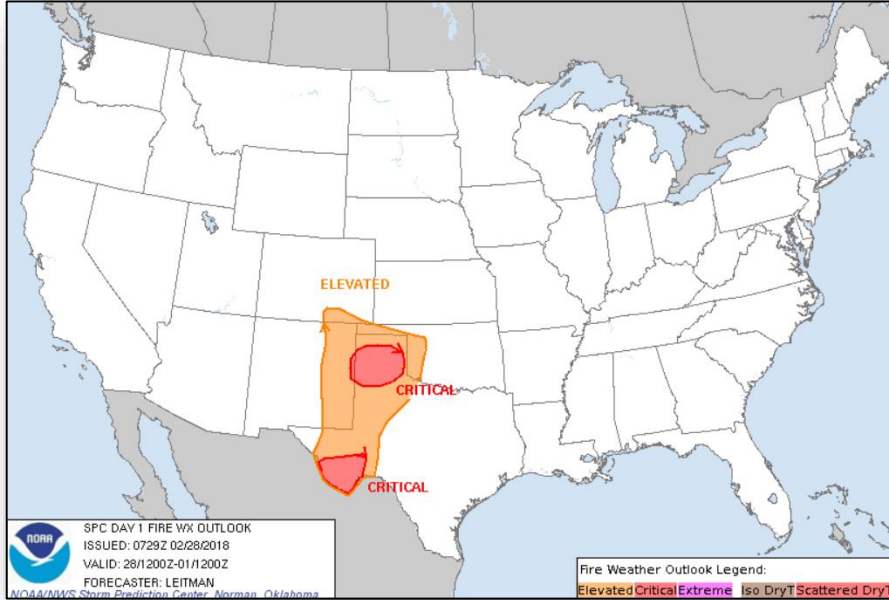
Severe Weather Outlook – Days 1-3



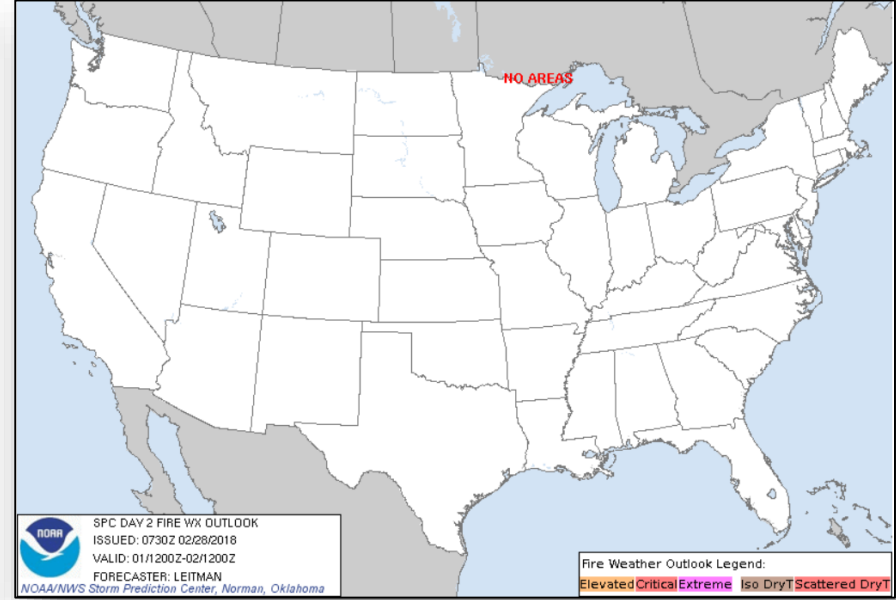
Fire Weather Outlook



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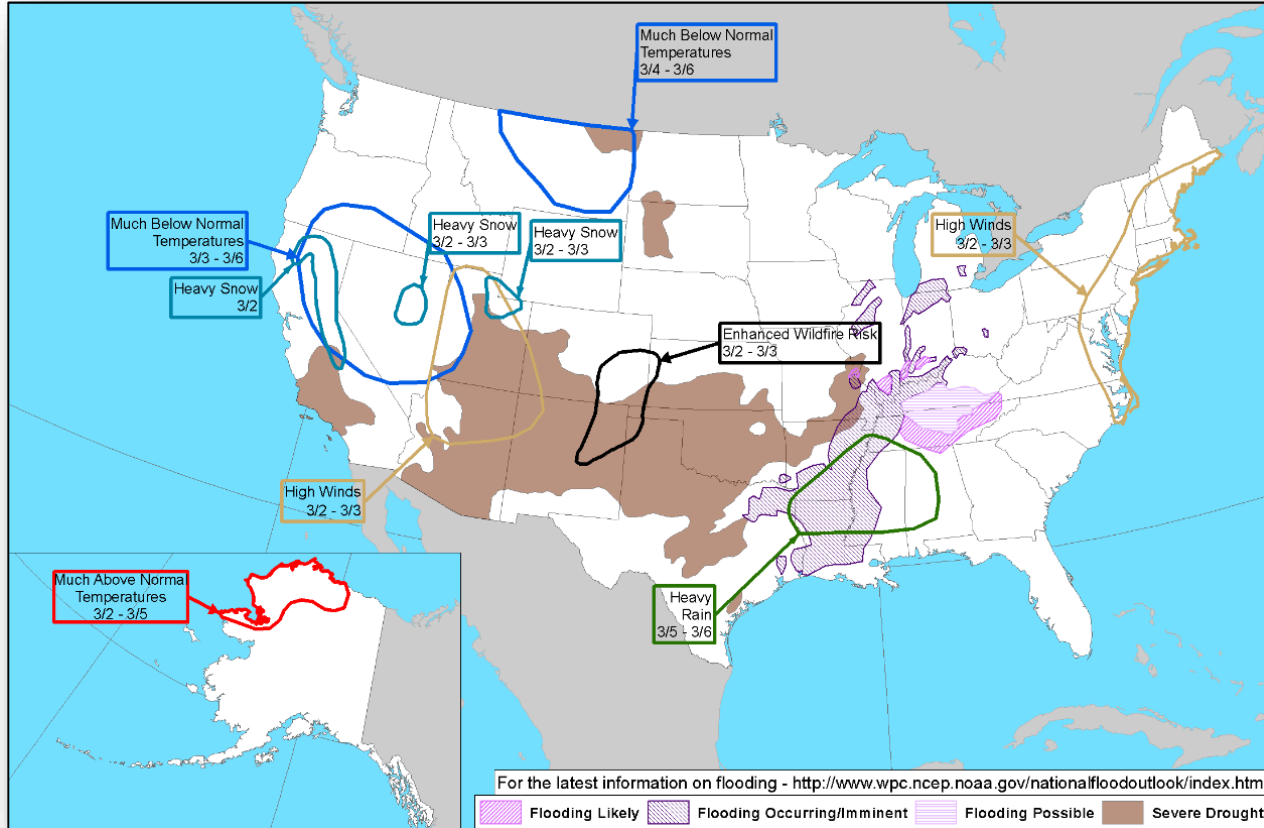


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Hazards Outlook –Mar 2-6



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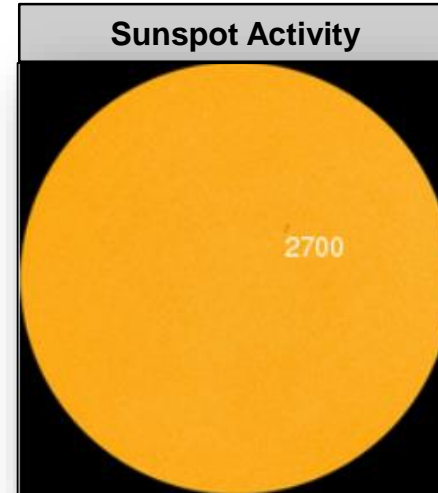
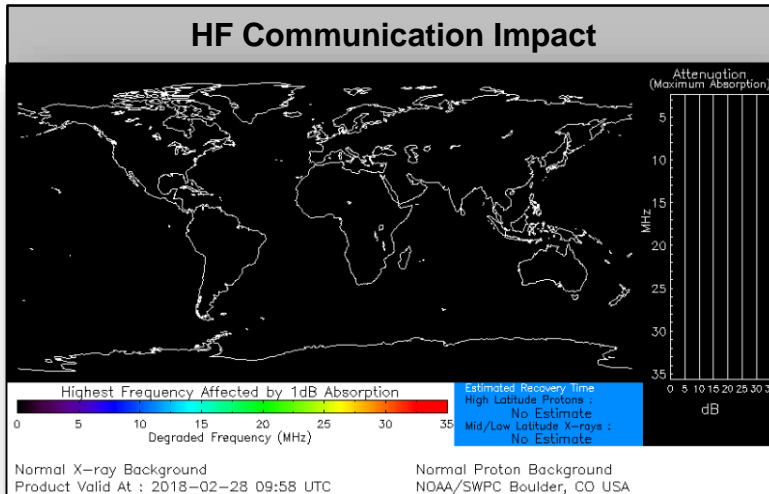
Space Weather



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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>



Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments



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Region	State / Location	Event	IA / PA	Number of Counties		Start – End
				Requested	Completed	
III	WV	Severe Weather and Flooding February 15, 2018	IA	N/A	N/A	N/A
			PA	22	1	2/21 – TBD
IV	KY	Rains, Mudslides and Flooding February 9, 2018 and continuing	IA	N/A	N/A	N/A
			PA	22	11	2/22 – TBD

Disaster Requests & Declarations



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Declaration Requests in Process					Requests APPROVED (since last report)	Requests DENIED (since last report)
3					0	0
AK – DR Severe Storm		X	X	January 25, 2018		
MT – (Appeal) Wildfires		X	X	January 26, 2018		
AS – DR Tropical Storm Gita	X	X	X	February 25, 2018		

Readiness – Deployable Teams and Assets



Resource	Force Strength	Available	Deployed	Other	Cadres with 25% or Less Availability
Total Workforce	12,128 ▼	4,142 ▲ 34%	5,071 ▲	2,915	DI 18% (15/83); EHP 12% (41/355); IT 23% (143/628); LOG 23% (290/1,242); PA-NEW 17% (322/1,916); SAF 15% (10/67); SEC 9% (9/104)
National IMATs (3 Teams)	East 1:	B-2			
	East 2:	Charlie			
	West:	B-48			
Regional IMATs (> 6 Teams)	Assigned:	13			
	Available:	7			
	PMC / NMC:	1			
US&R (> 66%)	Deployed:	5			
	Assigned:	28			
	Available:	28			
MERS (> 66%)	PMC / NMC:	0			
	Deployed:	0			
	Assigned:	36			
FCO (≤ 1 Type I)	Available:	35			
	PMC / NMC:	0			
	Deployed:	1			
FDRC (≥ 3)	Assigned:	35			
	Available:	6			
	PMC / NMC:	4			
	Deployed:	25			
	Assigned:	14			
	Available:	4			
	PMC / NMC:	1			
	Deployed:	9			

* 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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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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