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Daily Operations Briefing

Wednesday, March 1, 2017

8:30 a.m. EST

Significant Activity – Feb 28-Mar 1



Significant Events: Severe Weather – Midwest to East Coast

Significant Weather:

- Severe Thunderstorms Lower Mississippi Valley, Southeast, Tennessee/Ohio valleys, lower Great Lakes to the Mid-Atlantic
- Flash Flooding Lower Mississippi Valley, Ohio Valley, and Appalachians
- Freezing Rain Great Lakes to the Northeast
- Heavy Snow WA, ID, MT, and Great Lakes
- Enhanced/Critical fire weather areas TX, OK, KS, and NE
- Red Flag warnings KS and NE
- Space Weather: Past 24 hours none observed; next 24 hours Minor with G1 Geomagnetic Storms predicted

Tropical Activity: No activity affecting U.S. interests

Earthquake Activity: No significant activity

Declaration Activity: None

Severe Weather – Midwest to East Coast



Situation

A fast moving system of severe weather in the Midwest caused multiple tornado touchdowns throughout the region.

Impacts

Illinois:

- Nursing home damaged; 68 residents relocated
- Electrical tower and power lines down, natural gas outages
- LaSalle County sustained heavy damage (pop.112k)
- 1 confirmed fatality; 6 injuries reported
- 1 shelter open with no occupants**
- 13k customers without power*

Indiana:

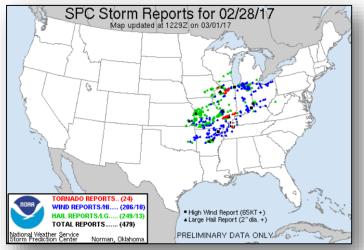
- 30 structures damaged or destroyed
- 35k customers without power*

Arkansas:

- 40 structures damaged or destroyed
- No fatalities; 10 to 15 injuries reported
- 33k customers without power*

Missouri:

- Considerable damage to multiple homes reported
- 1 confirmed fatality
- 1 shelter open with no occupants**
- 14k customers without power*



State Response

- IL and AR EOCs at Partial Activation
- MO and IN EOC at Normal Operations

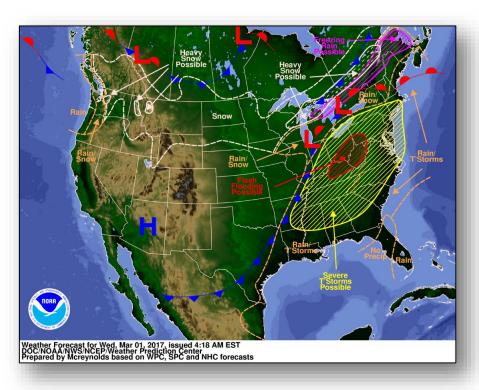
Federal Response

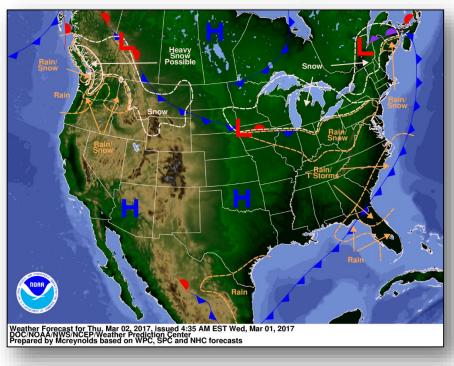
- Region V RRCC returned Normal Operations);
 RWC is at Watch / Steady State (24/7)
- Region VII RRCC is Not Activated; RWC is at Watch / Steady State (24/7)
- NRCC is Not Activated; NWC is at Watch / Steady State (24/7)
- No requests for FEMA assistance

*DOE EAGLE-I as of 7:00 a.m. EST **ARC Midnight Shelter Count as of 4:31 a.m. EST

National Weather Forecast



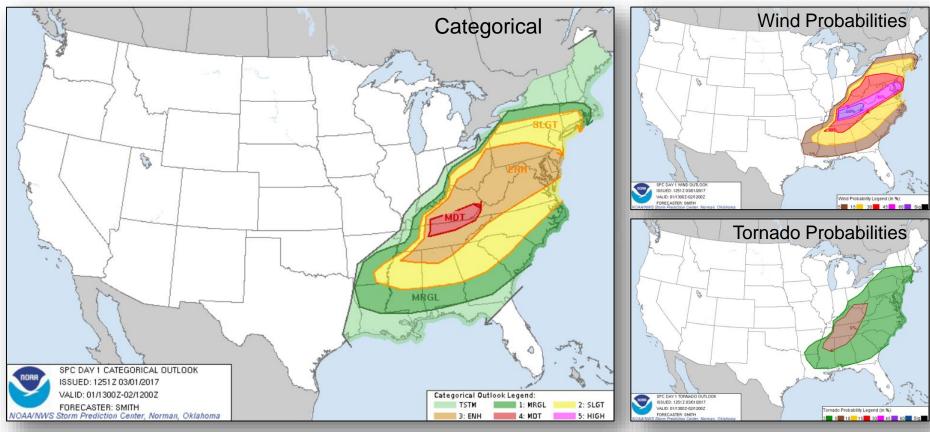




Today Tomorrow

Severe Weather Outlook – Day 1



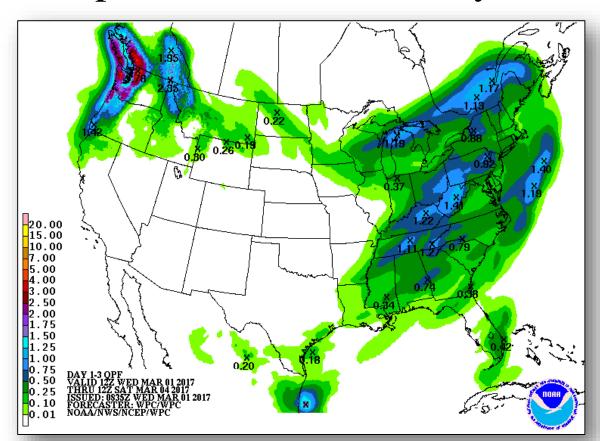


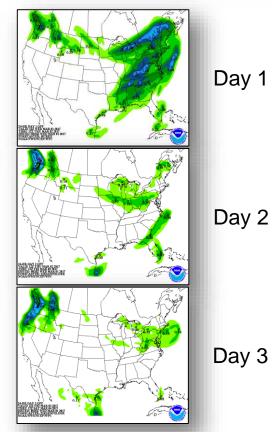
Precipitation Forecast – Days 1-3



Day 1

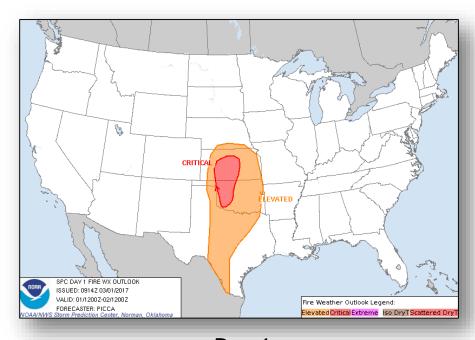
Day 3

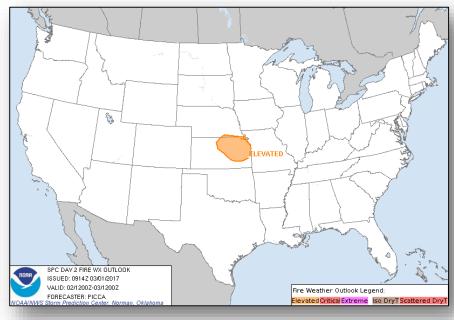




Fire Weather Outlook



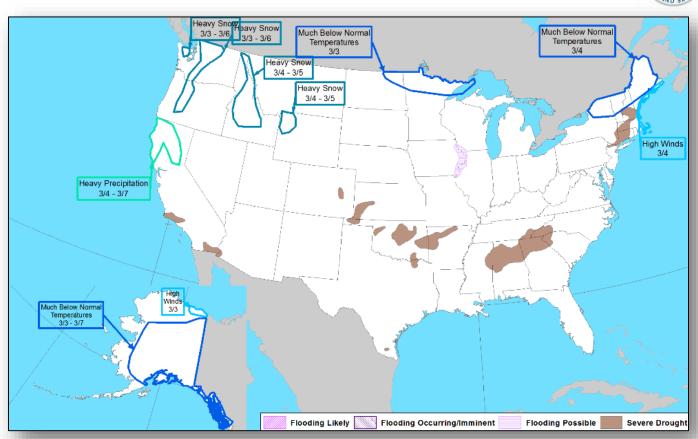




Day 1 Day 2

Hazards Outlook – Mar 3-7





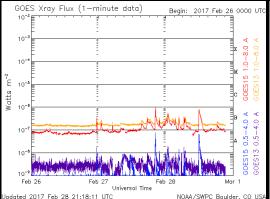
Space Weather Summary/Outlook

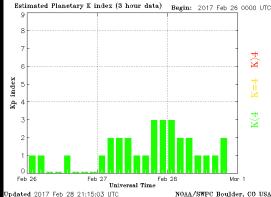


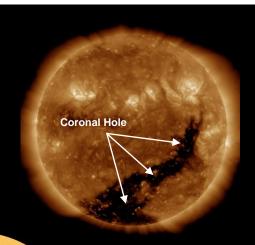
Space Weather S March 1 st , 2	•	Past 48 Hours	Current	Forecast: March 2 nd - 3 rd
Solar Flare Radio Blackout	(R Scale)	None	None	R1-R2: 1% R3-R5: 1%
Solar Radiation Storms	(S Scale)	None	None	S1 or > 1%
Geomagnetic Storms	(G Scale)	None	None	G1 (Minor)

Summary of Recent Activity/Outlook:

- Fairly quiet across the R and S scales and that is expected to continue
- Recurrent coronal hole activity expected to drive G1 activity today and March 2nd
- Risk of severe or extreme activity is extremely low at this time







David Marshall SWPC March 1st, 2017

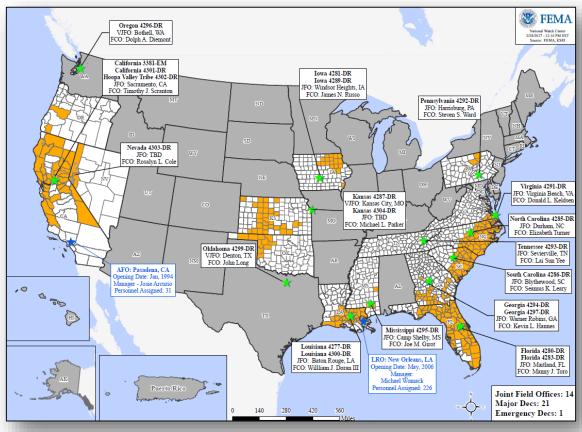
Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments



Region	State /	Event		Number of Counties		Start – End
	Location		IA/PA	Requested	Completed	
VIII	Wyoming	Blizzard / High Winds	IA	0	0	N/A
		February 6-7, 2017	PA	1	0	3/1 – TBD
Х	Oregon	Severe Winter Weather	IA	0	0	N/A
		January 8-20, 2017	PA	12	0	2/27 – TBD

Open Field Offices





Readiness – Deployable Teams and Assets



Resource	Force Strength	Available		Deployed Other		Cadres with less than 25% availability		
Total Workforce	10,183	5,744	56%	3,117	1,322	None		

Resource	Status	Total	FMC Available	Partially Available	Not Available	Detailed, Deployed, Activated	Comments	Status Criteria
National IMAT		3	2	0	0	1	East 2 is Primary for the month of March West to GA (DR-4294, DR-4297)	Green: >3 Teams Available Yellow: 1 - 2 Teams Available Red: 0 Teams Available N-IMAT red if 50% of Section Chiefs or Team Leader unavailable for deployment
Regional IMAT		13	8	0	0	5	Deployed: Region IV-2 to MS (DR-4295) Region VI-2 to LA (DR-4300) Region IX-1 to NV (DR-4303) Region IX-2 to CA (EM-3381) Region X to WA (DR-4296)	Green > 6 Teams Available Yellow: 4 - 6 Teams Available Red: 0 - 4 Teams Available R-IMAT also red if TL or Ops / Log Chief is unavailable & has no qualified replacement
FCO		35	2	0	4	29		OCD Readiness FCO Green Yellow Red Type 1 3+ 2 1
FDRC		11	3	0	3	5		Type 2 4+ 3 2 Type 3 4+ 3 2 FDRC 3 2 1
US&R		28	28	0	0	0		Green: >66% Available Yellow: 33% - 66% Available Red: <33% Available
MERS		36	30	8	6	0	Assets are supporting: CA: EM-3381 Green: >66% Available CA: DR-4301 Yellow: 33% - 66% Available NV: DR-4303 Red: <33% Available	

Readiness – Activation Teams



Resource	Status	Total	Status	Activated Team	Activation Level	Activation Times	Reason/Comments
NWC		5	Not Activated		Watch / Steady State		
NRCC		2	Not Activated				
HLT		1	Not Activated				Deactivated for the season
RWCs/MOCs		10	Not Activated	Region III	Watch / Steady State		
RRCCs		10	Not Activated				

Back-up Regions (Feb 27-Mar 5): II, V & VIII



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