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Daily Operations Briefing

Friday, March 6, 2015

8:30 a.m. EST

Significant Activity: Mar 5-6



Significant Events: None

Significant Weather:

- Temperatures will be 10-30 degrees below normal
- Snow showers possible across Upper Midwest and Great Lakes
- Elevated Fire Weather/Red Flag Warnings: none
- Space Weather: No space weather storms observed or expected

Tropical Activity: No significant activity

FEMA Readiness: None

Disaster Activity: None

Winter Storm – Eastern U.S. (*Final*)



March 4-5

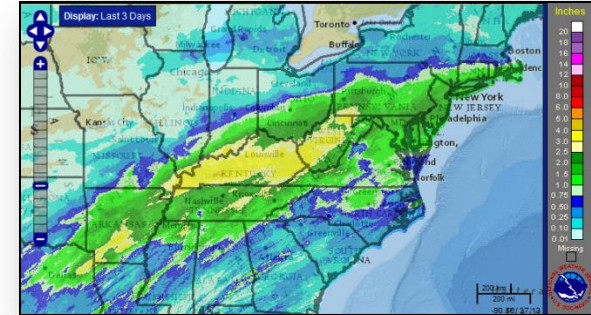
- Wintry mix of rain/sleet/freezing rain & heavy snow fell from central Texas to Mid-Atlantic & New England tapered off Thursday evening
- Many rivers that reached Moderate Flood Stage during this event crested, or are close to cresting, and expected to recede over the next few days
- Temperatures expected to climb into the 50s/60s next week, bringing the potential for flooding from snowmelt and ice jams

Impacts:

- No unmet needs identified, no requests for FEMA assistance
- Widespread hazardous travel conditions, primary road closures, public bus and rail schedule disruptions, school/office closures, cancelled/delayed flights
- ▲ Minor flooding and/or mudslide damage (PA, WV, VA, OH, MD, KY, & TN)
- ▲ Shelters (# w/ occupants): MS (2), OH (6 w/29), WV (15 w/1), KY (2 w/12)
- One injury (mudslide in VA), 3 fatalities in TN
- ▲ Approximately 38k (-20k) customers without power across all affected Regions, majority in WV (32k) (*as of 5:00 am EST)

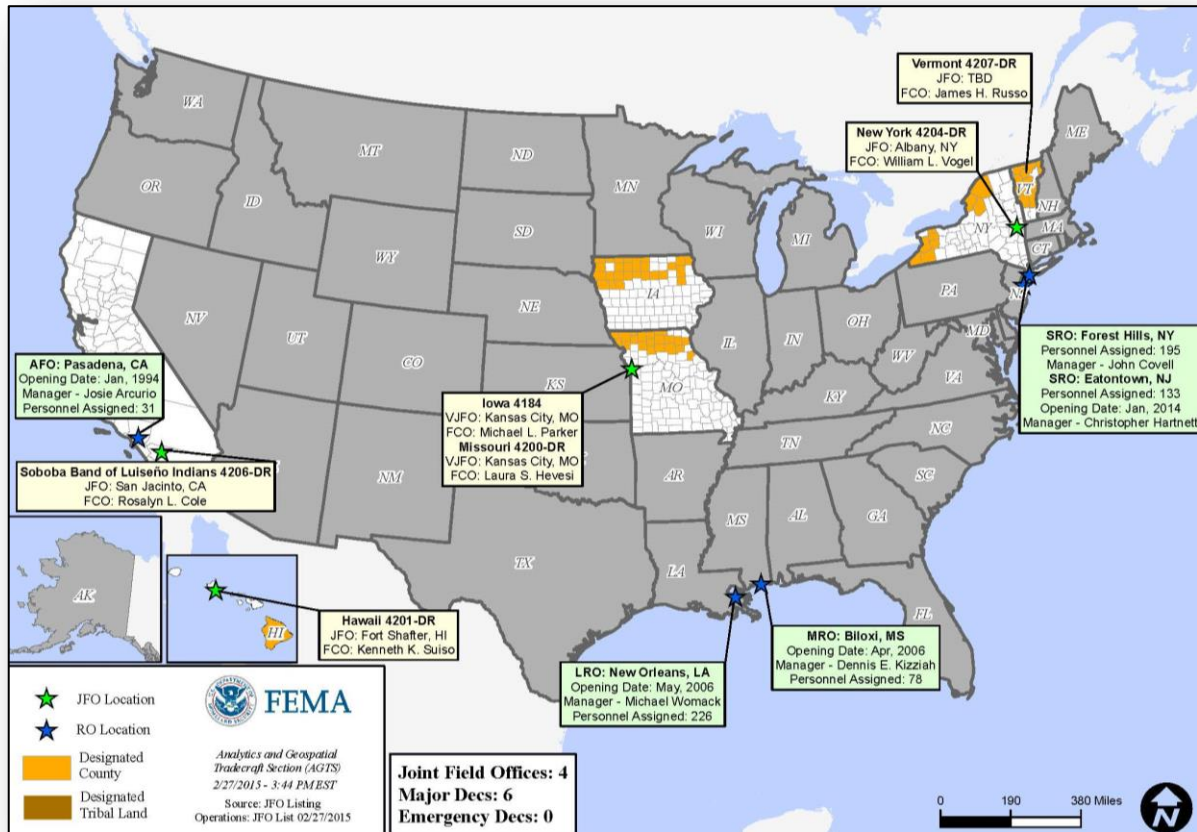
Response:

- ▲ State EOCs in WV & MS remain fully activated; State EOCs in VA, TN, TX, OH, AR, KY are partially activated
- ▲ All other State EOC remain at, or have returned to, Normal Operations
- State of Emergency/Preparedness declared in NJ, WV, VA, KY, TN, MS, AL, & LA
- All FEMA Regions remain at Watch/Steady State; LNOs remain deployed to KY, TN, & MS



Observed Precipitation for Past 72-Hours

Open Field Offices as of March 6



Disaster Requests & Declarations



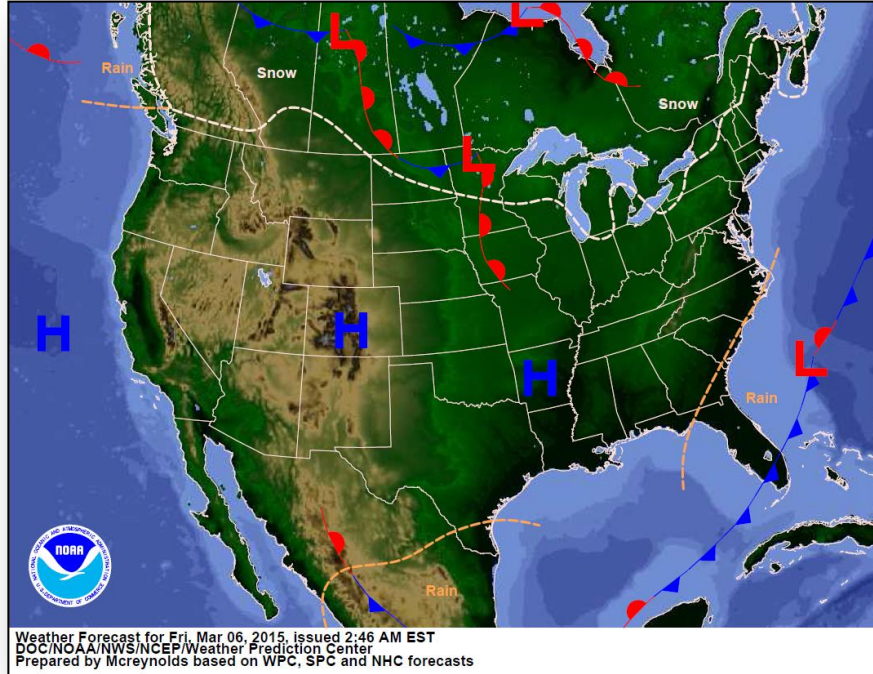
Declaration Requests in Process		Requests APPROVED (since last report)	Requests DENIED (since last report)
1	Date Requested	0	0
ME – DR Severe Winter Storm, Snowstorm, and Flooding	February 27, 2015		

Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

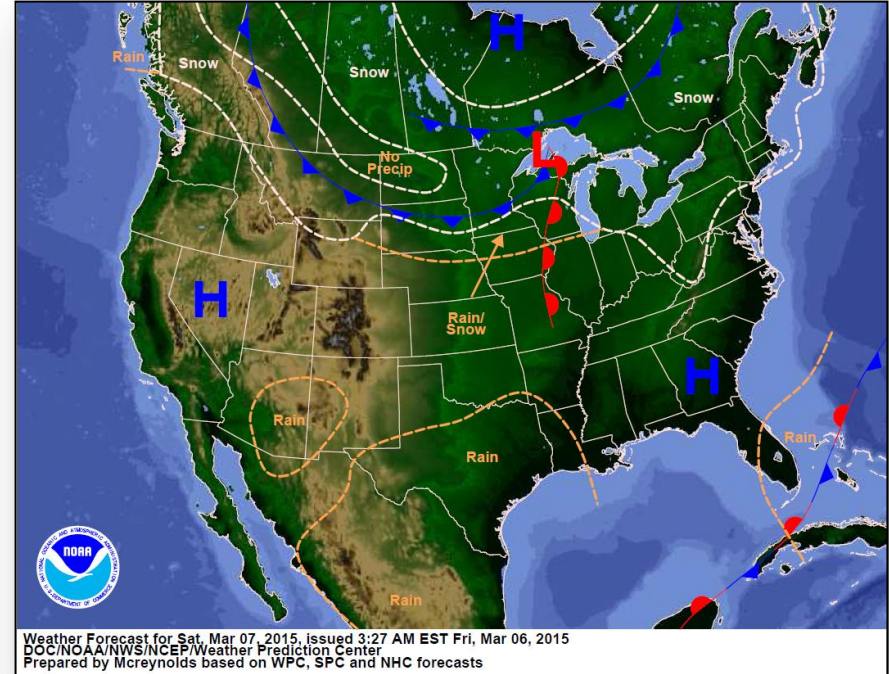


Region	State / Location	Event	IA/PA	Number of Counties		Start – End
				Requested	Complete	
I	RI	January Blizzard January 25, 2015	PA	5	0	02/11 – TBD
I	CT	January Blizzard January 25, 2015	PA	4	0	02/24 – TBD

National Weather Forecast

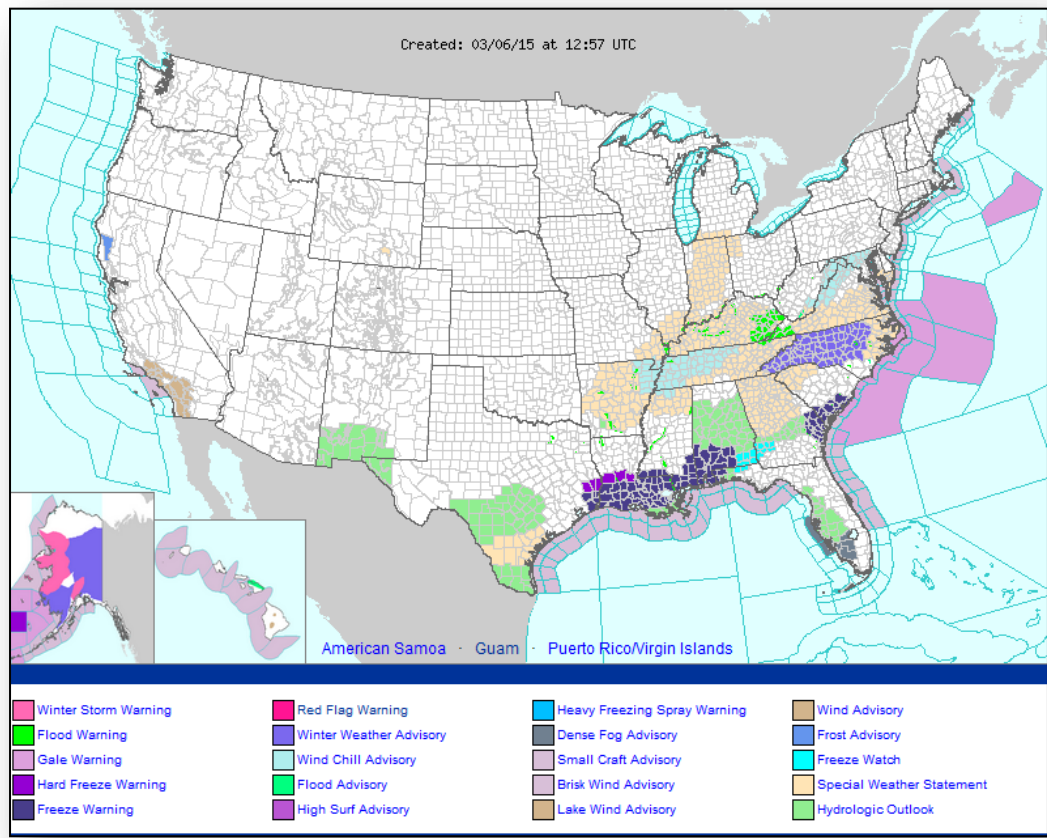


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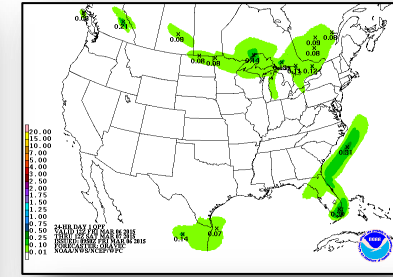
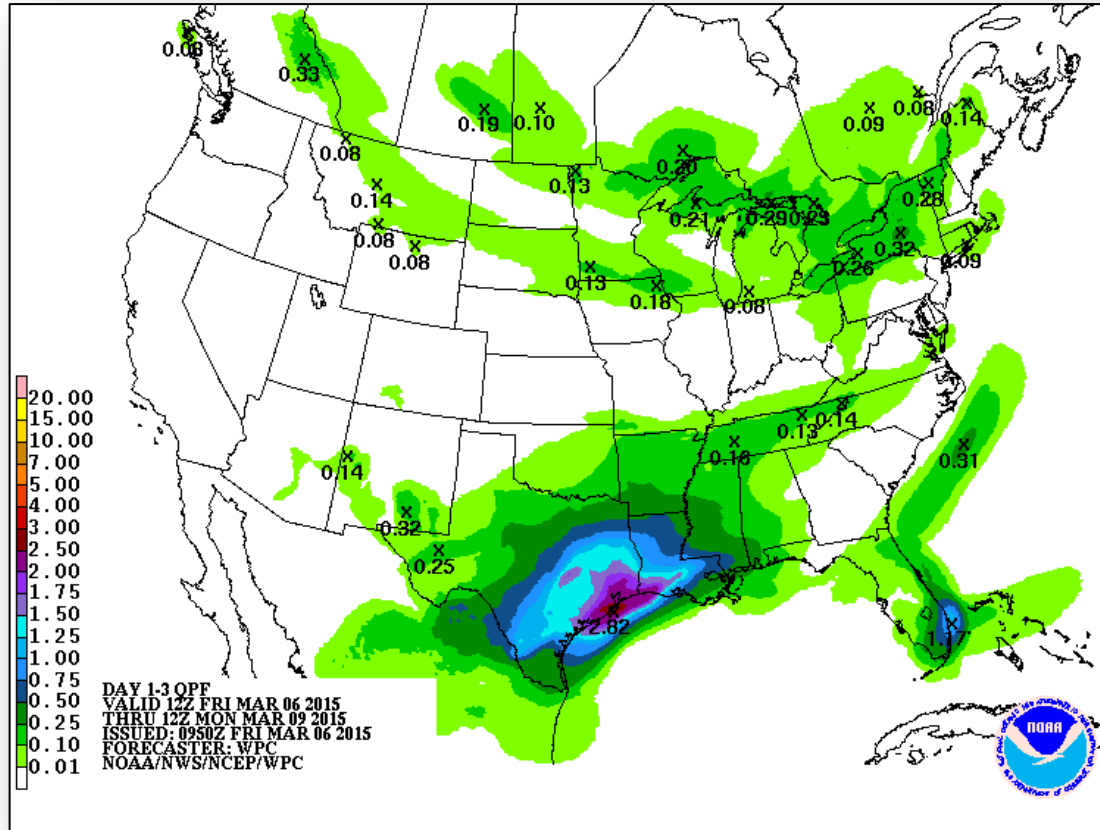


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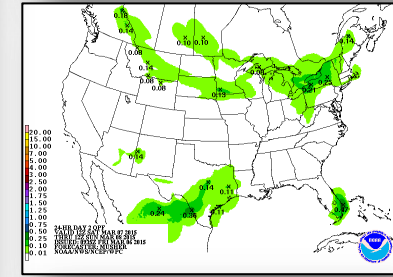
Active Watches/Warnings



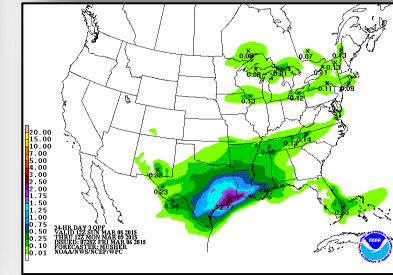
Precipitation Forecast 1-3 Day



Day 1

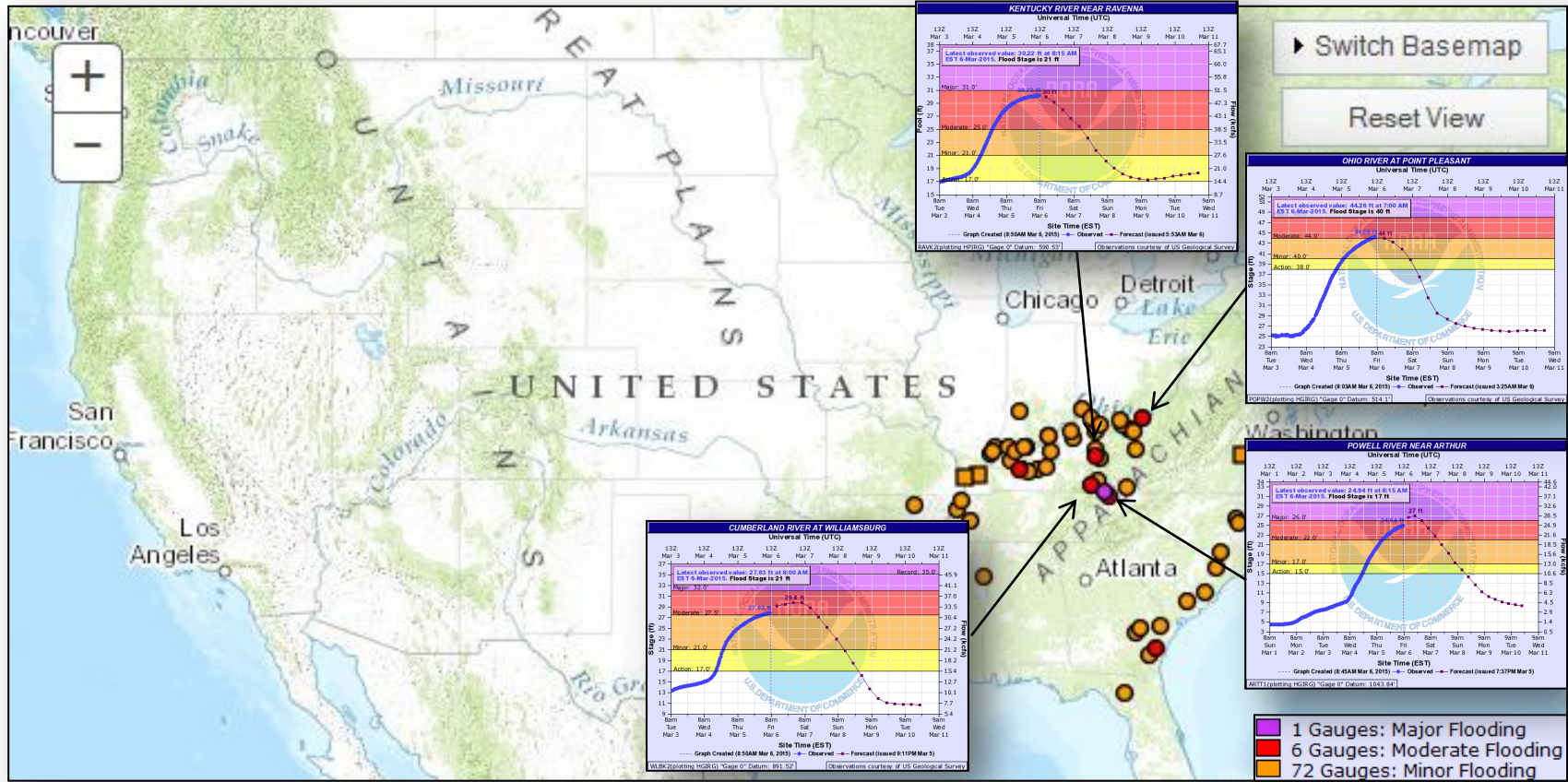


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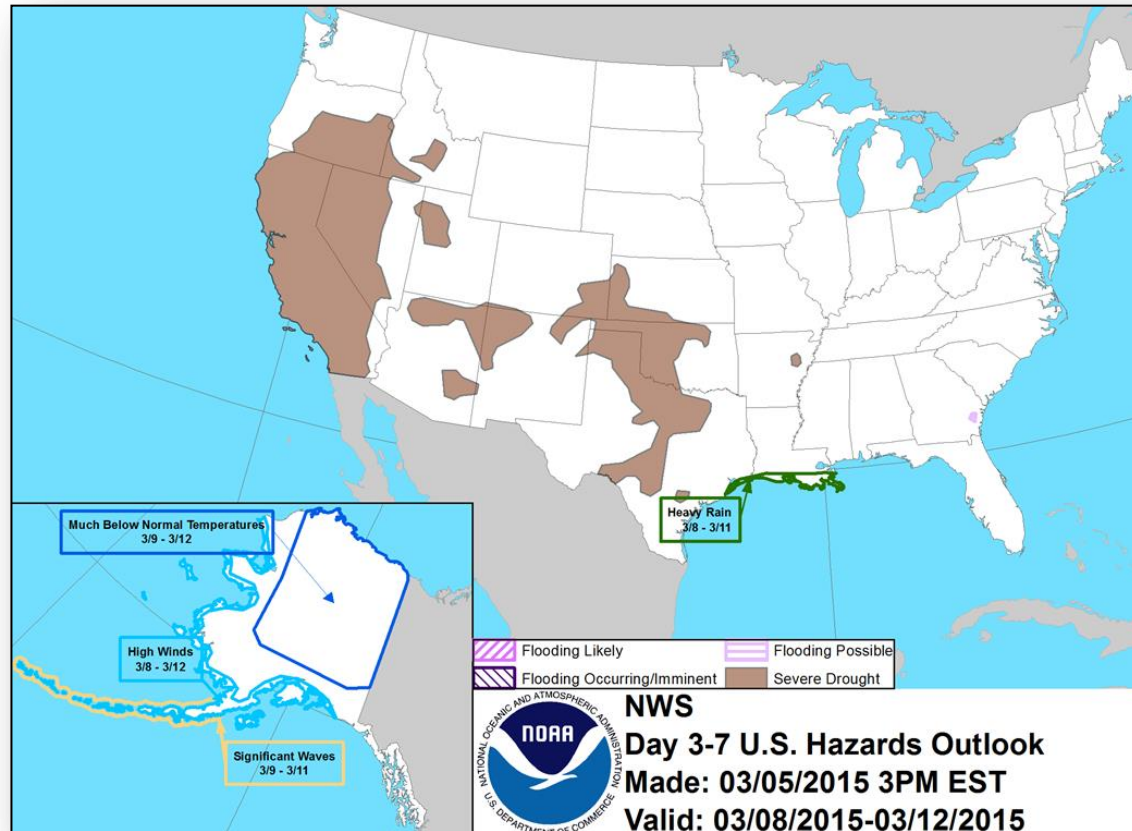


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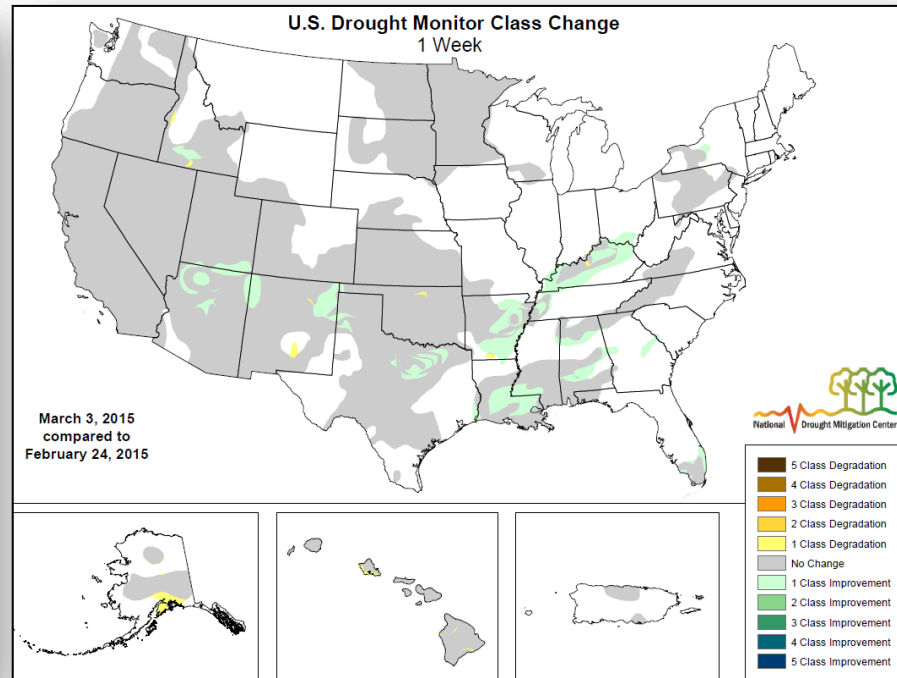
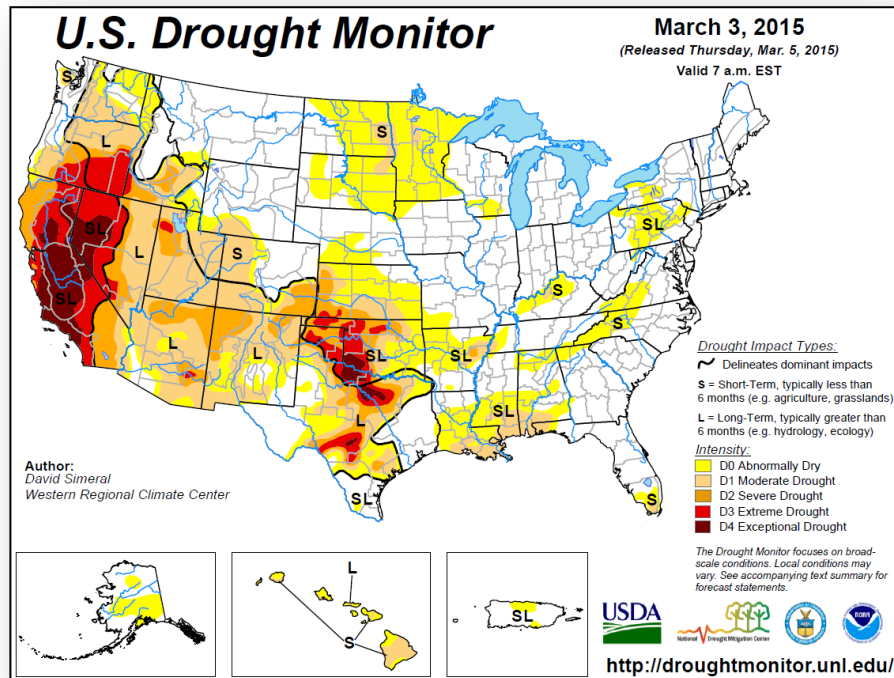
River Forecast – Ohio RFC



Hazard Outlook: Mar 8-12



U.S. Drought Monitor

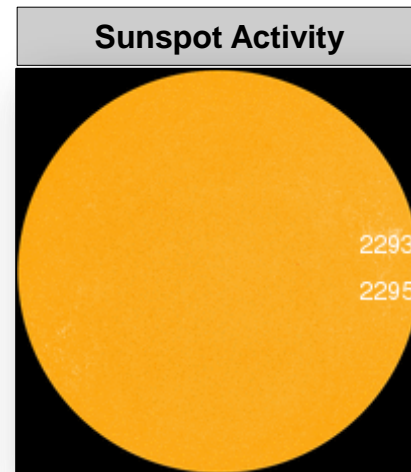
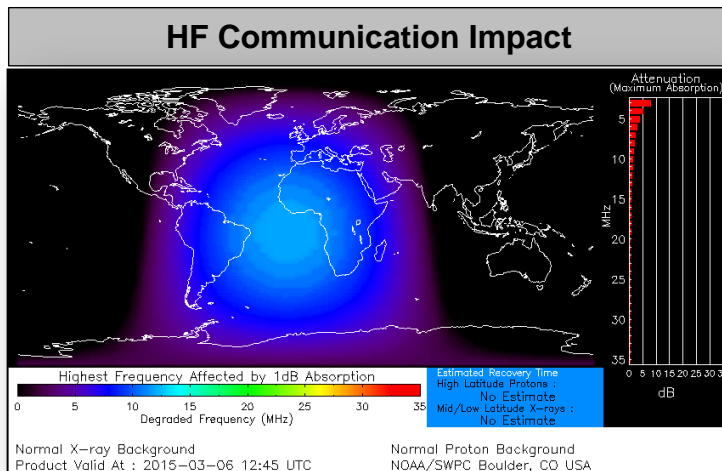


Space Weather



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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



FEMA Readiness – Deployable Teams /Assets



Deployable Teams/Assets									
Resource	Status	Total	FMC Available		Partially Available	Not Available	Detailed, Deployed, Activated	Comments	Rating Criterion
FCO		37	22	60%	0	1	14		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	10	100%	0	0	0		
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	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	9	77%	1	3	0	<u>Not Mission Capable (NMC):</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regions IV-3, VI-1 & IX-1 <u>Partially Mission Capable (PMC):</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Region VIII (EMI; Training Assessment) 	<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	58	97%	0	2	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)	<div>• Green = FMC</div> <div>• Yellow = PMC</div> <div>• Red = NMC</div>
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	Not Activated		
RWCs/MOCs		10	10	100%	0	0	Not Activated		



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