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Daily Operations Briefing

Thursday, March 8, 2018

8:30 a.m. EST

Significant Activity – Mar 7-8



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Significant Events: Nor'easter

Tropical Activity:

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

Significant Weather:

- Heavy Snow – Pacific Northwest, Northern Rockies, Great Lakes, & Northeast
- Red Flag Warnings – FL
- Elevated Fire Weather – NM, TX, OK, FL, & GA
- Space Weather – Past 24 hours: none; next 24 hours: none

Earthquake Activity: No significant activity

Declaration Activity: None

Nor'easter Mar 6 & Continuing



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Situation

The Nor'easter continues to spread snow into the Northeast, moving parallel to the New England coast today, then westward into ME and then gradually weakening.

Impacts

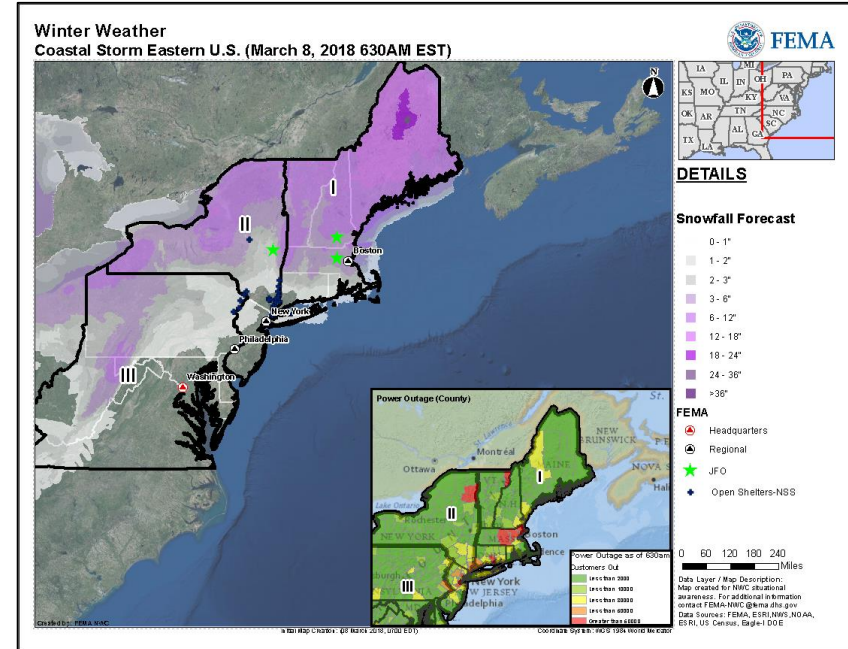
- 1 unconfirmed fatality in NY
- Customers without Power*: CT: 136k; MA: 319k; NJ: 245k; NY: 150k; PA: 77k
- Shelters / Occupants: NY 15/53; PA 4/91 (ARC Midnight Shelter Count as of 5:31 a.m. EST)
- Over 2,500 flights canceled in the last 24 hours on the Northeast corridor (FlightAware as of 1:35 a.m. EST)
- AMTRAK temporarily suspended northeast corridor service between NYC and Boston until 10:00 a.m. EST
- Widespread road closures due to downed trees & power lines in northern NJ

State/Local Response

- Governors of MD, NJ, PA, & VA have declared a state of emergency
- NY State, NH, CT, & MA EOC at Partial Activation
- MD & NJ EOCs at Monitoring
- PA & DE EOC returned to normal operations

FEMA Response

- FEMA Region III LNOs deployed to PA EOC
- FEMA Region III IMAT and remaining LNOs on alert
- FEMA Regions I, II, & III continue to monitor
- FEMA NWC monitoring

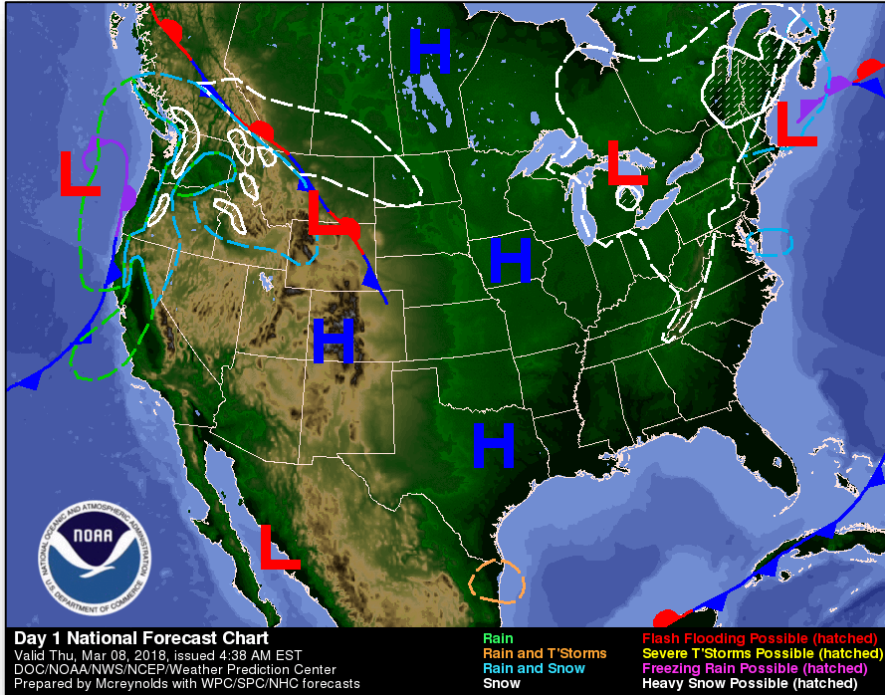


* DOE Eagle-1 as of 7:30 am EST. Customer outage data is provided by the Department of Energy's EAGLE-1 system. Comprehensive National coverage of all electrical service providers is not available

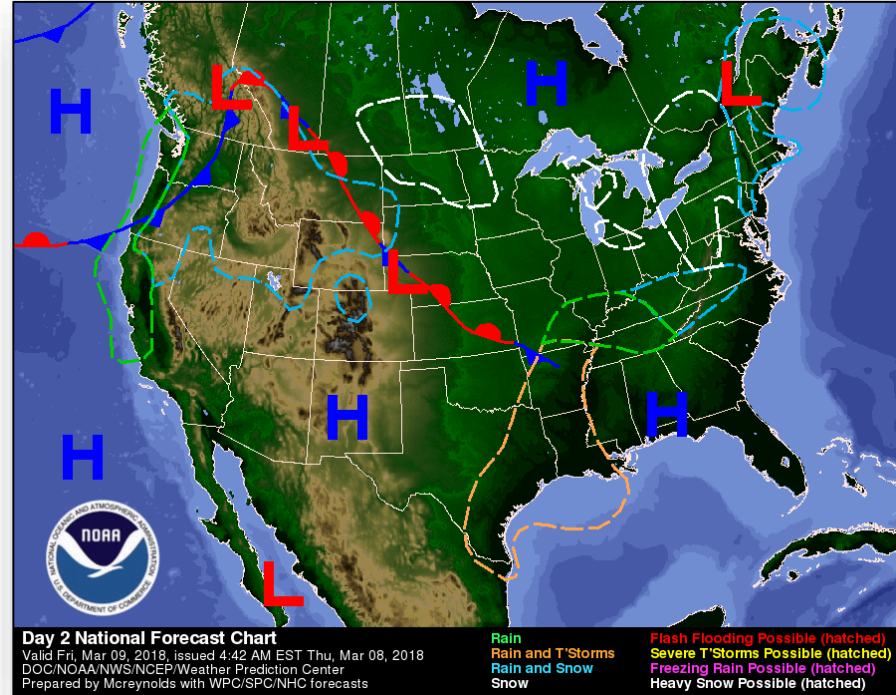
National Weather Forecast



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Today

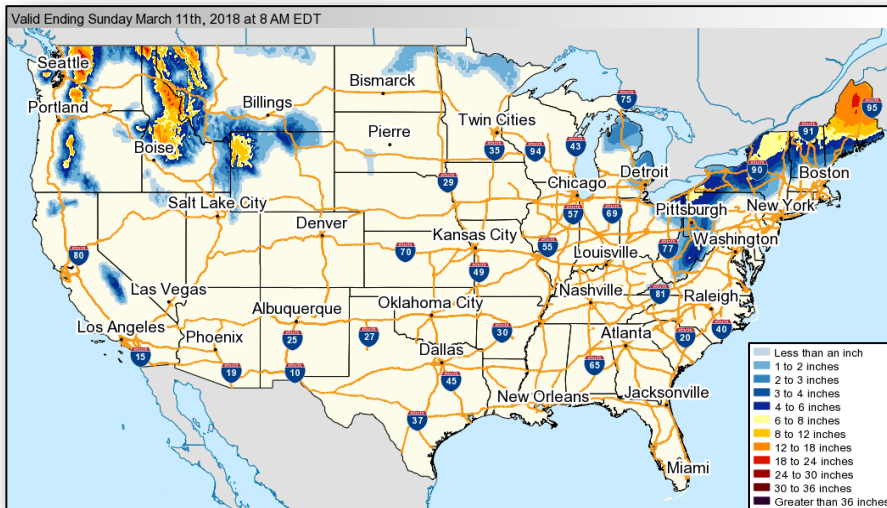


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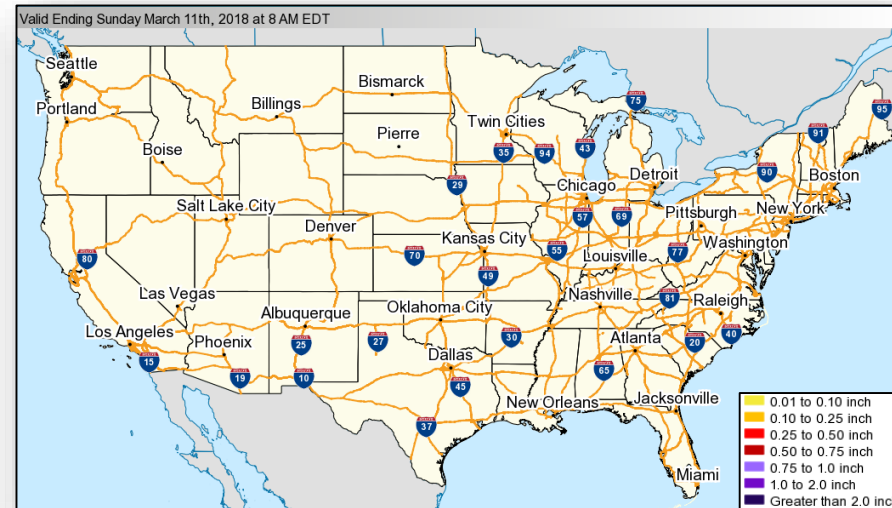
Winter Precipitation Outlook



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Forecast Snowfall

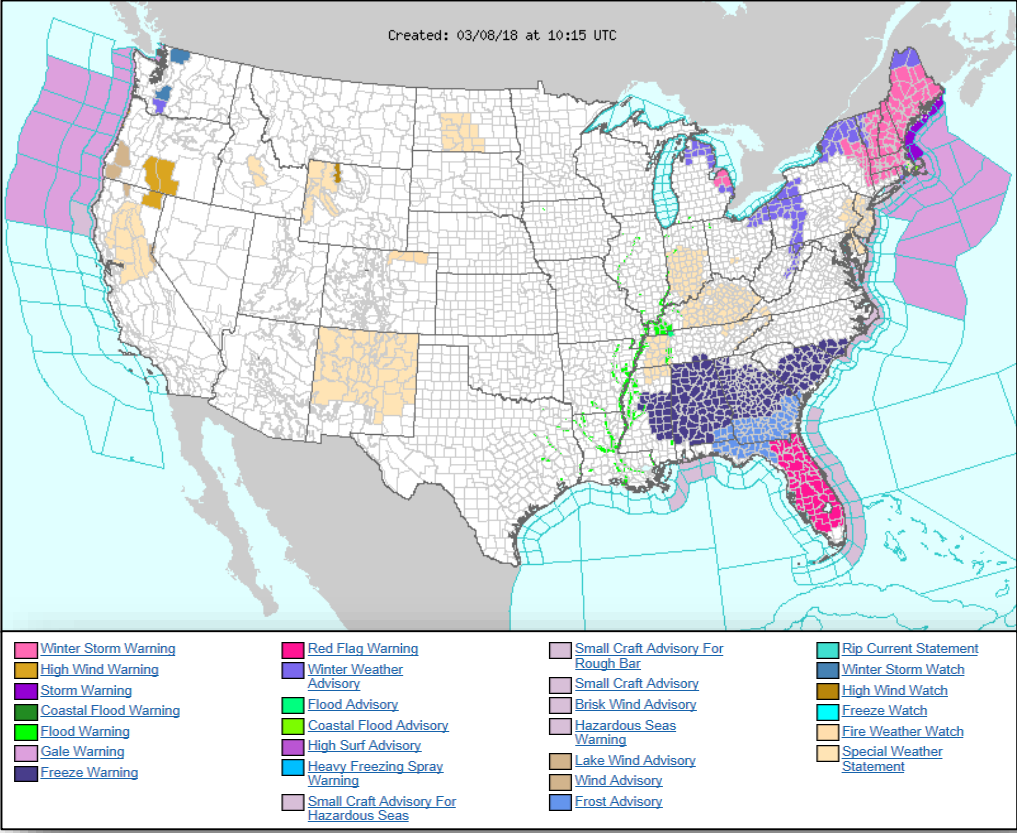


Forecast Ice Accumulation

Active Watches and Warnings



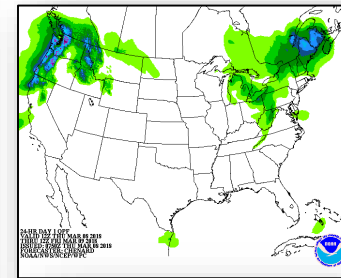
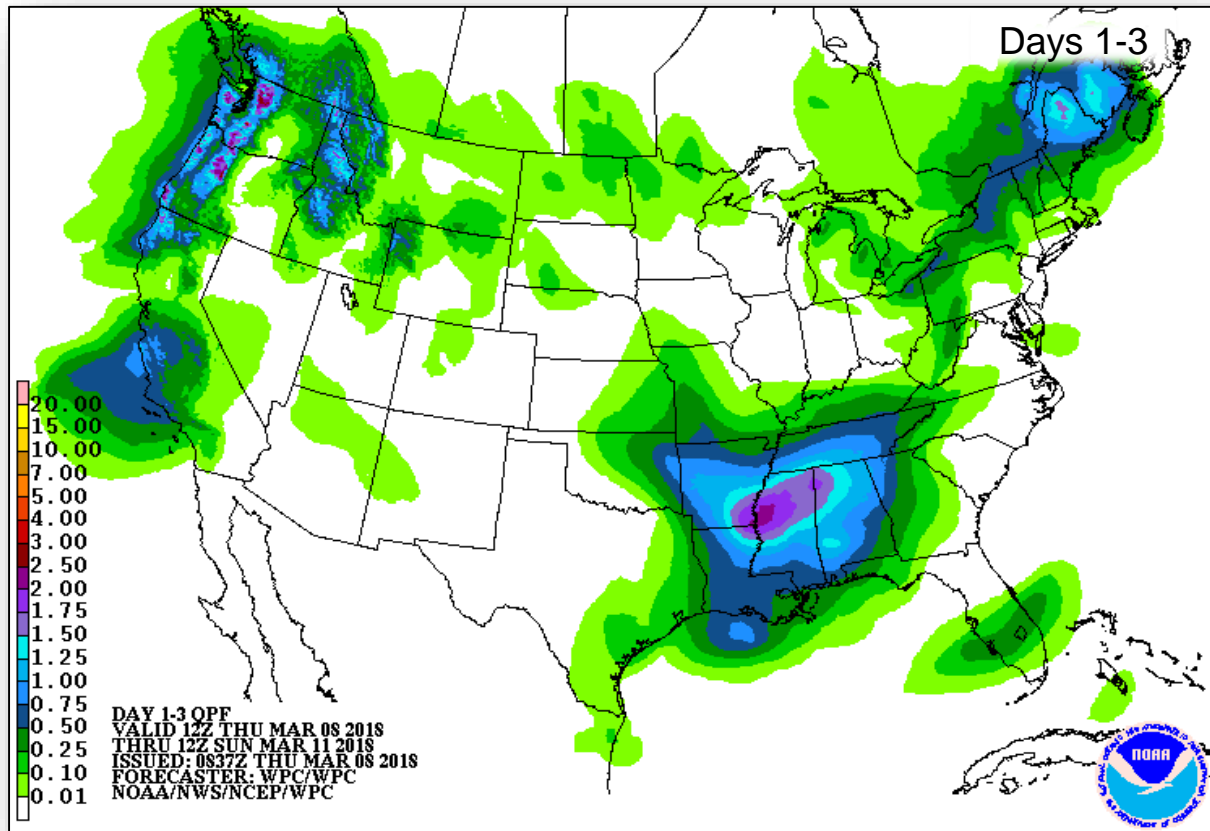
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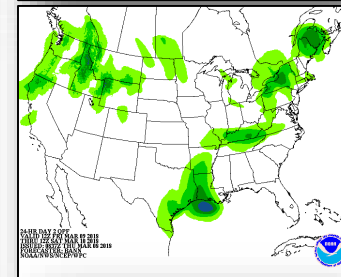
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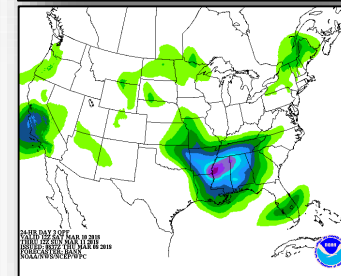
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DAY 1



DAY 2

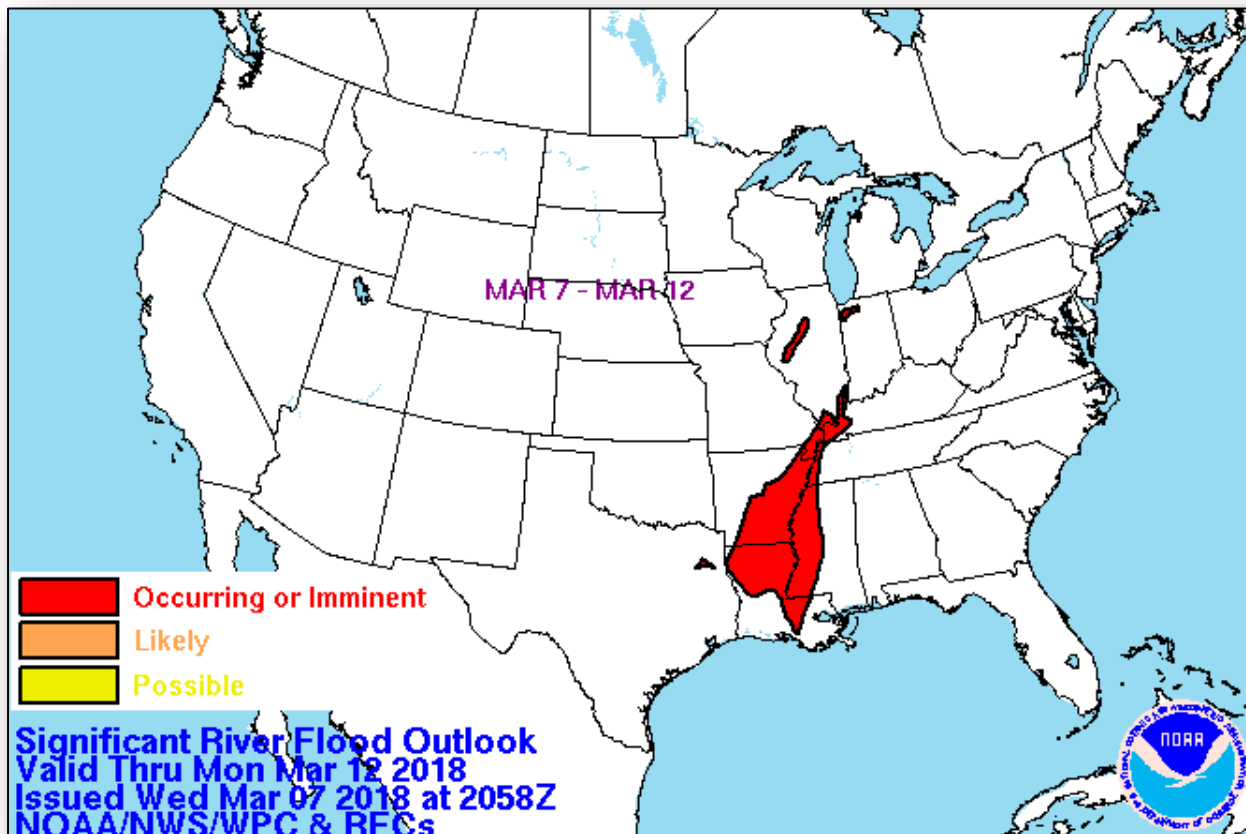


DAY 3

Significant River Flood Outlook



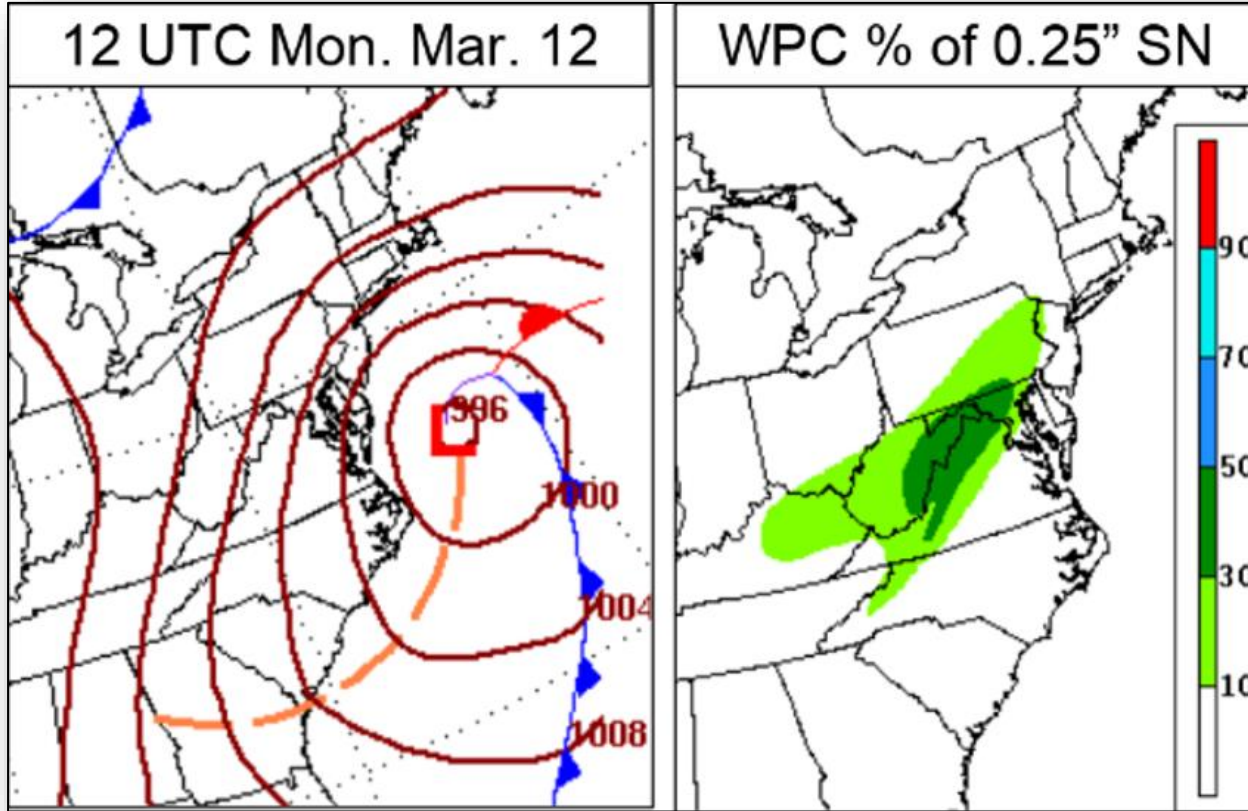
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Snow Probability



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Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments



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Region	State / Location	Event	IA / PA	Number of Counties		Start – End
				Requested	Completed	
I	MA	Nor'easter March 3-6, 2018	IA	6	0	3/9 – TBD
			PA	9	0	3/12 – TBD
V	OH	Severe Storms/Flooding February 14-25, 2018	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	22	0	3/12 – TBD

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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Resource	Force Strength	Available	Deployed	Other	Cadres with 25% or Less Availability	
Total Workforce	12,115 ▼	4,016 ▼ 33%	4,922 ▲	3,177	DI 16% (13/84); EHP 9% (31/358); HM 23% (231/997); IT 25% (157/627); PA 11% (211/1,917); SAF 15% (10/67); SEC 14% (15/104)	
National IMATs* (3 Teams)	East 1:	B-48				
	East 2:	Charlie				
	West:	B-2				
Regional IMATs (> 6 Teams)	Assigned:	13				
	Available:	8				
	PMC / NMC:	0				
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:	4				
	PMC / NMC:	7				
	Deployed:	24				
	Assigned:	14				
	Available:	5				
	PMC / NMC:	1				
	Deployed:	8				

As of 3:00 a.m. EST March 8, 2018

* 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, & VI



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