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Daily Operations Briefing

Saturday, March 14, 2015

8:30 a.m. EDT

Significant Activity: Mar 13–14



Significant Events:

Significant Weather:

- Marginal risk of severe thunderstorms – over the coastal plains of GA, SC, NC
- Heavy snow – northern portions of Maine
- Freezing Rain – Northeast
- Rain and thunderstorms – Southeast, eastern portion of Tennessee Valley, and Mid-Atlantic
- Rain and snow – Central/Northern Rockies; Great Lakes to Northeast
- Critical/Elevated Fire Weather Areas: MT, ND, SD, WY & NE
- Red Flag Warnings: MT, ND, SD, WY & NE
- Space Weather: Past 24 hours – minor, R1 radio blackouts occurred; next 24 hours – minor, G1 geomagnetic storms and R1 radio blackouts likely

Tropical Activity:

- Western Pacific: Tropical Storm Bavi (03W)

Declaration Activity: None

FEMA Readiness: No activity

Tropical Storm Bavi (03W)



Tropical Storm Bavi (03W) (Advisory 12, as of 6:00 a.m. EDT)

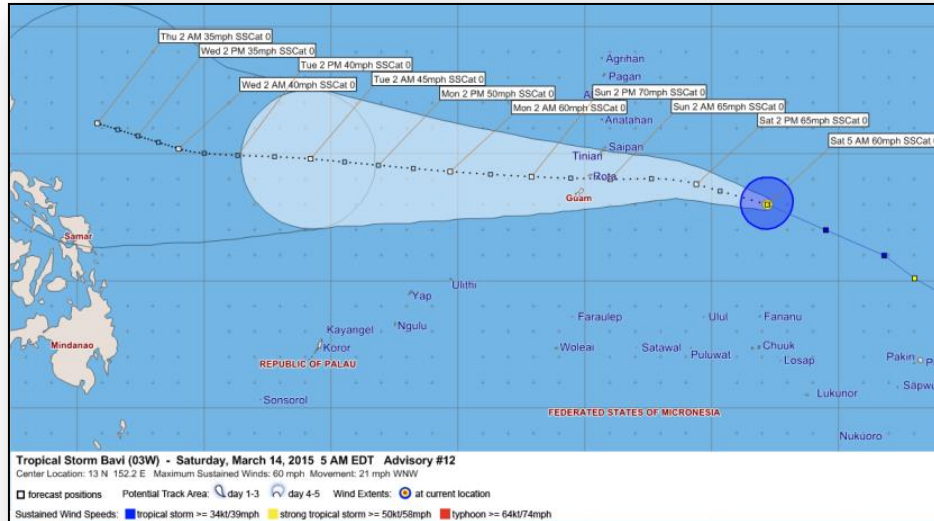
- ▲ Approximately 500 miles E of Guam, moving WNW at 21 mph
- ▲ Forecast to pass very close to Rota Sunday evening
- ▲ Maximum sustained winds are 60 mph, with higher gusts
- ▲ Tropical storm-force winds extend out to 160 miles
- Expected to maintain current intensity through Sunday
- ▲ A Tropical Storm Warning in effect for Rota, Tinian and Saipan

Impacts:

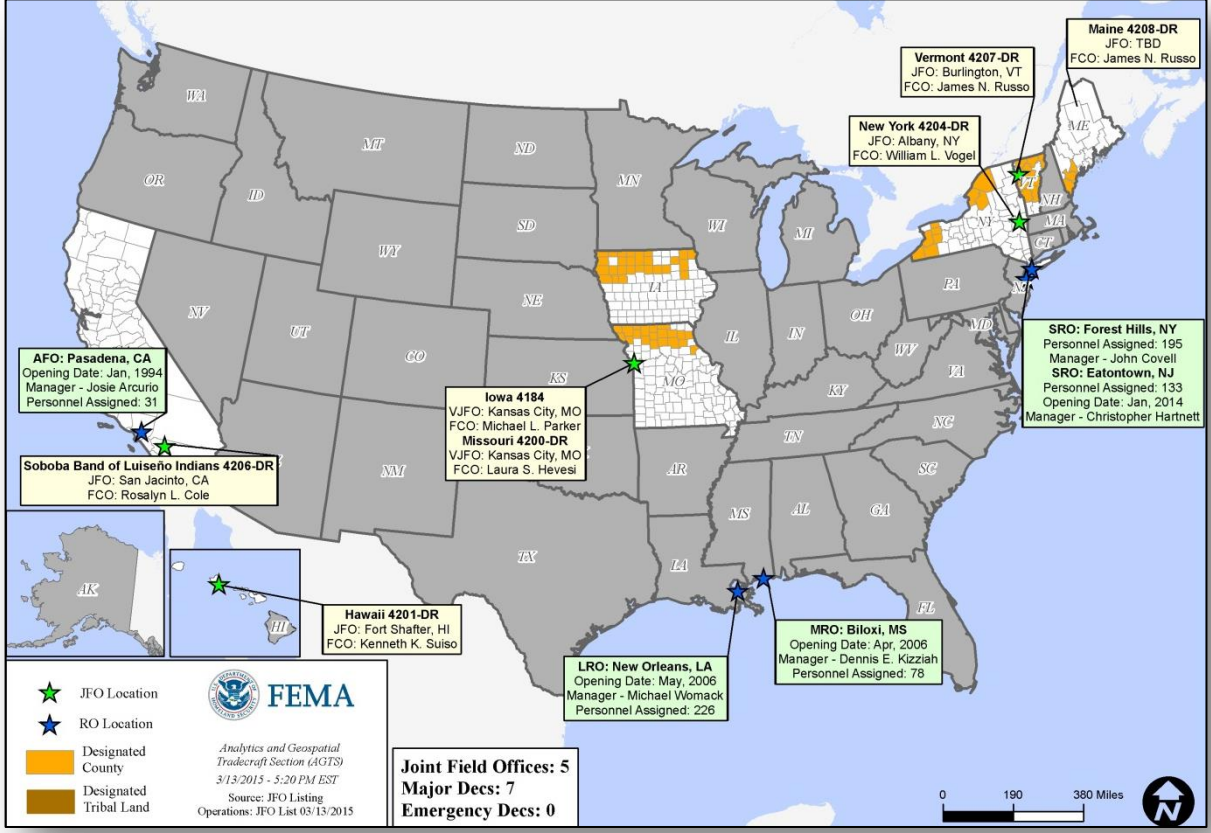
- Coastal inundation of 2-4 feet is possible along east facing shores Sunday
- Rainfall of 1-3 inches possible on Tinian & Saipan; 2-4 inches on Guam & Rota
- No unmet needs or requests for FEMA assistance
- No significant impacts or damage yet reported
- All airports and harbors are currently open

Response

- ▲ CNMI EOC partially activated
- ▲ Guam EOC monitoring (24/7) then to partially activate (24/7 w/select ESFs) at 5:00 p.m. (EDT)
- 2 FEMA LNOs and 1 DCE (1 person) deployed to Guam
- ▲ FEMA Region IX at Enhanced Watch; RRCC/IMAT-2 on Alert



Open Field Offices as of March 14



Disaster Requests & Declarations



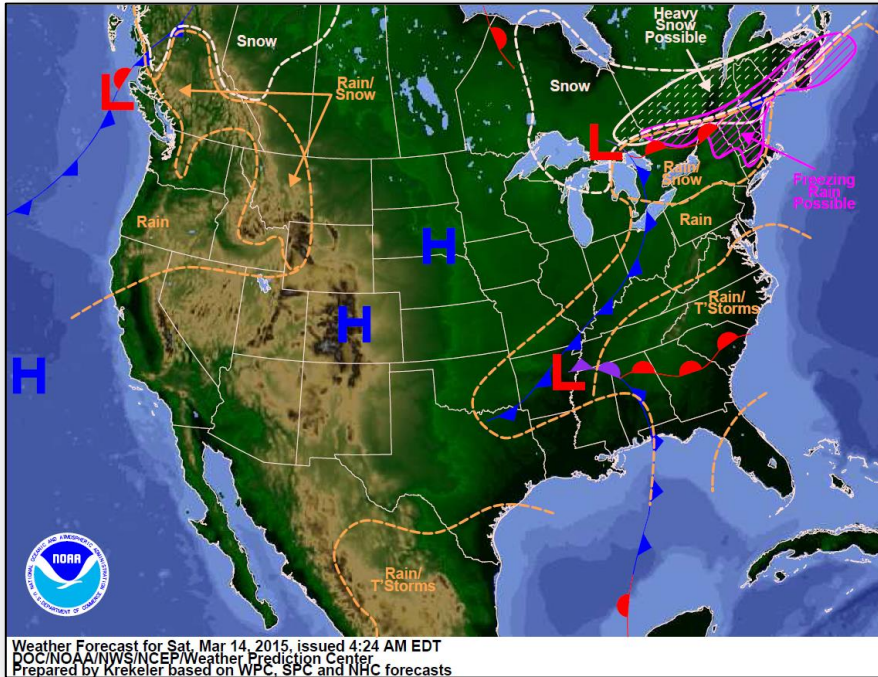
Declaration Requests in Process		Requests APPROVED (since last report)	Requests DENIED (since last report)
1	Date Requested	0	0
New Hampshire - DR Severe Winter Storm and Snowstorm	March 13		

Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

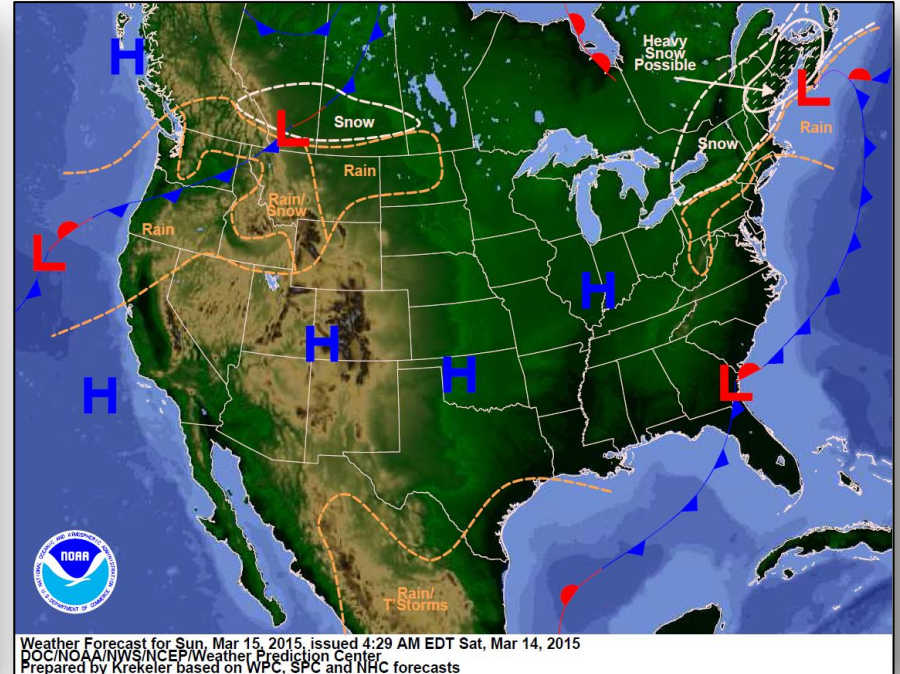


Region	State / Location	Event	IA/PA	Number of Counties		Start – End
				Requested	Complete	
I	RI	January Blizzard January 25, 2015	PA	5	5	2/11 – 3/13
I	CT	January Blizzard January 25, 2015	PA	4	0	2/24 – 3/20
III	WV	Winter Storm March 4-7, 2015	PA	23	0	3/16 - TBD
IV	TN	Winter Storm February 15, 2015	PA	44	0	3/16 - TBD

National Weather Forecast

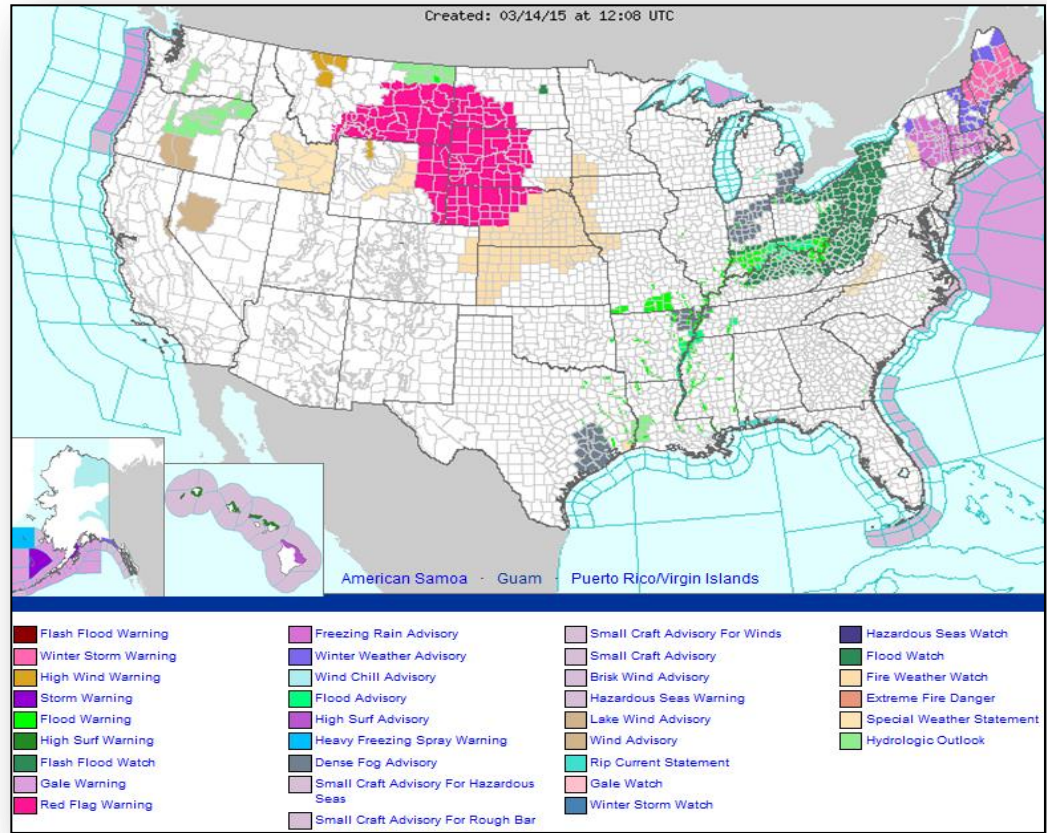


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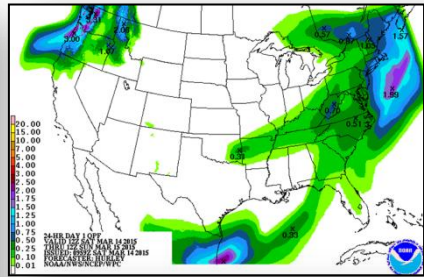
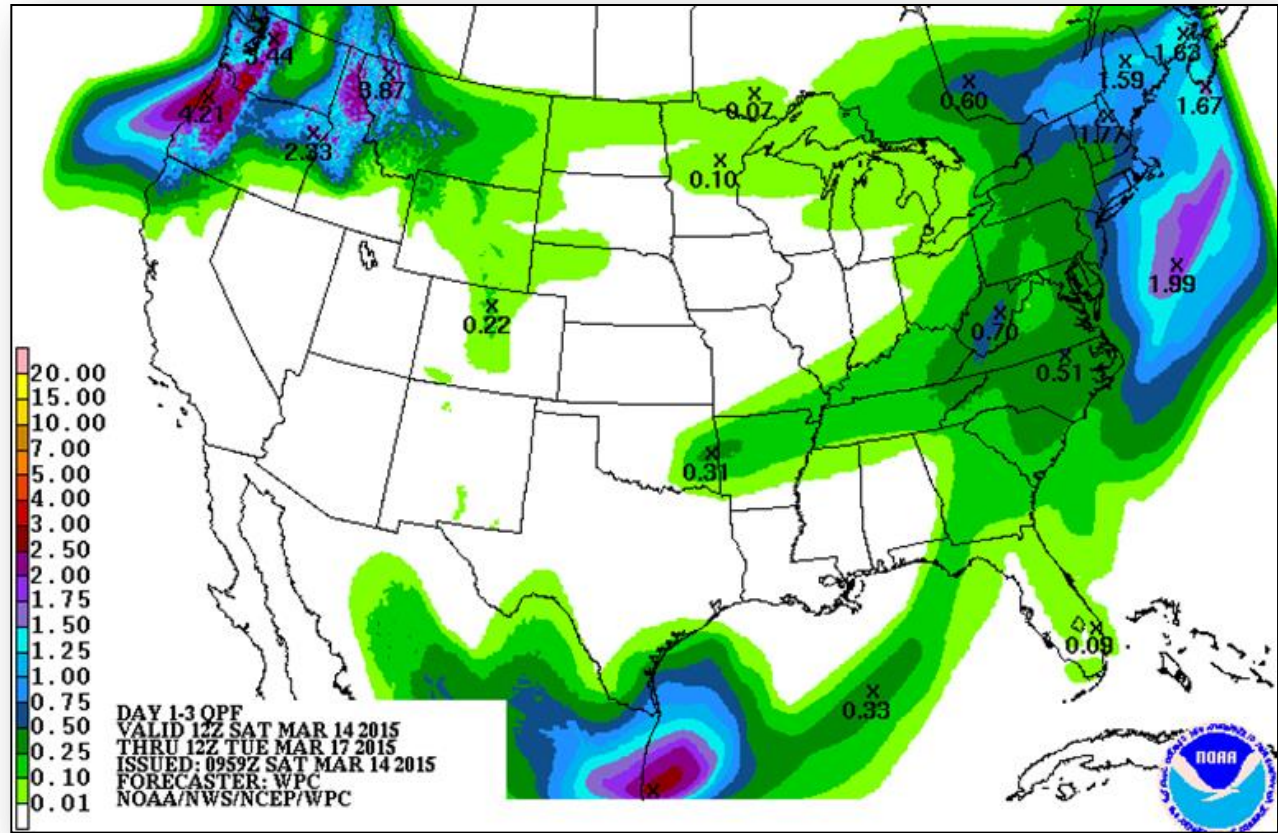


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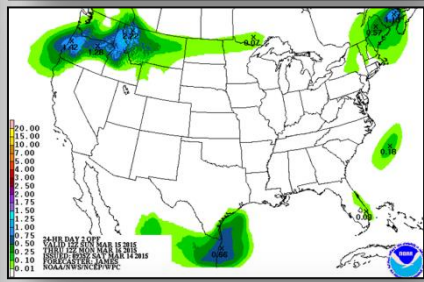
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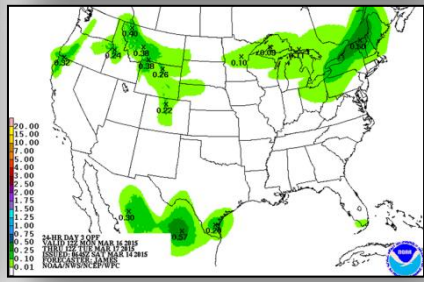
Precipitation Forecast 1-3 Day



Day 1

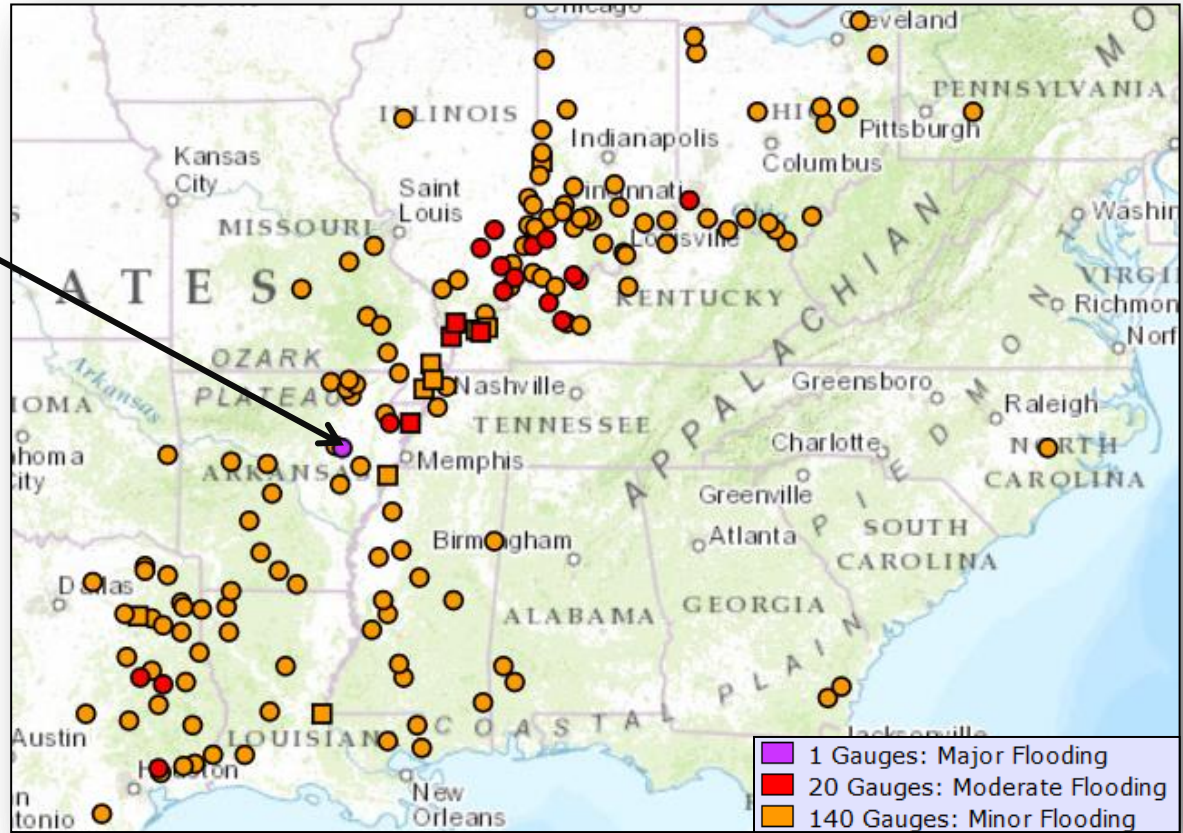
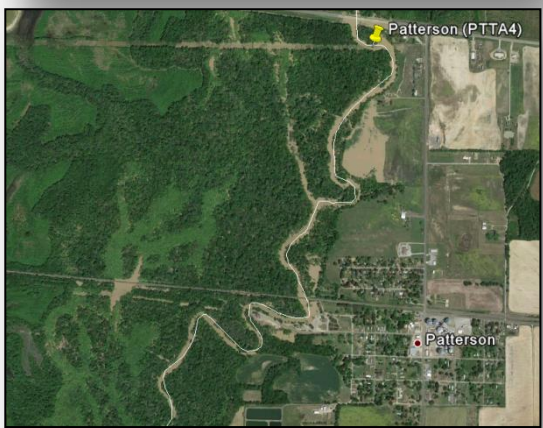
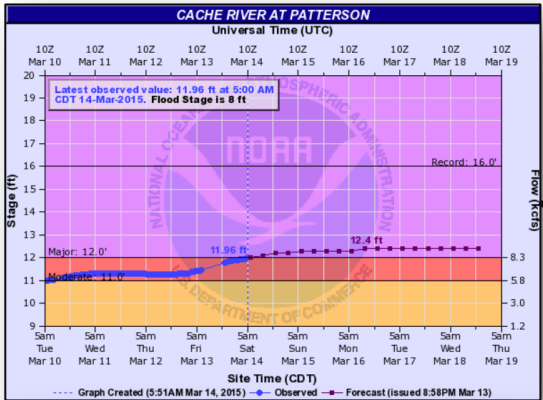


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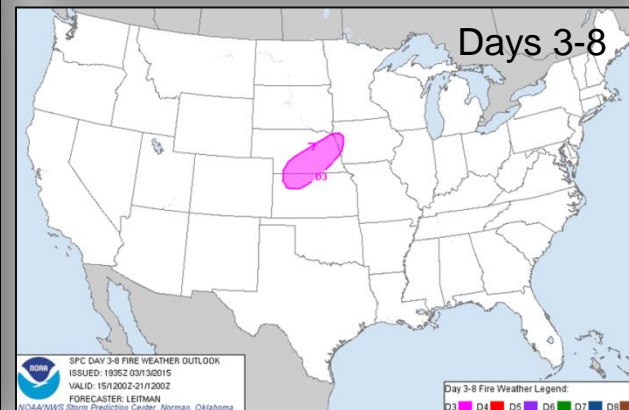
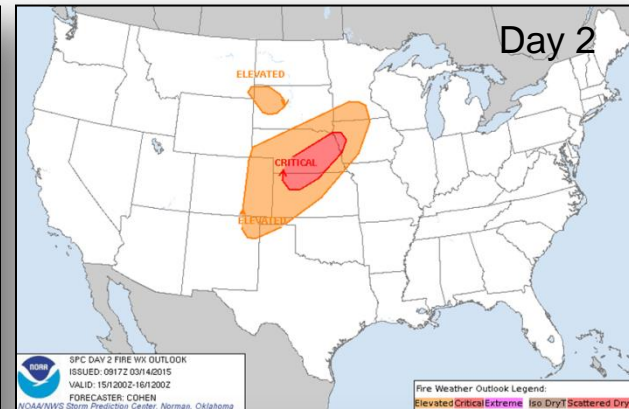
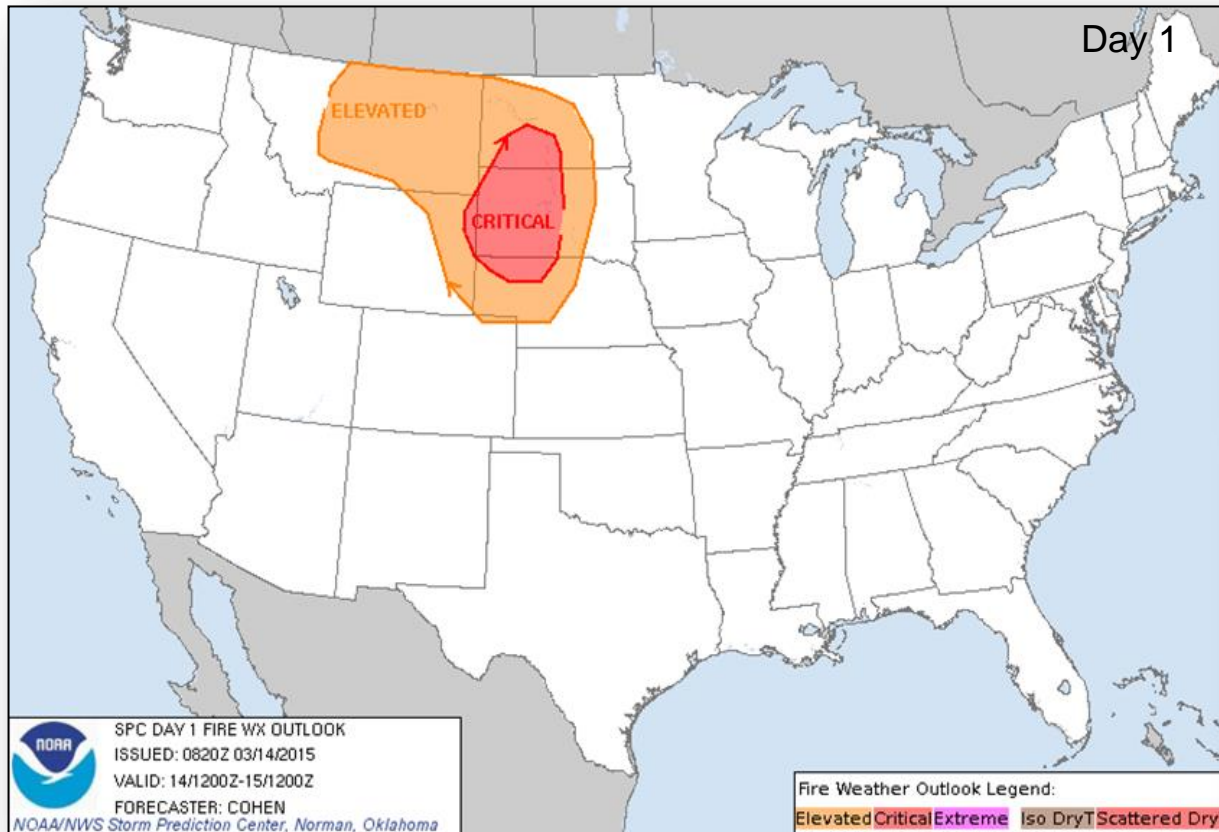


Day 3

River Forecast

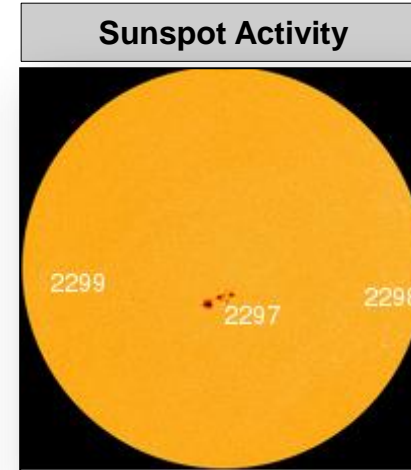
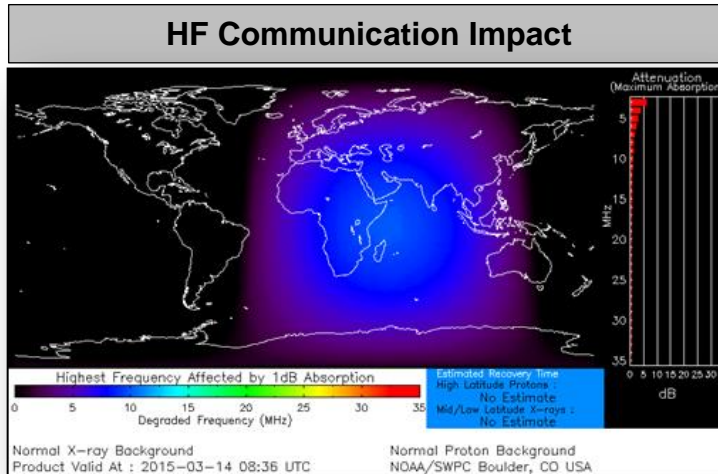


Fire Weather Outlook, Days 1–8



Space Weather

NOAA Scales Activity (Range: 1/minor to 5/extreme)	Past 24 Hours	Current	Next 24 Hours
Space Weather Activity:	Minor	None	Minor
• Geomagnetic Storms	None	None	G1
• Solar Radiation Storms	None	None	None
• Radio Blackouts	R1	None	R1



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	24	65%	0	1	12		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	2	66%	0	0	1	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	10	77%	0	3	0	<u>Not Mission Capable (NMC):</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regions IV-3, VI-1 & IX-1 IX-2 on alert for Bavi 	<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)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green = FMC • Yellow = PMC • Red = NMC
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	Activated	Region IX RWC at Enhanced Watch; RRCC on alert for Bavi	



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