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Daily Operations Briefing

Wednesday, April 1, 2015

8:30 a.m. EDT

Significant Activity: Mar 31-April 1



Significant Events: None

Significant Weather:

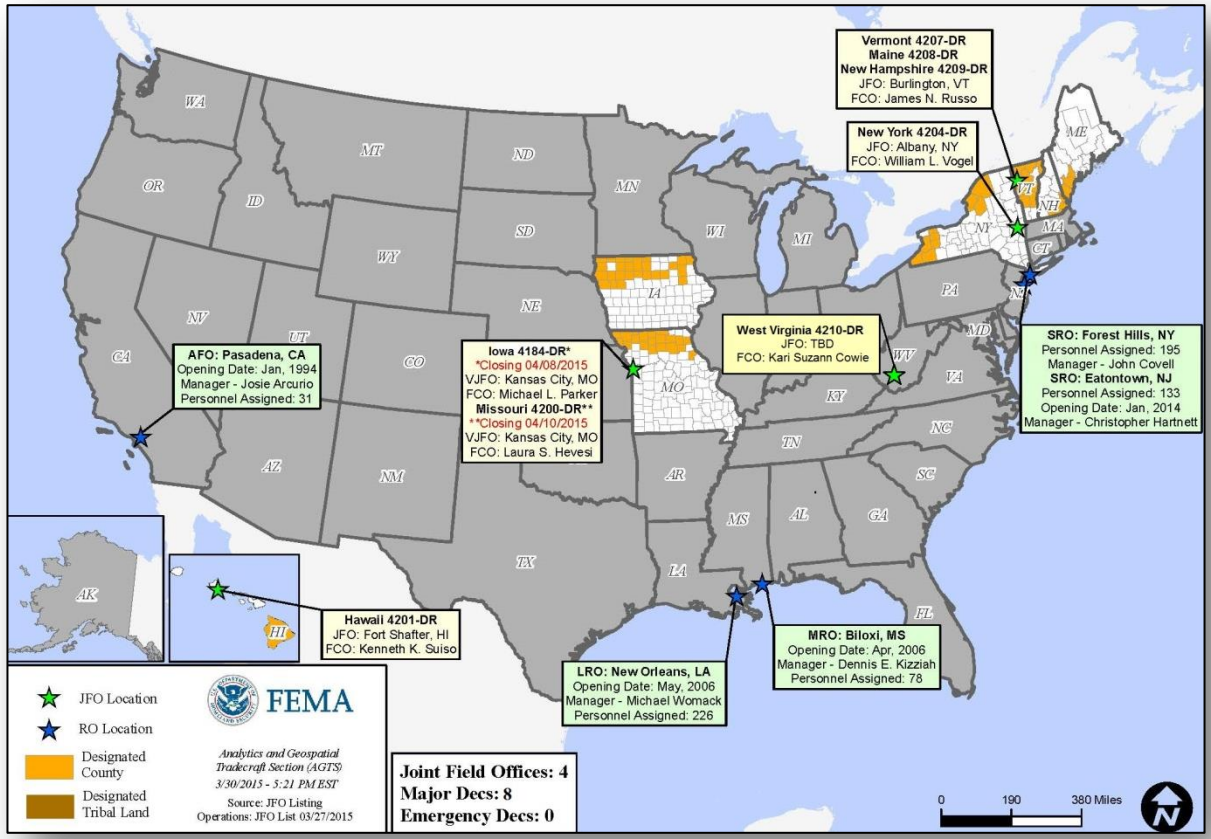
- Freezing Rain Possible – Great Lakes to the Northeast
- Severe Thunderstorms Possible – Southern Plains
- Upper Mississippi Valley to Flash Flooding Possible – Central Plains to Upper/Middle Mississippi Valley
- Snow – Pacific Northwest/Northern California to Northern Plains
- Rain & Snow – Central Great Basin to Central Plains & Upper Northern Plains to Great Lakes
- Rain & Thunderstorms – Upper Mississippi Valley/Southern Plains to Southeast
- Rain – Pacific Northwest/Northern California
- Critical/Elevated Fire Weather: Southern California & Northern Plains to Central Great Basin/Southwest to Upper/Middle Mississippi Valley/Southern Plains
- Red Flag Warnings: CO, IA, KS, MN, MT, ND, NM, OK, SD & WY
- Space Weather: Past 24 hours/next 24 hours – No space weather storms observed or predicted

Tropical Activity: No activity affecting U.S. interests

Declaration Activity: Major Disaster Declaration approved for West Virginia

FEMA Readiness: No significant change

Open Field Offices as of April 1



Disaster Requests & Declarations



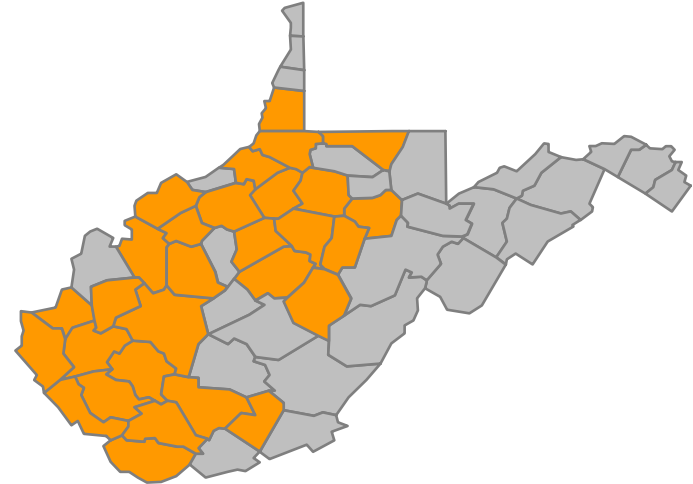
Declaration Requests in Process		Requests APPROVED (since last report)	Requests DENIED (since last report)
4	Date Requested	1	0
RI – DR Severe Winter Storm & Snowstorm	March 25, 2015		
WV – DR Severe Winter Storm, Flooding, Landslides, & Mudslides	March 24, 2015	Approved March 31, 2015	
TN – DR Severe Winter Storm & Flooding	March 26, 2015		
MA – DR Severe Winter Storm & Snowstorm	March 27, 2015		
CT – DR Severe Winter Storm & Snowstorm	March 27, 2015		

Major Disaster Declaration – West Virginia



FEMA-4210-DR-WV

- Major Disaster Declaration approved March 31, 2015 for West Virginia
- For Severe Winter Storm, Flooding, Landslides, & Mudslides that occurred March 3-6, 2015
- Declaration provides:
 - Public Assistance for 29 counties
 - Hazard Mitigation statewide
- FCO is Kari Suzann Cowie



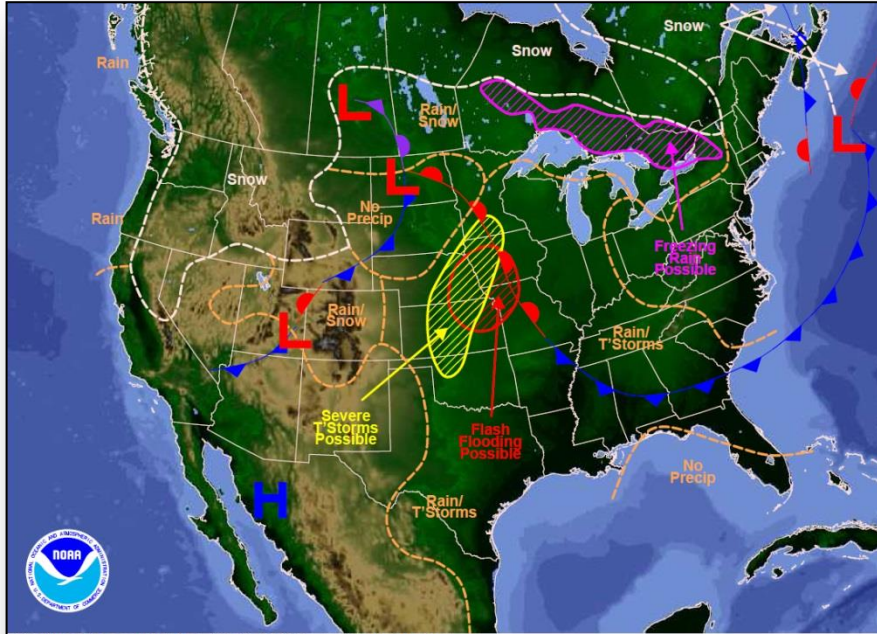
■ Declared Counties

Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments



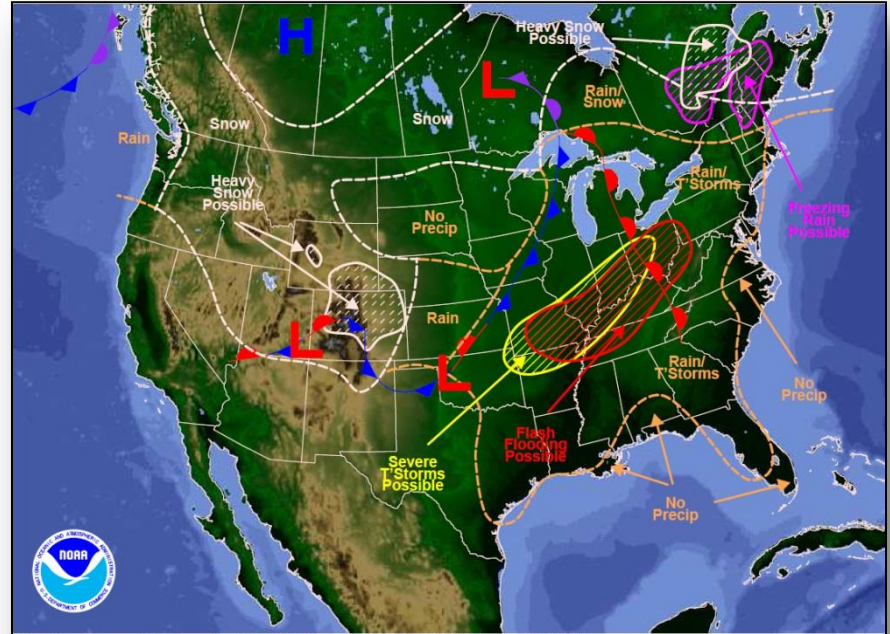
Region	State / Location	Event	IA/PA	Number of Counties		Start – End
				Requested	Complete	
IV	KY	Severe Winter Weather: Snow & Arctic Air February 15-26, 2015	PA	51 (+16)	16 (+16)	3/30-TBD
IV	KY	Severe Winter Weather: Snow, Sleet & Rain March 4-6, 2015	PA	51 (+23)	11 (+11)	3/30-TBD

National Weather Forecast



Weather Forecast for Wed, Apr 01, 2015, issued 3:14 AM EDT
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center
Prepared by Mcreynolds based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts

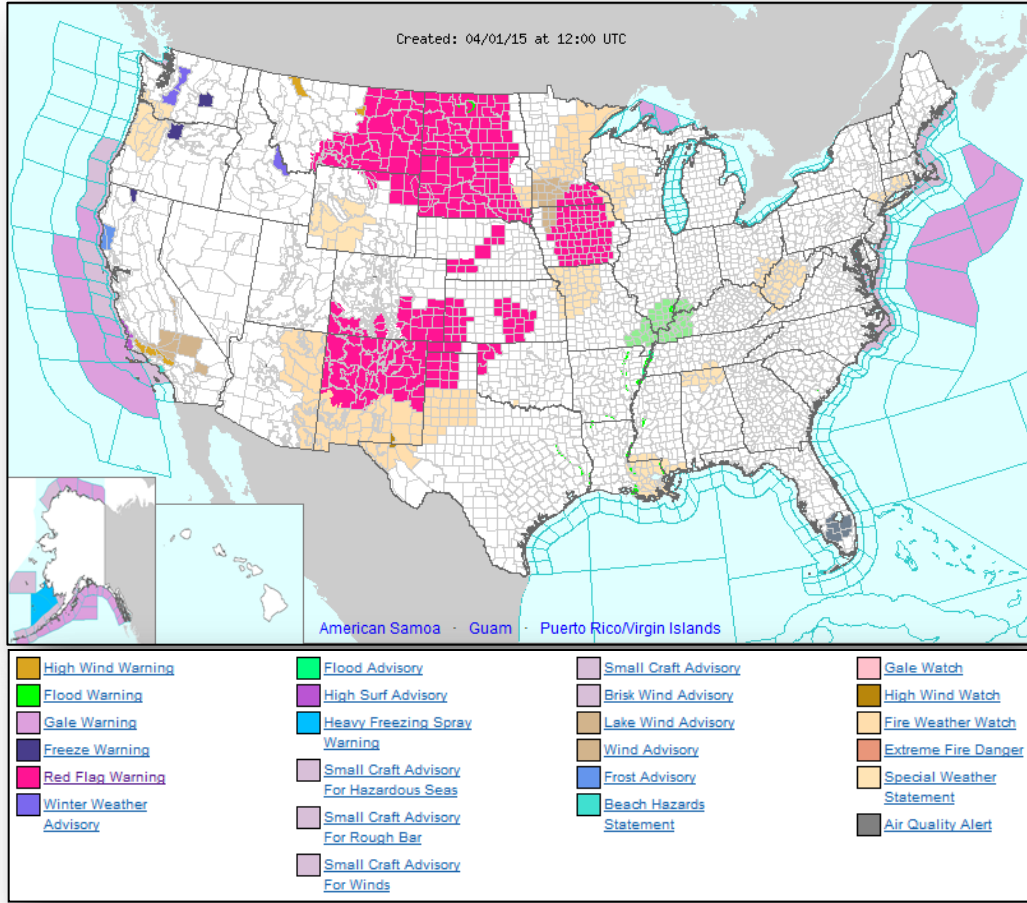
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Weather Forecast for Thu, Apr 02, 2015, issued 4:21 AM EDT Wed, Apr 01, 2015
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center
Prepared by Mcreynolds based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts

Tomorrow

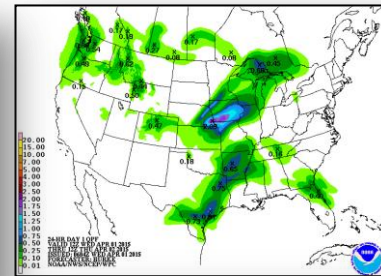
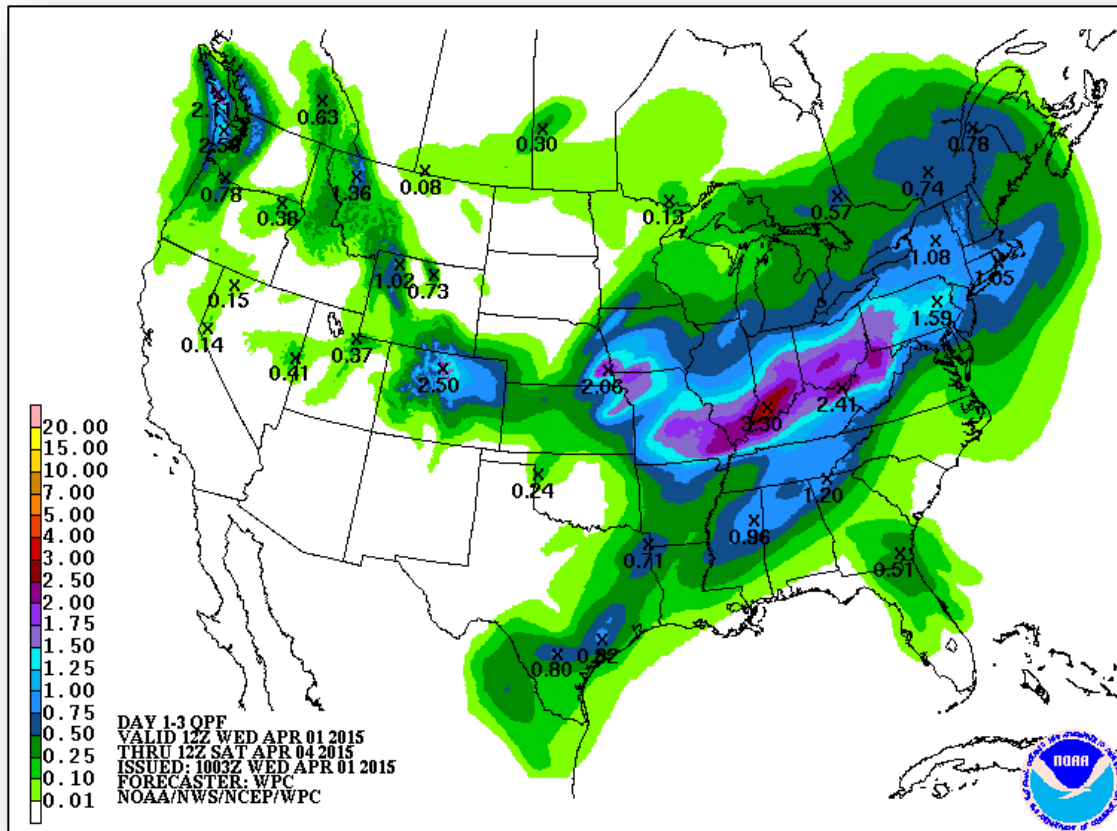
Active Watches/Warnings



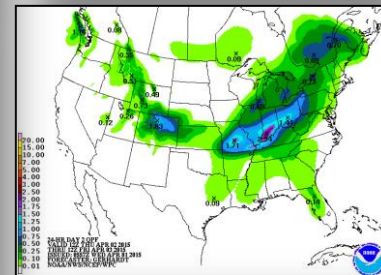
Precipitation Forecast 1-3 Day



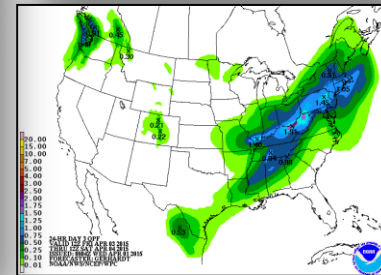
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Day 1

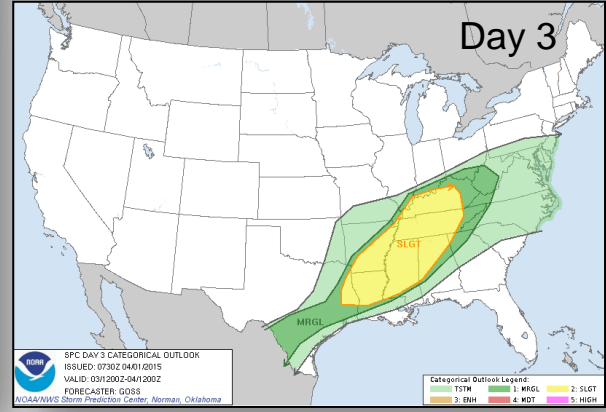
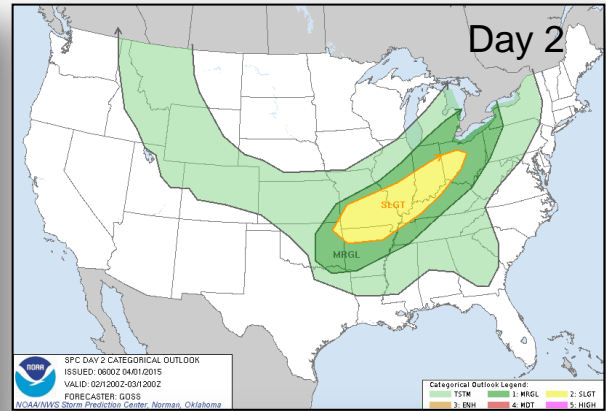
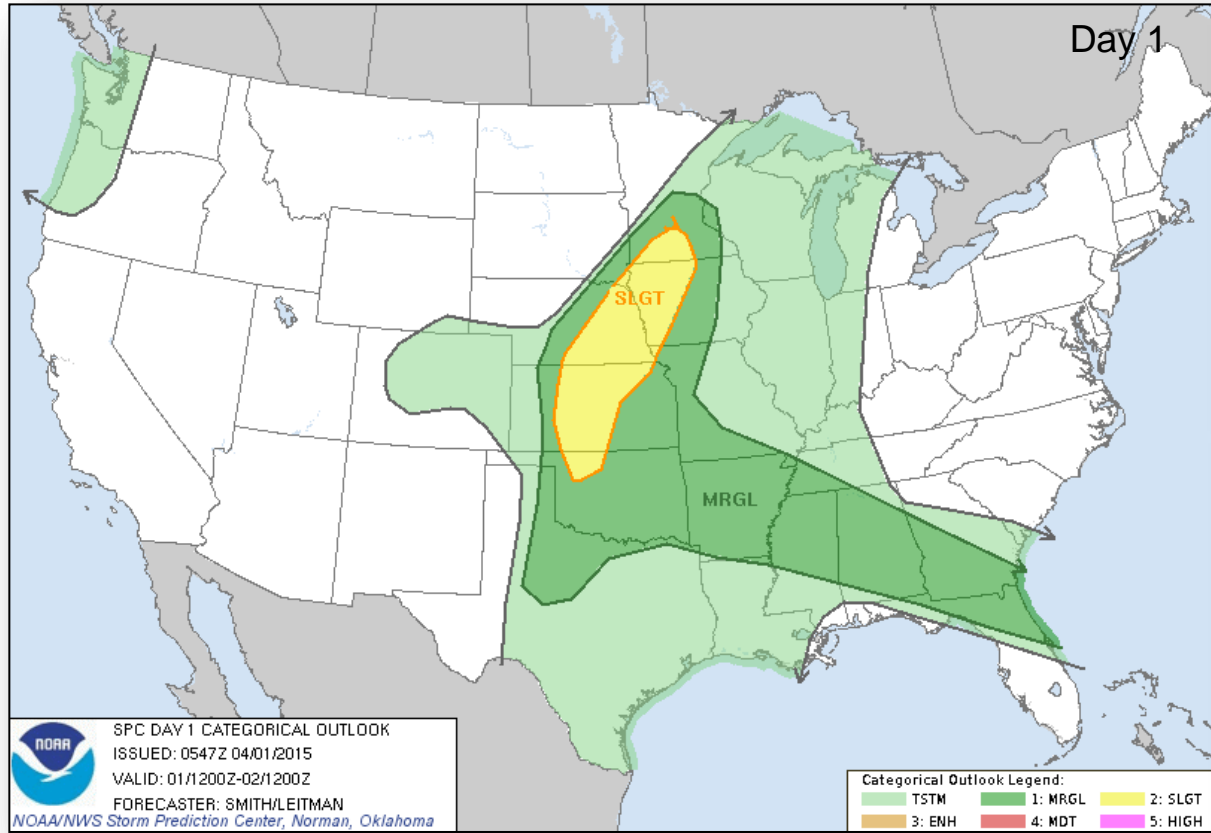


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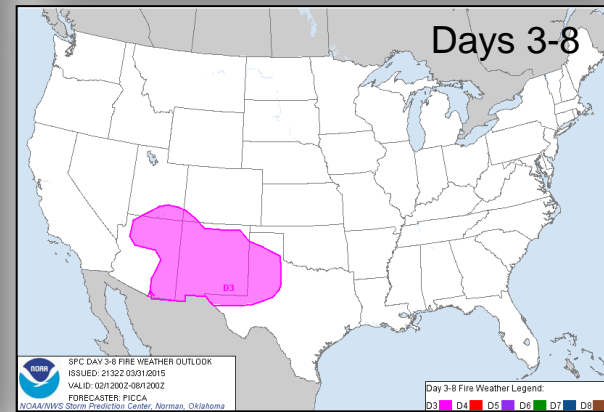
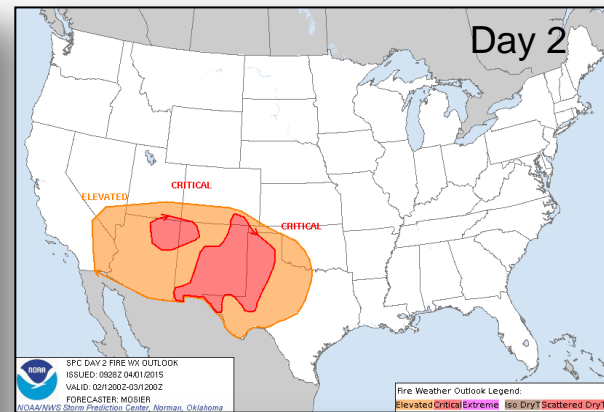
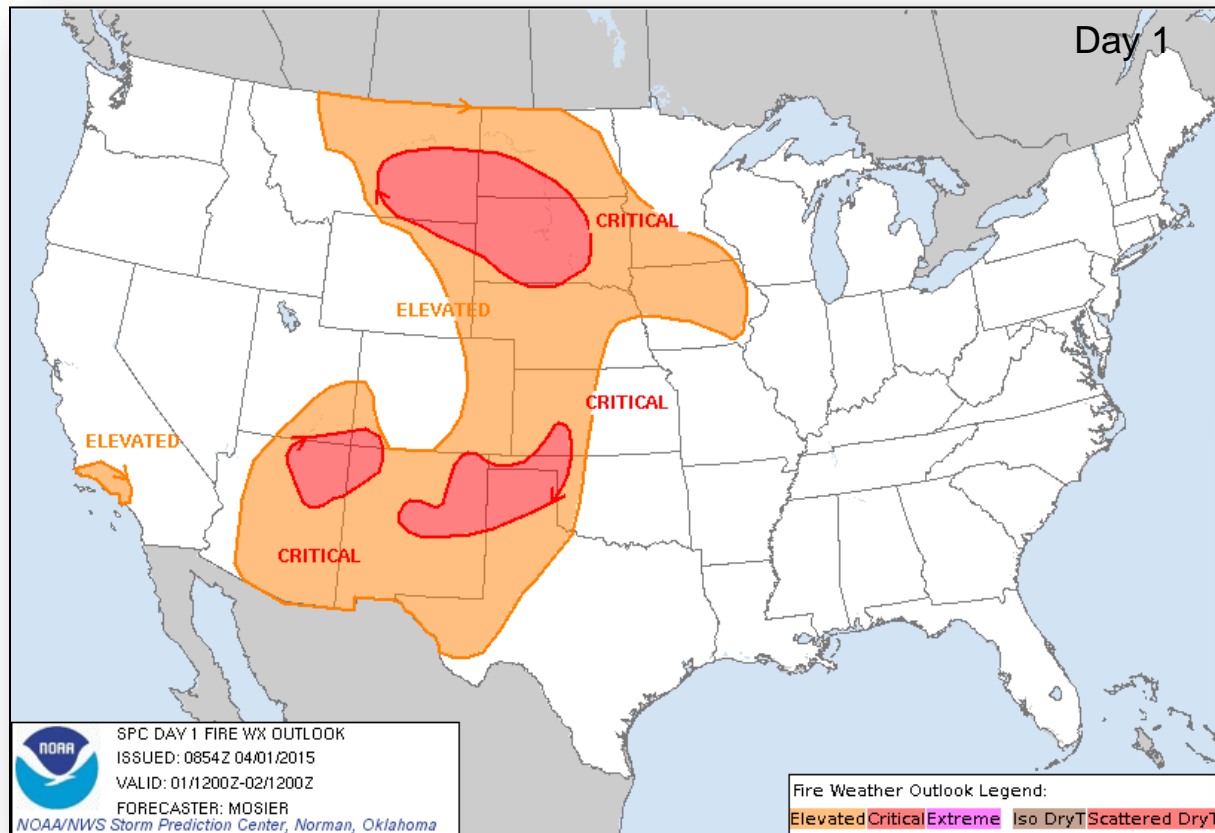


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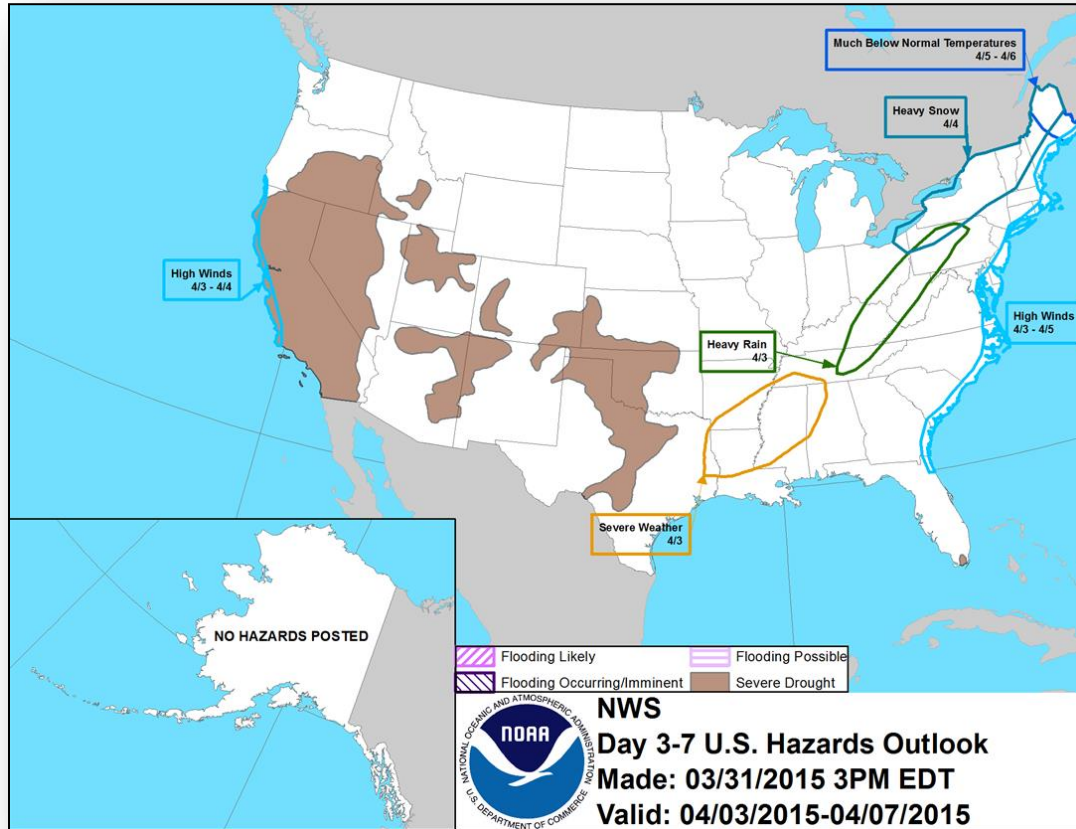
Convective Outlook, Days 1-3



Fire Weather Outlook, Days 1-8



Hazard Outlook: Apr 3-7

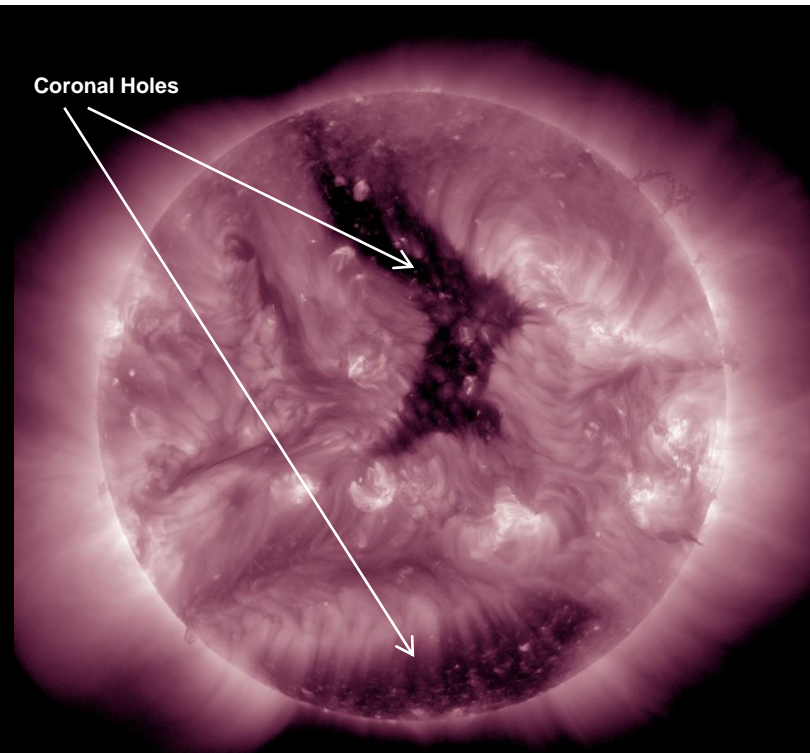
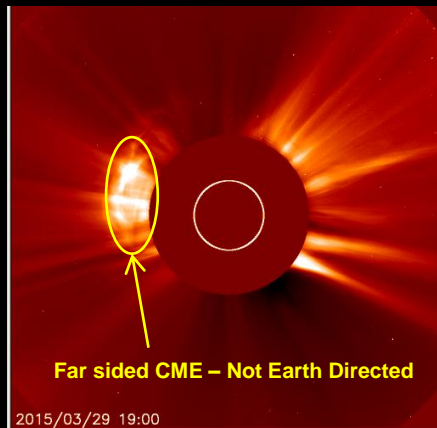


Space Weather Summary/Outlook

Space Weather Summary April 1, 2015	Past 48 Hours	Current
Solar Flare Radio Blackouts (R Scale)	None	None
Solar Radiation Storms (S Scale)	None	None
Geomagnetic Storms (G Scale)	None	None

Summary of Recent Activity/Outlook:

- Space Weather quiet since the effects from the March 17 Severe (G4) Geomagnetic Storm have dissipated
- Minor level (G1) Geomagnetic storming possible due to effects of Coronal Holes
- We are awaiting the return of region 2297 which produced all of the activity leading up to the March 17 storm
 - 23 Flares \geq R1 & 1 R3 Flare
- This region still observed to be producing many CMEs as it rotates across the far side of the solar disk
- This region will rotate onto the visible disk today and we will be watching it closely



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SWPC
01 Apr 2015

FEMA Readiness – Deployable Teams /Assets



Deployable Teams/Assets									
Resource	Status	Total	FMC Available		Partially Available	Not Available	Detailed, Deployed, Activated	Comments	Rating Criterion
FCO	Green	37	21	57%	0	1	15		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	Green	10	10	100%	0	0	0		
US&R	Green	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	Yellow	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	Green	13	9	69%	0	3	1	Region III – Deployed to WV <u>Not Mission Capable (NMC):</u> • Regions IV-3, VI-3 & IX-1	<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 & has no qualified replacement</i>
MCOV	Green	60	56	93%	0	4	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	Not Activated		<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	Not Activated		



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