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Daily Operations Briefing

Wednesday, April 18, 2018

8:30 a.m. EDT

Significant Activity – April 17-18



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Significant Events: Wildfires

Tropical Activity: Western Pacific - no activity affecting U.S. interests

Significant Weather:

- Elevated/Critical Fire Weather – Southwest; Southern and Central Plains; Southeast to Mid-Atlantic
- Red Flag Warnings – KS, OK & TX
- Heavy snow & freezing rain –Upper Mississippi Valley to Great Lakes
- Space Weather:
 - Past 24 hours – none observed
 - Next 24 hours – none predicted

Earthquake Activity: No significant activity

Declaration Activity:

- Major Disaster Declarations approved – West Virginia and Ohio
- FMAG approved – McClellan Fire, TX

McClellan Fire – TX



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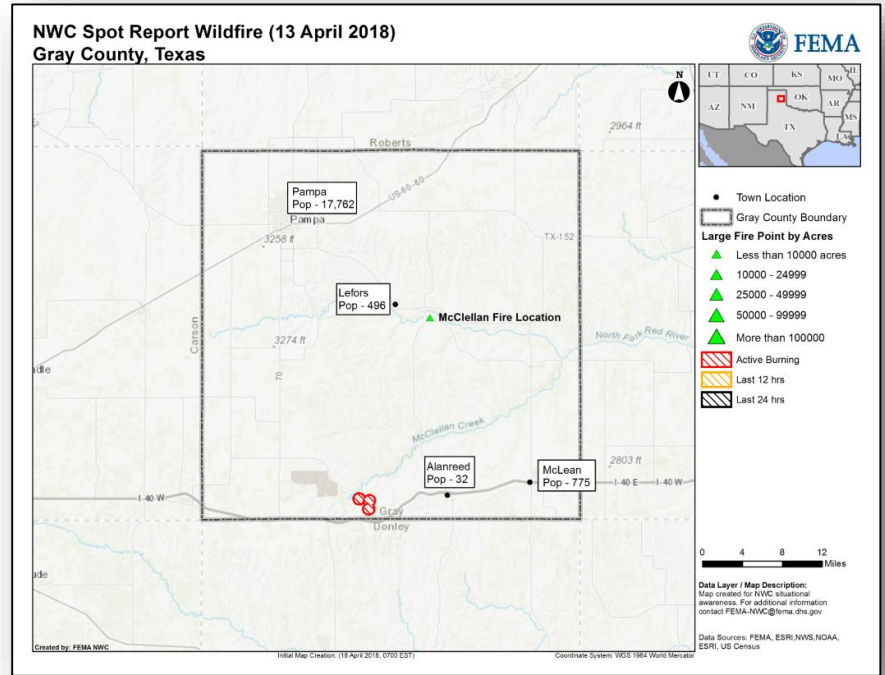
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					Threatened	Damaged	Destroyed	
McClellan Fire (Gray)	5233-FM-TX Apr 18, 2018	13,000	10%	Mandatory (1,200)	505 homes	0	0	0 / 0

Current Situation

- Fire began April 17, 2018 and is burning in and around McLean (pop. 775)
- Threatening homes, infrastructure, utilities and a watershed
- Mandatory and voluntary evacuations in effect for 1,200 people

Response

- FMAG approved on April 18, 2018
- Region VI RWC at Steady State – Monitoring situation
- TX EOC at Normal Operations



Wildfire Summary



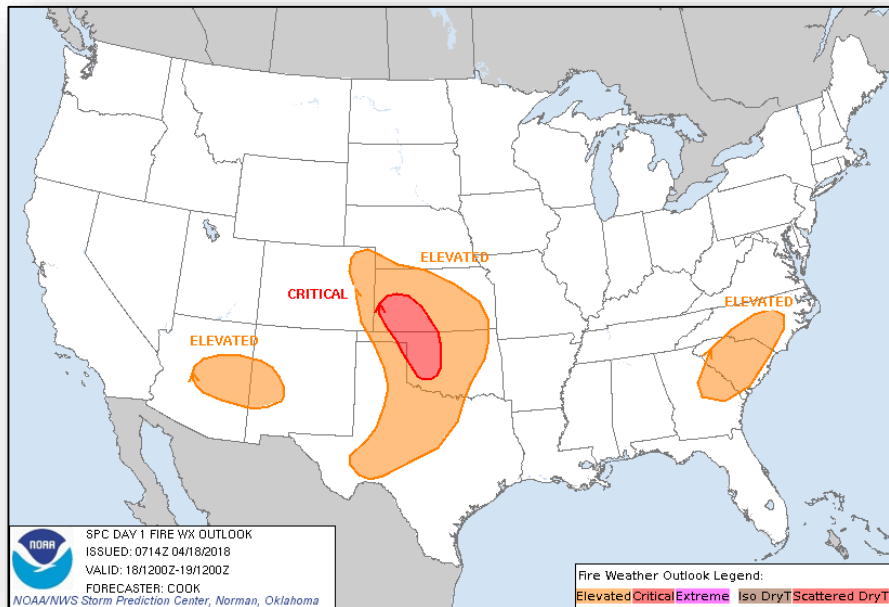
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Oklahoma (2)								
34 Fire Complex (Woodward)	5231-FM-OK Apr 13, 2018	67,778	45%	None	150 homes	0	55 (35 homes)	0 / 0
Rhea Fire (Dewey)	5232-FM-OK Apr 13, 2018	253,663 (+5,074)	3%	Mandatory (400)	2,000 (1,500 homes)	0	50	0 / 2 (+1)
Texas (1)								
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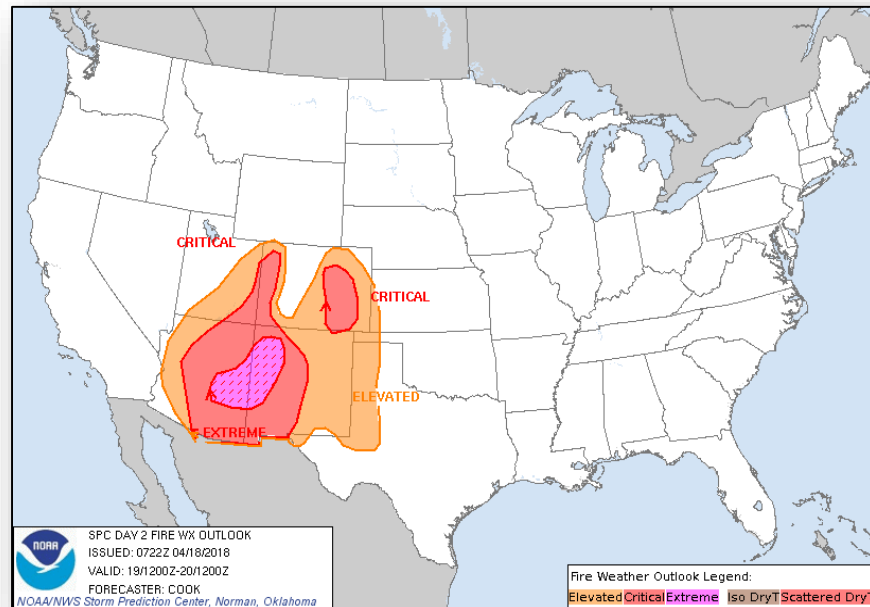
Fire Weather Outlook



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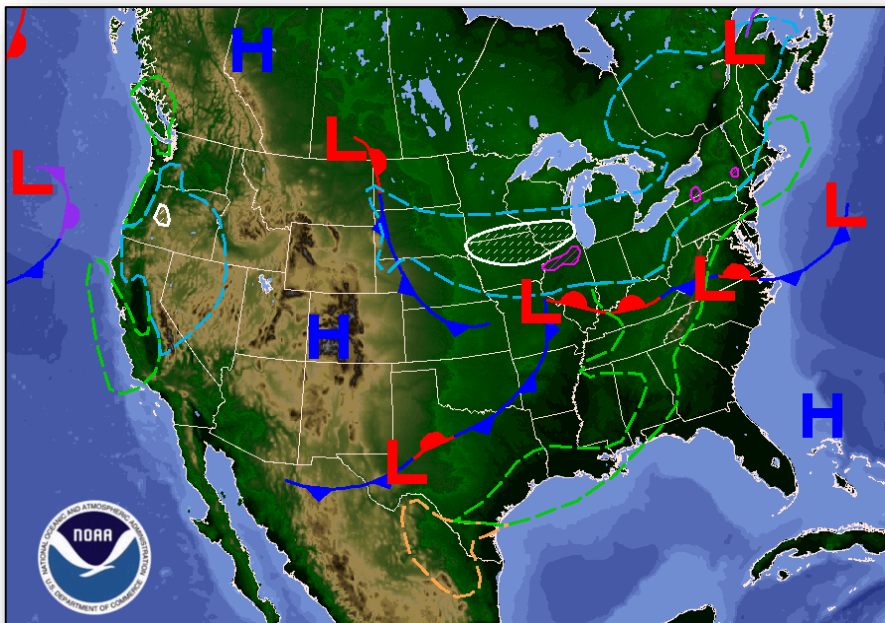


Tomorrow

National Weather Forecast



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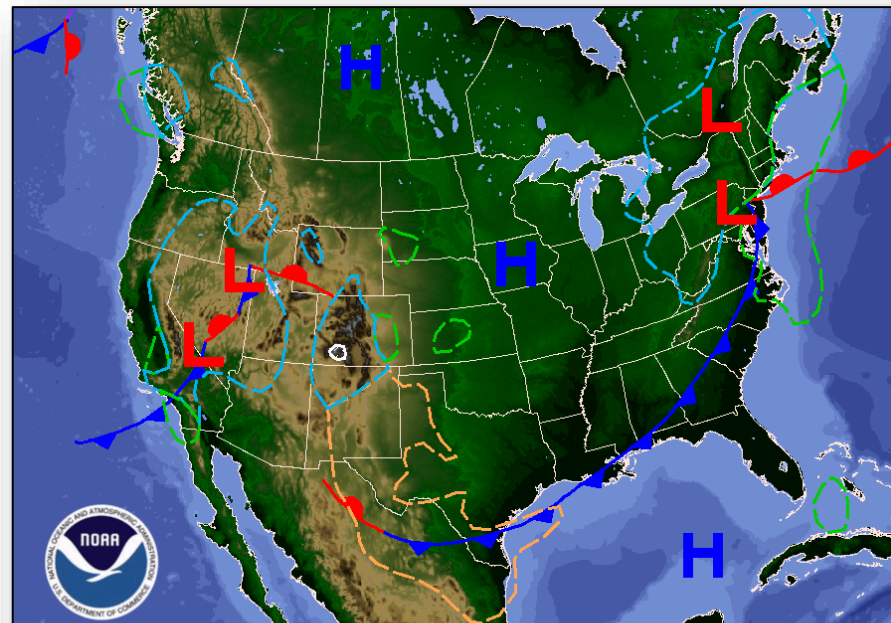


Day 1 National Forecast Chart

Valid Wed, Apr 18, 2018, issued 4:46 AM EDT
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center
Prepared by Moreynolds with WPC/SPC/NHC forecasts

Rain
Rain and T'Storms
Rain and Snow
Snow
Flash Flooding Possible (hatched)
Severe T'Storms Possible (hatched)
Freezing Rain Possible (hatched)
Heavy Snow Possible (hatched)

Today



Day 2 National Forecast Chart

Valid Thu, Apr 19, 2018, issued 4:57 AM EDT Wed, Apr 18, 2018
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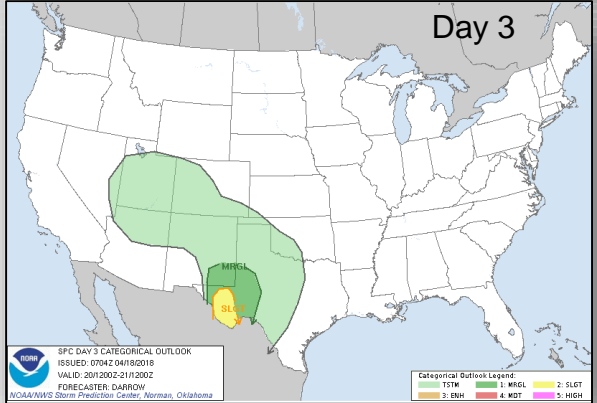
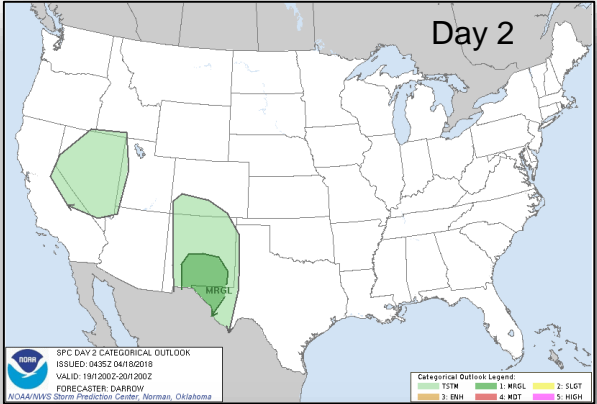
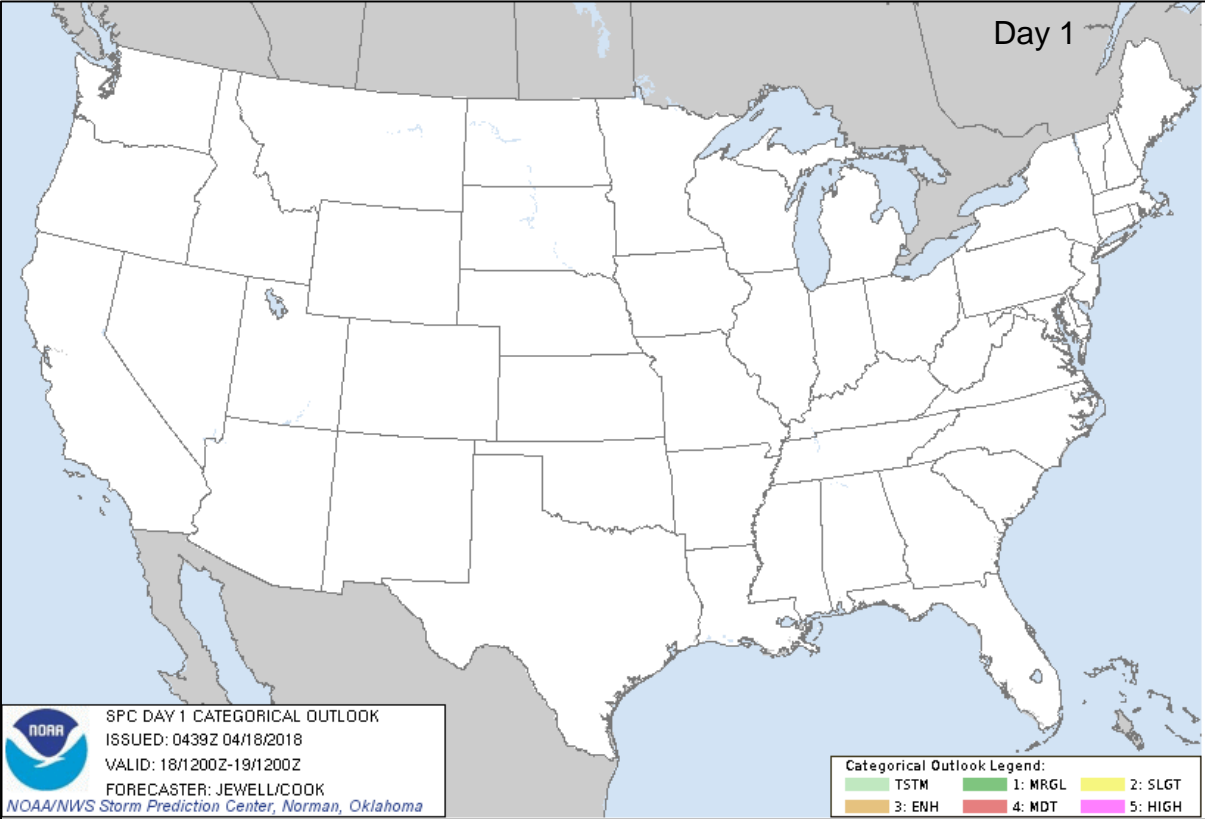
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Severe Weather Outlook



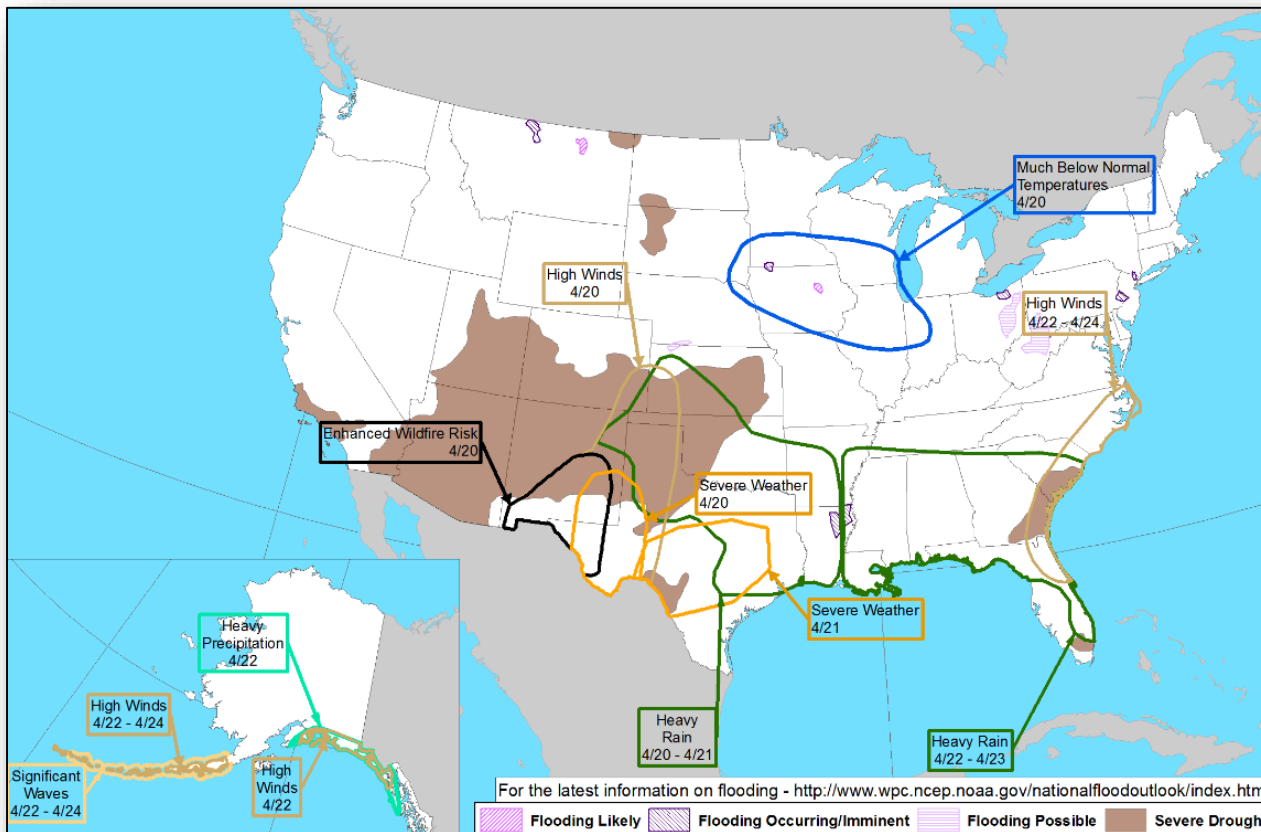
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Hazards Outlook – Apr 20-24



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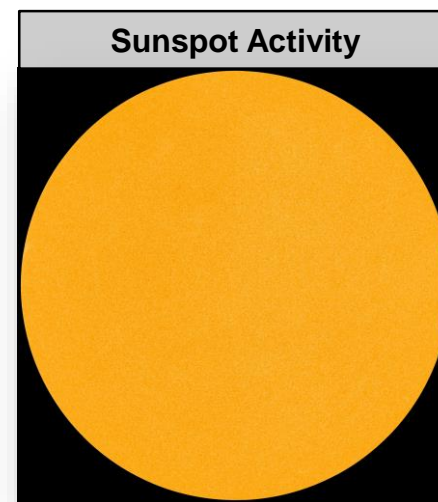
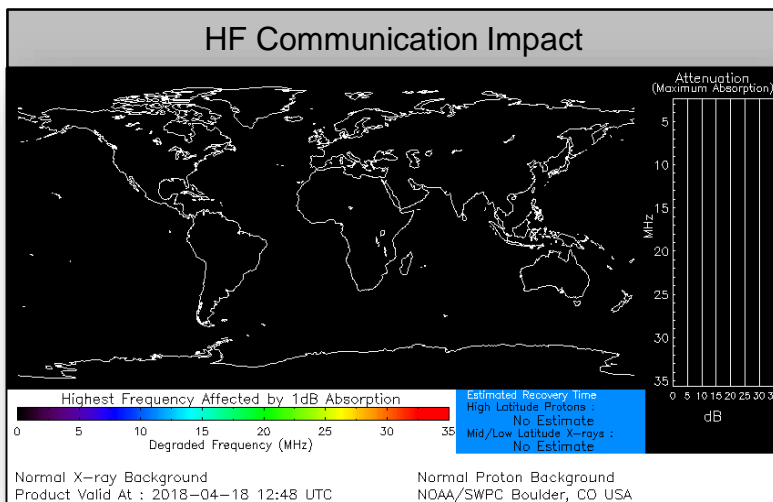
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	Space Weather Activity	Geomagnetic Storms	Solar Radiation	Radio Blackouts
Past 24 Hours	None	None	None	None
Next 24 Hours	None	None	None	None

For further information on NOAA Space Weather Scales refer to: <http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/noaa-scales-explanation>



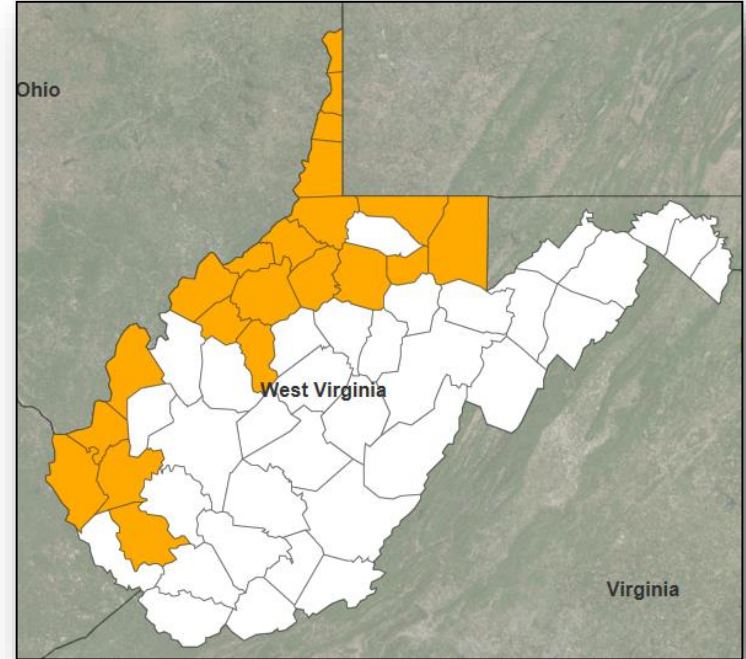
Declaration Approved



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FEMA-4359-DR-WV

- Major Disaster Declaration was approved April 17, 2018 for the state of West Virginia
- For severe storms, flooding, landslides and mudslides that occurred February 14-20, 2018
- Provides:
 - Public Assistance for 21 counties
 - Hazard Mitigation statewide
- FCO is Steven S. Ward



PA

Declaration Approved



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FEMA-4360-DR-OH

- Major Disaster Declaration was approved April 17, 2018 for the state of Ohio
- For severe storms, flooding and landslides that occurred February 14-25, 2018
- Provides:
 - Public Assistance for 18 counties
 - Hazard Mitigation statewide
- FCO is Steven Johnson



PA

Disaster Requests & Declarations



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Declaration Requests in Process					Requests APPROVED (since last report)	Requests DENIED (since last report)
7					2	0
	IA	PA	HM	Date Requested		
AK – DR Severe Storm		X	X	January 25, 2018		
MT – (Appeal) Wildfires		X	X	January 26, 2018		
WV – DR Severe Storm, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides		X	X	March 16, 2018	Declared April 17, 2018	
OH – DR Severe Storms, Tornadoes, Flooding, and Landslides		X	X	March 26, 2018	Declared April 17, 2018	
ME – DR Severe Storms and Flooding		X	X	March 30, 2018		
NH – DR Severe Storms and Flooding		X	X	April 5, 2018		
KY – DR Severe Storms, Tornadoes, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides	X	X	X	April 10, 2018		
IL – DR Severe Storms and Flooding	X		X	April 11, 2018		
AL – DR Severe Storms and Tornadoes	X	X	X	April 12, 2018		

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/Severe Storm March 2-4, 2018	IA	7	7	3/12 – 3/20
			PA	9	7	3/15 – TBD
	NH	Snow March 13-14, 2018	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	3	0	3/29 – TBD
II	NJ	Winter Storm March 7, 2018	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	9	0	4/23 – TBD

Readiness – Deployable Teams and Assets



Resource	Force Strength	Available	Deployed	Other	Cadres with 25% or Less Availability	
Total Workforce	11,980 ▲	3,897 ▼ 33%	4,605 ▲	3,478	ADR 14% (7/50); EHP 9% (31/359); FL 23% (31/134); HM 23% (230/988); IT 23% (142/616); LOG 24% (295/1,238); NDRS 13% (33/257); PA 13% (247/1,916); SAF 17% (10/58)	
National IMATs* (3 Teams)	East 1: East 2: West:	B-48 Charlie B-2				
Regional IMATs (4-6 Teams)	Assigned: Available: PMC / NMC: Deployed:	13 5 2 6				
US&R (≥66%)	Assigned: Available: PMC / NMC: Deployed:	28 27 1 0				
MERS (≥66%)	Assigned: Available: NMC: Deployed:	36 34 0 2				
FCO (≥3 Type I)	Assigned: Available: PMC / NMC: Deployed:	34 (-1) 9 6 (-1) 19				
FDRC (≥3)	Assigned: Available: PMC / NMC: Deployed:	14 5 (+1) 0 (-1) 9				

As of 3:00 a.m. EDT April 18, 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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Status		Activated Team	Activation Level	Activation Times	Reason / Comments
NWC (5 Teams)	Steady State				
NRCC (2 Teams)	Available				Gold Team on call for April
HLT (1 Team)	Available				
RWCs/MOCs (10 Regions)	Steady State				
RRCCs (10 Regions)	Available				

Backup Regions: V, IV, III



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