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## **Daily Operations Briefing**

**Tuesday, May 9, 2017**

**8:30 a.m. EDT**

# Significant Activity – May 8-9



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**Significant Events:** None

**Significant Weather:**

- Severe thunderstorms possible – Southern/Central Plains to Southern/Central Rockies
- Rain and thunderstorms – southern CA to Plains, to Mid-Atlantic
- Rain and snow – Southwest, Central and Northern Rockies; Northeast
- Elevated Fire Weather areas – NM, TX, FL & GA
- Red Flag Warnings – FL
- Space Weather:
  - Past 24 hours: None observed
  - Next 24 hours: None predicted

**Tropical Activity:**

- Eastern Pacific – Invest 90E – High chance (70%)

**Earthquake Activity:** No significant activity

**Declaration Activity:**

- FMAG approved – West Mims Fire, GA

# West Mims Fire – GA



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| Fire Name<br>(County)               | FMAG # /<br>Approved | Acres<br>burned | Percent<br>Contained | Evacuations<br>(Residents) | Structures      |         |                       | Fatalities /<br>Injuries |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------|----------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|---------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
|                                     |                      |                 |                      |                            | Threatened      | Damaged | Destroyed             |                          |
| West Mims Fire<br>(Charlton County) | 5181-FM-GA<br>May 8  | 133,747         | 12%                  | Mandatory                  | 511 (502 homes) | 0       | 2 minor<br>structures | 0 / 4                    |

## Current Situation

- FMAG approved on May 8, 2017
- Fire began May 6, 2017 and is burning in Charlton County (pop. 13k)
- No fatalities; 4 firefighters injured
- Cities of St. George, Moniac and Canada Loop are threatened
- Railroads, sheriff's office, and schools also threatened
- Mandatory evacuations in effect for 2,000 people
- One shelter open with no occupants\*
- Portions of several State Routes are closed

## Response

- GA EOC at Normal Operations
- FEMA Region IV RWC remains at Watch/Steady State



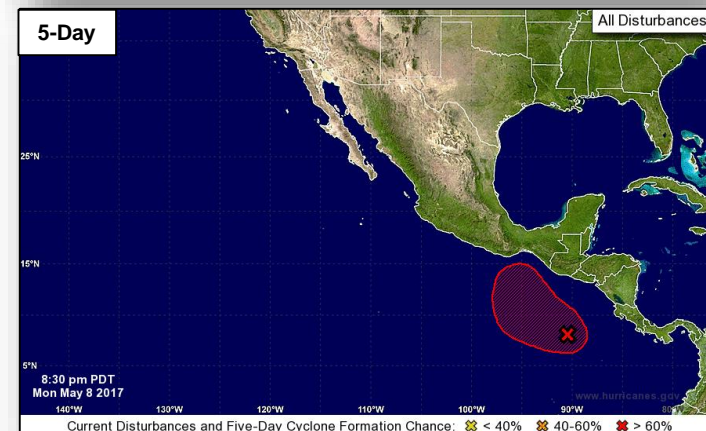
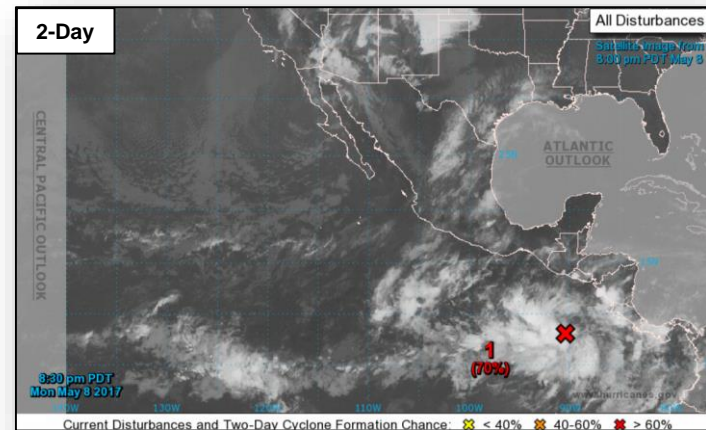
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# Tropical Outlook – Eastern Pacific

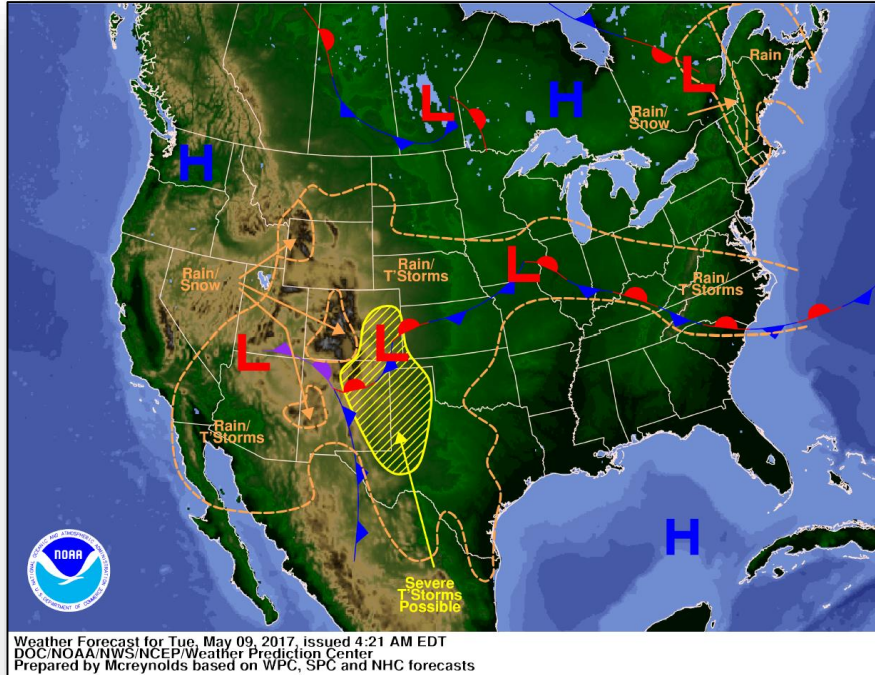


## Invest 90E (As of 11:30 p.m. EDT)

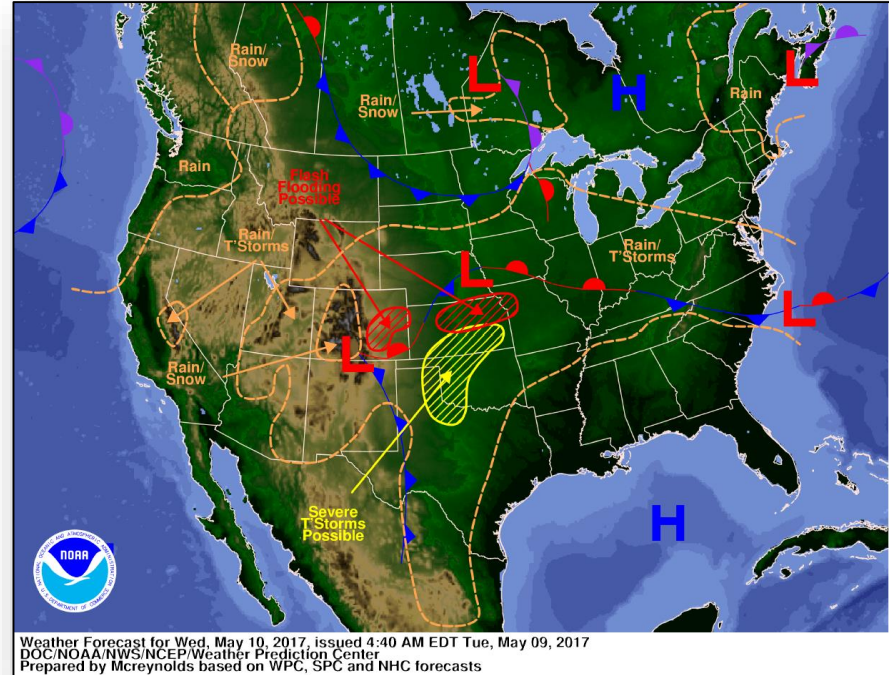
- Located a few hundred miles S of El Salvador
- Moving slowly WNW or NW remaining well offshore of the coasts of Central America and southeastern Mexico through at least Thursday
- Conditions expected to be favorable for tropical depression to form during the next day or so
- Formation chance through 48 hours: High (70%)
- Formation chance through 5 days: High (90%)



# National Weather Forecast



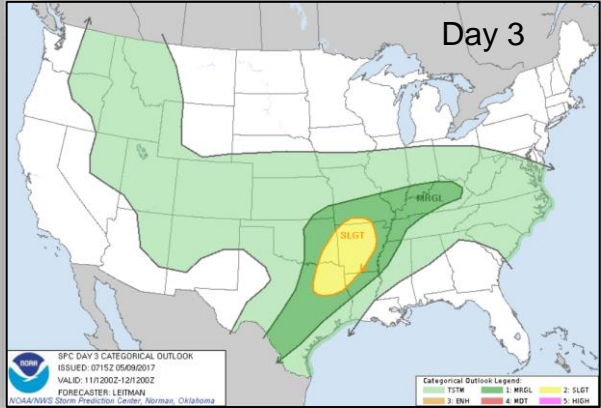
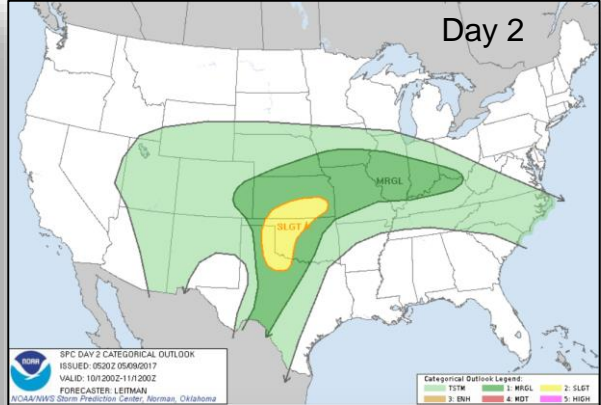
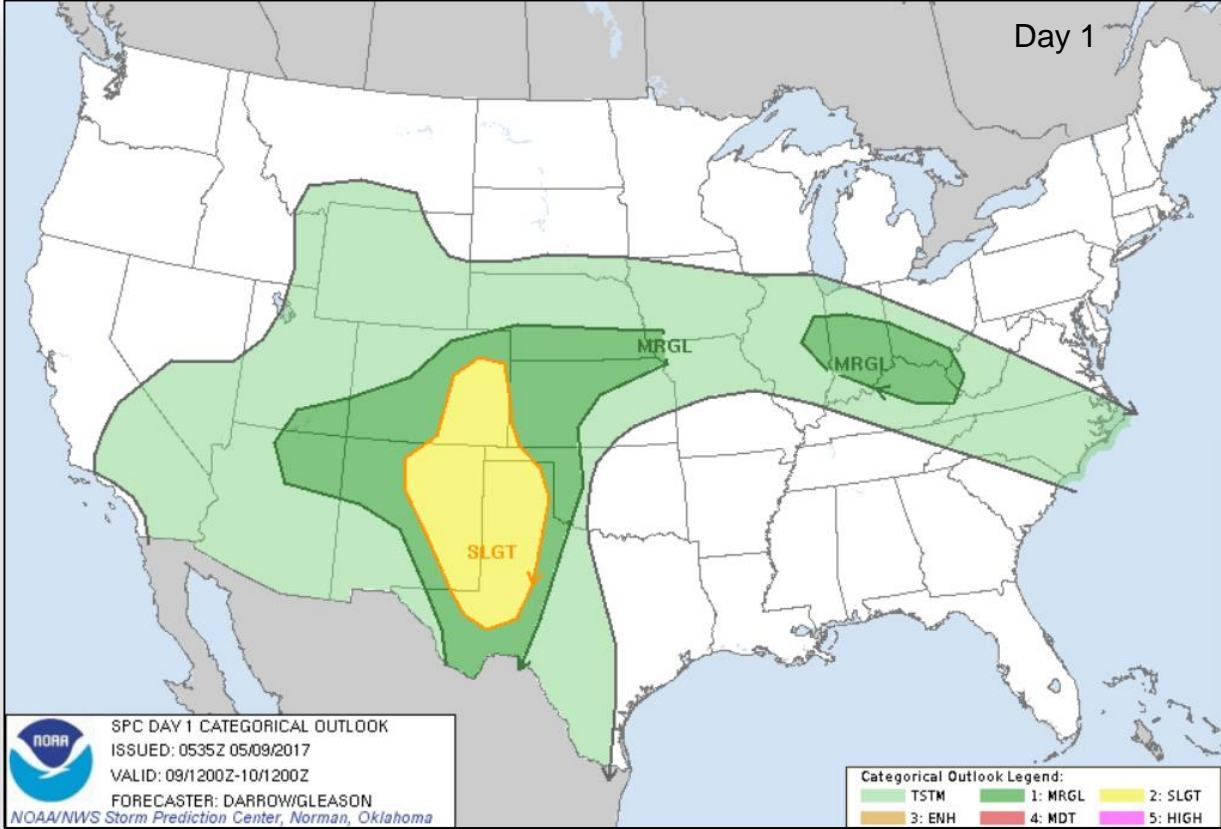
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*Tomorrow*



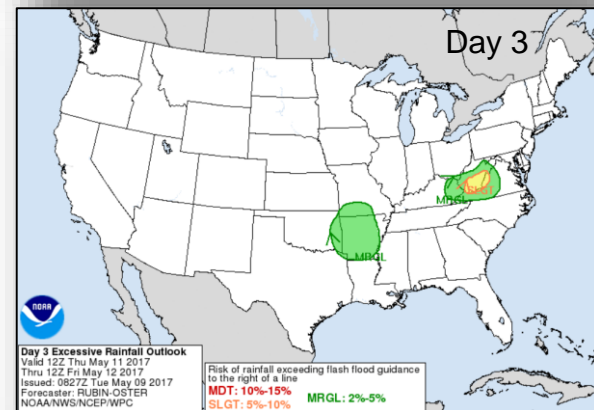
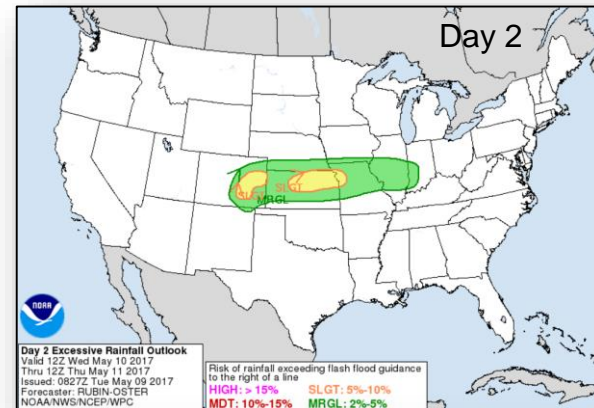
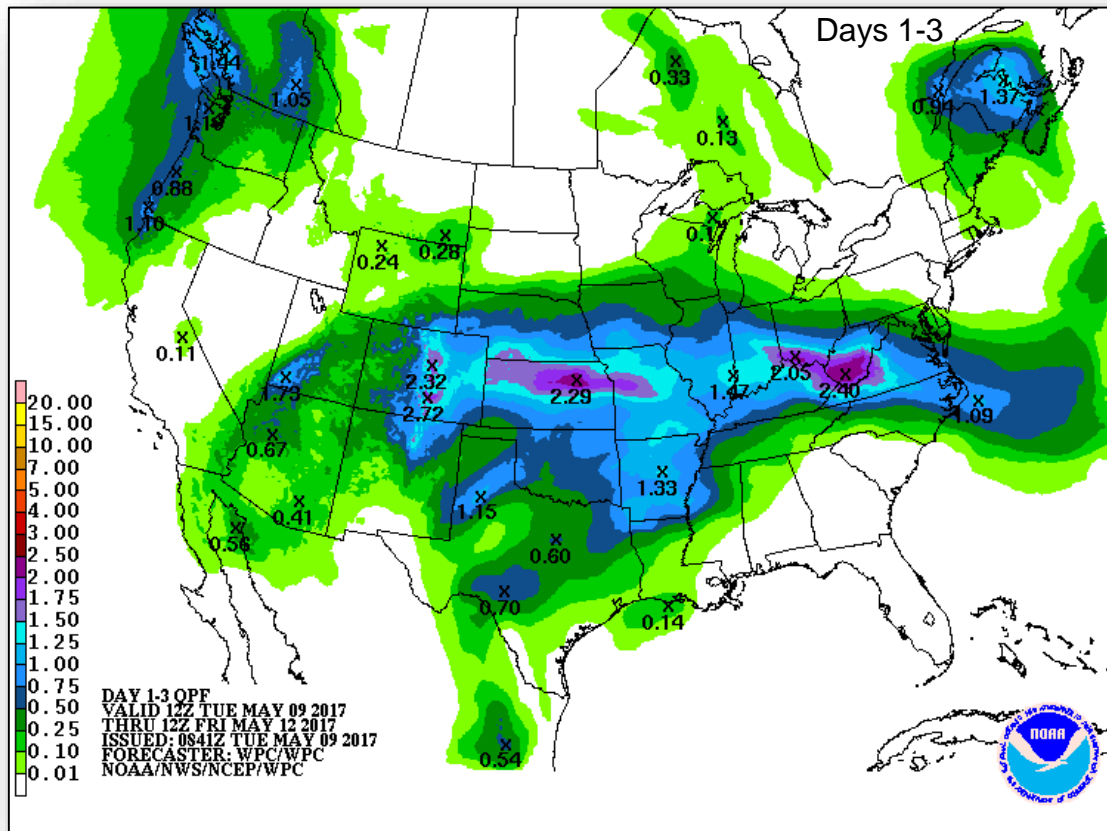
# Severe Weather Outlook



# Precipitation Outlook – Flash Flood Risk



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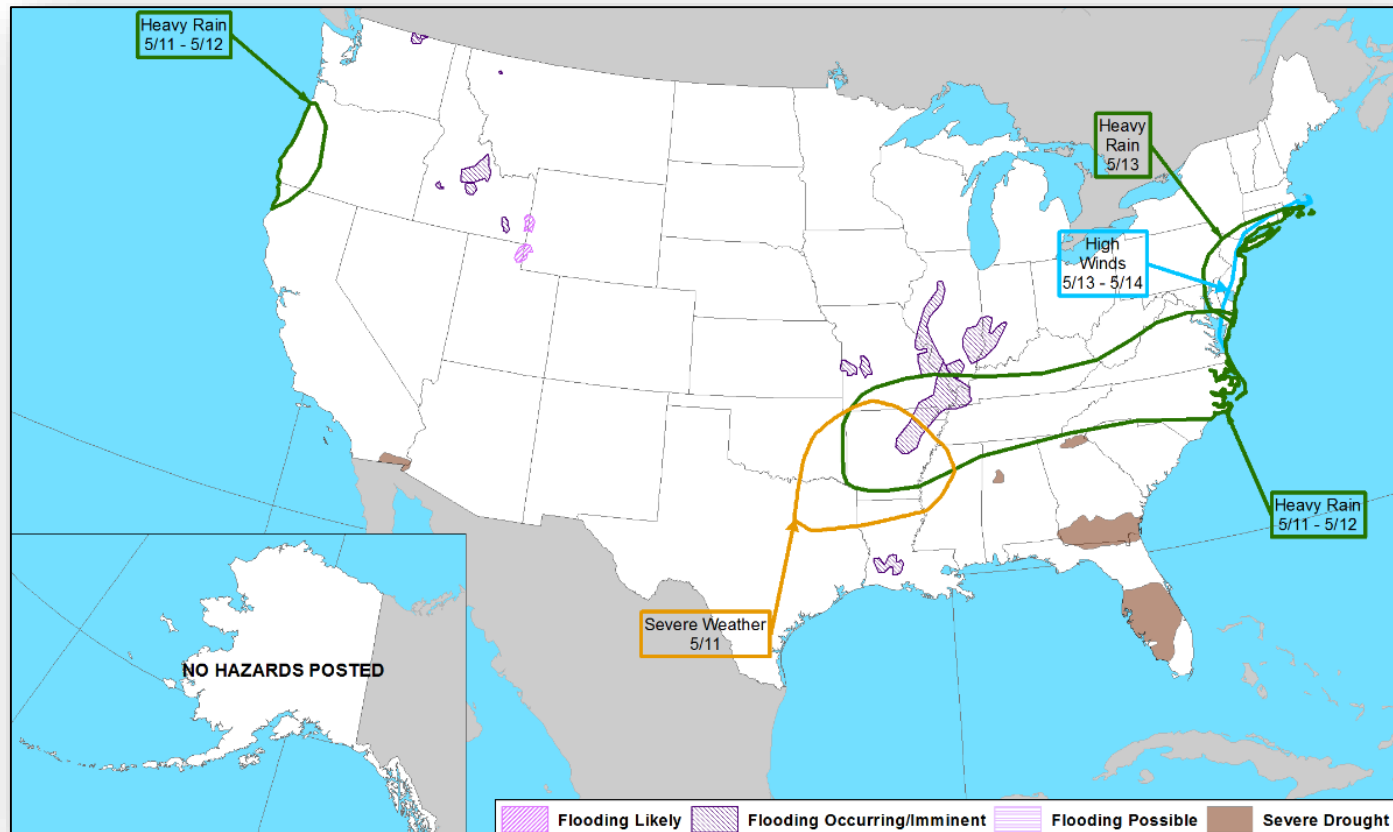




# Hazards Outlook – May 11-15



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# Hurricane Preparedness Week – Tuesday



## Assemble Disaster Supplies

- You will need supplies not just to get you through the storm but for the potentially lengthy and unpleasant aftermath
- Have enough non-perishable food, water, and medicine to last each person in your family a minimum of one week; electricity and water could be out for at least that long
- You'll need extra cash, a battery-powered radio, and flashlights
- Many of us have cell phones, and they all run on batteries; you're going to need a portable, crank or solar powered USB charger



# FMAG Requests and Declarations



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| Action (since last report)  |                   |                  | Total            | FMAG No. and State               |                                  |
|---|-------------------|------------------|------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Requests DENIED   |                   |                  | 0                |                                  |                                  |
| Requests APPROVED   |                   |                  | 1                | FEMA-5181-FM – Georgia           |                                  |
| Approved FMAG Data  |                   |                  |                  |                                  |                                  |
| Year  | Current YTD       | MTD              | *Monthly Average | Cumulative Acres Burned YTD      | Cumulative Denied FMAGs YTD      |
| 2017  | 28                | 0                | 1                | 181,457                          | 14                               |
| Year  | Total Previous FY | **Yearly Average |                  | Total Acres Burned Previous Year | Total Denied FMAGs Previous Year |
| 2016  | 36                | 33               |                  | 313,839                          | 3                                |
| * Reflects the 3-year average for current month/ ** Reflects 3-year total average |                   |                  |                  |                                  |                                  |

# Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments



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| Region | State / Location | Event  | IA/PA | Number of Counties |           | Start – End  |
|--------|------------------|--|-------|--------------------|-----------|--------------|
|        |                  |  |       | Requested          | Completed |              |
| II     | New York         | Winter Storm Event<br>March 13-15, 2017                                  | IA    | 0                  | 0         | N/A          |
|        |                  |  | PA    | 30                 | 19        | Mar 30 – TBD |
| IV     | Mississippi      | Severe Weather<br>April 30, 2017   | IA    | 2                  | 0         | May 8 – TBD  |
|        |                  |  | PA    | 9                  | 3         | May 8 – TBD  |
| VI     | Arkansas         | Severe Storms, Tornadoes and Flooding<br>April 28, 2017 and continuing   | IA    | 20                 | 0         | May 10 – TBD |
|        |                  |  | PA    | 27                 | 0         | May 15 – TBD |
|        | Oklahoma         | Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, and Flooding<br>April 28-May 2, 2017 | IA    | 5                  | 0         | May 8 – TBD  |
|        |                  |  | PA    | 31                 | 0         | May 8 – TBD  |
| VII    | Kansas           | Winter Weather and Flooding<br>April 28, 2017 and continuing             | IA    | 0                  | 0         | N/A          |
|        |                  |  | PA    | 28                 | 0         | May 8 – TBD  |
|        | Missouri         | Severe Weather and Flooding<br>April 28, 2017 and continuing             | IA    | 26                 | 0         | May 10 – TBD |
|        |                  |  | PA    | 32                 | 0         | May 10 – TBD |

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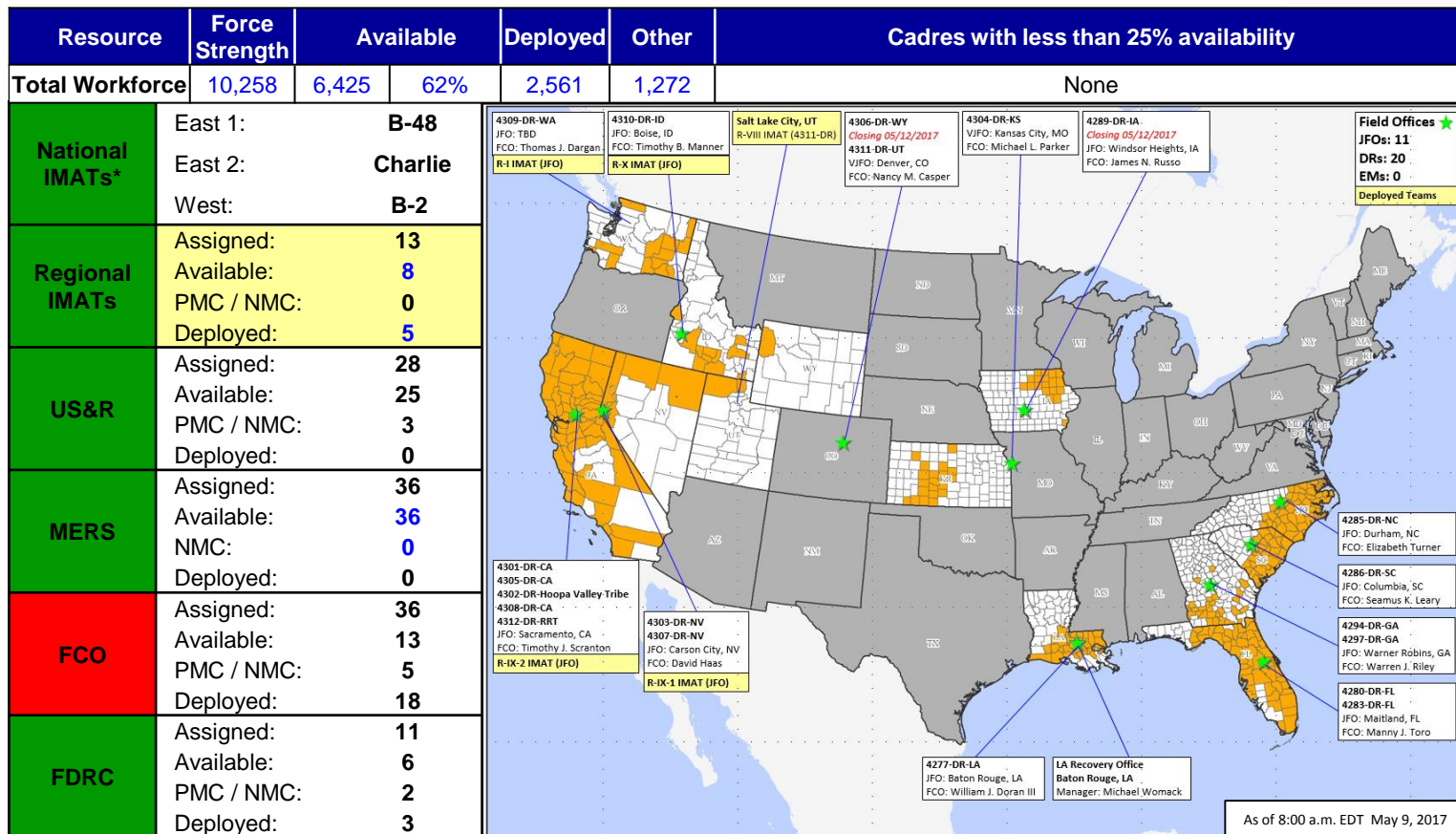
| Declaration Requests in Process                                   |                | Requests<br>APPROVED<br>(since last report) | Requests<br>DENIED<br>(since last report) |
|---|----------------|---|---|
| 4   | Date Requested | 0   | 0   |
| OR – DR Severe Winter Storms, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides | March 9, 2017  |   |   |
| ND – DR Civil Unrest  | April 29, 2017 |   |   |
| ID – Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides                          | May 2, 2017    |   |   |
| PA – DR Snowstorm   | May 2, 2017    |   |   |



# Readiness – Deployable Teams and Assets



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\*B-2 Status: Assemble ≤ 2-hrs, On Site ≤ 18-hrs; B-48 Status: Assemble and deploy ≤ 48hrs; Charlie Status: No team assemble time requirement

# Readiness – Activation Teams



| Resource  | Status | Total | Status        | Activated Team | Activation Level | Activation Times | Reason/Comments                |
|-----------|--------|-------|---------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|
| NWC       |        | 5     | Not Activated |                |                  |                  |                                |
| NRCC      |        | 2     | Not Activated |                |                  |                  | NRCS Gold Team – May primary   |
| HLT       |        | 1     | Not Activated |                |                  |                  | Deactivated for the season     |
| RWCs/MOCs |        | 10    | Not Activated | Region V       |                  |                  | Returned to Watch/Steady State |
| RRCCs     |        | 10    |               |                |                  |                  |                                |

Back-up Regions (May 8-14): **II, IV, and VI**



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