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Daily Operations Briefing

Friday, May 18, 2018

8:30 a.m. EDT

Significant Activity – May 17-18



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Significant Events: Kīlauea Volcano eruption

Tropical Activity: No significant activity

Significant Weather:

- Severe thunderstorms possible – Northern to Southern Plains
- Flash flooding possible – Central Appalachians to Mid-Atlantic
- Critical and elevated fire weather – AZ, NM, TX, UT & CO
- Red Flag Warnings – AZ, NM & CO
- Space Weather – Past 24 hours: None; next 24 hours: Minor, geomagnetic storms reaching G1 level likely

Earthquake Activity: No significant activity

Declaration Activity: None

Kīlauea Eruption – Hawai'i County, HI



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Situation

Seismic levels have been gradually increasing after an early Thursday morning explosion. No earthquakes greater than magnitude 3.5 have occurred in the past 24 hrs. Volcanic gas emissions at the summit remain high. Several fissures are still actively spattering but the flow is nearly stalled.

Impacts

- **Evacuations:** Mandatory 2k residents
- **Shelters:** 3 (+1) shelters / 357 (+114) occupants (*ARC Midnight Shelter Count, 5:38 a.m. EDT*)
- **Injuries / Fatalities:** 3 injuries / 0 fatalities
- **Damage:** 39 (+3) structures (27 homes)
- **Transportation:**
 - Local Roads closed/impassable
 - FAA Temporary Flight Restriction through May 26

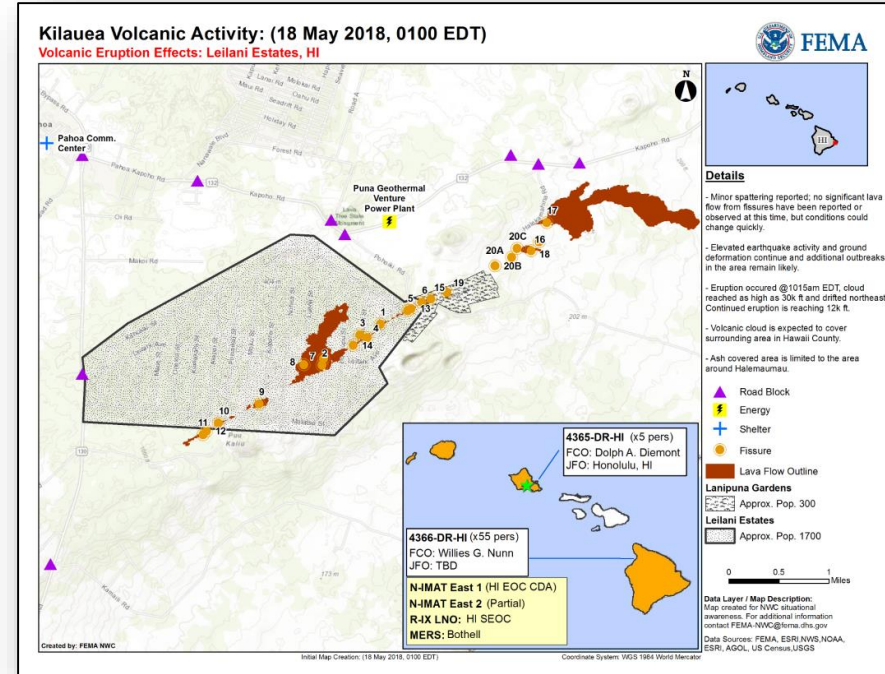
State / Local Response

- HI EOC at Partial Activation (days only)
- Governor declared a State of Emergency and activated HI National Guard
- EMAC activated for assistance from other states

FEMA Response

- Major Disaster Declaration FEMA-4366-DR-HI approved on May 11, 2018
- FEMA Region IX RWC and Pacific Area Watch at Steady State; continue to monitor
- FEMA Region IX LNO deployed to HI EMA EOC (O'ahu)
- National IMAT East-1 and elements of National IMAT East-2 deployed)
- Bothell MERS deployed to Honolulu & Hilo

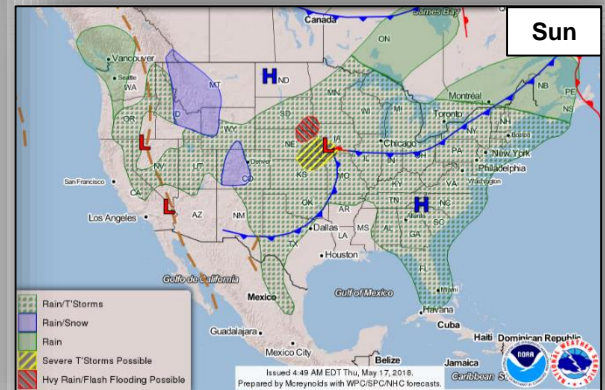
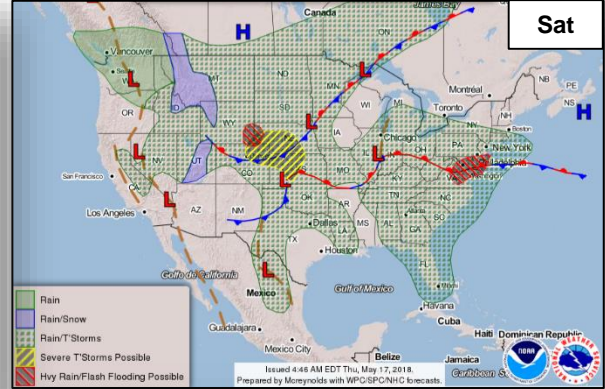
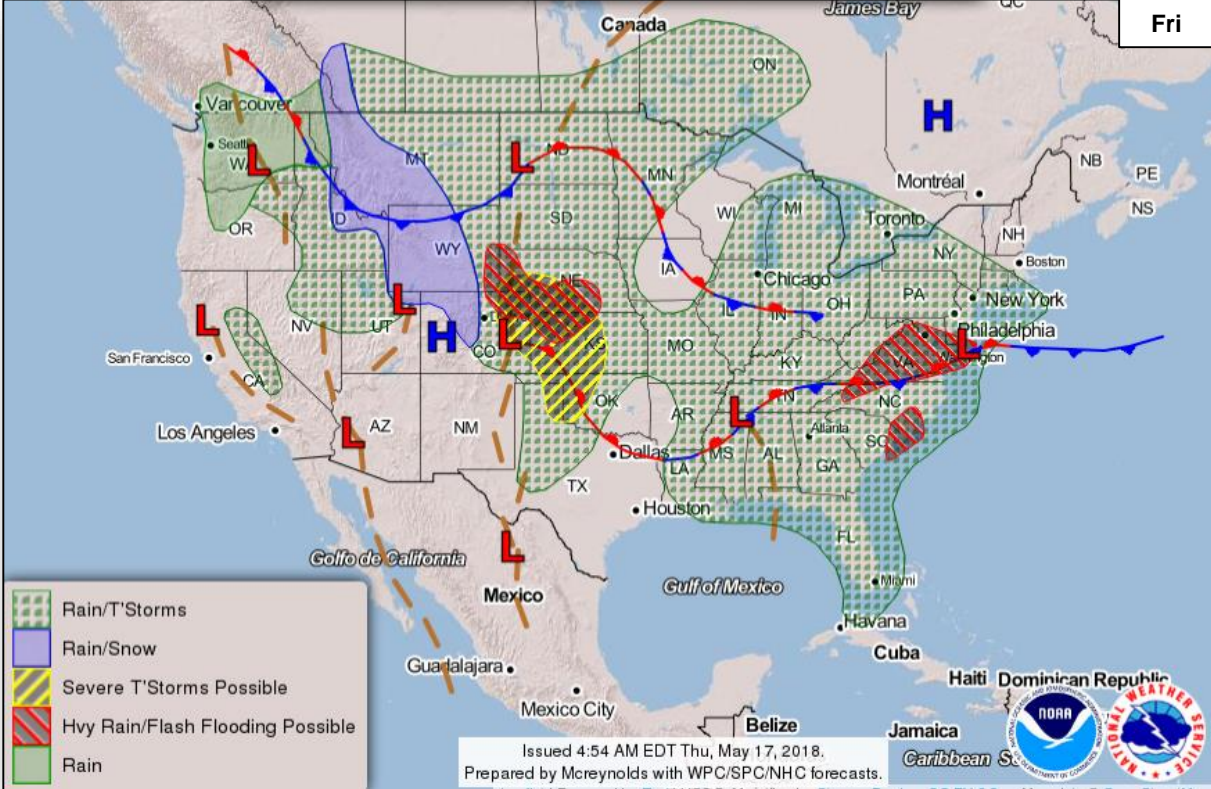
• USGS: [HAWAIIAN VOLCANO OBSERVATORY STATUS REPORT](#)



National Weather Forecast



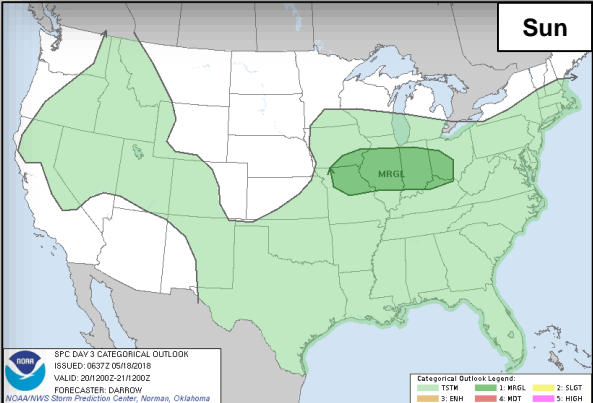
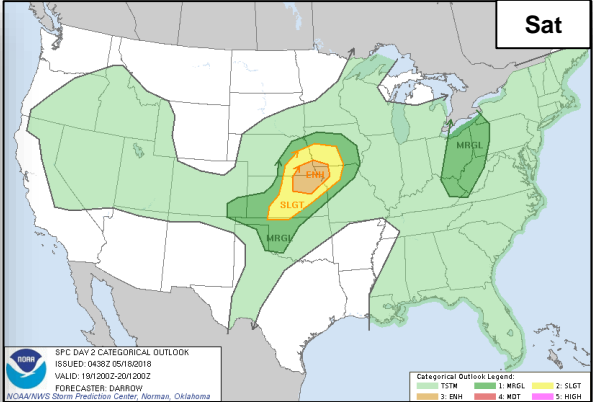
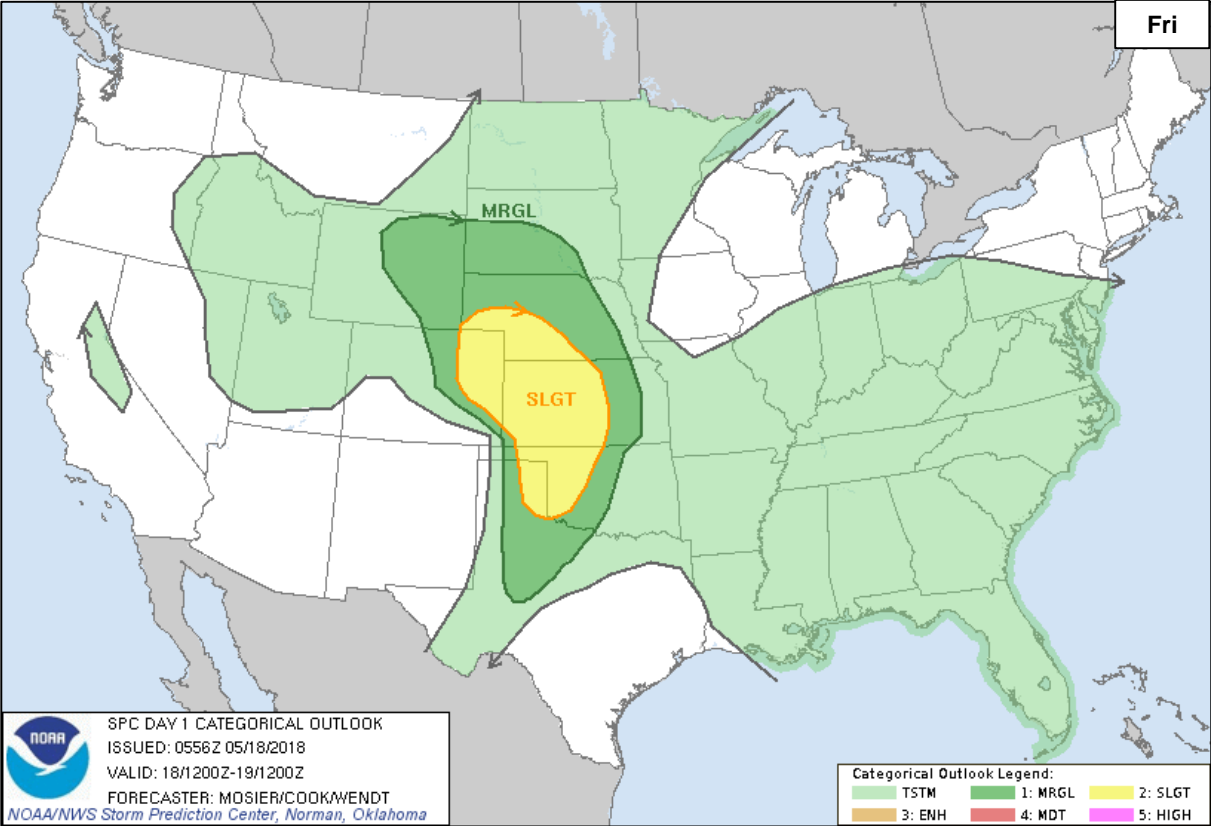
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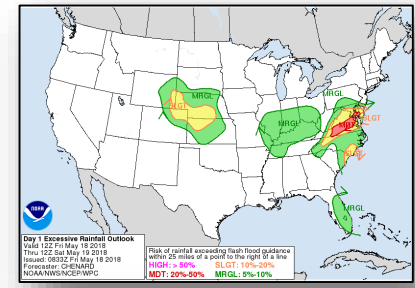
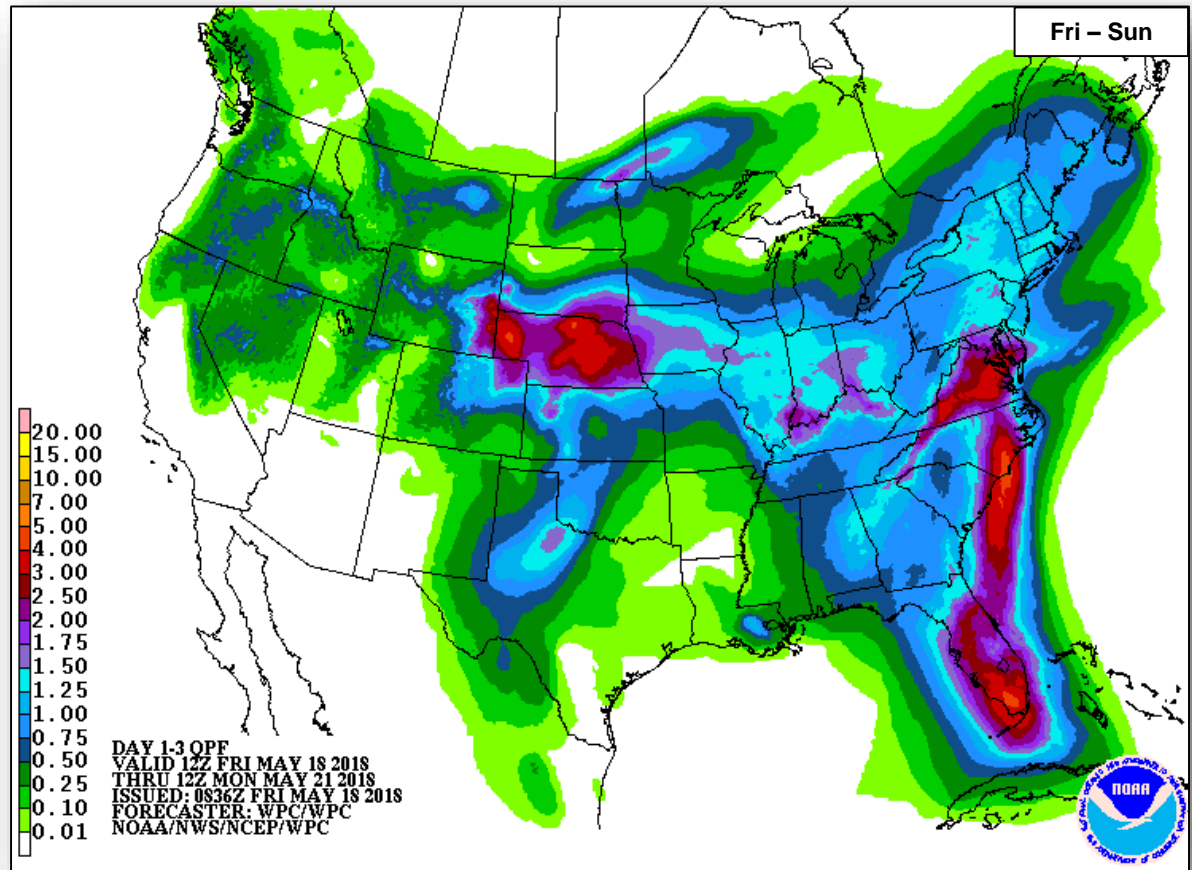
Severe Weather Outlook



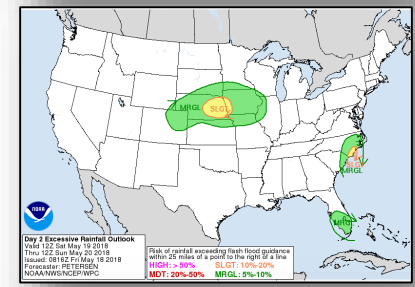
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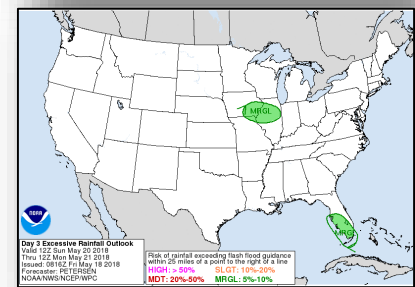
Precipitation / Excessive Rainfall Forecast



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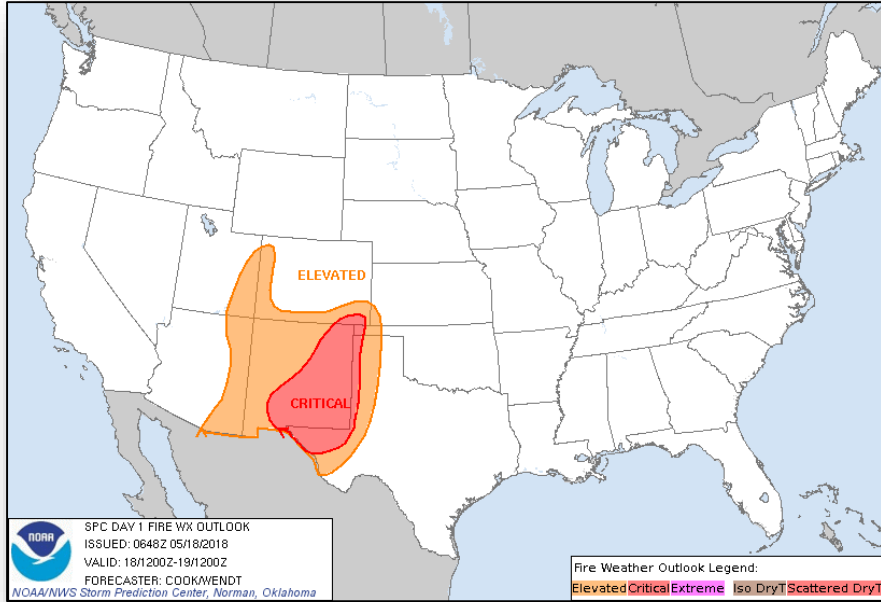


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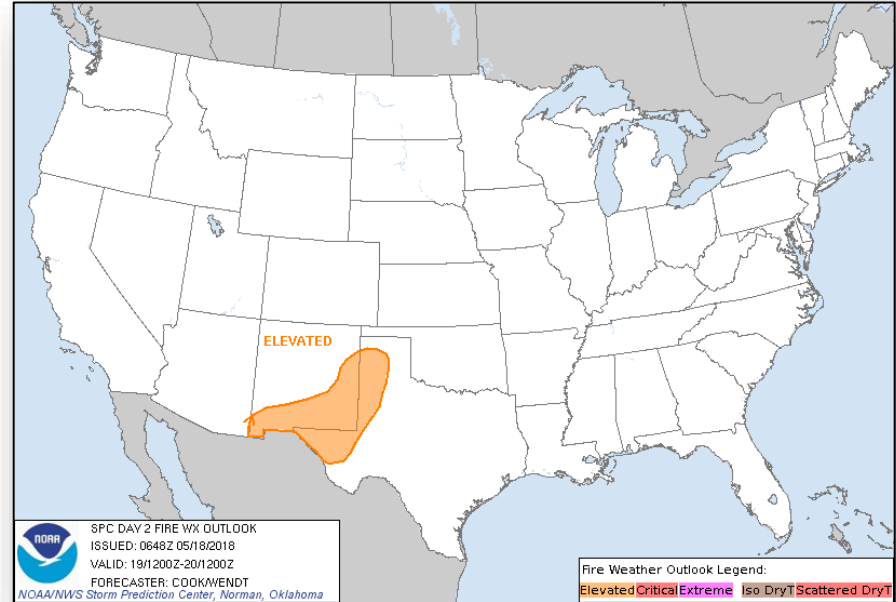
Fire Weather Outlook



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Saturday

Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments



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Region	State / Location	Event	IA / PA	Number of Counties		Start – End
				Requested	Completed	
I	MA	Snow March 13-14, 2018	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	5	0	4/25 – TBD
	VT	Heavy Rain and Wind May 4-5, 2018	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	6	0	5/17 – TBD
	ME	Flooding May 1-7, 2018	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	1	0	5/22 – TBD
V	IN	Flooding February 14 - March 4, 2018	IA	13	0	5/22 – TBD
			PA	0	0	N/A

Disaster Requests and Declarations



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Declaration Requests in Process					Requests APPROVED (since last report)	Requests DENIED (since last report)
8	IA	PA	HM	Date Requested	0	0
AK – DR Severe Storm		X	X	January 25, 2018		
ME – DR Severe Storms and Flooding		X	X	March 30, 2018		
NH – DR Severe Storms and Flooding		X	X	April 5, 2018		
MA – DR Severe Winter Storm		X	X	April 30, 2018		
NJ – DR Severe Winter Storm and Snowstorm		X	X	May 7, 2018		
NH – DR Severe Storms and Snowstorms		X	X	May 10, 2018		
LA – DR Severe Storms, Tornadoes, and Straight-line Winds	X		X	May 12, 2018		
NE – DR Severe Winter Storm and Straight-line Winds		X	X	May 16, 2018		

Readiness – Deployable Teams and Assets



Resource	Force Strength	Available	Deployed	Other	Cadres with 25% or Less Availability					
Total Workforce	12,078 ▲	3,717 ▼ 31%	4,661 ▼	3,700	DI 22% (24/107); EHP 7% (27/366); HM 22% (215/994); IT 24% (151/628); PA 17% (322/1,937); SEC 10% (10/105)					
National IMATs* (1-2 Teams)	East 1: East 2: West:	Deployed Charlie B-2								Field Offices ★ JFOs: 21 DRs: 39 EMs: 2 Deployed Teams (Location)
Regional IMATs (4-6 Teams)	Assigned: Available: PMC / NMC: Deployed:	13 5 2 6								4330-DR-VT 4316-DR-NH 4329-DR-NH JFO: Maynard, MA 4354-DR-ME* 4355-DR-NH* 4356-DR-VT JFO: Manchester, NH 4357-DR-NH JFO: James N. Russo *R-IX IMAT (JFO)
US&R (≥66%)	Assigned: Available: PMC / NMC: Deployed:	28 28 0 0								4364-DR-NC JFO: Raleigh, NC 4364-DR-NC JFO: Elizabeth Turner 4346-DR-SC 4349-DR-AL - Closing May 24 JFO: Robert D. Samaan 4350-DR-MS 4358-DR-KY* 4361-DR-KY* JFO: Manny J. Toro VJFO: Atlanta, GA (R-IV HQ) *R-IV IMAT-1 (KY EOC)
MERS (≥66%)	Assigned: Available: NMC: Deployed:	36 33 0 3								4338-DR-GA JFO: Atlanta, GA (DC Atlanta) 4338-DR-GA JFO: Thomas J. McCool
FCO (≤1 Type I)	Assigned: Available: PMC / NMC: Deployed:	33 4 2 27								4332-DR-TX - Closing May 31 JFO: Austin, TX 4332-DR-TX JFO: Kevin L. Hannes 4345-DR-LA 4277-DR-LA 3392-EM-LA JFO: Baton Rouge, LA 4341-DR-KS JFO: John E. Long LA Recovery Office Baton Rouge, LA Manager: M. Womack 4336-DR-PR JFO: Anniston, AL 4339-DR-PR* JFO: Guaynabo, PR FCO: Michael F. Byrne R-IV IMAT-2 (AL EOC) MERS: Thomasville 3395-EM-FL 4337-DR-FL 4341-DR-STOF JFO: Orlando, FL FCO: Allan Jarvis
FDRC (≥3)	Assigned: Available: PMC / NMC: Deployed:	14 3 2 9								4335-DR-USVI JFO: St. Croix, USVI 4340-DR-USVI JFO: William L. Vogel

* **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



Status		Activated Team	Activation Level	Activation Times	Reason / Comments
NWC (5 Teams)	Steady State				
NRCC (2 Teams)	Available				
HLT (1 Team)	Available				
RWC/MOCs (10 Regions)	Available				
RRCCs (10 Regions)	Available				

Backup Regions: **VIII, III, & II**



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