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Daily Operations Briefing

Wednesday, July 18, 2018

8:30 a.m. EDT

Significant Activity – July 17-18



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Significant Events: None

Tropical Activity:

- Atlantic – no new tropical cyclones expected next five days
- Eastern Pacific – Disturbance 1 - Low (10%); Disturbance 2 – Low (20%); Disturbance 3 – Low (30%)
- Central Pacific – Disturbance 1 – Low (10%)
- Western Pacific – No activity affecting U.S. interests

Significant Weather:

- Severe thunderstorms possible – Northern and Central Plains
- Flash flooding possible – Northern Plains to Upper Mississippi Valley
- Isolated dry thunderstorms – ID, MT & WY
- Elevated fire weather – WA, OR, NV, MT, CO, ID & WY
- Red Flag Warnings – MT, WY, OR & WA

Declaration Activity: FMAG approved for Upriver Beacon Fire, WA

Upriver Beacon Fire – WA



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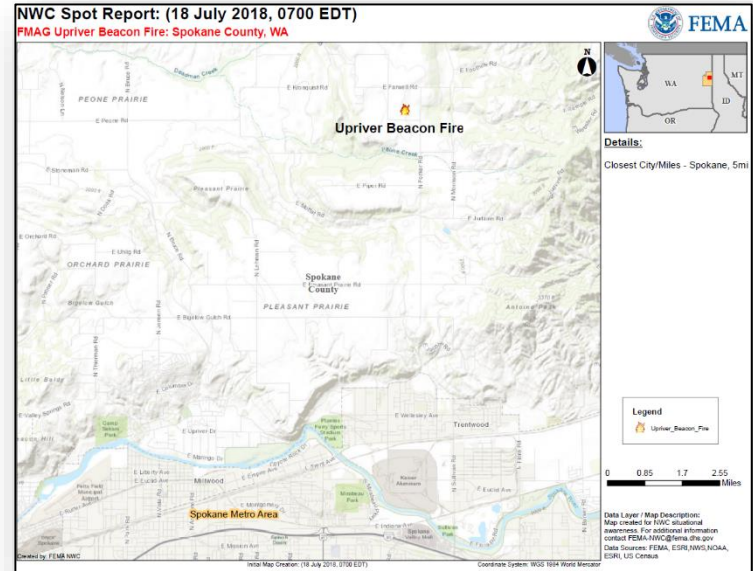
Fire Name (County)	FMAG # / Approved	Acres burned	Percent Contained	Evacuations (Residents)	Structures			Fatalities / Injuries
					Threatened	Damaged	Destroyed	
Upriver Beacon Fire (Spokane)	5254-FM-WA July 17, 2018	100	0%	Mandatory (1,300 people)	1,000 homes	0	0	0 / 0

Current Situation

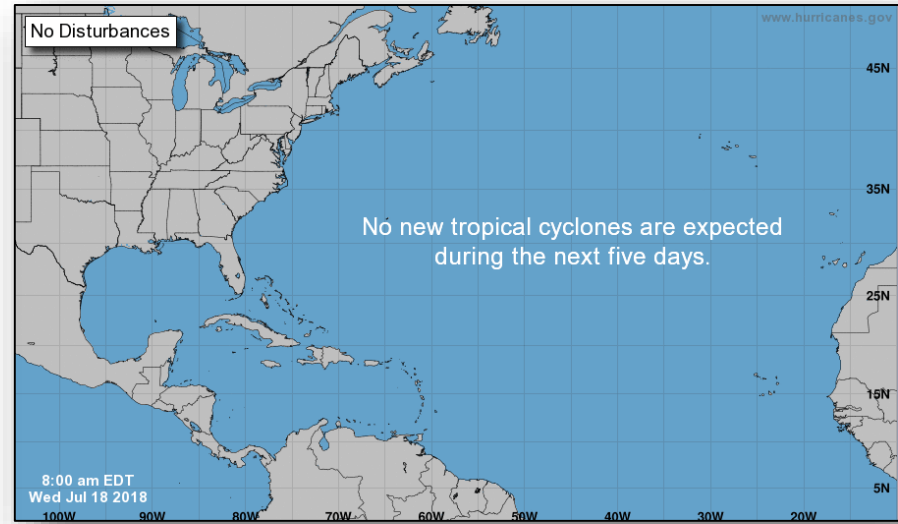
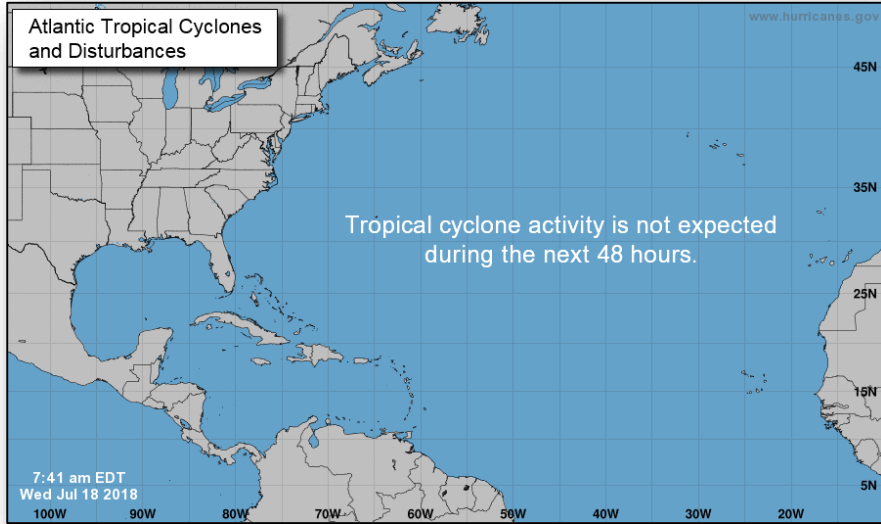
- Fire began July 17, 2018, and is burning in and around the community of Upper Beacon (estimated population of 2,800); 5 miles northeast of Spokane. Fire is burning on federal, state, private, and tribal lands
- Threatening 1,000 homes (All primary homes)
- Also threatening commercial buildings, power transmission lines, light manufacturing, and communication sites
- Mandatory evacuations in effect for approximately 1,300 people
- One shelter open with no occupants (*ARC Midnight Shelter Count as of 4:34 a.m. EDT*)

Response

- WA EOC remains at Normal Operations
- Region X watch remains at Steady State, but continues to monitor



Tropical Outlook – Atlantic



Tropical Outlook – Eastern Pacific



Disturbance 1 (as of 8:00 a.m. EDT)

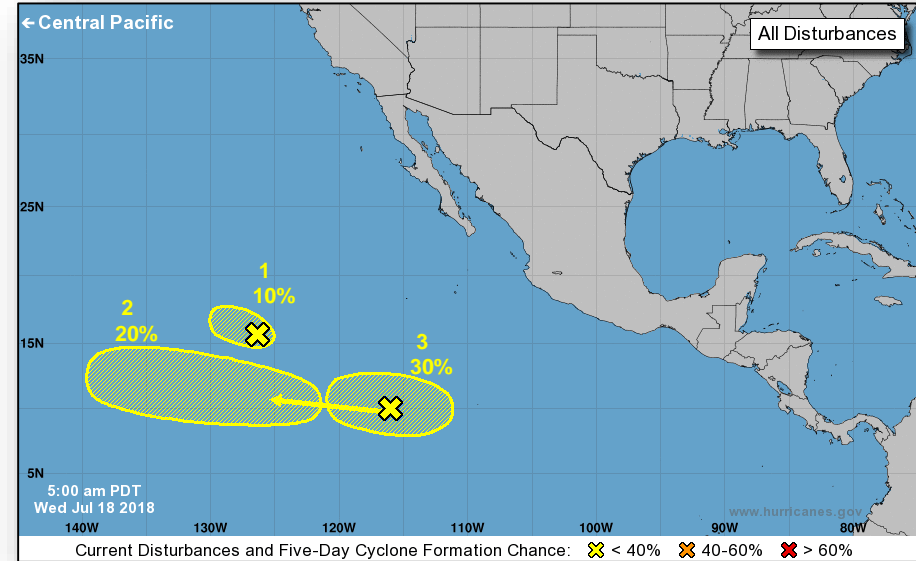
- Located 1,200 miles WSW of southern tip of Baja California Peninsula
- Upper level winds forecast to be unfavorable for development during next few days
- Formation chance through 48 hours: Low (10%)
- Formation chance through 5 days: Low (10%)

Disturbance 2 (as of 8:00 a.m. EDT)

- Located 1,000 miles SSW of southern tip of Baja California Peninsula
- Conditions forecast to become somewhat conducive for development
- Formation chance through 48 hours: Low (near 0%)
- Formation chance through 5 days: Low (20%)

Disturbance 3 (as of 8:00 a.m. EDT)

- Located several hundred miles SW of Mexico
- Some slow development is possible by early next week
- Formation Chance through 48 hours: Low (near 0%)
- Formation chance through 5 days: Low (30%)

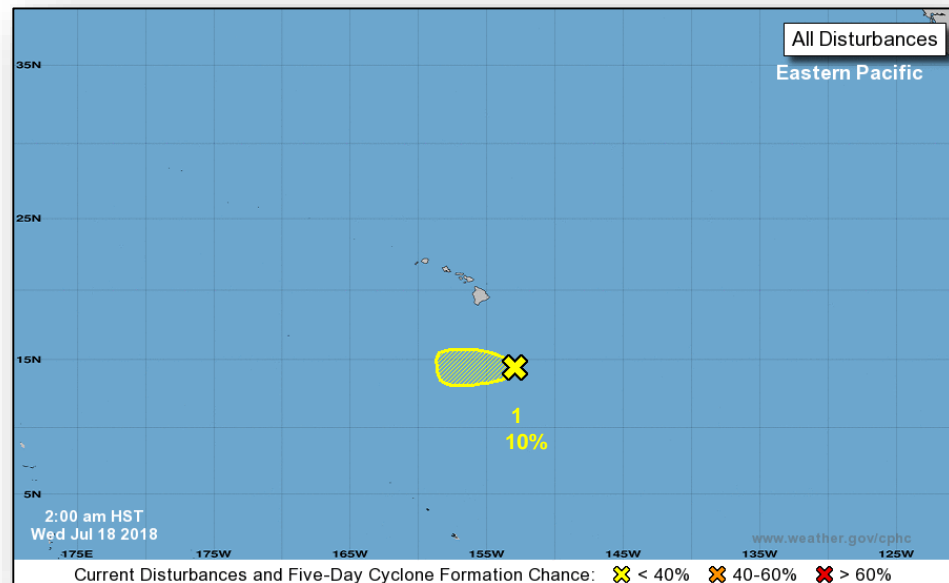


Tropical Outlook – Central Pacific

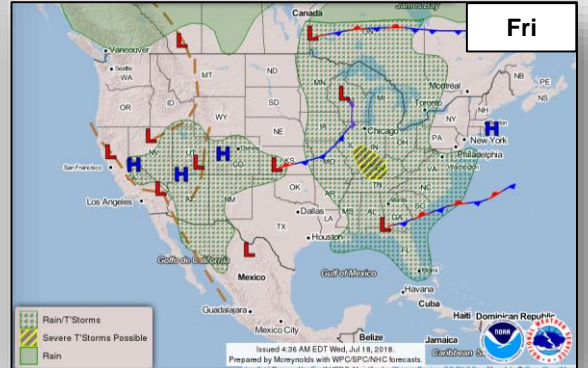
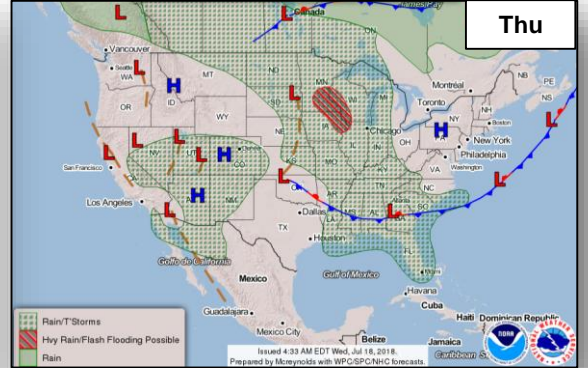
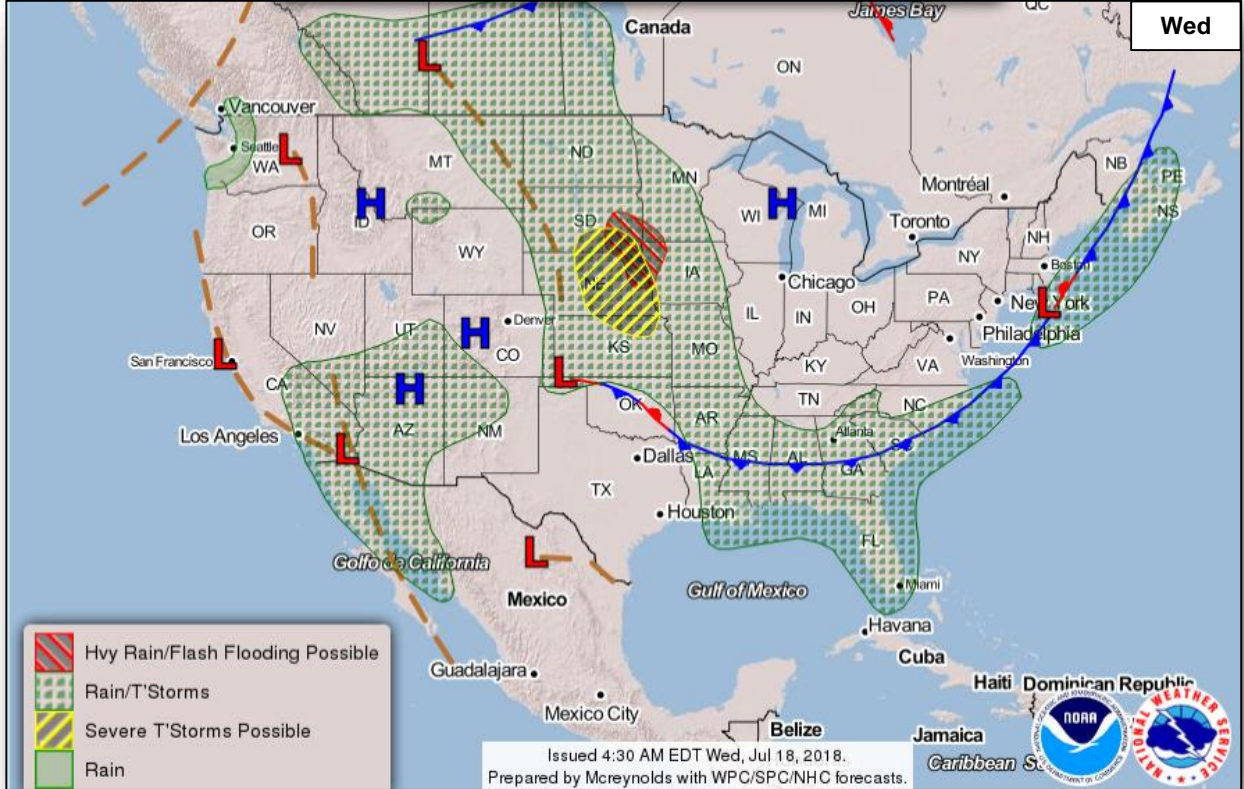


Disturbance 1 (as of 8:00 a.m. EDT)

- Located 400 miles SSE of Hilo, HI
- Moving W at 10-15 mph
- Conditions hostile for significant development
- Formation chance through 48 hours: Low (10%)
- Formation chance through 5 days: Low (10%)



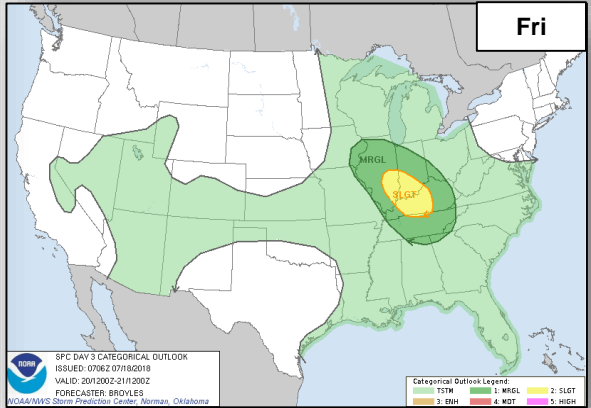
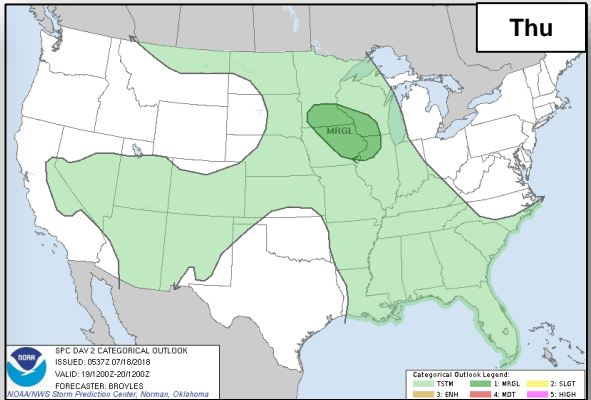
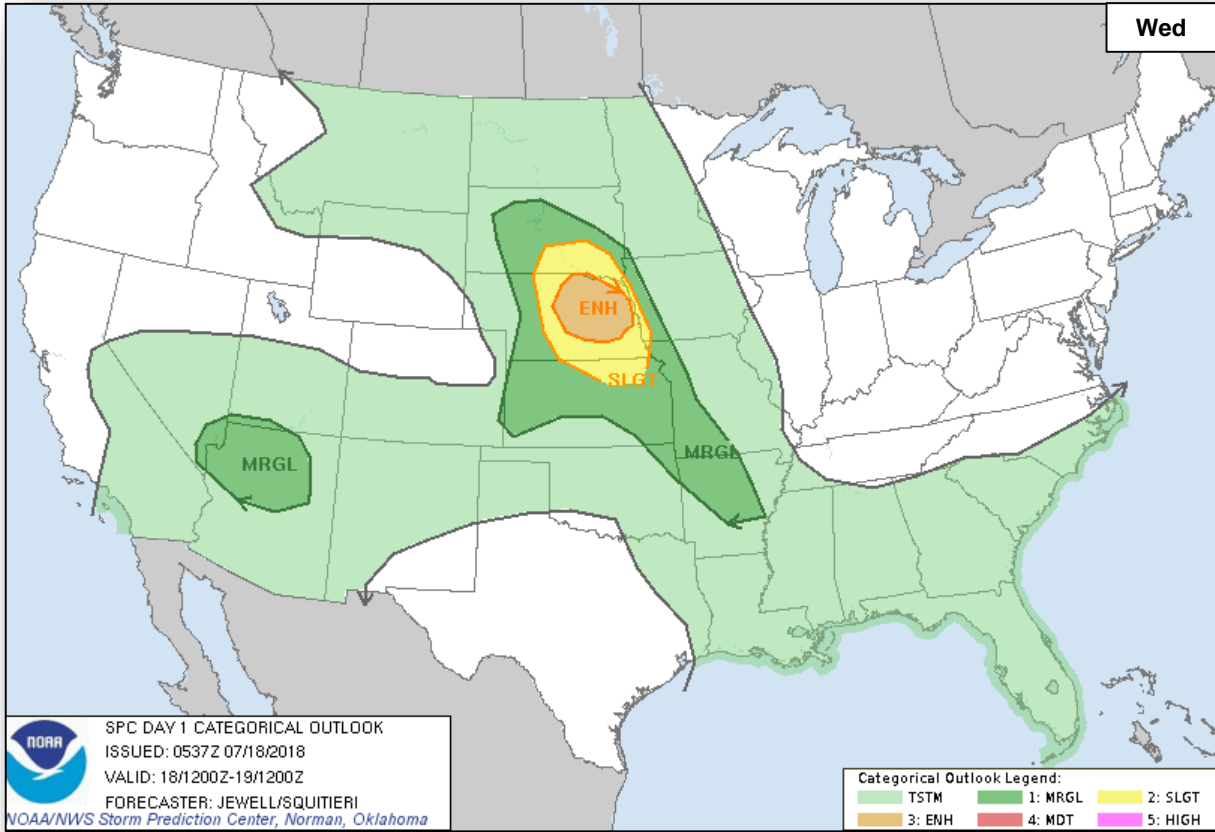
National Weather Forecast



Severe Weather Outlook



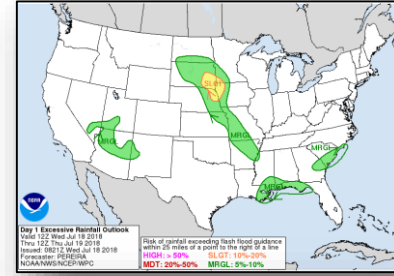
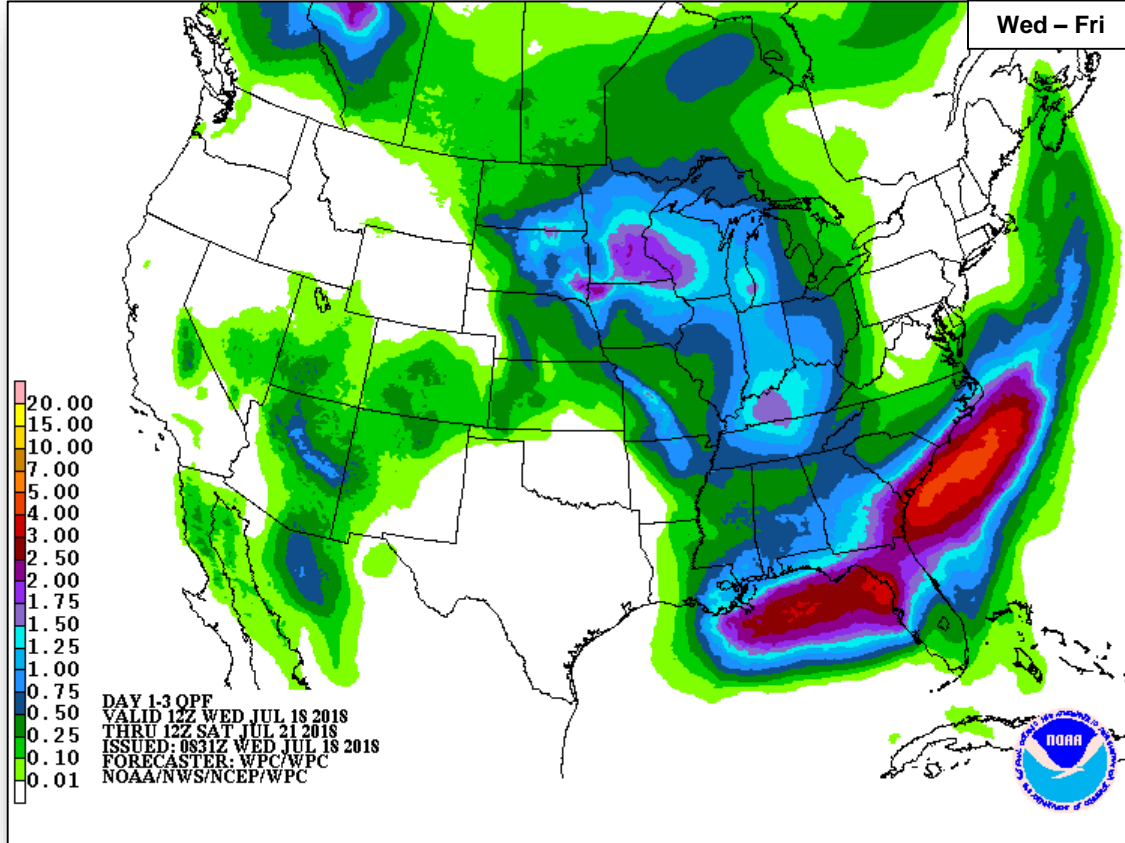
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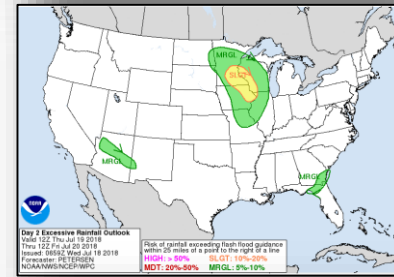
Precipitation / Excessive Rainfall Forecast



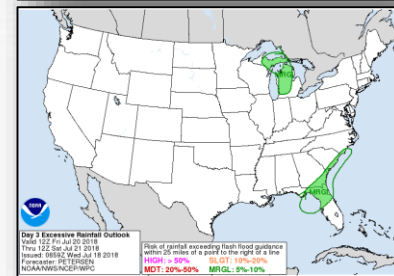
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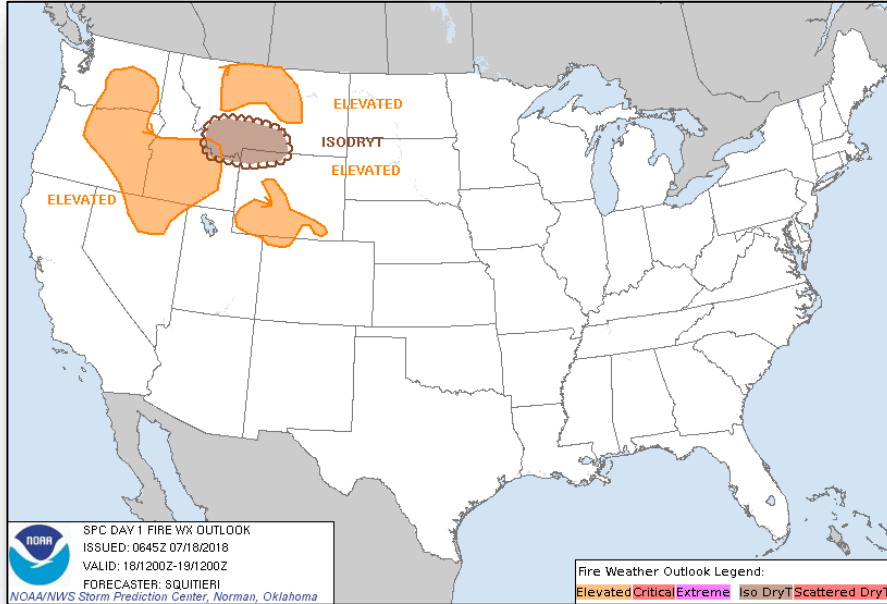


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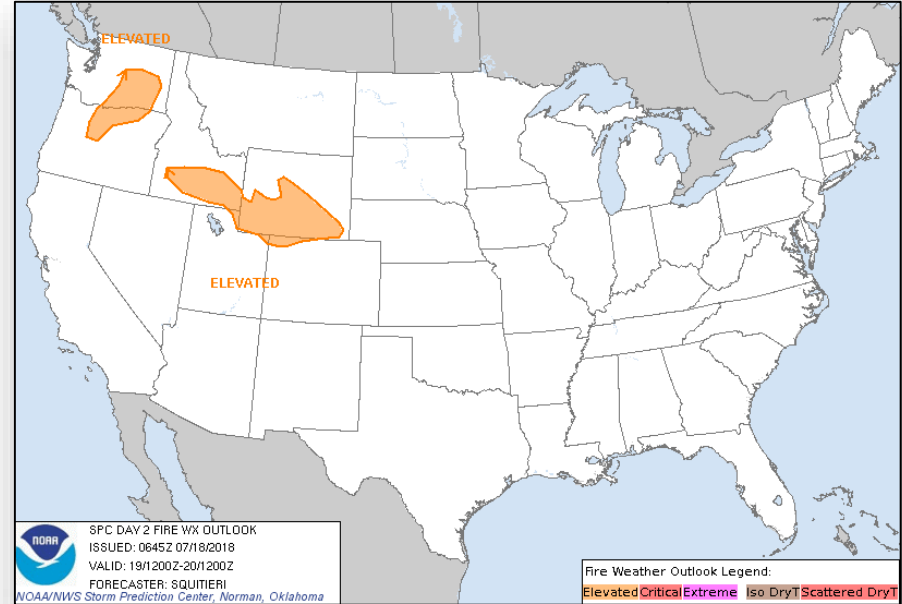
Fire Weather Outlook



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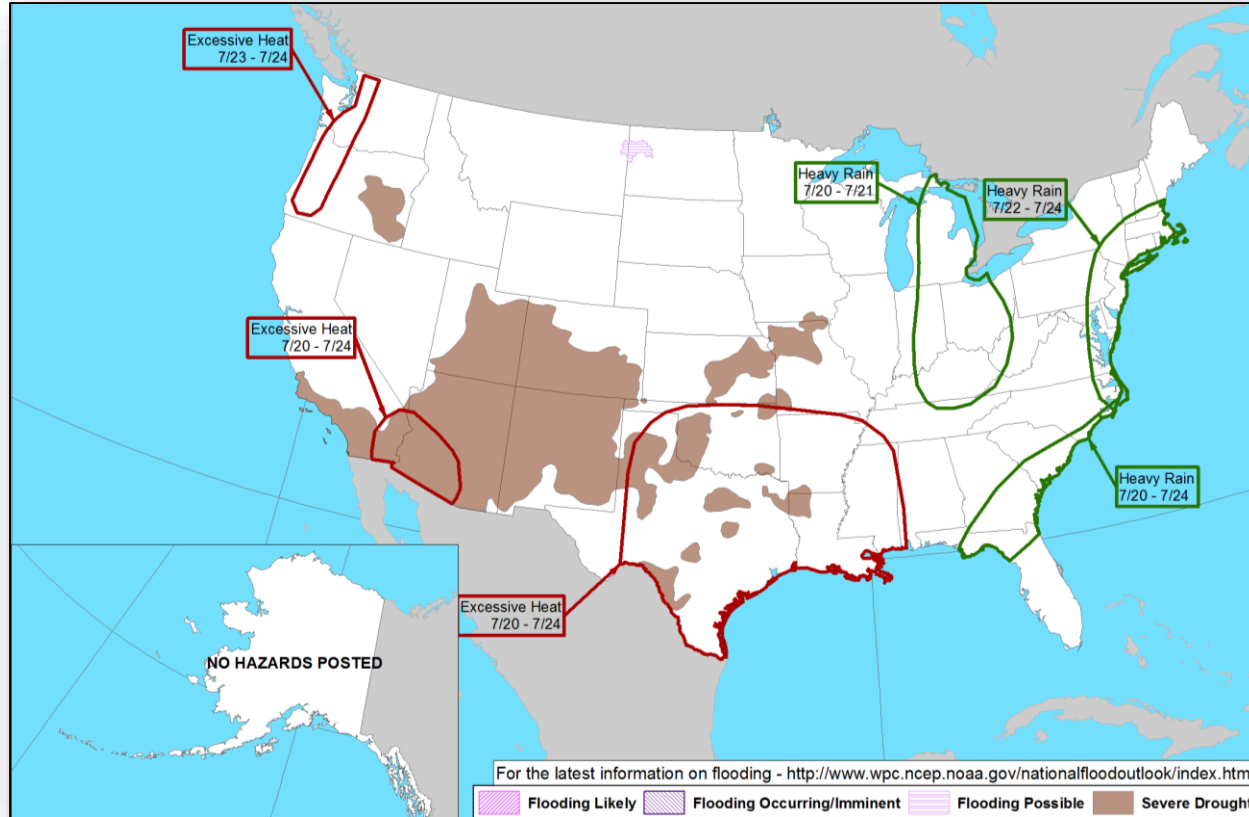


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Hazards Outlook – July 20-24



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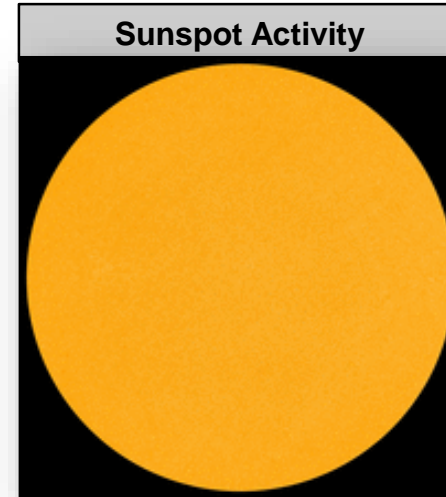
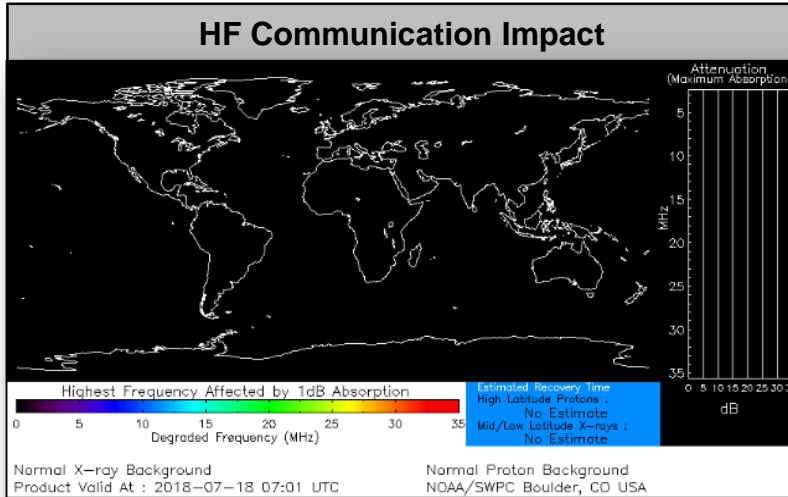
Space Weather



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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>



Disaster Requests and Declarations



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Declaration Requests in Process					Requests APPROVED (since last report)	Requests DENIED (since last report)
9	IA	PA	HM	Date Requested	0	0
MA – DR Severe Winter Storm and Snowstorm		X	X	June 12, 2018		
Federated States of Micronesia (FSM) – Flooding <i>*Request made pursuant to the Compacts of Free Association, not under Stafford Act.</i>				June 13, 2018		
SD – DR Severe Storms and Flooding		X	X	June 14, 2018		
MT – DR Flooding		X	X	June 18, 2018		
VT – DR Severe Storm and Flooding		X	X	June 21, 2018		
LA – DR Flooding		X	X	June 29, 2018		
AK – DR Flooding		X	X	June 28, 2018		
CT – DR Severe Storms, Tornadoes, and Straight-line Winds	X	X	X	July 9, 2018		
MI – DR Severe Storms, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides	X	X	X	July 9, 2018		

Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments



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Region	State / Location	Event	IA / PA	Number of Counties		Start – End
				Requested	Completed	
V	MN	Flooding June 15 – July 8, 2018	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	30 & 2 Tribes*	0	7/19 – TBD
	WI	Flooding June 6-19, 2018	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	6	0	7/16 – TBD
VII	IA	Severe Weather June 6 – July 2, 2018	IA	9	0	7/19 – TBD
			PA	31	0	7/17 – TBD
X	WA	Flooding May 5-22, 2018	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	1 Tribe**	0	7/18 – TBD

*Red Lake Nation and White Earth Nation
 **Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation

Readiness – Deployable Teams and Assets



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Resource	Force Strength	Available	Deployed	Other	Cadres with 25% or Less Availability
IM Workforce	11,635 ▲	3,964 ▼ 34%	4,218 ▲	3,453	EHP 8% (30/381); ER 24% (8/33); FM 23% (63/271); HM 22% (212/964); IT 25% (155/626) PA 16% (289/1,822); SEC 14% (14/104)
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 4 4 5			
US&R (≥ 66%)	Assigned: Available: PMC / NMC: Deployed:	28 28 0 0			
MERS (≥ 66%)	Assigned: Available: PMC / NMC: Deployed:	36 35 0 1			
FCO (≤ 1 Type I)	Assigned: Available: PMC / NMC: Deployed:	33 11 1 21			
FDRC (≥ 3)	Assigned: Available: PMC / NMC: Deployed:	14 6 1 7			
As of 3:00 a.m. EDT July 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				
HLT (1 Team)	Activated				
RWC / MOCs (10 Regions)	Steady State				
RRCCs (10 Regions)	Available				

Backup Regions: **VIII, IV, and V**



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