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Daily Operations Briefing

**Saturday, September 1, 2018
8:30 a.m. EDT**

Significant Activity – Aug 31 – Sep 1



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Significant Events: None

Tropical Activity:

- Atlantic – Tropical Storm Florence; Disturbance 1: Medium (40%)
- Eastern Pacific – Hurricane Norman (CAT 2); Tropical Depression Seventeen-E; Disturbance 1: Low (20%)
- Central Pacific – Hurricane Miriam (CAT 1)
- Western Pacific – No activity affecting U.S. interests

Significant Weather:

- Flash flooding possible – Central Plains to Great Lakes

Declaration Activity:

- Major Disaster Declaration approved – Havasupai Tribe
- Major Disaster Declaration request – New Jersey

Tropical Outlook – Atlantic



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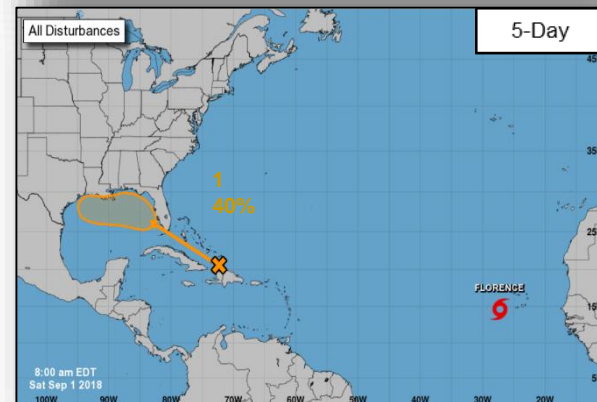
Tropical Storm Florence (Advisory #8A as of 8:00 a.m. EDT)

- Located 185 miles W of the southernmost Cabo Verde Islands
- Moving WNW at 14 mph
- Maximum sustained winds 40 mph
- Gradual strengthening is forecast during the next several days
- Tropical-storm-force winds extend outward up to 35 miles
- No coastal watches or warnings in effect



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

- Located from Hispaniola northward across Turks and Caicos Islands
- Forecast to spread WNW, enhancing rainfall across FL and northern Gulf of Mexico coast through middle of next week
- Strong upper level winds will likely prevent significant development during the next couple of days
- Conditions are expected to become a little more favorable for a low pressure area to form when it moves across the Gulf of Mexico during the early to middle part of next week
- Formation chance through 48 hours: Low (near 0%)
- Formation chance through 5 days: Medium (40%)



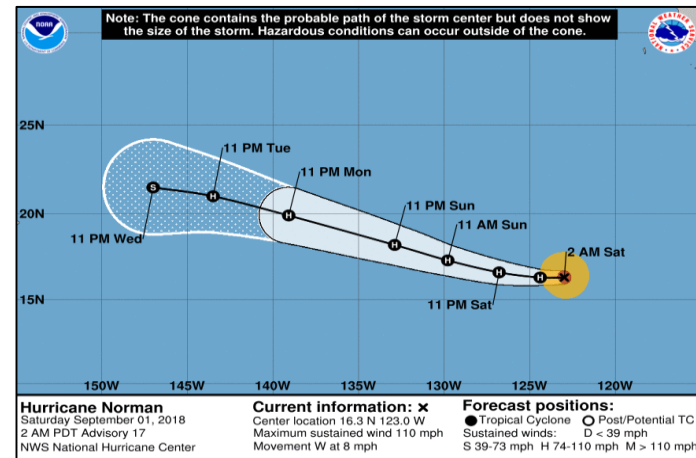
Tropical Outlook – Eastern Pacific



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Hurricane Norman (CAT 2) (Advisory #17 as of 5:00 a.m. EDT)

- Located 965 miles WSW of the southern tip of Baja California, Mexico
- Moving W at 8 mph
- On the forecast track, will approach the Central Pacific basin on Tuesday
- Maximum sustained winds 110 mph
- Gradual weakening is forecast to continue today
- Hurricane-force winds extend 30 miles
- Tropical-storm-force winds extend 105 miles
- No coastal watches or warnings in effect

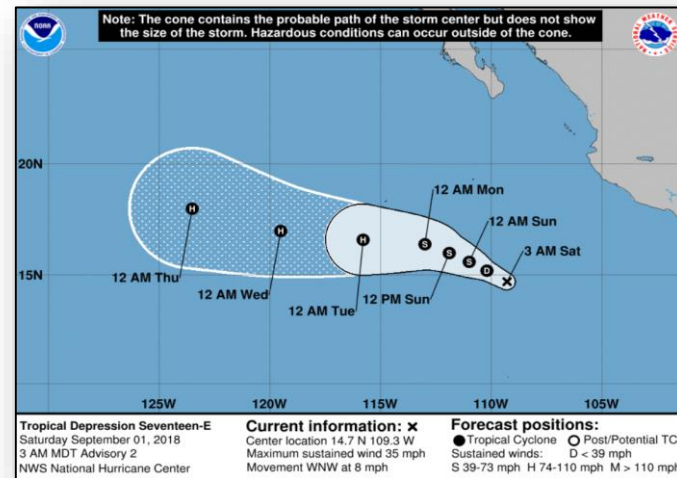


Tropical Outlook – Eastern Pacific



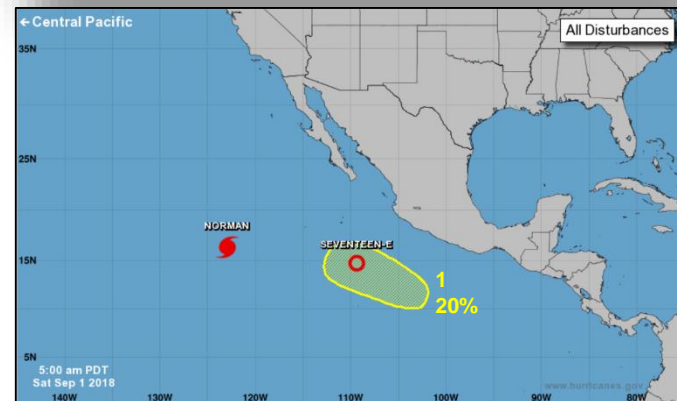
Tropical Depression Seventeen-E (Advisory #2 as of 5:00 a.m. EDT)

- Located 445 miles SW of Manzanillo, Mexico
- Moving WNW at 8 mph
- Maximum sustained winds 35 mph
- Strengthening should begin by Sunday
- Could become a tropical storm any time during the next couple of days



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

- Area of low pressure expected to form well south of the southwestern coast of Mexico in a few days
- Some gradual development is possible through the middle of next week
- Formation chance through 48 hours: Low (near 0%)
- Formation chance through 5 days: Low (20%)



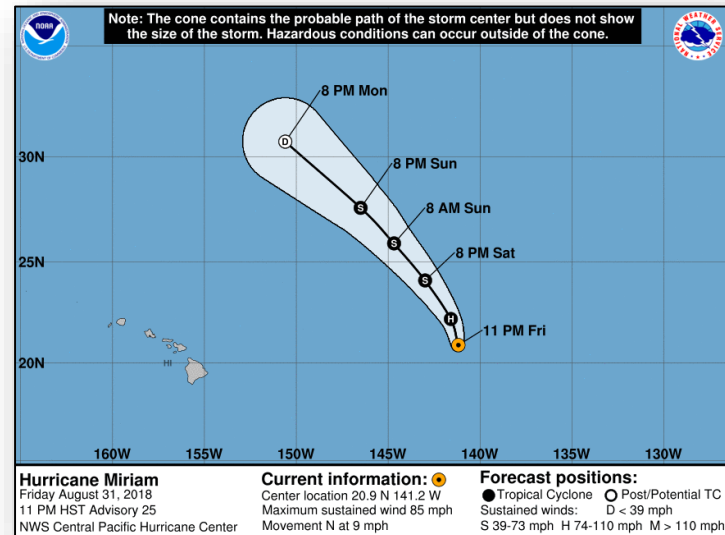
Tropical Outlook – Central Pacific



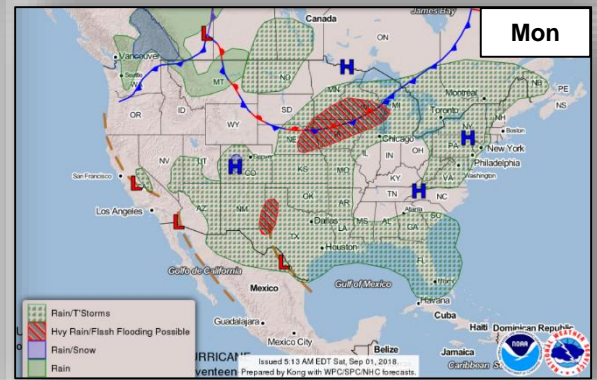
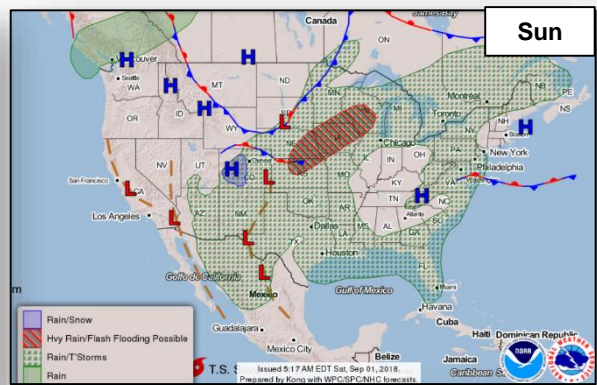
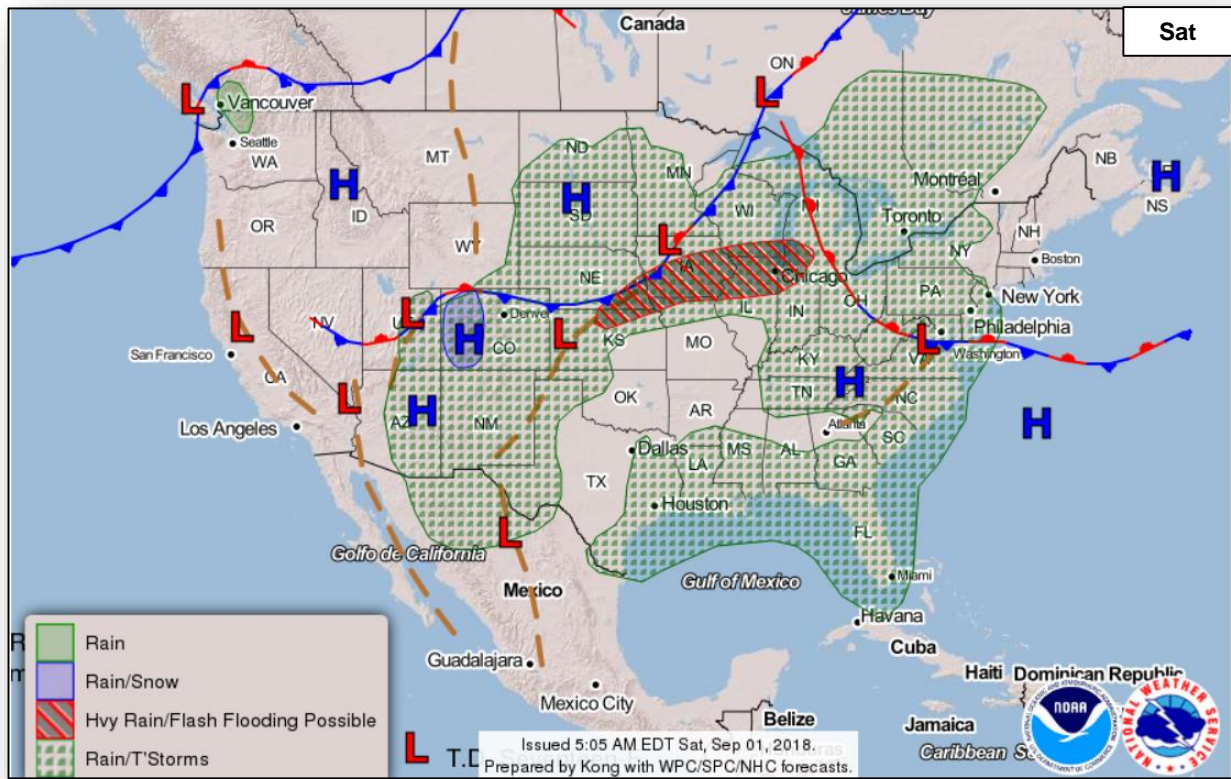
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Hurricane Miriam (CAT 1) (Advisory #25 as of 5:00 a.m. EDT)

- Located 905 miles E of Hilo, HI
- Moving N at 9 mph
- Maximum sustained winds 85 mph
- Rapid weakening will concur tonight through Sunday
- Forecast to become a post-tropical remnant low Monday
- Hurricane-force winds extend 25 miles
- Tropical-storm-force winds extend 110 miles
- No coastal watches or warnings in effect



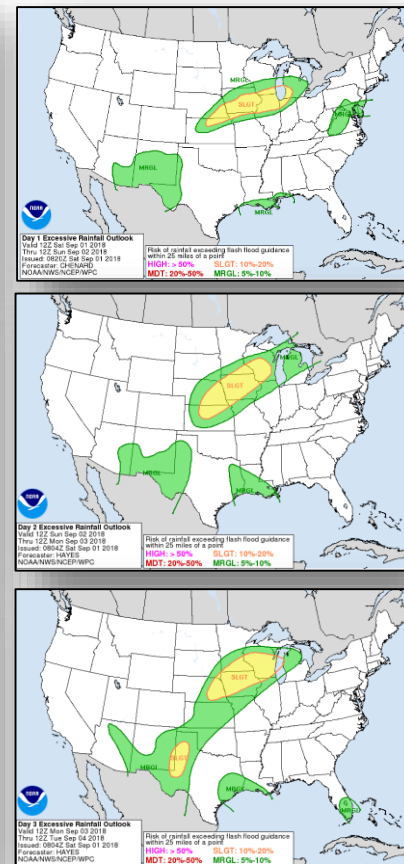
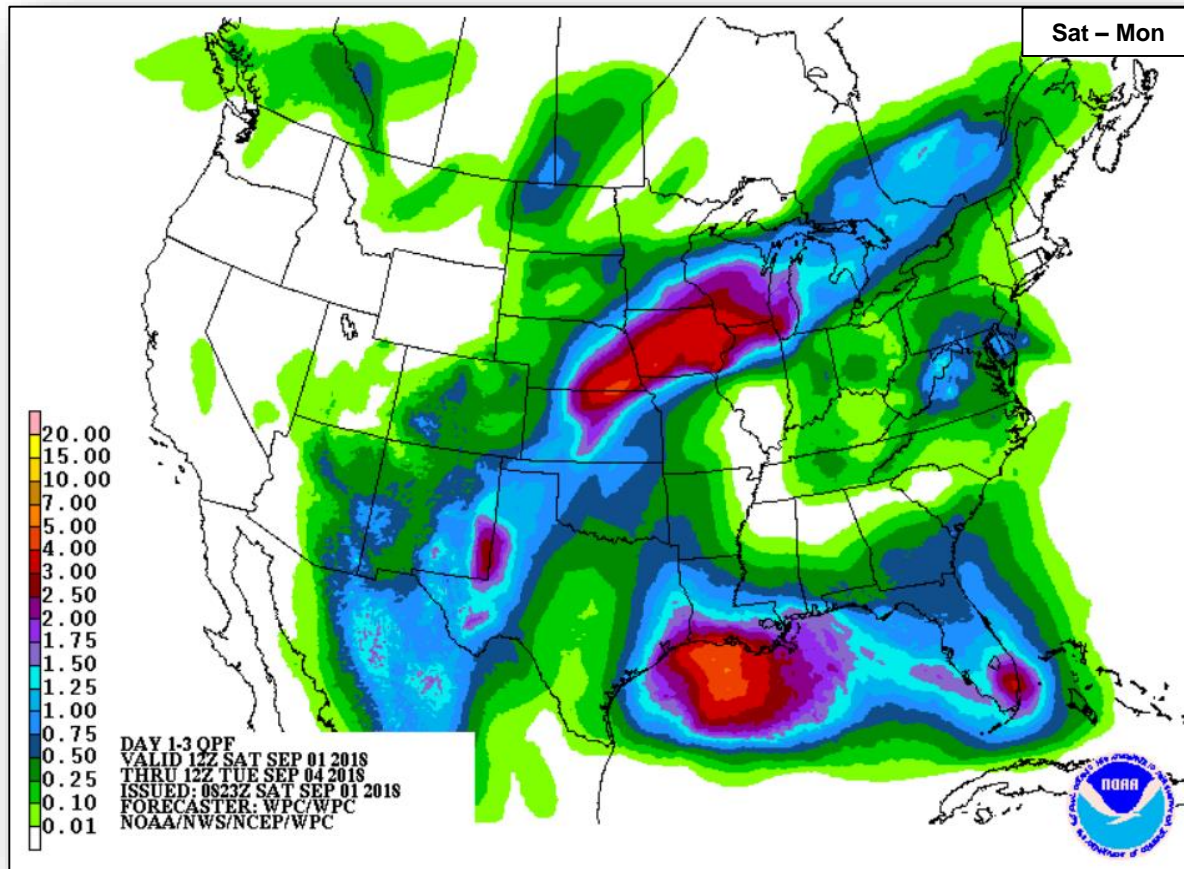
National Weather Forecast



Precipitation / Excessive Rainfall Forecast



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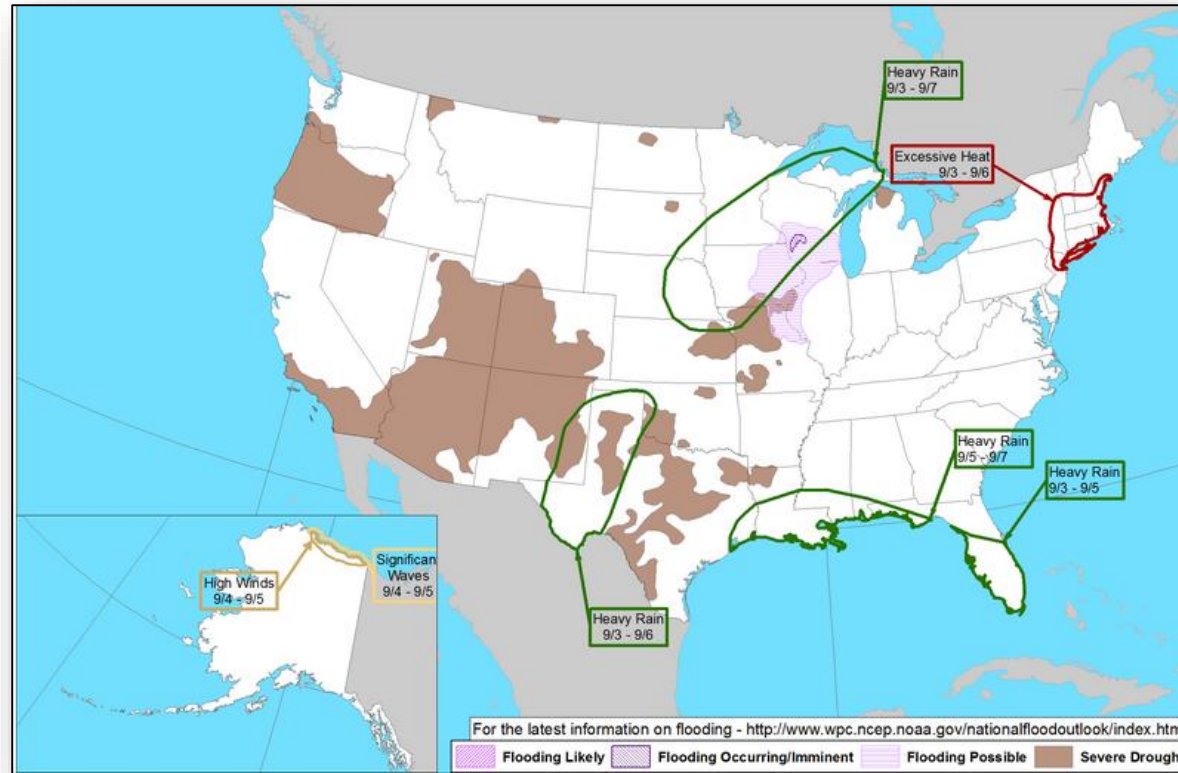
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Hazards Outlook – Sep 3-7



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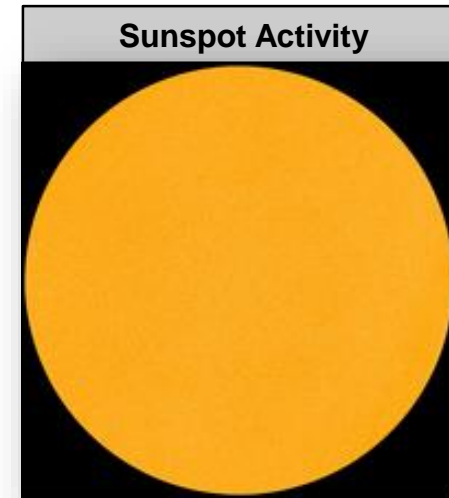
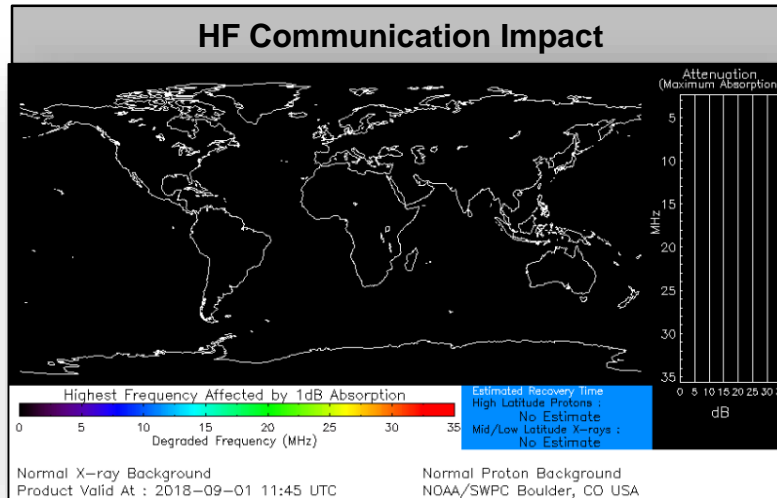


Space Weather



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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				



Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments



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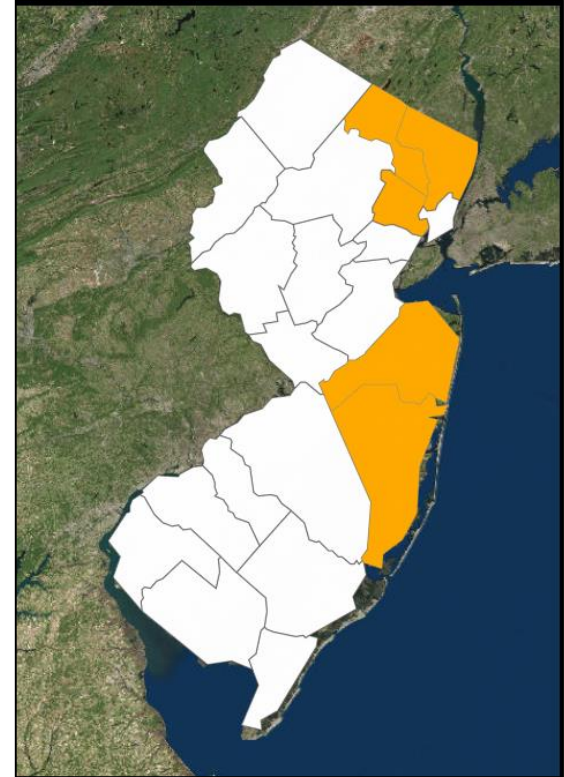
Region	State / Location	Event	IA / PA	Number of Counties		Start – End
				Requested	Completed	
II	NY	Severe Storms and Flooding August 2018	IA	5	5	8/23 – 8/24
			PA	8	0	8/29 – TBD
III	PA	Severe Weather July 21 – August 15, 2018	IA	18	0	9/5 – TBD
			PA	17 (+1)	0	9/5 – TBD
IX	HI	Hurricane Lane August 22, 2018 and continuing	IA	3	3	8/26 – 8/31
			PA	3	3	8/27 – 8/30

Declaration Request



New Jersey

- On August 30, 2018, the Governor requested a Major Disaster Declaration for the State of New Jersey
- For severe storms and flooding that occurred August 11-13, 2018
- Requesting:
 - Individual Assistance for five counties
 - Hazard Mitigation statewide



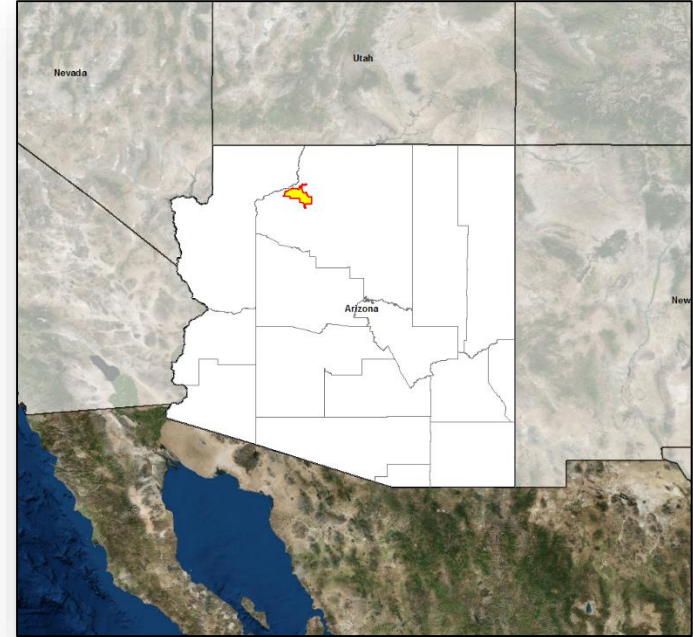
 IA

Declaration Approved



FEMA-4389-DR-Havasupai Tribe

- On August 31, 2018, Major Disaster Declaration FEMA-4389-DR-Havasupai Tribe was approved for the Havasupai Tribe
- For severe storms, flooding, and landslides that occurred July 11-12, 2018
- Provides:
 - Public Assistance
 - Hazard Mitigation
- The FCO is Nancy Casper



PA

Disaster Requests & Declarations



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Declaration Requests in Process					Requests APPROVED (since last report)	Requests DENIED (since last report)
7	IA	PA	HM	Date Requested	1	1
SD – DR Severe Storms and Flooding		X	X	June 14, 2018		August 31, 2018
AK – DR Flooding		X	X	June 28, 2018		
LA – DR Flooding		X	X	June 29, 2018		
MN – DR Severe Storms, Tornadoes, Straight-line Winds, and Flooding		X	X	August 7, 2018		
Havasupai Tribe – DR Severe Storms, Flooding, and Landslides		X	X	August 8, 2018	Declared August 31, 2018	
IA – DR Severe Storms and Tornadoes	X	X	X	August 17, 2018		
Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe – DR Severe Storms, Hail, and Straight-line Winds	X	X	X	August 17 2018		
Oglala Sioux Tribe – DR Severe Storms, Tornadoes, and Straight-line Winds	X		X	August 27, 2018		
NJ – DR Severe Storms and Flooding	X		X	August 30, 2018		

Readiness – Deployable Teams and Assets



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Resource	Force Strength	Available	Deployed	Other	Cadres with 25% or Less Availability
IM Workforce	11,828 ▼	4,212 ▲ 36%	4,098 ▲	3,518	EHP 11% (43/391); ER 12% (5/43); HM 24% (230/953); HR 22% (52/235); PA 10% (183/1,826); SAF 8% (4/53); SEC 16% (16/102)
National IMATs* (3 Teams)	East 1: East 2: West:	B-2 Charlie B-48			
Regional IMATs (4 - 6 Teams)	Assigned: Available: PMC / NMC: Deployed:	13 6 3 4			
National ISBs (0 Teams)	Team A Team B Team C	Deployed Deployed Deployed			
US&R (≥ 66%)	Assigned: Available: PMC / NMC: Deployed:	28 25 0 3			
MERS (≥ 66%)	Assigned: Available: PMC / NMC: Deployed:	36 33 0 3			
FCO (≤ 1 Type I)	Assigned: Available: PMC / NMC: Deployed:	33 11 4 18			
FDRC (≥ 3)	Assigned: Available: PMC / NMC: Deployed:	14 6 (+1) 3 5 (-1)			

* **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				NRCS BLUE Team on standby for September
HLT (1 Team)	Activated				
RWC / MOCs (10 Regions)	Steady State				
RRCCs (10 Regions)	Available				

Backup Regions: **VIII, V, & VI**

National Preparedness Month 2018



Disasters Happen. Prepare Now. Learn How.

Week 1: September 1-8 Make and Practice Your Plan

- Make an Emergency Plan today and practice it <http://www.ready.gov/plan>
- Make a fire escape plan and practice two ways out of every room. Have a home fire drill at least twice a year with everyone in the home.
- Download a group texting app so everyone can keep in touch before, during and after an emergency
- Learn your evacuation zone and have an evacuation plan
- Practice evacuating in the car with your animals so that they're more comfortable if you need to evacuate
- Sign up for local emergency alerts and warnings in your area by searching online
- Get the @fema app with weather alerts for up to 5 locations:
<https://www.fema.gov/mobile-app> #NatlPrep
- Contact your water and power companies to get on a "priority reconnection service" list of power-dependent customers if you rely on electrical medical equipment
- Find out if laws in your state permit pharmacists to dispense a 30-day refill of medications in an emergency



Go to <http://www.ready.gov/september> for additional information



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