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## **Daily Operations Briefing**

**Monday, September 15, 2014**

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

# Significant Activity: Sep 14 – 15



**Significant Events:** Courtney Fire, CA

## **Tropical Activity:**

- Atlantic – Hurricane Edouard (CAT 2)
- Eastern Pacific – Hurricane Odile (CAT 3); Disturbance 1 (Medium); Disturbance 2 (Low)
- Central Pacific – No tropical cyclones expected through Tuesday night

## **Significant Weather:**

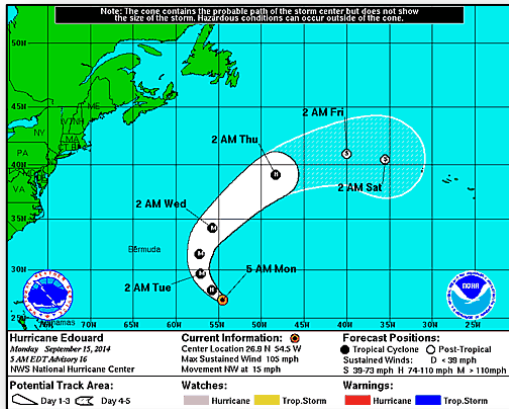
- Flash Flooding – portions of the Southeast
- Below normal temperatures are expected from parts of the Northern/Central Plains to the Great Lakes
- Elevated Fire Weather Areas: WY; Red Flag Warnings: WA & OR
- Space Weather: Past 24 hours: none; next 24 hours: none

**FEMA Readiness:** No activity

## **Declaration Activity:**

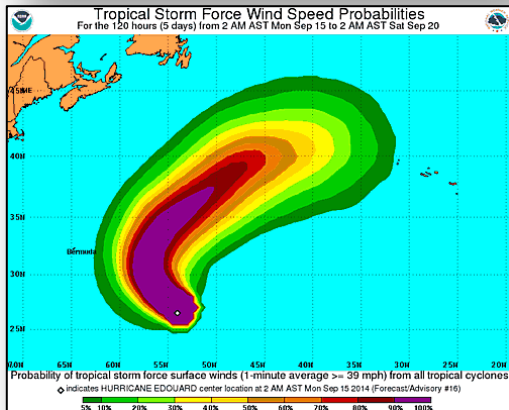
- FMAG approved for the Courtney Fire, CA

# Atlantic – Hurricane Edouard

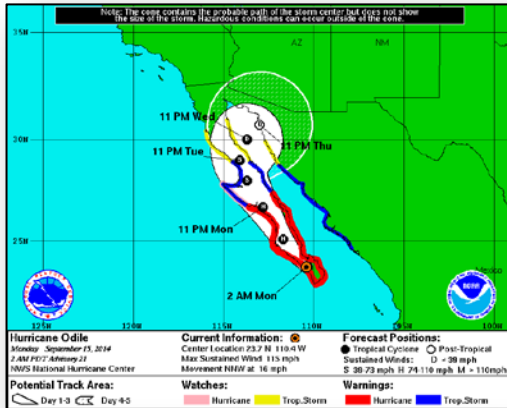


## Hurricane Edouard (as of 5:00 a.m. EDT)

- Located 720 miles ESE of Bermuda; moving NW at 15 mph
- Hurricane Edouard is a CAT 2
- Slight decrease in forward speed expected through tonight
- Maximum sustained winds 105 mph
- Additional strengthening forecast the next 48 hours
- Could become a Major Hurricane tonight
- Hurricane-force Winds extend 35 miles
- Tropical storm-force winds extend 175 miles
- No coastal watches or warnings in effect

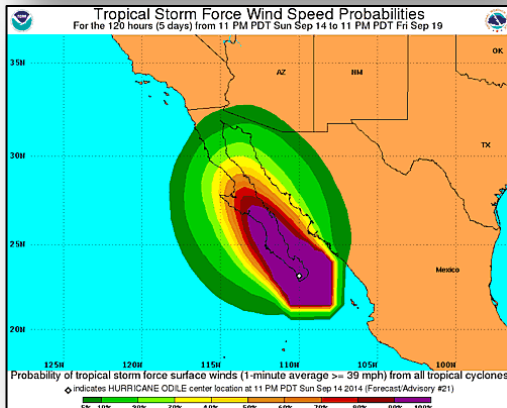


# Eastern Pacific – Hurricane Odile

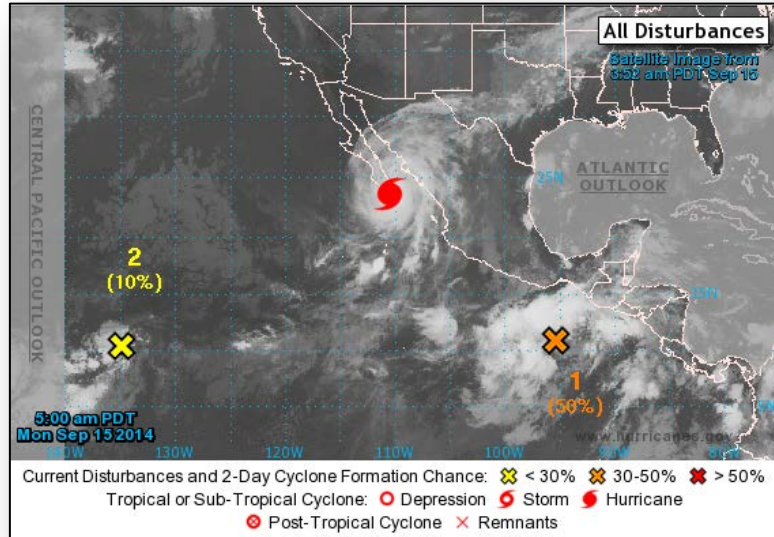


## Hurricane Odile (Cat 3) (as of 5:00 a.m. EDT)

- Located 65 miles NNW southern tip of Baja California
- Moving NNW at 16 mph
- Decrease in forward speed expected next couple days
- Forecast to pass over or near the Baja California Peninsula through Tuesday
- Steady weakening is forecast during the next 48 hours
- Maximum sustained winds 115 mph
- Hurricane-force winds extend outward 50 miles
- Tropical storm-force winds extend outward 185 miles
- No watches or warnings in effect for the U.S.



# 2-Day Tropical Outlook – Eastern Pacific



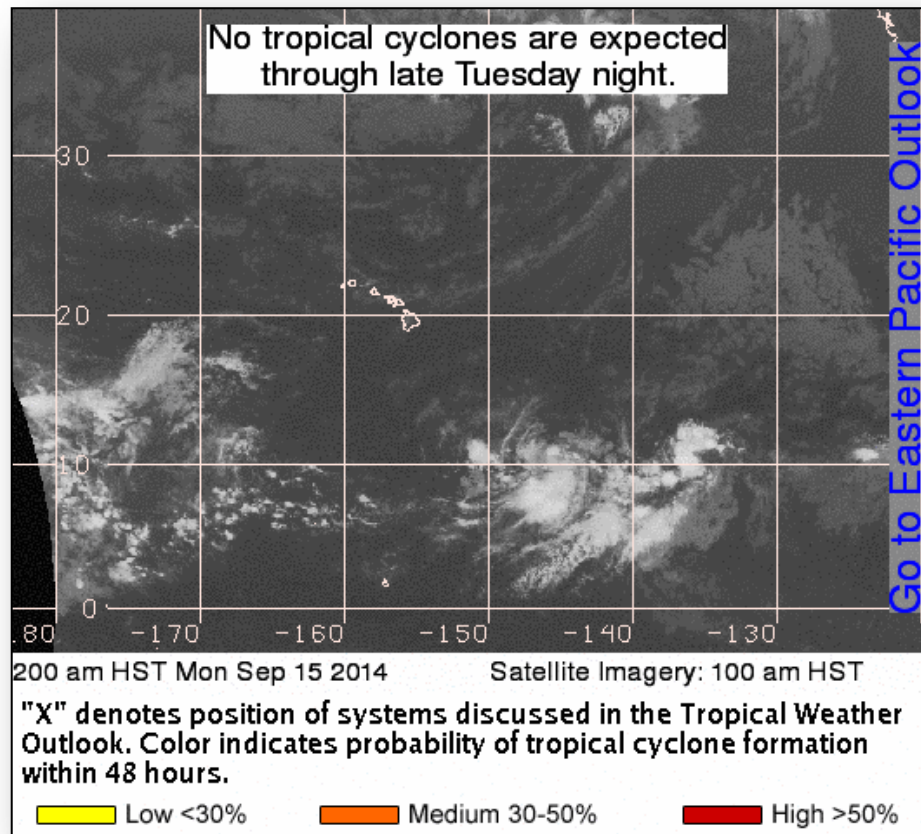
## **Disturbance 1 (as of 8:00 a.m. EDT)**

- Located 500 miles SSE of Acapulco, Mexico
- Increasing shower and thunderstorm activity
- Moving slowly toward the WNW or NW
- Conducive for gradual development next several days
- Formation chance:
  - Next 48 hours: Medium (50%)
  - Next 5 days: High (70%)

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

- Weak low pressure 1,500 miles ESE of Big Island of HI
- Producing disorganized showers and thunderstorms
- Development should be slow as system moves slowly NW
- Formation chance:
  - Next 48 hours: Low (10%)
  - Next 5 days: Low (20%)

# 2-Day Tropical Outlook – Central Pacific



# Courtney Fire – California



Fire Name	Location	Acres burned	% Contained	Est. Full Containment	FMAG	Structures Lost / Threatened	Fatalities / Injuries
Courtney Fire	Madera County	320	20%	N/A	Approved Sep 14	11 / 400 (Homes)	0 / 0

## Situation

- Started September 14, near the town of Oakhurst, CA (pop 3k)
- Located in heavily wooded State Responsibility Area (combination of public/private lands)
- 11 homes damaged or destroyed; no injuries or fatalities
- 400 homes threatened; mandatory evacuations in effect
- 2 shelters are open statewide with 7 occupants (ARC Midnight Shelter Report, Sep 15)



 Madera County, CA

## Response

- CA State EOC is monitoring
- FEMA Region IX remains at Watch/Steady State
- 350 personnel supporting the firefight



# FMAG Requests and Declarations



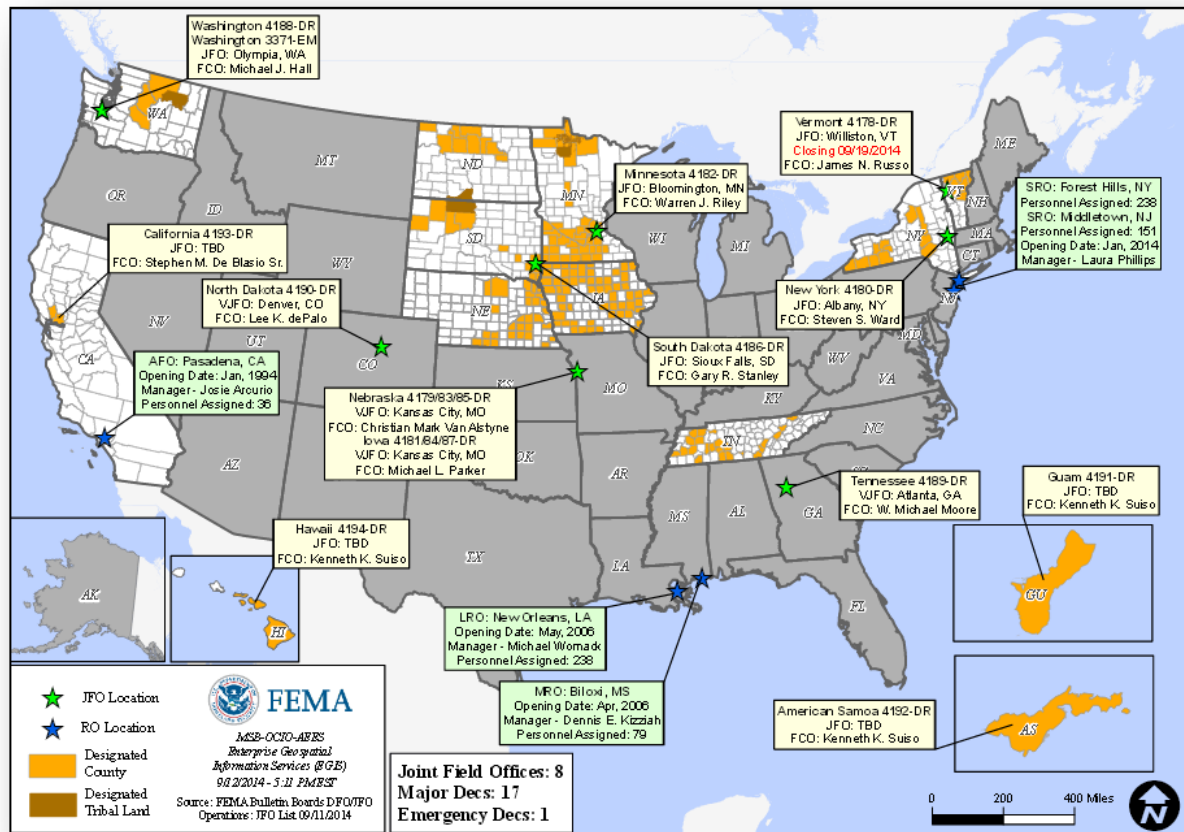
Action (since last report)			Total	FMAG No. and State	
Requests DENIED			0		
Requests APPROVED			1	Courtney Fire-CA September 14, 2014	
Approved FMAG Data					
Year	Current YTD	MTD	Monthly Average	Cumulative Acres Burned YTD	Cumulative Denied FMAGs YTD
2014	28	2	N/A	131,378	1
Year	Total Previous FY	++ Yearly Average		Total Acres Burned Previous Year	Total Denied FMAGs Previous Year
2013	29	64		374,417	8
* Reflects the 3-year average for current month/ ** Reflects 3-year total average					

# Disaster Requests & Declarations



Declaration Requests in Process		Requests APPROVED (since last report)	Requests DENIED (since last report)
1	Date Requested	0	0
VT – DR Severe Storms and Flooding	September 5, 2014		

# Open Field Offices as of September 15



# Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

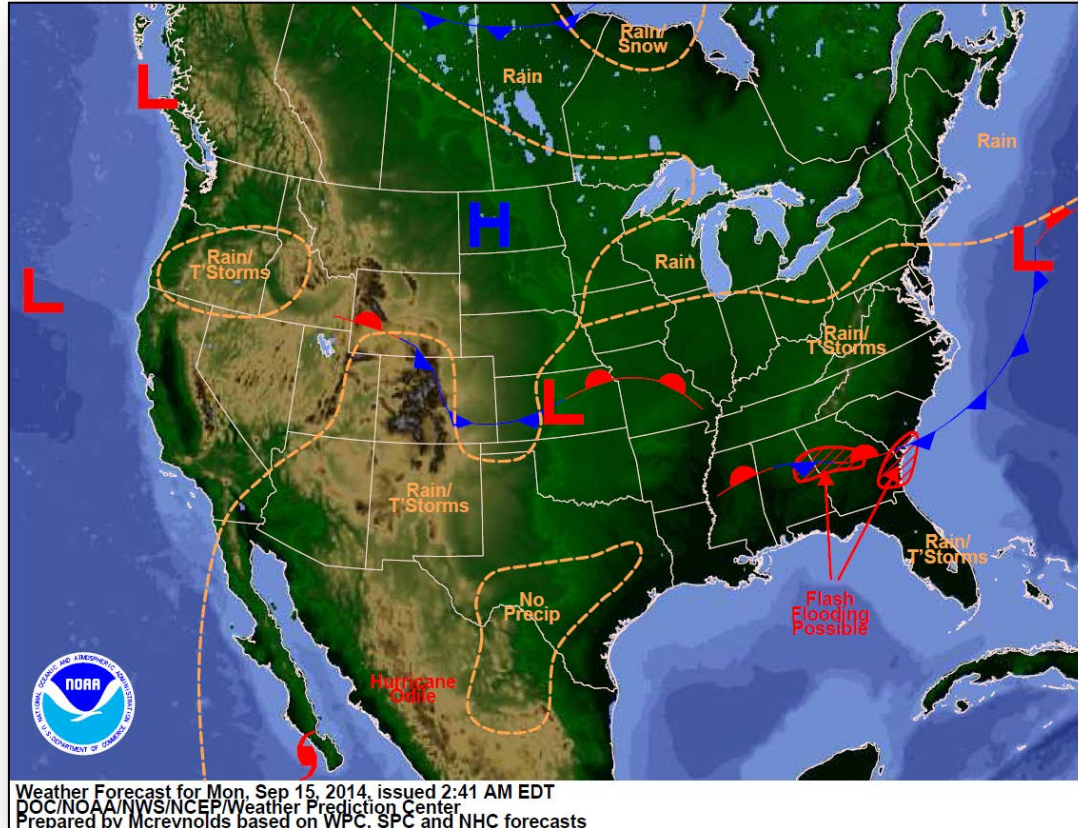


Region	State / Location	Event	IA/PA	Number of Counties		Start – End
				Requested	Complete	
III	MD	Severe Storms August 12, 2014	PA	2	0	9/10 – TBD
IV	KY	Severe Storms, Flash Flooding, Flooding, Slides, & Mudslides August 18 – 24, 2014	IA	1	1	9/10 – 9/12
			PA	4	4	9/10 – 9/12
VI	NM	Severe Storms & Flooding July 27 – August 5, 2014	PA	8	4	9/10 – 9/15
VIII	MT	Severe Storms & Flooding August 21 – 28, 2014	PA	6	0	9/22 – 9/26
VIII	ND	Severe Storms & Flooding August 15 – 25, 2014	PA	5	0	9/15 – 9/19
IX	NV	Severe Storms and Flooding September 8, 2014	IA	1	0	9/15 – TBD
			PA	2	0	9/15 – TBD

# National Weather Forecast

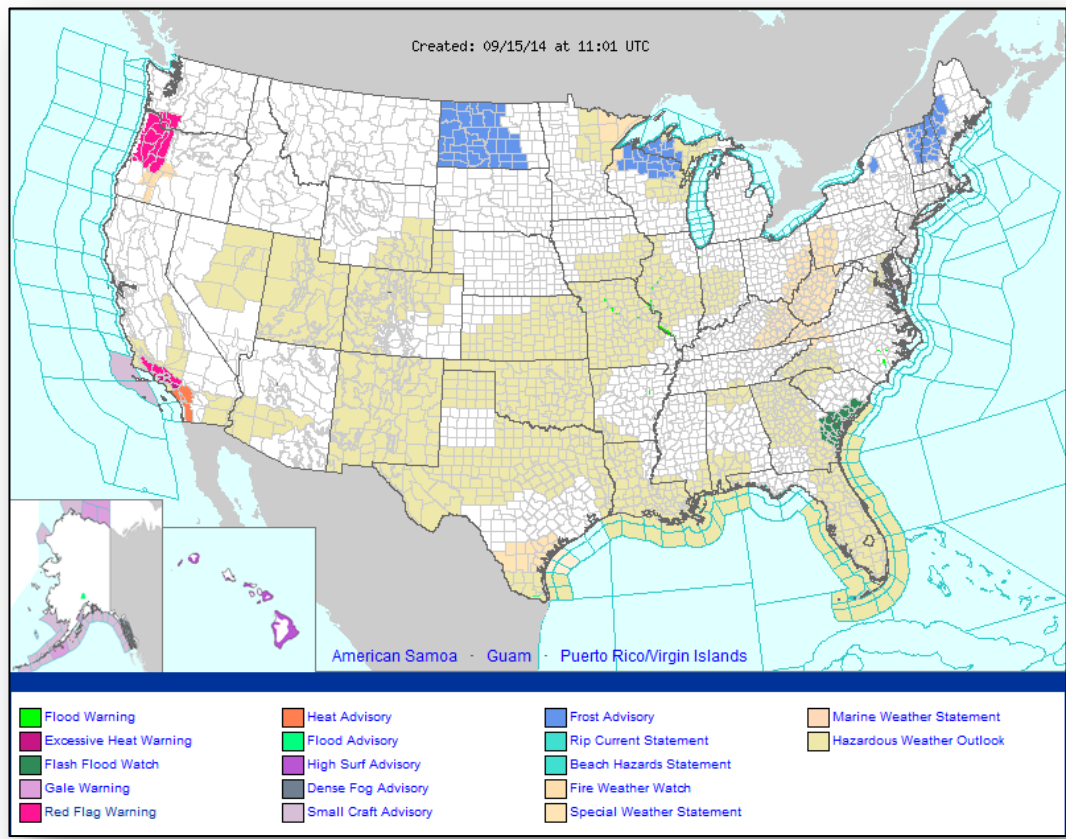


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Weather Forecast for Mon, Sep 15, 2014, issued 2:41 AM EDT  
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center  
Prepared by McCreynolds based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts

# Active Watches/Warnings

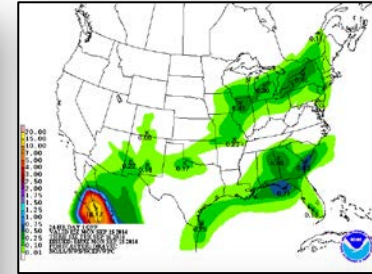
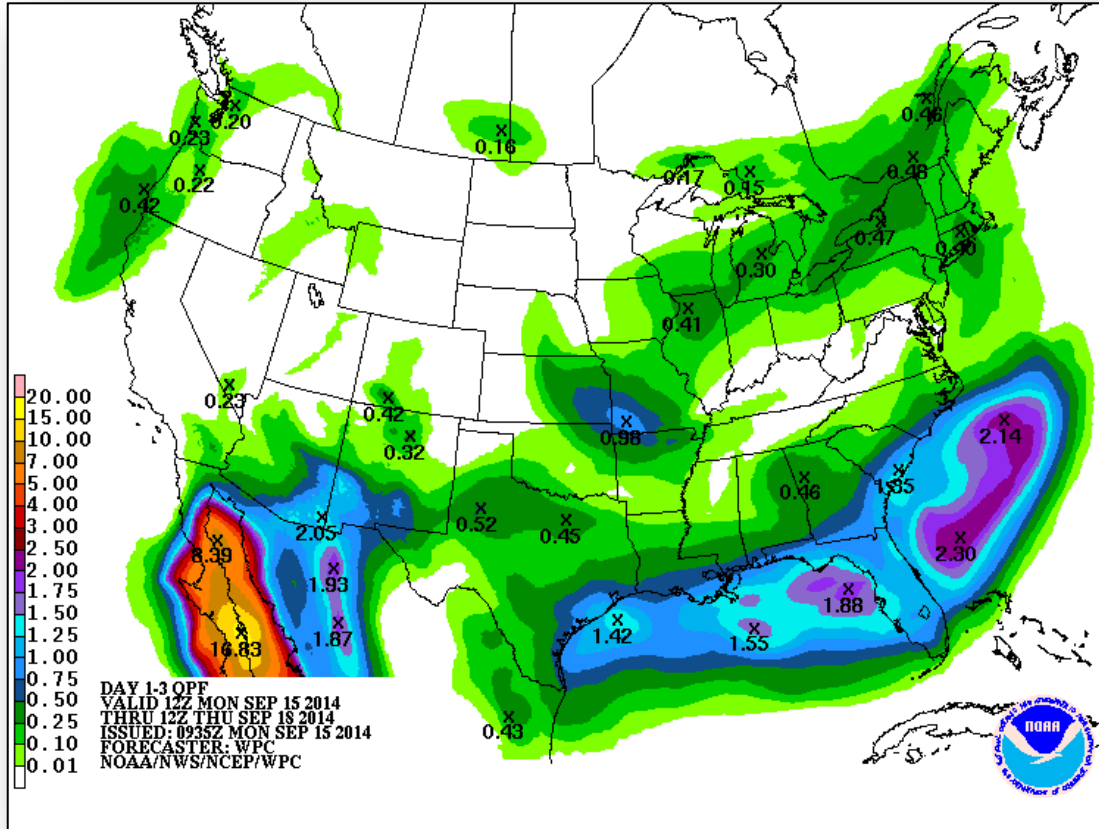




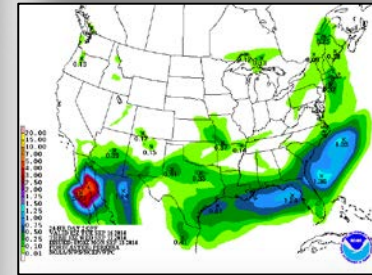
# Precipitation Forecast – 3 Day



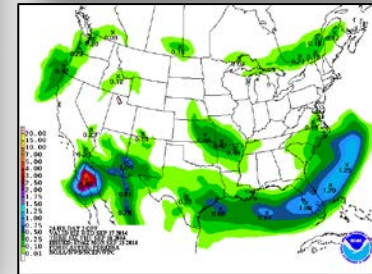
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Day 1



Day 2

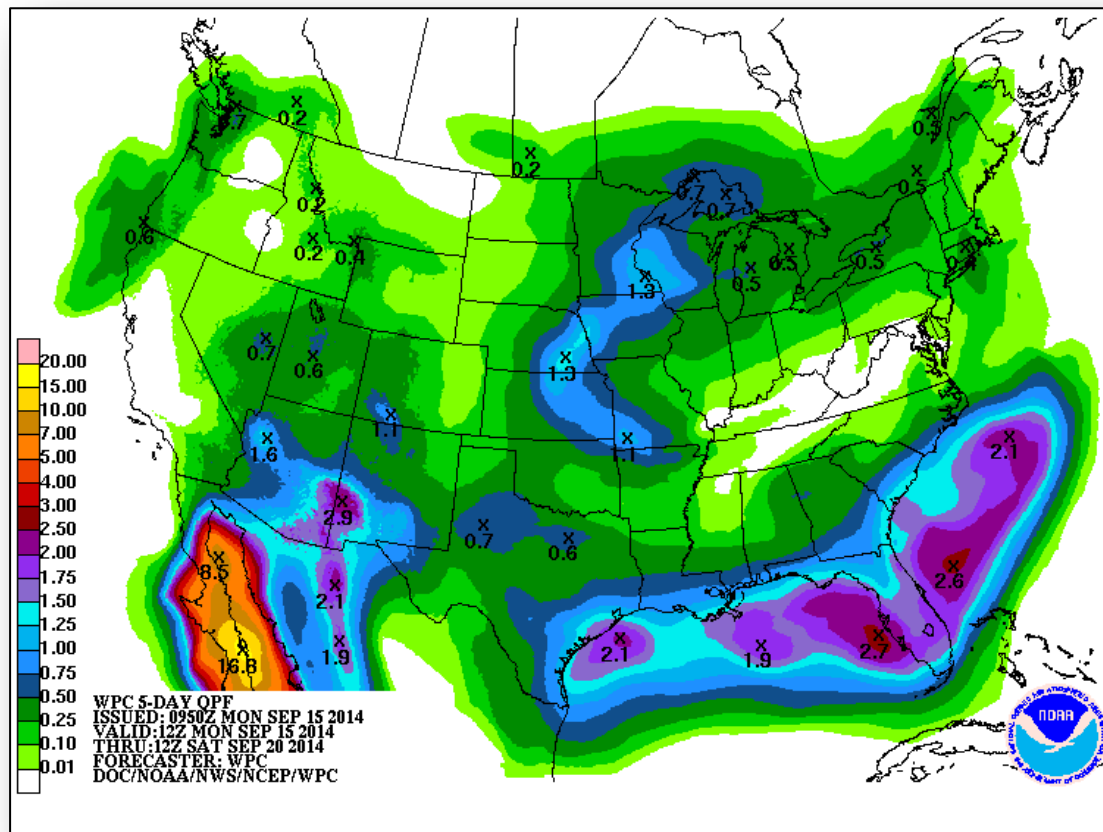


Day 3

# Precipitation Forecast – 5-Day



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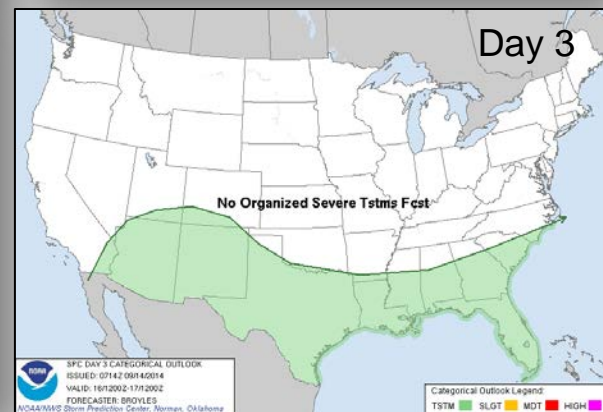
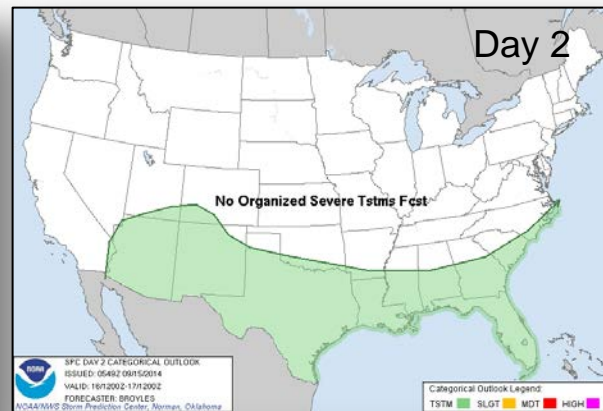
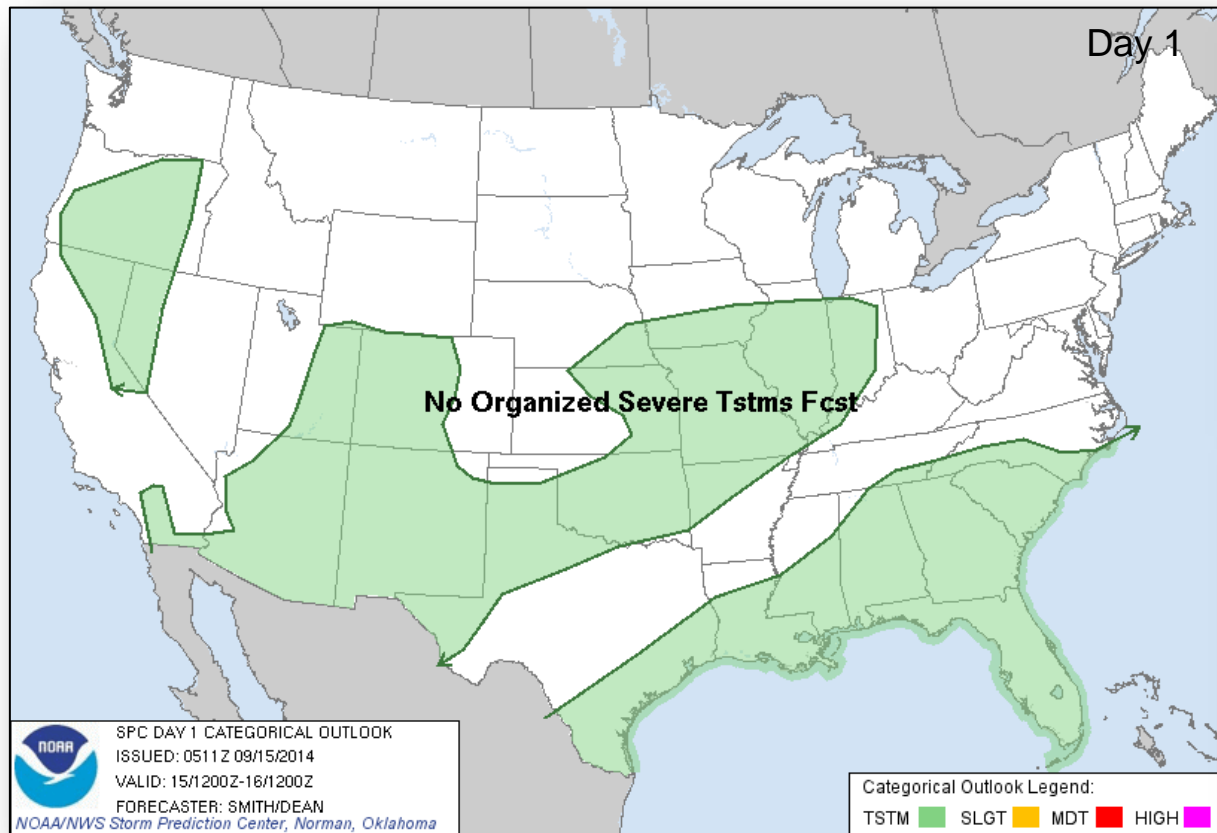
# River Forecast



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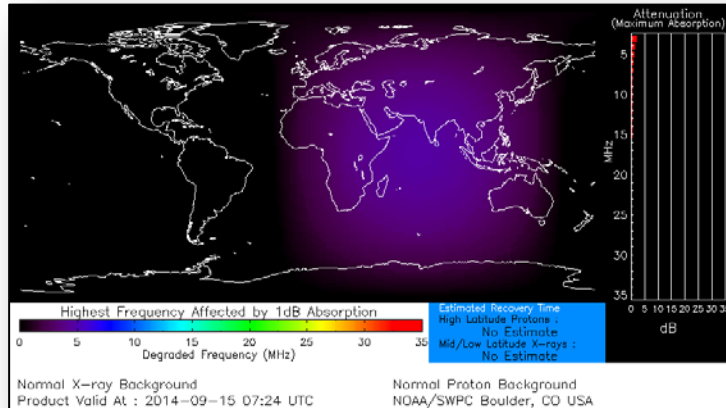
# Convective Outlook, Days 1 – 3



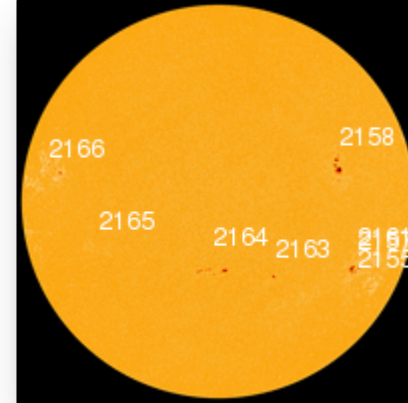
# Space Weather

NOAA Scales Activity (Range: 1/minor to 5/extreme)	Past 24 Hours	Current	Next 24 Hours
Space Weather Activity:	None	None	None
• Geomagnetic Storms	None	None	None
• Solar Radiation Storms	None	None	None
• Radio Blackouts	None	None	None

## HF Communication Impact



## Sunspot Activity



# FEMA Readiness – Deployable Teams/Assets



Deployable Teams/Assets									
Resource	Status	Total	Available		Partially Available	Not Available	Detailed Deployed Activated	Comments	Rating Criterion
FCO		39	16	41%	0	1	22		OFDC Readiness: FCO    Green    Yellow    Red Type 1    3+            2            1 Type 2    4+            3            2 Type 3    4                3            2
FDRC		10	5	50%	0	0	5		FDRC    3            2            1
US&R		28	26	93%	1	1	0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>NM-TF1 (Red for personnel shortages)</li><li>CA-TF1 (Yellow for logistics &amp; management)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Green = Available/FMC</li><li>Yellow = Available/PMC</li><li>Red    = Out-of-Service</li><li>Blue   = Assigned/Deployed</li></ul>
National IMAT		3	2	66%	0	0	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>IMAT East-2 deployed to VA for Capstone Exercise</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Green: 3 avail</li><li>Yellow: 1-2 avail</li><li>Red: 0 avail (<i>Individual N-IMAT red if 50% of Section Chiefs and/or Team Leader is unavailable for deployment.</i>)</li></ul>
Regional IMAT		13	5	38%	3	4	1	<u>Partially Mission Capable (PMC):</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Region II, III, VI</li></ul> <u>Not Mission Capable (NMC):</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Region V, VII, IX (Team 1), VI (Team 2)</li></ul> <u>Deployed</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Region X to WA</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Green: 7 or more avail</li><li>Yellow: 4 - 6 teams available</li><li>Red: &gt; 8 teams deployed/unavailable</li></ul> <i>R-IMAT also red if TL Ops/Log Chief is unavailable and has no qualified replacement.</i>
MCOV		60	55	92%	0	5	0		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Green = 80 – 100% avail</li><li>Yellow = 60 – 79% avail</li><li>Red = 59% or below avail</li><li>Readiness remains 95%</li></ul>

# FEMA Readiness – National/Regional Teams



National/Regional Teams									
Resource	Status	Total	Available		Partially Available	Not Available	Deployed/ Activated	Comments	Rating Criterion
NWC		5	5	100%	0	0	24/7		• Green = FMC • Yellow = PMC • Red = NMC
NRCC		2	344	89%	0	44	Not Activated		
HLT		1	N/A	N/A	0	1	Activated		
DEST							Not Activated		
RRCCs		10	10	100%	0	0	None		
RWCs/MOCs		10	10	100%	0	0	24/7		



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