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Daily Operations Briefing

Thursday, September 24, 2015

8:30 a.m. EDT

Significant Activity: Sep 23-24



Significant Events: Papal Visit, September 23-27

Tropical Activity:

- Atlantic: Tropical: Tropical Storm Ida; Disturbance 1 Low (near 0%)
- Eastern Pacific: Disturbance 1 Low (20%)
- Central Pacific: Disturbance 1 High (80%)
- Western Pacific: No activity affecting U.S. interests

Significant Weather:

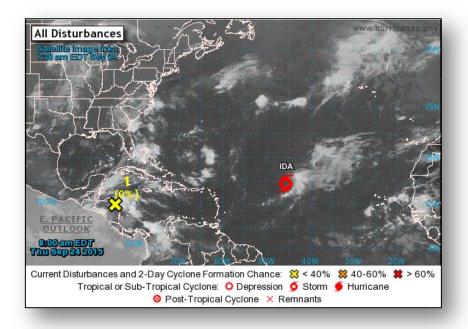
- Rain and thunderstorms Southwest/Southern Plains to Northern Plains/Great Lakes; Gulf Coast to Carolinas
- Flash flooding possible Central/Northern Plains to Upper Mississippi Valley
- Red Flag Warnings none
- Critical/Elevated Fire Weather areas none
- Space weather: Past 24 hours no space weather storms occurred; next 24 hours no space weather storms predicted

Declaration Activity:

- Amendment No. 1 to FEMA-4240-DR-CA
- Amendment No. 2 to FEMA-4240-DR-CA
- Amendment No. 3 to FEMA-4240-DR-CA

2-Day Tropical Outlook – Atlantic



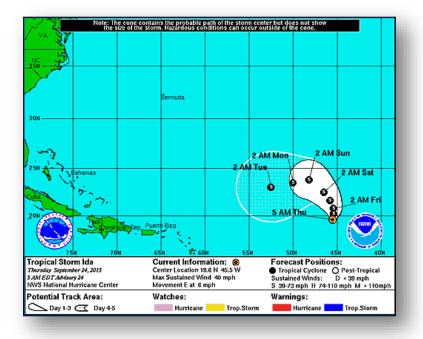


Disturbance #1 (As of 8:00 a.m. EDT)

- Located over western Caribbean Sea & Central America
- Moving N over central Gulf of Mexico
- Forecast to reach southern Gulf of Mexico late this weekend
- Development not expected next several says
- Some development possible early next week
- Formation chance through 48 hours: Low (near 0%)
- Formation chance through 5 days: Low (20%)

Atlantic – Tropical Storm Ida



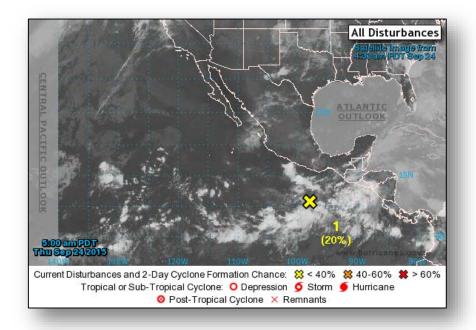


Tropical Storm Ida (Advisory #24, as of 5:00 a.m. EDT)

- Located 1,155 miles E of northern Leeward Islands
- Moving E at 6 mph
- Turn N expected tonight, followed by NW motion Fri night
- Maximum sustained winds 40 mph
- Little change in strength forecast next 48 hours
- Tropical storm force winds extend 140 miles

2 – Day Tropical Outlook – Eastern Pacific



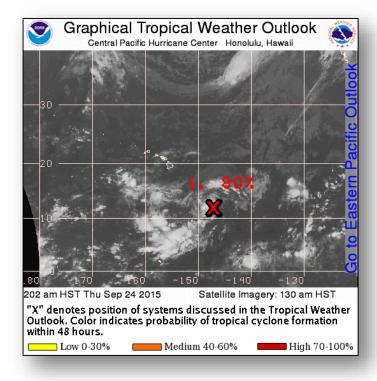


Disturbance 1 (as of 8:00 a.m. EDT)

- Low pressure system expected to form late this week within an area extending from coast of Central America SW into Eastern Pacific for several hundred miles
- Likely to develop into tropical depression early next week several hundred miles SW or WSW of Gulf of Tehuantepec and move N or NE toward southern coast of Mexico
- Formation chance through 48 hours: Low (20%)
- Formation chance through 5 days: High (80%)

2 – Day Tropical Outlook – Central Pacific



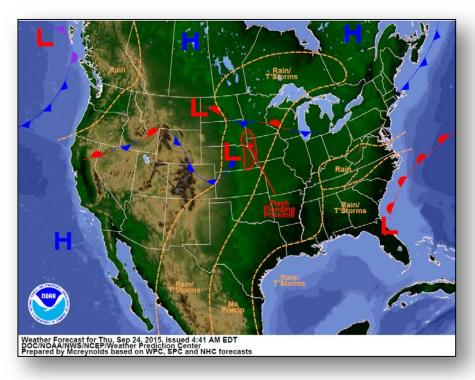


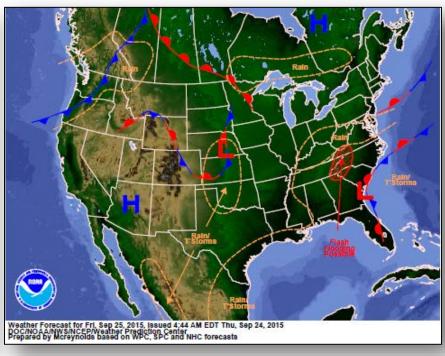
Disturbance 1: (as of 2:00 a.m. EDT)

- Located 700 miles SE of Hilo, HI
- Moving slowly NW
- Environmental conditions remain conducive for development next 24 hours
- Tropical depression could form next 24 hours
- Formation chance through 48 hours: High (80%)

National Weather Forecast



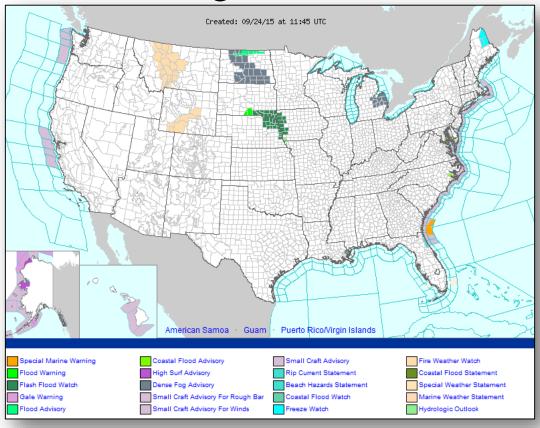




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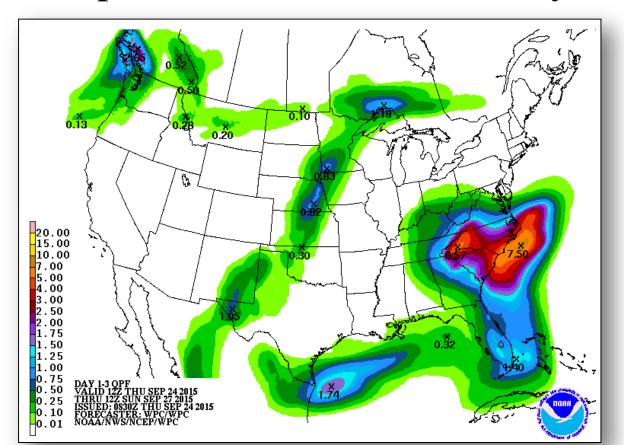
Active Watches/Warnings

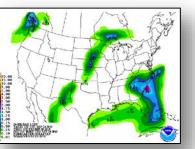




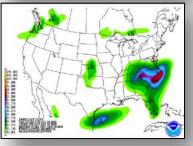
Precipitation Forecast, 1 - 3 Day



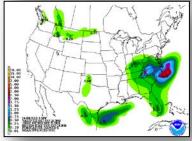








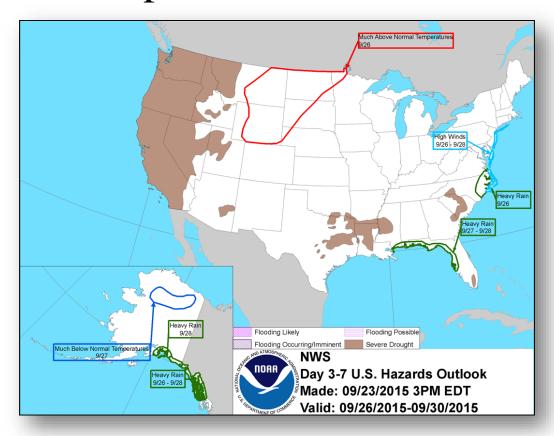
Day 2



Day 3

Hazard Outlook, September 26 – 30

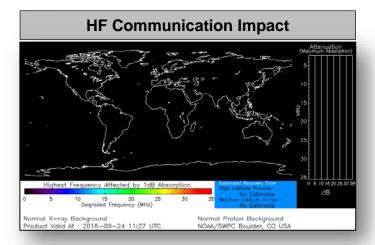


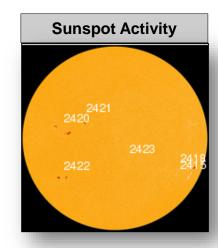


Space Weather



	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





National Fire Activity – Sep 24, 2015



National Preparedness Level: 2

• Initial attack activity: Light – 94 New Fires

New Large Fires: 1

• Large Fires Contained: 2

Uncontained Large Fires: 14

NIMOs committed: 1

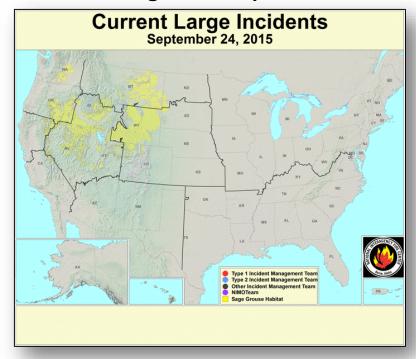
• Type 1 IMTs committed: 5

• Type 2 IMTs committed: 4

Preparedness Level 2

Description: Active geographic areas are unable to independently accomplish incident management objectives. Resources within most geographic areas are adequate to manage the current situation. Potential for emerging significant wildland fires is normal to below normal for the time of year.

Large Fire Map



Wildfire Summary



Fire Name (County)	FMAG #		% Contained	Evacuations (Residents)	Structures Threatened	Structures Damaged/ Destroyed	Fatalities/ Injuries
			California				
Valley Fire (Lake, Napa, Sonoma Counties)	FEMA-5112-FM-CA	76,067	82% (+3)	9,183	3,054 (3,043 homes)	90 (37 homes) /1,910 (1,238 homes)	4 (+1)/4
Response: Region IX: Enhanced Watch Region IX: IMAT-2 & 1 LNOs deple CA EOC: Full Activation (Dayshift Regional EOCs: Fully Activated			Shelters: ARC & Indepe Midnight Shelter I		pen with 356 (-122) occ	upants (ARC	

Disaster Requests & Declarations



Declaration Requests in Process	Requests APPROVED (since last report)	Requests DENIED (since last report)	
1	Date Requested	1	0
FL – DR (Appeal) Severe Storms and Flooding (IA)	September 11, 2015		
CA – DR for Butte Fire	September 9, 2015	Added to FEMA-4240-DR-CA (Valley Fire)	

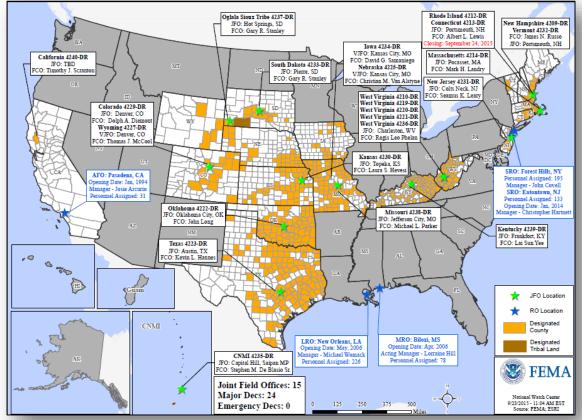
Disaster Amendments



Amendment	Effective Date	Action
Amendment No.1 FEMA-4240-DR-CA	September 23, 2015	Adds Butte Fire to Major Disaster Declaration for Valley Fire
Amendment No.2 FEMA-4240-DR-CA	September 23, 2015	Expands incident period to September 9, 2015, and continuing (Butte Fire)
Amendment No.3 FEMA-4240-DR-CA	September 23, 2015	Adds Calaveras County for Individual Assistance (Butte Fire)

Open Field Offices as of September 24





Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments



	State /		IA/PA	Number of	Start – End	
Region	Location	Event		Requested	Complete	
IV	CA.	Butte Fire	IA	1	1	9/17 – 9/21
IA	IX CA	September 9, 2015 & ongoing	PA	1	0	9/23 - TBD
IX	CA	Valley Fire		1	1	9/16 – 9/20
1^	IX CA	September 12 & ongoing	PA	1	0	9/22 - TBD
X	WA	Wildfires	IA	5	5	9/14 – 9/18
^	VVA	June 29, 2015 & ongoing	PA	5	0	9/21 – TBD
Х	Warm Springs Reservation (OR)	County Line 2 Fire August 12, 2015 & ongoing	PA	1	0	9/21 - TBD

FEMA Readiness – Deployable Teams /Assets



	Deployable Teams/Assets														
Resource	Status	Total	FMC Available				al		Total		Partially Available	Not Available	Detailed, Deployed, Activated	Comments	Rating Criterion
FCO		35	12	34%	0	1	22		OFDC Readiness: FCO Green Yellow Red Type 1 3+ 2 1						
FDRC		9	5	56%	0	0	4		Type 2 4+ 3 2 Type 3 4 3 2 FDRC 3 2 1						
US&R		28	25	89%	1	2	0	NY-TF1 (Yellow) – Sep 10-30 for Papal Visit Support PA-TF1 (Red) - Sep 21-24 for In-State Exercise; (Yellow) Sep 29 – Oct 5 for Cache Reconstitution NM-TF1 (Red) – Personnel shortages	Green = Available/FMC Yellow = Available/PMC Red = Out-of-Service Blue = Assigned/Deployed						
National IMAT		3	3	100%	0	0	0		Green: 3 avail Yellow: 1-2 avail Red: 0 avail (Individual N-IMAT red if 50% of Section Chiefs and/or Team Leader is unavailable for deployment.)						
Regional IMAT		13	8	61%	0	0	5	Deployed: RVI (Team 2) & RIV (Team 1) Deployed to LA (Exercise) but available for real world events RVII Deployed to MO RVIII (Team 1) Deployed to SD & CO RIX (Team 1) Deployed to Guarn/CNMI RIX (Team 2) Deployed to CA for wildfires RX Deployed to WA to supporting PDAs for wildfires	Green: 7 or more avail Yellow: 4 - 6 teams available Red: > 8 teams deployed/unavailable R-IMAT also red if TL Ops/Log Chief is unavailable & has no qualified replacement						
MCOV		59	49	83%	0	10	0		Green = 80 – 100% avail Yellow = 60 – 79% avail Red = 59% or below avail Readiness remains 95%						

FEMA Readiness – National/Regional Teams



	National/Regional Teams																
Resource	Status	Total FMC Partially Available		_		_		otal		Intal		Intal		Not Available	Status	Comments	Rating Criterion
NWC		5	5	100%	0	0	Activated	Enhanced Watch (days only) supporting UNGA & Papal Visit (NSSE)	• Green = FMC								
NRCC		2	344	89%	0	44	Not Activated		• Yellow = PMC • Red = NMC								
HLT		1	N/A	N/A	0	0	Activated										
DEST							Not Activated										
RRCCs		10	9	90%	0	0	Activated	Region III – Level II (Partial Activation) supporting Papal Visit									
RWCs/MOCs		10	10	100%	0	0	Activated	Region II – Enhanced Watch (24/7) supporting Papal Visit Region III – Enhanced Watch (24/7) supporting Papal Visit Region IX - Enhanced Watch (24/7) supporting CA Wildfires									



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