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# **FEMA**

## **Daily Operations Briefing**

Thursday, October 1, 2015

8:30 a.m. EDT

### Significant Activity: Sep 30 – Oct 1



Significant Events: Hurricane Joaquin

#### **Tropical Activity:**

- Atlantic: Hurricane Joaquin; Disturbance 1 Medium (50%)
- Eastern Pacific: Post Tropical Cyclone Marty; Disturbance 1 High (70%)
- Central Pacific: Disturbance 1 Low (near 10%); Disturbance 2 Low (near 10%)
- Western Pacific: No activity affecting U.S. interests

#### **Significant Weather:**

- Flash flooding possible Southern New England Coast to Mid-Atlantic and Carolina Coast
- Rain and thunderstorms Northeast to southern Mid-Atlantic, Central Appalachians, Ohio Valley, to the Central Gulf Coast and the Great Basin, Northern/Central Rockies and Plains
- Elevated Fire Weather areas NV, UT, AZ
- Space weather: Past 24 hours minor, R1 radio blackouts observed; next 24 hours minor, R1 radio blackouts and G1 geomagnetic storms predicted

#### **Declaration Activity: None**

### Hurricane Joaquin – Response

#### **FEMA Region I**

- RRCC not activated; will go to Enhanced Watch on Sunday, October 4
- IMAT deploying to MA

#### **FEMA Region II**

- RRCC not activated; RWC at Watch/Steady State
- NJ EOC at Level II (Enhanced Operations)
- NY State EOC at Level III (Partial Activation); NYC EOC at Level III (Partial Activation)

#### **FEMA Region III**

- RRCC not activated; RWC at Watch/Steady State
- Advance team deploying to VA; IMAT deployed to WV
- VA EOC at Level III (Increased Readiness); Governor declared State of Emergency

#### **FEMA Region IV**

- RRCC not activated; RWC will go to Enhanced Watch at 8:00 a.m. EDT, Saturday, October 3
- HLT LNO deploying to National Hurricane Center

#### FEMA HQ

- NRCC on advisory; NWC at Enhanced Watch, 24/7
- ISB teams deploying to Cumberland, MD, Ft. Bragg, NC and Maynard, MA
- One alpha pack of generators will be deployed to each ISB location



### Atlantic – Hurricane Joaquin





#### Hurricane Joaquin (Advisory #14 as of 5:00 a.m. EDT)

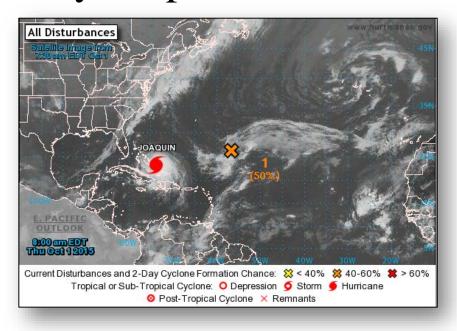
- Located 20 miles N of Samana Cays Bahamas
- Moving WSW at 5 mph
- This motion expected to continue today
- Turn WNW forecast tonight, followed by turn N on Fri
- Maximum sustained winds 120 mph (Cat 3)
- Some strengthening forecast next day or so, with fluctuations in intensity possible on Fri
- Hurricane force winds extend 35 miles
- Tropical storm force winds extend 140 miles
- Hurricane watches and warnings in effect for Bahamas

#### **Potential impacts**

- Swells generated by Joaquin will affect portions of southeastern coast of U.S.
- Long term forecast shows storm nearing East Coast above NC on Sun

### 2 Day Tropical Outlook - Atlantic



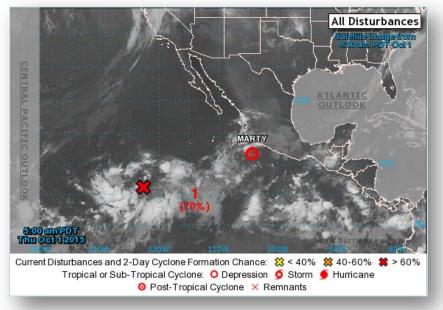


#### Disturbance #1 (As of 8:00 a.m. EDT)

- Located 700 miles SE of Bermuda
- Moving slowly NNW to N
- Environmental conditions expected to be conducive for low to gradually obtain more tropical characteristics
- Tropical depression likely to form within a few days
- Formation chance through 48 hours: Medium (50%)
- Formation chance through 5 days: High (80%)

### 2 Day Tropical Outlook – Eastern Pacific





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

- 1,000 miles SW of southern tip of Baja California peninsula
- Moving slowly W
- Environmental conditions gradually becoming more conducive for development
- Tropical depression likely to form next couple days
- Formation chance through 48 hours: High (70%)
- Formation chance through 5 days: High (80%)

### Eastern Pacific—Post-Tropical Cyclone Marty



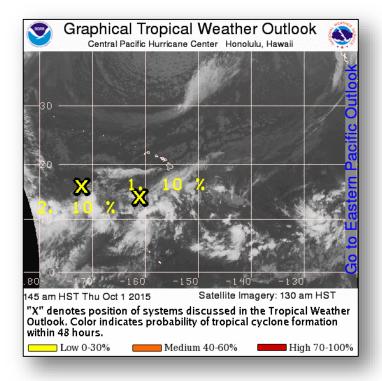


#### Post-Tropical Cyclone Marty (Advisory #19 as of 5:00 a.m. EDT) FINAL

- Located 160 miles S of Manzanillo, Mexico
- Moving WNW at 9 mph
- This motion expected to continue today
- Maximum sustained winds 30 mph
- Remnant low forecast to dissipate in a day or so

### 2 Day Tropical Outlook - Central Pacific





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

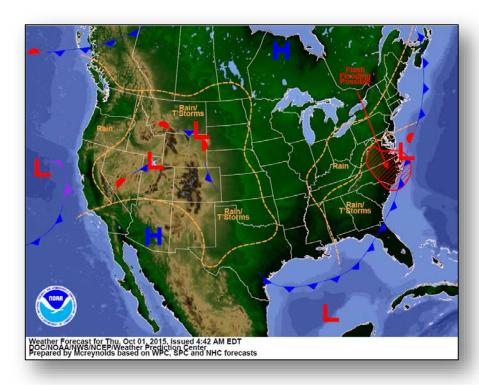
- Located 550 miles SSE of Honolulu, HI
- Nearly stationary
- Formation chance through 48 hours: Low (near 10%)

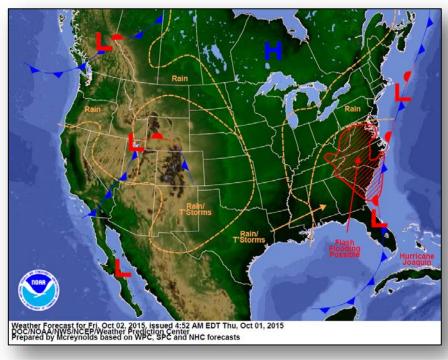
#### Disturbance #2 (as of 8:00 a.m. EDT)

- Located 1,000 miles WSW of Honolulu, HI
- Nearly stationary
- Formation chance through 48 hours: Low (near 10%)

#### National Weather Forecast



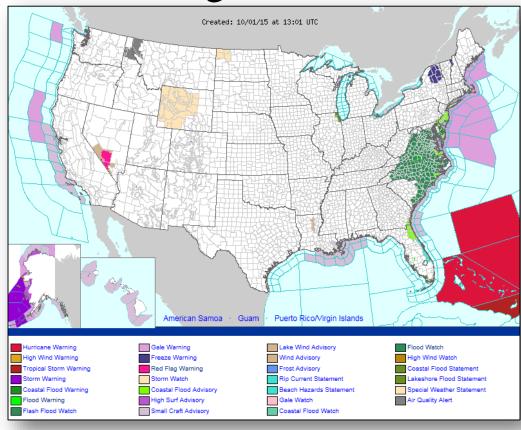




Today Tomorrow

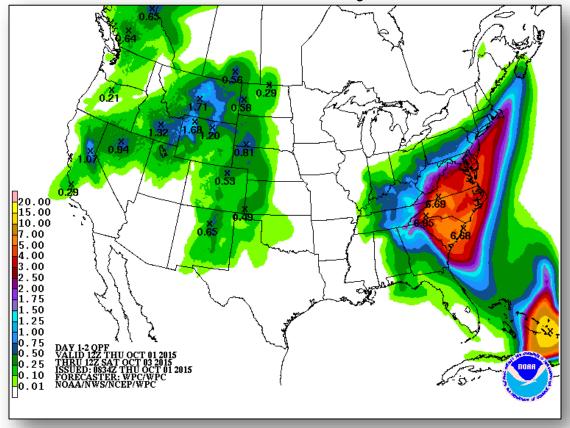
### Active Watches/Warnings





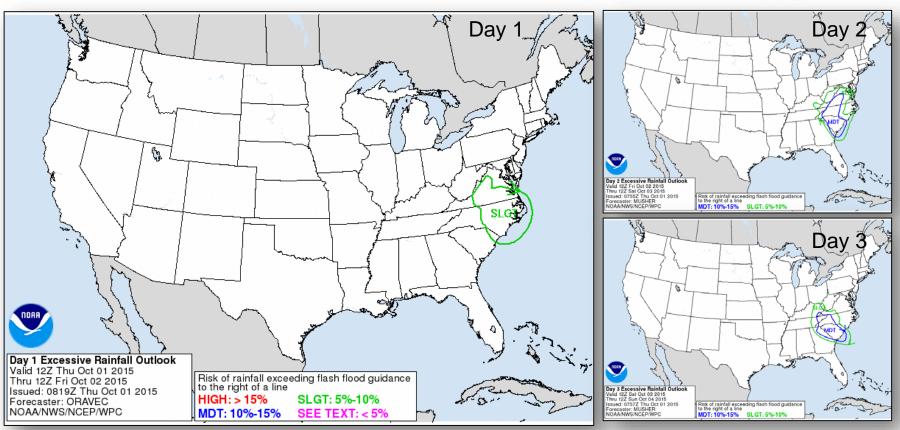
### Precipitation Forecast, 1 - 2 Day





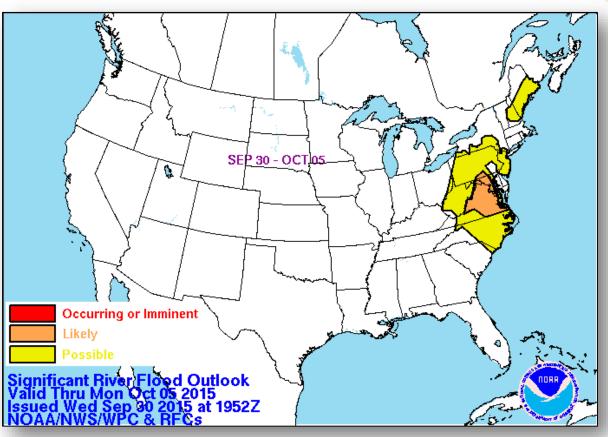
### Flash Flood Potential, 1 - 3 Day





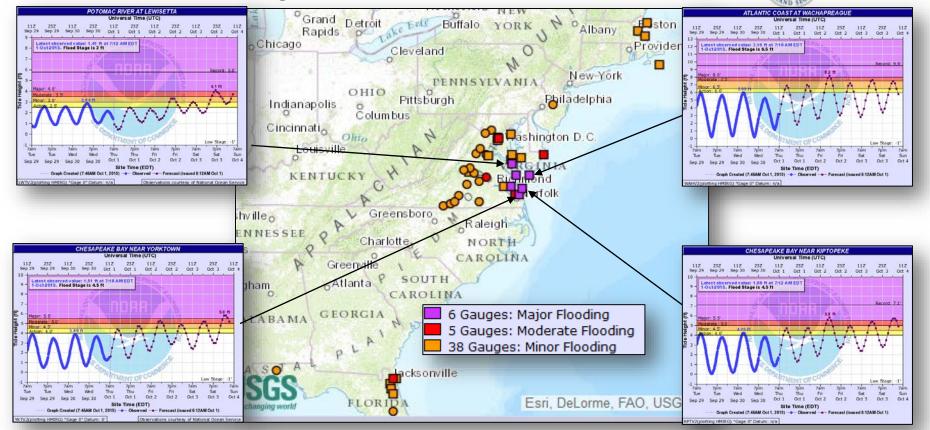
### Significant River Flood Outlook





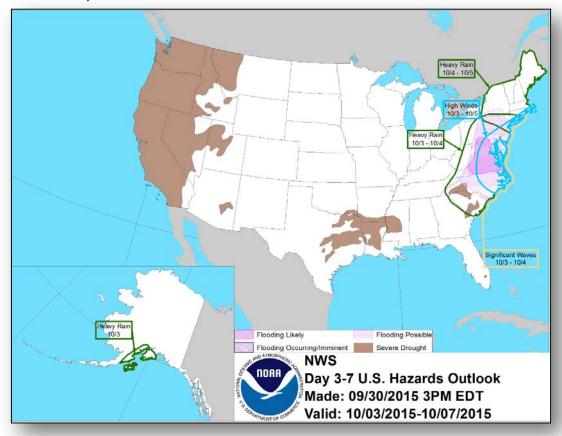
### River/Tidal Gauge Forecasts





### Hazard Outlook, October 3-7

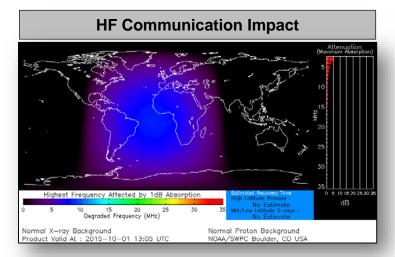


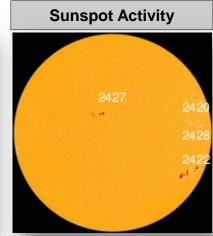


### Space Weather



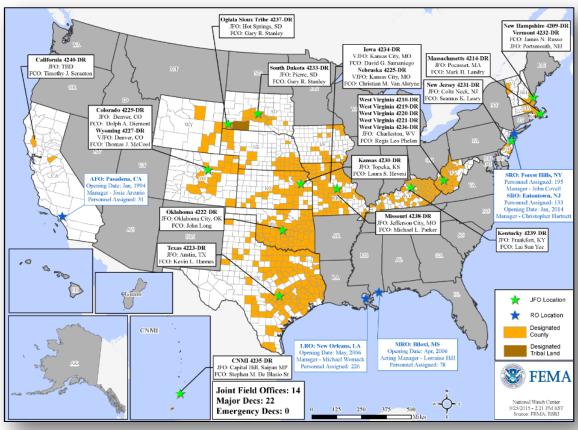
	Past 24 Hours	Current	Next 24 Hours
Space Weather Activity:	Minor	None	Minor
Geomagnetic Storms	None	None	G1
Solar Radiation Storms	None	None	None
Radio Blackouts	R1	None	R1





### Open Field Offices as of October 1





#### FEMA Readiness – Deployable Teams /Assets



Deployable Teams/Assets																	
Resource	Status	Total	FMC Available										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           Type 2         4+         3         2								
FDRC		9	5	56%	0	0	4		Type 3 4 3 2  FDRC 3 2 1								
US&R		28	24	86%	2	2	0	NY-TF1 (Yellow) – Sep 10-30 for Papal Visit & UNGA Support PA-TF1 (Yellow) - Sep 29-Oct 5 for Cache Reconstitution NM-TF1 (Red) – Personnel shortages MD-TF1 (Red) – Sep 29 – Oct 3 for GA Exercise	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	7	54%	1	0	5	Deployed: RVI (Team 2) Deployed to TX RVII Deployed to MO RVIII (Team 1) Deployed to CO RIX (Team 1) Deployed to Guam/CNMI; Team 2: Deployed to CA RX returned from WA – (Yellow) Partially Mission Capable	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	39	66%	0	10	10	10 MCOVs deployed to CA	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 Available				Partially Available	Not Available	Status	Comments	Rating Criterion
NWC		5	5	100%	0	0	Not Activated	Enhanced Watch (24/7) for Hurricane Joaquin	• Green = FMC		
NRCC		2	344	89%	0	44	Not Activated	NRCS on Advisory	• Yellow = PMC • Red = NMC		
HLT		1	N/A	N/A	0	0	Activated				
DEST							Not Activated				
RRCCs		10	9	90%	0	0	Not Activated				
RWCs/MOCs		10	10	100%	0	0	Activated	Region IX - Enhanced Watch (24/7) supporting CA Wildfires			



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