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# **FEMA**

# **Daily Operations Briefing**

Thursday, October 26, 2017

8:30 a.m. EDT

# Significant Activity – Oct 25-26



#### Significant Events:

Response and recovery – Tropical Cyclones Harvey, Irma and Maria

#### **Tropical Activity:**

- Atlantic Invest 93L: Medium (40%)
- Eastern Pacific Disturbance 1: Medium (60%)
- Central Pacific No tropical cyclones expected next 48 hours
- Western Pacific No activity affecting U.S. interests

#### Significant Weather:

- Critical and elevated fire weather AZ, NM & TX
- Flash flooding possible Northeast
- Space Weather Past 24 hours: minor geomagnetic storms reaching G1 level occurred; next 24 hours: moderategeomagnetic storms reaching G2 level likely

Earthquake Activity: No significant activity

**Declaration Activity:** None

### Severe Weather – North Carolina - FINAL



#### Situation

- On October 23, 2017, severe weather impacted SC, NC, VA, and WV
- Preliminary reports of 12 tornado touchdowns and 62 wind reports
- Significant impacts reported in 8 counties in NC

#### North Carolina Impacts

- 1 storm-related fatality; 3 injuries
- Approximately 500 homes and 8 businesses with some degree of damage; 19 homes destroyed or with major damage
- Downed trees and power lines; numerous secondary and private roads blocked by debris and mud; debris removal on-going
- 10.6k customers remain without power statewide\*
- 1 shelter open with 9 occupants (ARC Midnight Shelter Count as of 6:10 am EDT)

#### Response

- NC EOC remains at Normal Operations
- Local state of emergency declared for 6 counties
- Damage assessments estimated to be completed by late Friday, October 27
- FEMA Region IV RWC remains at Steady State
- No requests for FEMA assistance

SPC Filtered Storm Reports for 10/23/17 High Wind Report (65KT+) ▲ Large Hail Report (2" dia. +) illeknowN

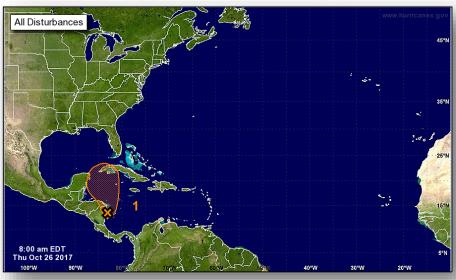
(\*As of 7:15 am EDT. Customer outage data is provided by the Department of Energy's EAGLE-I system. Comprehensive National coverage of all electrical service providers is not available.)

### Tropical Outlook – Atlantic

#### Disturbance 1 (Invest 93L) (as of 8:00 a.m. EDT)

- Located over western Caribbean Sea and Central America
- Moving slowly N
- Close proximity to land likely to limit development; however, conditions expected to be conducive for development on Friday and Saturday
- Formation chance through 48 hours: Low (30%)
- Formation chance through 5 days: Medium (40%)





### Tropical Outlook – Eastern Pacific



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

- Located just west of coasts of Costa Rica and Nicaragua
- Moving WNW to NW
- Conditions forecast to be generally conducive for development; tropical depression could form next couple of days
- Formation chance through 48 hours: Medium (40%)
- Formation chance through 5 days: Medium (60%)



## Tropical Outlook – Central Pacific







Next 48 hours

Next 5 days

# PR/USVI Update



#### **Puerto Rico**

- Shelters: 83 (-4) shelters open with 3,771 (-126) occupants
- Disaster Assistance Registrations: 927k (+26k)

#### Power Outages / Restoration

- 25% (+0.6) of customers with power restored
- PREPA estimating 95% to be restored by December 15

#### Communications:

- 35% (+1.1) of cell towers are operational
- 35 of 78 municipalities are partially energized or have energized facilities
- 87% of population lives in area where wireless coverage is available

#### Health & Medical

• 65 of 67 hospitals open; 47 (+3) on power grid, 19 (-3) on generator power, 1 open without power

#### Water Restoration

- 74.4% (+0.7) of PRASA customers have potable water; PRASA covers 96% of PR
- 12 (+2) of 51 PRASA waste water treatment plants out of service; 37 (+12) of 113 (-2) PRASA drinking water treatment plants are out of service; 12 of 51 PRASA waste water treatment plants are out of service
- · Boil water advisory remains in effect island-wide

#### Guajataca Dam

 Dam level is 7 feet below spillway; additional reduction of 7 feet is needed before evacuation orders can be lifted; leveling to 14 feet below spillway is expected by November 1

#### **U.S. Virgin Islands**

- Shelters: 5 shelters open with 228 (-3) occupants
- Disaster Assistance Registrations: 16.9k (+1.3k)

#### Power Outages / Restoration

- Customers receiving power from grid: St. Thomas: 30.2% St. Croix: 2.9%; St. John: no grid power, expected to begin restoration later this week
- WAPA estimates 90% to be restored by late December

#### Communications:

- 48% of cell sites are operational
- 88% of population lives in area where wireless coverage is available

#### Health & Medical

- St. Thomas: Schneider Medical Center sustained damage; established mobile medical facility
- St. Croix: Governor Juan Luis Hospital partially open despite damage;
   Charles Harwood Facility closed

#### Water Restoration

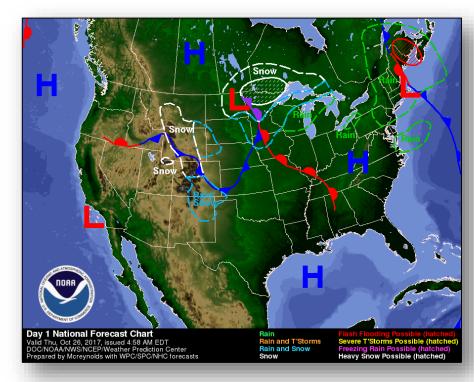
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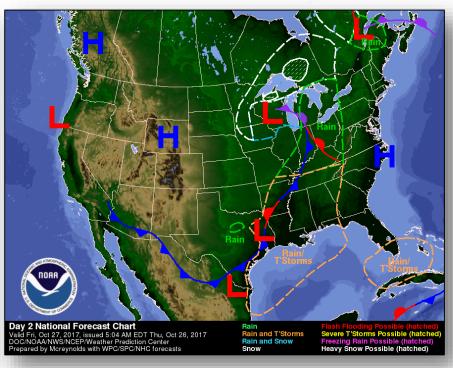
#### FEMA Response

- NRCC: Modified Level III (day shift, 8:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m. EDT)
- National IMAT East-1 & Region III IMAT deployed to PR
- FEMA Region II & X IMATs deployed to USVI
- MERS teams deployed to USVI & PR

### National Weather Forecast



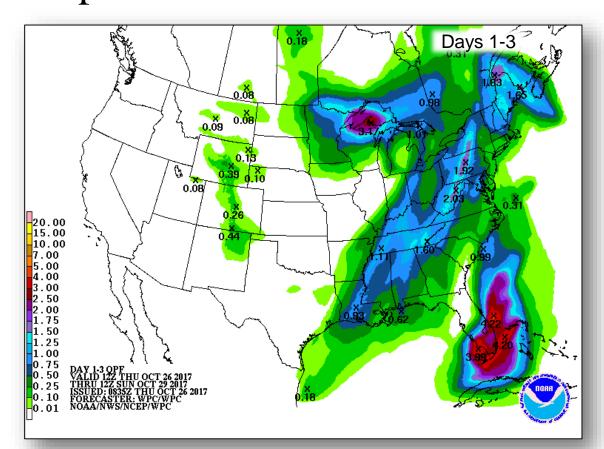


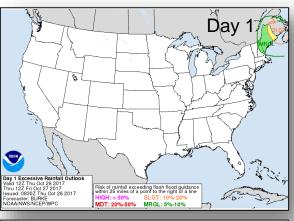


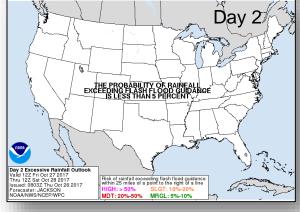
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# Precipitation Forecast – Excessive Rainfall



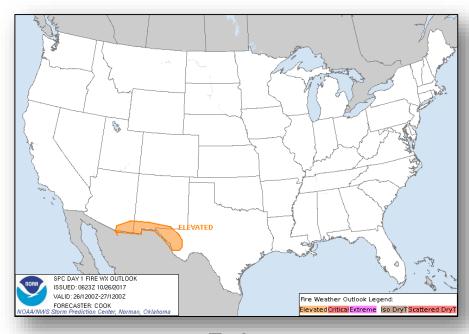


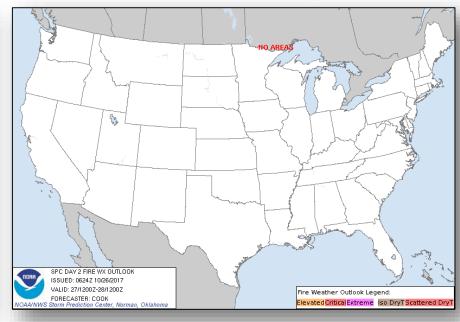




### Fire Weather Outlook



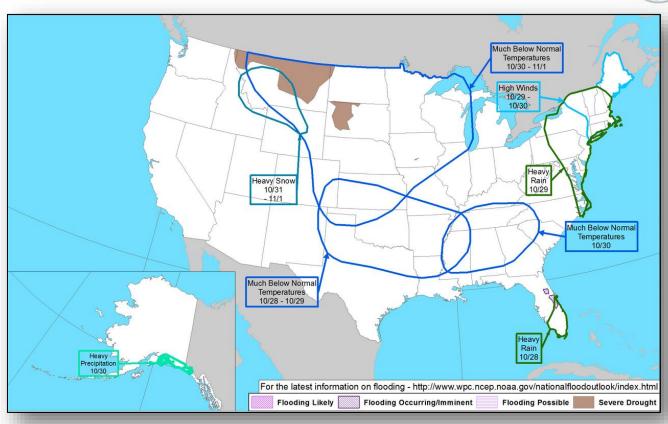




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### Hazards Outlook – Oct 28 – Nov 1



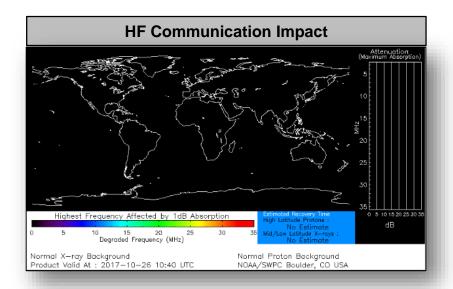


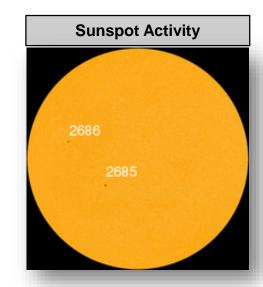
# Space Weather



	Space Weather Activity	Geomagnetic Storms	Solar Radiation	Radio Blackouts	
Past 24 Hours	Minor	G1	None	None	
Next 24 Hours	Moderate	G2	None	None	

For further information on NOAA Space Weather Scales refer to <a href="http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/noaa-scales-explanation">http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/noaa-scales-explanation</a>





# Disaster Requests & Declarations



Declaration Requests in Process	Requests APPROVED (since last report)	Requests DENIED (since last report)				
5	IA	РА	НМ	Date Requested	0	0
NY – DR (Expedited) Flooding	Х	Х	Х	July 6, 2017		
ND – DR Severe Storm			Х	August 24, 2017		
KS – DR Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, and Flooding			Χ	August 31, 2017		
IL – DR Severe Storms and Flooding			Х	August 31, 2017		
NY – DR Severe Storms, Tornadoes, and Flooding			Х	August 31, 2017		

# Readiness – Deployable Teams and Assets



Resource	Force Strength	Available	Deployed Other	Cadres Less than 25 (6/61), FLDR 21% (34/					
Total Workfo	r <b>ce</b> 11,298 🛕	2,154 🛕 19%	7,392 ▼ 1,752	6% (73/1,161), NDRS	18% (32/182), O	PS 22% (58/257)	, PL 20% (84/440	), SAF 11% (7/60)	), SEC 4% (4/97)
National	East 1:	Deployed	4342-DR-ID VJFO: Bothe FCO: Sharo		4319-DR-KS 4321-DR-NE 4325-DR-NE	4317-DR-MO JFO: Jefferson City, MO FCO: C. Johnson-Cage	4343-DR-WI VJFO: Chicago, IL FCO: Janet M. Odeshoo	4330-DR-VT 4316-DR-NH 4329-DR-NH	Field Offices *
IMATs*	East 2:	Demobilizing	100. 3.00	VJFO: Denver, CO FCO: Jon Huss	4334-DR-IA VJFO: Kansas City, MO	r co. c. somison cage	Teo. Janet IVI. Gaesnoo	VJFO: Maynard, MA FCO: James N. Russo	DRs: 30 EMs: 5
(0 Teams)	West:	Deployed		No	FCO: Michael R. Scott			1 -1	Deployed Teams
Deviewel	Assigned:	13		S. WA					(Location)  4331-DR-WV
Regional	Available:	2		1	MT CT	Jan Jan			JFO: Charleston, WV FCO: Steven S. Ward
IMATs (0-3 Teams)	PMC / NMC:	0		OR DE	北京記		7	To be a second	D.C. – NRCC
(0-3 Teams)	Deployed:	11	4344-DR-CA*		20		12 5	· ·	MERS: Bothell
	Assigned:	28	FCO: William Roche 4302-DR-HVT		X y		1		4346-DR-SC 3389-EM-AL
US&R	Available:	27	Closing October 27 4301-DR-CA	av /	The state of the s	5	IN OH		JFO: TBD
(>66%)	PMC / NMC:	1	4305-DR-CA 4308-DR-CA 4312-DR-RRT		**		John James	77	FCO: Warren J. Riley
	Deployed:	0	JFO: Sacramento, CA FCO: Timothy J. Scranton	E The			form Kill		JFO: Robins AFB, GA FCO: Thomas J. McCool
	Assigned:	36	R-IX IMAT-2 (JFO)	AZ		OK 2	111	1	R-IV IMAT-2
MERS	Available:	19	*R-IX IMAT-1 (CA EOC) *MERS: Bothell, Denver	1	SIM THE	**			3395-EM-FL
(33-65%)	NMC:	0					11.		JFO: Orlando, FL
	Deployed:	17					the state of		4341-DR-STOF JFO: Hollywood, FL FCO: Willie G. Nunn
	Assigned:	38				The state of			R-I IMAT (Branch IV)
<b>FCO</b> (≤1 Type I)	Available:	2				3393-6	EM.MS		R-IV IMAT-1 (Orlando, Miami) R-IV LNO (STOF EOC)
	PMC / NMC:	2				JFO: TI		)	MERS: Denver, Thomasville
	Deployed:	34		4332-DR-TX JFO: Austin,		DR-LA			
	Assigned:	14		FCO: Kevin L.  N-IMAT W (A	Austin) JFO: E	Baton Rouge, LA 433:	6-DR-PR 9-DR-PR	PR	4335-DR-USVI 4340-DR-USVI
FDRC	Available:	1		R-VI IMAT-1 R-VI IMAT-2	(Austin) LA Re	covery Office FCO	: San Juan, PR I: Michael F. Byrne	USVI	JFO: TBD FCO: William L. Vogel
(1)	PMC / NMC:	1		R-VIII IMAT ( MERS: Dento		ger: M. Womack	MAT E1, R-III IMAT LNO (EOC)		R-X IMAT (St. Thomas) R-II IMAT/LNO (St. Croix)
	Deployed:	12	As of 3:00 a.m. EDT October 26, 2017				RS: Bothell, Denton, derick, Maynard, Denver		MERS: Bothell, Maynard, Denton, Denver

<sup>\*</sup>B-2 Status: Assemble ≤ 2 hours, On Site ≤ 18 hours; B-48 Status: Assemble and deploy ≤ 48 hours; Charlie Status: No team assemble time requirement

### FEMA Readiness – Activation Teams



Resource	Status	Total	Status	Activated Team	Activation Level	Activation Times	Reason/Comments
NWC		5	Steady State				
NRCC		2	Activated	Gold	Modified Level III	8:00 a.m 6:00 p.m. EDT	Tropical Activity – Atlantic
HLT		1	Activated				Hurricane Season
RWCs/MOCs		10	Steady State				
RRCCs		10	Not Activated				

Back-up Region: V & VII



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