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Daily Operations Briefing

Sunday, December 27, 2015

8:30 a.m. EST

Significant Activity: Dec 26-27



Significant Events: Severe Weather

Significant Weather:

- Enhanced risk of severe thunderstorms – eastern TX, extreme southwestern AR and northwestern LA
- Slight risk of severe thunderstorms – Southern Plains and Lower Mississippi Valley
- Flash flooding possible – Central/Southern Plains and Middle/Lower Mississippi to Ohio Valleys
- Freezing rain possible – Parts of Central/Southern Plains, the Upper/Middle Mississippi Valleys and Northeast
- Heavy snow possible – Portions of Pacific Northwest, Northern Intermountain, Southern Rockies, Central/Southern Plains
- Red Flag Warnings: None; Elevated Fire Weather conditions: Southern California
- Space Weather: No space weather storms occurred past 24 hours; minor/R1 radio blackouts are likely next 24 hours

Declaration Activity: None

Severe Weather & Flooding



Situation:

A strong storm system continues to impact the central U.S. producing several hazards. Severe thunderstorms with potential of tornadoes, heavy rain, flash flooding/flooding, and blizzard conditions are being experienced across the Southern Plains & Mississippi Valleys

- Six tornado reports (5 in TX, 1 in OK) received (SPC as of 5:50 am EST)
- Heavy rain continues w/additional 3 – 6 inches of rain forecast for the ArkLaTex area
- Eastern OK may receive >7 inches of rain

Impacts

Texas:

- Six unconfirmed storm related fatalities reported
- Damages >100 residential structures & 2 houses of worship in Dallas County
- Damages >30 homes reported in Ellis County
- *No significant power outages reported; 14k in TX and 5k in OK (as of 6:00 a.m. EST)
- River flooding is occurring along the Red, Trinity, Sabine & Neches Rivers

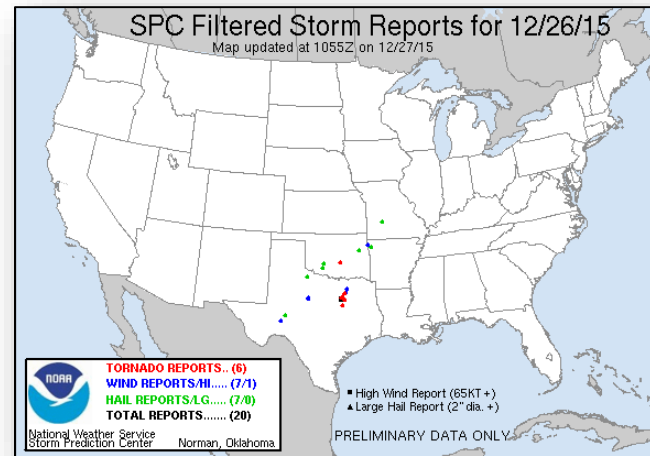
State Response:

Texas:

- 3 shelters open – no occupants
- TX SEOC activated to Level III (Partial Activation)
- State activated TX TF-1 (Type 1: 70-members); deployed to Rowlett, TX
- Dallas Fire & Rescue US&R resources already working in Rowlett, TX
- Arlington Fire Department US&R resources working in Garland, TX area

Oklahoma:

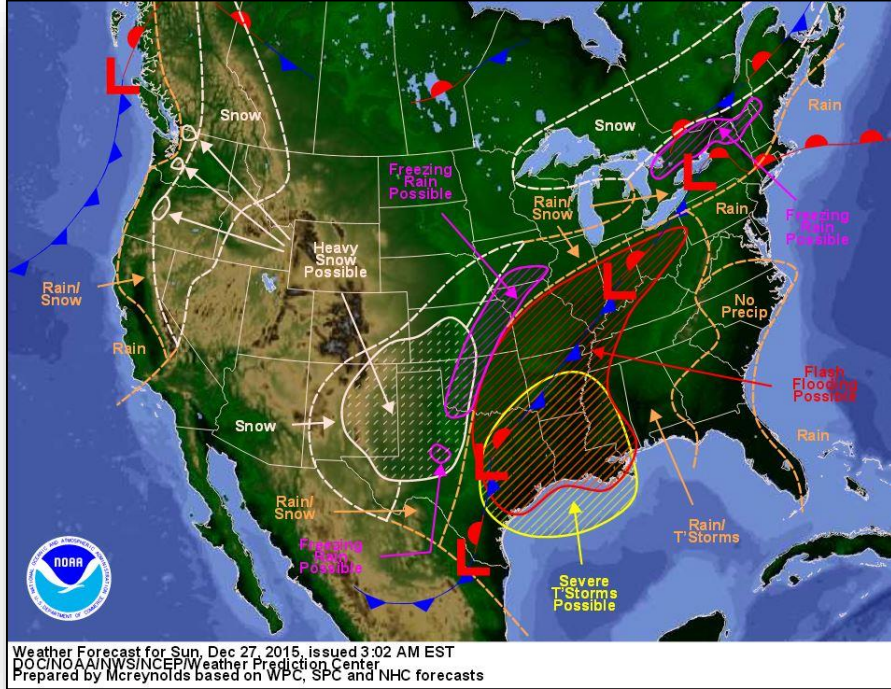
- OK SEOC will activate to Level II at 9:00 a.m. EST



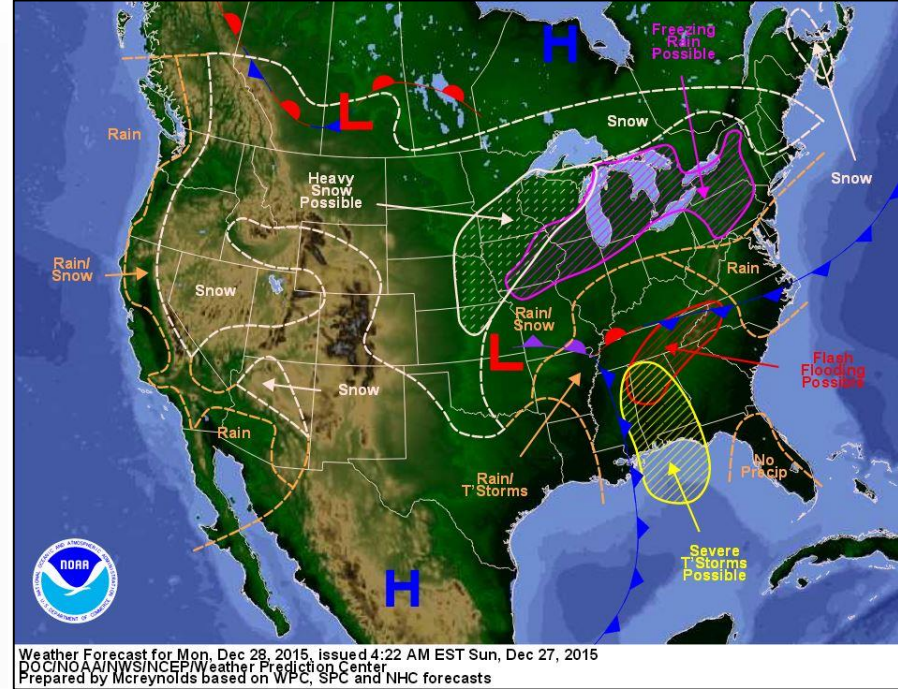
Federal Response:

- FEMA Regions III, IV & VII remain at Watch/Steady State
- Region VI RRCC activated to Level III
- Currently no requests for FEMA assistance/unmet needs

National Weather Forecast



Today

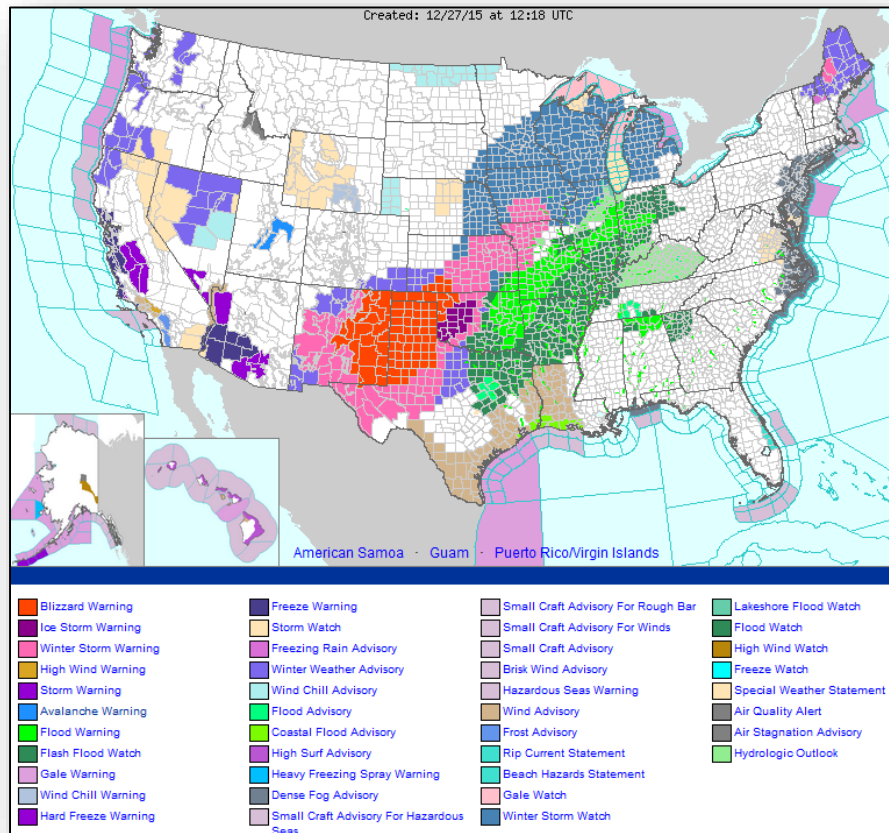


Tomorrow

Active Watches/Warnings



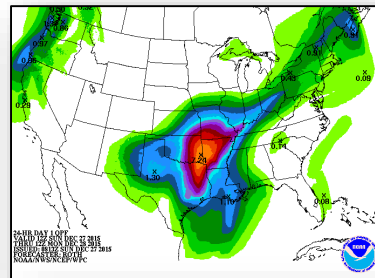
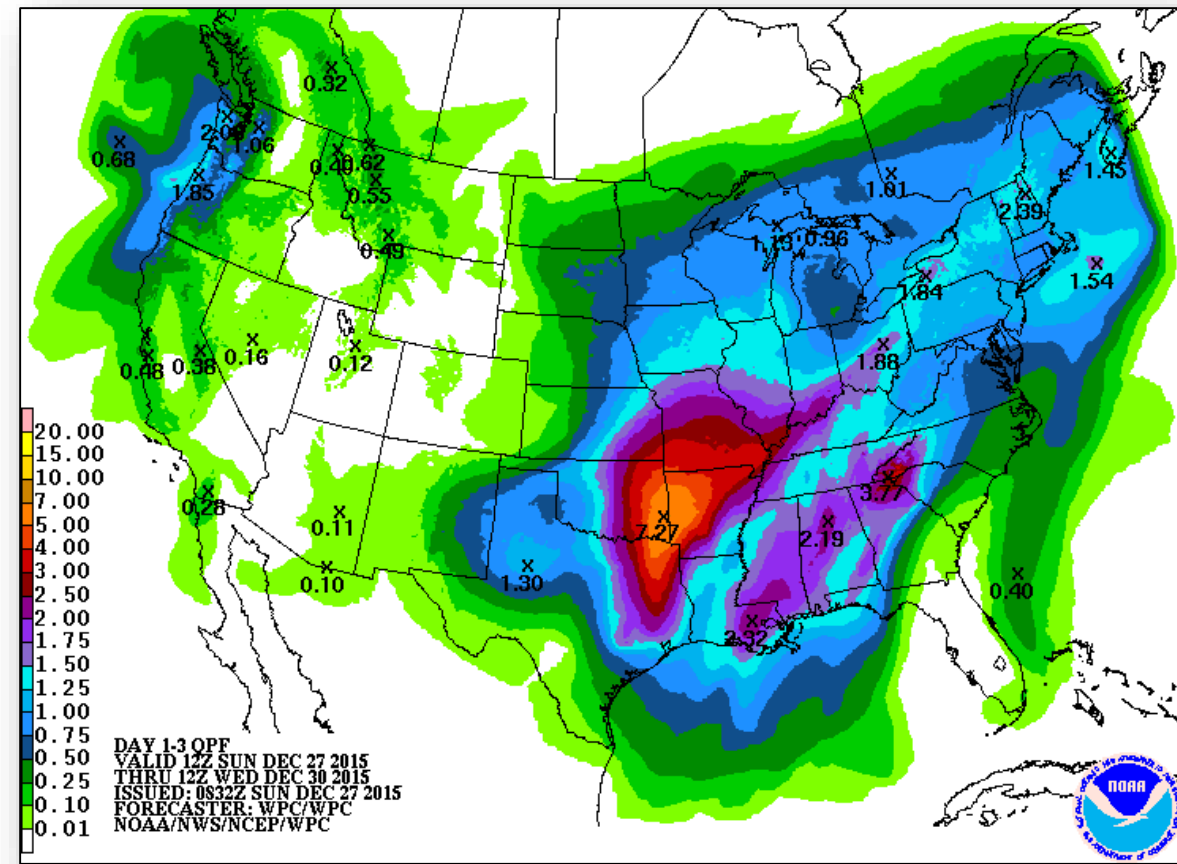
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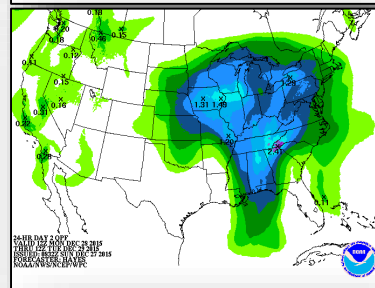
Precipitation Forecast, 1-3 Day



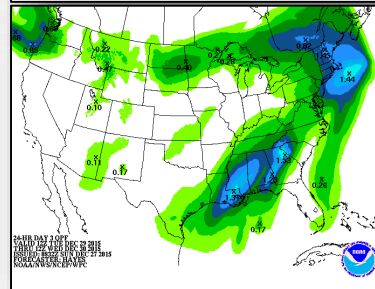
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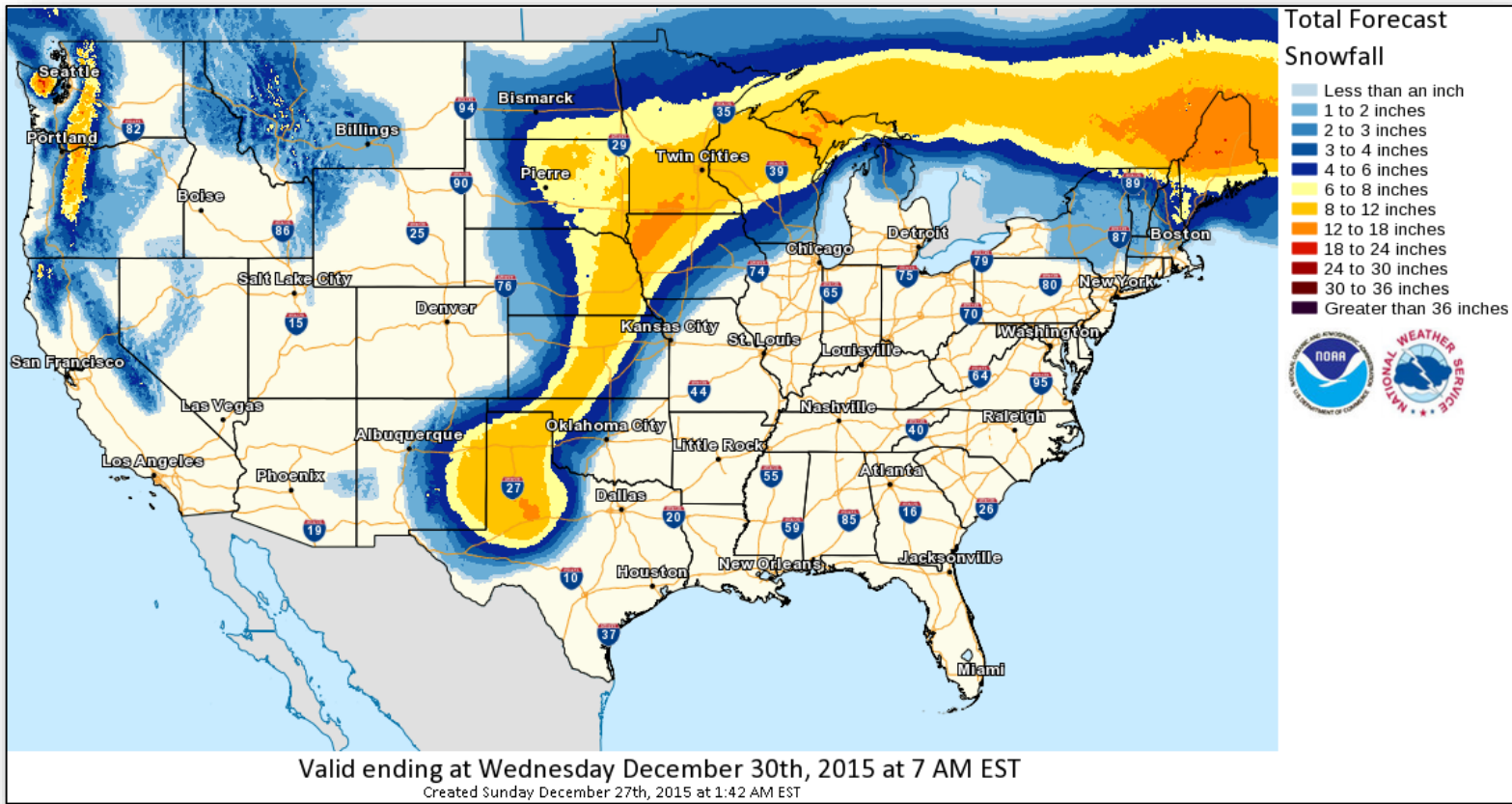


Day 2

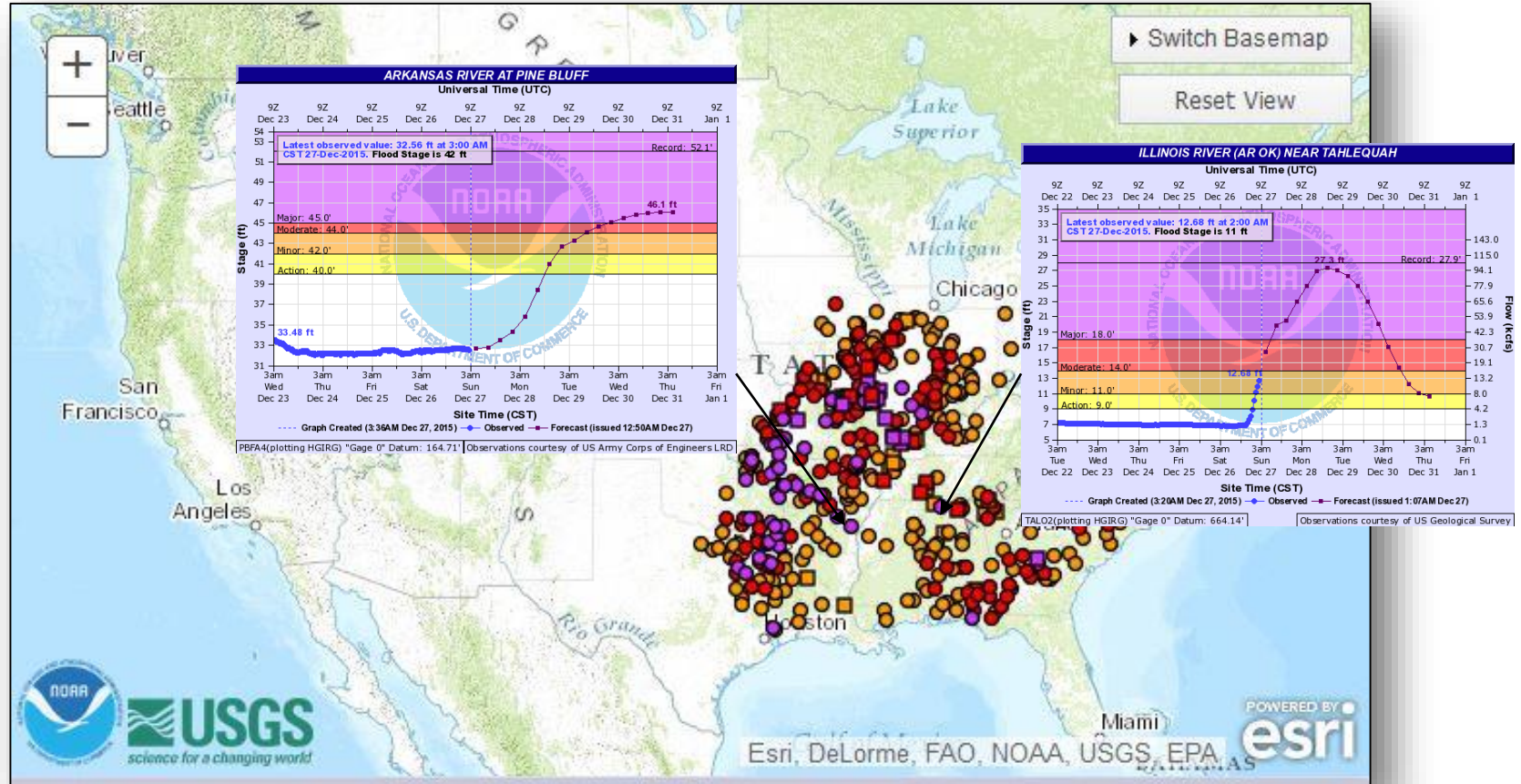


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Snowfall Forecast



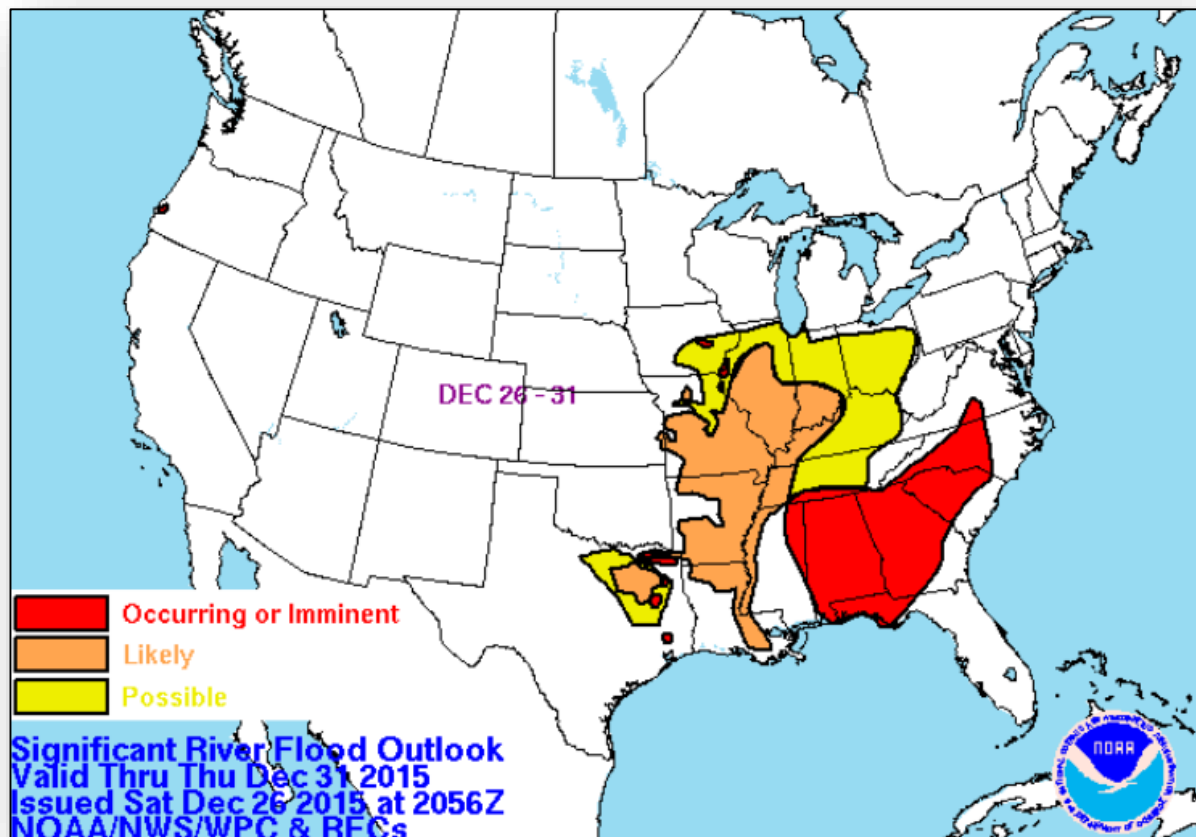
Rivers in Major Flood Stage



Significant River Flood Outlook

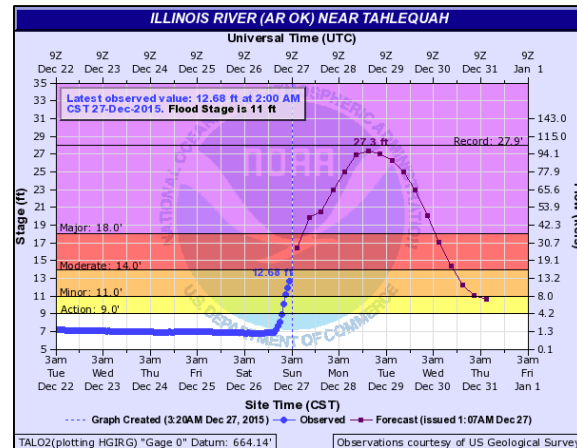
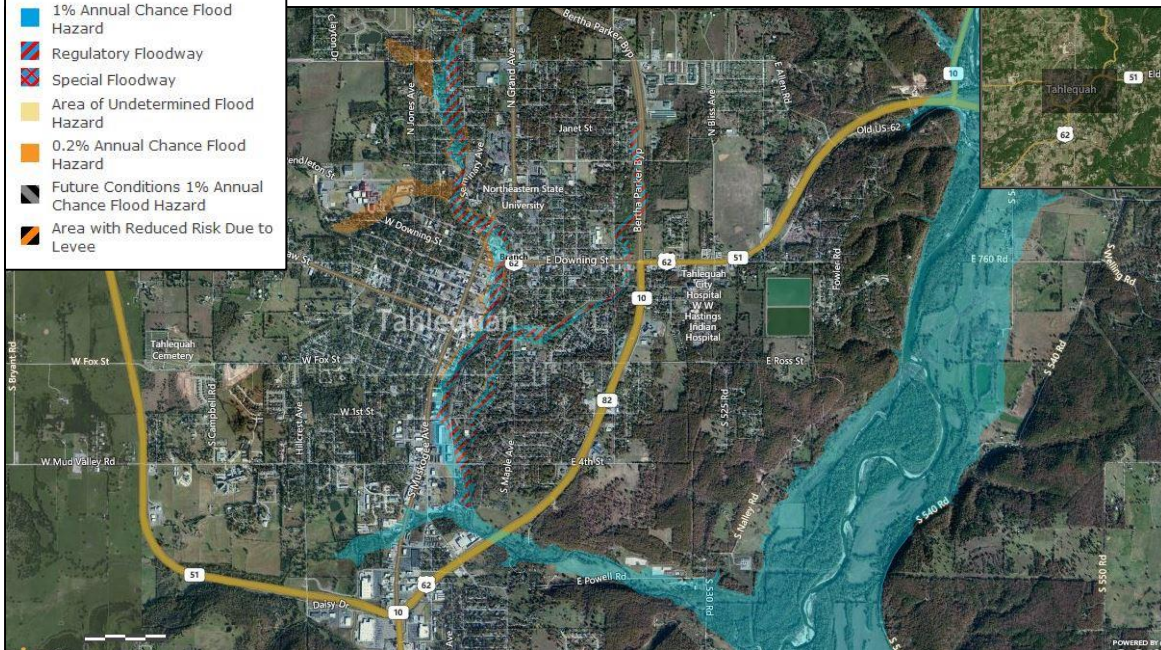


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Rivers in Major Flood Stage

- Flood Hazard Zones**
- 1% Annual Chance Flood Hazard
 - Regulatory Floodway
 - Special Floodway
 - Area of Undetermined Flood Hazard
 - 0.2% Annual Chance Flood Hazard
 - Future Conditions 1% Annual Chance Flood Hazard
 - Area with Reduced Risk Due to Levee

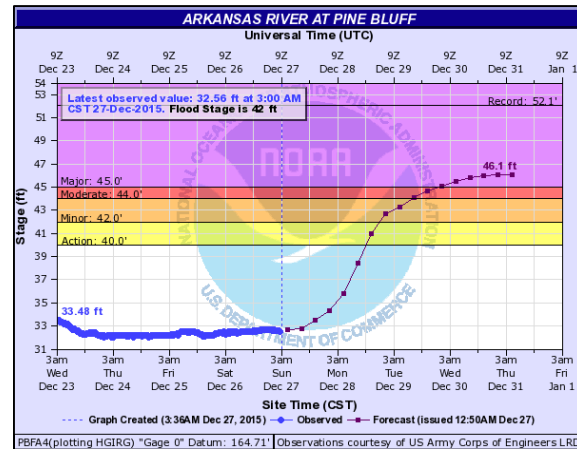
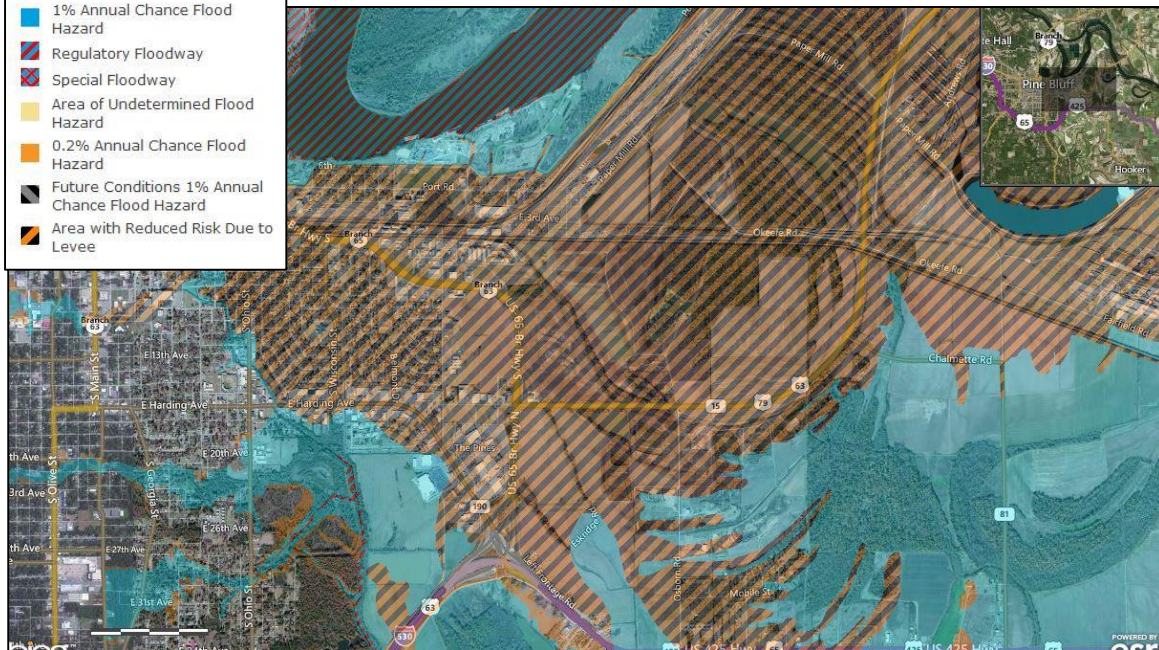
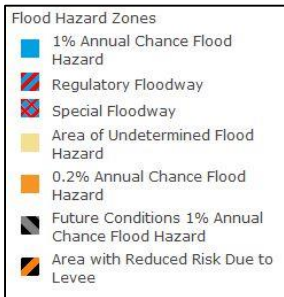


Tahlequah, OK, OR
Latest Observed Value: 8.01'

Impacts at 25 feet:

- State Highway 10 Closed NE interstate 51.
- Cabin parks severely flooded and isolated for a long time

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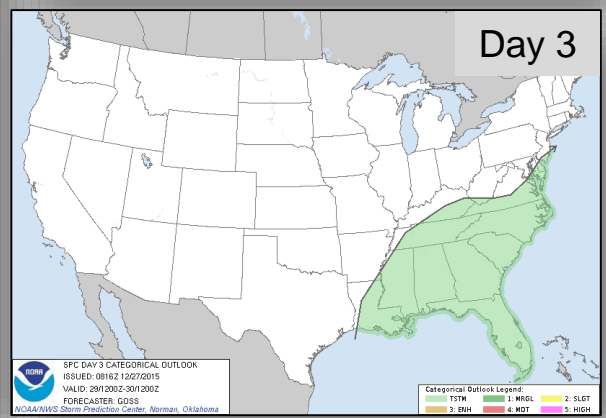
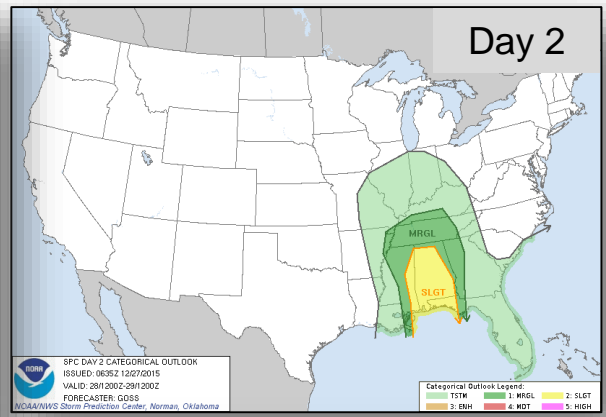
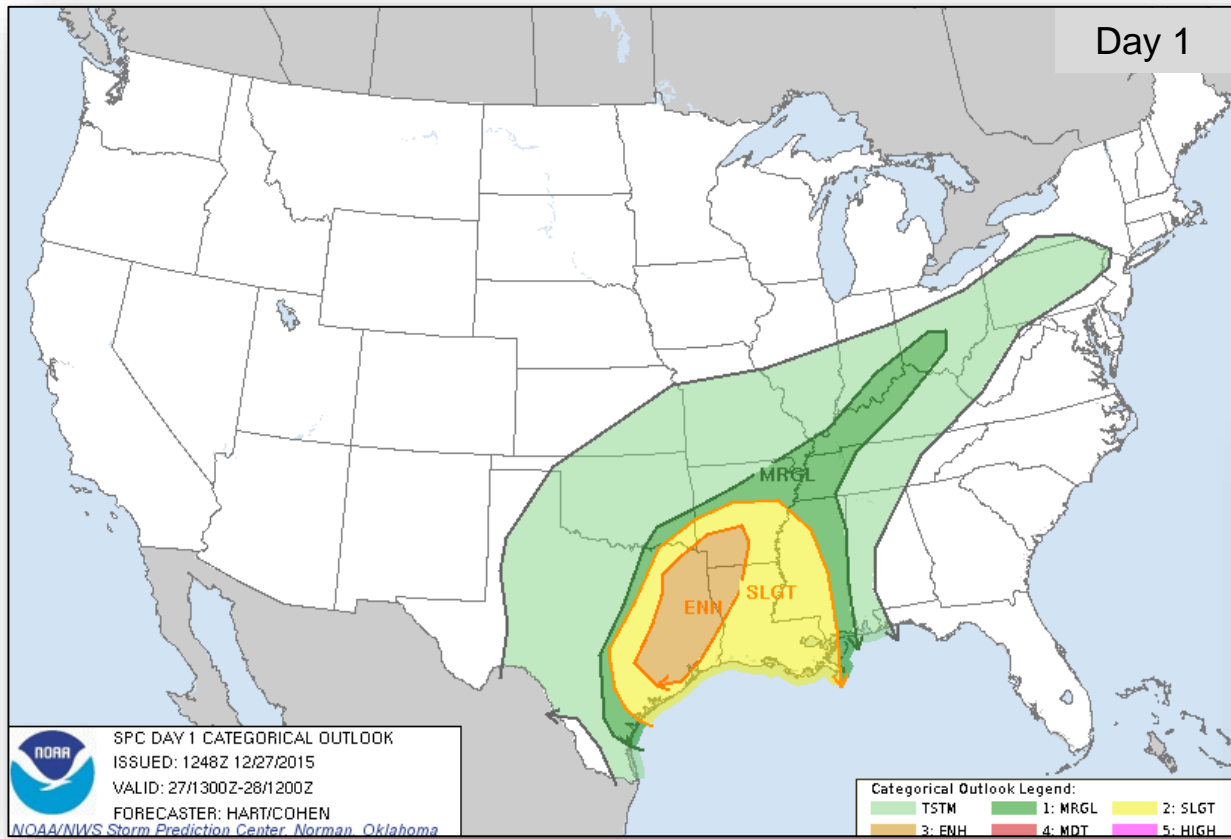
Pine Bluff, AR

Latest Observed Value: 32.59'

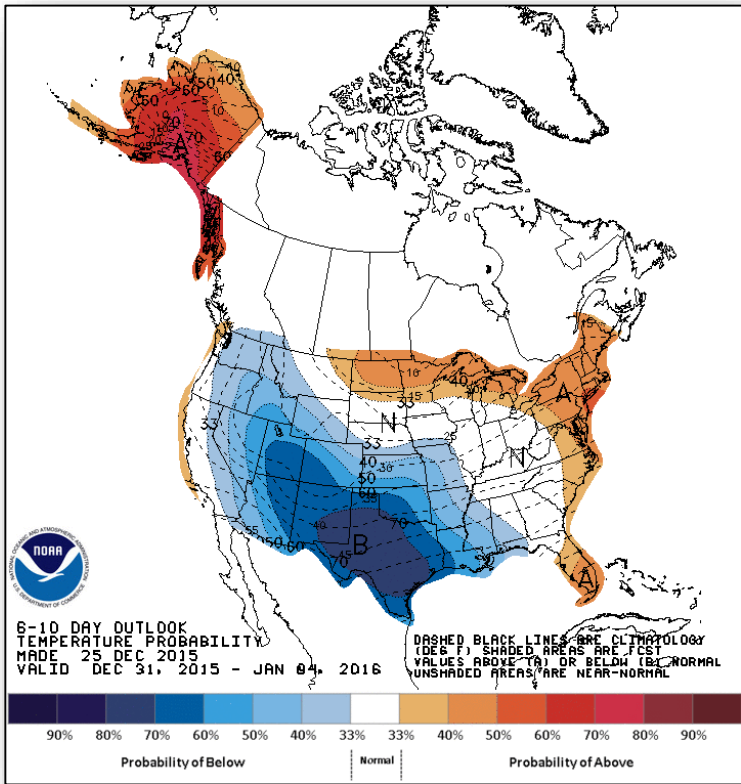
Impacts at 46 feet:

- Flooding of crops, golf course and residences
- Bridge on Highway 79 affected

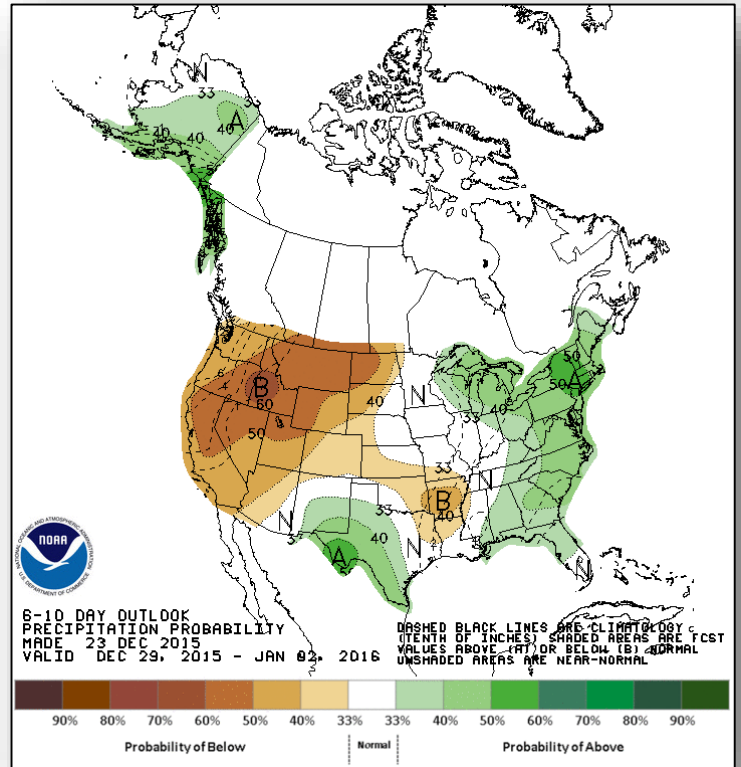
Severe Weather Outlook, Days 1-3



6-10 Day Outlooks

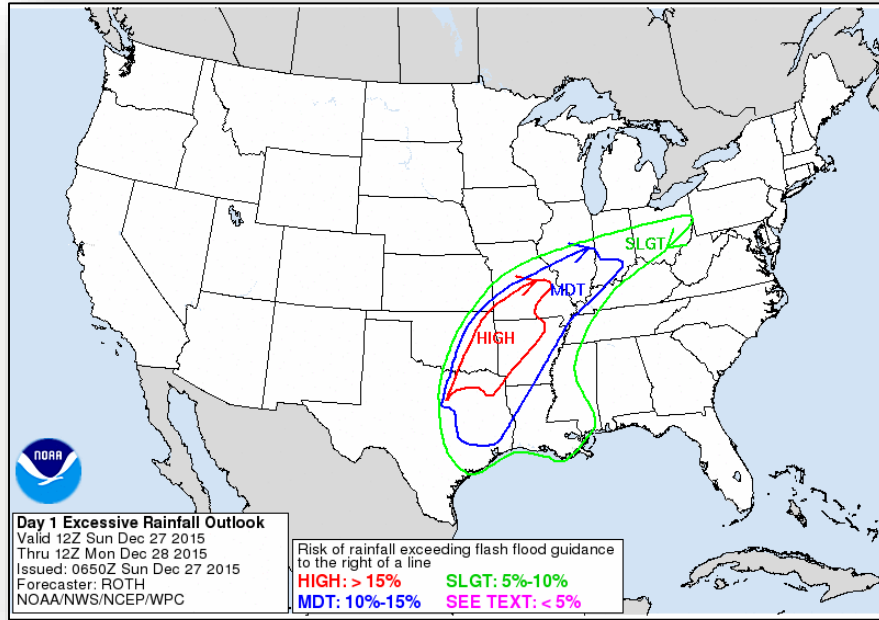


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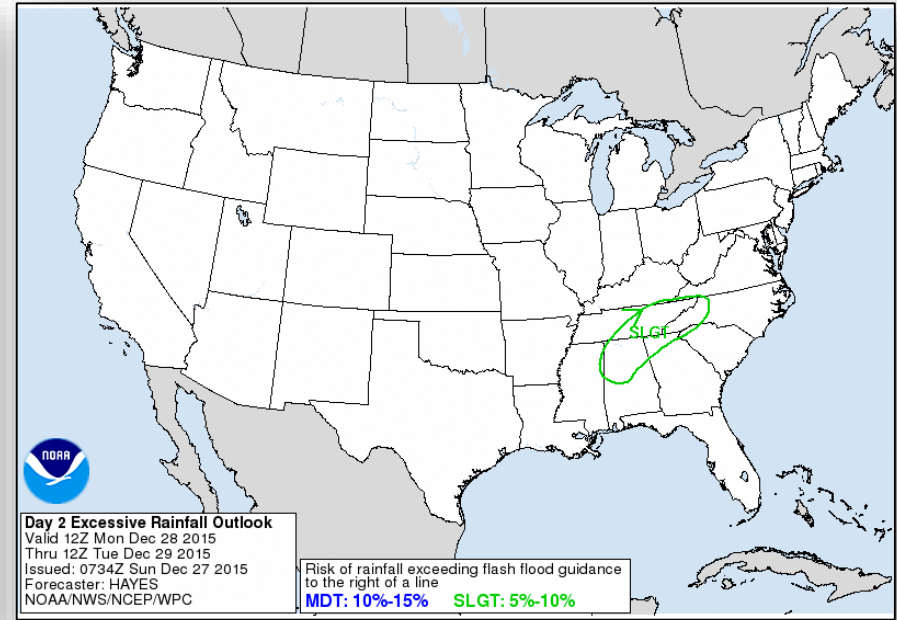


Precipitation Probability

Flash Flood Potential

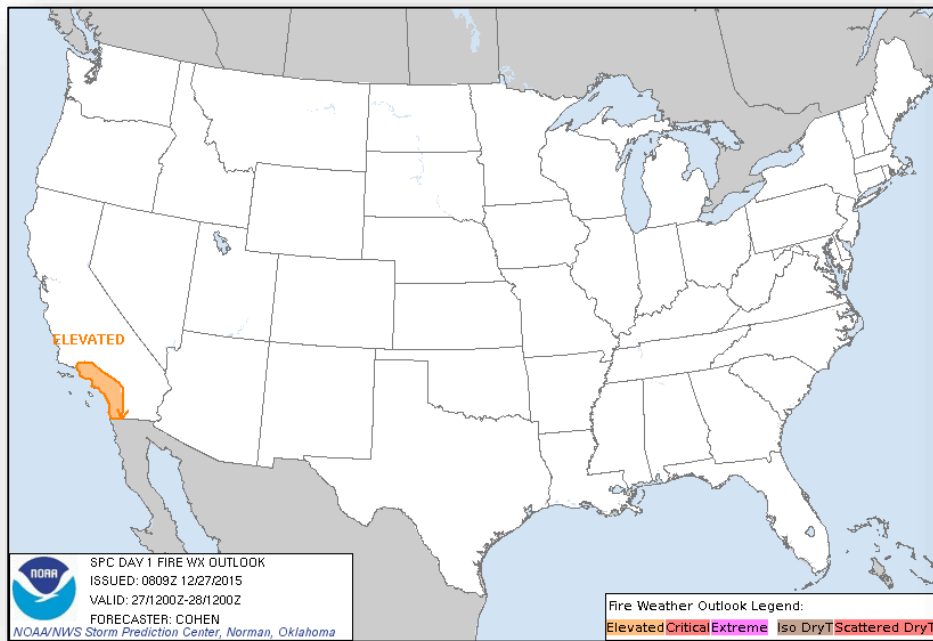


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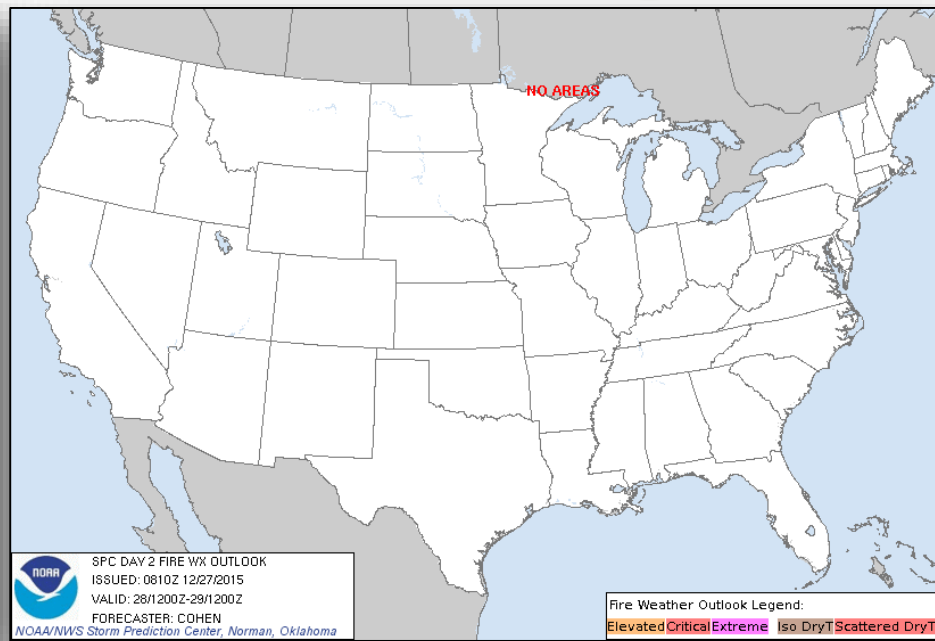


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Fire Weather Outlook, Days 1 – 2



Day 1



Day 2

Solimar Fire – CA (Final)



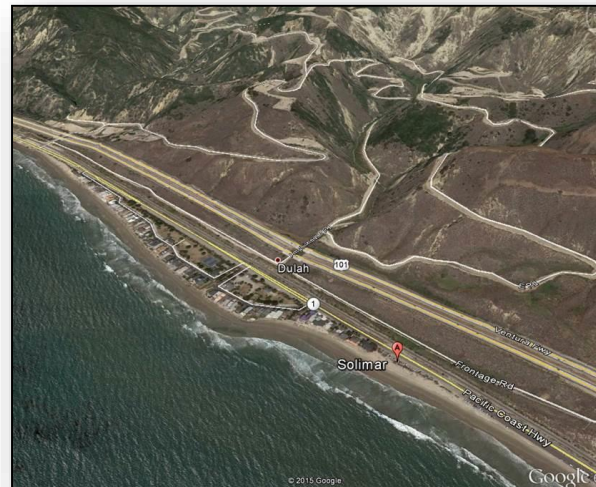
Fire Name	Location	Acres burned	% Contained	Evacuations	FMAG	Structures Lost / Threatened	Fatalities / Injuries
Solimar Fire	Ventura Counties	1250 (+50)	60% (+50)	Lifted	On Hold	100 homes	0 / 0

Situation

- Fire began December 26, 2015 near Solimar Beach (*USNG 115KU8299*)
- Fire is burning on State & Private land
- Pacific Coast Highway
- Amtrak & Union Pacific train service was temporarily halted in Ventura County; restored
- **Mandatory evacuations lifted for residents in Solimar Beach & campgrounds – expected to be lifted this evening**
- One shelter open with unknown occupants

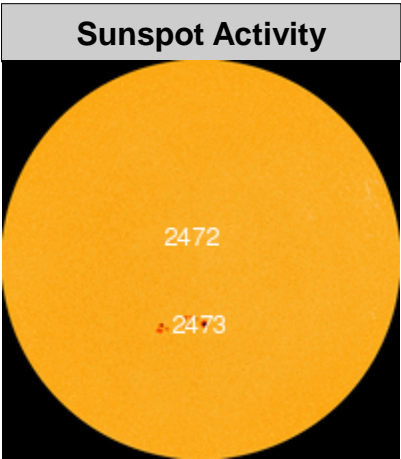
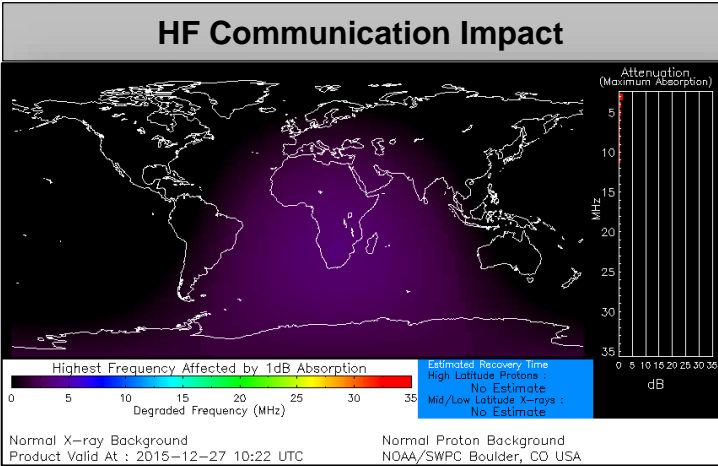
Response

- CA EOC is at partially activated for Drought
- FEMA Region IX at Watch/Steady State



Space Weather

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

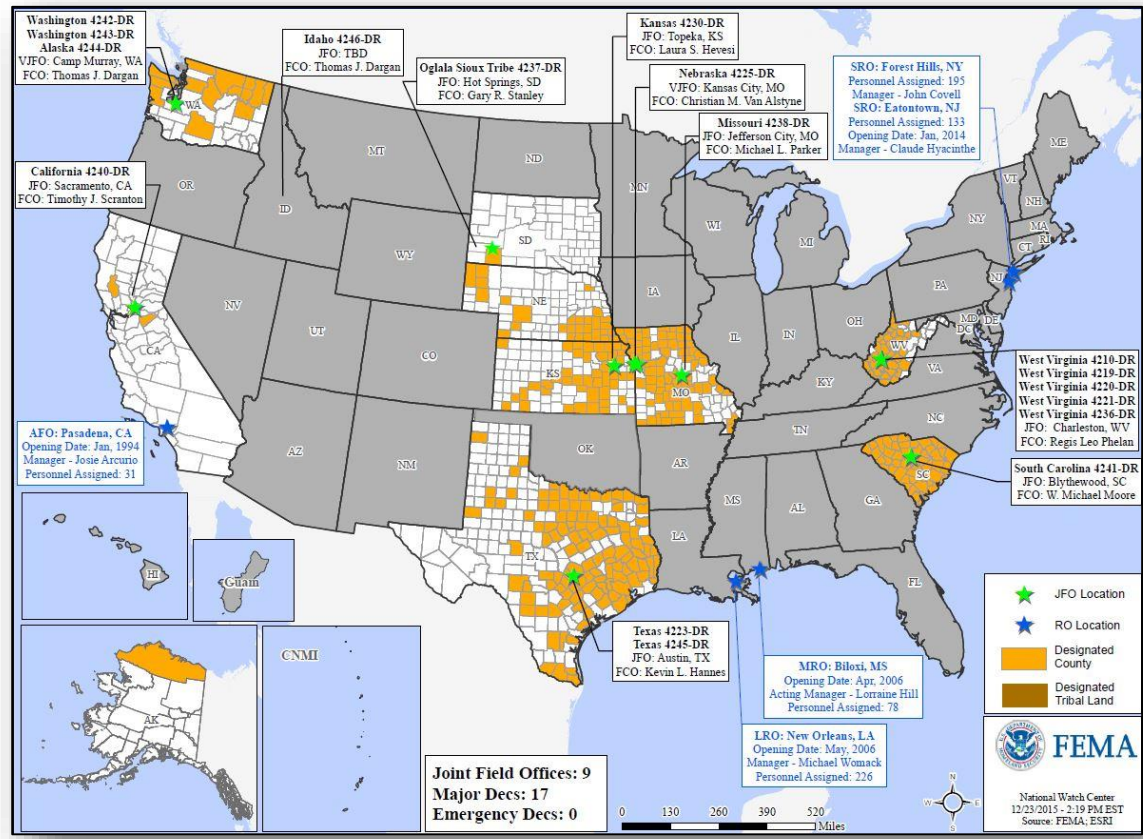


Disaster Requests & Declarations



Declaration Requests in Process		Requests APPROVED (since last report)	Requests DENIED (since last report)
1	Date Requested	0	0
OK – DR Severe Winter Storms and Flooding	December 17, 2015		

Open Field Offices as of December 27



Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

Region	State / Location	Event	IA/PA	Number of Counties		Start – End
				Requested	Complete	
RX	WA	Severe Storms & Flooding November 30 & Continuing	IA	1	0	Jan 2016
			PA	1	0	Jan 2016

FEMA Readiness – Deployable Teams /Assets



Deployable Teams/Assets									
Resource	Status	Total	FMC Available		Partially Available	Not Available	Detailed, Deployed, Activated	Comments	Rating Criterion
FCO		38	18	47%	0	3	17		OFDC Readiness: FCO Green Yellow Red Type 1 3+ 2 1 Type 2 4+ 3 2 Type 3 4 3 2 FDRC 3 2 1
FDRC		8	3	38%	0	0	5		
US&R		28	26	92%	0	1	1	NM-TF1 (Red) - Personnel shortages TX-TF1 (Blue) – Deployed in State	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green = Available/FMC • Yellow = Available/PMC • Red = Out-of-Service • Blue = Assigned/Deployed
National IMAT		3	3	100	0	0	0		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green: 3 avail • Yellow: 1-2 avail • Red: 0 avail (<i>Individual N-IMAT red if 50% of Section Chiefs and/or Team Leader is unavailable for deployment.</i>)
Regional IMAT		13	7	54%	1	1	4	Deployed: RVI (Team 2) Deployed to TX RVII Deployed to MO RIX (Team 2) Deployed to CA RX Deployed to WA PMC: RIX (Team 1) Reconstituting from CNMI NMC: RV (Team 1) Red – Personnel Shortages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green: 7 or more avail • Yellow: 4 - 6 teams available • Red: > 8 teams deployed/unavailable <i>R-IMAT also red if TL Ops/Log Chief is unavailable & has no qualified replacement</i>
MCOV		59	39	66%	0	13	7	3 MCOVs deployed to SC (FEMA-4241-DR) 4 MCOVs deployed to TX (FEMA-4245-DR)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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	Watch/Steady State		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green = FMC • Yellow = PMC • Red = NMC
NRCC		2	344	89%	0	44	Not Activated		
HLT		1	N/A	N/A	0	0	Not Activated		
DEST							Not Activated		
RRCCs		10	10	100%	0	0	Not Activated		
RWCs/MOCs		10	10	100%	0	0	Not Activated	Region V will go to Enhanced Reporting on 12/27 due to icing Region VI will Activate to Level III at 0900 EST For severe weather	



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