

FEMA National Watch Center

Daily Operations Briefing

Wednesday, February 25, 2021

8:30 a.m. ET



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National Current Ops / Monitoring

New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Ops:

- COVID-19
- Winter Storm Response – Southern Plains
- Potential weather impacts on vaccination site operations

Hazard Monitoring:

- Heavy snow possible – Pacific Northwest to Northern Rockies

Disaster Declaration Activity:

- Approved: Major Disaster Declaration – OK

Event Monitoring:

- No significant scheduled activity



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Winter Storms – Southern Plains

Situation: Over **7.5M (-0.1 M)** people across Texas are currently under boil water notices. Personnel and resources are staged to support ongoing state requests for assistance.

Lifeline Impacts:

Food, Water, and Shelter:

Shelters:

- TX: Non-ARC congregate shelters open: 1 with **no (-2)** occupants (*DR-4586-TX Winter Weather SLB 12:00 p.m. ET, Feb 24*); ARC shelters open: 1 with 80 occupants (*ARC Midnight Shelter Count, 7:01 a.m. ET, Feb 24*)
- OK: 3 shelters open with 51 (+1) occupants (*ARC Midnight Shelter Count, 7:09 a.m. ET, Feb 24*)

Water:

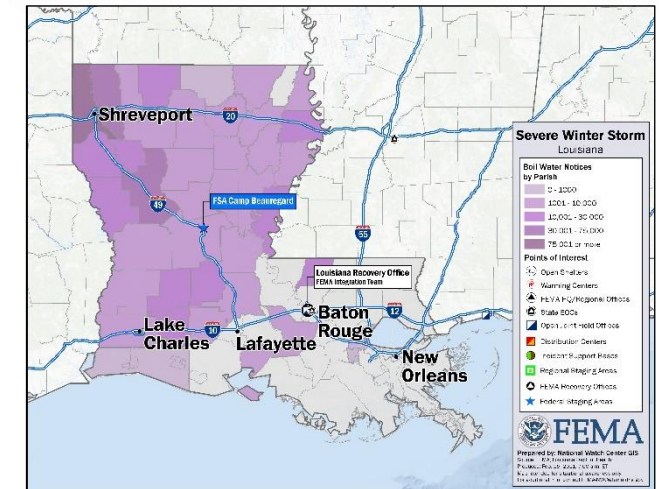
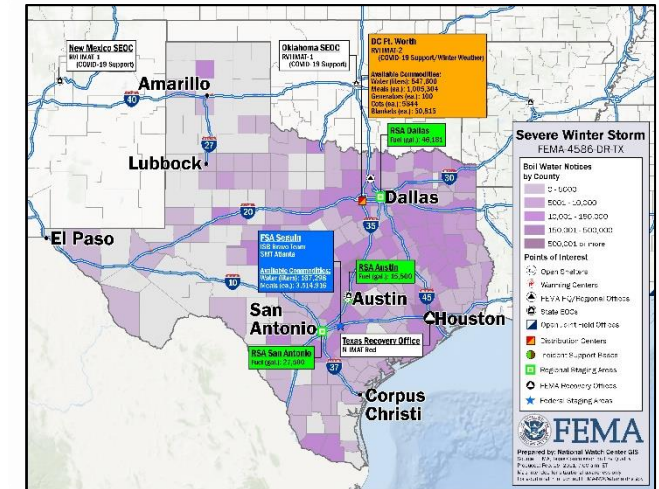
- TX: **1,334 (-1)** Boil Water Advisories affecting 7.5M; **7 (+3)** wastewater systems are non-operational, **4** wastewater treatment plants are non-operational (*DR-4586-TX Winter Weather SLB 12:00 p.m. ET, Feb 24*)

Health and Medical:

- Injuries/Fatalities:
 - TX: 107 injuries and **(23 +14)** confirmed fatalities (*DR-4586-TX Winter Weather SLB 12:00 p.m. ET, Feb 24*)
 - LA: 3 fatalities (confirmed)

State / Local Response:

- LA EOC at Partial Activation (COVID, TC Laura, Zeta, Delta, & winter weather), National Guard activated
- OK EOC at Partial Activation (COVID & winter weather); Governor declared a State of Emergency
- TX EOC at Partial Activation (COVID & winter weather), 24/7; Governor declared a State of Emergency, National Guard activated

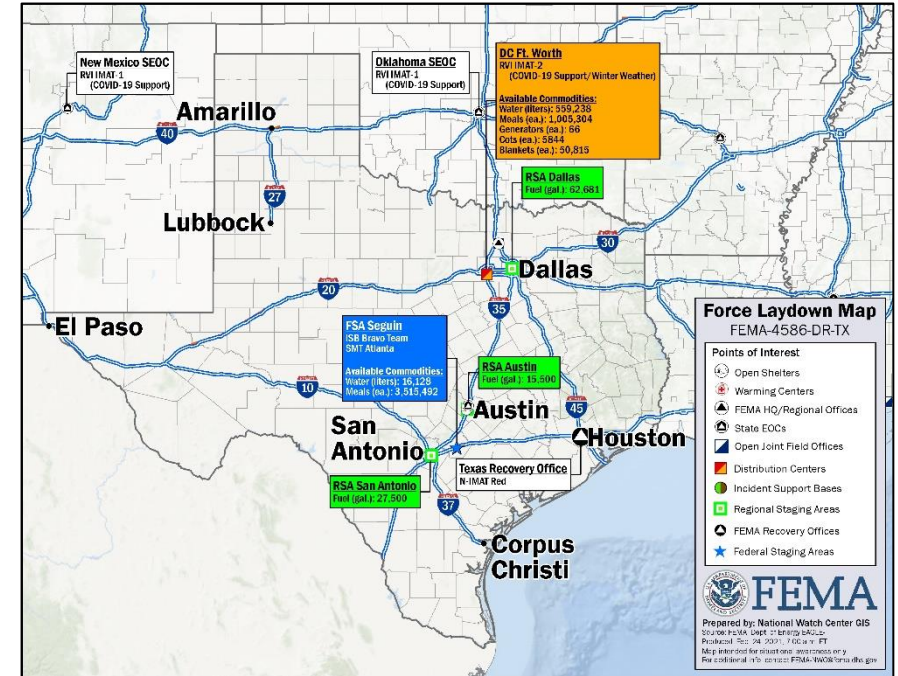


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Winter Storms – Southern Plains

FEMA / Federal Response:

- Major Disaster Declaration FEMA-4587-DR-OK approved Feb 24
- Major Disaster Declaration FEMA-4586-DR-TX approved Feb 19
- Region VI RRCC at Level I, 24/7 (Winter Storms); IMAT-1 deployed to NM & OK (COVID); IMAT-2 deployed to TX (COVID)
- National IMAT-RED deployed to TX
- USACE Type 3 Power Restoration Team and 2 Subject Matter Experts (SME) staged in DFW
- MERS deployed to Austin, TX
- FEMA Logistics
 - Logistics Staging Management Team (SMT) and Logistics Incident Support Base (ISB) Bravo Team Federal Staging Area (FSA) Seguin, TX; ISB Dallas is operational
- HHS declared a Public Health Emergency for TX due to winter weather
- NRCC at Level I (COVID); NWC is monitoring



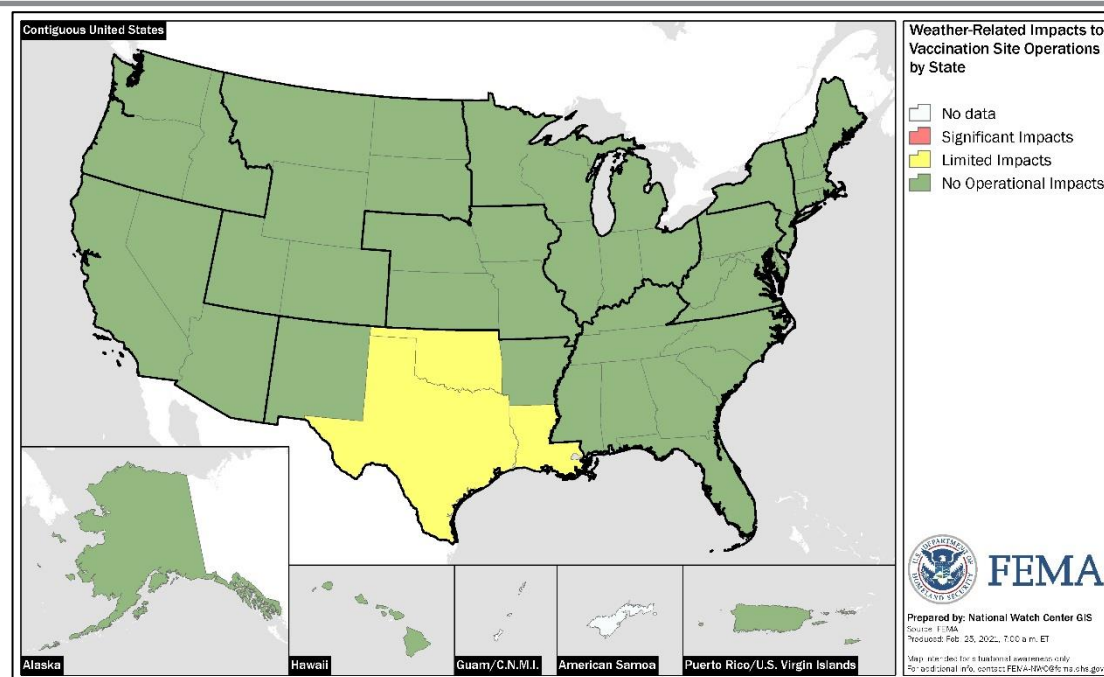
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COVID-19 Vaccination Sites Closures

Situation:

The National Watch Center, in coordination with all ten Regional Watches, is monitoring for potential impacts to COVID-19 vaccination sites

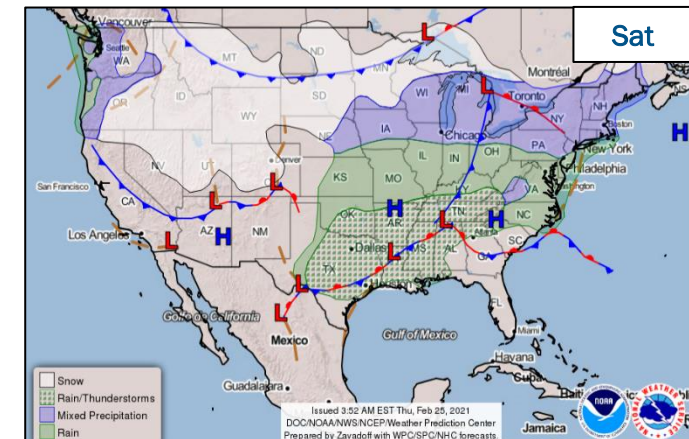
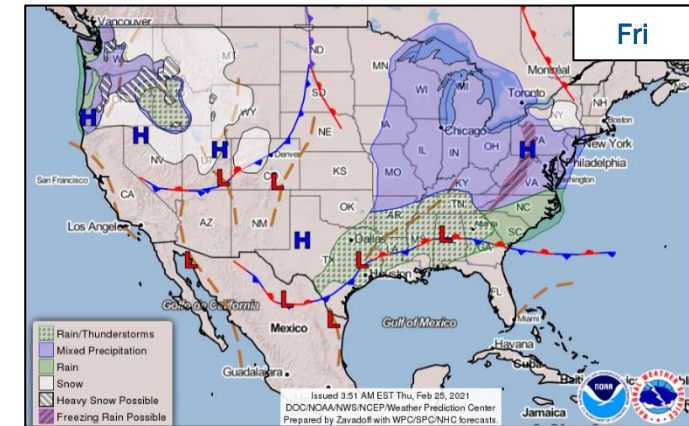
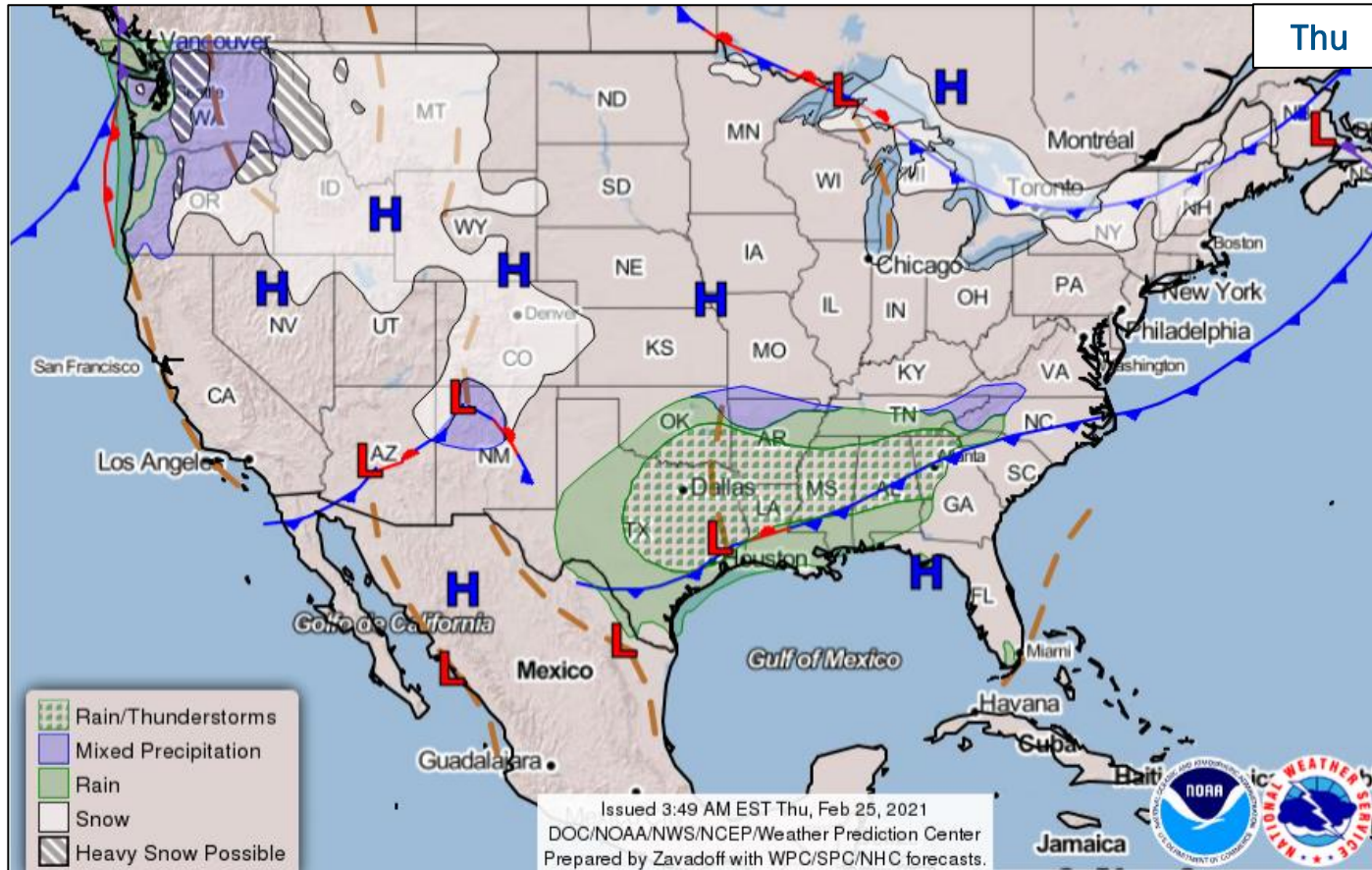
- The highlighted states have reported COVID-19 vaccination site closures.
- 63 Federally Supported Community Vaccination Centers closed.



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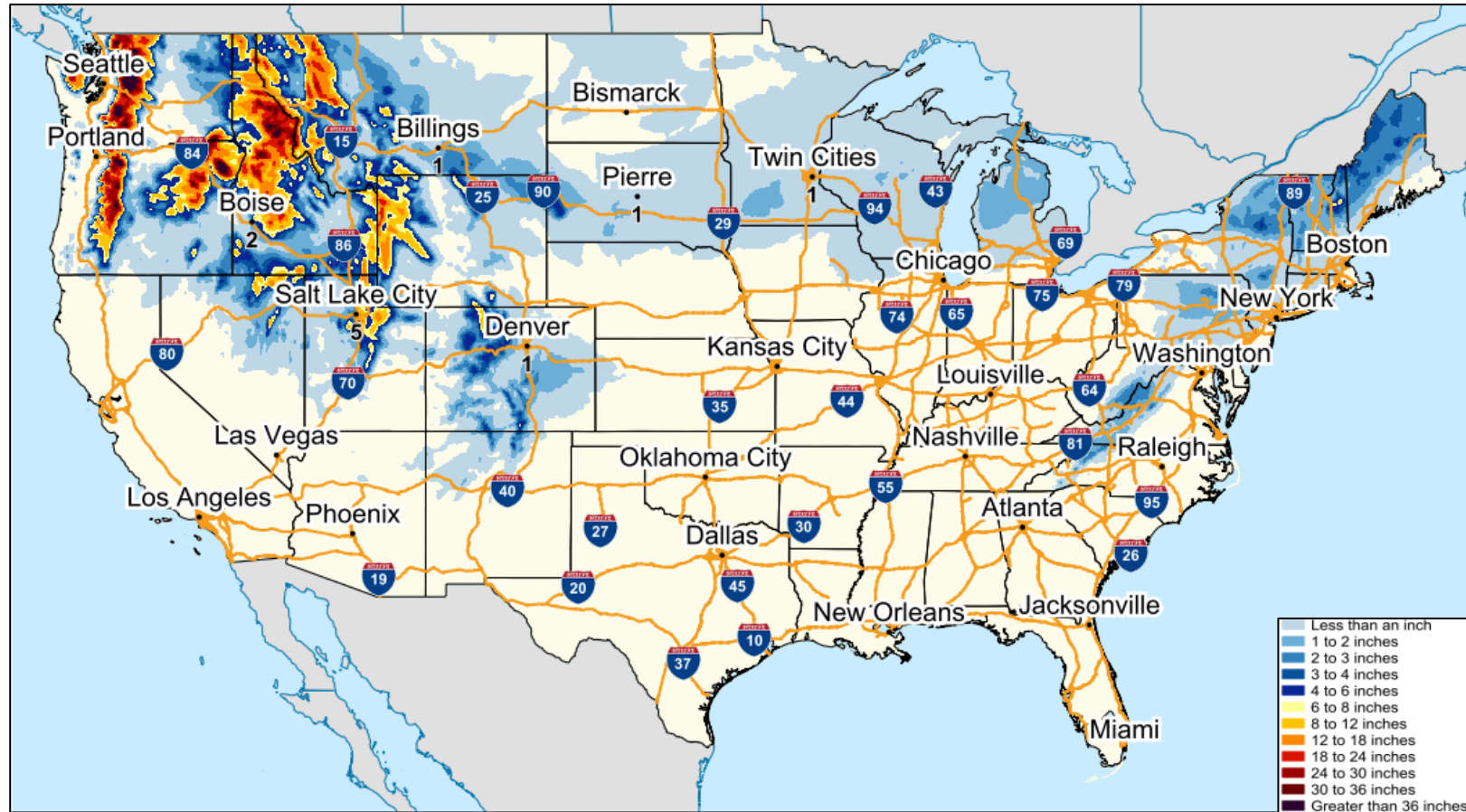
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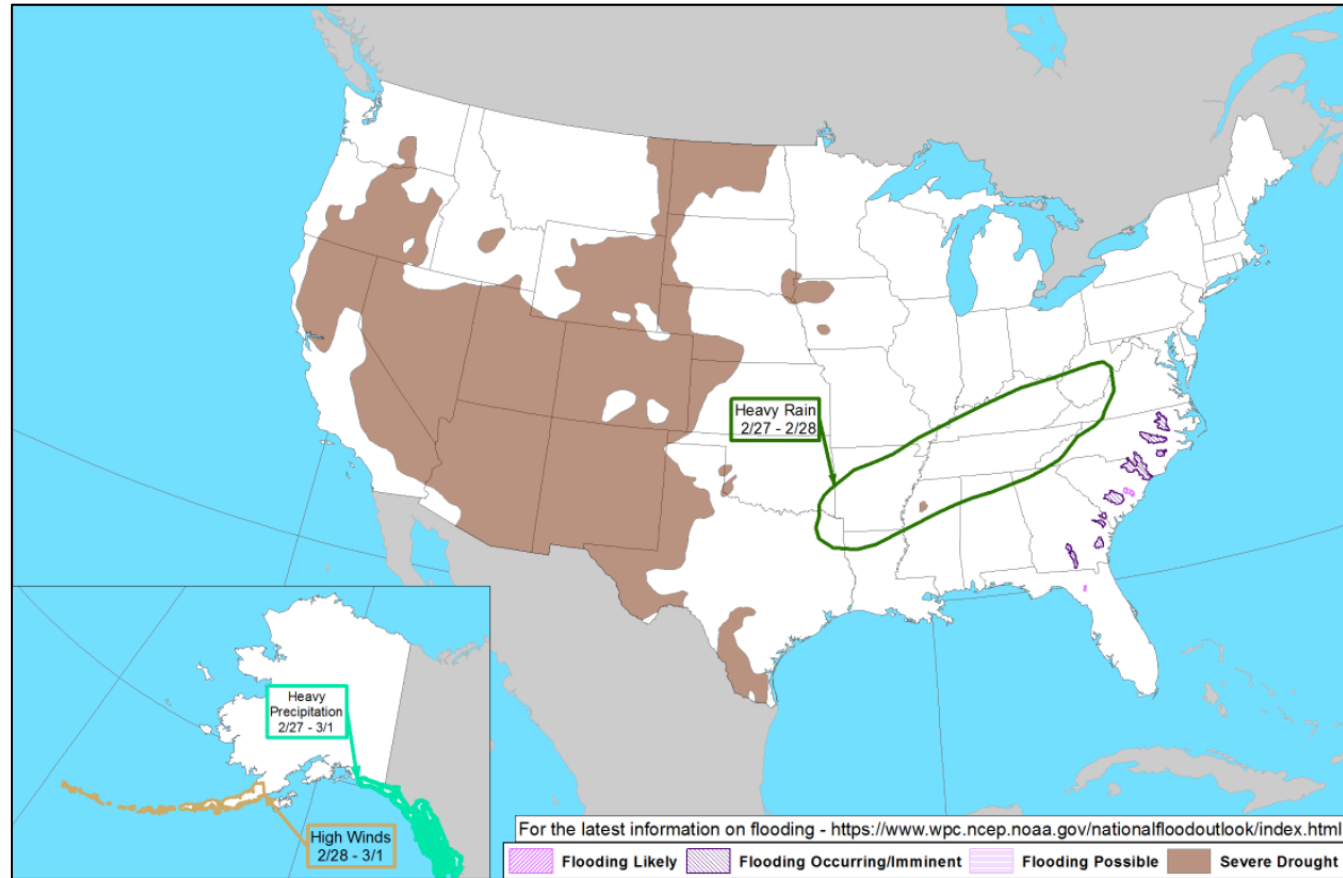
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Forecast Snowfall



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Hazards Outlook – Feb 27–Mar 3



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Declaration Approved – Oklahoma

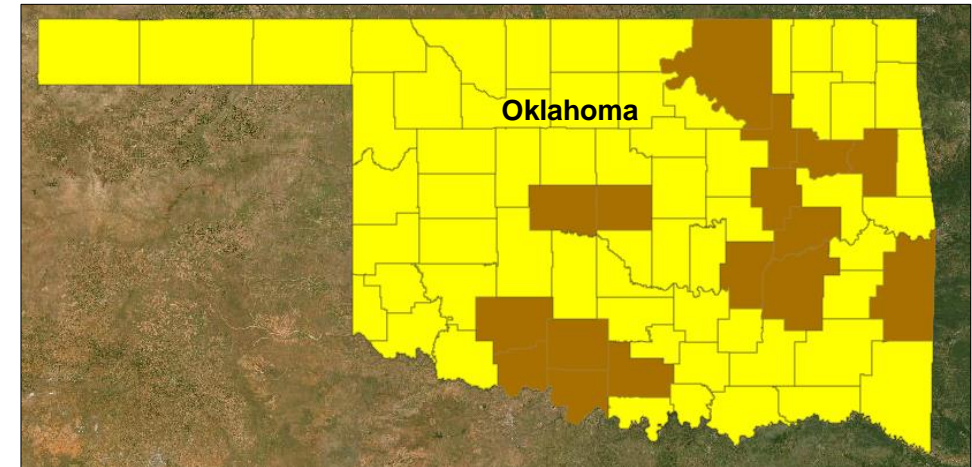
Declaration Type: Major Disaster – FEMA-4587-DR-OK
Requested: February 22, 2021

Date Approved: February 24, 2021
Incident: Severe Winter Storms
Incident Period: February 8-20, 2021

Provides:

- **IA:** 16 counties
- **PA:** Emergency protective measures (Category B), including direct federal assistance for all 77 counties
- **Hazard Mitigation:** Statewide

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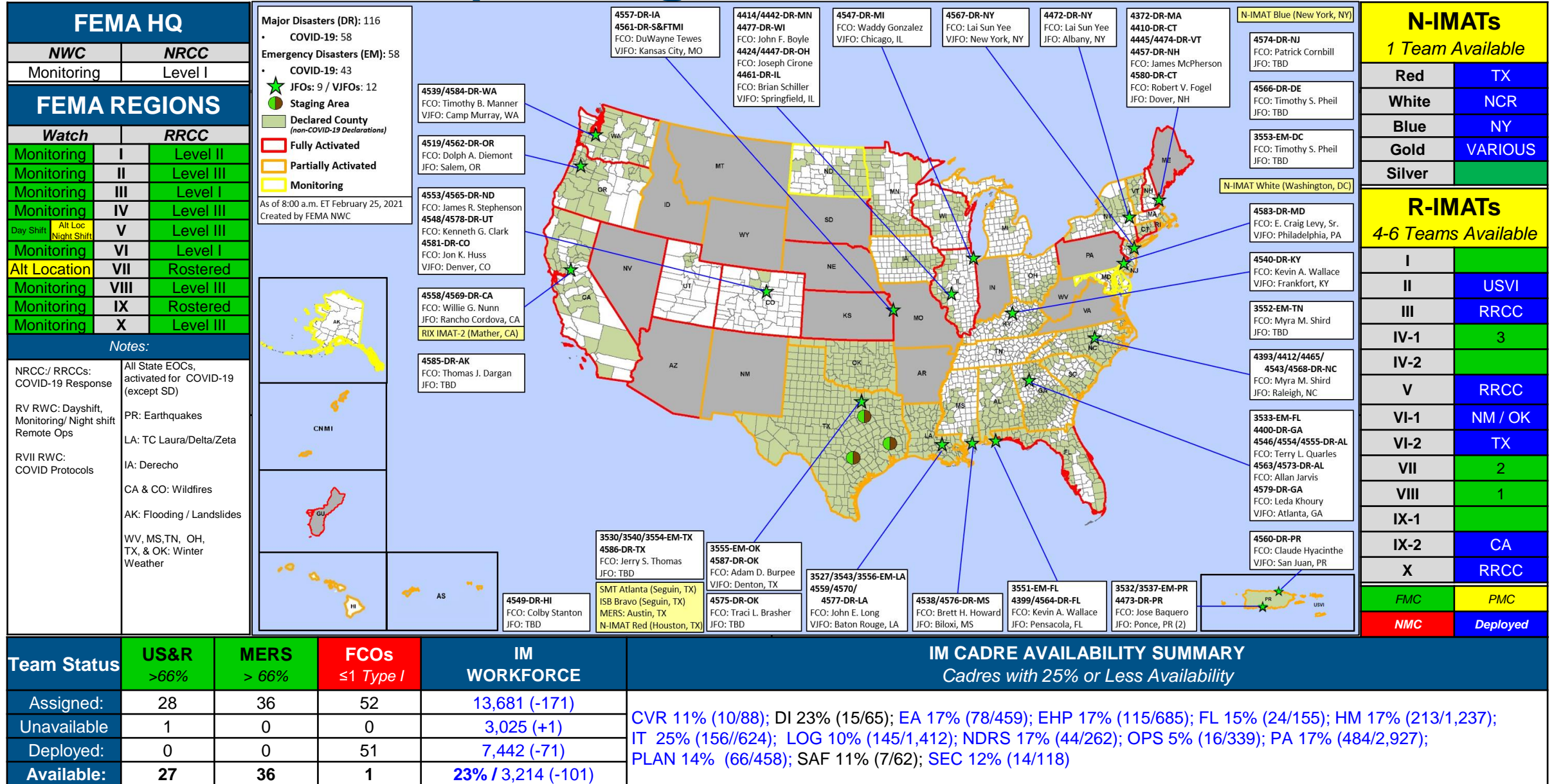
Declaration Requests in Process – 5

State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Type	IA	PA	HM	Requested
NC – Tropical Storm Eta	DR		X	X	2/9
VA – 59 th Presidential Inauguration (Appeal)	EM		X		2/9
AL – Tornado	DR	X		X	2/11
MD – 59 th Presidential Inauguration (Appeal)	EM		X		2/12
ID – Severe Storm and Straight-line Winds	DR		X	X	2/11
OK – Severe Winter Storms - Approved	DR	X	X	X	2/22



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FEMA Common Operating Picture





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