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# Daily Operations Briefing

Saturday, September 4, 2021

8:30 a.m. ET



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# National Current Ops / Monitoring

## New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Ops

- Tropical Cyclone Ida – Response and Recovery
- Wildfire Activity – Western U.S.
  - Caldor Fire – CA

## Hazard Monitoring

- Heavy Rain/Flash Flooding possible – Middle Mississippi Valley
- Tropical Activity
  - Atlantic:
    - Hurricane Larry (CAT 3)
    - Disturbance 1: Low (30%)
  - Eastern Pacific:
    - Disturbance 1: Medium (50%)
    - Disturbance 2: Low (20%)

## Disaster Declaration Activity

- None

## Event Monitoring

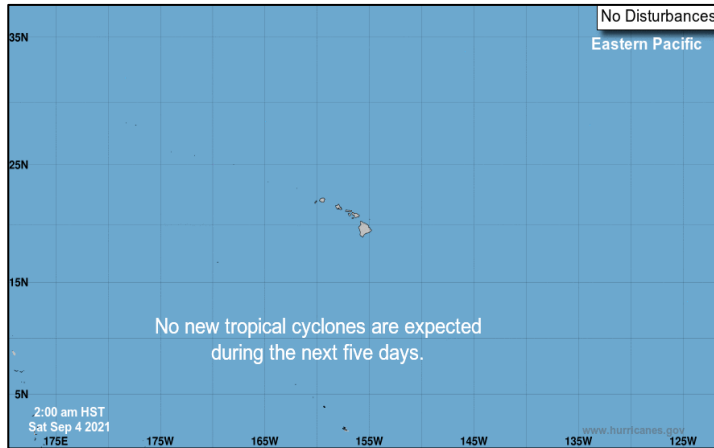
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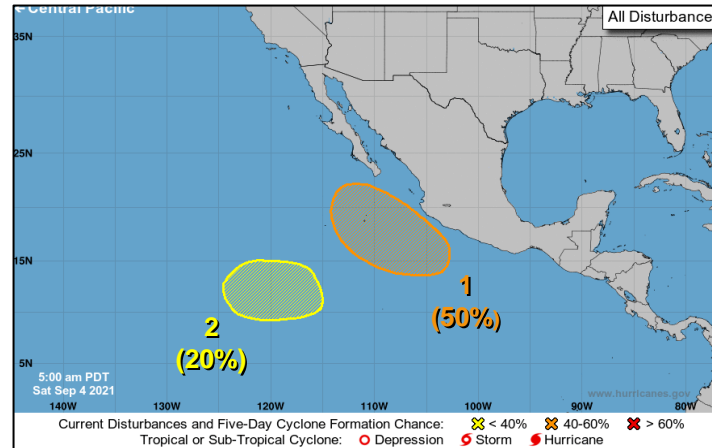
# Tropical Outlook – Five Day

## Central Pacific



- No new tropical cyclones expected during the next five days

## Eastern Pacific



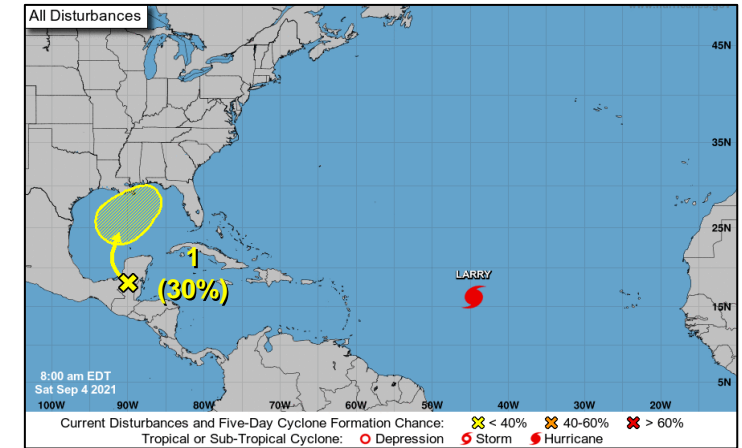
### Disturbance 1 (as of 8:00 a.m. ET)

- Forecast to form in a day or two off the southwestern coast of Mexico
- Could become a tropical depression next week
- Formation chance: 48 hours: Low (near 0%); 5 days: Med (50%)

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

- Forecast to form in a couple of days southwest of the southern tip of the Baja California peninsula
- Formation chance: 48 hours: Low (near 0%); 5 days: Low (20%)

## Atlantic



### Hurricane Larry (CAT 3) (Advisory #15 as of 5:00 a.m. ET)

- 1,140 miles E of the Leeward Islands
- Moving WNW at 16 mph
- Maximum sustained winds 115 mph
- Hurricane-force winds extend out 35 miles; tropical-storm-force winds extend out 150 miles

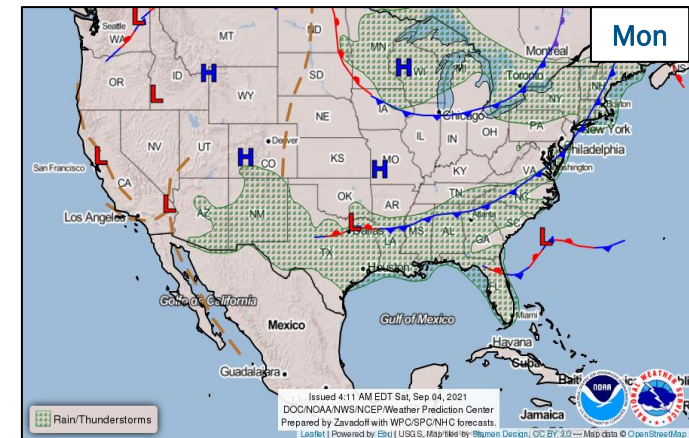
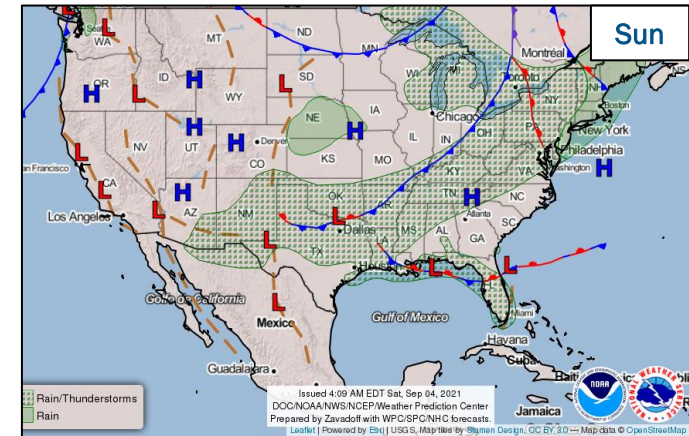
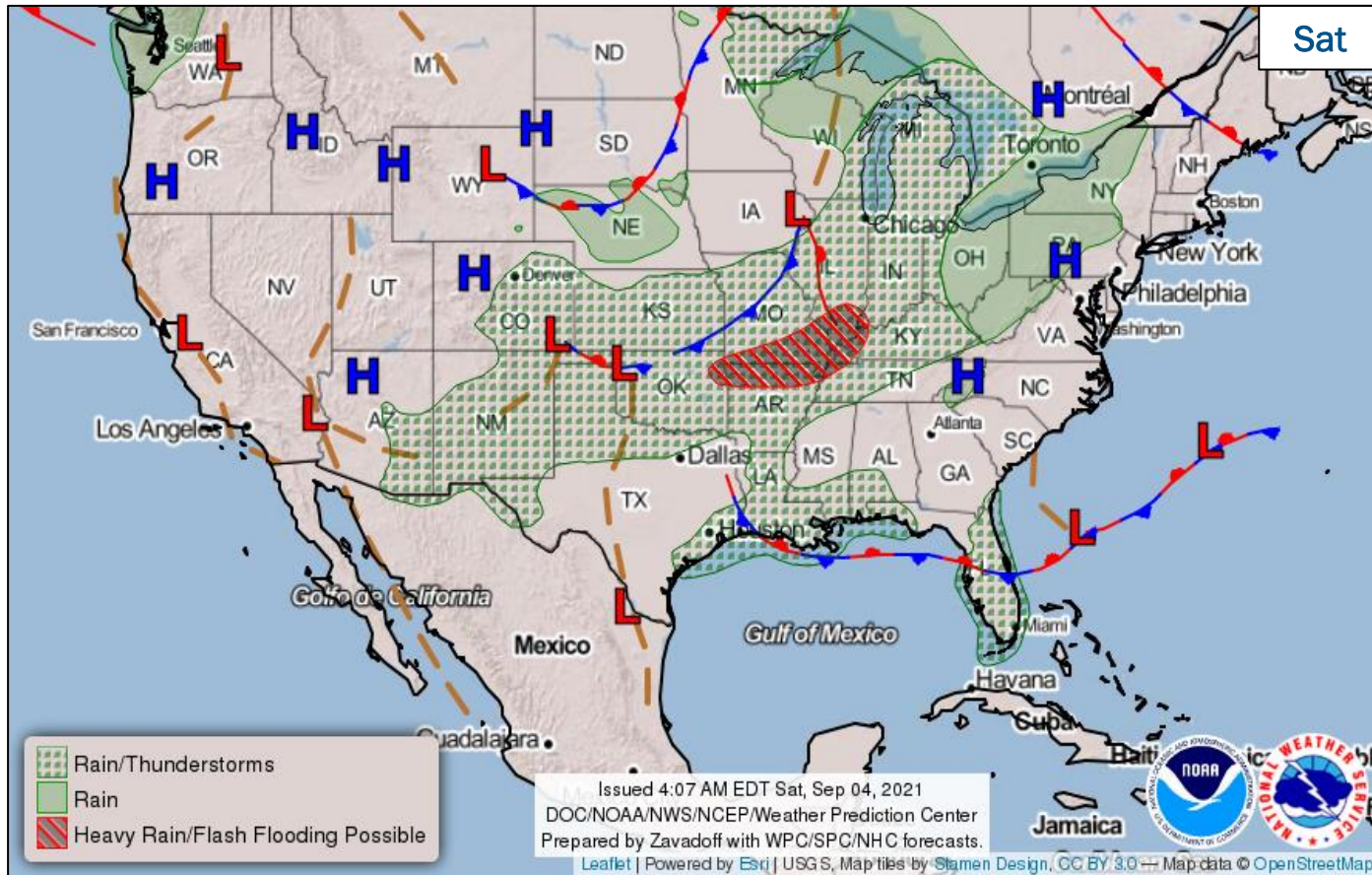
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- Over Central America and the southern Yucatan Peninsula
- Development possible by Tuesday or Wednesday
- Formation chance: 48 hours: Low (near 0%); 5 days: Low (30%)



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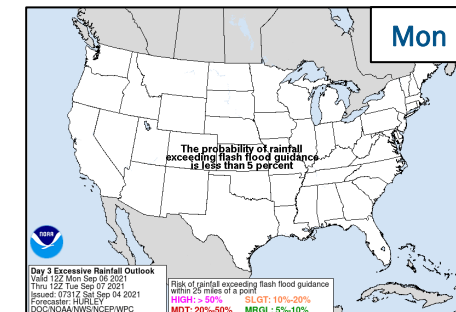
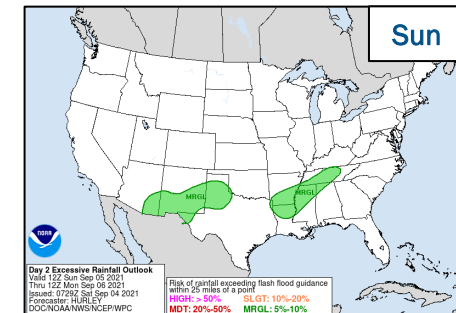
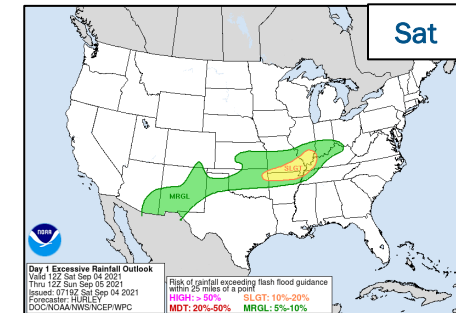
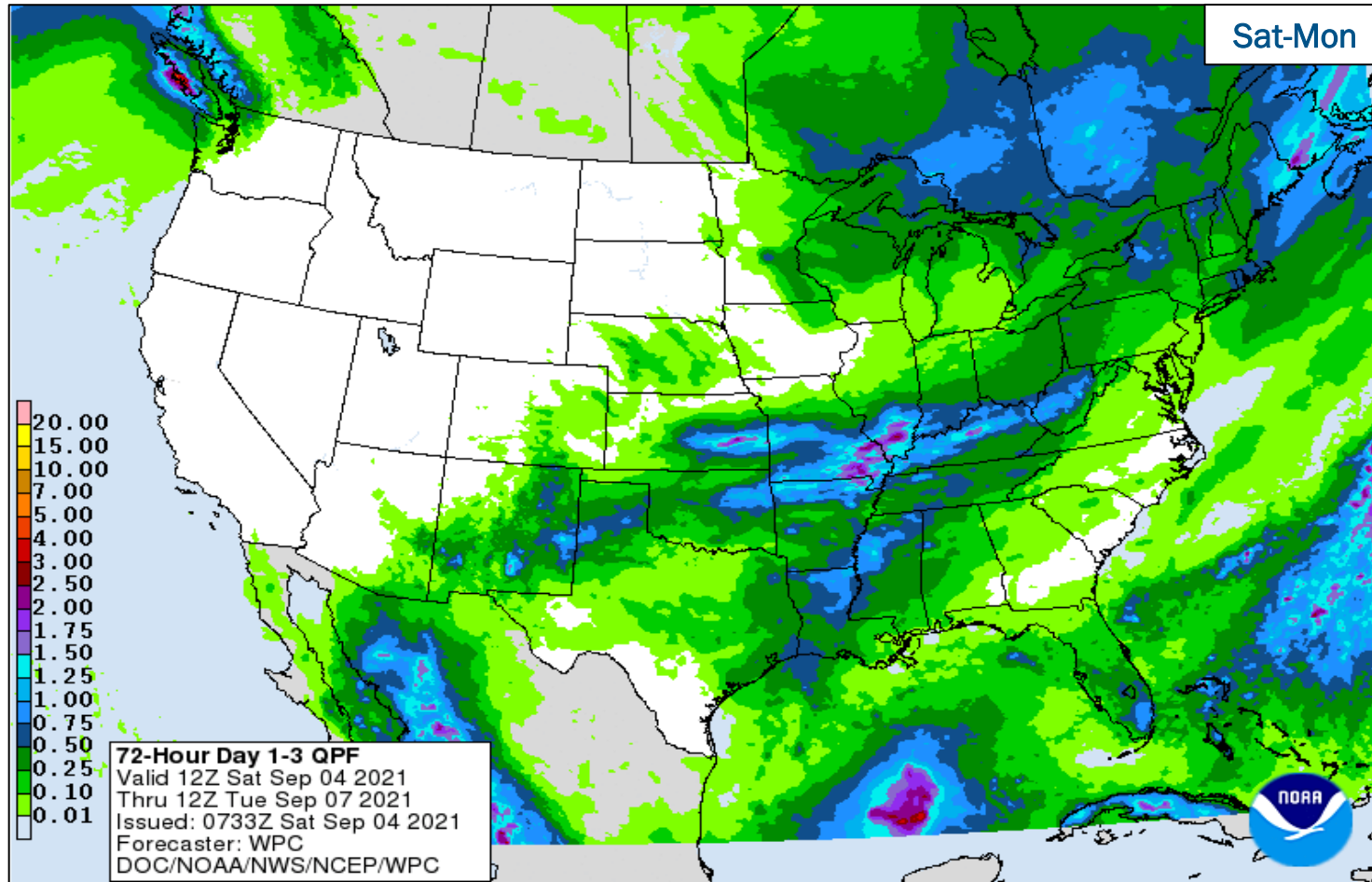
# National Weather Forecast



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# Precipitation & Excessive Rainfall



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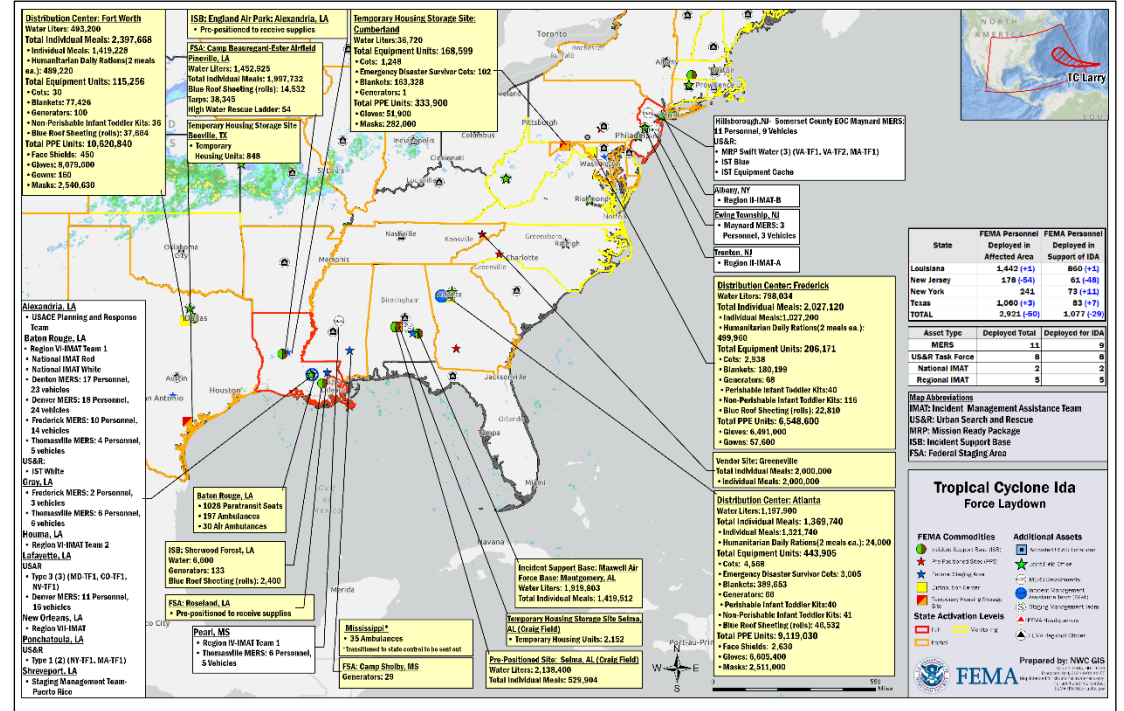
# Tropical Cyclone Ida

**Situation:** LA power restoration remains a priority to mitigate impacts to communications, healthcare facilities, transportation, water systems, and security; flooding and debris posing challenges. Flooding and debris is posing challenges to transportation in Regions II and III.

## FEMA / Federal Response:

### FEMA HQ:

- NRCC at Level I, 24/7, with all ESFs and LNOs
- Major Disaster Declaration FEMA-4611-DR-LA on Aug 29; JFO established in Baton Rouge, LA
- Emergency Declaration: Approved for LA, MS, NJ and NY
- National IMAT Red and White deployed to Baton Rouge, LA
- **National IMAT Blue demobilizing from Pearl, MS**
- Region VII IMAT deployed to New Orleans, LA
- **Region VIII IMAT demobilizing from Harrisburg, PA (expected FMC Sep 4)**
- US&R:
  - All teams are performing search and rescue operations and have swift water capabilities
  - LNO to N-IMAT Red
  - Region VI
    - Baton Rouge, LA: (1) White IST; Ponchatoula, LA: (2) Type 1 Task Forces; **Lafayette, LA: (0 (-1) Type 1 and (3 (+1)) Type 3 task forces**
    - LNO deployed to National IMAT Red (Baton Rouge, LA)
    - All teams are performing search and rescue operations and have swift water capabilities
  - Region II
    - **Hillsborough, NJ; all resources demobilized as of 8:00 a.m. ET this morning**
- MERS:
  - Denton, Denver, Thomasville, Maynard, and Frederick MERS to support Region VI or IV, IMATs, and USAR teams



**DOD:** 60 high water vehicles staged in TX; 14 rotary wing aircraft staged in TX/VA  
**USCG:** 34 air assets conducting damage assessments, investigating SAR cases  
**USGS:** Storm surge sensors deployed in LA and MS for water height monitoring  
**EPA:** Light Incident Management Team established in Region VI



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# Tropical Cyclone Ida – FEMA Region II



**Situation:** Remnants of Ida brought heavy rain, wind, and flooding to the Region. Numerous rivers are at flood stage; most are at moderate flood stage, but several are at major flood stage.

## Lifeline Impacts:

### Safety and Security:

- Numerous water rescues performed
- Partial building collapse in NJ with 12 injuries

### Food, Water, Shelter:

- NJ: 13 (+7) shelters open with 256 (-79) occupants (NRCC SLB as of 6:00 p.m. ET, Sept 3)
- NY: 3 (+2) shelters open with 35 (+17) occupants (NRCC SLB as of 6:00 p.m. ET, Sept 3)

### Health and Medical:

- 4 hospitals of concern – power restoration expected today
  - Fatalities:
    - NY: 15 (+11) confirmed (NRCC SLB as of 6:00 p.m. ET, Sept 3); 9 unconfirmed (open-source media)
    - NJ: 25 (+11) confirmed (NRCC SLB as of 6:00 p.m. ET, Sept 3)

### Energy:

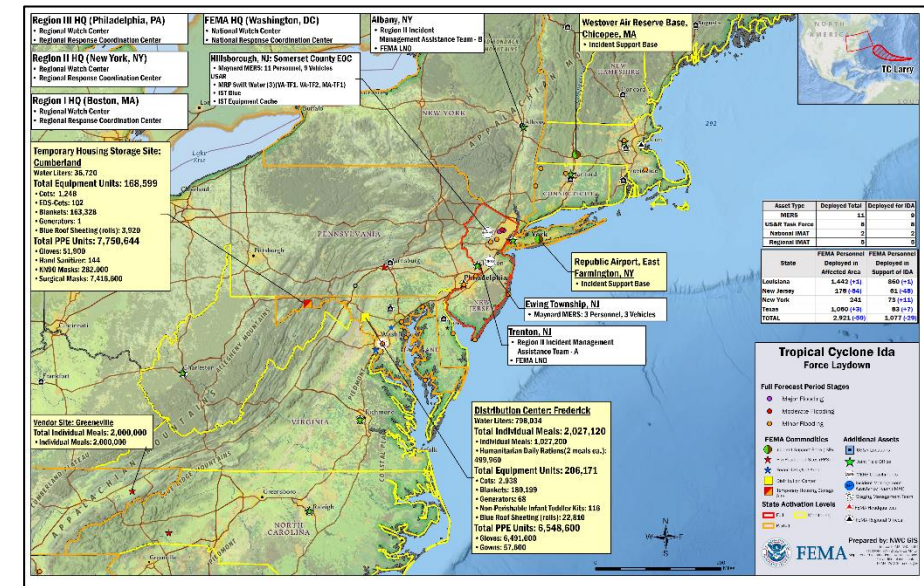
- NJ: 2k (-11k) (.05%); NY: 2k (-5k) (.02%) customer outages statewide (DOE Eagle-I as of 5:00 a.m. ET)

### Transportation:

- Metro North – Hudson Line - Limited-service restoration of early next week.
- Amtrak trains remain cancelled between Albany and New York City until 9/7
- NJ: Teterboro Airport and Newark Airport open

## State/Local Response:

- NJ EOC at Full Activation (Ida); Governor declared a State of Emergency
- NY EOC at Partial Activation (COVID); Governor declared a State of Emergency
- NYC Mayor declared a State of Emergency and issued city-wide travel ban



## FEMA /Federal Response:

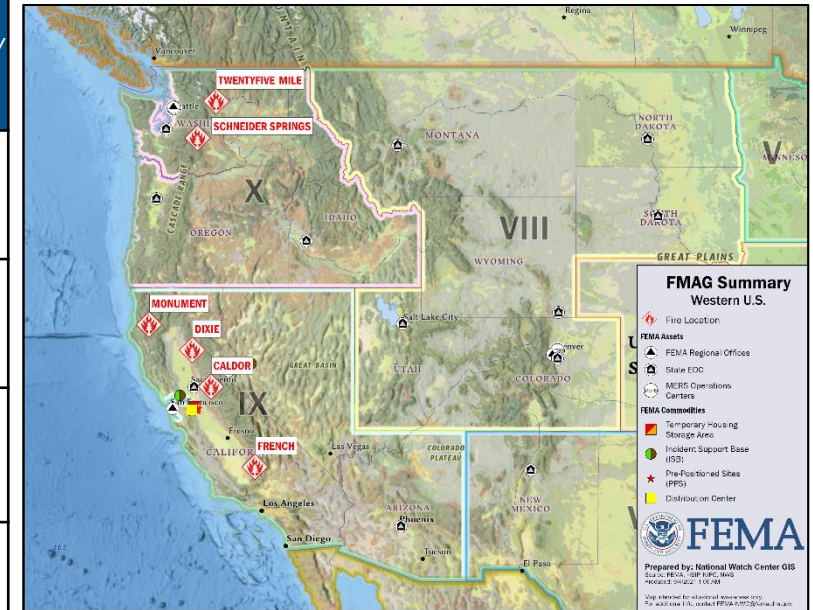
- RRCC at Level III, 24/7 (Virtual, in-office at 7:00 a.m. ET Sept 3) with ESFs 1, 3, 6, and DCE
- IMAT, DCE, and ESFs 3 and 8 deployed to NJ EOC
- Collateral IMAT deployed to NY
- LNOs deployed to NJ and NY EOCs
- Emergency Declarations approved for NY & NJ





# Wildfire Summary

Fire Name (County, ST)	FMAG #	Acres Burned	Percent Contained	Evacuations	Structures (Homes / Other)			Fatalities / Injuries
					Threatened	Damaged	Destroyed	
Dixie (Plumas, CA)	5400-FM-CA	881,086 (+15k)	55%	M: 2,470 (-1.4k)	H: 6,513 (-6k)	H: 56	H: 704	0 / 8
				V: 0	O: 31	O: 36	O: 578	
Monument (Trinity, CA)	5412-FM-CA	178,069 (+1.6k)	35% (+5)	M: 1,500 (+750)	H: 5,780	H: 3	H: 20	0 / 6
				V: 0	O: 4,800	O: 0	O: 30	
Caldor (El Dorado, CA)	5413-FM-CA	213,270 (+2.3k)	32% (+5)	M: 43,195 (-6.5k)	H: 30,878	H: 42 (+13)	H: 683 (+34)	0 / 4 (+1)
				V: 0	O: 1,023	O: 24 (+10)	O: 203 (+7)	
French (Kern, CA)	5416-FM-CA	25,895 (+24)	43%	M: 706	H: 329	H: 3	H: 19	1 / 19
				V: 0	O: 443	O: 2	O: 31	
Twentyfive Mile (Chelan, WA)	5414-FM-WA	14,629 (+510)	37%	M: 1,028	H: 688	H: 0	H: 2	0 / 6
				V: 0	O: 84	O: 0	O: 12	
Schneider Springs (Yakima, WA)	5415-FM-WA	85,639 (+1.1k)	10%	M: 240	H: 0	H: 0	H: 0	0 / 7
				V: 0	O: 0	O: 0	O: 0	



(Evacuations: M = Mandatory / V = Voluntary; Structures: H = Homes and Mixed Commercial/Residential / O = Non-residential Commercial/Other Minor Structures)



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# Caldor Fire – California



**Situation:** The fire area is categorized with extreme to exceptional drought conditions, allowing fuels to be extremely receptive to spot fires. Expect most fire growth to be to the north and northeast. Response efforts continue and planning is ongoing to mitigate potential threats to communities. Increased containment on Friday night has led to a reduction in the number of mandatory evacuations as those areas transitioned to warning areas.

## Impacts:

### Safety and Security:

- Mandatory evacuations in effect for nearly 43k (-7k) people from the Tahoe Basin into Nevada
- Public safety facilities threatened include Pioneer Protection district Stations, Amador-El Dorado Unit Headquarters, and the El Dorado National Forest-Pacific Ranger Station

### Food, Water, Shelter:

- 8 (-1) congregate shelters open with 628 (+248) occupants (Region IX SLB as of 11:00 p.m. ET Sep.3)
- 2 non-congregate shelters open with 6 occupants (Region IX SLB as of 8:00 p.m. ET Sep.3)

### Energy:

- 3,494 (+1.2k) customers (2.9%) without power in El Dorado County (DOE, Eagle-I as of 5:00 a.m. ET)

### Communications:

- Critical fiber-optic infrastructure threatened, affecting essential 911 systems and cell towers

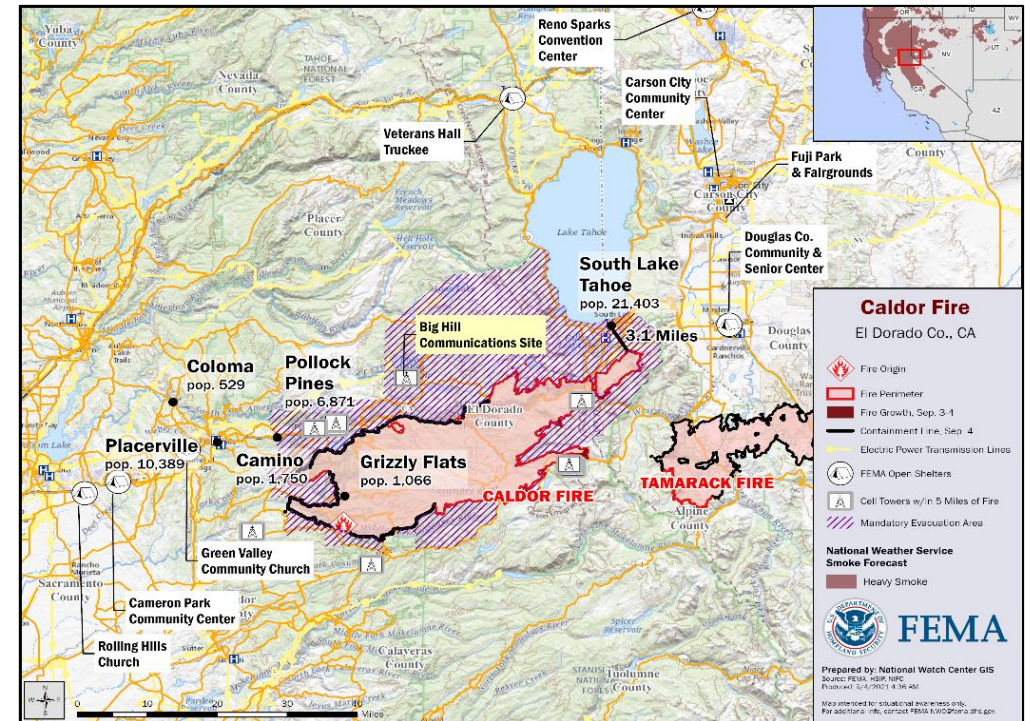
Transportation: Numerous road closures remain in effect

## State / Local Response:

- CA & NV EOCs at Full Activation (Wildfires and COVID); Governors issued States of Emergency

## FEMA / Federal Response:

- Region IX RWC monitoring; IMAT-1 & IMAT-2 deployed to CA EOC
- LNOs deployed to CA and NV
- FEMA Logistics Staging Management Team (SMT) deployed to Travis AFB, CA
- Incident Support Base (IS) team deployed to Naval Air Station Fallon, NV
- NWC monitoring; NRCC at Level 1, 24/7 (TC Ida)
- FEMA-4610-DR-CA approved Aug 24 for CA Wildfires; FEMA-3571-EM-CA approved Sep 1 for Caldor Fire
- RX IMAT deployed to NV EOC, Carson City, NV



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# Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

Region	State / Location	Incident	IA	Number of Counties		Start - End
			PA	Requested	Complete	
I	NH	Severe Storms and Flooding Jul 29-30	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	2	0	TBD - TBD
		Severe Storms and Flooding Jul 17-19	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	3	2	8/4 - TBD
	MA	Severe Storms and Flooding Jul 16-21	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	5	0	8/10 - TBD
II	NY	Tropical Storm Fred Aug 19	IA	1	0	8/31 - TBD
			PA	0	0	N/A
		Remnants of Ida Sep 1 and continuing	IA	6	0	9/3 - TBD
			PA	7	0	9/3 - TBD
	NJ	Remnants of Ida Sep 1 and continuing	IA	6	0	9/4 - TBD
			PA	6	0	9/4 - TBD
III	PA	Tropical Depression Ida Aug 31 and continuing	IA	4	0	9/5 - TBD
			PA	TBD	TBD	TBD - TBD
IV	NC	Severe Weather Aug 16	IA	3	3 (+1)	8/25 - 9/3
			PA	7	7 (+5)	8/25 - 9/3
V	Red Lake Nation	Tornado Jul 26	IA	1	1	8/30 - 9/1
			PA	1	0	8/30 - TBD
VIII	UT	Flooding Jul 15-Aug 19	IA	7	0	8/24 - TBD
			PA	7	0	8/24 - TBD
	MT	Richard Spring Wildfire Aug 10 and continuing	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	3	0	9/7 - TBD
	CO	Flooding Jul 20-Aug 2	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	1	1 (+1)	8/31-9/3
X	OR	Bootleg Fire Jul 6	IA	2	0	9/7 - TBD
			PA	0	0	N/A



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# Declaration Requests in Process – 5

State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Type	IA	PA	HM	Requested
Fort Peck Assiniboine & Sioux Tribes – Severe Storm, Straight-line Winds, and Flooding	DR	X		X	Aug 3
NE – Severe Storms and Straight-line Winds	DR		X	X	Aug 18
KY – Severe Storms and Flooding	DR	X		X	Aug 19
NC – Tropical Storm Fred	DR	X	X	X	Aug 27
AZ – Severe Storms and Flooding	DR		X	X	Sep 2



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# FEMA Common Operating Picture

FEMA HQ		
<b>NWC</b>	<b>NRCC</b>	
Monitoring	Level I	
FEMA REGIONS		
<b>Watch</b>	<b>RRCC</b>	
Monitoring	I	Level III
Monitoring	II	Level III
Monitoring	III	Level III
Monitoring	IV	Rostered
Monitoring <small>Alt Loc Nightshift</small>	V	Level III
Monitoring	VI	Level III
Alt Location	VII	Rostered
Monitoring	VIII	Rostered
Monitoring	IX	Rostered
Monitoring	X	Level III
Notes:		
NRCC: TC Ida	PR: Earthquakes	
RII RRCC: 24/7 TC Ida	NY, NJ, DE, MD, KY, LA & OK: TC Ida	
RIII RRCC: Afghan Repatriation	TX: Severe Weather	
RV RWC: Day Shift / Monitoring Night Shift / Remote Ops	OR: Drought & Wildfires	
RVI RWC: (24/7) TC Ida; RRCC: Day Shift TC Ida	MT, CO, AZ, CA, NV, ID, & WA: Wildfires	
RVII RWC: COVID-19 Protocols		
RX RRCC: COVID-19		

**Major Disasters (DR): 61**  
**Emergency Disasters (EM): 15**  
 ★ JFOs: 8 / VJFOs: 11

- ★ Staging Area
- Declared County (non-COVID-19 Declarations)
- Fully Activated
- Partially Activated
- Monitoring

As of 8:00 a.m. ET September 4, 2021  
 Created by FEMA NWC

N-IMATs	
2-4 Teams Available	
Red	LA
White	LA
Blue	Demobilizing
Gold	
R-IMATs	
4-6 Teams Available	
I	2
II	NJ
III	VA
IV-1	MS
IV-2	
V	1
VI-1	LA
VI-2	LA
VII	LA
VIII	Demobilizing
IX-1	CA
IX-2	CA
X	NV
FMC	PMC
NMC	Deployed

Team Status	US&R 33-65%	MERS 33-65%	FCOs ≤1 Type I	IM WORKFORCE
Assigned:	28	36	57	14,287 (+5)
Unavailable	3 (-1)	0	2	3,569 (+35)
Deployed:	15	13 (-1)	45 (+1) (27 FCOR)	6,942 (-1)
Available:	10 (+1)	23 (+1)	10 (-1)	26% (-1) / 3,776 (-29)

**IM CADRE AVAILABILITY SUMMARY**  
*Cadres with 25% or Less Availability*

**Civil Rights:** 11% (12/114); **Disability Integration:** 16% (10/62); **External Affairs:** 22% (119/530); **Field Leadership:** 17% (25/149); **Hazard Mitigation:** 19% (253/1,302); **Human Resources:** 24% (50/206); **Information Technology:** 21% (129/609); **Logistics:** 18% (253/1,439); **Operations:** 19% (69/370); **Public Assistance:** 22% (614/2,848); **Planning:** 7% (34/457); **Safety:** 17% (14/80)



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