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# Daily Operations Briefing

Sunday, September 5, 2021

8:30 a.m. ET



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# National Current Ops / Monitoring

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## New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Ops

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

## Hazard Monitoring

- Heavy Rain – Southeast TX to Southern Appalachians
- Tropical Activity
  - Atlantic:
    - Hurricane Larry (CAT 3)
    - Disturbance 1: Low (30%)
  - Eastern Pacific:
    - Disturbance 1: High (70%)
    - Disturbance 2: Low (30%)

## Disaster Declaration Activity

- None

## Event Monitoring

- None



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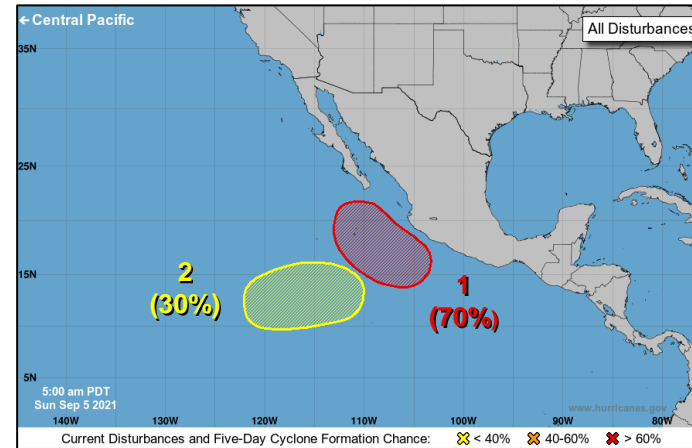
# Tropical Outlook – Five Day

## Central Pacific



- No new tropical cyclones expected during the next five days

## Eastern Pacific



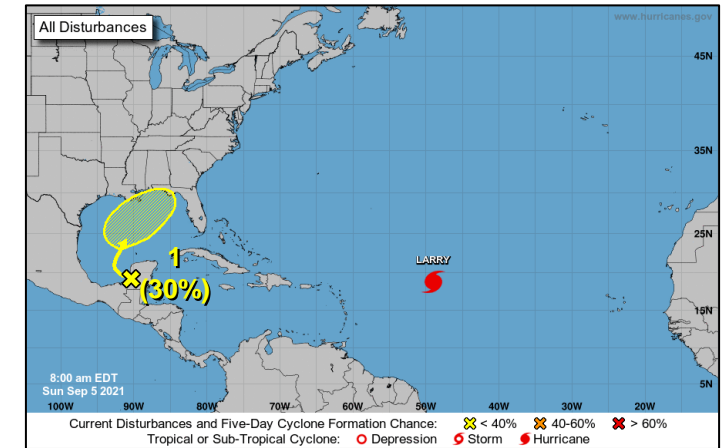
### Disturbance 1 (as of 8:00 a.m. ET)

- Expected to form by Monday a few hundred miles offshore the southwestern coast of Mexico
- Could become a tropical depression next week
- Formation chance: 48 hours: Low (20%); 5 days: High (70%)

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

- Forecast to form in a few days southwest of the southern tip of the Baja California peninsula
- Formation chance: 48 hours: Low (near 0%); 5 days: Low (30%)

## Atlantic



### Hurricane Larry (CAT 3) (Advisory #19 as of 5:00 a.m. ET)

- 925 miles E of the Leeward Islands
- Moving NW at 14 mph
- Maximum sustained winds 120 mph
- Expected to remain a major hurricane strength through middle of next week
- Hurricane-force winds extend out 45 miles; tropical-storm-force winds extend out 160 miles

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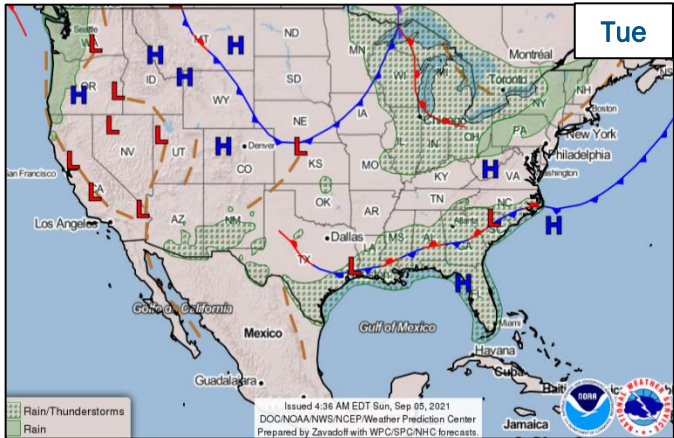
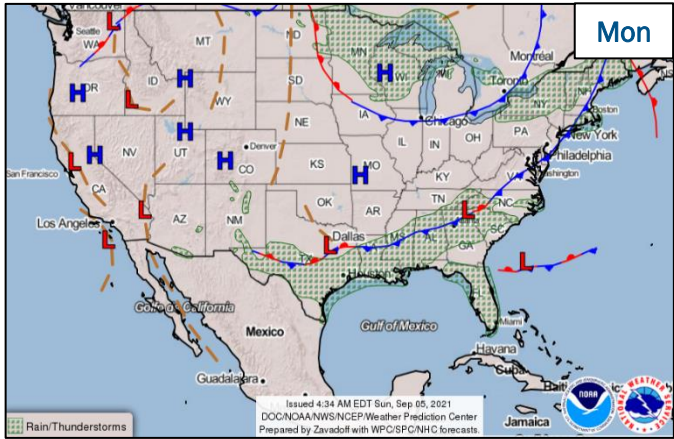
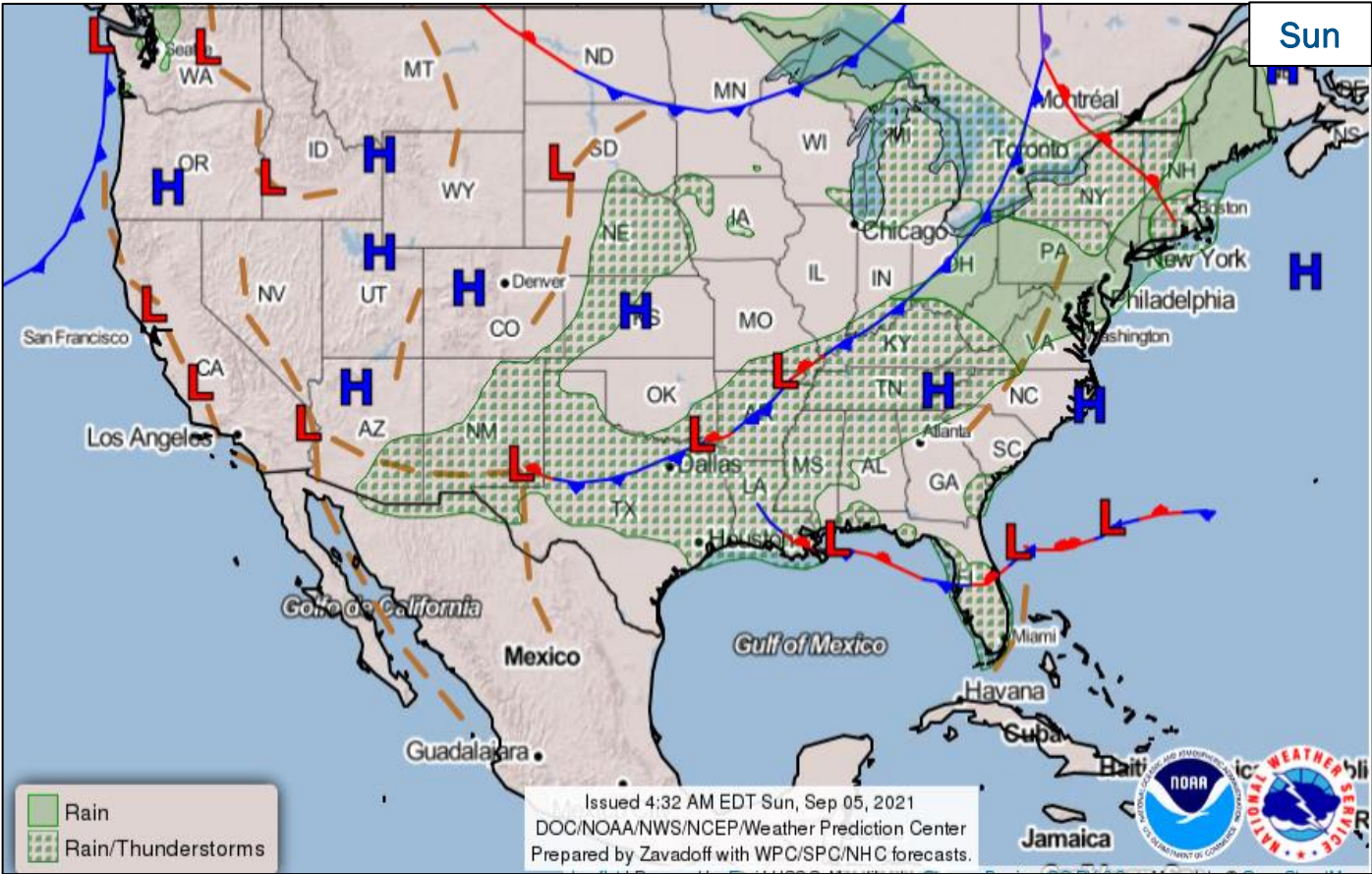
- Over the western Yucatan Peninsula
- Marginally conducive for tropical cyclone formation
- Formation chance: 48 hours: Low (near 0%); 5 days: Low (30%)



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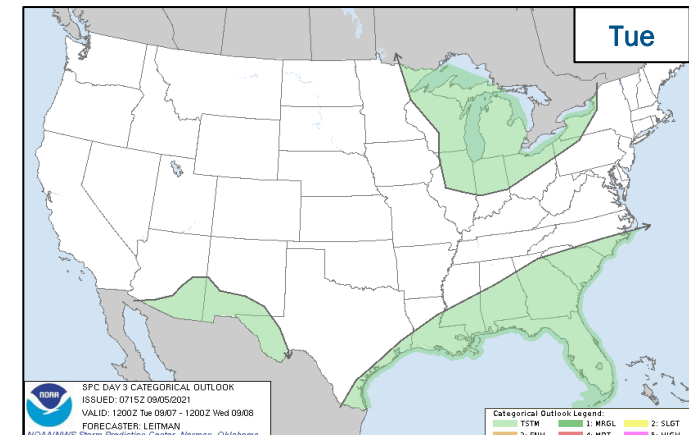
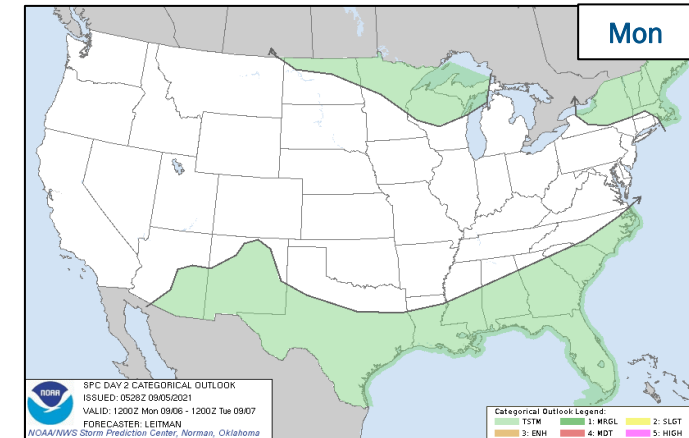
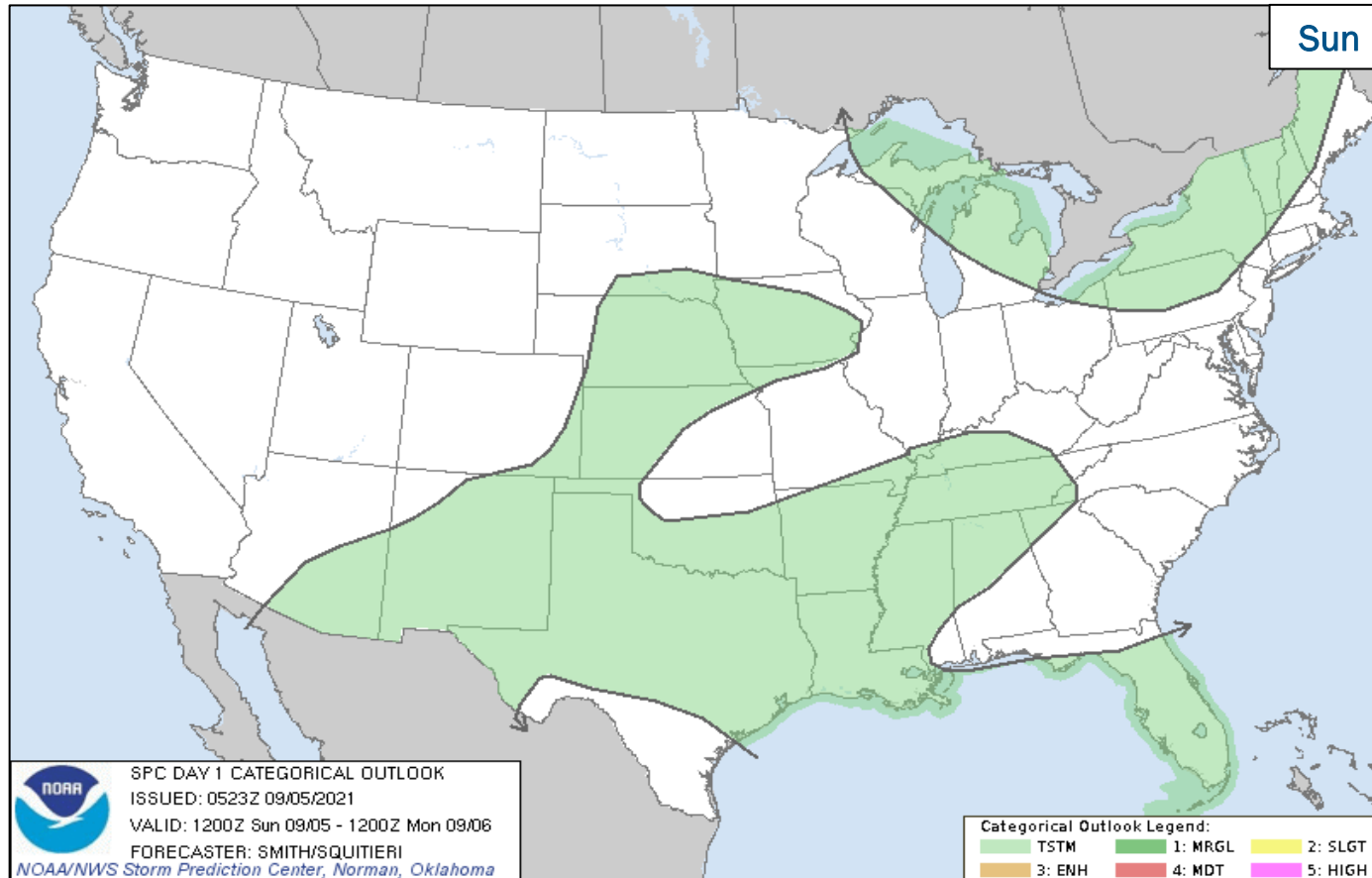
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# National Weather Forecast



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# Severe Weather Outlook

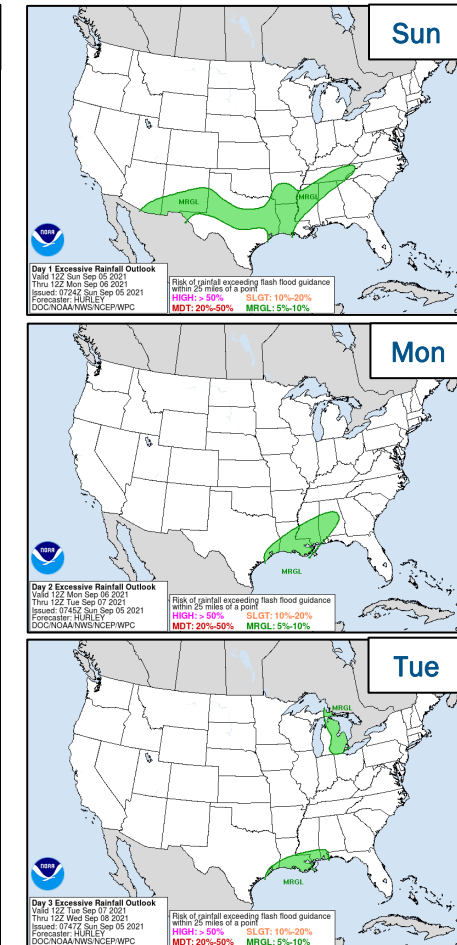
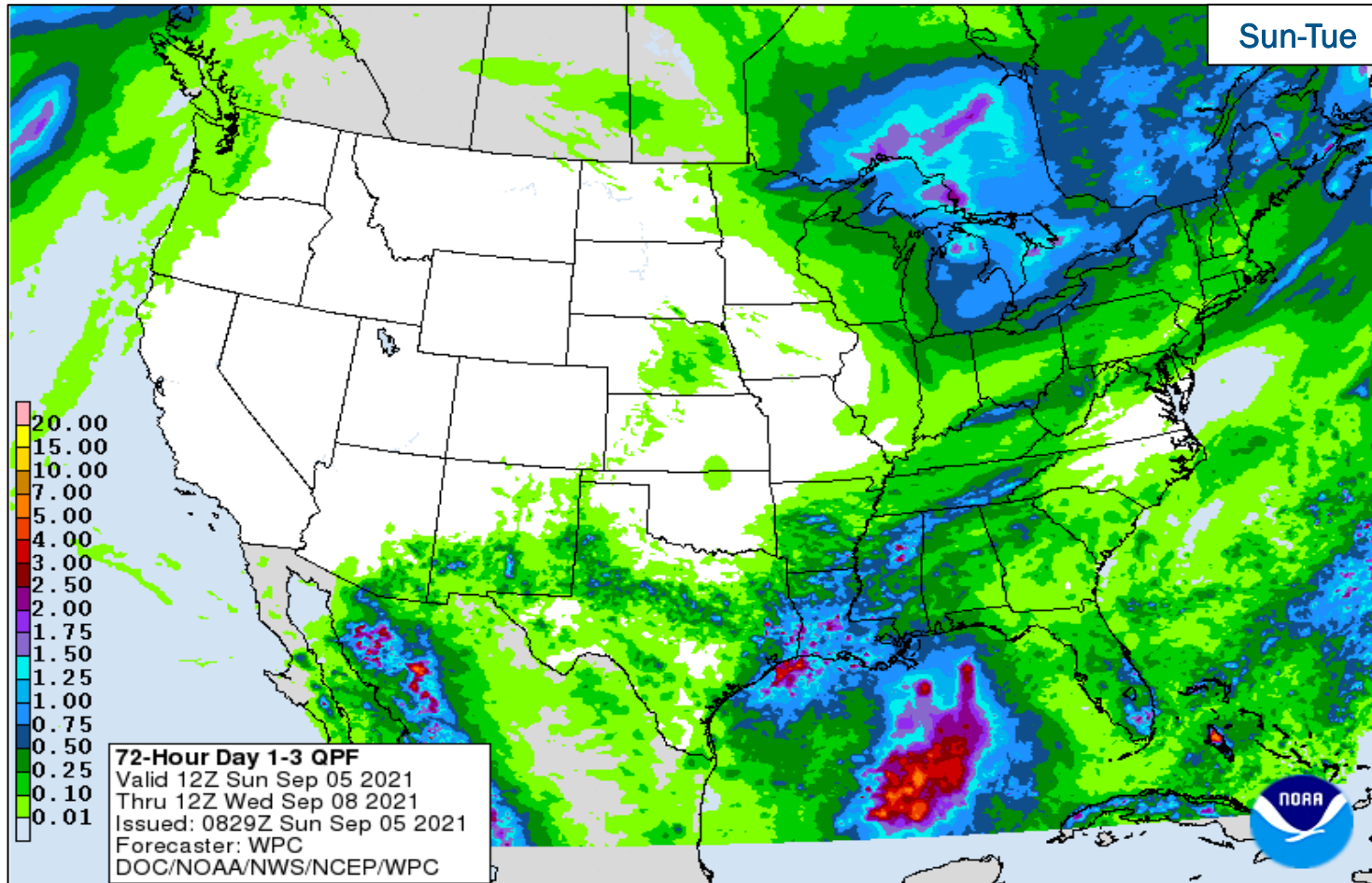


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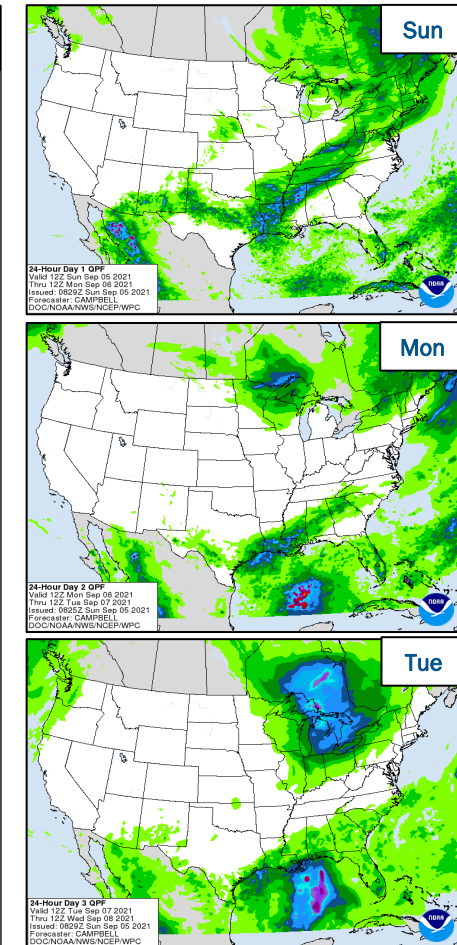
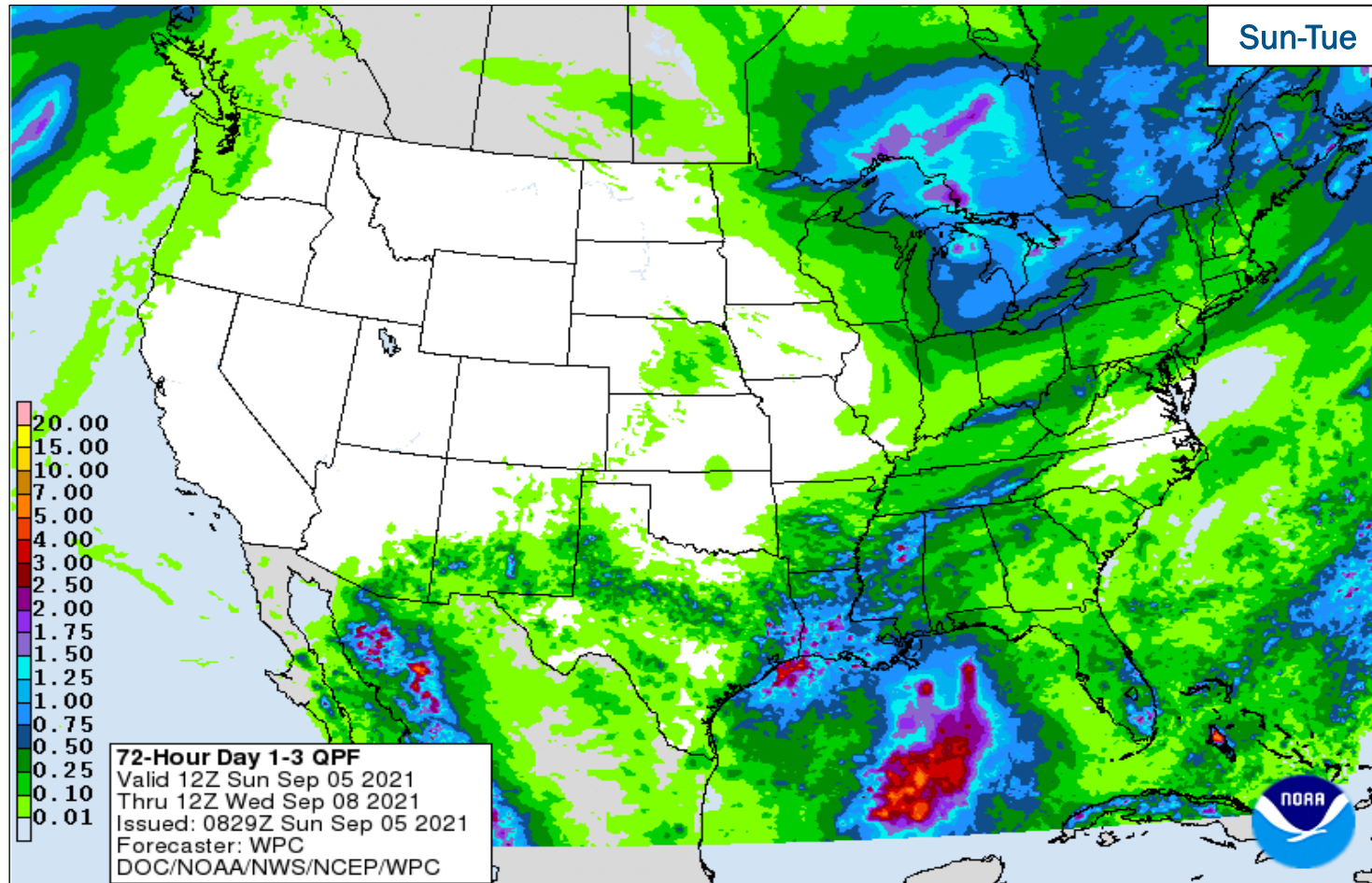
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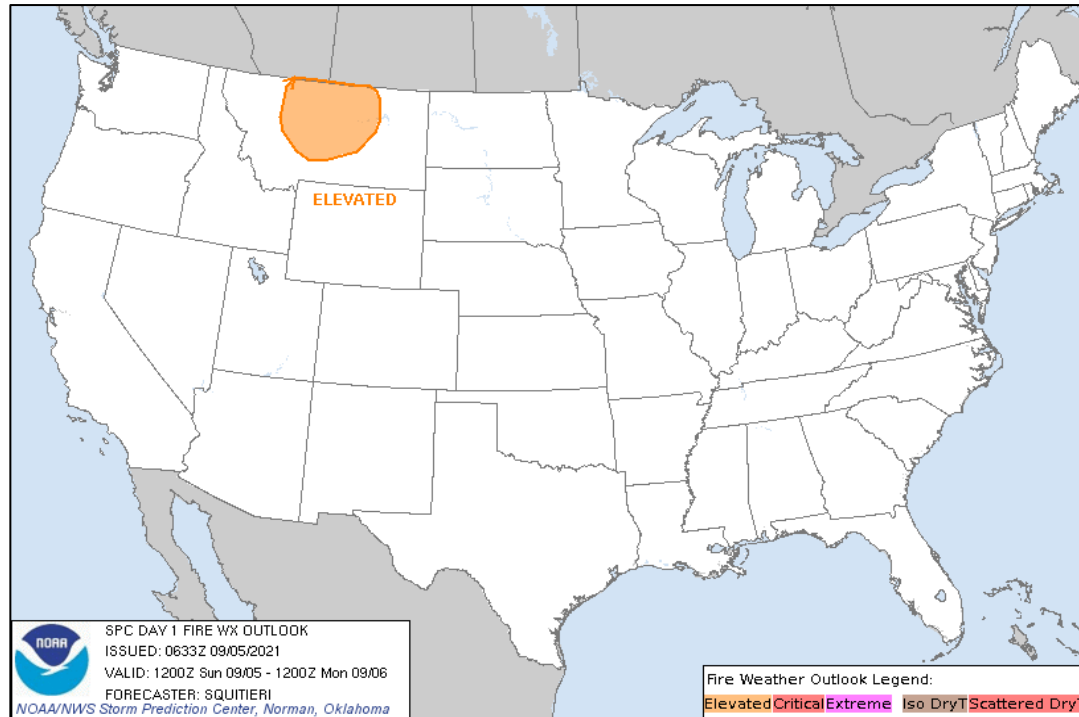
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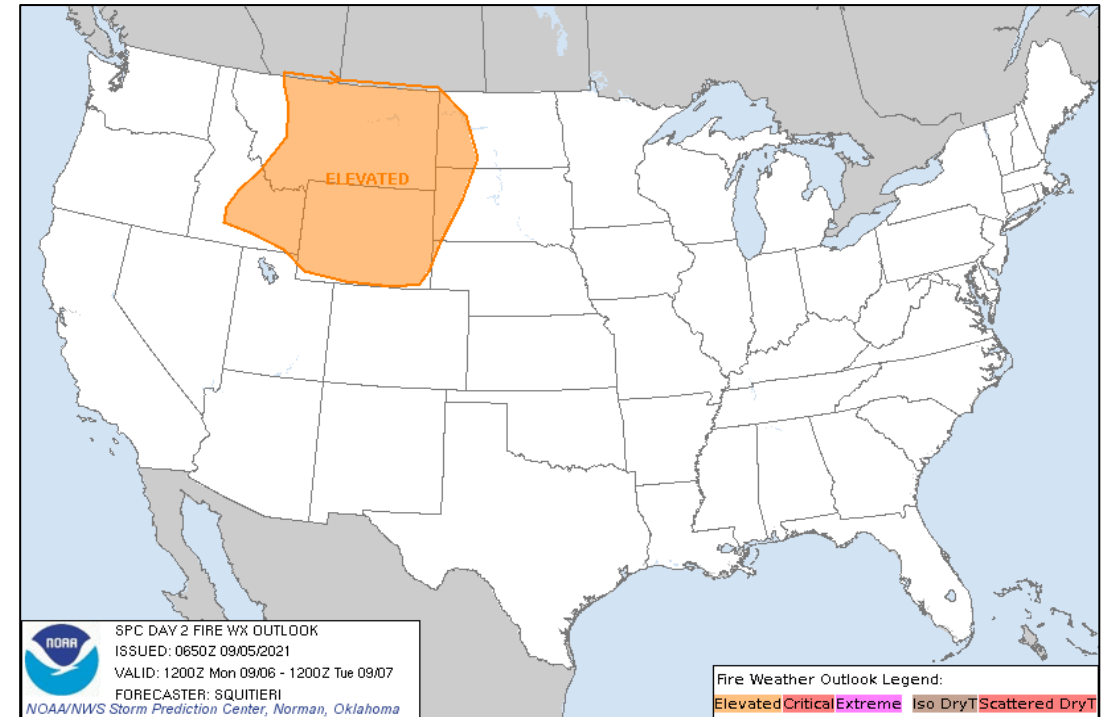


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# Fire Weather Outlook



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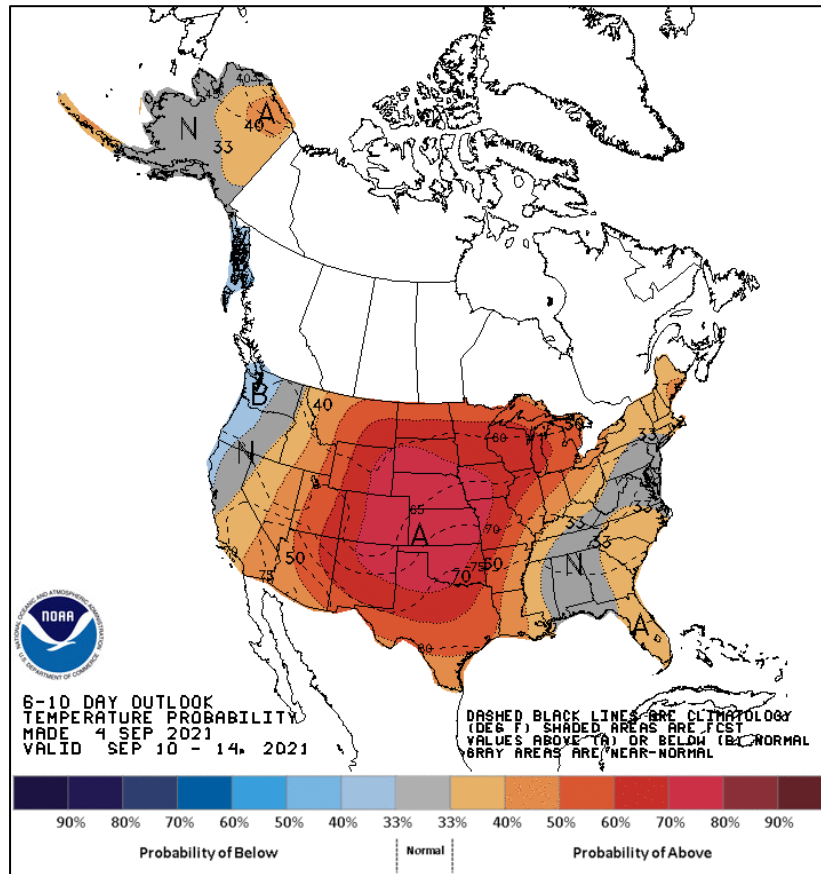


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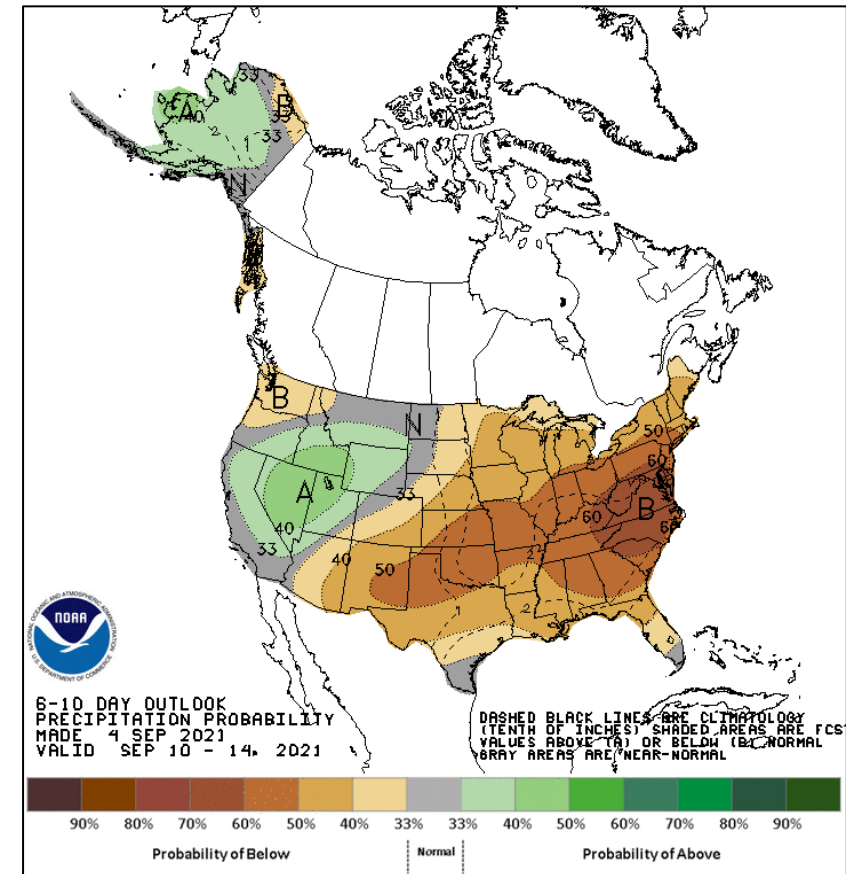
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# Long Range Outlooks – Sep 10-14



6-10 Day Temperature Probability



6-10 Day Precipitation Probability



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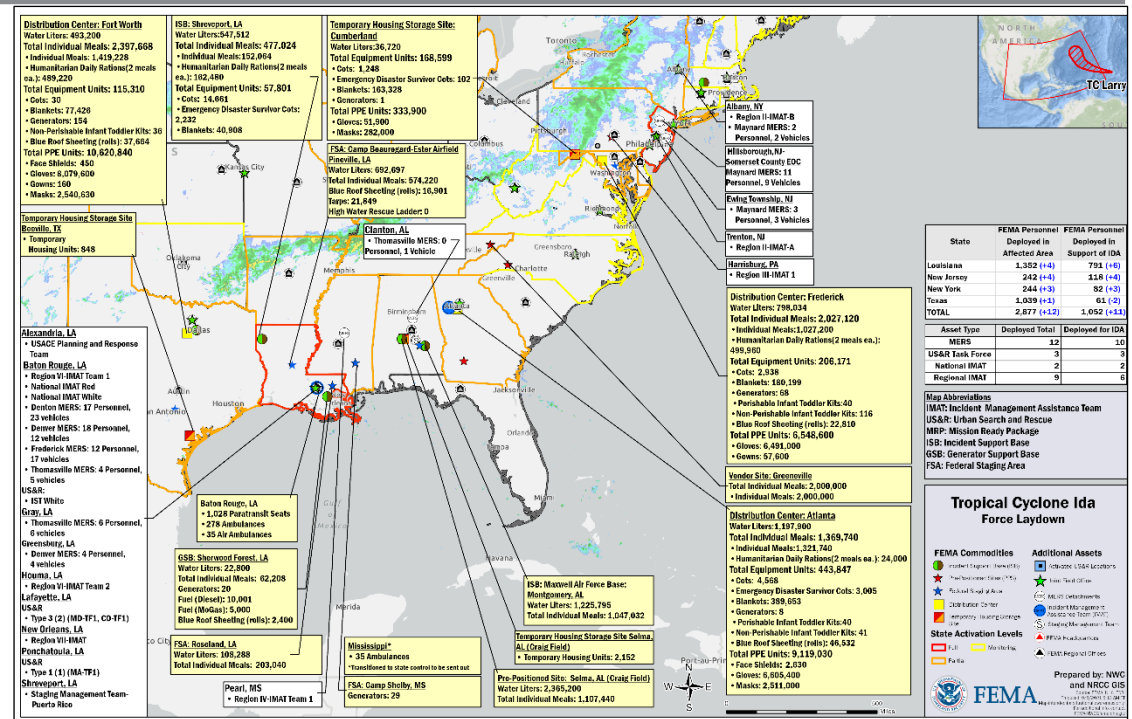
# Tropical Cyclone Ida

**Situation:** Power restoration, generator distribution, responder lodging, and fuel support are priorities to mitigate impacts to communications, healthcare facilities, transportation, water systems, and security; power restoration timelines established with several communities; estimated restoration for majority of impacted areas expected by Sep 8 and Sep 29 for the more heavily impacted areas.

## 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
- Region VII IMAT deployed to New Orleans, LA
- 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: White IST; Ponchatoula, LA: (1) Type 1 Task Force; Lafayette, LA: (2) 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
- MERS: Denton, Denver, Thomasville, Maynard, and Frederick MERS supporting
- DOD: High water vehicles conducting SAR operations/distributing commodities in New Orleans area
- USCG: 34 air assets conducting damage assessments, investigating SAR cases



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# Tropical Cyclone Ida – FEMA Region VI

LA



**Lifeline Impacts:** (NRCC SLB as of 6:00 a.m. ET, Sept 5)

## Safety and Security:

- LA: Search and rescue activities ongoing

## Food, Water, Shelter:

- LA: 214 (+27) Boil Water Advisories in effect impacting 1M (+828k) people
- LA: 28 (-1) shelters open with 3,246 (+299) occupants

## Health and Medical:

- LA evacuated 13 (-1) hospitals, 3 partially evacuated; 30 hospitals and 34 nursing homes on generators, 2,533 patients at risk of needing evacuation if generators fail
- 11 confirmed storm related fatalities

## Energy:

LA: 613k (-130k) (28%) customers without power (Eagle-I as of 8:00 a.m. ET, Sept 5)

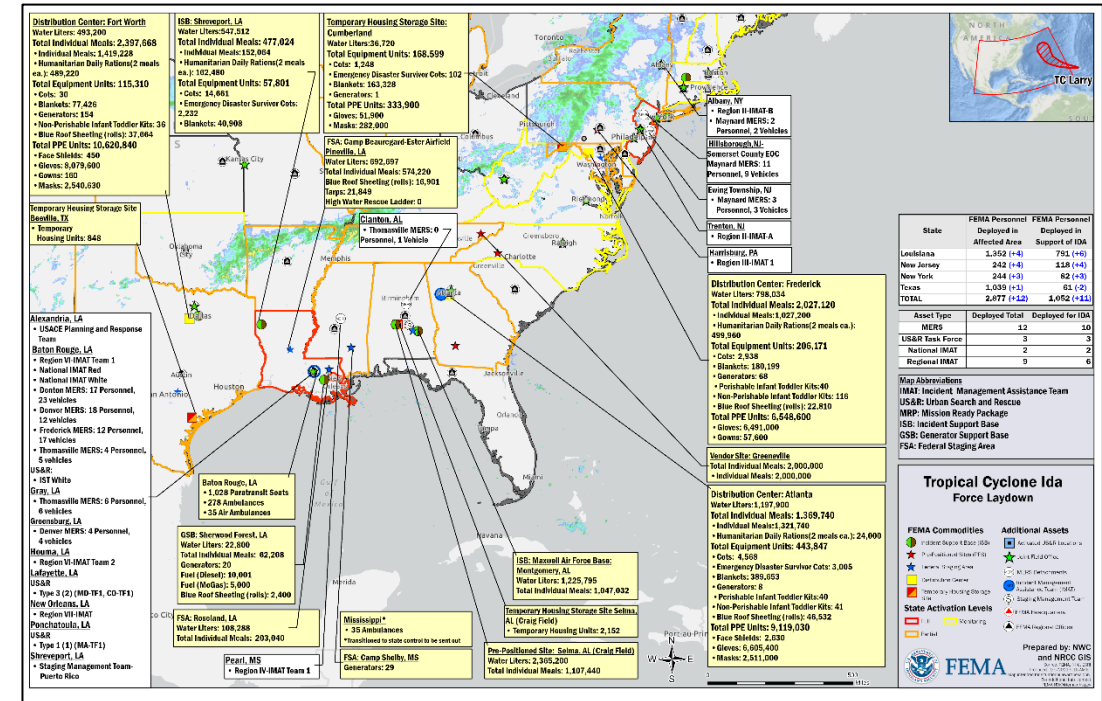
- Most areas expected to be restored by Sep 8; full restoration to heavily impacted areas by Sep 25
- U.S. Secretary of Energy authorized use of the Strategic Petroleum Reserve

## Communications:

- 16 MCOVs to support command and control and site intake/registration
- 911 communications in New Orleans restored; 5 MCOVs staged and supporting Sherwood Forest ISB and 4 EOCs

## Transportation:

- LA: public rail closed pending assessment; Louisiana Offshore Oil Platform, South Louisiana ports remain closed; New Orleans and Lakefront airports open



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# Tropical Cyclone Ida – FEMA Region II

NJ



NY



## LifeLine Impacts: (NRCC SLB as of 6:00 a.m. ET, Sept 5)

### Safety and Security:

- Overall search and rescue activities in NJ completed

### Food, Water, Shelter:

- NJ: 5 (-8) shelters open with 86 (-170) occupants NY: 1 (-2) shelters open with 18 (-17) occupants

### Health and Medical:

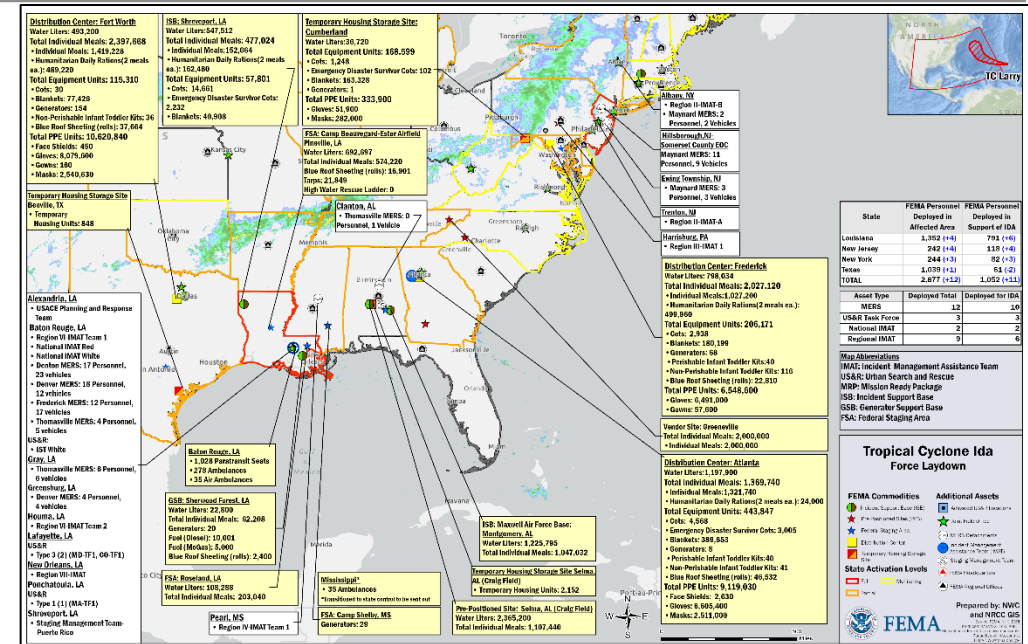
- NJ: 3 of 4 hospitals resumed normal operations
  - Fatalities:
    - NY: 15 confirmed; 9 unconfirmed (open-source media)
    - NJ: 27 (+2) confirmed

### Energy:

- 6 of 8 major transmission lines restored; grid “fully secure”; <1% without power in NJ and NY

### Transportation:

- NJ: Transit rail operating on regular schedule with delays; Hudson-Bergen, Newark, River Line, operating on regular schedule
- NY: Metropolitan Transportation Authority restored subways and commuter rail service to the system with delays; bus service restored; detours cleared
  - Metro North – Hudson Line: Limited-service restoration of early next week
  - Amtrak suspending operations on Empire Corridor until further notice



## State/Local Response:

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

## FEMA / Federal Response:

- RRCC at Level III, 24/7 (Virtual) 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



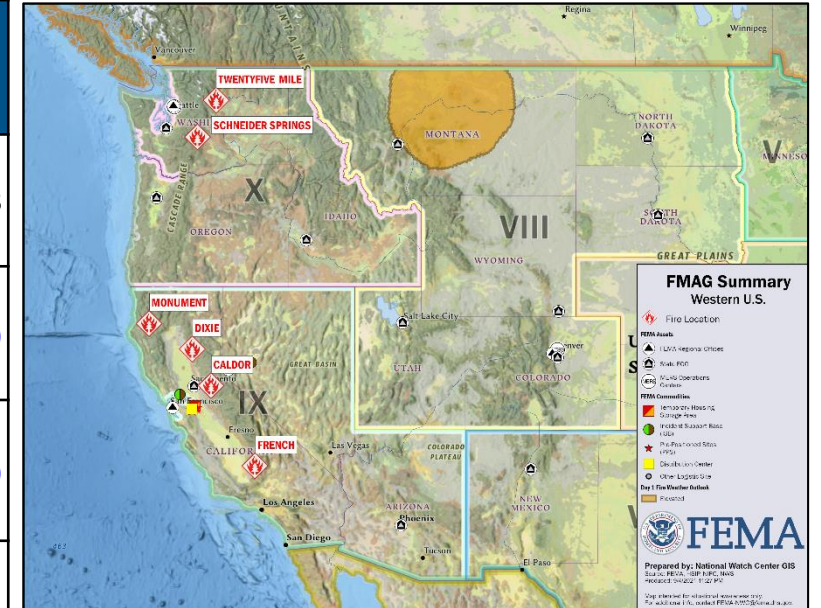
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# Wildfire Summary

Fire Name (County, ST)	FMAG #	Acres Burned	Percent Contained	Evacuations	Structures (Homes / Other)			Fatalities / Injuries
					Threatened	Damaged	Destroyed	
Dixie (Plumas, CA)	5400-FM-CA	889,001 (+7.9k)	56% (+1)	M: 1,015 (-1.4k) V: 0	H: 6,132 (-381) O: 31	H: 56 O: 36	H: 704 O: 578	1 (+1) / 8
Monument (Trinity, CA)	5412-FM-CA	179,135 (+1k)	35%	M: 7,600 (+6.1k) V: 0	H: 5,780 O: 4,800	H: 3 O: 0	H: 20 O: 30	0 / 7 (+1)
Caldor (El Dorado, CA)	5413-FM-CA	214,112 (+842)	43% (+11)	M: 43,195 V: 0	H: 26,675 (-4.2k) O: 995 (-28)	H: 48 (+6) O: 25 (+1)	H: 712 (+29) O: 208 (+5)	0 / 7 (+3)
French (Kern, CA)	5416-FM-CA	25,895	52% (+9)	M: 706 V: 0	H: 329 O: 443	H: 3 O: 2	H: 19 O: 31	1 / 19
Twentyfive Mile (Chelan, WA)	5414-FM-WA	16,060 (+1.4k)	40% (+3)	M: 1,028 V: 0	H: 688 O: 84	H: 0 O: 0	H: 2 O: 12	0 / 16 (+10)
Schneider Springs (Yakima, WA)	5415-FM-WA	85,639	10%	M: 240 V: 0	H: 0 O: 0	H: 0 O: 0	H: 0 O: 0	0 / 7



(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:** Favorable weather conditions have aided fire containment, the only areas of minimal growth were in the northeast and southern edge, as fire behavior continues to decrease. The fire is most active on the south side of Echo Lake, where it is backing down to the lake edge. Structure protection groups continue to seek out hot spots, especially within the communities on the north flank and Pioneer Trail. Damage inspection is in progress with approximately 80% of structures inspected to date. The City of South Lake Tahoe is requesting the Governor pursue a major disaster declaration.

## **Impacts:**

### **Safety and Security:**

- The following areas in El Dorado County downgraded from Evacuation Orders to Warnings: Central Pollock Pines, South Sly park, Leisure Sone, Grizzly Flats West, and Happy Valley
- 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 congregate shelters open with 551 (-77) occupants; 2 non-congregate shelters open with 5 (-1) occupants (*Region IX SLB Sep 4*)

**Energy:** 1,040 (-2.4k) customers without power in El Dorado County (*Region IX SLB Sep 4*)

### **Transportation:**

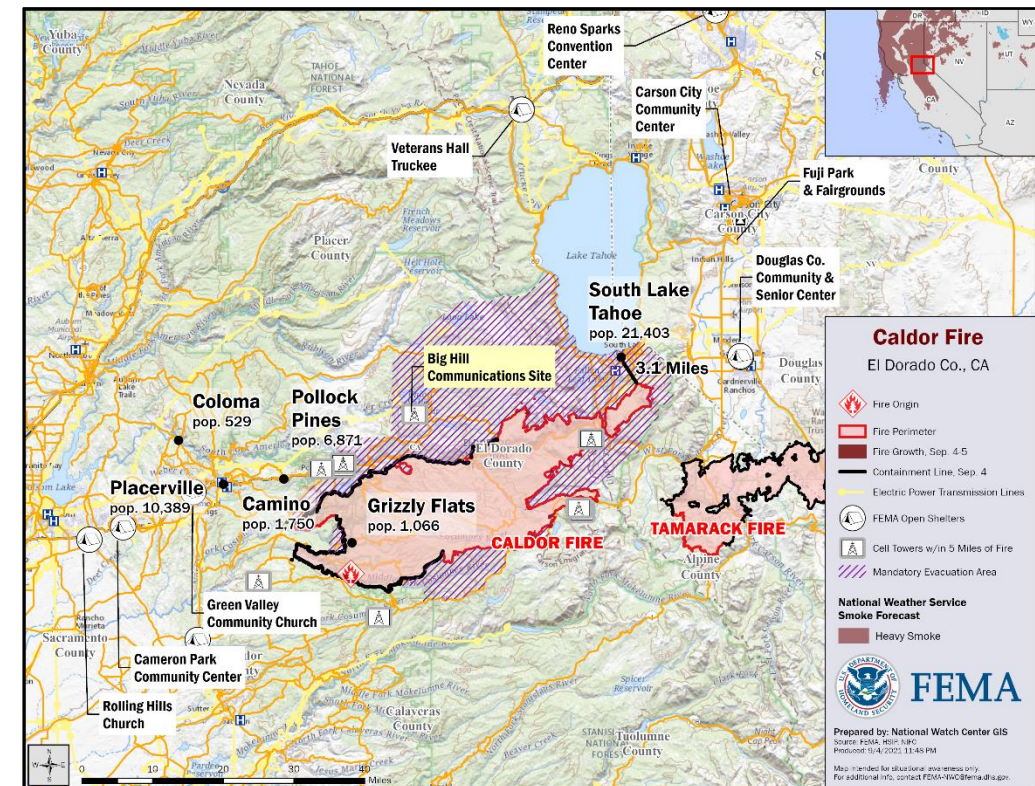
- Numerous road closures remain in effect

## **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 Team (IST) 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	0	0	N/A
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
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

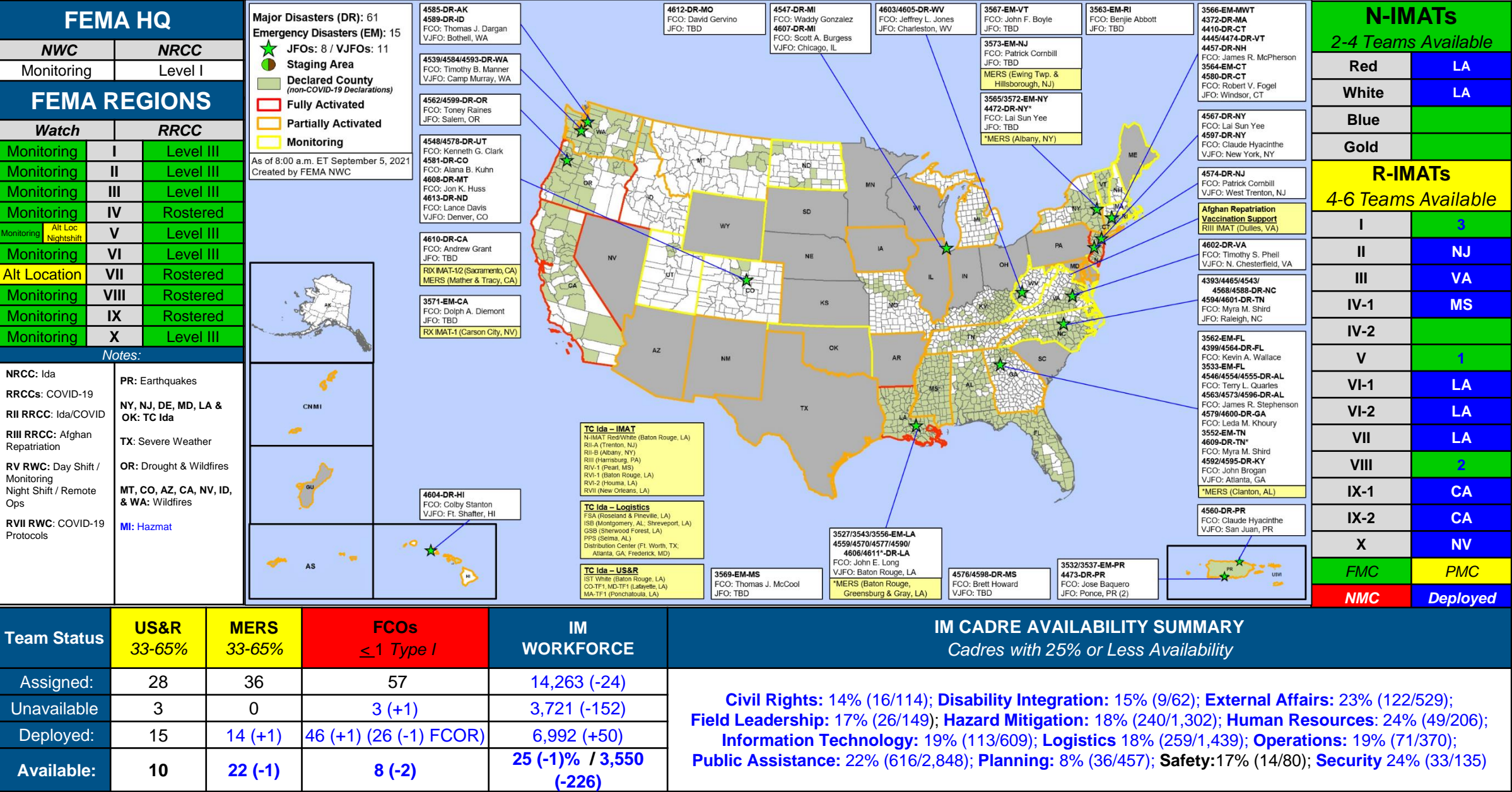
State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Type	IA	PA	HM	Requested
Fort Peck Assiniboiné & Sioux Tribes – Severe Storm, Straight-line Winds, and Flooding	DR	X		X	Aug 3
NE – Severe Storms and Straight-line Winds	DR		X	X	Aug 18
KY – Severe Storms and Flooding	DR	X		X	Aug 19
NC – Tropical Storm Fred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



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# FEMA Common Operating Picture





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