### **FEMA National Watch Center**

# Daily Operations Briefing

Monday, May 20, 2024 8:30 a.m. ET



# **National Current Ops / Monitoring**

New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Ops  Severe Weather - TX/LA	<ul> <li>Hazard Monitoring</li> <li>Severe Thunderstorms – Plains</li> <li>Heavy Rain/Flash Flooding – Central Plains</li> <li>Critical Fire – Southwest</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Disaster Declaration Activity</li> <li>No new declaration activity</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Event Monitoring</li><li>No new significant events</li></ul>



# **Severe Weather – Texas/Louisiana**

<u>Situation:</u> On May 16, a severe weather system traversed SE Texas and SW Louisiana causing straight-line wind damage, primarily in the Houston metro area. Wind speeds reaching up to 78 mph affected numerous downtown skyscrapers, shattered windows, and caused a crane to collapse. Damage to power lines resulted in widespread power outages peaking over 1M and continuing to trend downward. As power is restored, outages continue to trend downward. Recovery efforts in Texas are ongoing as the weather system has moved out of Texas and Louisiana.

#### **Lifelines Impacts:**

Safety and Security: (Region VI SitRep, as of 12:48 p.m. ET, May 18)

- TX:
  - Damage to skyscraper windows, trees, transmission and power lines
  - o Minor damage reported to homes
- LA: Minor damage reported (downed trees/power lines)

Food, Hydration, and Shelter: (ARC Morning Shelter Report, as of 6:50 a.m. ET, May 19 & Region VI SitRep, as of 12:48 p.m. ET, May 18)

- TX: 6 shelters open / 204 (+43) occupants
- 8 Cooling Centers opened in Harris County

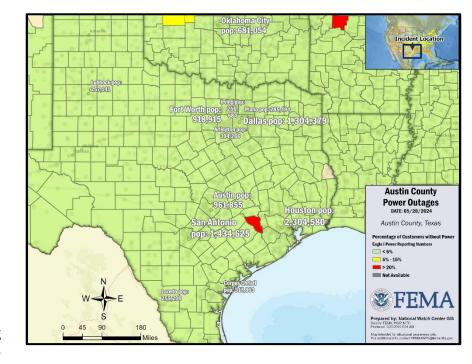
Health and Medical: (Region VI Update, as of 3:04 p.m. ET, May 19)

- TX:
  - 4 confirmed / 3 unconfirmed fatalities
  - o 1 hospital in the Houston area remains on generator power

LA: 2 hospitals and 1 nursing home remain on generator power

Water Systems: (Region VI Update, as of 3:04 p.m. ET, May 19)

- TX: Commission on Environmental Quality is tracking 49 drinking water systems on a Boil Water notice affecting 26,296 residents
- LA: 10 boil water advisories; affecting 6 parishes / 540 customers



### HQ:

The NWC will continue to monitor in coordination with FEMA Region VI.

#### Energy: (EAGLE-I, as of 6:45 a.m. ET, May 20)

- TX: 4k (-351k) outages statewide, down from a peak of 1 million on May 17 at 1:45 a.m.
  - Austin Co.: 3k (-47k)

#### Communication:

9 of 14 transmission lines are repaired

#### State / Local Response:

#### Region VI:

- TX EOC: Partial Activation (Severe Weather)
- LA EOC: Monitoring

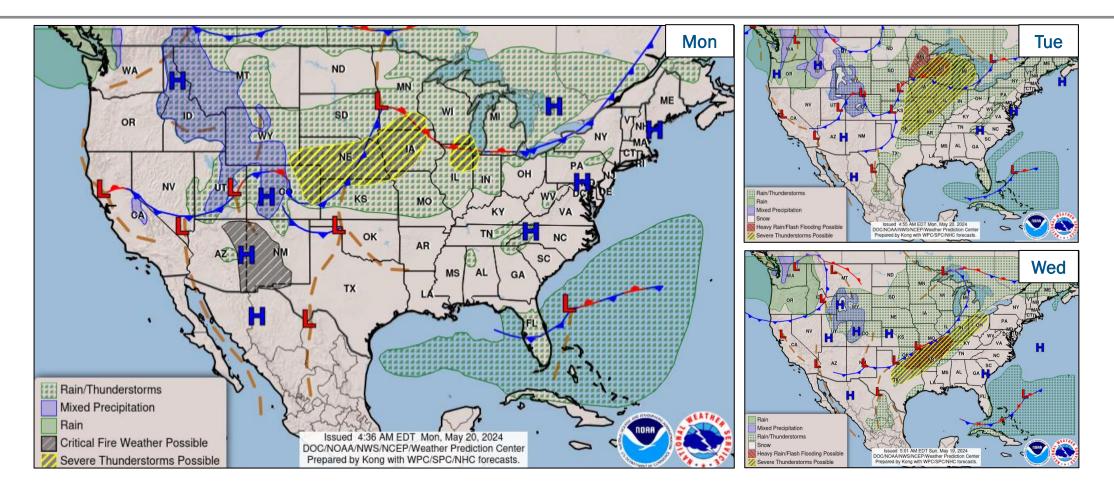
#### Federal / FEMA Response:

### Region VI:

- MOC at Monitoring: RRCC is rostered
- IMAT-1 remains deployed to OK (FEMA-4776-DR-OK)
- IMAT-2 deployed to Texas Dept. of Emergency Management (TDEM)
- MERS: 5 personnel deployed to TX EOC

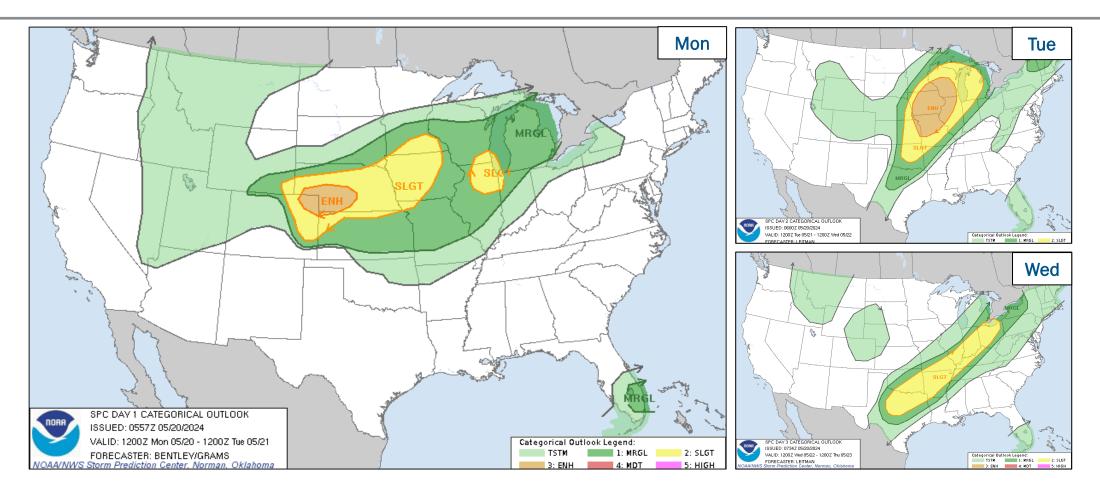


### **National Weather Forecast**



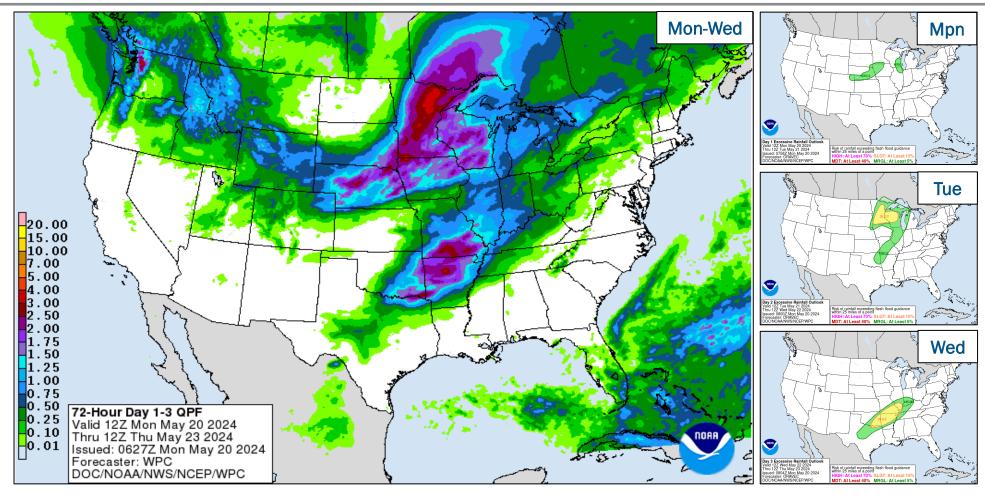


### **Severe Weather Outlook**





# **Precipitation & Excessive Rainfall**





# **FEMA Common Operating Picture**

18 + 5

Field Offices

Offices

Major Disasters

Emergency

Declarations

Direct Housing
Missions

RSF-Supported Disasters

#### N-IMATs **FEMA HQ** Monday Salem, OR 2-5 Teams Available DR-4768-OR Windsor Heights, IA Lincoln, NE May 20, 2024 16 **NWC NRCC** · R-X IMAT 3 DR-4778-NE DR-4779-IA 1/1 Red Monitoring Activated 8:30 a.m. ET · R-VII IMAT (partial) 1/0 0 · R-VII IMAT (partial) 1 Columbus, OH 5/0 19 0 IV White **FEMA REGIONS** DR-4777-0H 3 R-V IMAT Blue MERS Watch **RRCC** 3 0 Gold 0/1 2 Rostered Monitoring 0 3/1 18 Monitoring Rostered HS 3/1 Monitoring Rostered **R-IMATs** Monitoring ١V Rostered Rostered Monitoring 4-6 Teams Available Regional Offices Rostered Monitoring VI VII Monitoring Rostered Monitoring Rostered PR/USVI Monitoring Rostered Active RSF Alaska South Portland, ME Ш 3 Monitoring Rostered DR-4754-ME Pre-Positioned R-I IMAT IV-1 Notes: Federal Staging RWCs/RRCCs/IMATs: STATE EOCs: IV-2 2 NRCC: Sustained Ons AL/FL/MS/OK/TN/ TX/MT: Severe Weather Elevated-OH TX: Ongoing Threats Critical AZ/CO: SW Border Northern Mariana Fire Wx Temporary Housing MD: Key Bridge VI-1 OK Islands Storage Area/Site Large Fires HI/OK: Wildfires VI-2 TX AK: 2024 Riverwatch State Activation PR/USVI Operations VII NE / IA CO: Hwy 50 CD01 Caribbean Area Partial Closure San Diego, CA VIII 1 Readiness Initiative Monitoring NY: Commencement DR-4758-CA R-II IMAT CA IX-1 R-IX-1 IMAT KY: Flooding IX-2 Personnel OR Oldahoma City, OK Volunteer Force DR-4776-0K Austin, TX Fully Mission Capable (FMC) Rostered Deployed • R-VI-1 IMAT DR-4781-TX 7.814 Partially Mission Capable (PMC) • MERS R-VI-2 IMAT **Surge Capacity Force** MERS Rostered **Deployed** Puerto Rico/U.S. Virgin Islands American Samoa

### **IM Workforce**

13,577 (-78) Assigned 4,705 (-90) Unavailable 5,720 (+13) Deployed

23% / 3,152 (-1) Available

### **IM Cadre Availability**

12 Cadres ≤ 25% Availability

Alternative Dispute Resolution: 23% (8/35); External Affairs: 20% (98/497); Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation: 17% (129/781); Field Leadership: 11% (16/147); Hazard Mitigation: 19% (229/1,236); Human Resources: 19% (34/178); Individual Assistance: 17% (442/2,586); Operations: 15% (47/322); Public Assistance: 20% (443/2,194); Planning: 6% (27/459); Safety: 9% (7/79); Security: 19% (26/135)

### MERS

36 Assigned
0 Unavailable
9 (+1) Deployed

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27 (-1) Available 26 Available

### US&R

28 Assigned 2 Unavailable 0 Deployed

49 Assigned 5 Unavailable 35 (25 FCOR) Deployed

9 Available

# **Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments**

Region	State / Location	Incident	IA	Number o	f Counties	Chart Fuel
			PA	Requested	Complete	Start - End
I	NH	Severe Storms and Flooding Apr 3 & continuing	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	10	0	5/6 - TBD
IV	TN	Severe Storms, Tornadoes, Winds, and Flooding May 8-9	IA	5	0	5/17 - TBD
			PA	0	0	N/A
	FL	Severe Storms and Tornadoes May 10	IA	1	0	5/12 - TBD
			PA	9	8	5/12 - TBD
Х	AK	Fires Apr 9 and continuing	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	2	0	5/20 - TBD



# **Declaration Requests in Process - 9**

State / Tribe / Territory - Incident Description	Туре	IA	PA	НМ	Requested
OH - Train Derailment	DR	Х	Х	Х	Jul 3
SBKN* - Severe Storms and Flooding	DR		Х	Х	Mar 21
KY – Severe Storms, Straight-Line Winds, Tornadoes, Landslides, and Mudslides	DR	Х		Х	Apr 20
ME – Severe Storms	DR		Х	Х	May 2
WV – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides	DR	Х	Х	Х	May 3
NE – Severe Winter Storms and Straight-line Winds	DR		Х	Х	May 6
SC – Severe Storm and Straight-line Winds	DR	Χ			May 7
MS – Severe Storms, Straight-Line Winds, Tornadoes, and Flooding	DR	Х		Х	May 9
WV – Severe Storm, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides	DR		Х	Х	May 9

<sup>\*</sup>Sycuan Band of the Kumeyaay Nation





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