

FEMA National Watch Center

Daily Operations Briefing

Sunday, May 19, 2024

8:30 a.m. ET



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National Current Ops / Monitoring

New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Ops

- Severe Weather – TX/LA

Hazard Monitoring

- Severe thunderstorms/Excessive rainfall– Central Plains

Disaster Declaration Activity

- No new declaration activity

Event Monitoring

- No new significant events



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Severe Weather – Texas/Louisiana

Situation: 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 78 mph affected numerous downtown skyscrapers, shattering windows, and caused a crane to collapse. Damage to power lines resulted in widespread power outages peaking over 1M and is currently trending downward. Additional reports from the Storm Prediction Center included a combined total of two tornado reports resulting in multiple trees and power poles down. Reports also show wind gust and hail reports across Texas and Louisiana resulting in damage to several homes and businesses. [The Weather Prediction Center \(WPC\) forecasts intense summer-like heat over southern Texas.](#) (Region VI SitRep, as of 12:48 p.m. ET, May 18)

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
 - Minor damage reported to homes
- LA: Minor damage reported (downed trees/power lines)

Food, Hydration, and Shelter: (ARC Shelter Report, as of 6:00 a.m. ET, May 19 & Region VI SitRep, as of 12:48 p.m. ET)

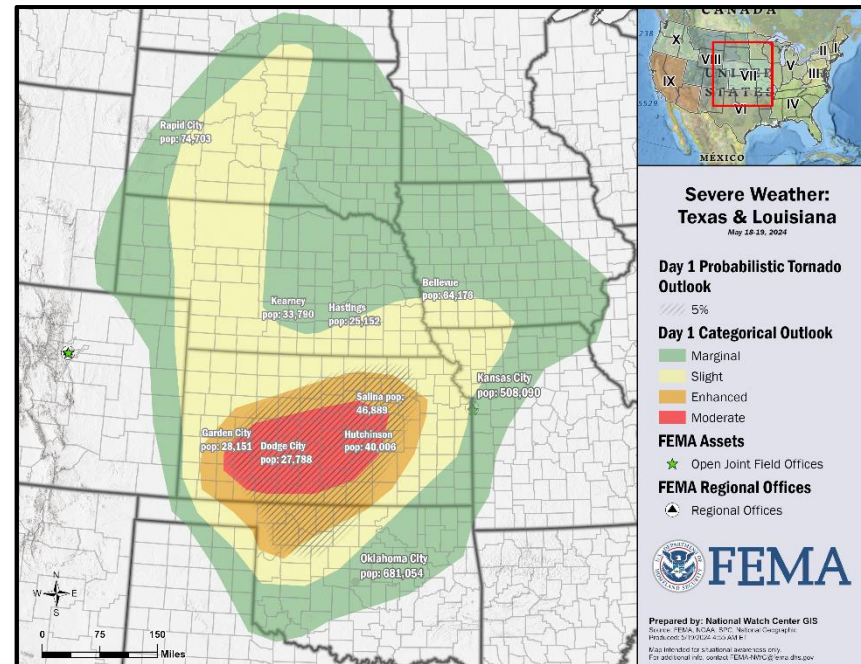
- TX: 6 (+1) shelters open / 161 (+29) occupants
- 6 PODs are currently managed by ARC
 - 3 PODs closed May 18; remaining 3 to shutdown on May 19
- 8 Cooling Centers opened in Harris County

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

- TX: 7 fatalities; 4 confirmed / 3 unconfirmed
- LA: 2 hospitals and 1 nursing home remain on generator power

Water Systems: (Region VI SitRep, as of 12:48 p.m. ET, May 18)

- TX: 17 (+11) water systems on boil water notices; with 2 of these systems currently completely inoperable
- [The City of Houston issued a boil water notice for residents using private drinking water supply wells](#) (CISA SitRep, as of 5:19 p.m. ET, May 18)
- LA: 10 boil water advisories; affecting 6 parishes / 540 customers



HQ:

- The NWC continues to monitor in coordination with FEMA Region VI; with continued reporting twice daily in the FEMA National Situation Report (5:00 p.m. ET / 3:00 a.m. ET) and the FEMA Daily Operations Briefing (8:30 a.m. ET)

Energy: (EAGLE-I, as of 7:30 a.m. ET, May 19)

- TX: 355k (-160k) Statewide; power outage numbers continue to trend downward
 - Harris Co.: 252k (-30k)
 - Austin Co.: 57k (-19k)
 - Waller Co.: 44k (-22k)

Communication:

- 9 of 14 transmission lines are repaired; electric line assessments will be completed today

State / Local Response:

Region VI:

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

Federal / FEMA Response:

Region VI:

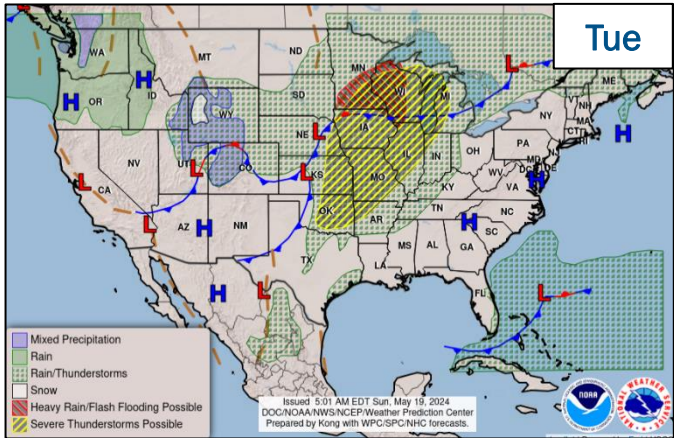
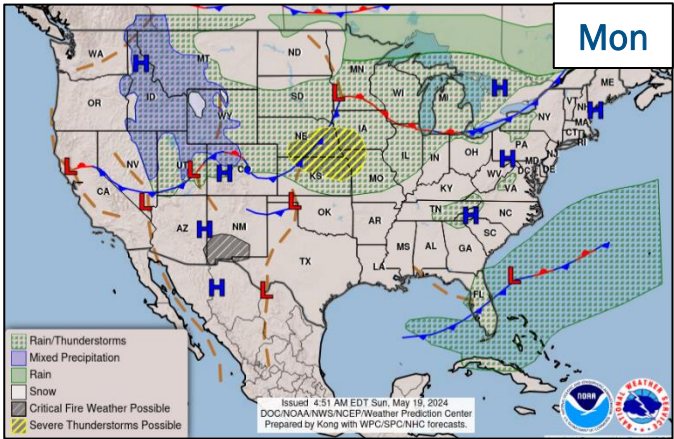
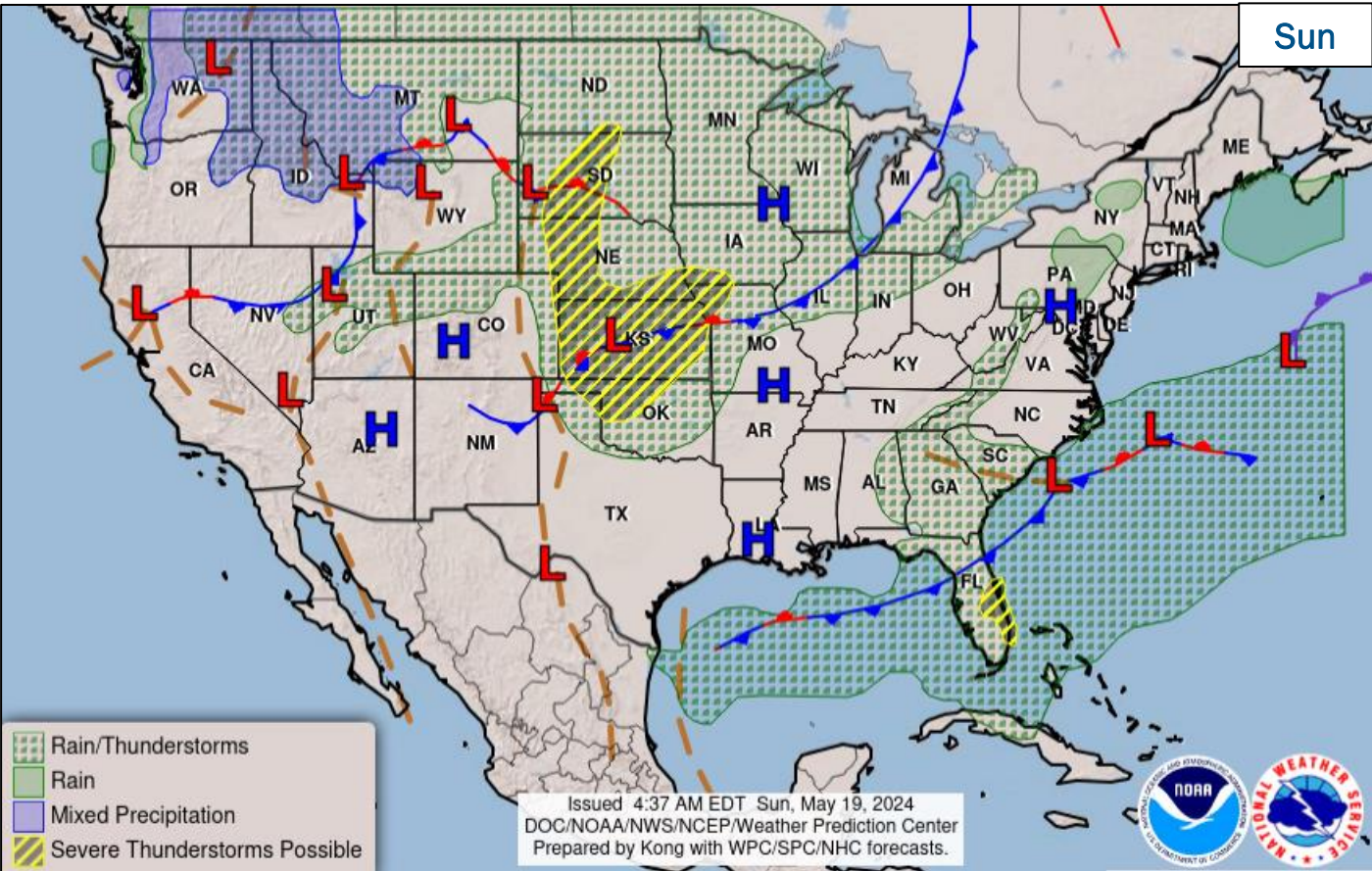
- MOC at Monitoring; RRCC is rostered
- IMAT-1 remains deployed to OK (FEMA-4776-DR-OK)
- IMAT-2 deployed to Texas Dept. of Emergency Management, (TDEM)



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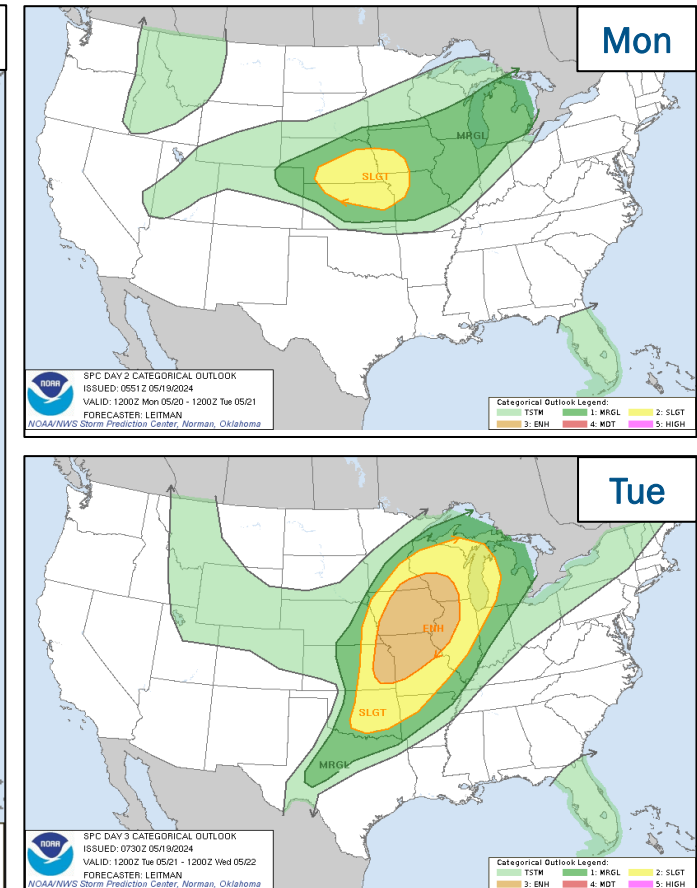
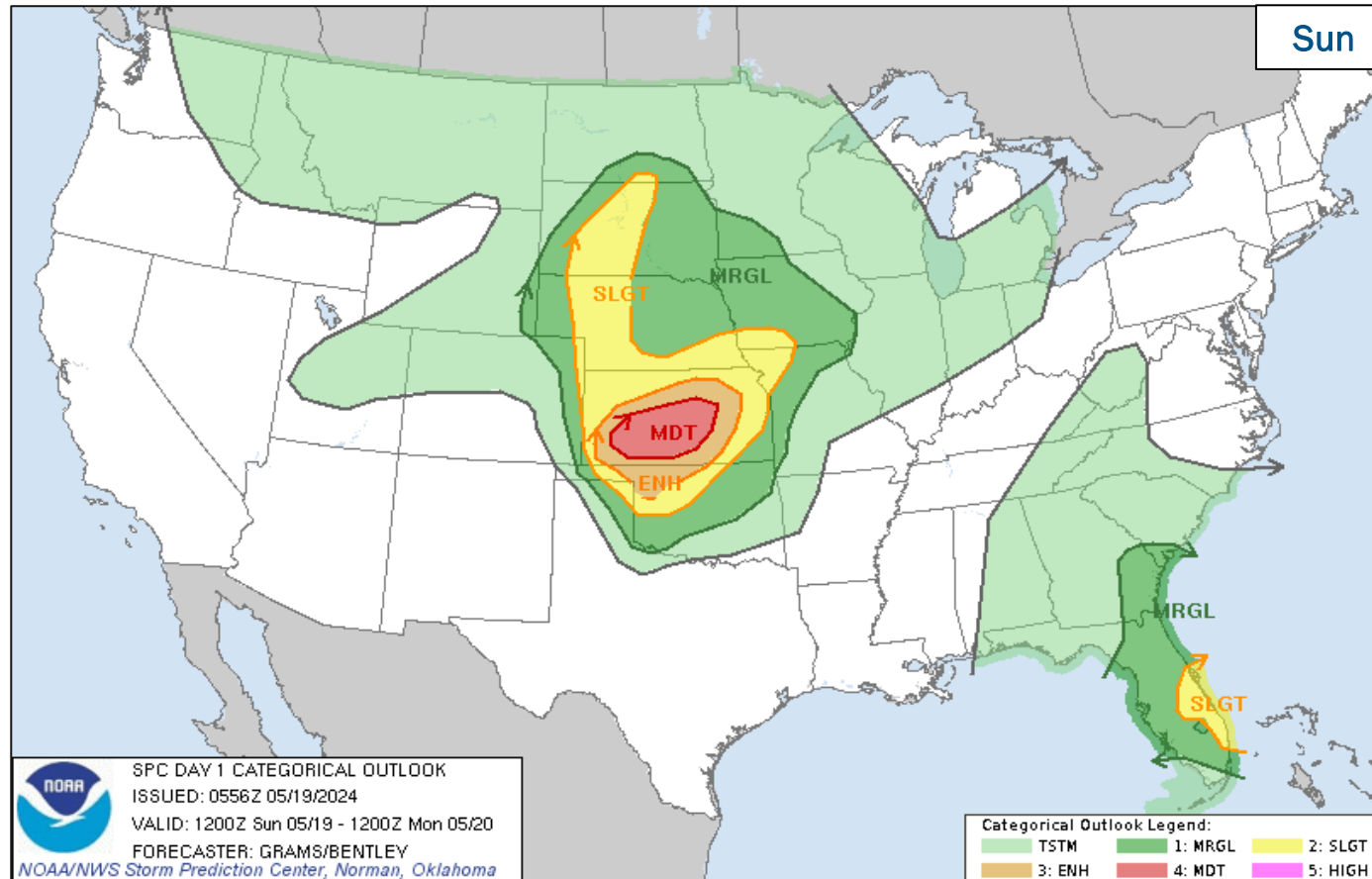
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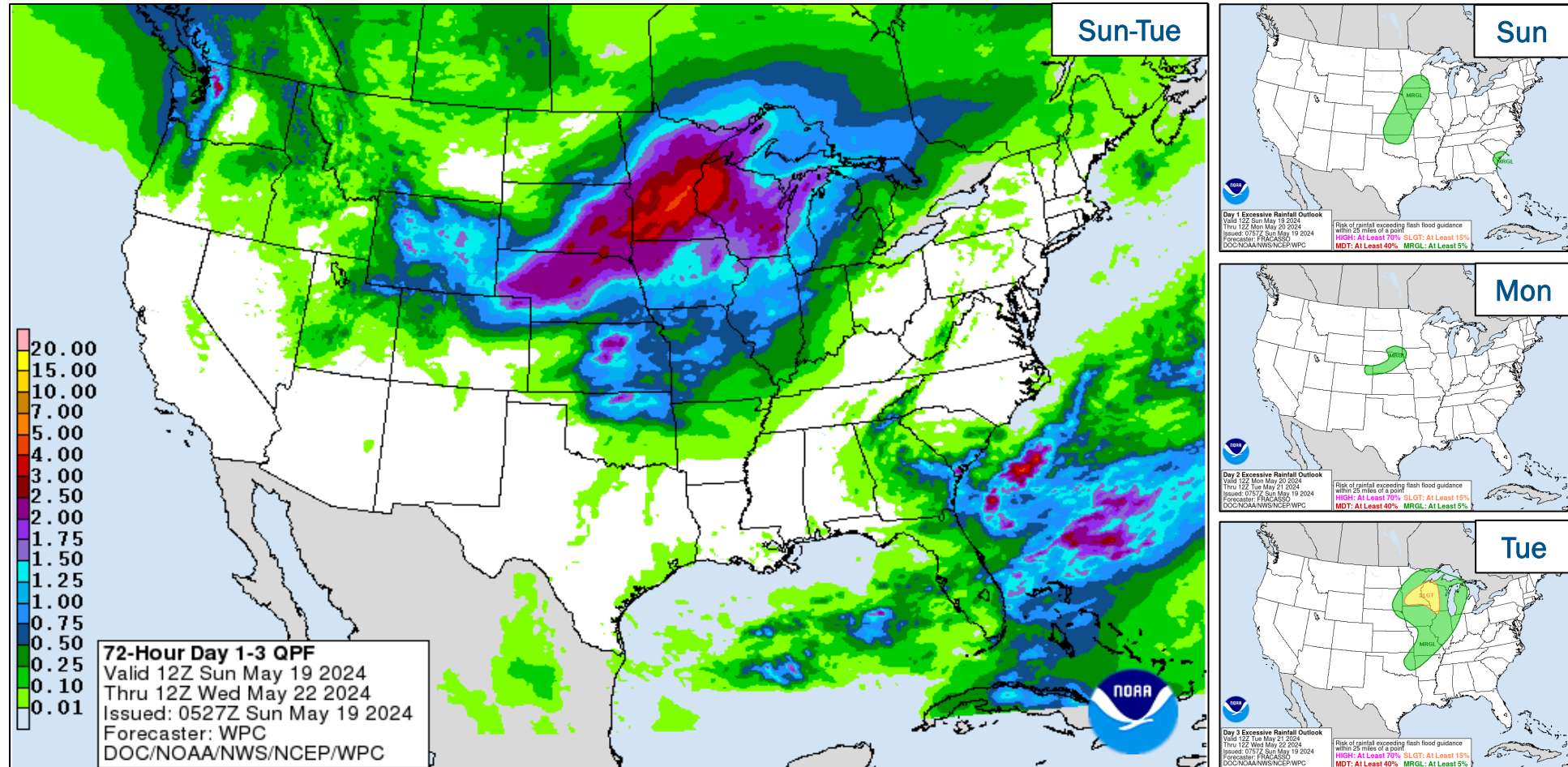
Severe Weather Outlook



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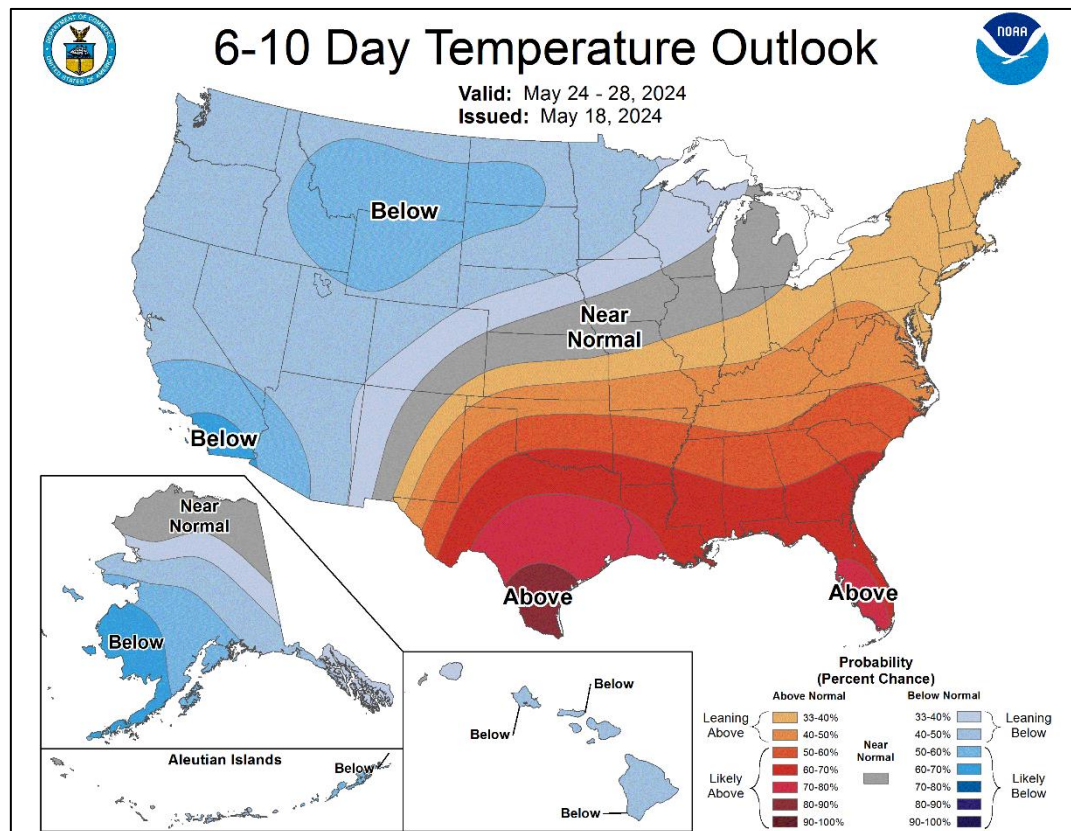
Precipitation & Excessive Rainfall



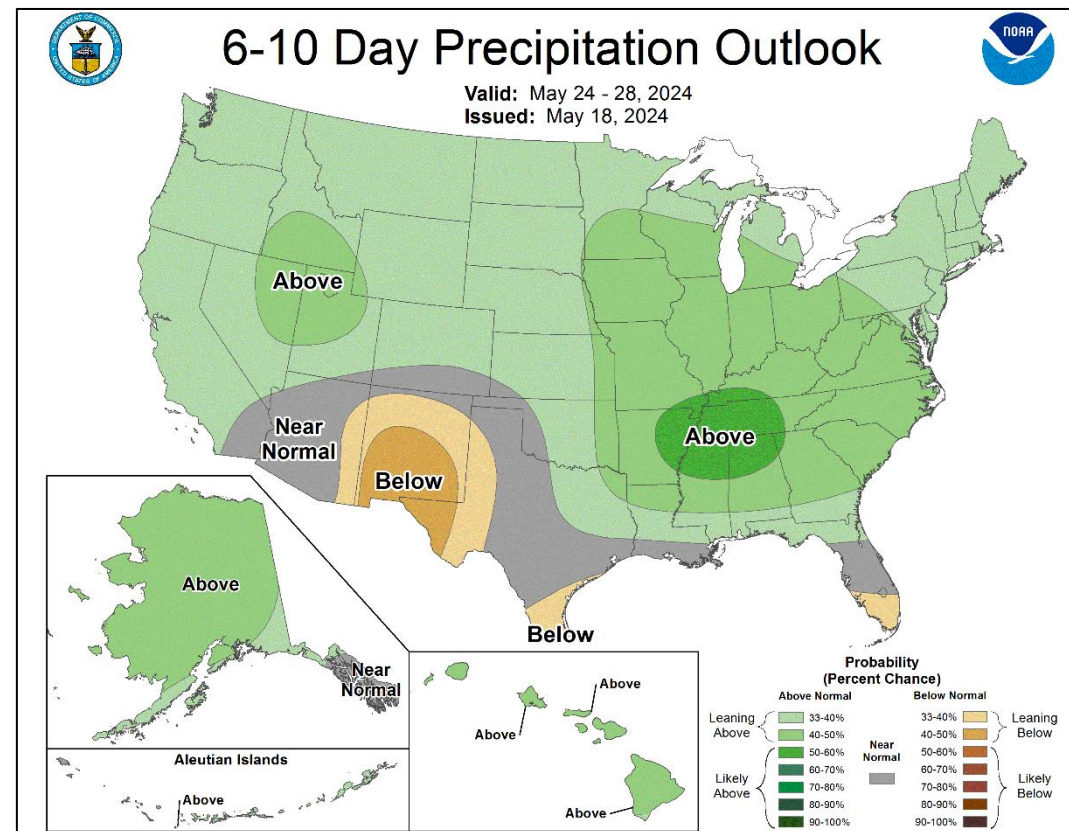
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Long Range Outlooks – May 24-28



6-10 Day Temperature Probability



6-10 Day Precipitation Probability

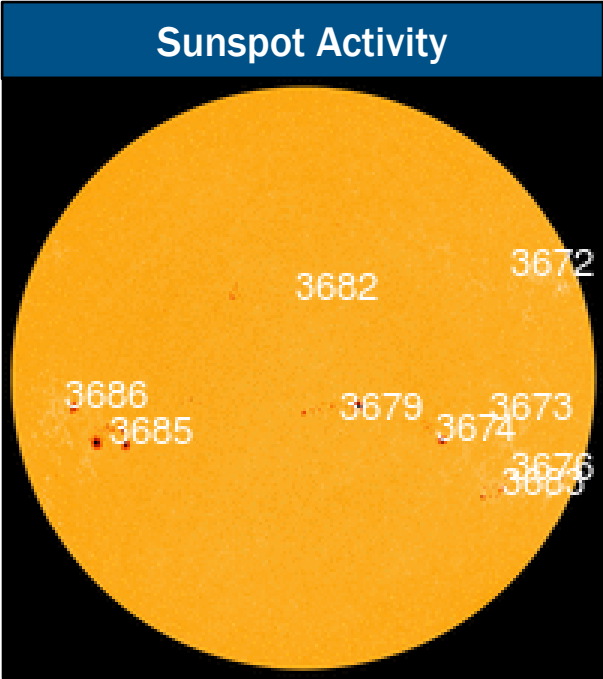
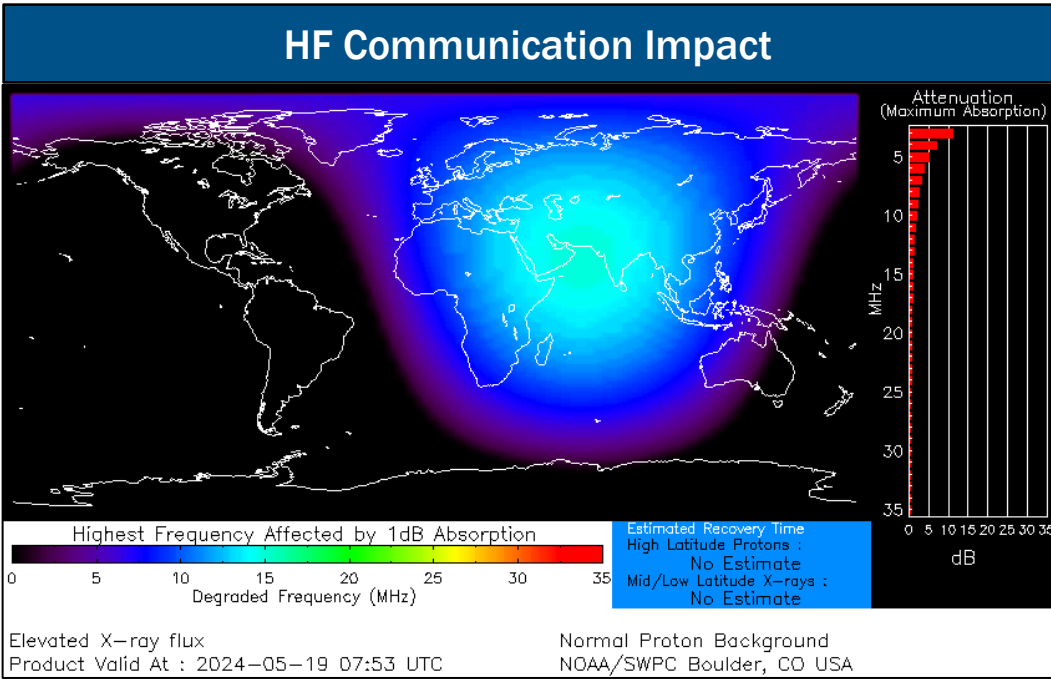


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Space Weather Outlook

Minor	Space Weather Activity	Geomagnetic Storms	Solar Radiation	Radio Blackouts
Past 24 Hours	None	None	None	None
Next 24 Hours	None	None	None	None
For further information on NOAA Space Weather Scales refer to: http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/noaa-scales-explanation For further information on Sunspot Activity refer to: https://www.swpc.noaa.gov/phenomena/sunspotssolar-cycle				



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NWC	NRCC
Monitoring	Activated

FEMA REGIONS

Watch	RRCC
Monitoring	I Rostered
Monitoring	II Rostered
Monitoring	III Rostered
Monitoring	IV Rostered
Monitoring	V Rostered
Monitoring	VI Rostered
Monitoring	VII Rostered
Monitoring	VIII Rostered
Monitoring	IX Rostered
Monitoring	X Rostered

Notes:
RWCs/RRCCs/IMATs:
• NRCC: Sustained Ops
STATE EOCs:
• AL/FL/MS/OK/TN/TX/MT: Severe Weather
• TX: Ongoing Threats
• AZ/CO: SW Border
• MD: Key Bridge Incident
• HI/OK: Wildfires
• AK: 2024 Riverwatch Operations
• CO: Hwy 50 CDOT Closure
• NY: Commencement Activity
• KY: Flooding

Volunteer Force

Rostered	Deployed
7,814	65

Surge Capacity Force

Rostered	Deployed
7,434 (-1)	0

N-IMATs

2-5 Teams Available

Red	
White	
Blue	
Gold	
HS	Personnel

R-IMATs

4-6 Teams Available

I	ME
II	PR/USVI
III	3
IV-1	
IV-2	2
V	OH
VI-1	OK
VI-2	TX
VII	NE / IA
VIII	1
IX-1	CA
IX-2	Personnel
X	OR

Fully Mission Capable (FMC)
Partially Mission Capable (PMC)
Not Mission Capable (NMC)
Deployed

REGIONAL BREAKDOWN

	JFO/VFO	DR	EM
I	4/0	16	1
II	1/1	3	0
III	1/0	1	0
IV	5/0	19	0
V	1/0	3	0
VI	0/0	2	0
VII	0/1	3	0
VIII	0/1	2	0
IX	3/1	18	0
X	3/1	8	0

Alaska

Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands

Guam

American Samoa

Hawaii

Salem, OR
DR-4768-OR
• R-X IMAT

Lincoln, NE
DR-4778-NE
• R-VII IMAT (partial)

Windsor Heights, IA
DR-4779-IA
• R-VII IMAT (partial)

Columbus, OH
DR-4777-OH
• R-V IMAT
• MERS

South Portland, ME
DR-4754-ME
• R-I IMAT

San Diego, CA
DR-4758-CA
• R-IX-1 IMAT

Oldahoma City, OK
DR-4776-OK
• R-VI-1 IMAT
• MERS

Austin, TX
DR-4781-TX
• R-VI-2 IMAT
• MERS

PR/USM
Caribbean Area
Readiness Initiative
• R-II IMAT

Severe Wx: Slight-Enhanced Risk

Elevated Fire Wx.

Flash Flooding & Minor-Isolated Moderate River Flooding Impacts

Minor-Mod River Flooding

Severe Wx: Slight Risk

Legend

FEMA HQ
Regional Offices
Joint Field Offices
Direct Housing Mission
Active RSF Missions
Pre-Positioned Sites
Federal Staging Area
Incident Support Base
Distribution Center
Temporary Housing Storage Area/Site
Large Fires
State Activation
Full
Partial
Monitoring
Declared
Counties

Sunday
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Puerto Rico/U.S. Virgin Islands

IM Workforce

13,655 Assigned
4,795 (+33) Unavailable
5,707 (-17) Deployed

23% / 3,153 (-16) Available

IM Cadre Availability

12 Cadres ≤ 25% Availability

Alternative Dispute Resolution: 23% (8/35); External Affairs: 20% (98/500); Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation: 16% (128/781); Field Leadership: 11% (17/148); Hazard Mitigation: 19% (236/1,240); Human Resources: 21% (38/178); Individual Assistance: 18% (475/2,633); Operations: 17% (55/323); Public Assistance: 20% (439/2,200); Planning: 4% (20/461); Safety: 9% (7/79); Security: 18% (25/136)

MERS

> 66%

36 Assigned
0 Unavailable
8 Deployed

28 Available

US&R

> 66%

28 Assigned
2 Unavailable
0 Deployed

26 Available

FCO

≤ 1 Type I

49 Assigned
5 Unavailable
35 (25 FCOR) Deployed

9 Available

Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

Region	State / Location	Incident	IA	Number of Counties		Start - End
			PA	Requested	Complete	
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 (+4)	5/12 - TBD
V	MI	Severe Storms May 7	IA	4	4 (+4)	5/15 - 5/17
			PA	0	0	TBD
X	AK	Fires Apr 9 and continuing	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	2	0	5/20 - TBD



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Declaration Requests in Process – 9

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

*Sycuan Band of the Kumeyaay Nation



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