

WSP USA INSPECTION SERVICES DISASTER AWARENESS REPORT

September 18, 2022

Tropical Activity Atlantic – Tropical Storm Fiona

- Tropical Storm Fiona continued to strengthen as it approached Puerto Rico Sunday morning.
- Early this morning, Fiona was packing 70-mph sustained winds, with gusts even higher, as its center was 65 miles south-southeast of Ponce, Puerto Rico.
- President Joe Biden approved an emergency declaration for Puerto Rico on Sunday, which now authorizes the Federal Emergency Management Agency to mobilize equipment and resources necessary to alleviate the impacts of Tropical Storm Fiona.



- More than 242,000 customers were without power in Puerto Rico as of late Sunday morning, and that number is expected to climb. This is a large increase in outages in just a few hours. Earlier on Sunday morning, outages numbered just over 82,000.
- The storm is expected to reach Category 1 hurricane strength later Sunday as it approaches and possibly makes landfall along the southwestern part of Puerto Rico.
- Hurricane warnings remain in effect for the country, as well as eastern portions of the Dominican Republic, while a hurricane watch is in effect for the U.S. Virgin Islands.
- Ahead of Fiona, beaches in Puerto Rico were shut down and officials opened shelters, according to The Associated Press.
- A swath of 60- to 80-mph wind gusts are expected to stretch across Puerto Rico, eastern and central portions of the Dominican Republic and into the southeastern Bahamas through Monday.
- A general 12-18 inches of rain is forecast to fall on much of the southern part of Puerto Rico.
- Rainfall of this extreme magnitude will trigger life-threatening flash flooding and mudslides.





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Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments							
State	Event	Number of Counties for IA		Start-End			
		Requested	Completed	Start-End			
GA	Flooding September 4, 2022	2	1	9/8-TBD			

Pending Individual Assistance Declaration Request								
State	Event	Date Submitted	Approved/Denied/ Pending	Number of Counties/Tribes				
IL	Severe Storms and Flooding July 25-28, 2022	8/30/2022	Pending	1 County				
VA	Flooding and Mudslides July 13-14, 2022	9/9/2022	Pending	1 County				

WSP USA Inspection Services Active Disasters								
Disaster Number and State	Disaster Type	Number of Counties Declared	Days Since Launch	Registration Deadline				
4665 MO	Severe Storms & Flooding	2 Counties/1 City	39	10/7/2022				

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