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WSP USA INSPECTION SERVICES DISASTER AWARENESS REPORT

July 29, 2021

Earthquake Activity

Alaska

- An 8.2 magnitude earthquake struck just off the coast of Alaska late Wednesday night, causing tremors that could be felt throughout the state and setting tsunami alarms blaring.
- The epicenter of the quake, the largest recorded in U.S. in more than 50 years, struck just over 50 miles offshore along the state's Gulf of Alaska coast.
- After the shaking stopped, residents along the southwest peninsula moved to higher ground in anticipation of a possible tsunami.
- A tsunami warning lasted nearly two hours—and a tsunami advisory was in place as far as Hawaii—but when waves hit the shoreline at about 7 inches above normal, the threat was downgraded and ultimately lifted several hours later.
- Residents reported only minor damage, but officials said that could change after sunrise and people get a better look.
- The Alaska Earthquake Center recorded 14 aftershocks all magnitude 4 or higher in the two hours immediately after the initial shock, including two that registered at magnitudes of 6.2 and 5.6.
- "This is the largest earthquake to happen in the Alaska region since 1965," Michael West, state seismologist with the Alaska Earthquake Center, told Alaska Public Media.



Wildfire Activity

California – Dixie Fire

- The large Dixie Fire in California has grown to over 220,000 acres as fire crews in the state continue to battle several wildfires.
- The Dixie Fire, the second-largest wildfire currently burning in the U.S. and the biggest in California, has grown to 220,012 acres while only being 23 percent contained, according to data provided by Cal Fire.
- After now growing to 343 square miles the Dixie Fire is now bigger than Dallas in Texas and New York City, New York, while being just more than 100 square miles smaller than Los Angeles in California.
- The blaze, which has been active since July 14, has so far destroyed 54 structures and damaged seven more. Officials have issued several evacuation orders for residents in parts of Plumas and Butte Counties.
- The Dixie Fire is one of six wildfires currently burning in California. These active blazes have burned at least 347,616 acres, while 5,609 fires this season have destroyed 480,205 Acres and damaged or destroyed 323 structures.

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WSP USA Inspection Services Active Disasters

Disaster Number and State	Disaster Type	Number of Counties Declared	Days Since Launch	Registration Deadline
4586 TX	Severe Ice Storm	129 Counties	157	5/20/2021
4595 KY	Severe Storms & Flooding	31 Counties	89	7/23/2021
4607 MI	Severe Storms & Flooding	2 Counties	9	9/13/2021

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