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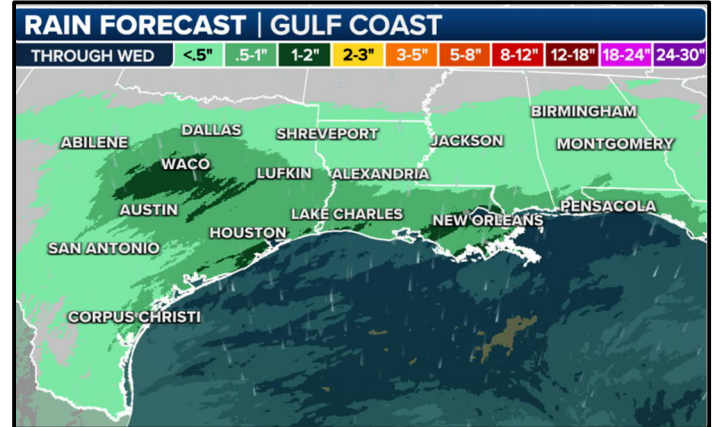
WSP USA INSPECTION SERVICES DISASTER AWARENESS REPORT

January 2, 2024

Flood Threat

Gulf Coast

- The South will have a soggy start to 2024 with a wet weather pattern setting up over the Gulf Coast states, bringing heavy rain and the potential for flash flooding for Texas early in the week and down to Central Florida by midweek.
- A parade of low-pressure systems marching across the U.S. will bring a buffet of active weather from rain to snow across the country.
- In the South, a system moving over the Gulf states will bring heavy rain to drought-stricken areas needing moisture. However, a lot of rain in a short period will be hard for the dry soil to absorb and may lead to flash flooding.
- Between Monday and Wednesday, heavy rain will dominate this weather setup from Houston in Texas to Pensacola in Florida.
- Cities, including Houston and Galveston in Texas, are looking at a wet day on Tuesday. Up to 1 inch of rain is forecast for South Texas, with higher amounts of up to 2 inches in isolated areas, including near Corpus Christi.
- On Wednesday, the primary concerns for flooding will be concentrated in Louisiana. The area of low pressure will continue its journey east and be located off the coast of New Orleans in Louisiana by early morning. With this shift, the flash flooding threat will extend over a greater area from Lake Charles, Louisiana, down to Tampa, Florida.



Flood Activity

Maine (Dec 17th & continuing)

- The lights are back for most Mainers and flood waters are receding across the state following last week's deadly rain and windstorm, but the long recovery process is only just beginning.
- On Tuesday, Gov. Janet Mills launched the Maine Flood Resources and Assistance Hub, an online aggregate of information, resources and assistance for Mainers affected by flooding and damages.
- Also on Tuesday, Mills announced that the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the Maine Emergency Management Agency will assess the damage brought on by the storm, the first formal step toward requesting a Major Disaster Declaration from the federal government.
- The December storm dumped 6 inches of rain on some parts of the state, knocking out power and heat for hundreds of thousands of Mainers and leaving a path of destruction in its wake.
- Strong wind gusts tore down power lines, uprooted trees and prevented line crews from quickly restoring power to many parts of the state. The heavy rains, combined with melting snow, sent rivers overflowing their banks, spilling onto roads and flooding homes and businesses with

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inches or even feet of water. Two men were killed by falling trees and two women died after their truck was swept away by the flood waters.

- A state of civil emergency was declared in all but two of Maine's 16 counties.
- If FEMA, as expected, decides the costs are beyond what the state can handle, Mills will formally request a Major Disaster Declaration from the president.

Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

State	Event	Number of Counties for IA		Start-End
		Requested	Completed	
ME	Flooding Dec 17 - Continuing	16	0	1/2 - TBD

Pending Individual Assistance Declaration Request

State	Event	Date Submitted	Approved/Denied/ Pending	Number of Counties
OH	Train Derailment Feb 3-8, 2023	7/3/2023	Pending	1 County
WA	Wildfires Aug 18-25	10/4/2023	Pending	1 County
MI*	Severe Storms, Tornadoes & Flooding Aug 24-26	10/18/2023	Pending	9 Counties
WV	Severe Storms, Flooding, Landslides & Mudslides Aug 28-30	10/25/2023	Pending	5 Counties
RI	Severe Storms, Flooding & Tornadoes Sep 10-13	11/8/2023	Pending	1 County
MA	Severe Storms & Flooding Sep 11-13	12/11/2023	Pending	2 Counties

*Award of task order to contractor pending

WSP USA Inspection Services Active Disasters

Disaster Number and State	Disaster Type	Number of Counties Declared	Days Since Launch	Registration Deadline
4749 IL	Flooding	1 County	39	1/19/2024

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