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WSP USA INSPECTION SERVICES DISASTER AWARENESS REPORT

February 5, 2021

Spring 2021 Flood Outlook

- The National Weather Service in the Quad Cities will release the first spring flood outlook on Thursday, February 11th.
- This outlook is put together using various data sets including current river levels, current frost depth, current soil moisture levels, and snowpack data from not only here in the Quad Cities, but also from areas to the north where the Mississippi River runs through.
- Jessica Brooks, a Service Hydrologist with the National Weather Service forecast office in the Quad Cities, says she expects near to above-normal risks for river flooding this spring.
- We need to keep a close eye on the amount of snow we pick up in the next few weeks in addition to spring rainfall. Should we keep a decent snowpack on the ground, that will further insulate the ground and likely mitigate some of our flood risk. We'll also be watching the snow situation to our north as well.
- After the first flood outlook on February 11, we'll see at least two more follow up outlooks. One is scheduled for February 25 and the final outlook on March 11.



Declaration Activity

Washington

- Governor Jay Inslee announced during a press conference Thursday that nine Eastern Washington counties and two tribes will be receiving FEMA aid after the Biden administration approved the state's Major Disaster Declaration for wildfires last September.
- FEMA approved public assistance for Douglas, Franklin, Kittitas, Lincoln, Okanogan, Pend Oreille, Skamania, Yakima and Whitman counties.
- Washington State is still waiting on approval for individual assistance in Whitman County for private residents who suffered property damage in the wildfires.

COVID-19 Update

- In the past week, more than 9 million Covid-19 vaccines doses were administered in the United States, according to data reported by the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.
- That's nearly ten times more than the 958,965 new cases reported in the same seven-day period, data from Johns Hopkins University shows.
- New cases were down 15% from last week, JHU data shows. Meanwhile, the pace of vaccinations increased about 5% from last week, CDC data shows.

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Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

State	Event	Number of Counties for IA		Start-End
		Requested	Completed	
AL	Severe Weather/Tornado Jan 25, 2021	1	0	2/6-TBD

Pending Individual Assistance Declaration Request 2/5/2021

State	Event	Date Submitted	Approved/Denied /Pending	Number of Counties/Tribes
WA	Wildfires & Straight-Line Winds Sept 6 & continuing	9/16/2020	Approved (PA Only)	1 County

WSP USA Inspection Services Active Disasters

Disaster Number and State	Disaster Type	Number of Counties Declared	Days Since Launch	Registration Deadline
4559 LA	Hurricane	21 Parishes	157	11/27/2020

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