

December 16, 2025

Flood Activity Washington

- Another wave of heavy rain smacks western Washington with a third atmospheric river that's expected to cause some rivers to rise again after historic flooding last week.
- One push is Monday morning. A second, stronger push will happen on Tuesday night. Each will bump river levels back up again, with them re-cresting on Wednesday, but not at the levels seen last week.



- A wind advisory is in place through 10 p.m. for the risk of 50+ mph gusts that may cause a few more power outages. The windiest part of the day will be through early afternoon.
- On Tuesday morning, another 1 to 2 inches is expected to fall in lowland cities, with double the
 amount in the mountains by Wednesday morning. This all happens as heavy winds return and
 reintroduce the chance for power outages through Wednesday morning.
- As the winds weaken and rain breaks up on Wednesday, we'll see the river levels push toward
 their highest levels of the week Wednesday afternoon. The Snoqualmie River at Carnation may
 hit major flood stage, and the Snohomish River at Monroe may push near major flood stage on
 Wednesday afternoon.
- Meanwhile, the National Weather Service in Seattle canceled its flash flood warning for westcentral King County on Monday after a breach occurred in the Desimone Levee along the Green River
- King County Emergency Management officials said they were already monitoring the Desimone Levee due to concerns, which is why they were able to respond so quickly when the breach occurred.
- More than 250 National Guard members are working in ongoing flood response operations.
- Approximately 395 individuals have been rescued across 11 counties.
- In Auburn, nearly 1,000 people are under an evacuation order as the city braces for more rain and flooding.
- Some of the floodwaters have started to recede in Whatcom County, which was hit hard by river flooding. But some areas, like around Sumas, are still underwater.
- While damage assessments are ongoing, the hard work to clear debris from flooded homes and help residents recover is underway.
- In Chelan County, a mass evacuation was ordered in the Stehekin Valley in preparation for the next round of heavy rain. Residents were ordered to leave due to the elevated risk of landslides.



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Coast-to-Coast Storm

- A powerful storm is set to move out of the Pacific Northwest, where heavy rains have exacerbated last week's historic flooding in Washington, into the Northern Plains and Northern Rockies beginning Wednesday, bringing wind gusts of 50-70 mph.
- It will deliver mostly rain and some snow as it tracks east across the country through the end of the workweek.



- The National Weather Service issued High Wind Warnings and Wind Advisories across Montana through Wednesday.
- The system is expected to fully exit the Northwest by Wednesday night.
- Moving into Thursday, high winds with 50+ mph gusts and snow will remain the main concern for both drivers and those traveling by plane across the Dakotas, Minnesota, and Iowa.
- The cold front will deliver rain on Thursday to areas farther south in the Midwest, as well as the Mississippi River Valley and parts of the South.
- Southern Missouri, Arkansas and the Tennessee Valley will all see rain by Thursday evening, as the storm could cause delays across a swath of airports across the central U.S.
- The final leg of the storm is forecast to reach the East Coast late Thursday night into Friday, as the strong cold front sweeps through the region.
- Friday morning could feature a widespread washout from Maine all the way down to Florida.
- NOAA's Weather Prediction Center has issued a flash flood risk for an area covering northern Vermont, New Hampshire and Maine.

Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments							
State	Event	Number of Counties for IA		Start End			
		Requested	Completed	Start-End			
WA	Severe Storms Dec 5 and continuing	12	0	12/15 - TBD			



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Pending Individual Assistance Declaration Request Approved/Denied/ **Date Submitted** Number of Counties/Tribes State **Event** Pending Severe Storms and Flooding IL* 3 Counties 11/21/2025 Pending July 25 - 28, 2025 (Appeal) Severe Storms, Straight-line IL* Winds, and Flash Flooding Pending 5 Counties 11/21/2025 Aug 16-19, 2025 (Appeal)

^{*}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		
4892 WI	Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Flooding and Mudslides	3 Counties	73	11/12/2025		

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