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## Winter Weather Outlook California

- After a weekend storm brought some much-needed rain and snow to California and much of the Desert Southwest, forecasters say the atmosphere is going to kick it up a notch this week.
- The week is already off to a stormy start as a system slides southeastward from California to the Four Corners region into Tuesday.
  - However, forecasters say this first storm will pale in comparison with what's on the way this week. "A storm with copious amounts of moisture is expected to move into California from late Tuesday to Friday," said AccuWeather Senior Meteorologist Adam Douty.
- The storm will stall just off the Northwest coast this week. That will aim what is known as an "atmospheric river" directly at California, where it will persist for days.
- This could lead to a widespread flooding threat, as large portions of the state will spend time under the plume of heavy rainfall. The greatest rainfall amounts will be along the coastal ranges of Northern and Central California, as well as in the western foothills of the Sierra, below the snow line.
- Widespread rainfall totals of 4-8 inches are anticipated in these areas. Rainfall amounts of 8-12 inches will be possible where the heavy rain is more persistent, with an AccuWeather Local StormMax<sup>™</sup> of 15 inches.
- Forecasters say some of the areas of greatest concern are with the burn scars associated with the SCU Lightning Complex and Creek Fire in Central California, August and North Complexes in Northern California and the Bobcat Fire in Southern California.

## **Declaration Request (Update)** Washington

- Pine City and Malden are still awaiting federal aid more than four months after a wildfire swept through and destroyed most of the towns.
- Now Washington state lawmakers are calling on President Joe Biden to sign Governor Jay Inslee's requests for a Major Disaster Declaration and supplemental federal assistance.
- The towns of Malden and Pine City were destroyed during the Labor Day Wildfires.
- Residents haven't been able to clean up or rebuild. More than 85% of all the buildings, including homes, burned to the ground.
- The Babb-Malden Fire burned over 18,000 acres.





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- Senators Maria Cantwell and Patty Murray sent a letter to President Biden Friday urging him to approve the request.
- FEMA authorized federal funds to fight the fires in September, but Inslee is asking for Individual and Public Assistance to help communities rebuild after the destruction.

Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments								
State	Event	Number of Counties for IA		Start-End				
		Requested	Completed	Start-End				
AK	Storm, Flooding & Landslides Nov 30 - Dec 2, 2020	10	0	1/19-TBD				

Pending Individual Assistance Declaration Request 1/25/2021							
State	Event	Date Submitted	Approved/Denied /Pending	Number of Counties/Tribes			
WA	Wildfires & Straight-Line Winds Sept 6 & continuing	9/16/2020	Pending	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	146	11/27/2020			

## WSP USA INSPECTION SERVICES ACTIVITY

