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WSP USA INSPECTION SERVICES DISASTER AWARENESS REPORT

February 17, 2021

Tornado Activity

North Carolina

- Three people were killed, ten injured, and multiple homes were damaged or destroyed after a tornado struck southern Brunswick County late Monday night.
- Preliminary data from the National Weather Service indicates the tornado was a “high-end” EF-3 with estimated wind speeds of 160 miles per hour, making it one of the strongest tornadoes to ever hit southeastern North Carolina.
- Officials say around 11:50 p.m. the tornado touched down in the area of Seaside Road and Highway 17, then crossed Highway 17 into a rural area, said Ed Conrow, director of Brunswick County Emergency Services.
- Gov. Roy Cooper will tour the Ocean Ridge Plantation neighborhood near Ocean Isle Beach on Wednesday, where more than 50 homes were damaged and 9 were destroyed.
- Edward Conrow, Brunswick County’s emergency services director, said search and rescue efforts were completed Tuesday morning, and officials were conducting damage assessments.



Homes were heavily damaged near Sunset Beach, NC, after the overnight storm.

Georgia

- The National Weather Service confirmed Tuesday that a tornado struck an area of southwest Georgia where one home was destroyed and several others were damaged.
- The weather service’s office in Tallahassee, Florida, reported that preliminary results of a damage survey show a tornado of at least EF-2 intensity struck Monday in the rural Georgia community of Damascus in Early County.
- The Georgia Department of Natural Resources reported a brick home was destroyed as the storm front that spawned the tornado moved through the area. WALB-TV reports at least five other Early County homes were damaged in the storm.

Winter Storm Activity

- At least three million customers in Texas were still without power on Wednesday after a once-in-a-generation winter storm increased consumer demand for electricity while pummeling the state’s grid.
- Now the state is bracing for yet another arctic blast, with a winter storm warning in effect for dozens of counties in the Fort Worth-Dallas area until Thursday morning. Ice accumulation and one to three inches of snow are expected, with up to six inches of snow northeast of the metro region.

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- Winter weather has left at least 29 people dead across the country since last week, along with bitterly cold temperatures.
- In the Northeast and Midwest, residents are now digging themselves out. Areas near Buffalo saw snowfall of one to two inches per hour on Tuesday, and the National Weather Service has recorded more than a foot of snow in Chicago since Sunday evening.
- More than 160,000 people in Oregon remained without power on Wednesday morning, and tens of thousands were without electricity in Kentucky, West Virginia and Louisiana, according to PowerOutage.us, a website that tracks electricity outages.
- But the worst outages were in Texas, which entered its third day of widespread distress.

Pending Individual Assistance Declaration Request 2/17/2021

State	Event	Date Submitted	Approved/Denied /Pending	Number of Counties/Tribes
AL	Tornado Jan 25, 2021	2/11/2021	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	169	11/27/2020

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