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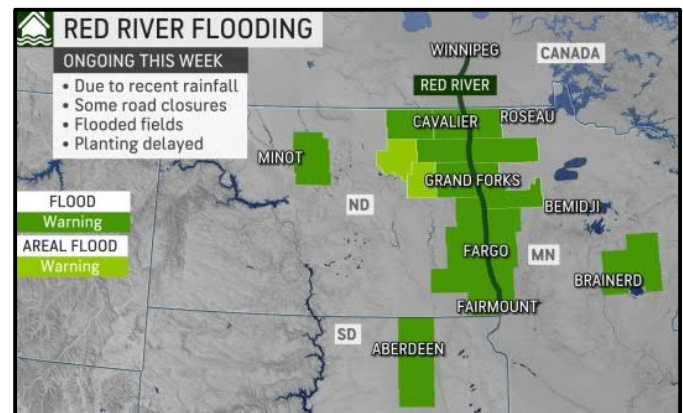
Severe Weather & Tornado Activity

- The National Weather Service (NWS) reported major damage a few miles west of Durham, North Carolina, following a confirmed tornado on Friday evening, including damage to one building where at least 30 people were taking shelter.
- The majority of the damage occurred around Mebane, a city roughly 20 miles from Durham. In addition, several structures were damaged in the East Washington Street area in Mebane, according to the Orange County government.
- Five minutes following the report in Mebane, another tornado damage report surfaced about four miles northeast of the city. Structural damage occurred in a neighborhood about two miles northeast of where major damage was reported earlier.
- On Saturday afternoon, the National Weather Service released the results of their preliminary survey on the tornado in Mebane, rating it an EF1. The path of the tornado started just south of US-70 in eastern Mebane and went northeast, carving an over 3-mile-long path.
- Severe thunderstorm reports stretched from Florida to Virginia on Friday, with several involving large hail and strong wind gusts.
- With many rounds of heavy rain, reports of flooding were widespread across much of the Appalachians and eastward into the mid-Atlantic.
- Flooding was particularly intense in Huntington, West Virginia, where up to 3 inches of rain led to rapidly rising waters in the area.



Red River Flooding

- The northern Plains and Upper Midwest are in for an active stretch of weather, forecasters say, with a couple doses of soaking rain and severe thunderstorms in store on Monday.
- Soaking rain falling on top of saturated soil and swollen rivers could spell trouble for parts of this region, according to forecasters.
- "The Red River of the North remains in flood stage in the wake of heavy rain back in April, so this will only prolong issues that are already ongoing. Overland flooding can also expand beyond their current boundaries across the Red River Valley," AccuWeather Meteorologist Brandon Buckingham said.
- Water levels along much of the river are in the process of receding following April's deluge, though moderate to major flooding continues from Grand Forks, North Dakota, and points north.



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- Flood warnings remain in effect across the region due to the high-water levels. Even in the absence of new flooding from the upcoming rainfall, any additional wet weather can slow the recession of floodwaters and lead to further planting delays due to flooded, muddy fields.
- "Due to the flat terrain in the area, the Red River will likely remain in flood stage through mid-May in places like Grand Forks, North Dakota, and Oslo, Minnesota," Buckingham said.

Declaration Request (Update)

Mississippi

- U.S. Senators Roger Wicker, R-Miss., and Cindy Hyde-Smith, R-Miss., along with U.S. Representatives Bennie Thompson, D-Miss., Steven Palazzo, R-Miss., Trent Kelly, R-Miss., and Michael Guest, R-Miss. requested that President Joe Biden approve Mississippi Governor Tate Reeves' request for federal major disaster declarations to recover from severe storms across the state in March 2022.
- The damage from March storms has strained emergency response resources and capabilities, as more than 150 homes have been damaged or destroyed, and more than \$2 million in property damage has been reported.
- As Governor Reeves indicated in his request, the Joint Public Assistance damage assessments conducted by the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency (MEMA), FEMA, and other agencies indicated that on March 22, 2022, 68 homes were destroyed or suffered major damage, with more than \$1 million in estimated property damage. These tornadoes also injured three people.
- Regarding the second disaster declaration for March 30, 2022, additional assessments showed 85 homes were destroyed or suffered major damage, with more than \$1 million in estimated property damage and three people injured.
- Currently available resources from state and local governments and volunteer organizations are inadequate to meet the state's recovery needs.

Pending Individual Assistance Declaration Request

State	Event	Date Submitted	Approved/Denied /Pending	Number of Counties/Tribes
MS	Severe Storms, Straight-Line Winds & Tornadoes March 22, 2022	4/28/2022	Pending	4 Counties
MS	Severe Storms, Straight-Line Winds & Tornadoes March 30, 2022	4/29/2022	Pending	8 Counties

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