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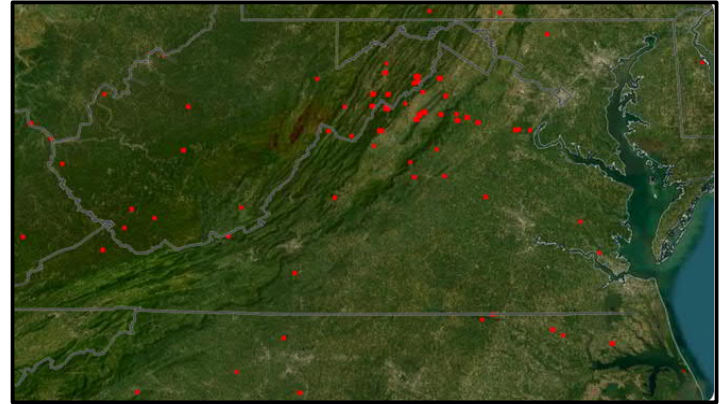
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## Wildfires

### Appalachian Mountains

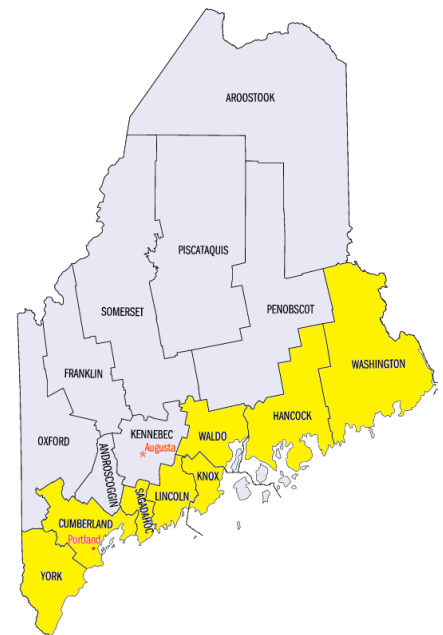
- The combination of a cold front draped across the mid-Atlantic and dry relative humidity values helped dozens of fires explode during a wildfire outbreak on Wednesday.
- Wildfires were reported from Maryland to North Carolina, with the greatest concentration appearing to be in West Virginia and Virginia.
- One of the largest fires appeared to be burning in Rockingham County, Virginia, where nearly 2,000 acres are thought to have been destroyed, and evacuation orders were issued.
- At least one of the fires is burning in the Shenandoah National Park, forcing nearby evacuations and the closure of parts of the historic Appalachian Trail.
- So far, local authorities have not reported any fatalities associated with the fires, but the combination of wind gusts of more than 60 mph and fast-moving flames caused at least 10,000 electric outages in the region, according to PowerOutage.us.
- Widespread rains are expected to impact the region on Friday but not before another dry day, with relative humidity values of between 10 and 20 percent on Thursday.
- Forecasters expect wind speeds to drastically decrease through the rest of the workweek, which will help reduce the erratic nature of the fires.



## Declaration Activity

### DR-4764 Maine

- Governor Janet Mills announced that President Joe Biden has approved the State of Maine's request for a Major Disaster Declaration to help eight coastal counties recover from back-to-back severe storms on January 10th and January 13th that brought significant flooding and damage.
- The President's Disaster Declaration unlocks federal assistance to help Maine cover the cost of public infrastructure repairs, estimated at more than \$70 million from the January storms.
- President Biden also approved Individual Assistance requested by Governor Mills that can provide direct relief to certain eligible individuals and families that experienced severe property damage.
- The President's Major Disaster Declaration covers public assistance and individual assistance for Maine's eight coastal counties: Washington, Hancock, Waldo, Knox, Lincoln, Sagadahoc, Cumberland, and York.
- A total of 2,007 individuals and households damage assessments were received.



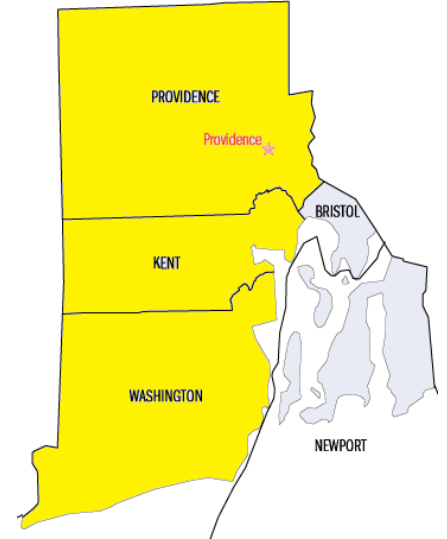
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## DR-4765 Rhode Island

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- The President's action makes Federal funding available to affected individuals in the counties of Kent, Providence, and Washington.



## DR-4766 Rhode Island

- President Joseph R. Biden, Jr. declared that a major disaster exists in the State of Rhode Island and ordered Federal assistance to supplement state, tribal, and local recovery efforts in the areas affected by severe storms and flooding from January 9 to January 13, 2024.
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## WSP USA Inspection Services Active Disasters

Disaster Number and State	Disaster Type	Number of Counties Declared	Days Since Launch	Registration Deadline
4749 IL	Flooding	1 County	118	5/21/2024
4757 MI	Flooding	9 Counties	37	4/8/2024

## WSP USA INSPECTION SERVICES ACTIVITY

