

Ruby day 8: Next

Ruby has gone now - "goodbye Ruby, Tuesday" is apparently becoming a popular song here. But the cleanup work is only just starting. Celina spends a lot of the day trying to UAV stuff sorted out; we get word that the team is [getting imagery](#) in the worst affected areas, and she works on getting that data stored and back to the mapping groups that need it.

Response teams are moving into the field - many by boat because they can't get flights. Requests still come in - one for an assessment of damage to communications and media stations (I suggest that Internews might have a list for this, then find that Agos is tracking communications outages. I stop with the lunchtime work and get back to the day job.

ACAPS puts out an [overview map](#) but still need a rainfall map for it. Maning from the Philippines observatory [just happens to have one](#) (he's been working on this for a while).

6pm: A government sit rep has [data in it that needs scraping](#): I get out the pdf tools. Cometdocs dies on it, so I move over to [PDFTables](#). We will slowly teach governments to release tables as datasets not pdfs. We will. The ACAPS HIRA work starts. First, I have some pdfs to scrape. Except the sitreps from <http://www.ndrrmc.gov.ph> are PDFs with images of excel spreadsheets cut-and-pasted in. Start reaching out, trying to find out who has the original datafiles, but rein in when gently reminded that these things are political.