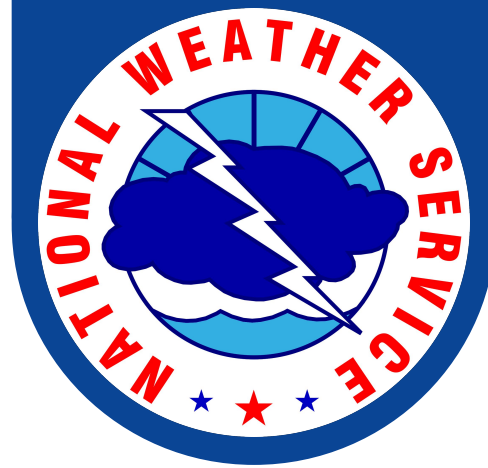




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FEMA Region 6 Weather Threat Briefing

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Summary of the Upcoming Week

- **Moderate risk of heavy rainfall/flash flooding for SE TX today.**
Slight risk of heavy rainfall/flash flooding for E OK, E/SE TX, AR, LA today and for SW OK, NWTX on Saturday, then E OK, NETX, W AR on Sunday.
- **Enhanced risk of severe storms for W OK, W/NWTX today.**
Slight risk of severe storms for OK, TX today and for OK, N TX on Monday.
- **Critical fire weather conditions for NM, W TX, TX/OK Panhandles Monday/Tuesday.**
- **Moderate/Major river flooding in S/NE OK and E/SE TX. Trinity & Neches rivers flooding homes and portions of I-10 and US 59 in SE TX.**





FEMA Region 6 Threat Matrix

Next 5 Days

	Thursday, May 2	Friday, May 3	Saturday, May 4	Sunday, May 5	Monday, May 6
Severe Storms	SW OK, NW TX	OK/TX Panhandles	far east NM, SW OK, NW TX		OK, N TX
Heavy Rain / Flash Flooding	SE TX	TX, LA, S/E AR	SW OK, NW TX	OK, NE TX, AR, N LA	
	E OK, E/SE TX, AR, LA				
Fire Weather	NM, Far W TX			S NM, Far W TX	NM, W TX, TX/OK Panhandles
Wind					
Heat					
River Flooding	NE OK, E/SE TX	NE OK, E/SE TX	E/SE TX	E/SE TX	E/SE TX

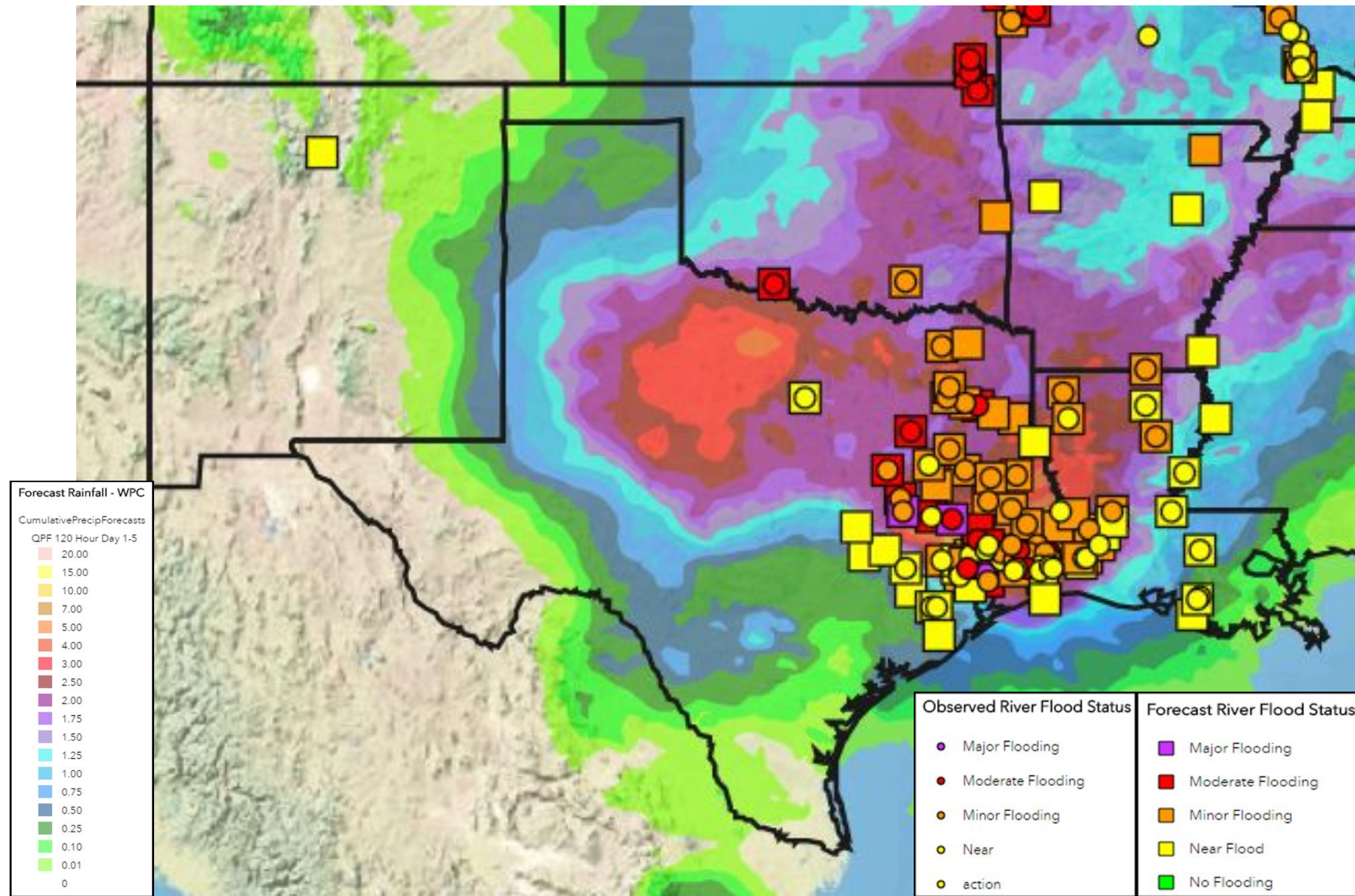
**Threat levels are based on FEMA Region 6 criteria.
State or local threat level criteria may differ.*
For more details on the colors in the threat matrix refer to the last slide in this briefing.*

Risk Levels	Little to None	Minor	Moderate	Major	Extreme
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5-Day Precipitation Forecast & River Flood Status

Note: Even though the image displays 5 days of forecasted rainfall, river forecasts only include 1-2 days of rainfall



Moderate to Major river flooding in S/NE OK and E/SE TX.

Trinity River at Liberty, Goodrich, and Riverside will flood homes in several subdivisions.

Releases on Trinity River are flooding portions of I-10 and US 59.

Neches River near Town Bluff flooding homes in Barlow Lake community.

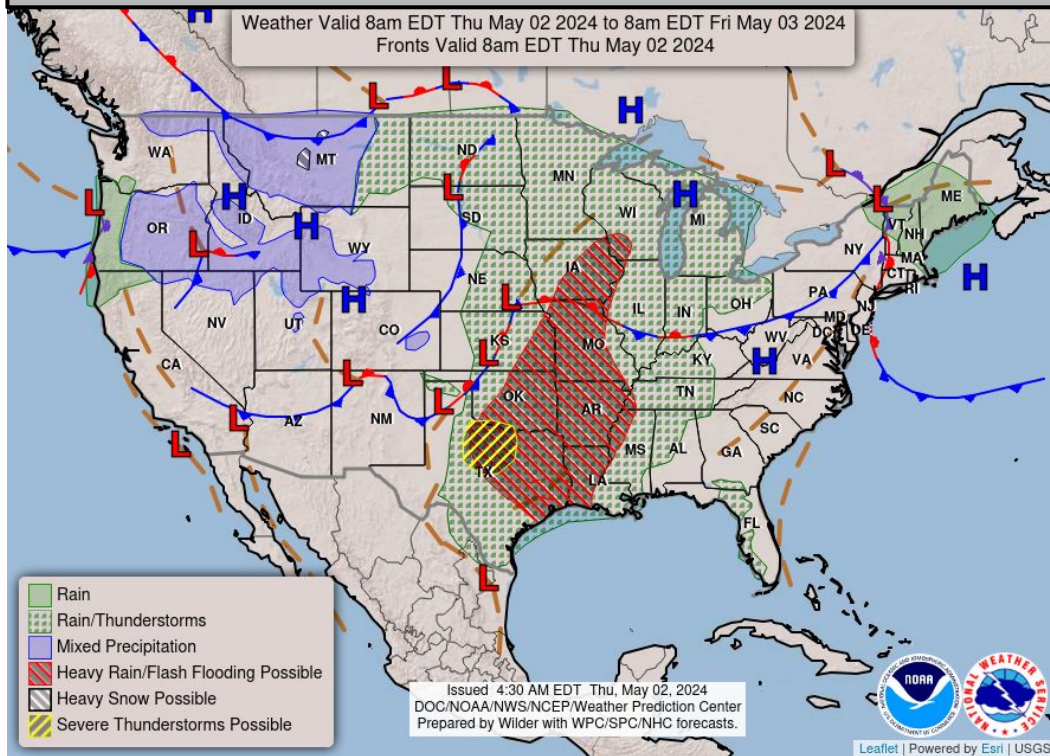
Village Creek near Kountze flooding homes near Lumberton.



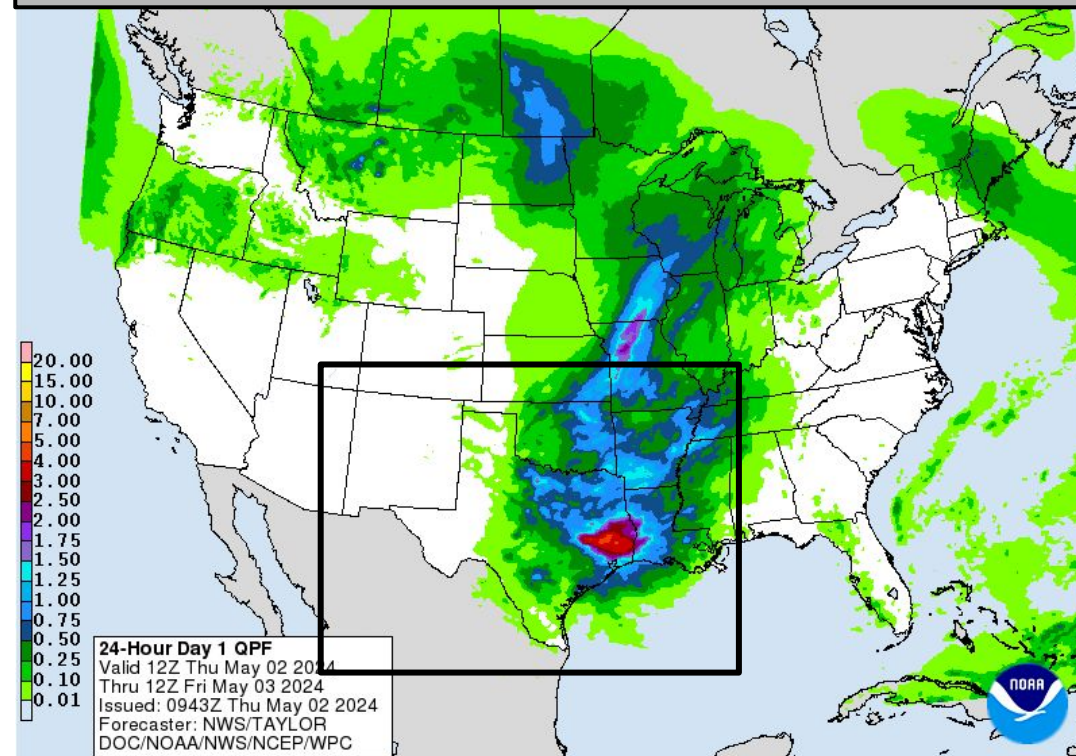


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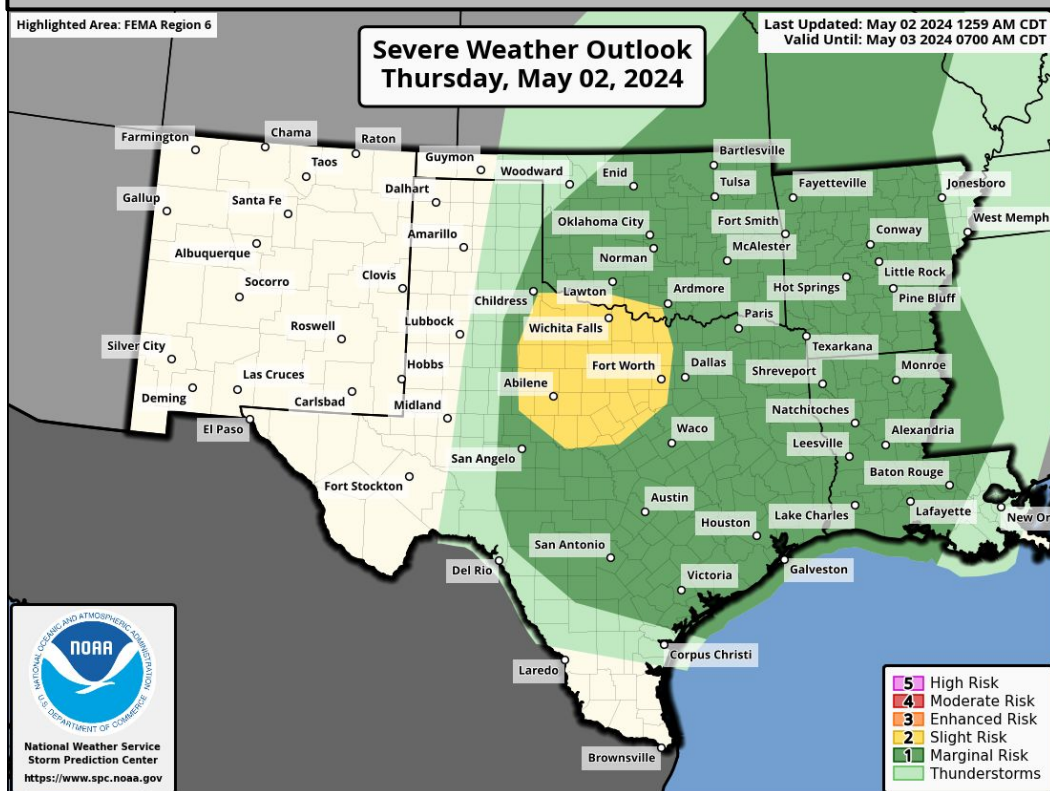
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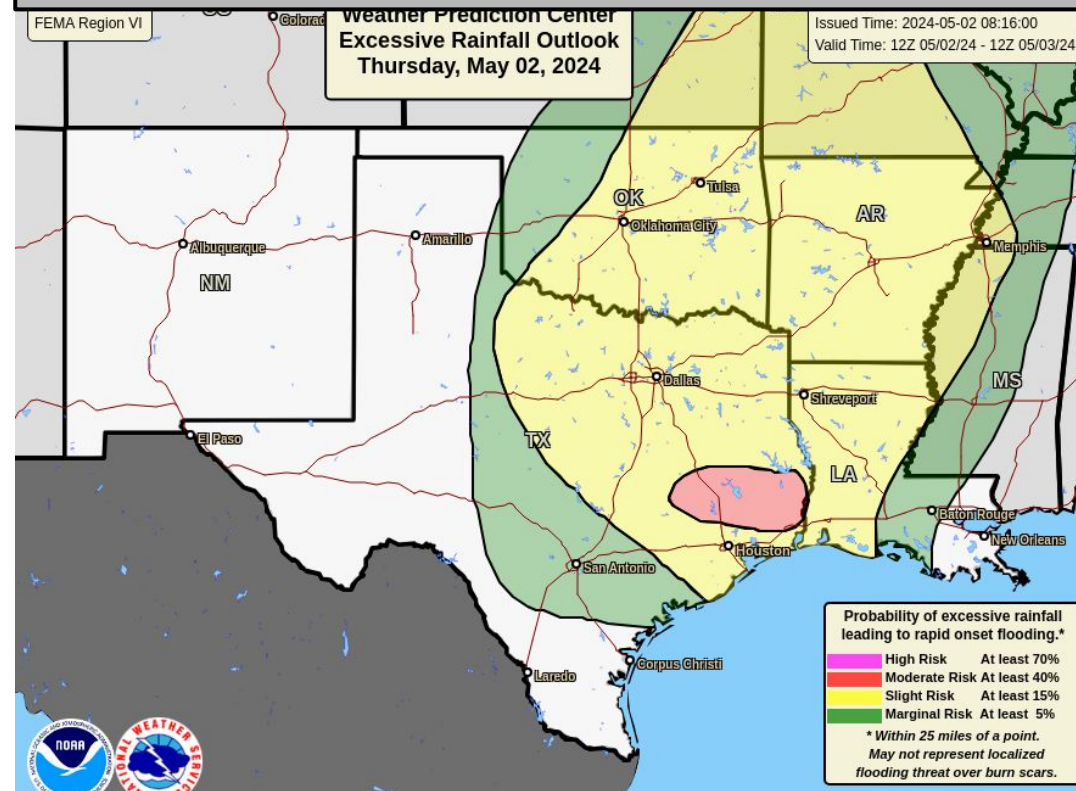
Forecast Rainfall



Severe Weather Outlook



Excessive Rainfall Outlook



Moderate risk for excessive rainfall/flash flooding for SE TX. Slight risk for E OK, E/SE TX, AR, LA.

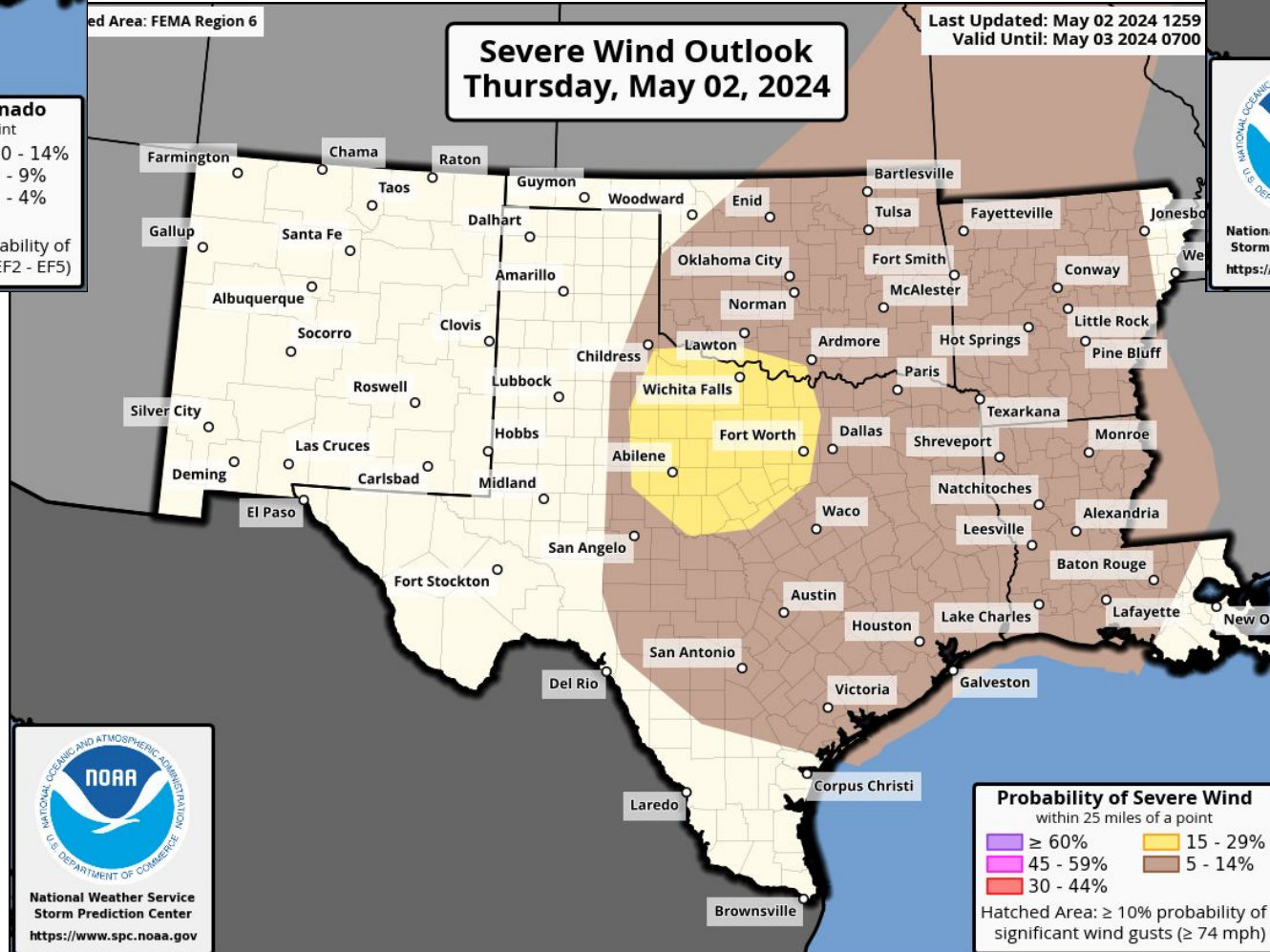
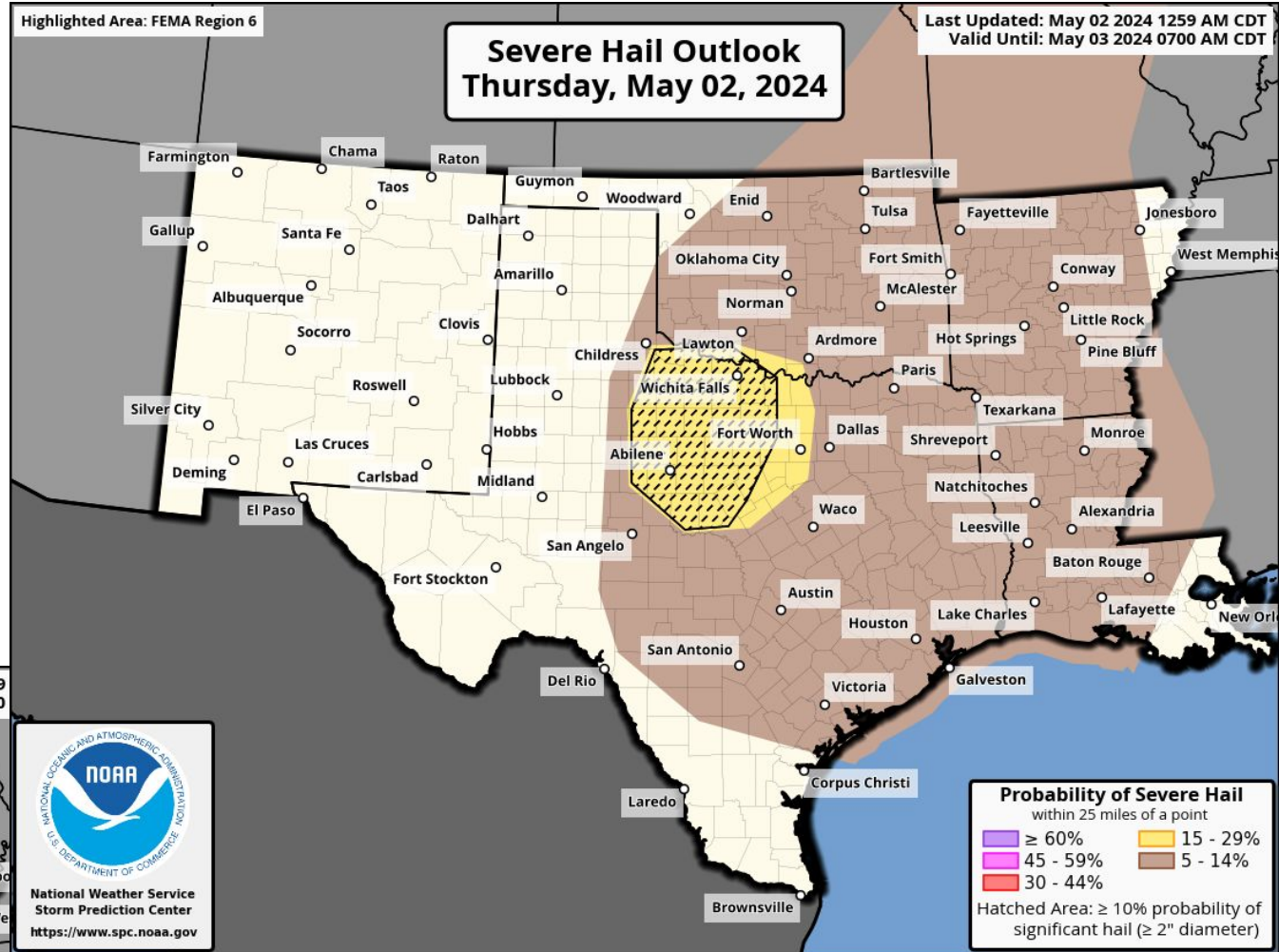
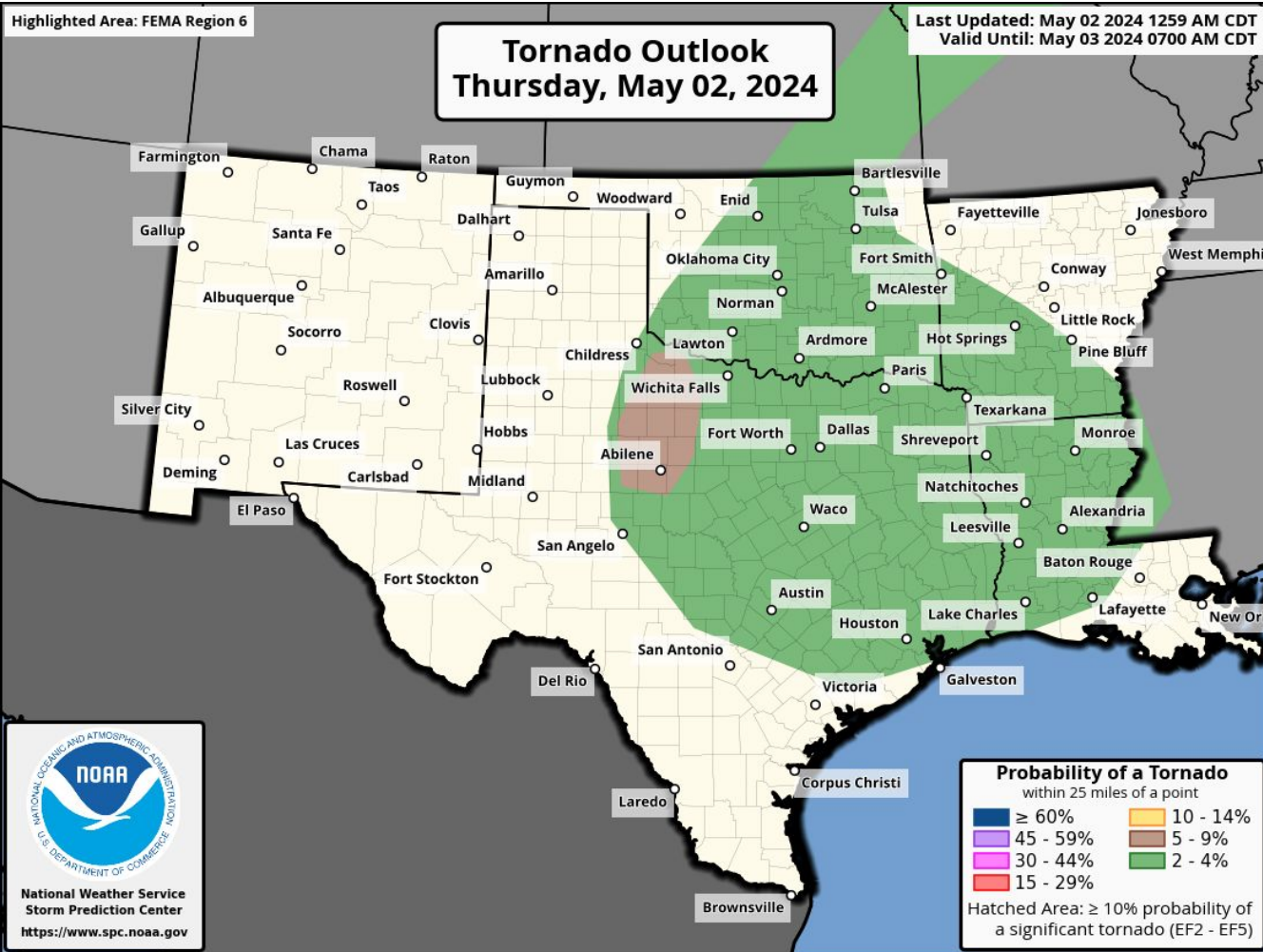
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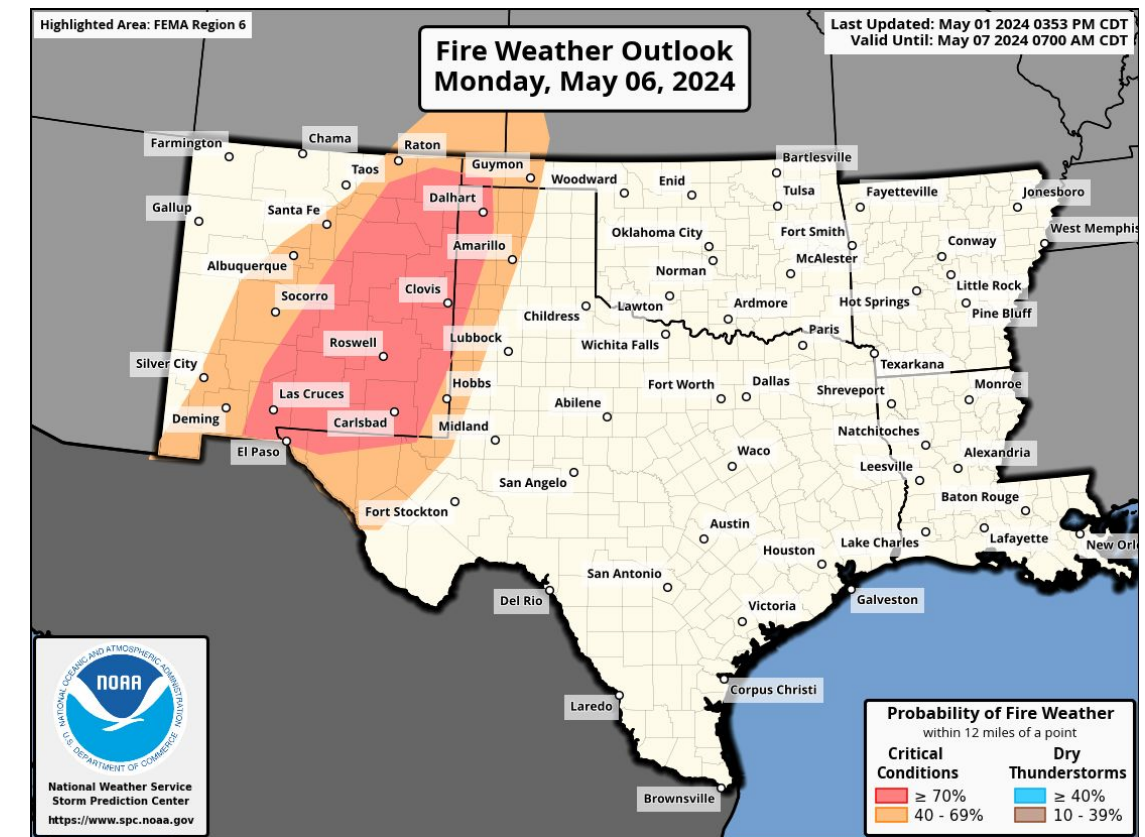
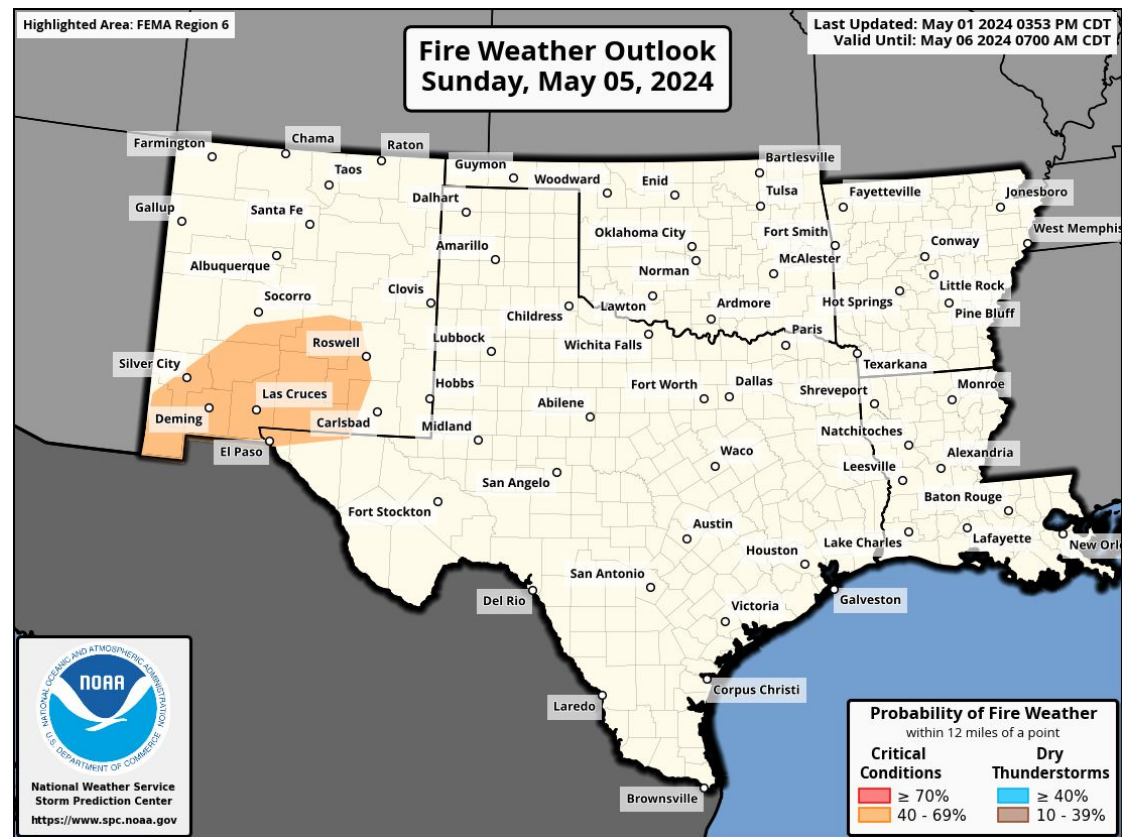
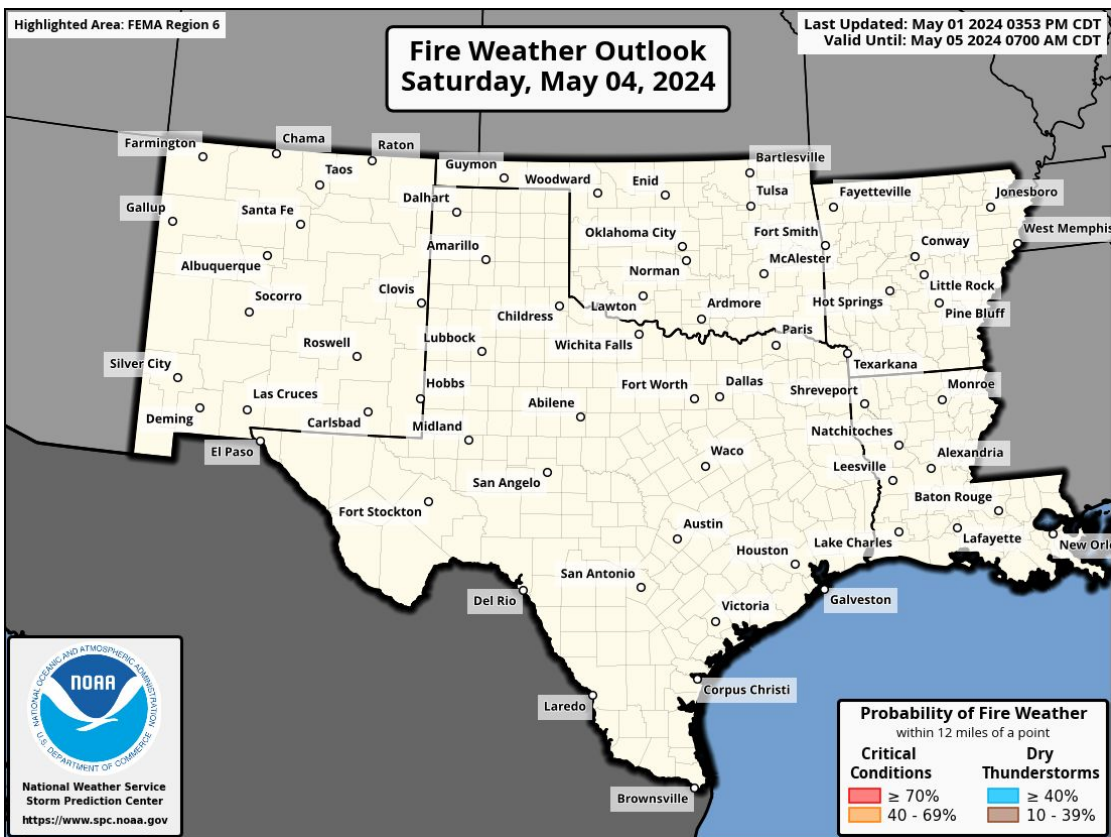
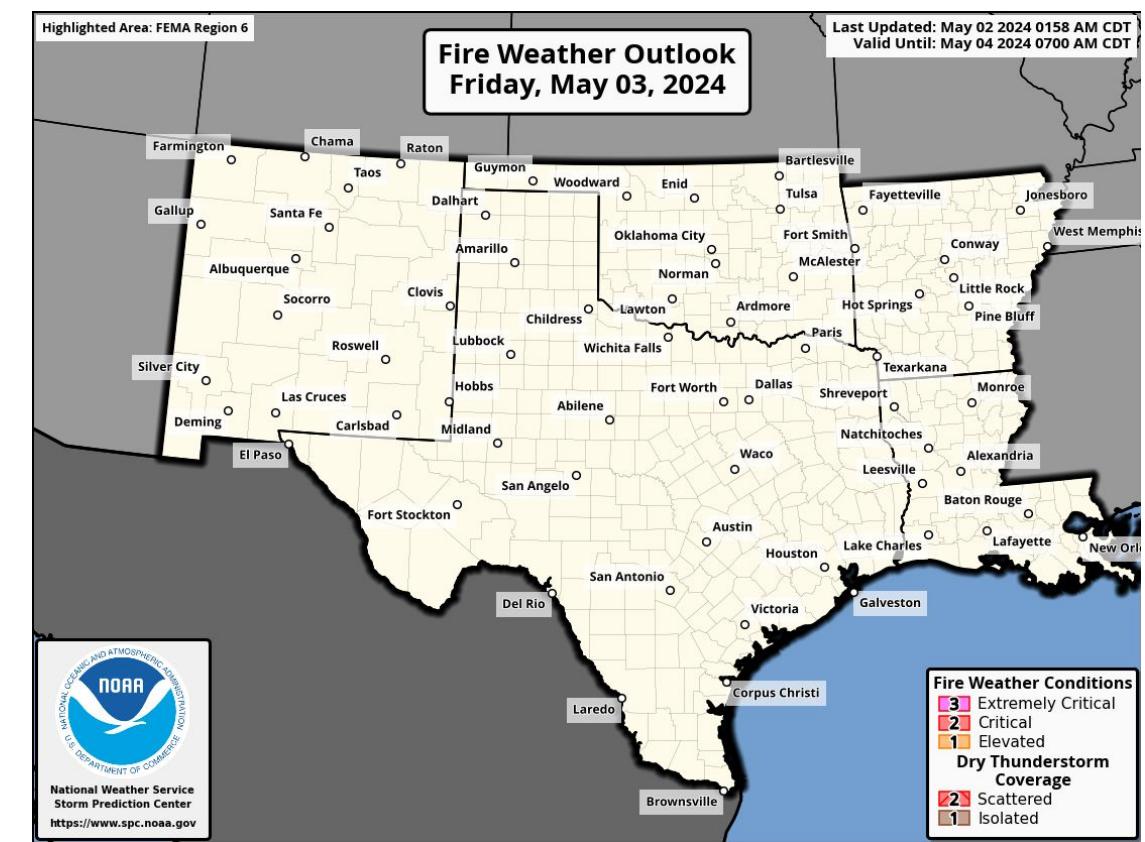
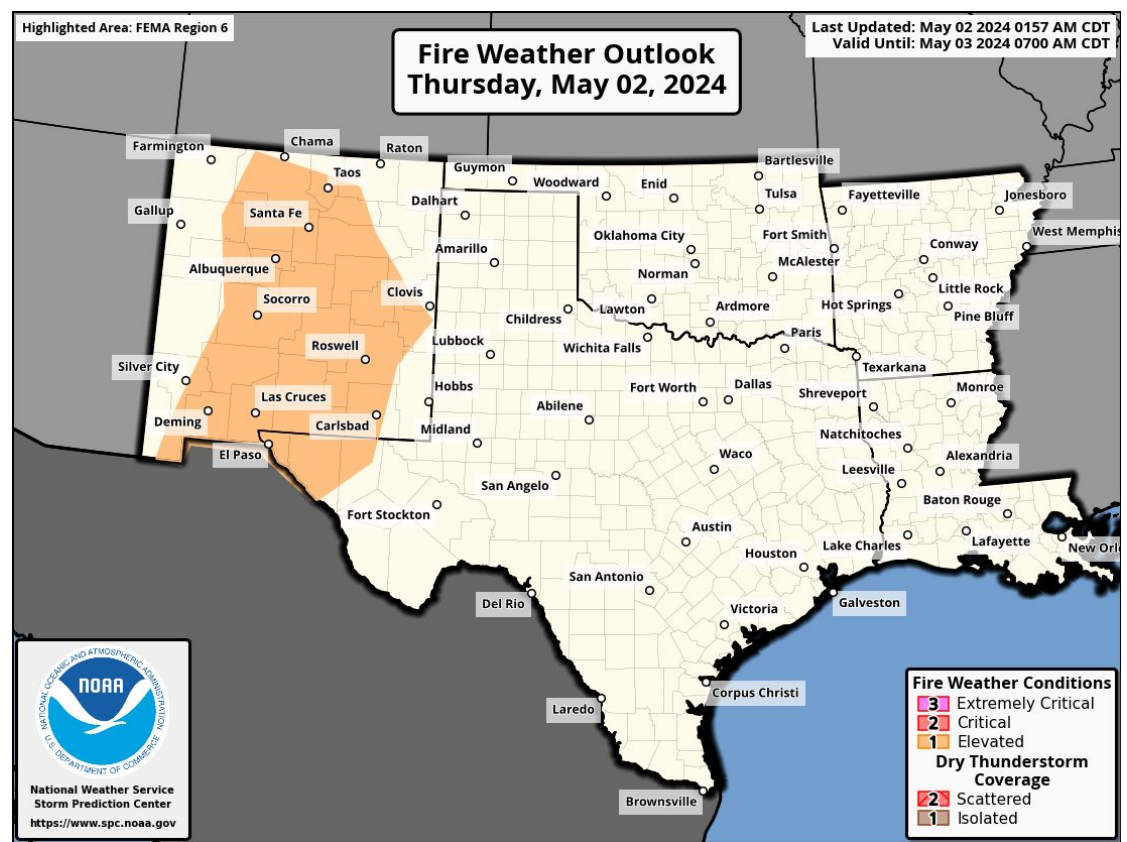
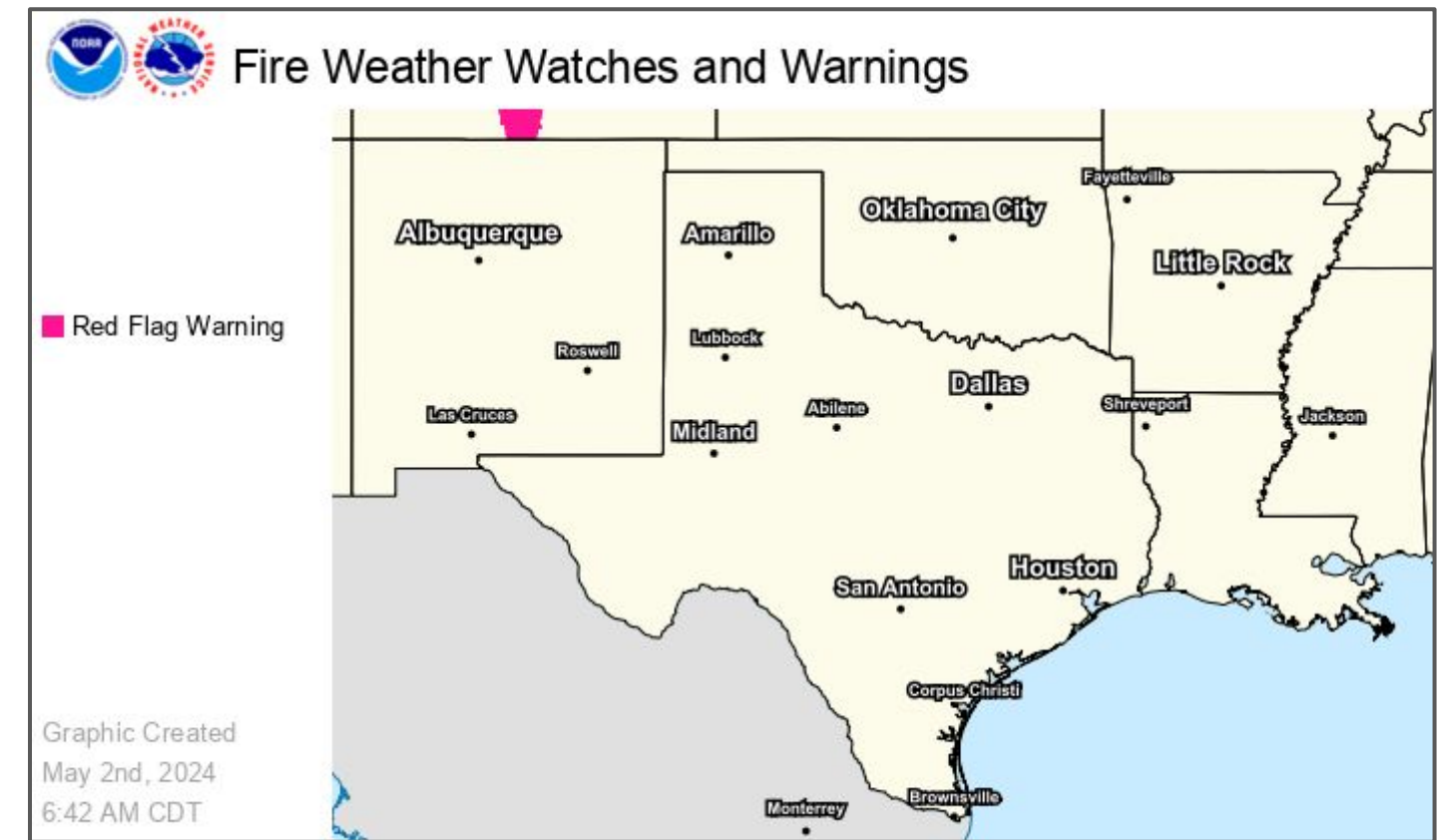
Today's Tornado & Severe Wind / Hail Probabilities

May 2, 2024



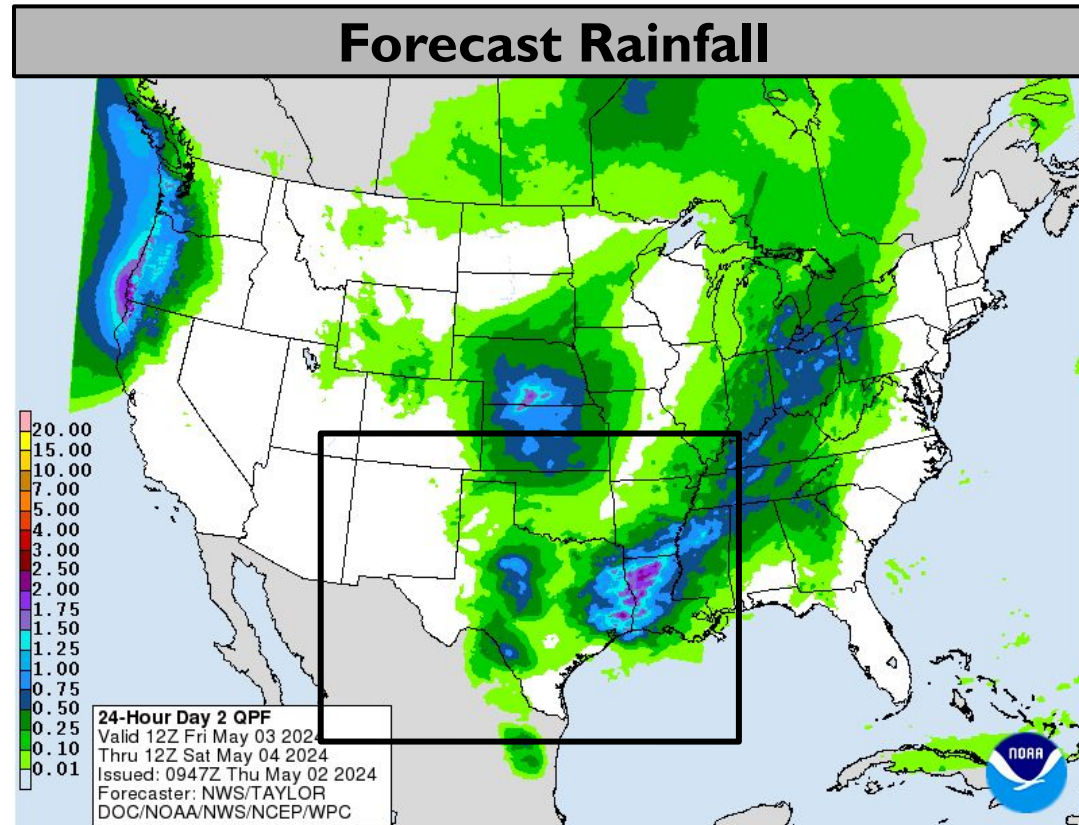
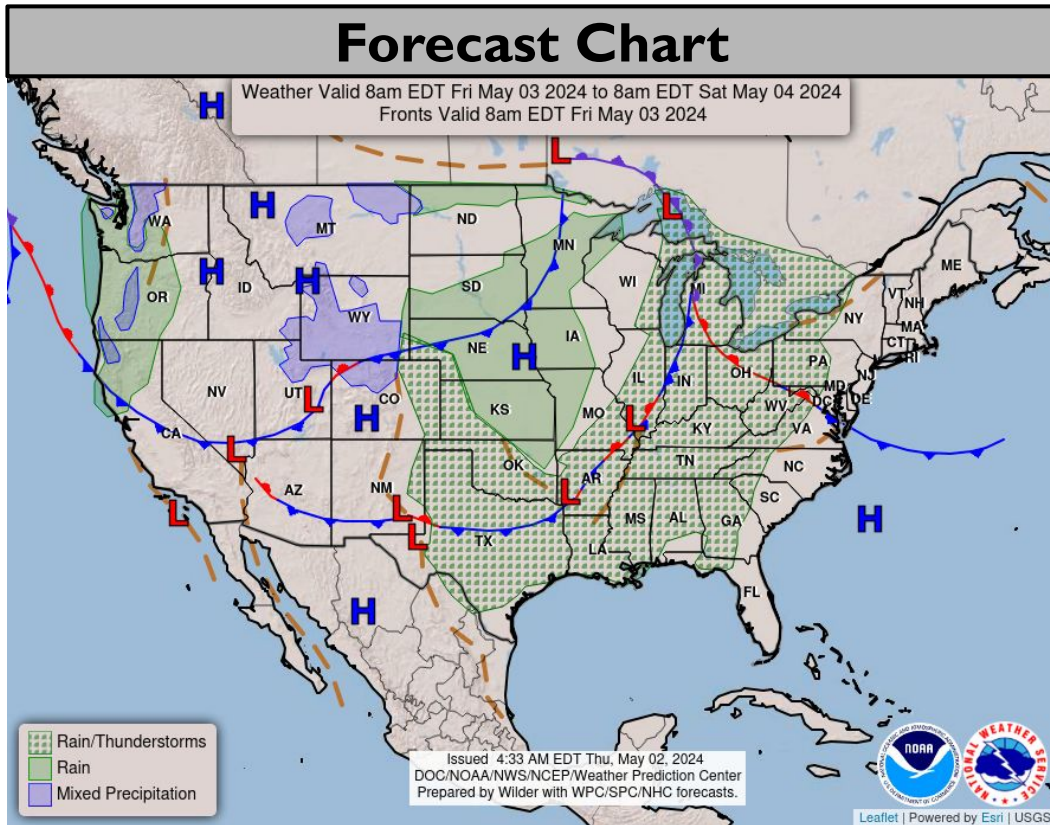


Fire Weather Outlooks



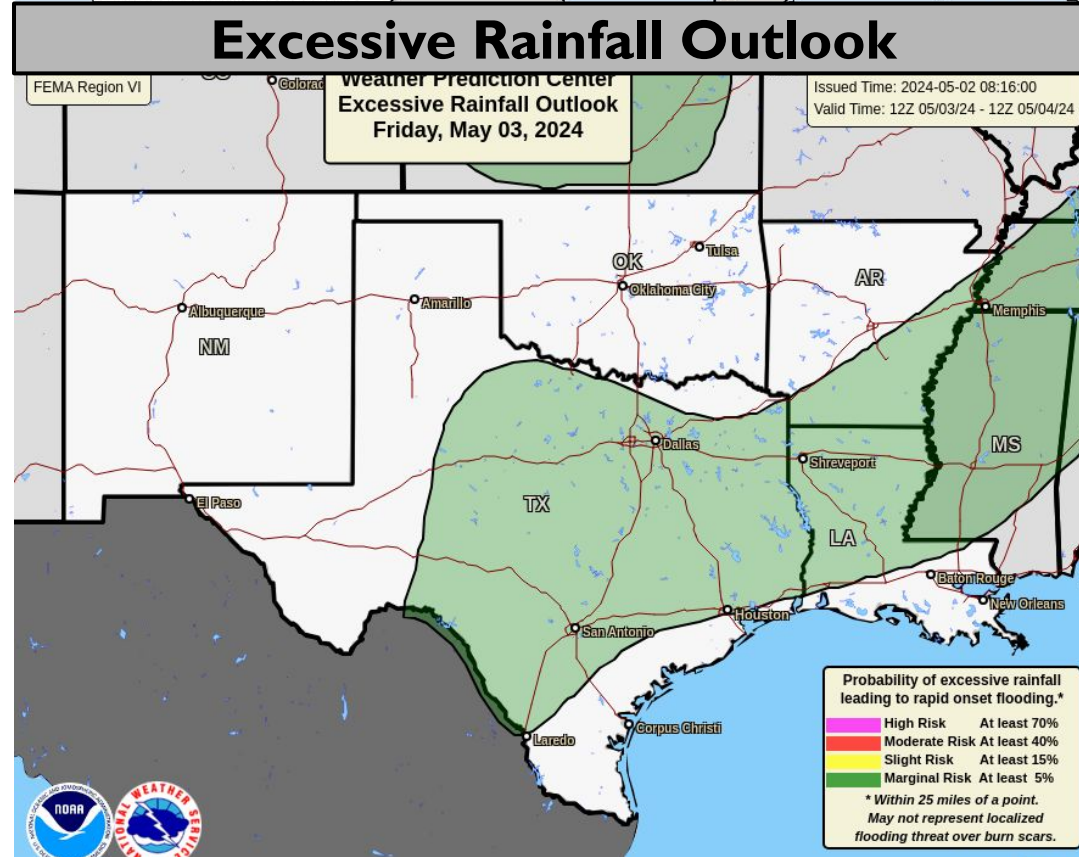
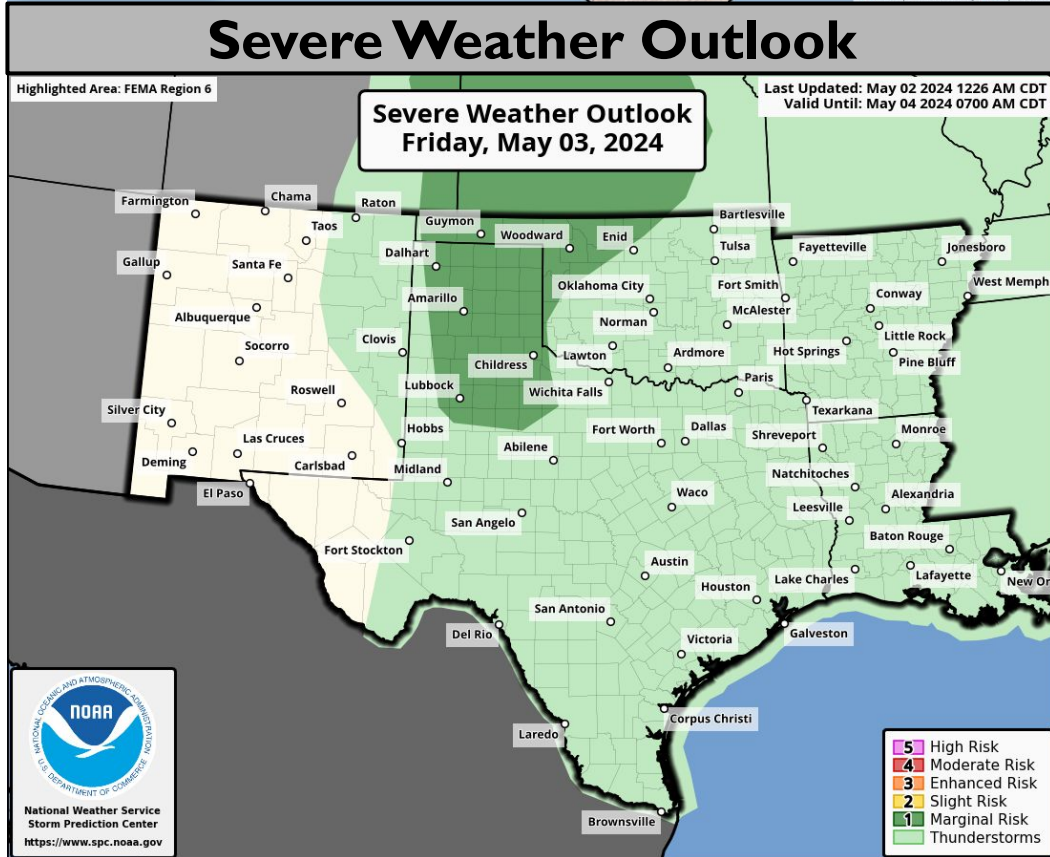


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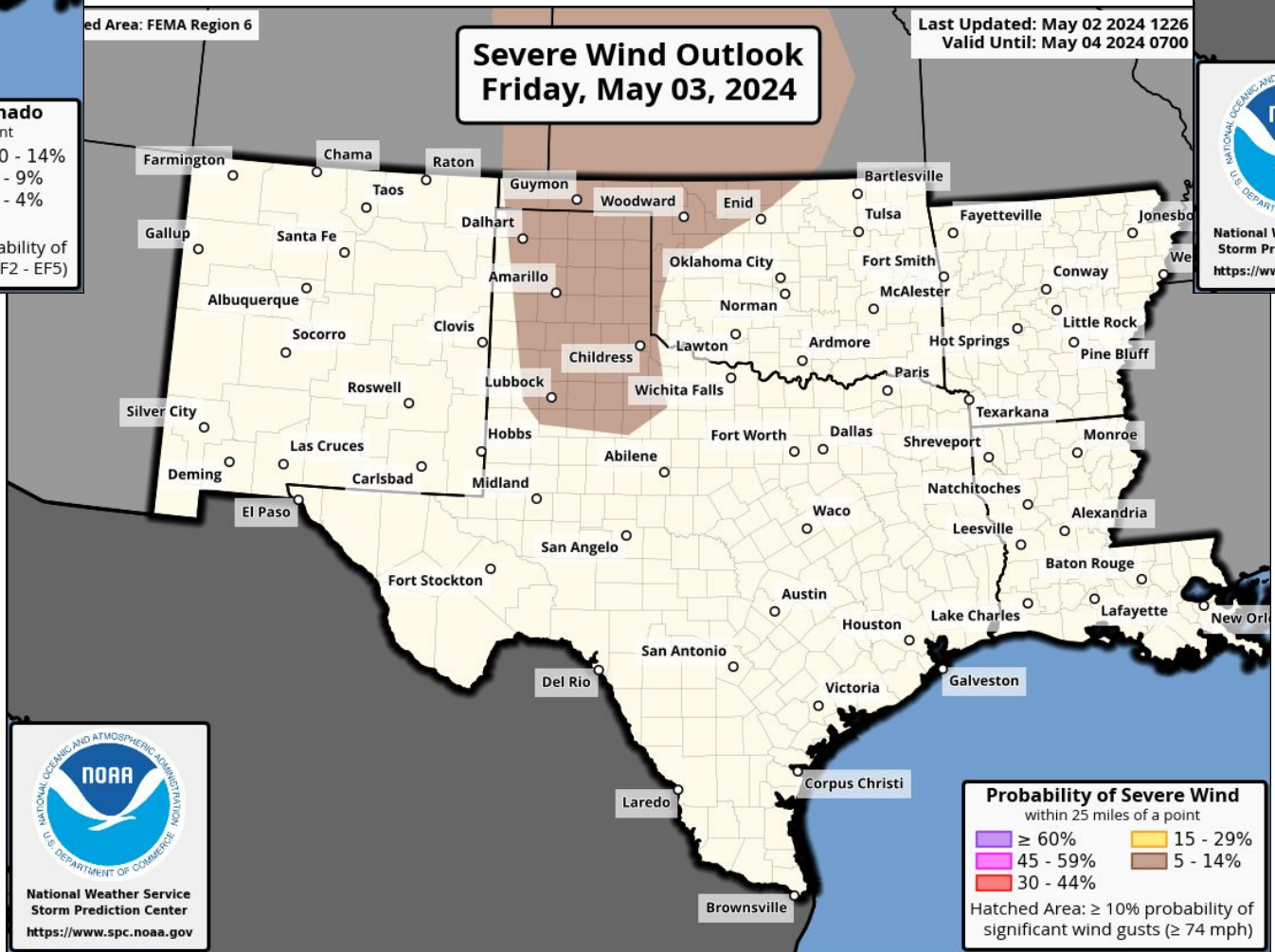
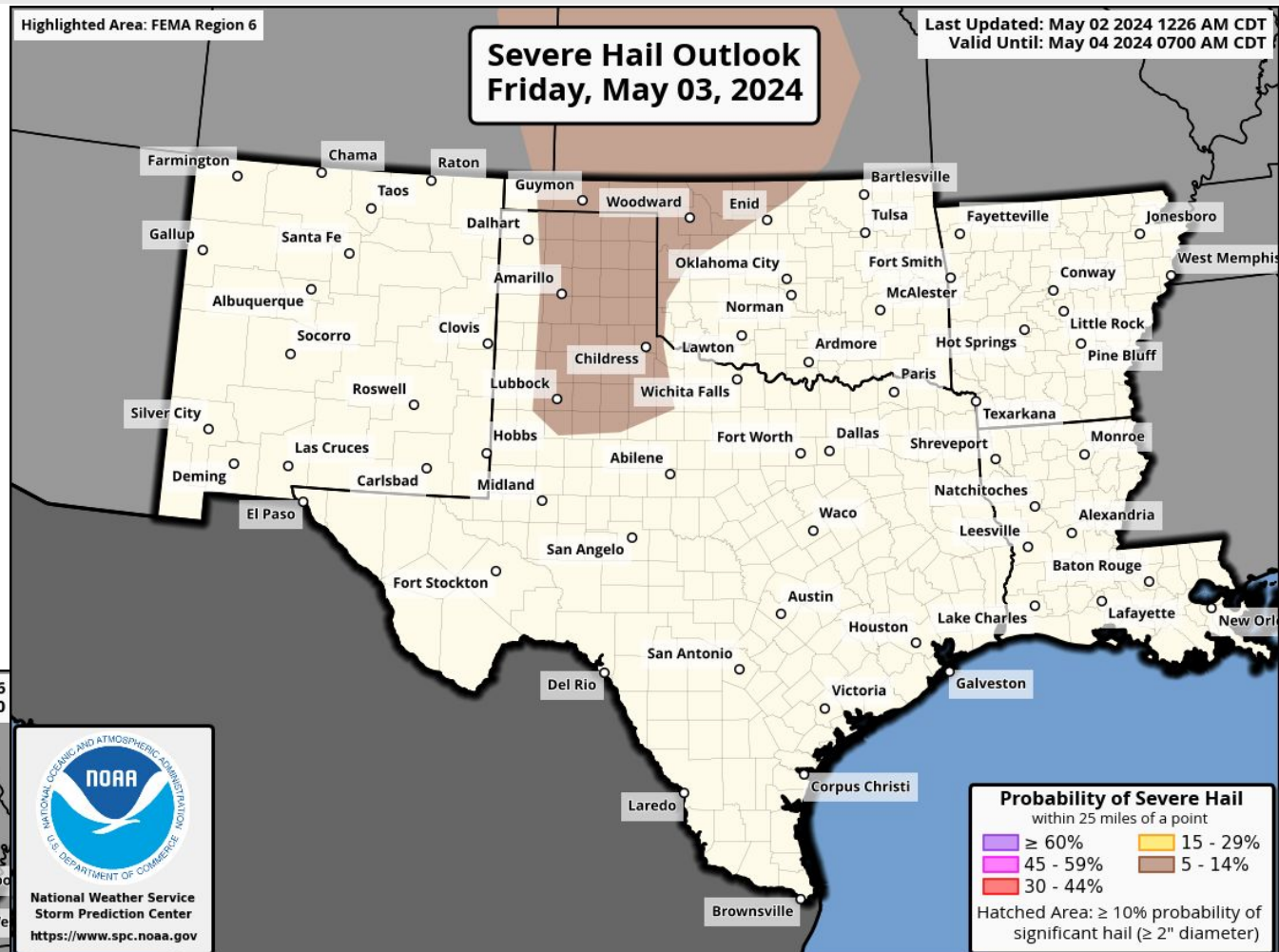
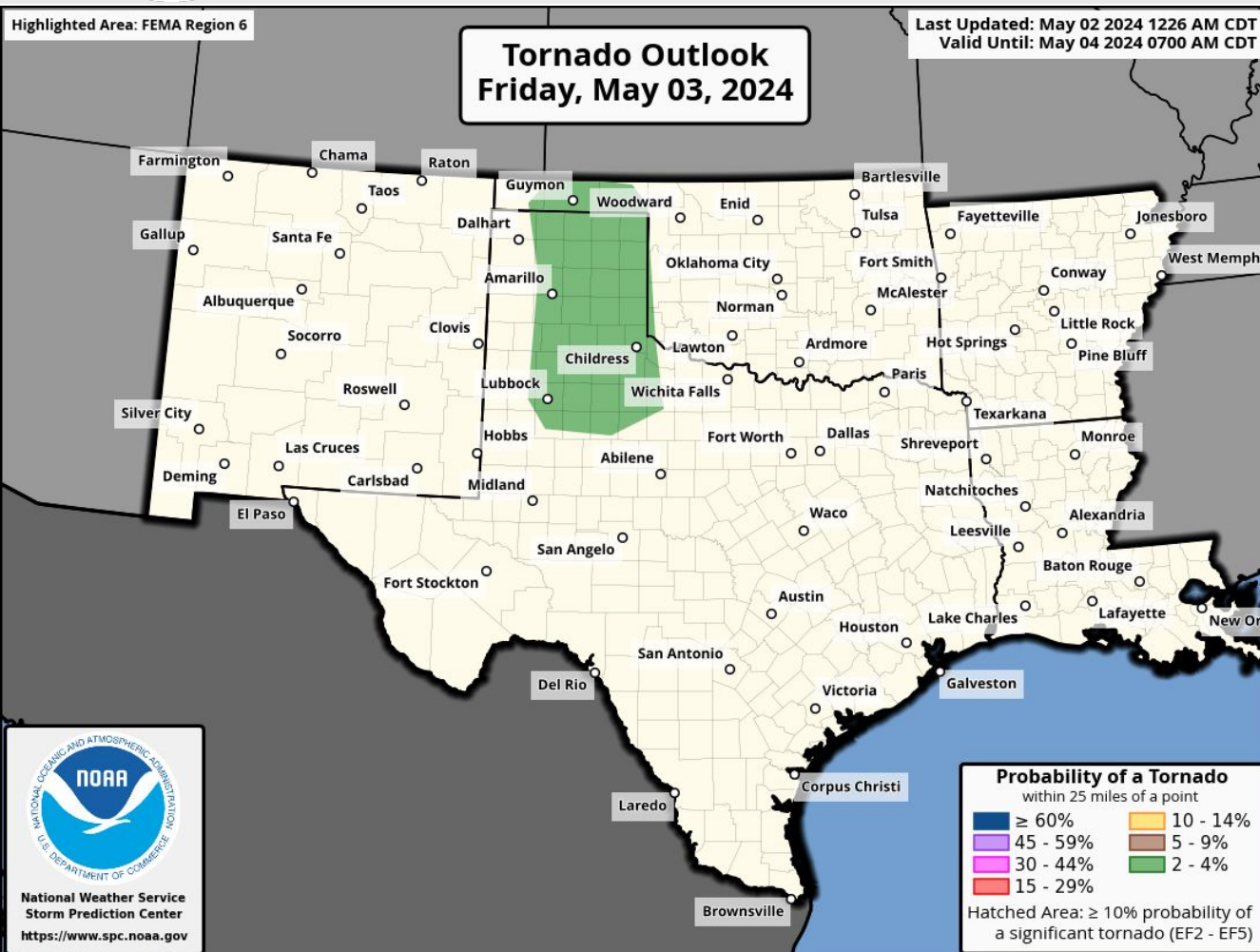
Marginal risk of heavy rainfall/flash flooding for TX, LA, S/E AR.

Marginal risk of severe storms for OK/TX Panhandles.





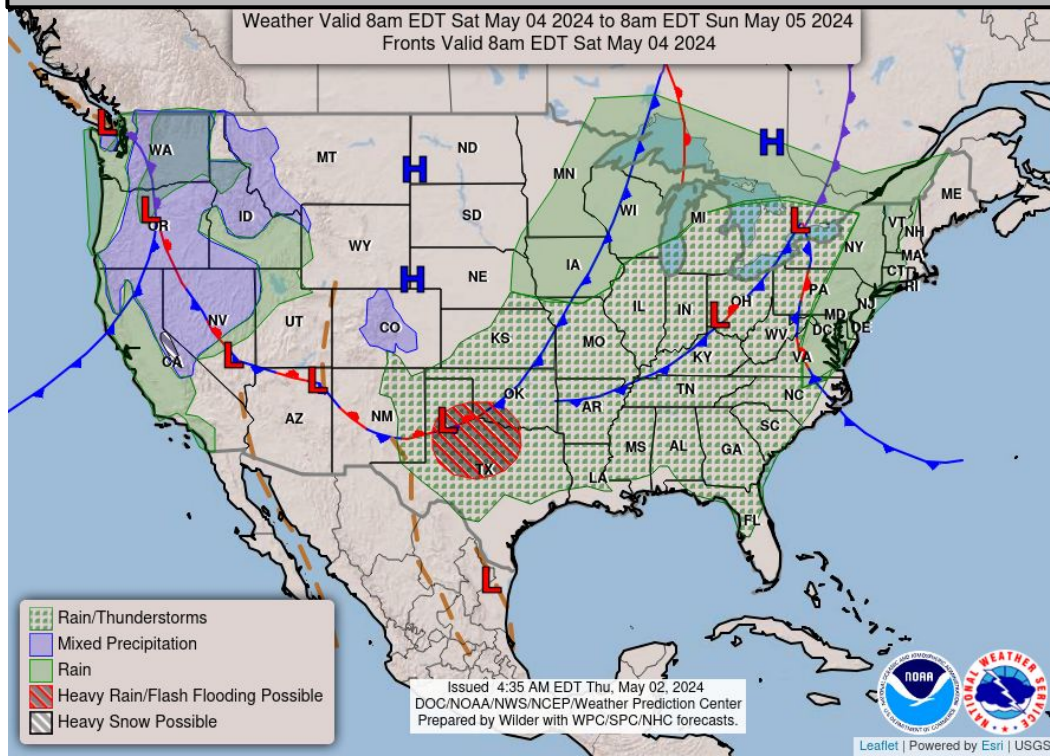
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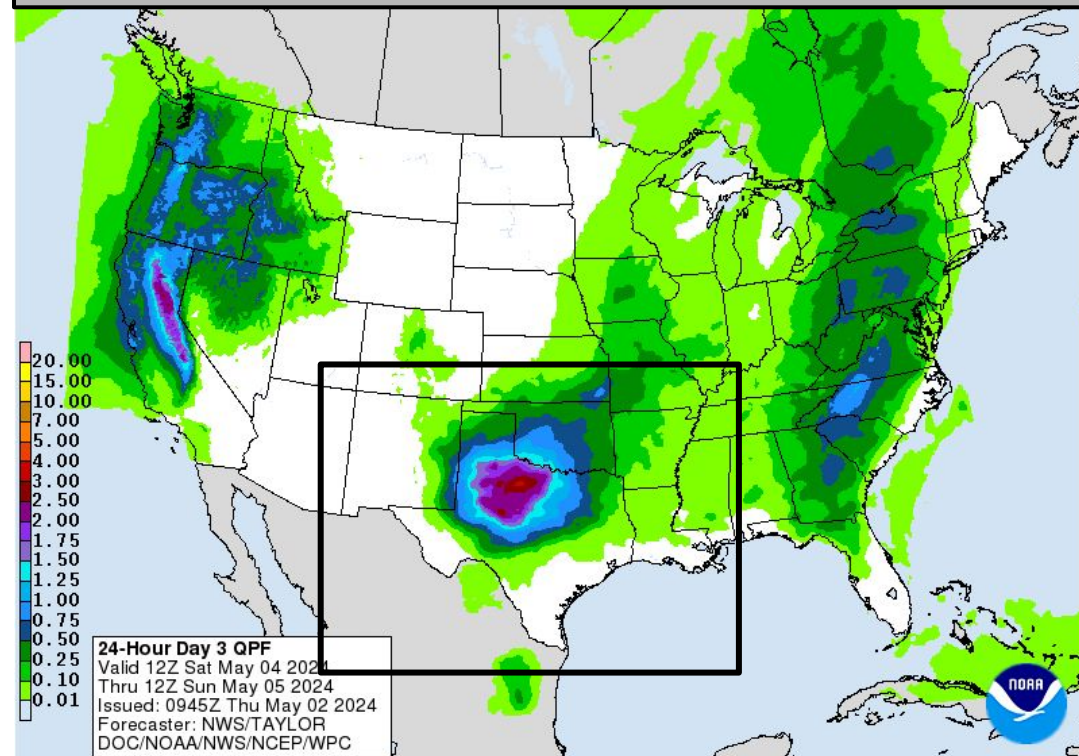


Saturday's Weather

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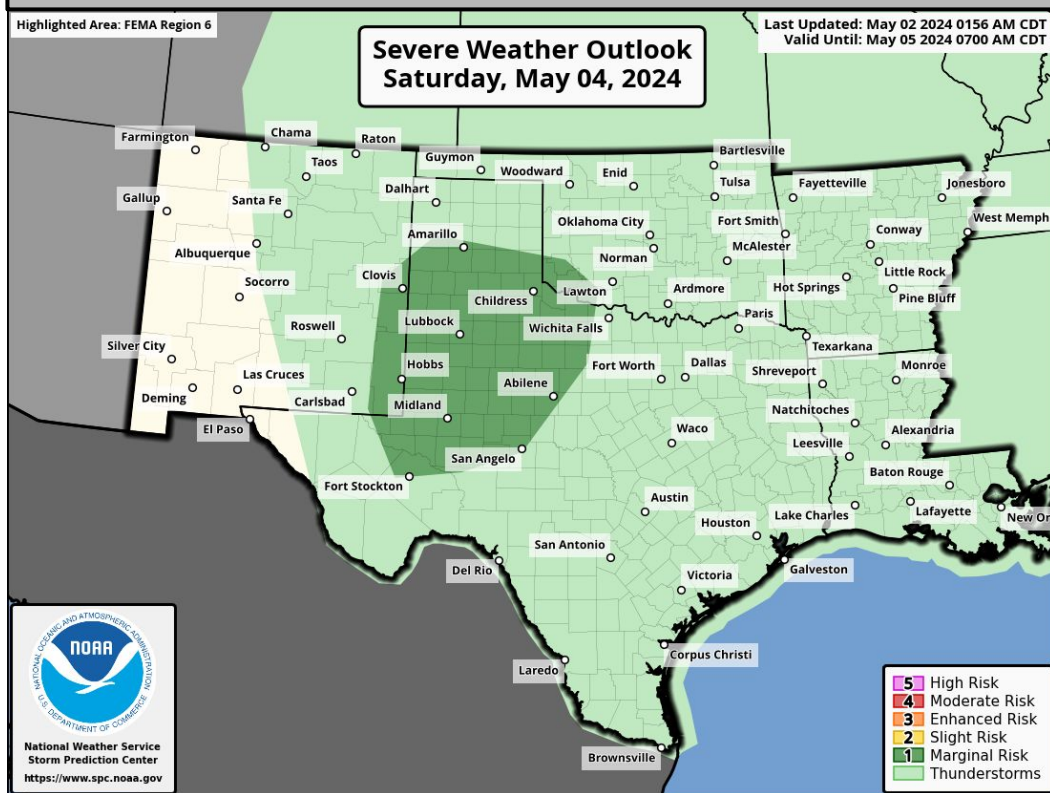
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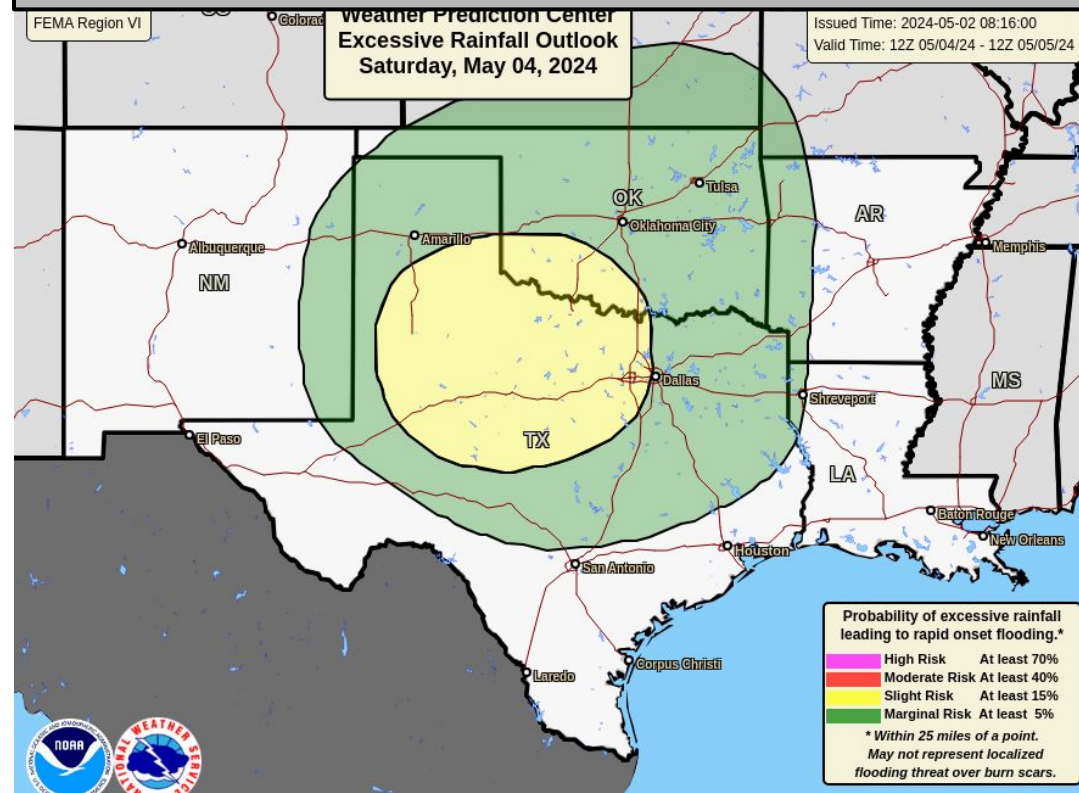
Slight risk for heavy rainfall/flash flooding for SW OK, NWTX.

Marginal risk for severe weather far east NM, SW OK, NWTX

Severe Weather Outlook



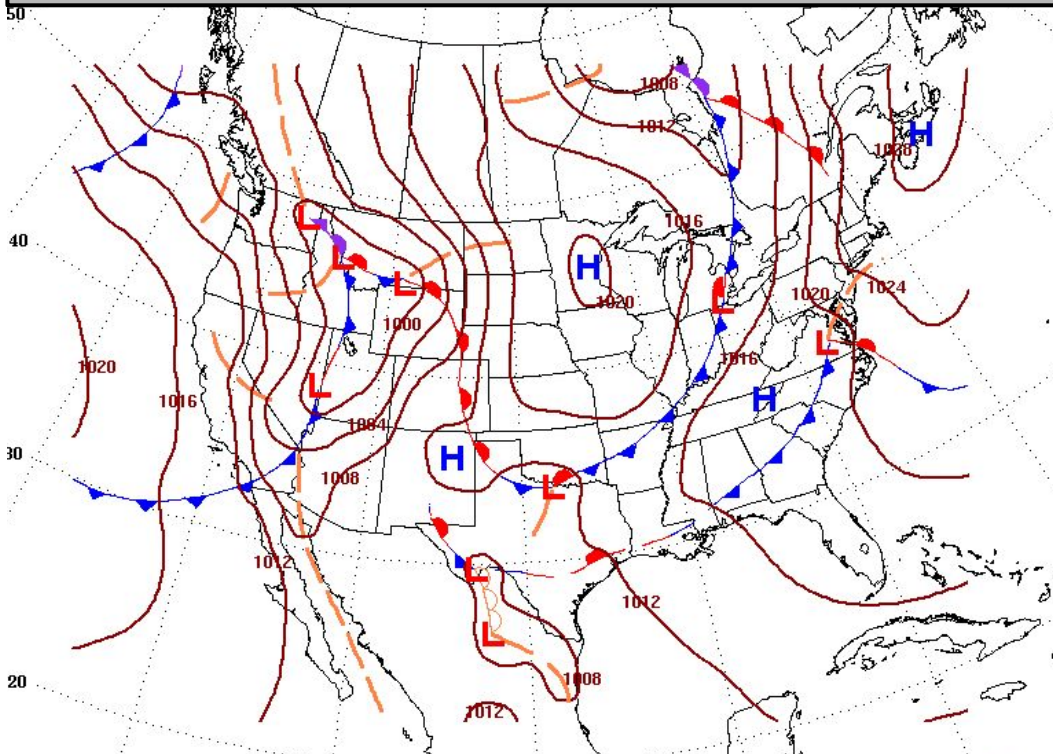
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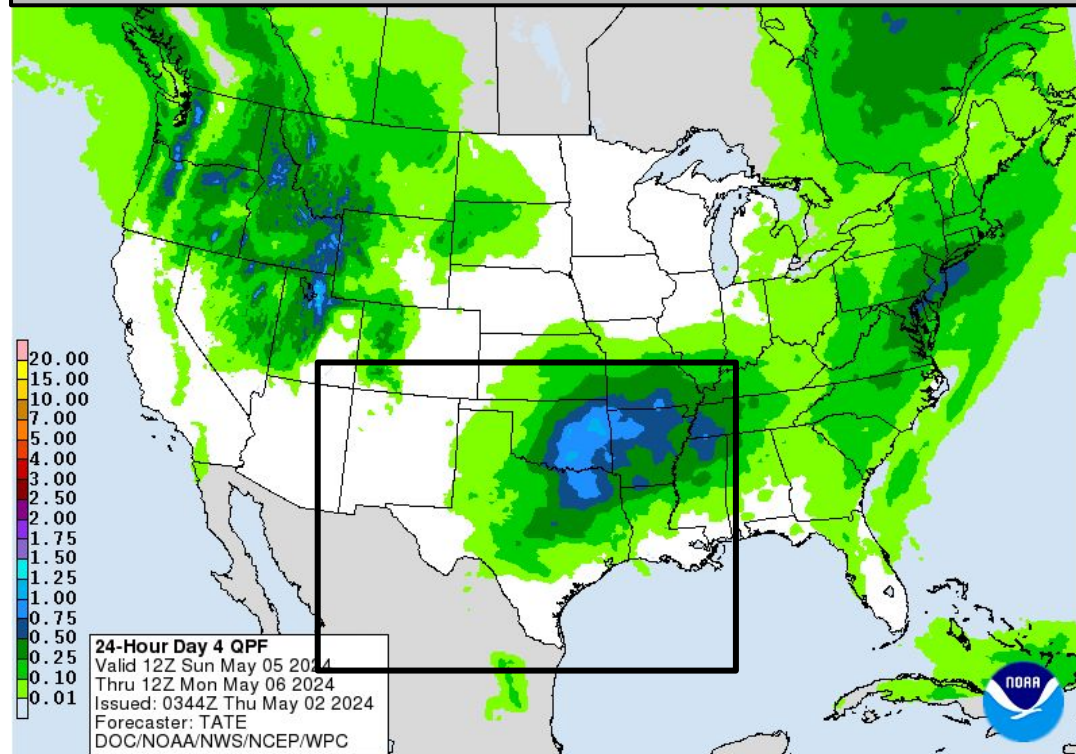


Sunday's Weather

Forecast Chart



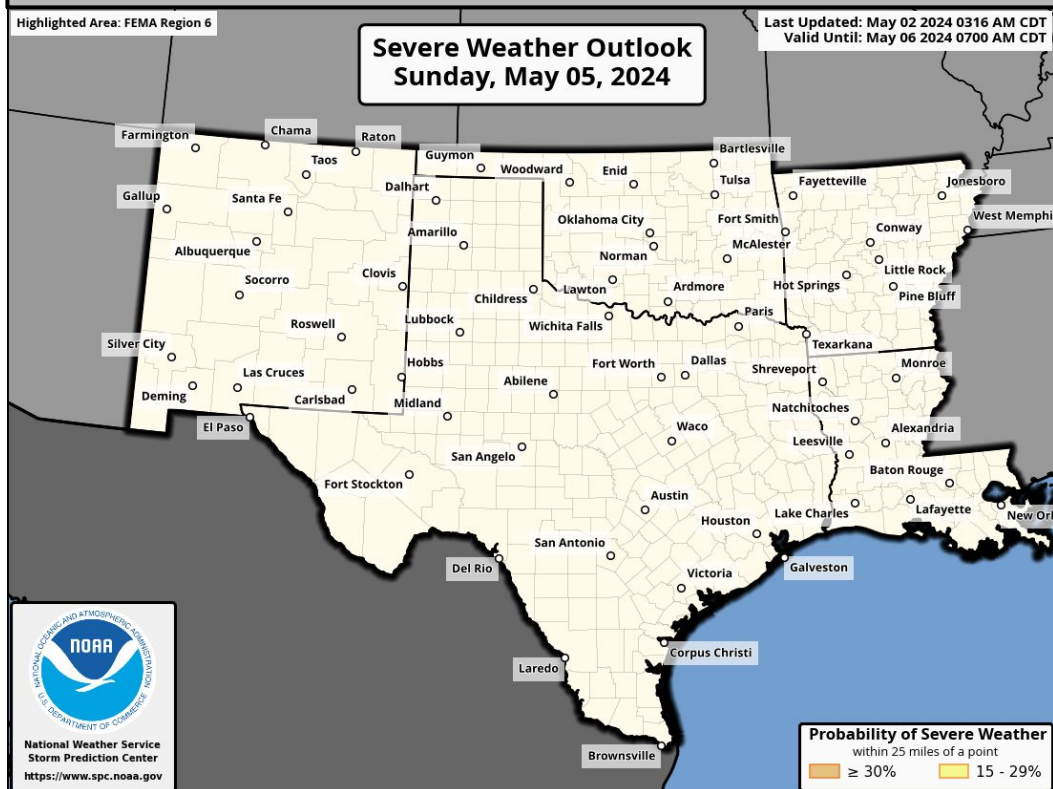
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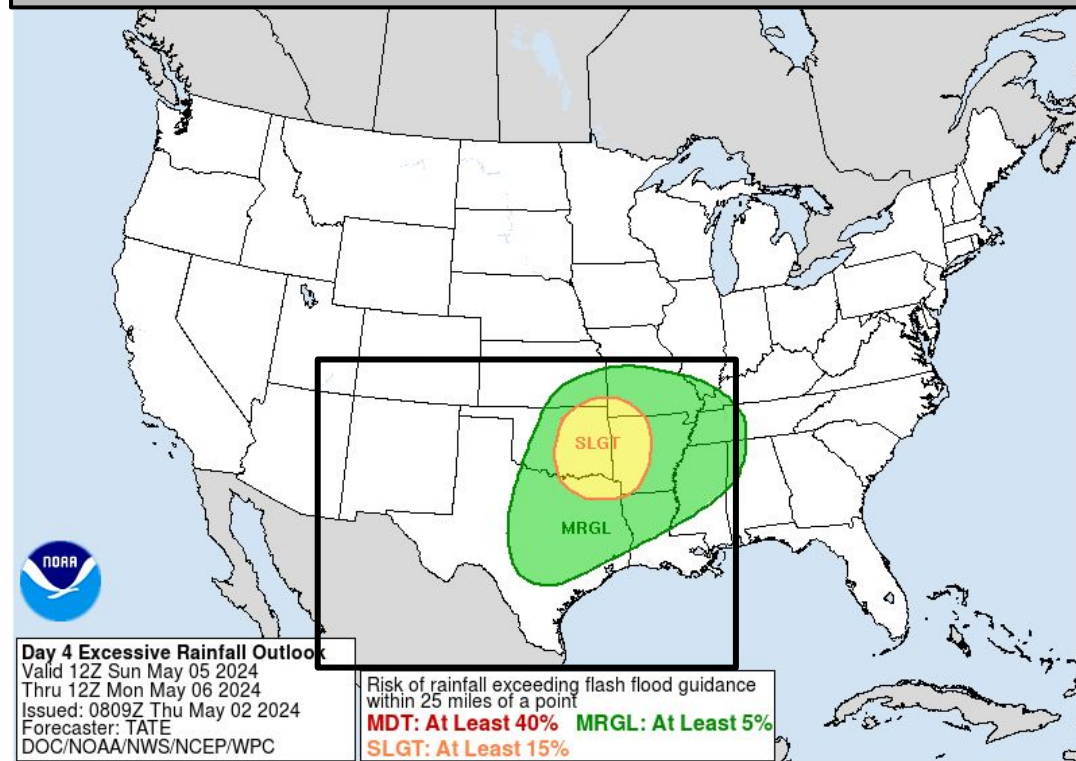
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Elevated fire weather conditions for S NM, Far W TX.

Severe Weather Outlook



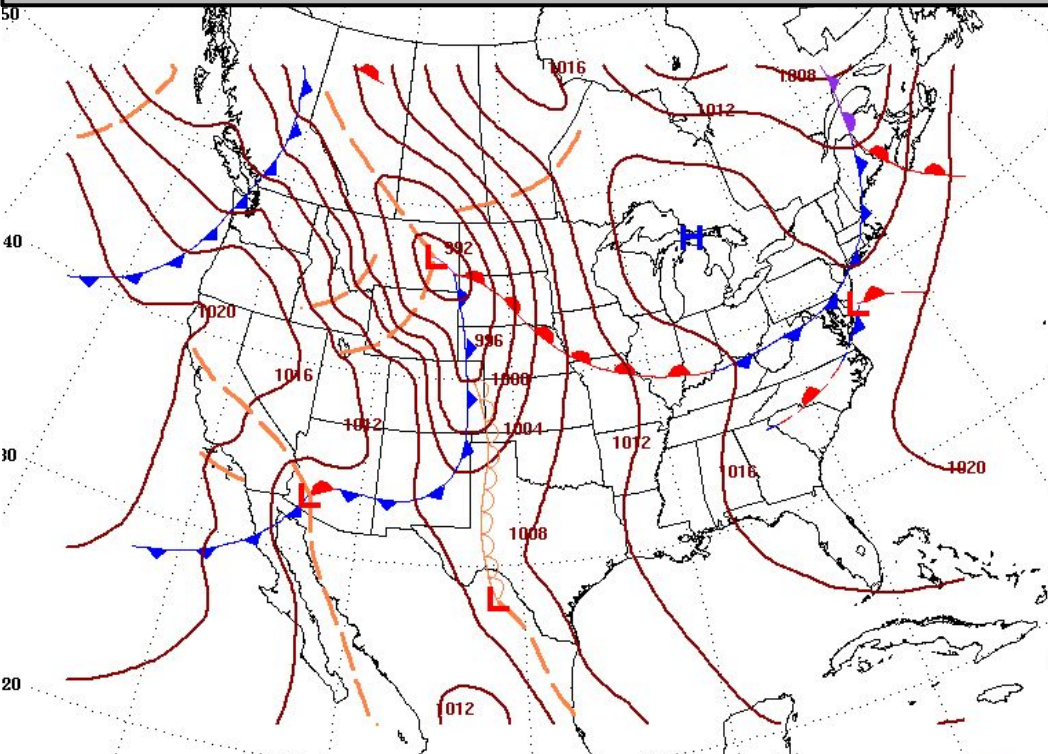
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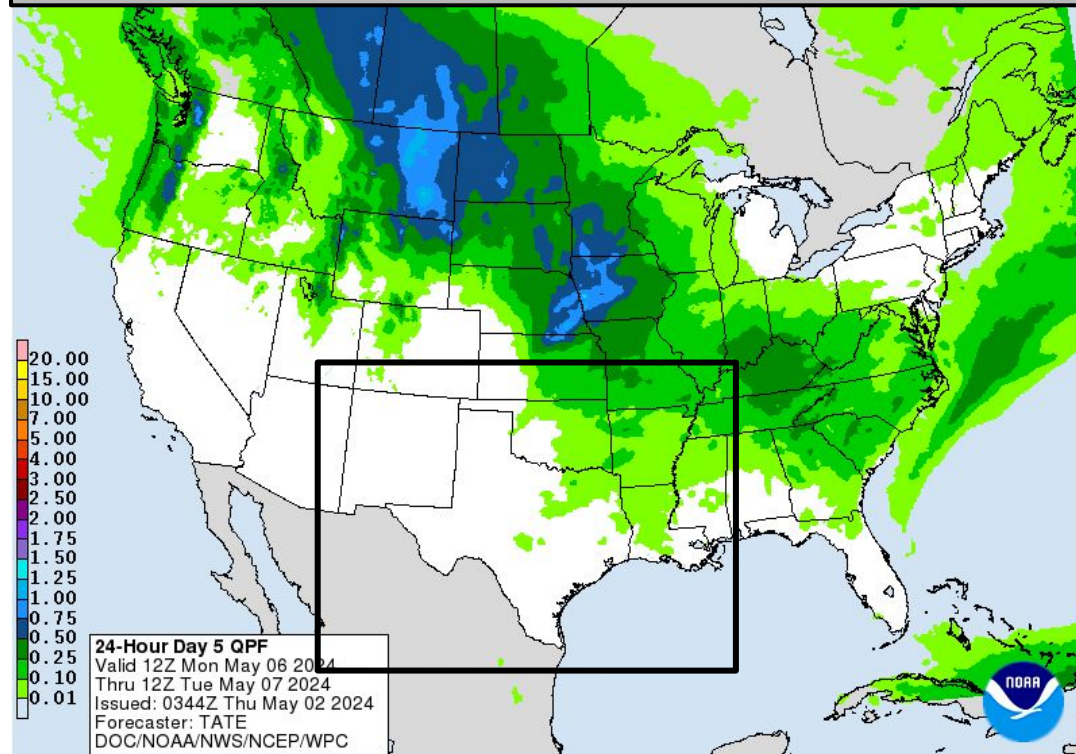


Monday's Weather

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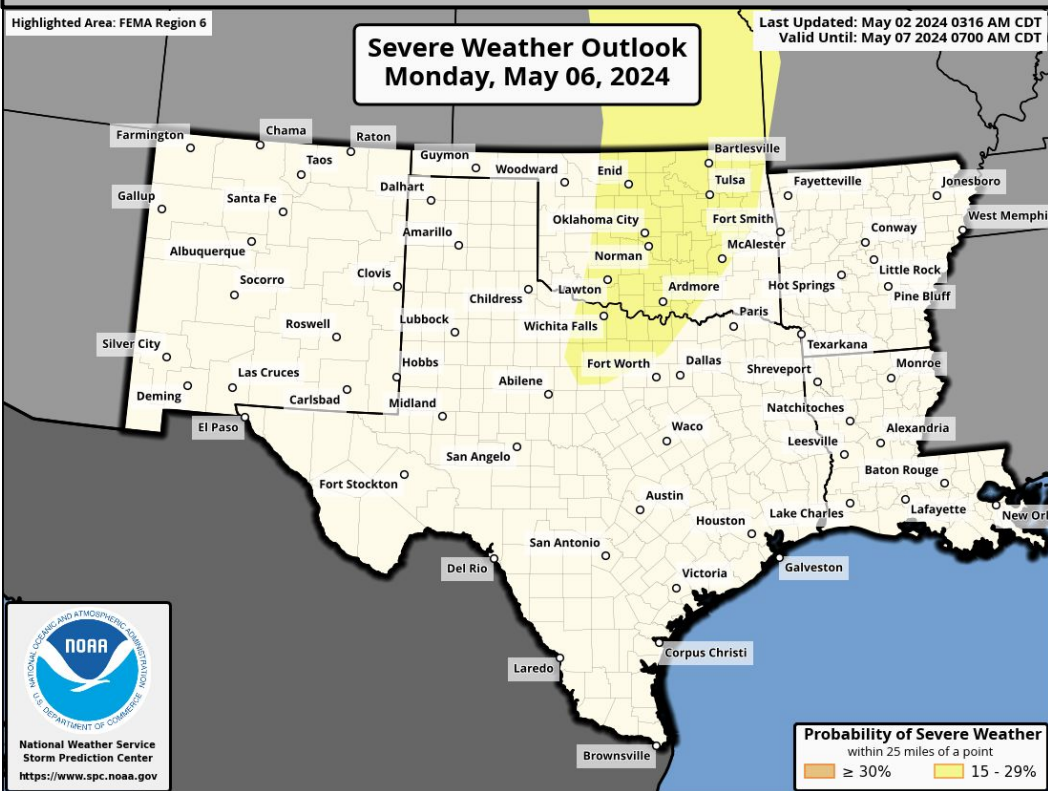
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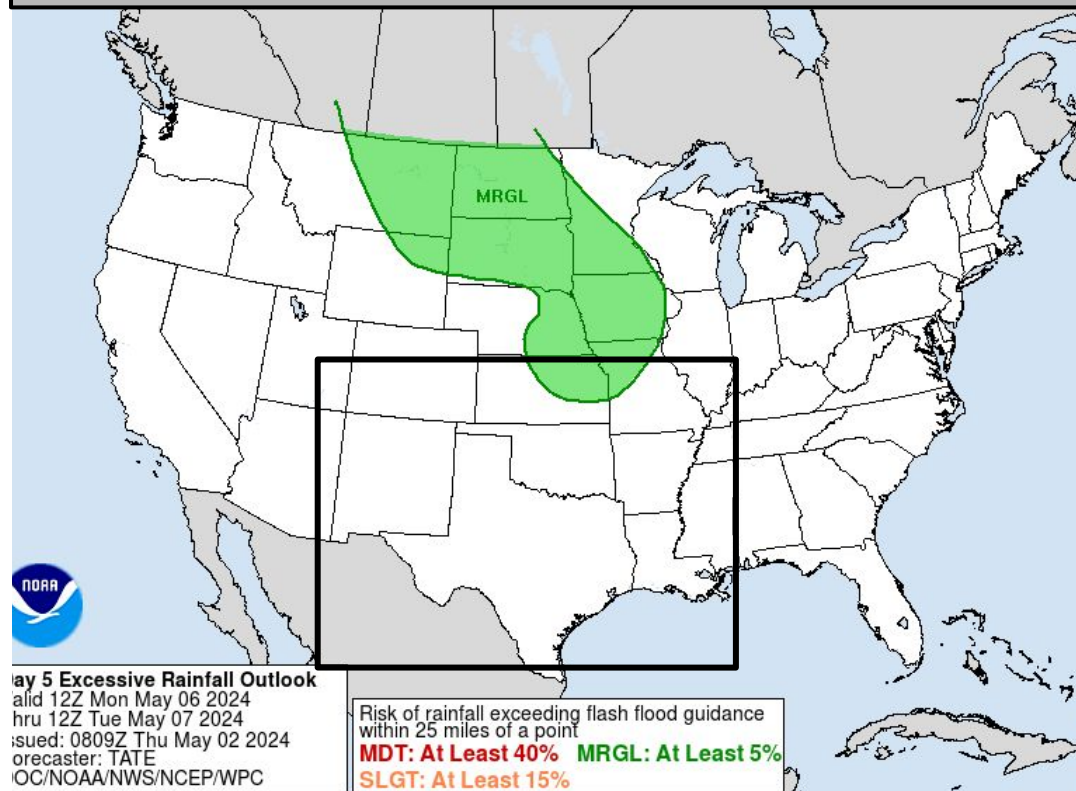
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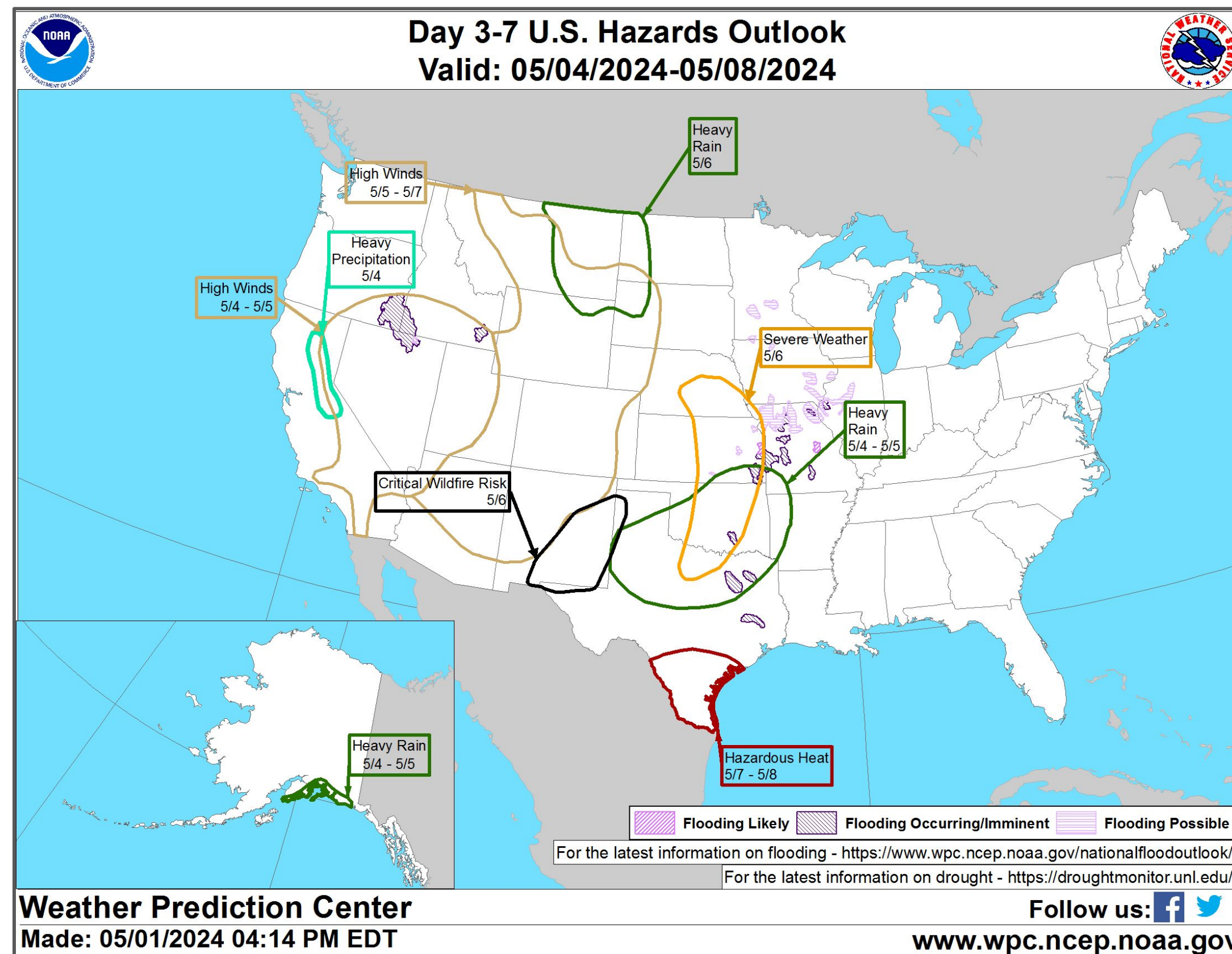


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“Day 3-7” Hazards Outlook



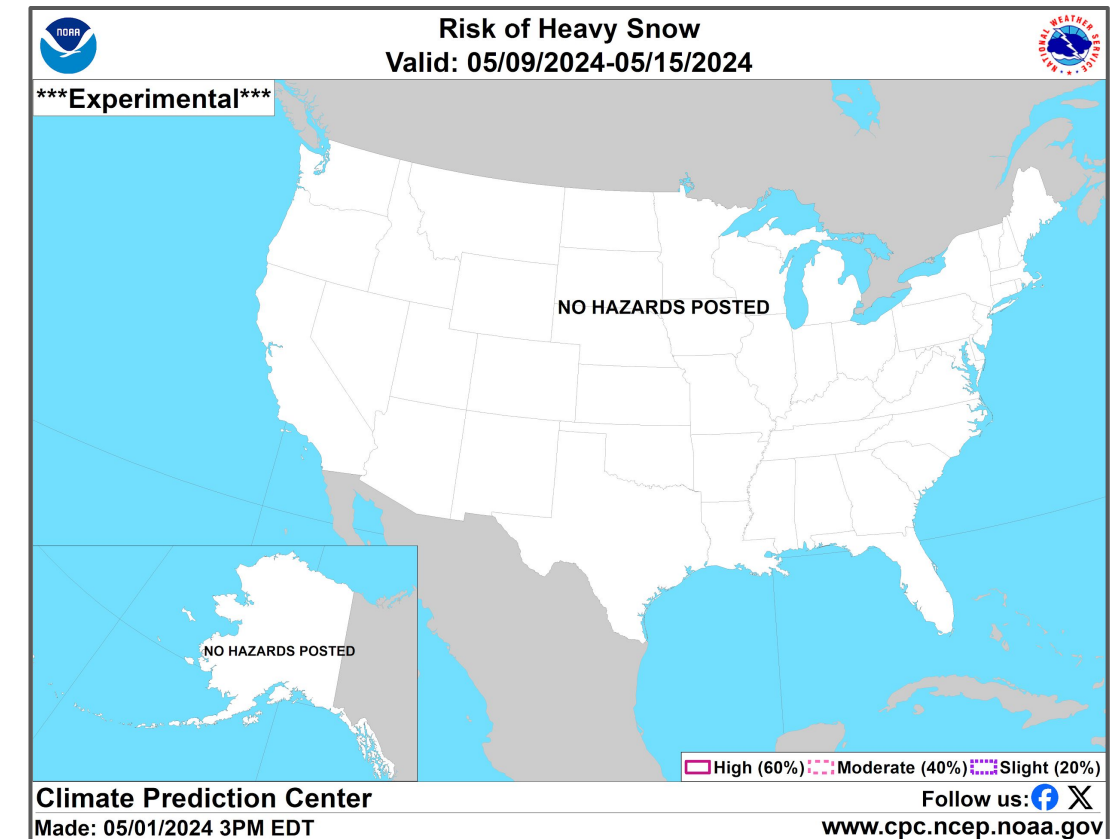
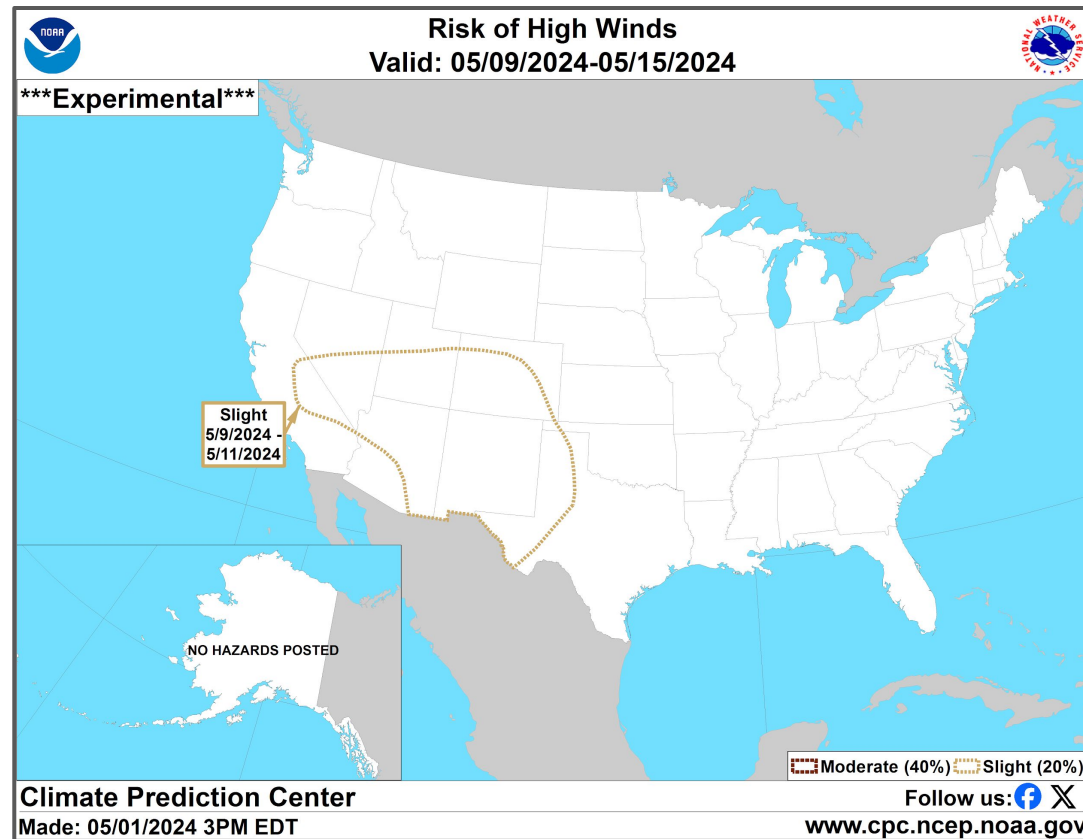
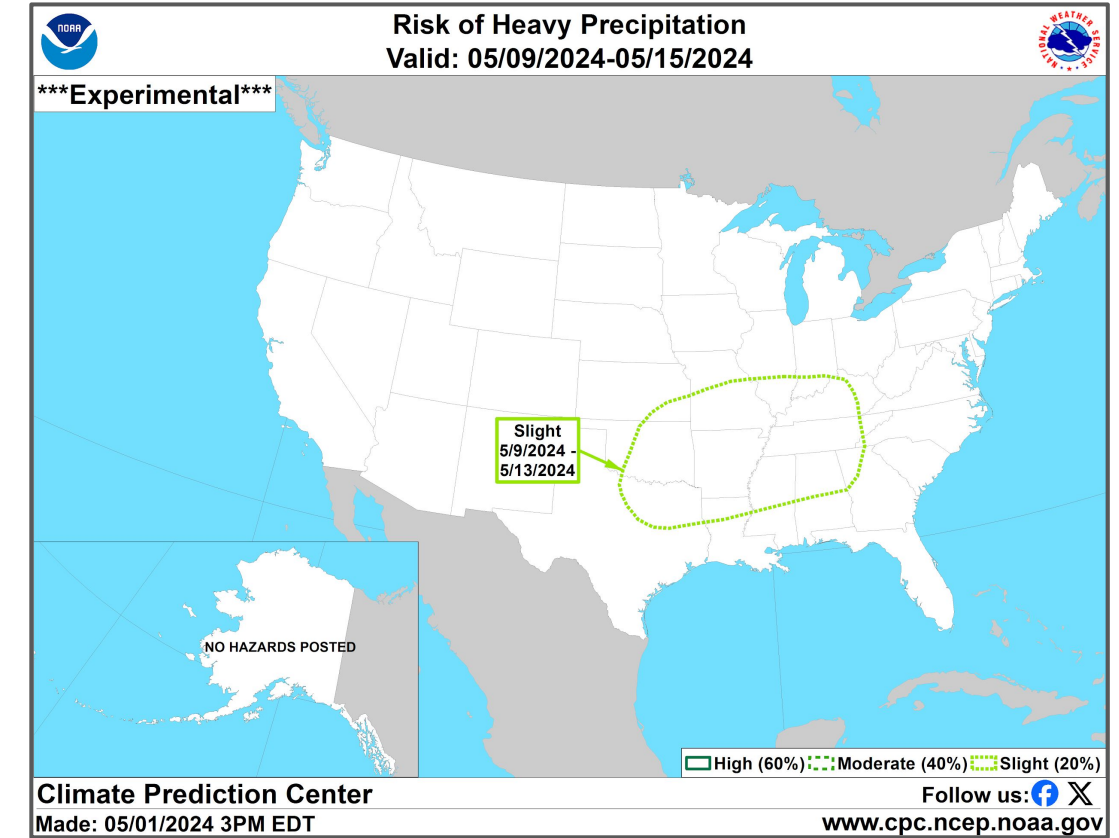
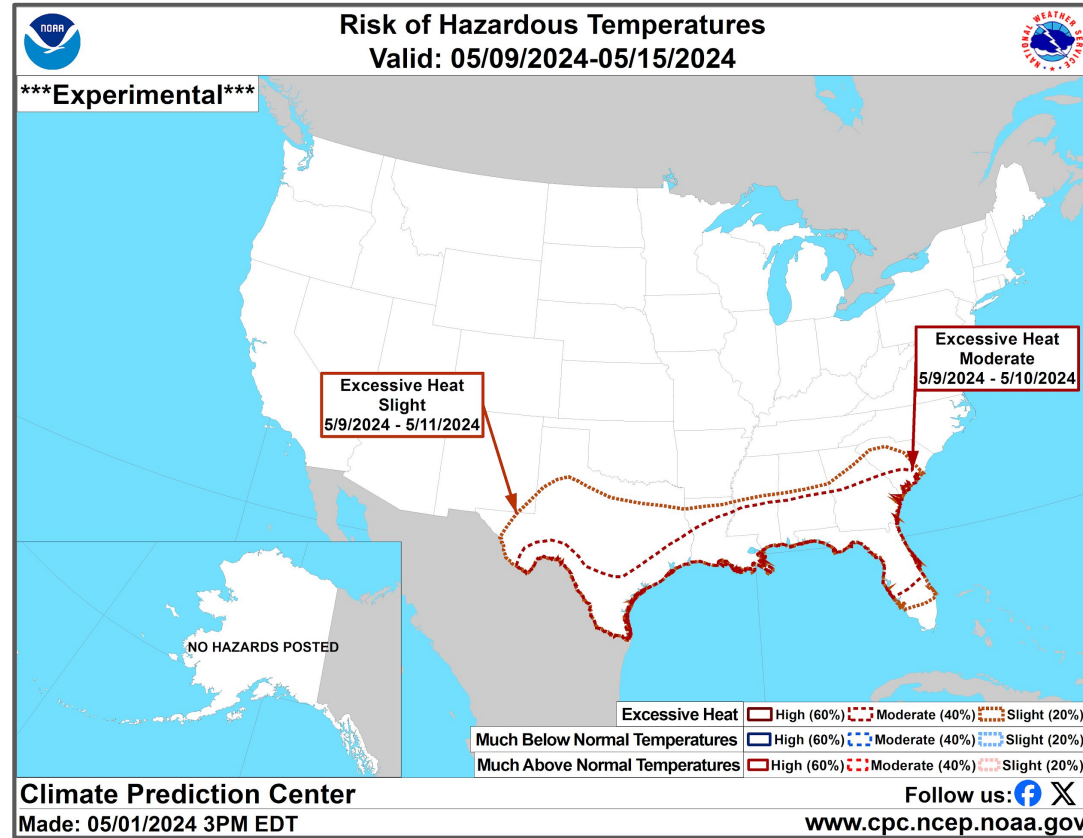
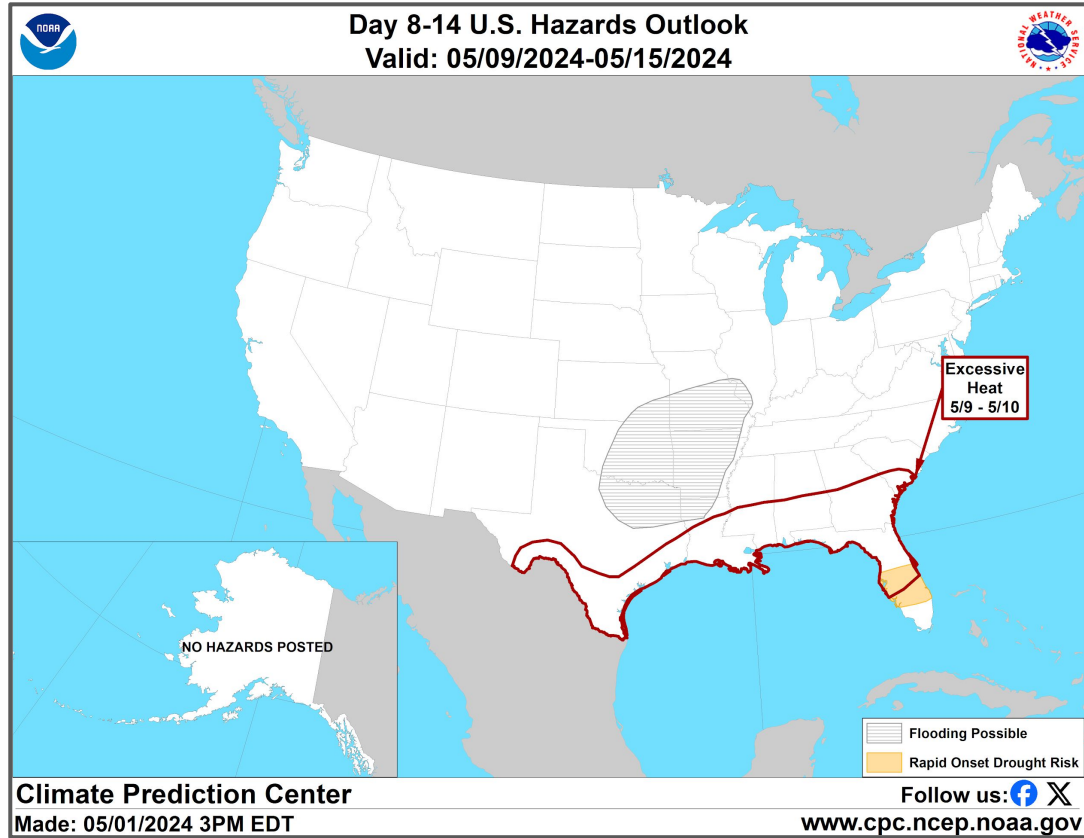
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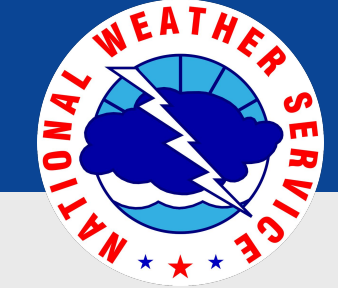
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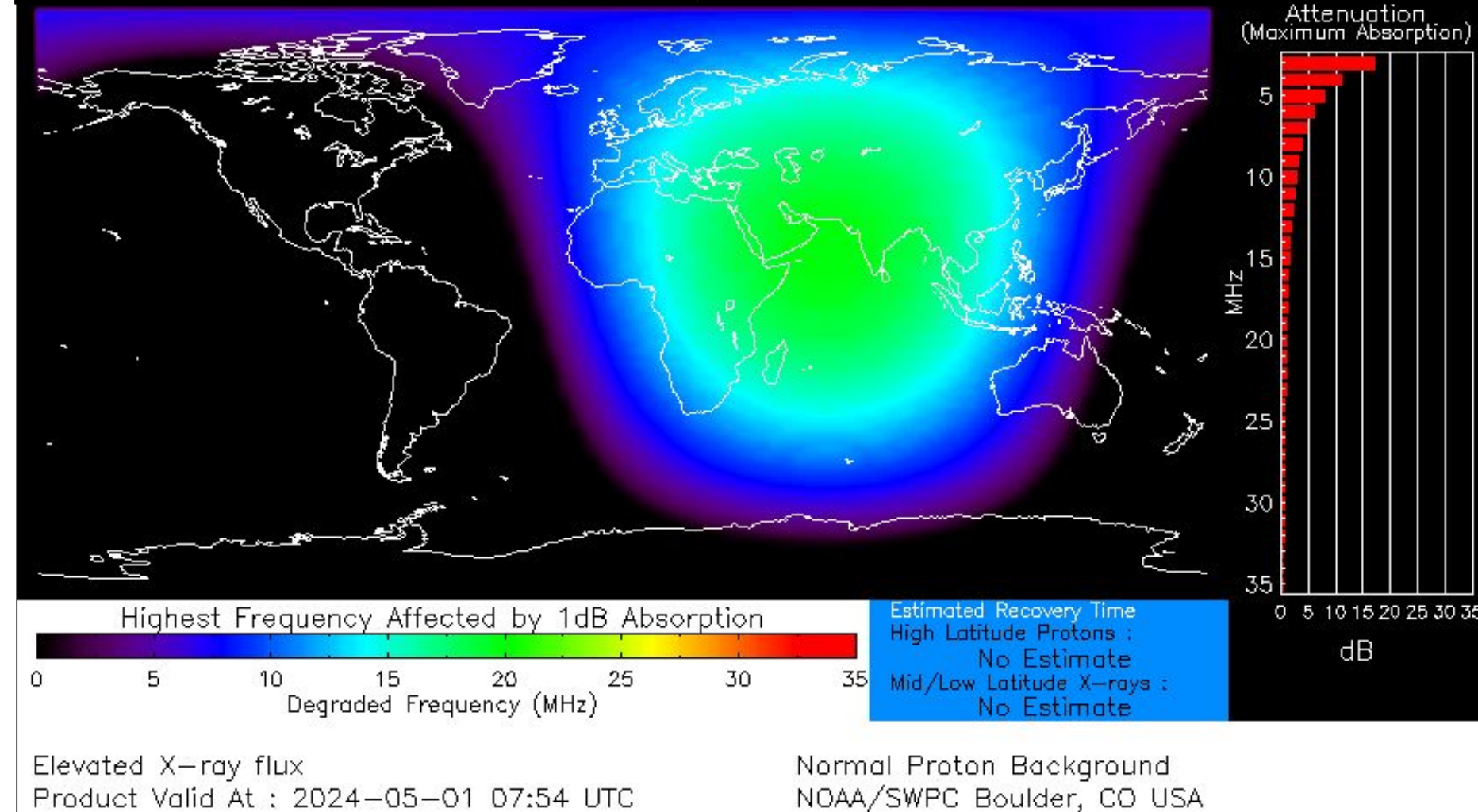
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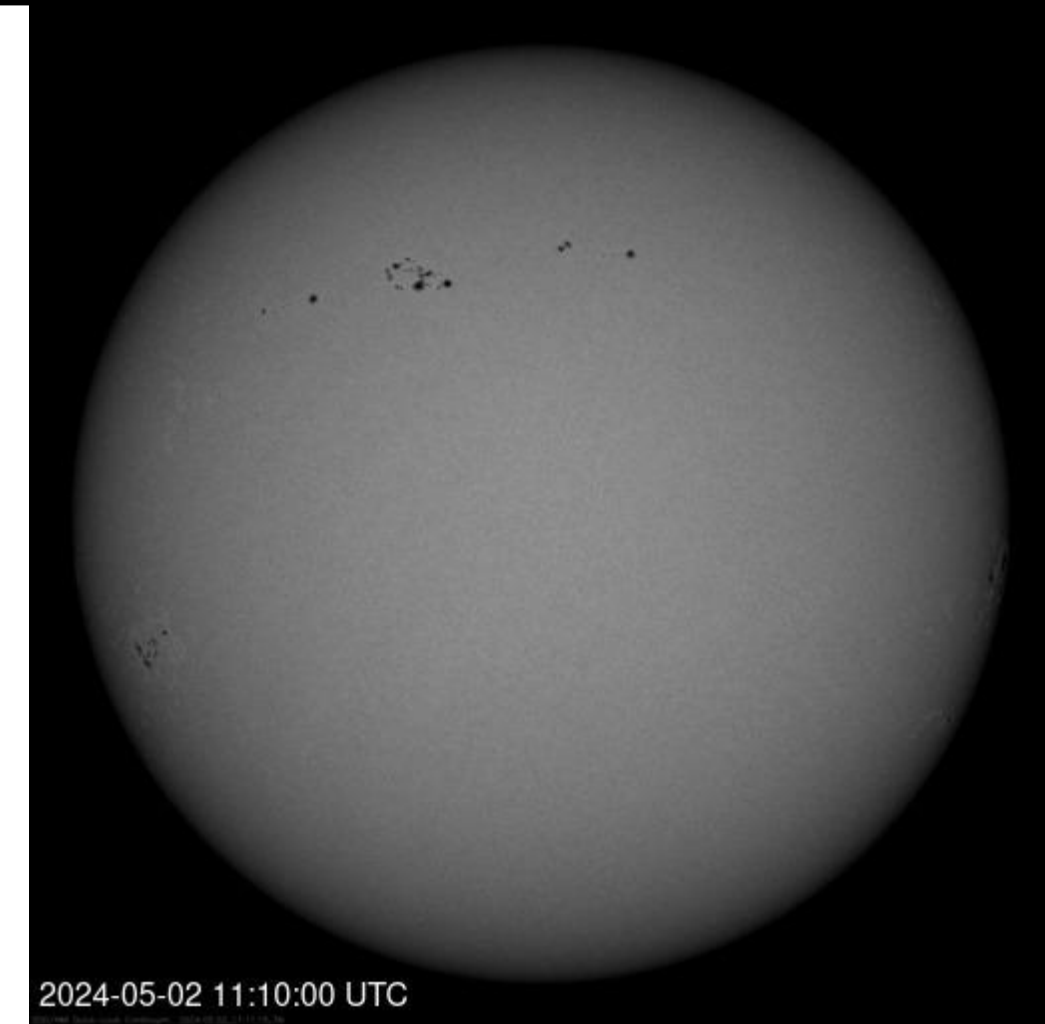
Space Weather 3-Day Forecast

	Thursday, May 2	Friday, May 3	Saturday, May 4
Geomagnetic Storms	Active (Max Kp =4)	Active (Max Kp =4)	Active (Max Kp =4)
Solar Radiation Storm (S1-S5)	10%	5%	5%
Radio Blackout (R1-R2)	55%	40%	30%
Radio Blackout (R3-R5)	10%	5%	5%



[Description of the Space Weather Storm Scales](#)

[Latest 3-Day Space Weather Forecast](#)



Weather "Threat" Matrix for FEMA Region VI

Color	Definition	Criteria	Example(s)
Green	<p style="text-align: center;">Little to None</p> <p>Safety: Rarely a Direct Threat to Life and Property Impact Potential: Typically Results in Little Inconvenience to Daily Routines</p>	<p>Severe: Marginal Risk from SPC Flooding: Minor flooding expected over localized areas Tropical: None Fire Weather: No Watches/Warnings, fuel moisture above 10% or green up active</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thunderstorms expected over LA this afternoon; a few may produce winds to knock down a few trees Something that happens almost every day in a particular season such as seabreeze storms in coastal TX
Yellow	<p style="text-align: center;">Minor</p> <p>Safety: Rarely a Direct Threat to Life and Property Impact Potential: Typically Results in Some Inconvenience to Daily Life</p>	<p>Severe: Slight Risk from SPC Flooding: Nuisance flooded expected for a widespread area, or Minor flooding expected over isolated areas Tropical: A weak tropical wave expected to move towards or near any coastline Fire Weather: Red Flag Watches/Warnings and/or SPC outlines enhanced or critical fire outlook</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2-3 inches of rainfall expected over central AR today and tonight; some minor (brief) street flooding possible Scattered severe storms possible, one or two tornadoes expected, along with reports of strong winds/wind damage and ~1" hail
Orange	<p style="text-align: center;">Moderate</p> <p>Safety: Often Threatening to Life and Property, Some Damage Unavoidable Impact Potential: Typically Results in Minor Disruption to Daily Life</p>	<p>Severe: Enhanced Risk from SPC Flooding: Minor flooding expected over a widespread area (including urban locations), or Moderate flooding expected over isolated areas Tropical: A Tropical Storm expected to move towards or near any coastline Fire: Critical fire outlook for more than 2 consecutive days, Warnings for 2 or more consecutive days, D3-D4 drought conditions</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A snow/sleet mix is expected to move through or near the DFW area tomorrow morning; travel impacts likely Numerous severe storms possible, a few tornadoes possible along with several reports of wind damage along with damaging hail Some large fires reported, burn bans advertised, critical conditions expected
Red	<p style="text-align: center;">Major</p> <p>Safety: Extensive Property Damage Likely, Life Saving Actions Also will be Needed Impact Potential: Will likely result in Large Disruption to Daily Life</p>	<p>Severe: Moderate Risk from SPC Flooding: Moderate flooding expected over a widespread area (including urban locations) Tropical: A Hurricane expected to move towards or near any coastline Fire: Large areas of critical conditions for 2 or more days, Warnings for 3 or more days, Severe to extreme drought</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Category 1 hurricane will be moving towards the NW Gulf in the next few days Widespread severe storms likely, strong tornadoes, widespread wind damage, and destructive hail Large fires ongoing throughout the area with critical fire weather conditions expected to continue
Purple	<p style="text-align: center;">Extreme</p> <p>Safety: Property Damage Unavoidable, Immediate Action to Save Life will be Needed Impact Potential: Typically Results in Long-Lived Widespread Major Disruption to Daily Life</p>	<p>Severe: High Risk from SPC Flooding: Major flooding expected over a widespread area (including urban locations) Tropical: A Major Hurricane (Cat3 or greater) expected to move towards or near any coastline Fire: Large area of critical conditions for 2 or more days, Warnings for 3 or more days, Long term (months) of severe to extreme drought</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Category 4 hurricane is headed towards the SE LA; major storm surge, flooding and damaging winds anticipated to begin tomorrow Widespread severe storms expected, tornado outbreak probable with long-lived, very widespread and particularly intense storms

Criteria for the color codes in this briefing is to the left, please provide any feedback to sr-srh.roc@noaa.gov



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