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FEMA Region 6 Weather Threat Briefing

Friday, May 24, 2024

Disclaimer: The purpose of this briefing is to provide a <u>Regional</u> weather threat assessment and is meant as a general overview. County/Parish decision makers should consult their local NWS forecast offices for the latest detailed, local weather information.

To find your local NWS forecast office, go to <u>www.weather.gov/srh</u>.





Summary of the Upcoming Week

- Slight risk area for severe thunderstorms across OK, NTX and AR.
- Slight to Enhanced risk area for severe thunderstorms across OK, AR and NE TX this weekend.
- Moderate and isolated major river flooding across SETX and LA.
- Above normal heat across STX through the weekend.
- There is a low chance... I 0%...for tropical development during the next 7 days.



FEMA Region 6 Threat Matrix

Next 5 Days

	Friday, May 24	Saturday, May 25	Sunday, May 26	Monday, May 27	Tuesday, May 28
Severe Storms	E OK,TX,AR	OK,AR	NE AR		
Heavy Rain / Flash Flooding					
Fire Weather	WNM	NM,WTX			
Wind					
Heat	STX	STX	STX	STX	STX
River Flooding	SETX, LA	SETX, LA	SETX, LA	SETX, LA	SETX, LA

*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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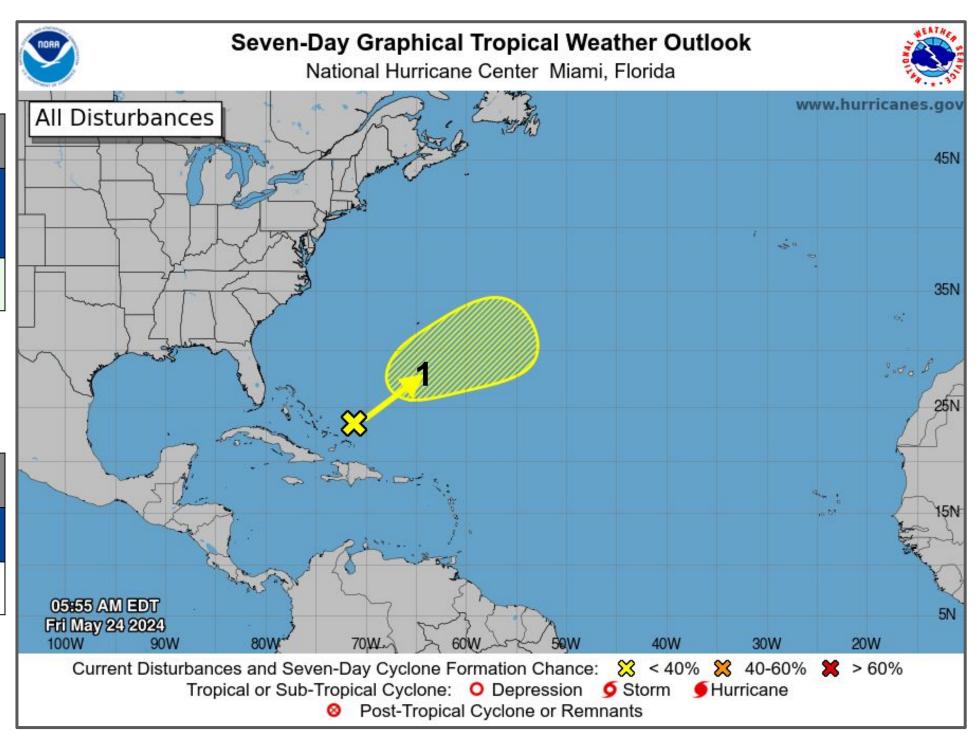




Tropical Weather Outlook – Atlantic/Gulf

Areas of Possible Development			
Area Chance of Development		Potential Impacts to FEMA 6	
1	10%	None	

Active Tropical Cyclones			
Storm Potential Impacts to FEMA 6			



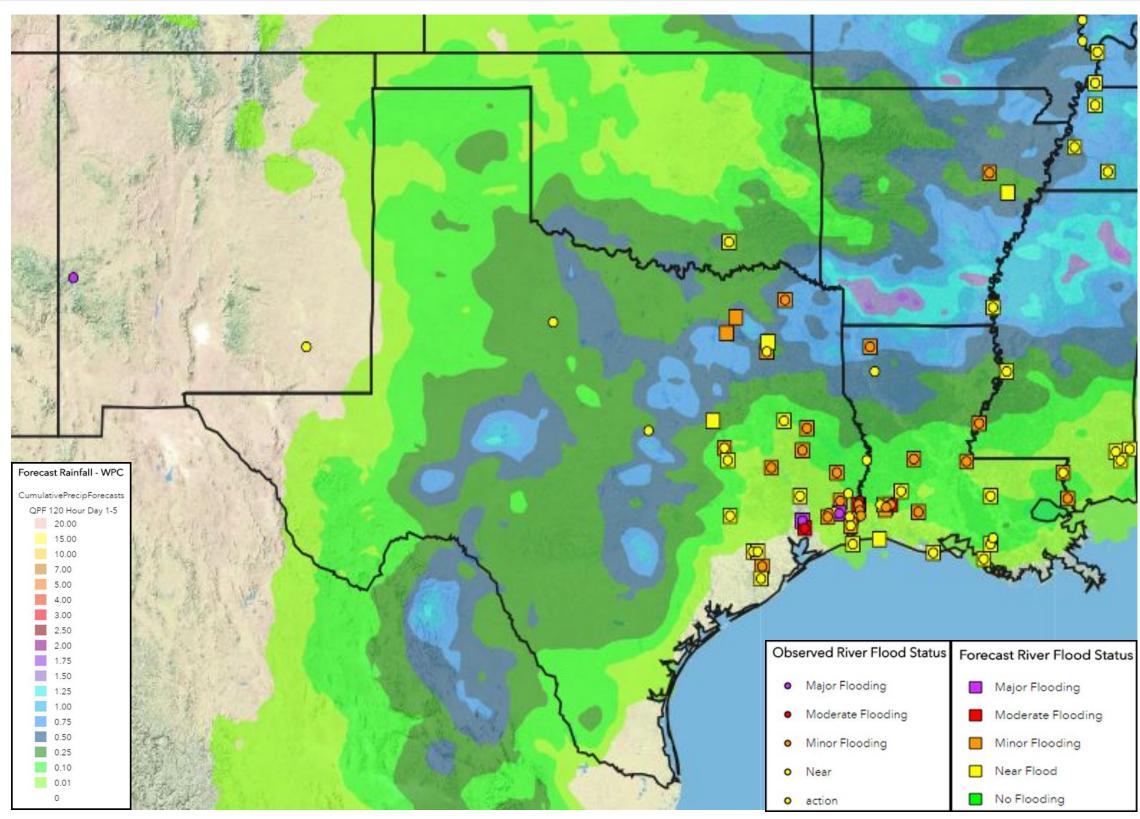
See http://www.hurricanes.gov for the latest on the tropics or any active storms





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

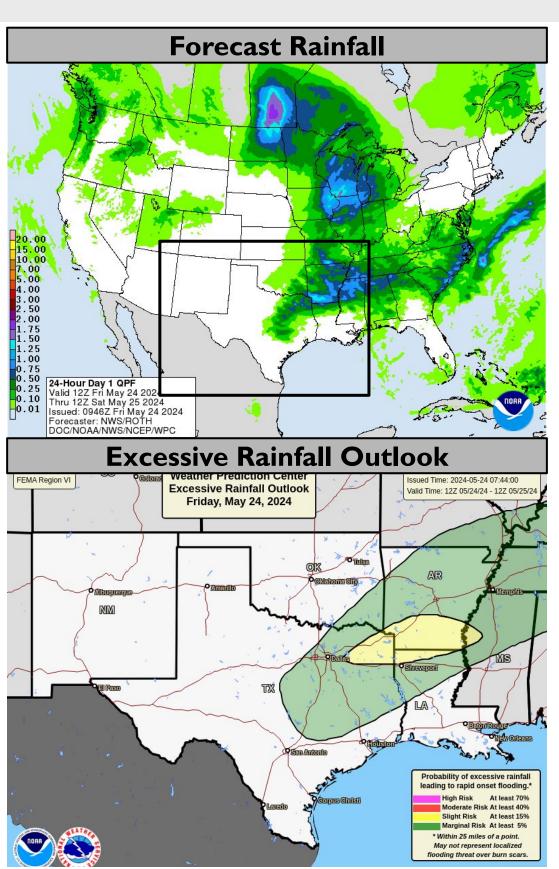


Isolated Moderate to Major river flooding SETX and LA.



Today's Weather



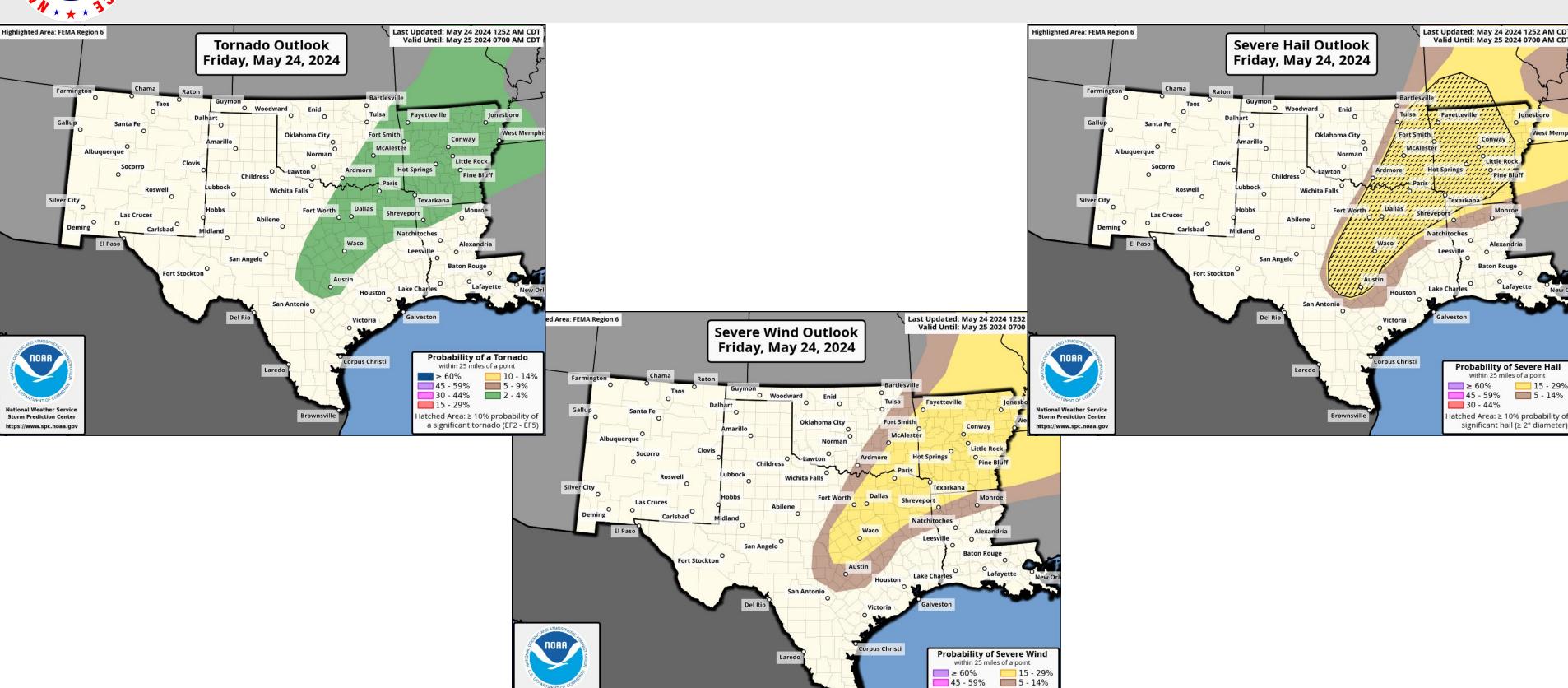


Above normal heat across STX.

Slight risk for severe storms in E OK, AR, NETX.



Today's Tornado & Severe Wind / Hail Probabilities



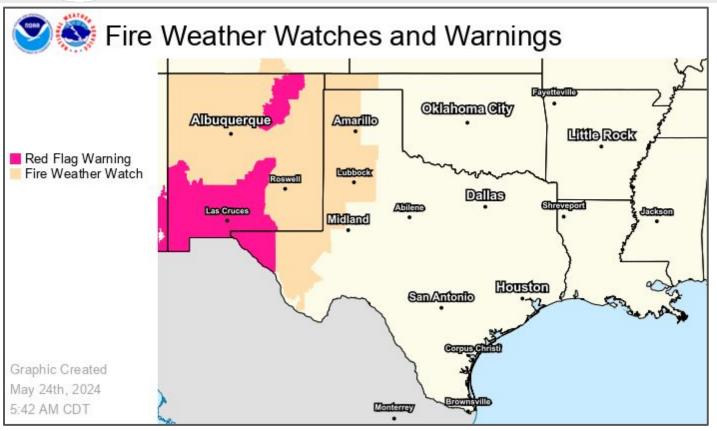
45 - 59% 30 - 44%

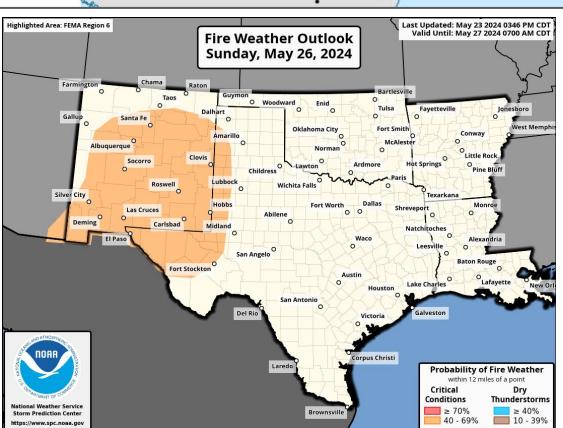
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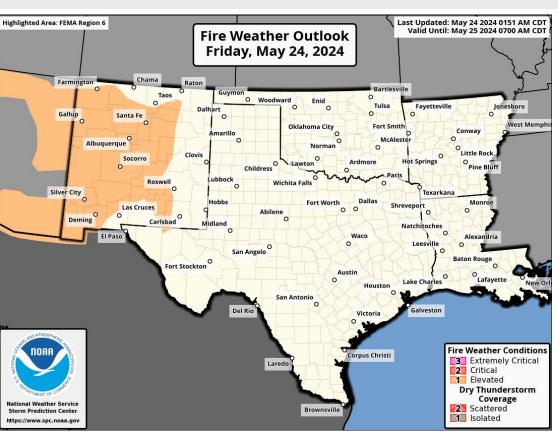


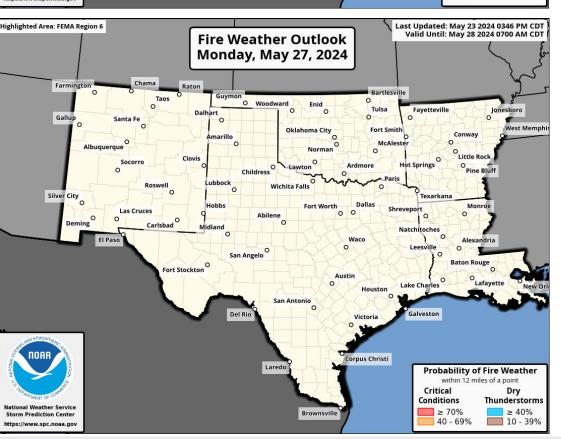


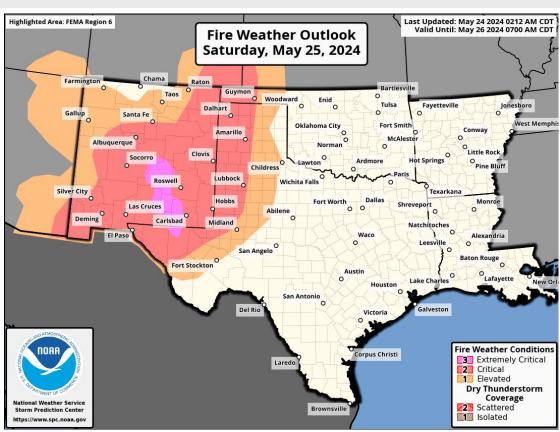
Fire Weather Outlooks

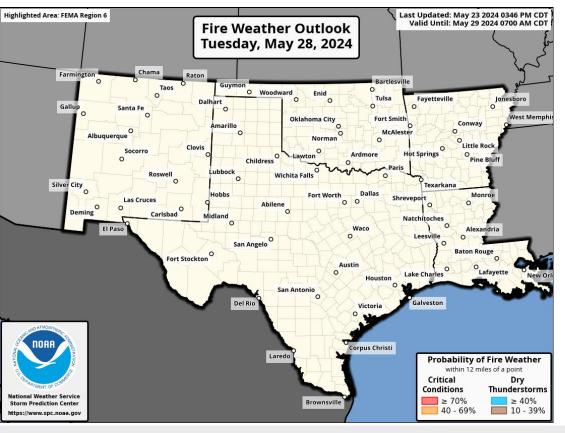










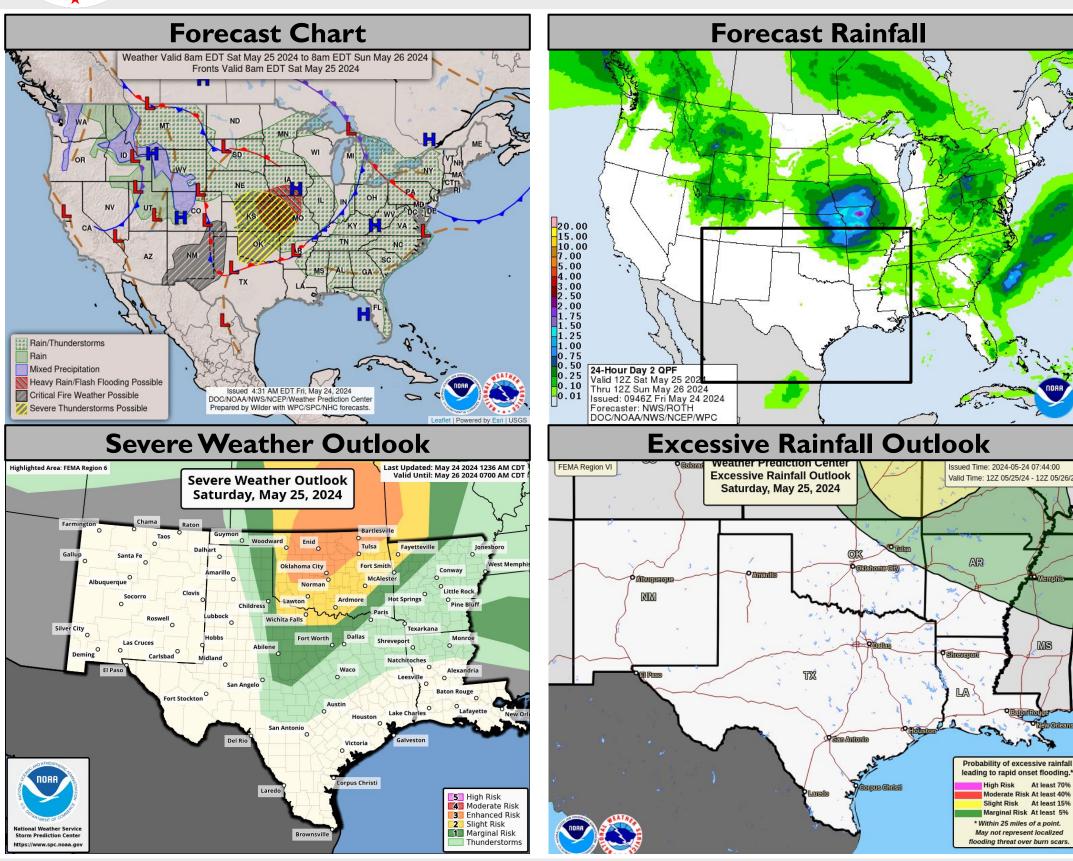




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Tomorrow's Weather

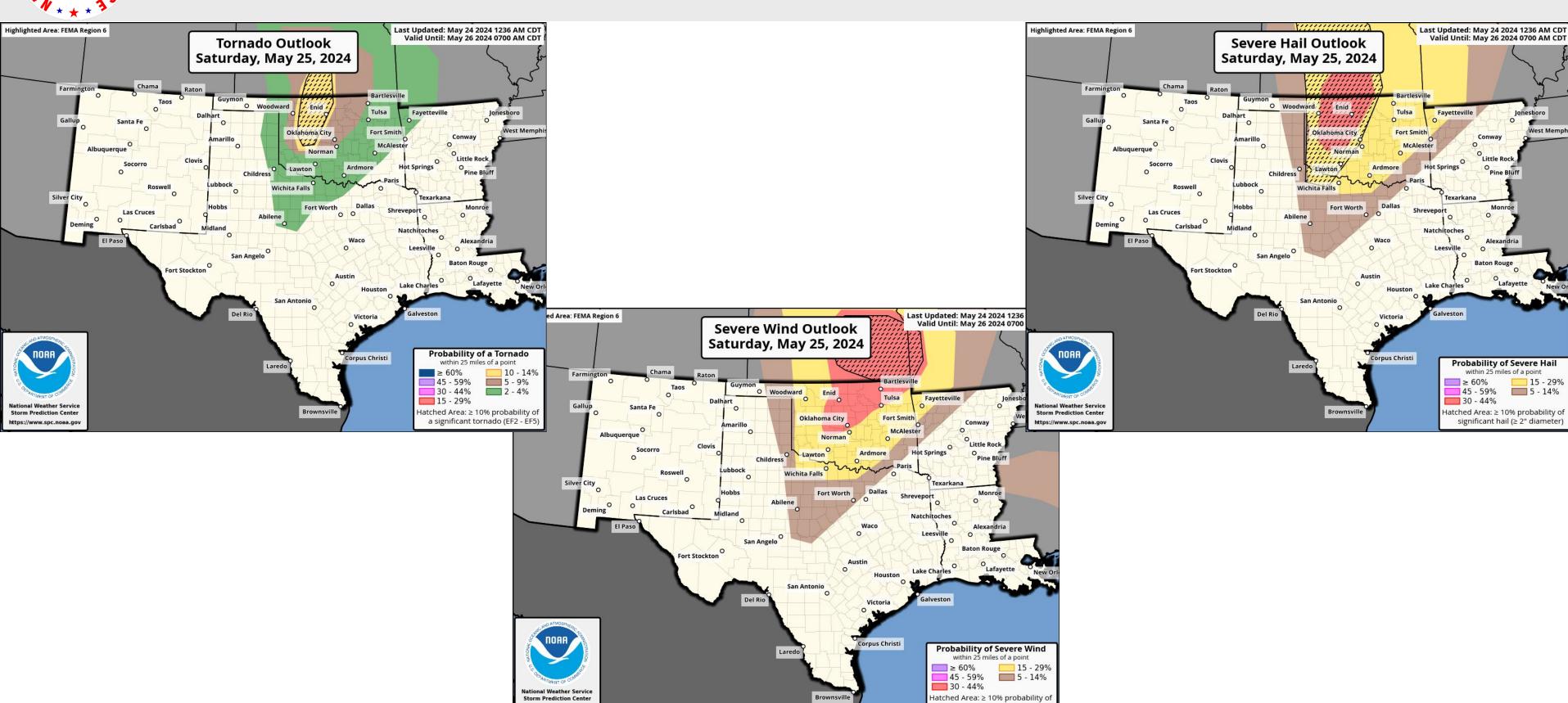


Above normal heat across STX.

Slight to Enhanced risk of severe storms across OK, AR, NTX.



Tomorrow's Tornado & Severe Wind / Hail Probabilities

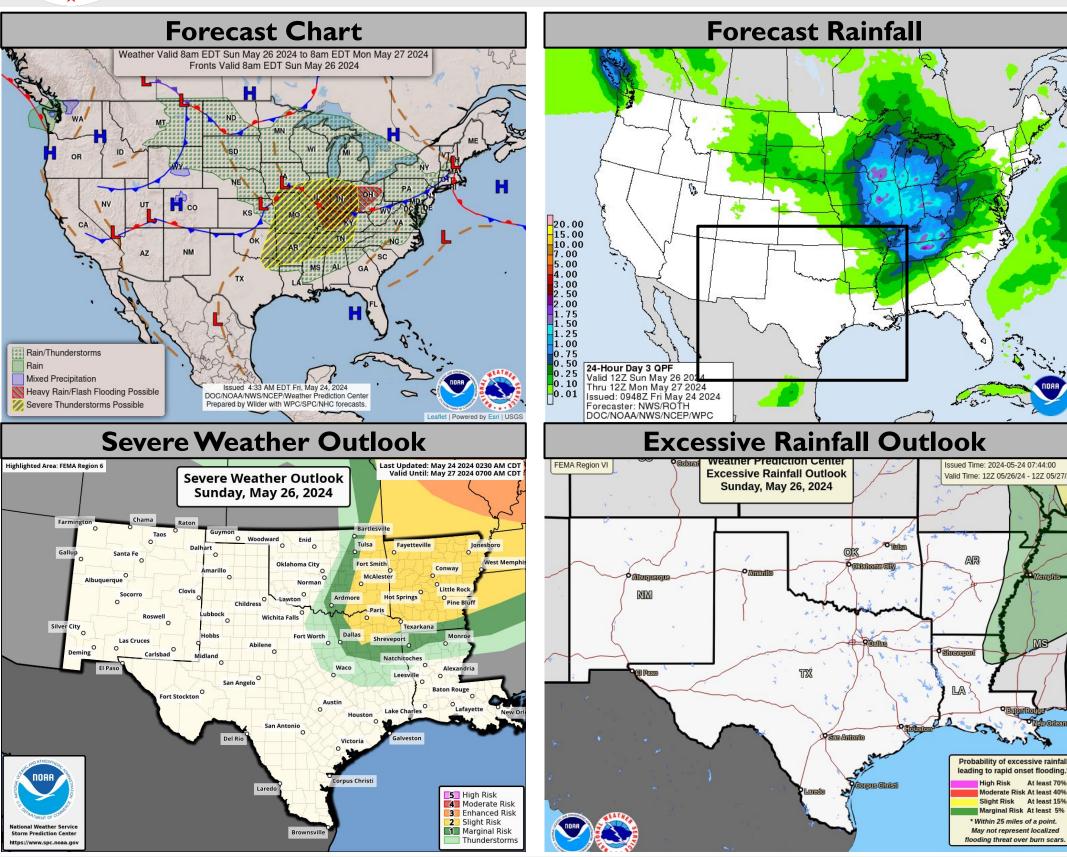


significant wind gusts (≥ 74 mph)





Sunday's Weather

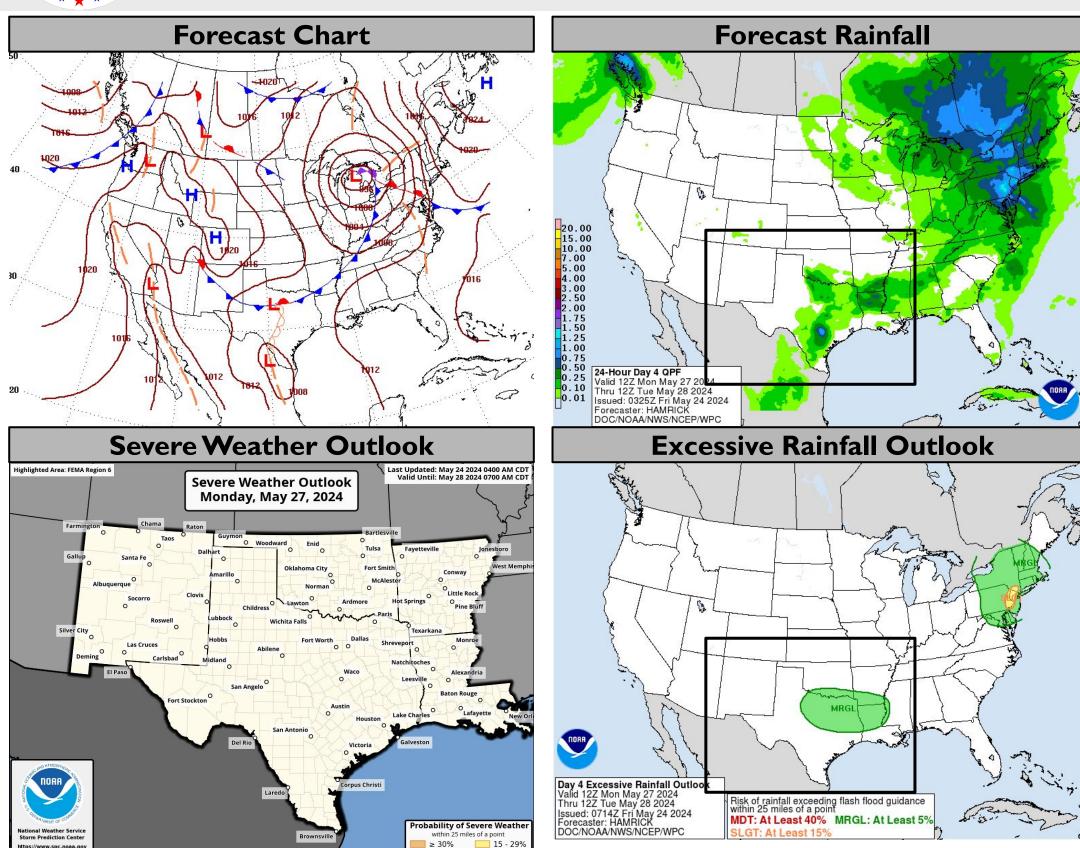


Slight risk of severe storms across E OK, AR and NETX.

Above normal heat across STX.



Monday's Weather

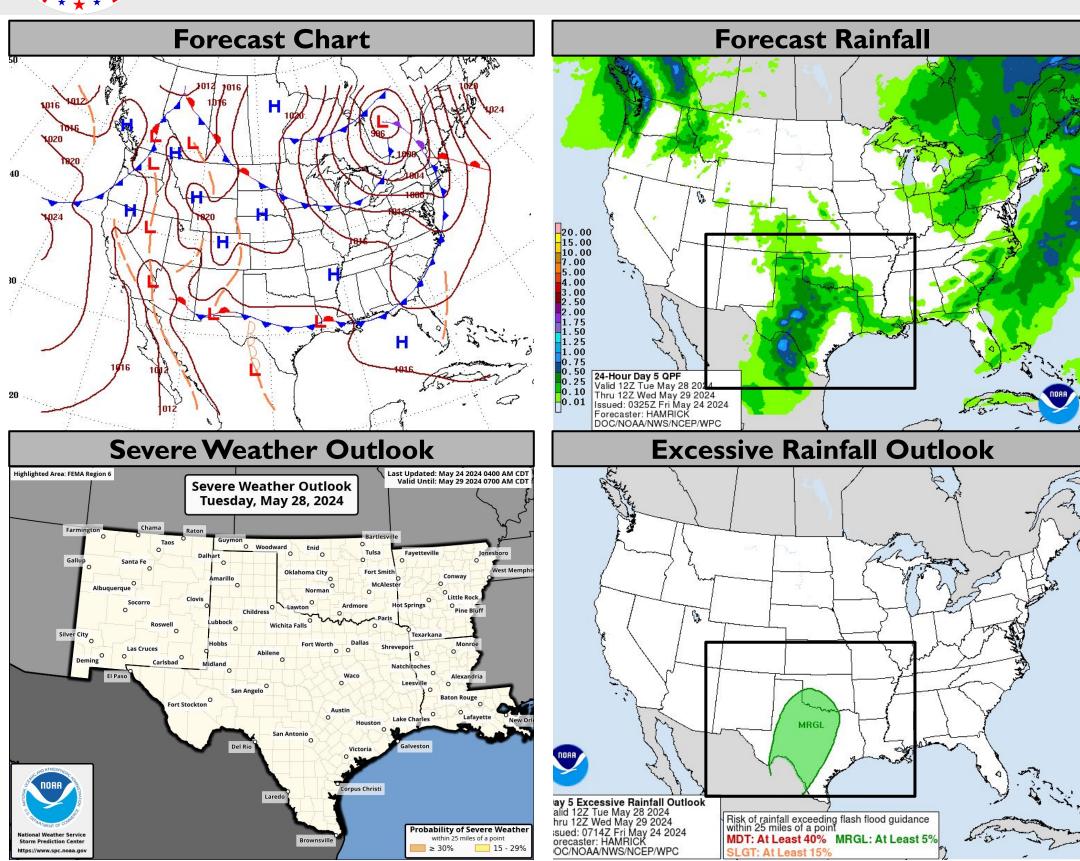


Above normal heat across STX.





Tuesday's Weather

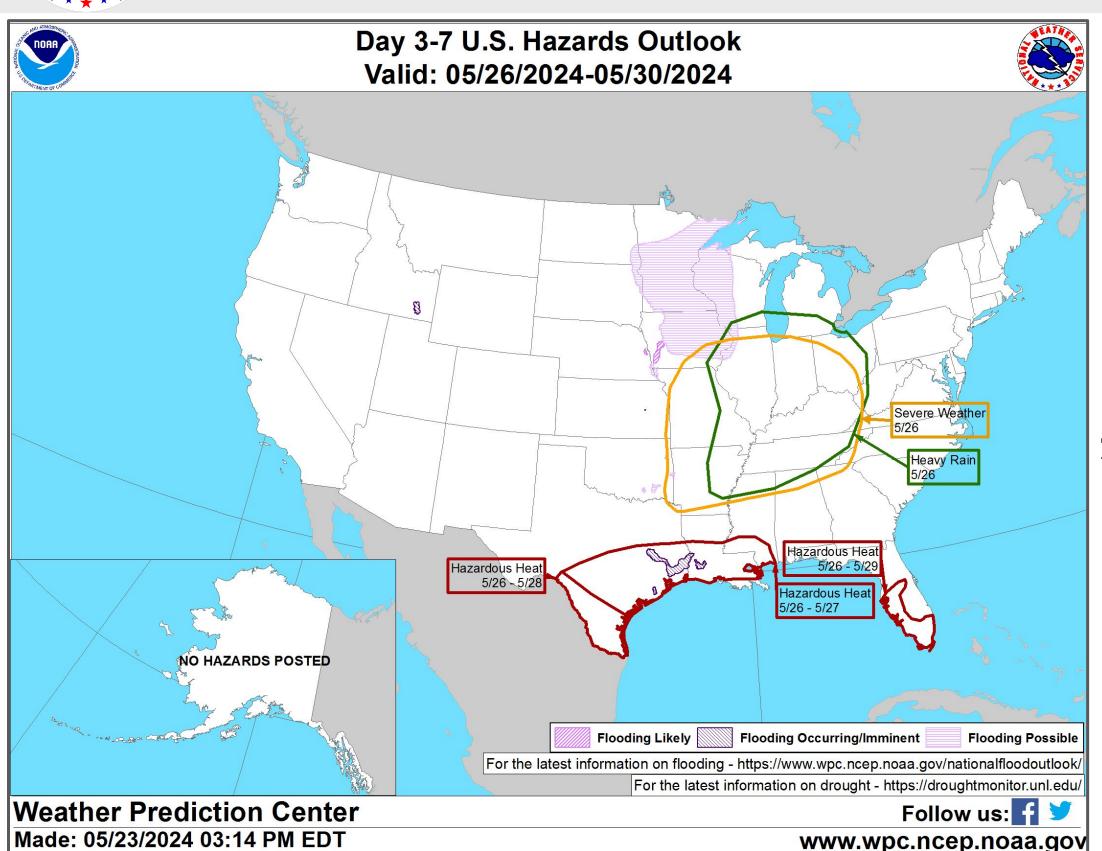


Above normal heat across STX.





"Day 3-7" Hazards Outlook



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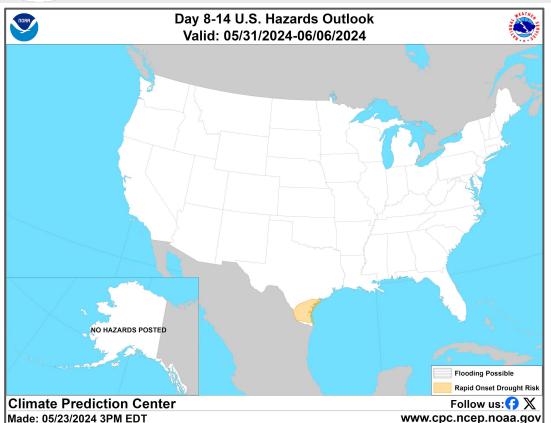
- 1. The "day 3-7" will really be days 2-6
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For additional information on this outlook go to https://origin.wpc.ncep.noaa.gov/threats/threats.php





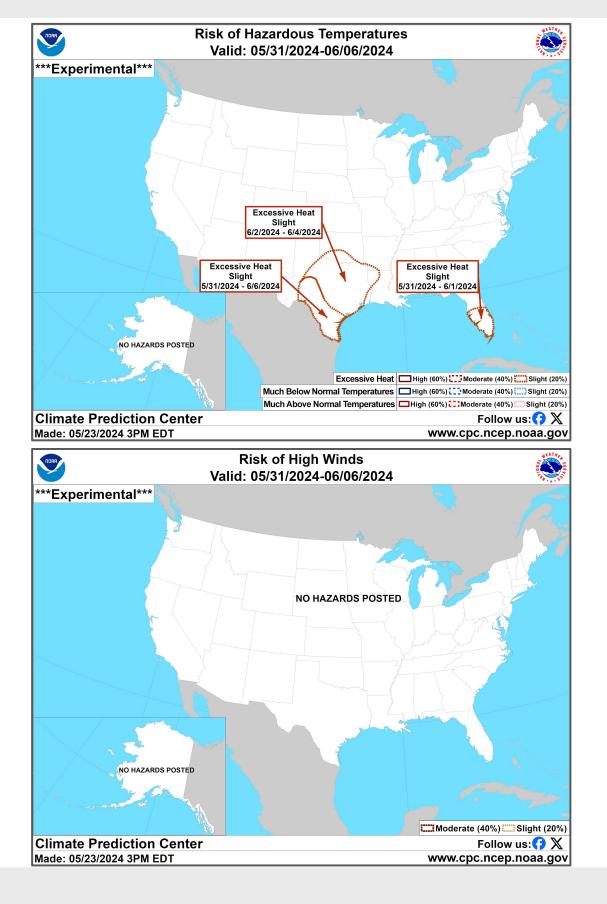
"Day 8-14" Hazards Outlook

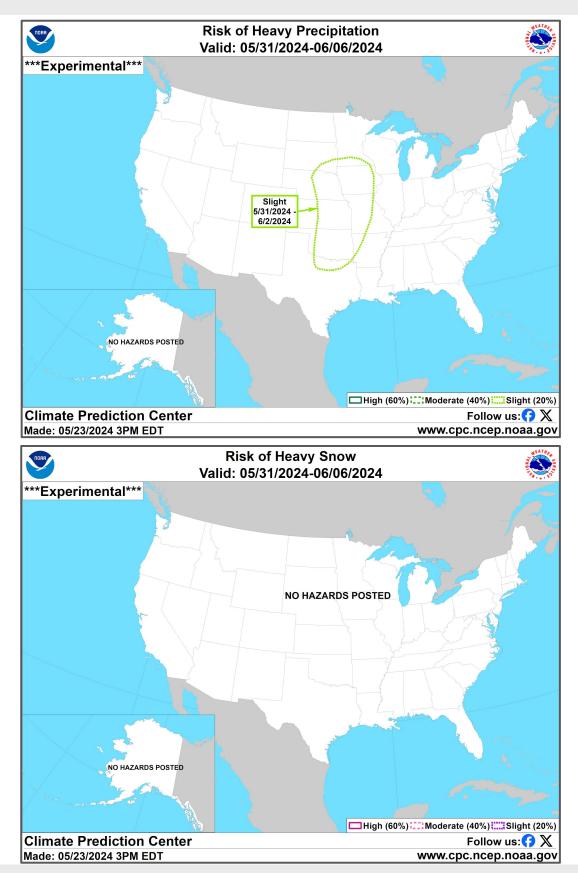


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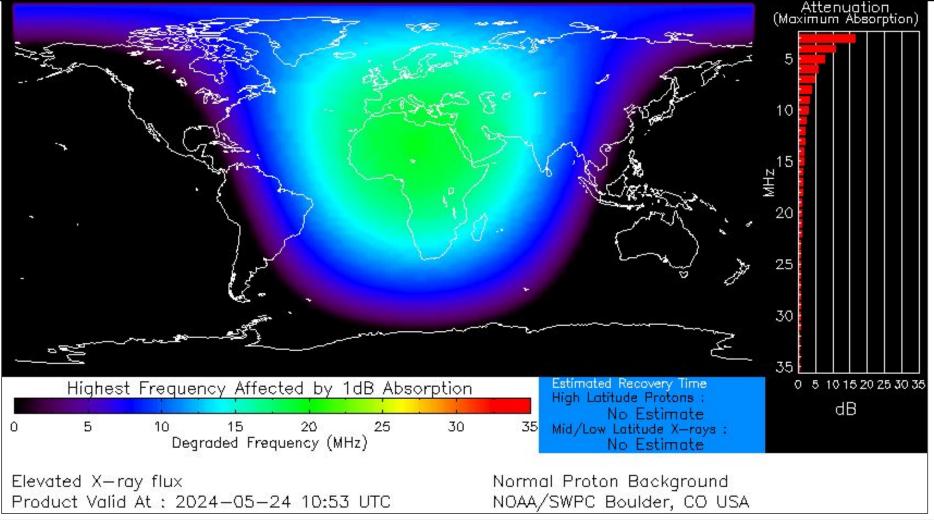






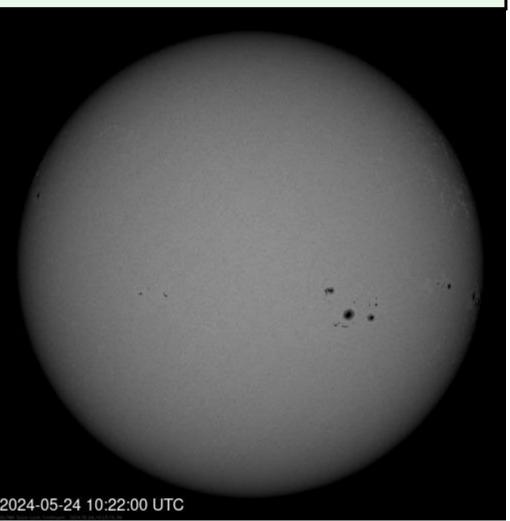
Space Weather 3-Day Forecast

	Friday, May 24	Saturday, May 25	Sunday, May 26
Geomagnetic Storms	Active (Max Kp = 4)	Unsettled (Max Kp = 3)	Active (Max Kp = 4)
Solar Radiation Storm (S1-S5)	15%	10%	5%
Radio Blackout (R1-R2)	60%	60%	40%
Radio Blackout (R3-R5)	10%	10%	5%



Space Weather Storm Scales

Latest 3-Day Space Weather Forecast





Weather "Threat" Matrix for FEMA Region VI				
Color	Definition	Criteria	Example(s)	
Green	Little to None Safety: Rarely a Direct Threat to Life and Property Impact Potential: Typically Results in Little Inconvenience to Daily Routines	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	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	Minor Safety: Rarely a Direct Threat to Life and Property Impact Potential: Typically Results in Some Inconvenience to Daily Life	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	 2-3 inches of rainfall expected over central AR today and tonight; some mino (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	Moderate Safety: Often Threatening to Life and Property, Some Damage Unavoidable Impact Potential: Typically Results in Minor Disruption to Daily Life	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	 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	Major Safety: Extensive Property Damage Likely, Life Saving Actions Also will be Needed Impact Potential: Will likely result in Large Disruption to Daily Life	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	 A Category 1 hurricane will be moving towards the NW Gulf in the next few day. 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	Extreme 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	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	 A Category 4 hurricane is headed toward: 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 	

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