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FEMA Region 6 Weather Threat Briefing

Tuesday, September 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

- Marginal risk of severe storms over NWTX and WOK; damaging winds the main threat
- Slight risk for excessive rainfall/flash flooding over NAR
- Isolated minor river flooding continues in NE AR this week.
- Tropical Weather Outlook:
 - PTC 9 will likely become Hurricane Helene by tomorrow and make landfall in FL on Thursday
 - High chance (80%) for tropical development in the eastern and central Atlantic over the next 7 days. No impacts to FEMA 6.



FEMA Region 6 Threat Matrix

Next 5 Days

	Tuesday, Sep 24	Wednesday, Sep 25	Thursday, Sep 26	Friday, Sep 27	Saturday, Sep 28
Severe Storms	NWTX,W OK				
Heavy Rain / Flash Flooding				NAR	
Fire Weather					
Heat					
Tropical					
River Flooding	NEAR	NE AR	NEAR	NE AR	NEAR
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For more details on the colors in the threat matrix refer to the last slide in this briefing.

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Risk Levels	Little to None	Minor	Moderate	Major	Extreme

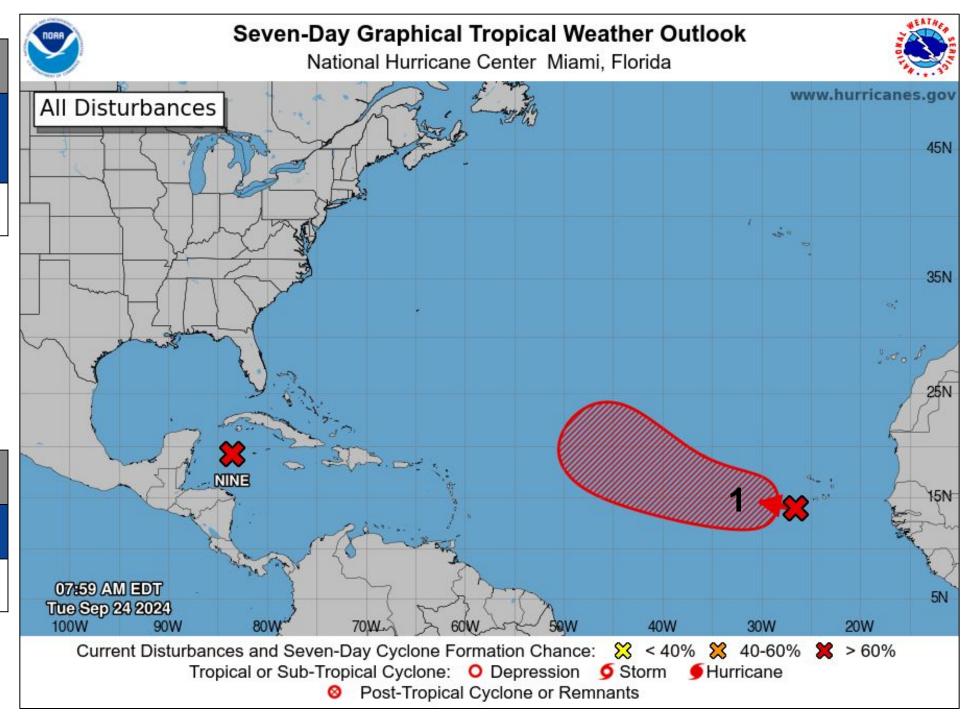




Tropical Weather Outlook – Atlantic/Gulf

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

Active Tropical Cyclones			
Storm	Potential Impacts to FEMA 6		
PTC 9	None		



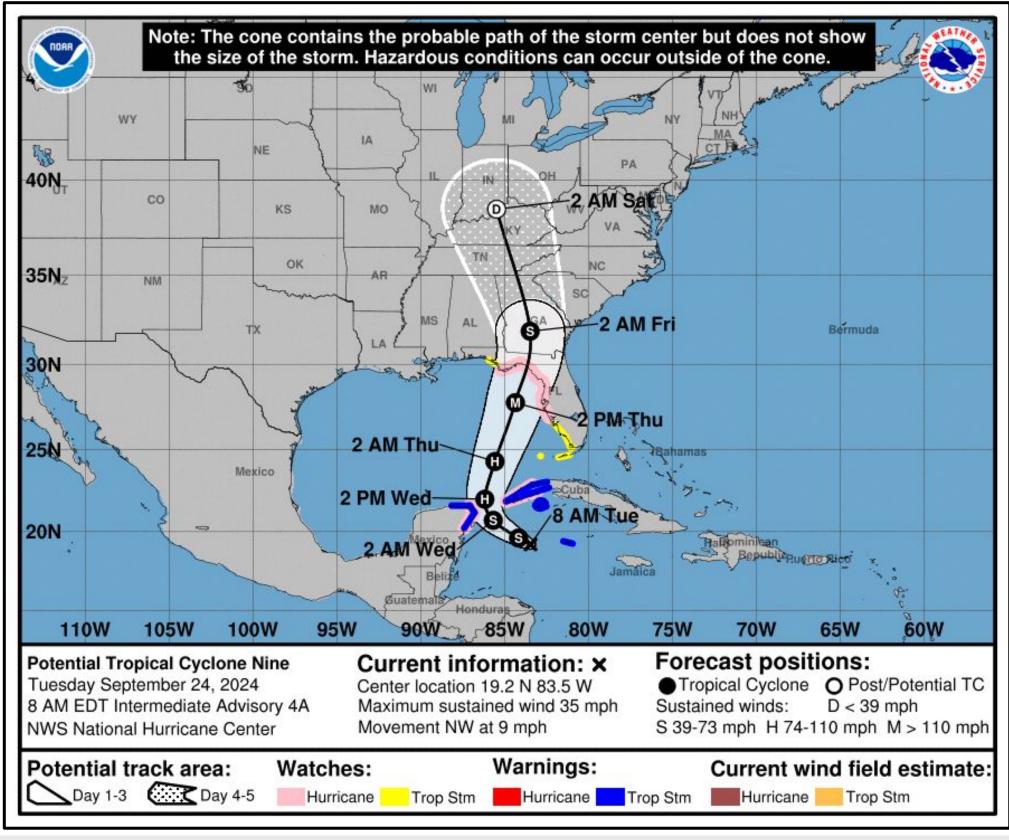
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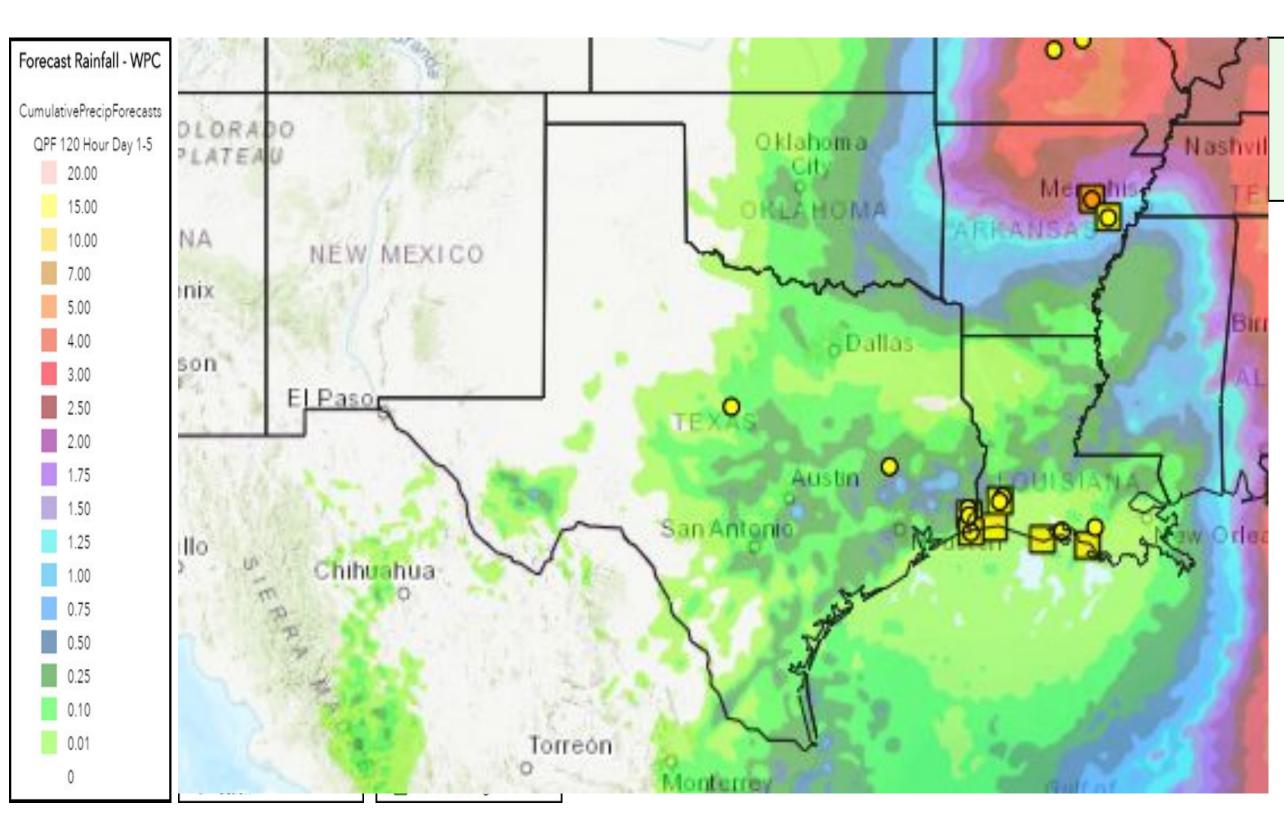


No impacts to FEMA 6.



5-Day Precipitation Forecast & River Flood Status

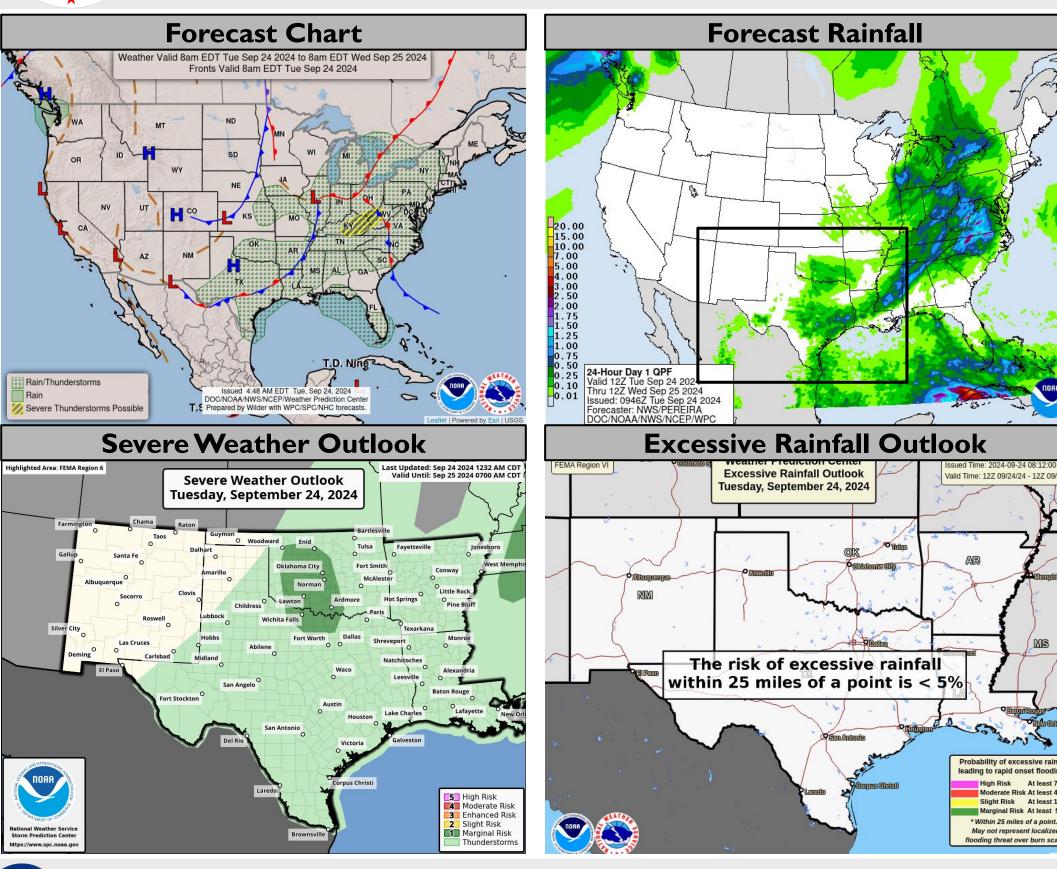
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Minor river flooding along the Cache River at Patterson, AR. No significant impacts.



Today's Weather

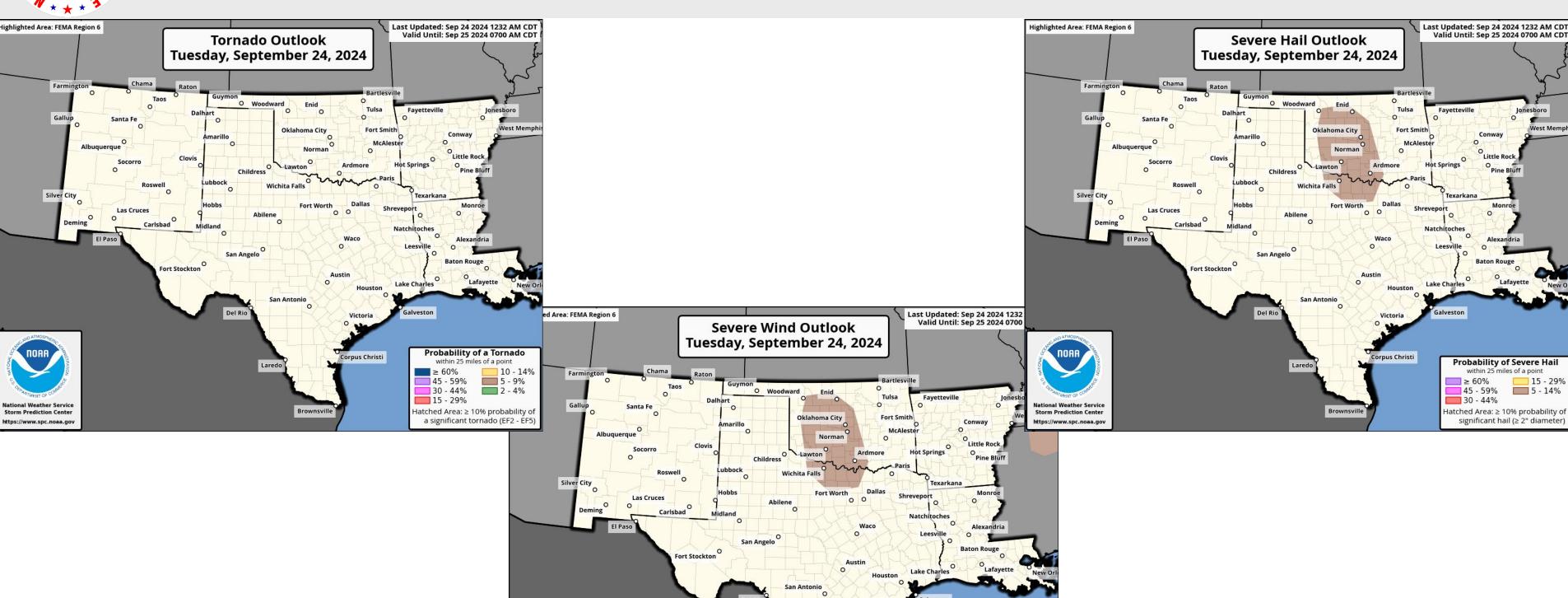


Marginal risk for severe storms over W OK, NW TX; damaging winds the main threat



Today's Tornado & Severe Wind / Hail Probabilities

September 24, 2024



≥ 60%

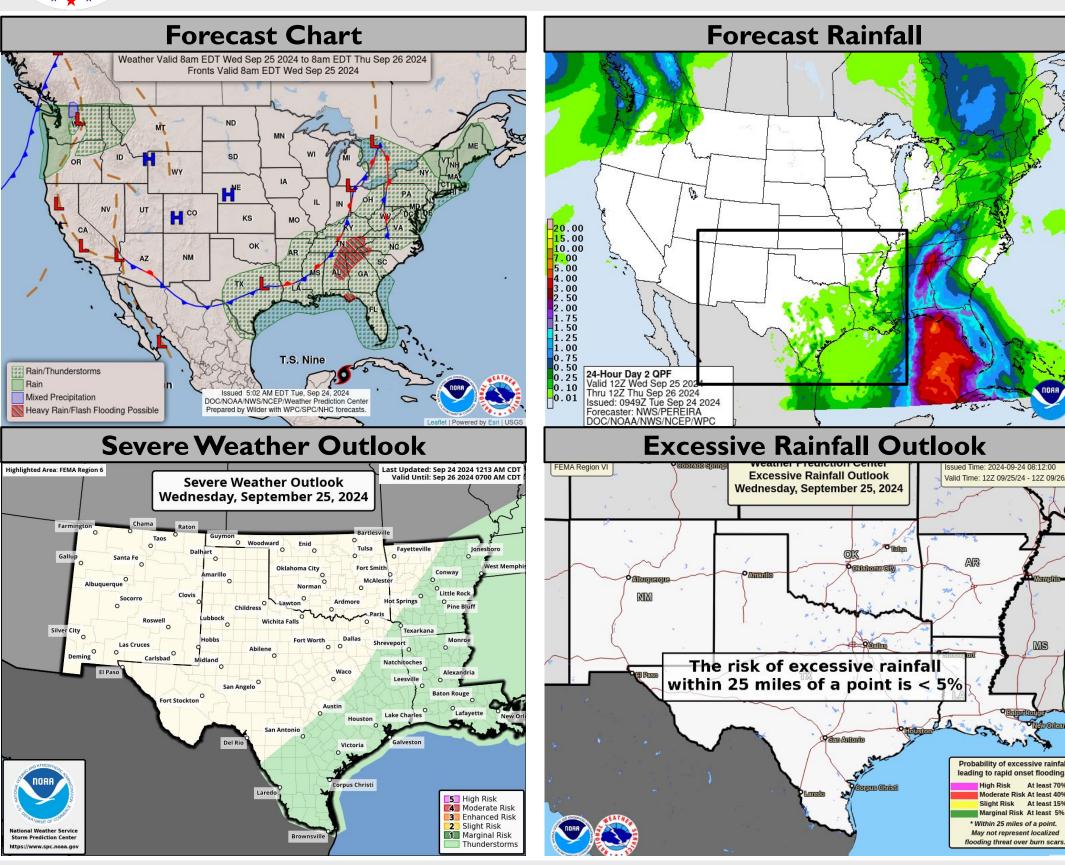
45 - 59% 30 - 44%

Hatched Area: ≥ 10% probability o

15 - 29% 5 - 14%



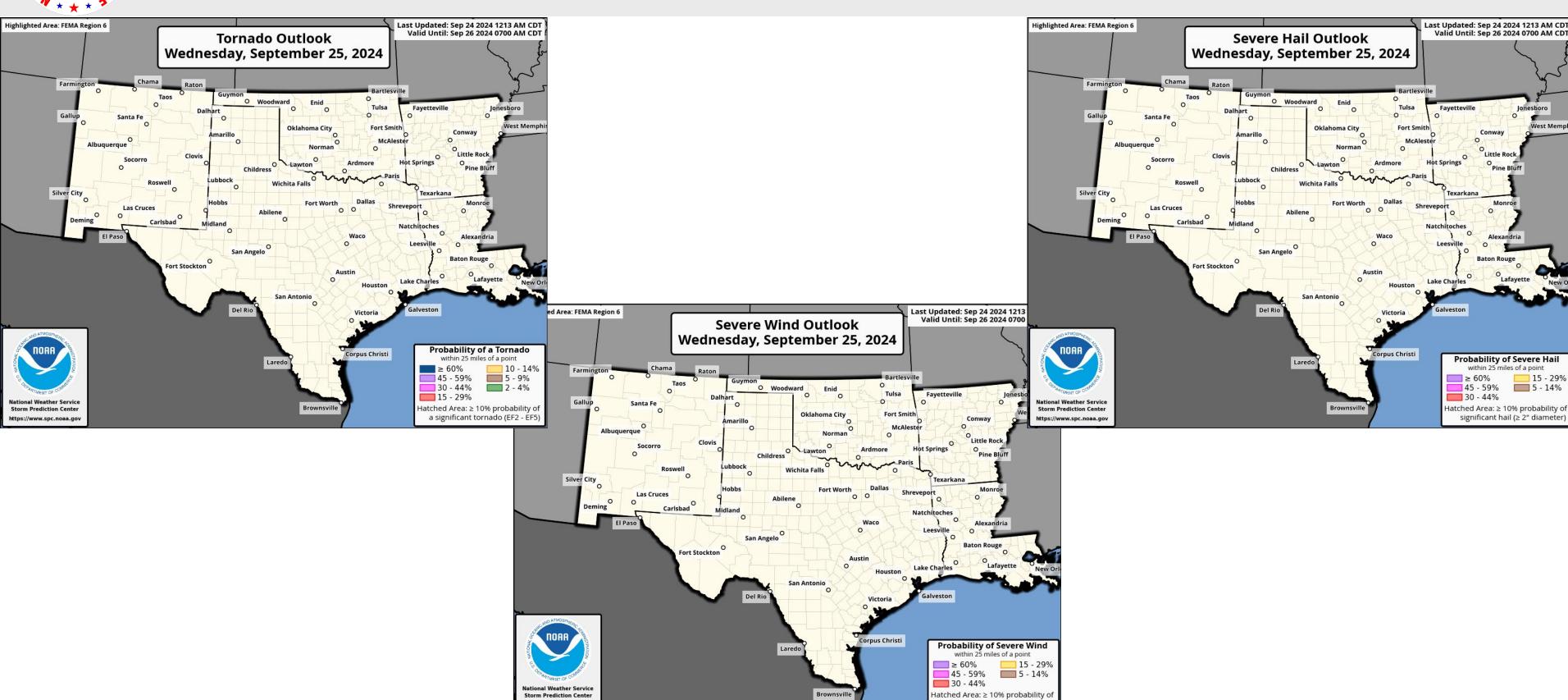
Tomorrow's Weather



No significant weather expected.



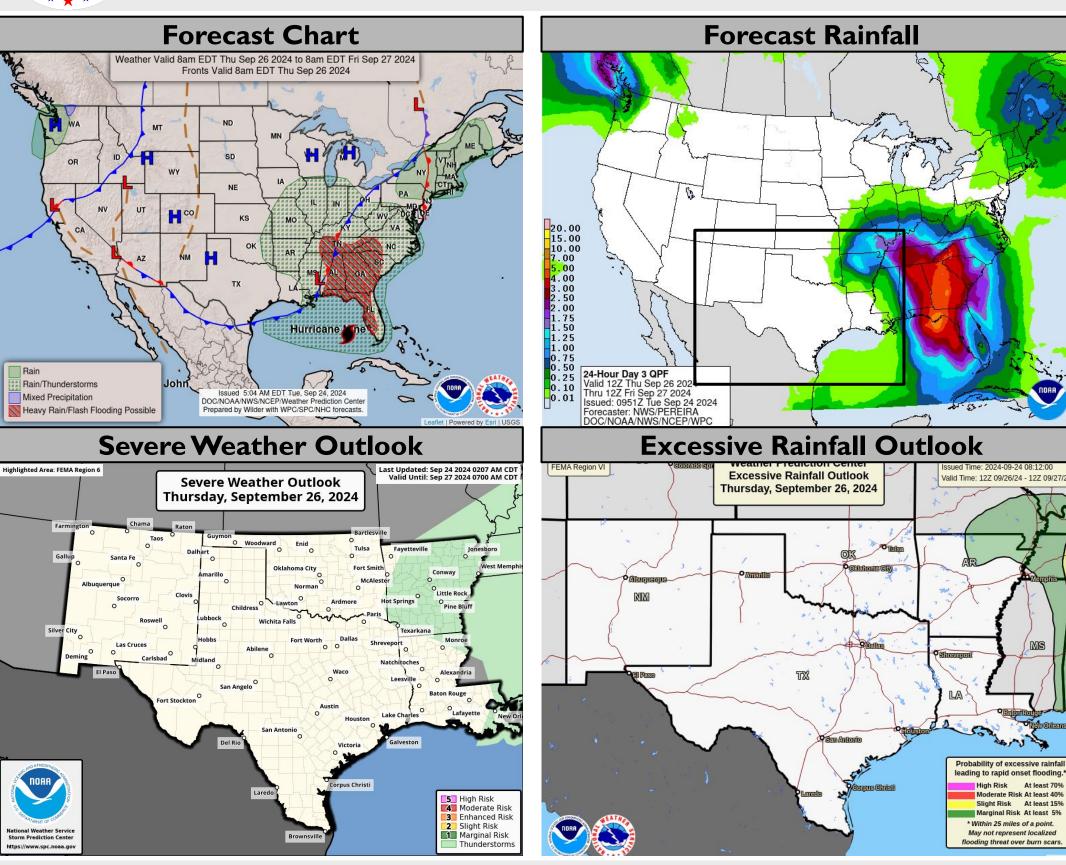
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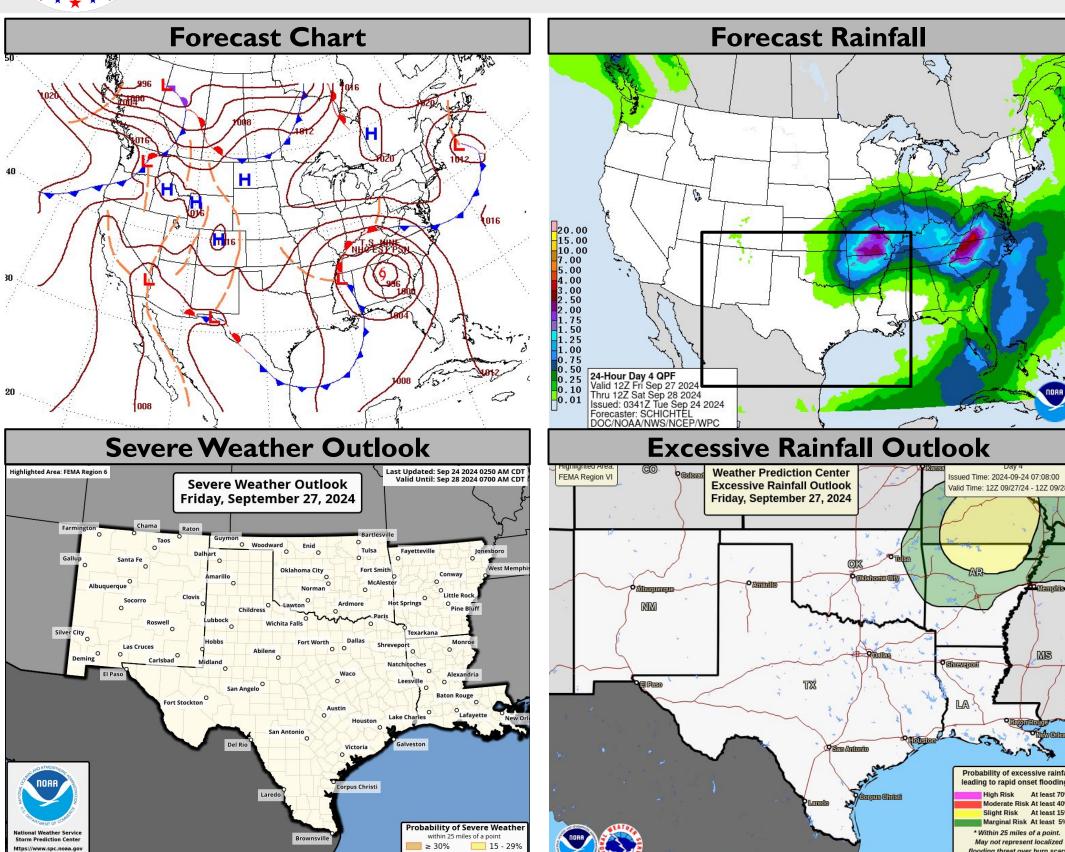
Thursday's Weather



Tropical impacts are not expected in FEMA 6.



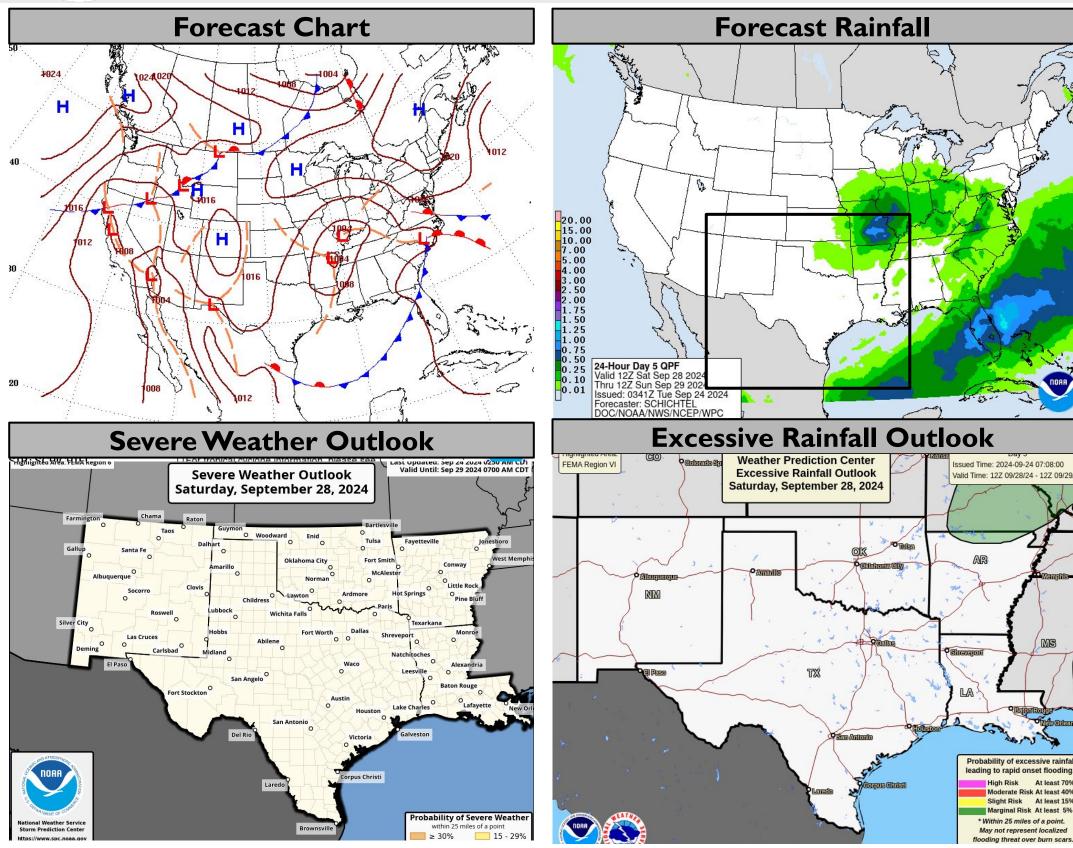
Friday's Weather



Slight risk of heavy rainfall over N AR



Saturday's Weather

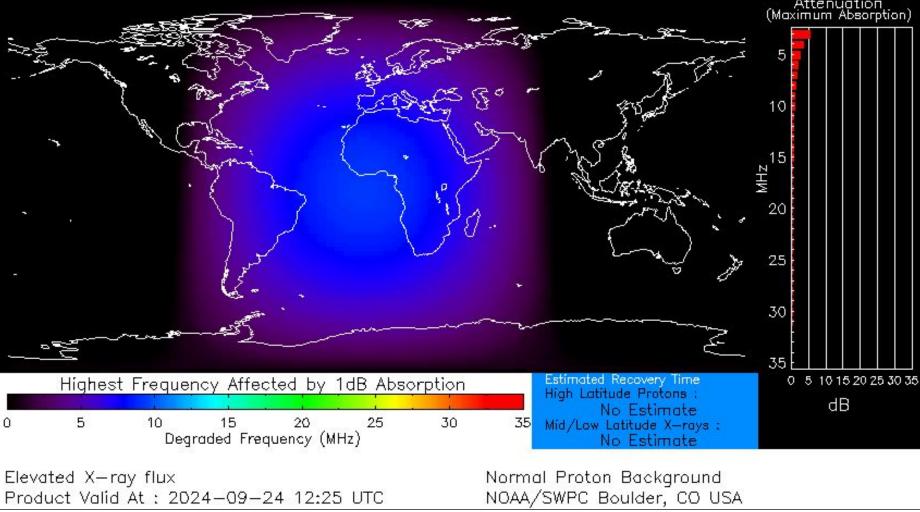


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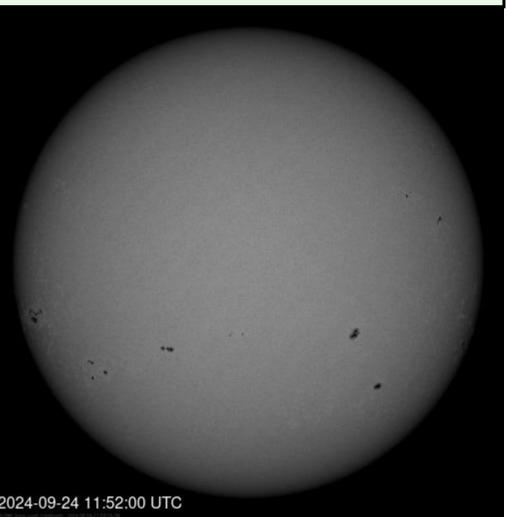
Space Weather 3-Day Forecast

	Tuesday, Sep 24	Wednesday, Sep 25	Thursday, Sep 26
Geomagnetic Storms	Quiet (Max Kp = 2)	Minor Storm (Max Kp = 5)	Quiet (Max Kp = 2)
Solar Radiation Storm (SI-S5)	5%	5%	5%
Radio Blackout (R1-R2)	40%	40%	40%
Radio Blackout (R3-R5)	10%	10%	10%



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 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	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 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 	

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