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FEMA Region 6 Weather Threat Briefing

Sunday, September 29, 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

- No significant weather impacts to FEMA 6 over the next 5 days.
- Tropical Weather Outlook:
 - An area of low pressure could form over the western Caribbean Sea in a couple of days and has a medium chance (50%) of developing into a tropical depression during the middle part of next week as the system enters the Gulf of Mexico. Monitoring for possible tropical impacts along the Gulf Coast late week and into the weekend.
 - No impacts to FEMA 6 from Hurricane Isaac, Tropical Storm Joyce or a disturbance in the central Tropical Atlantic.





FEMA Region 6 Threat Matrix

Next 5 Days

	Sunday, Sep 29	Monday, Sep 30	Tuesday, Oct 1	Wednesday, Oct 2	Thursday, Oct 3
Severe Storms					
Heavy Rain / Flash Flooding					
Fire Weather					
Heat					
Tropical					
River Flooding					
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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	Maior	Extreme
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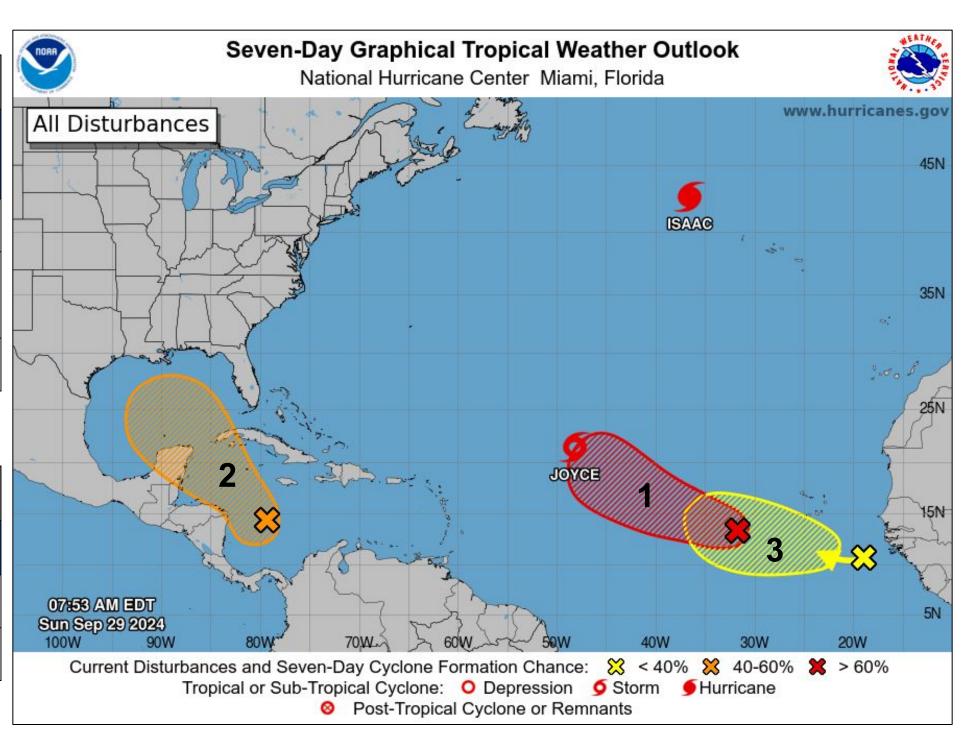




Tropical Weather Outlook – Atlantic/Gulf

Areas of Possible Development			
Area	Chance of Development	Potential Impacts to FEMA 6	
1	High	None	
2	Medium	Potential impacts to the Gulf Coast late week into the weekend	
3	Low	None in the next 7 days	

Active Tropical Cyclones			
Storm Potential Impacts to FEMA 6			
Isaac	None		
Joyce	None		



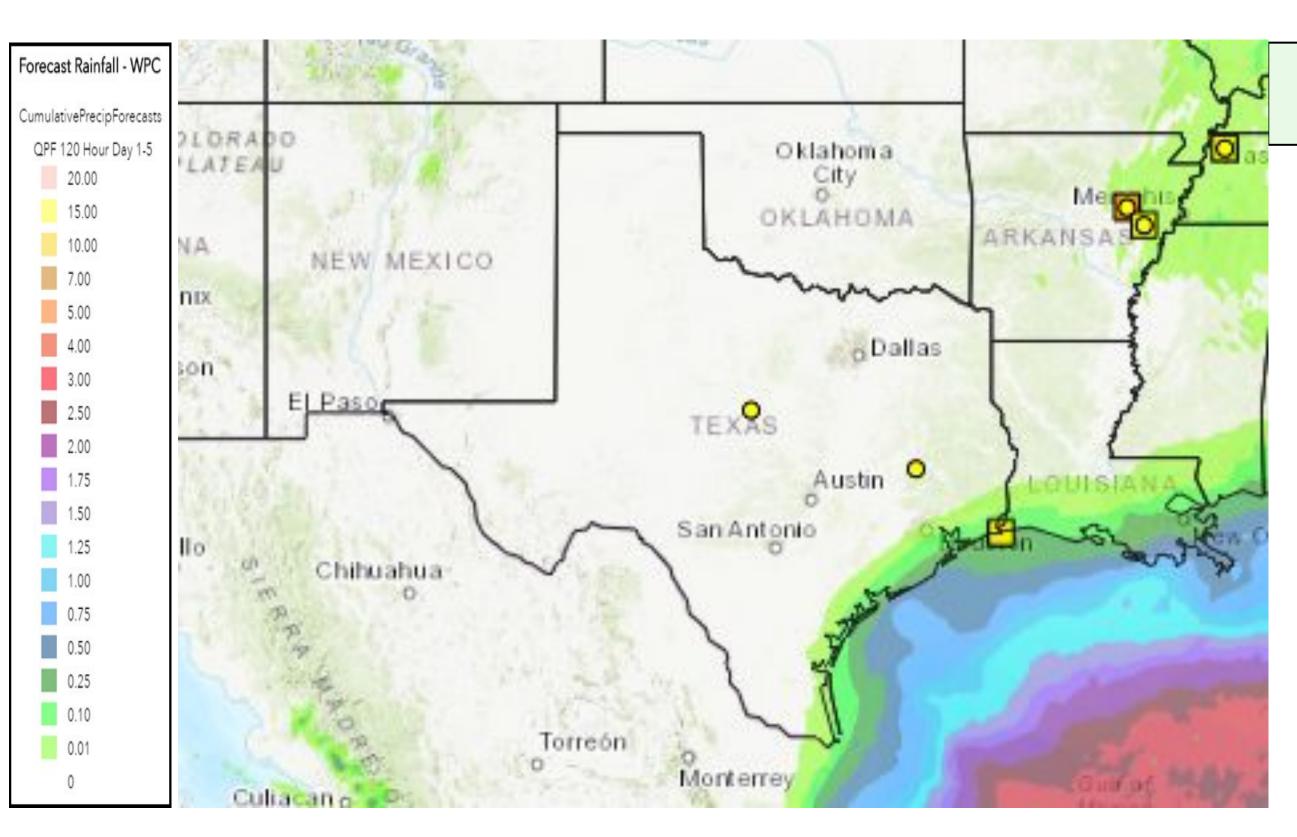
See http://www.hurricanes.gov for the latest on the tropics or any active storms





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

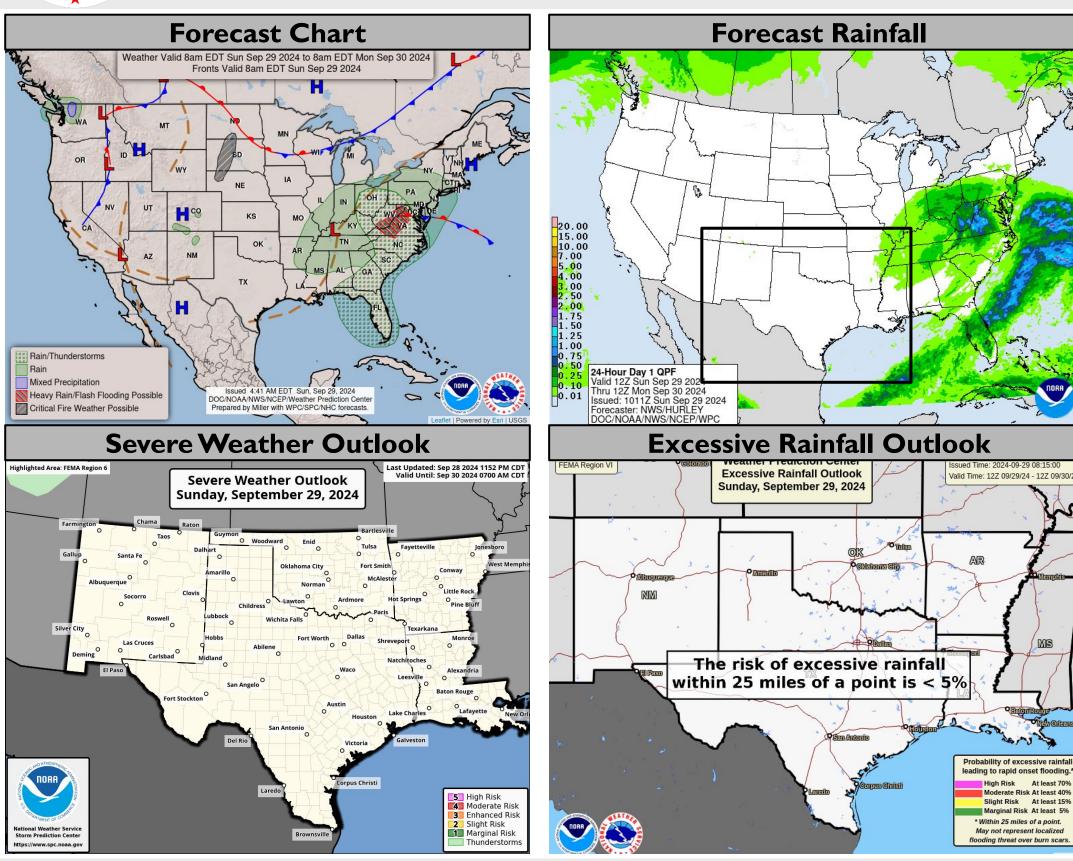


River flooding is not expected.





Today's Weather

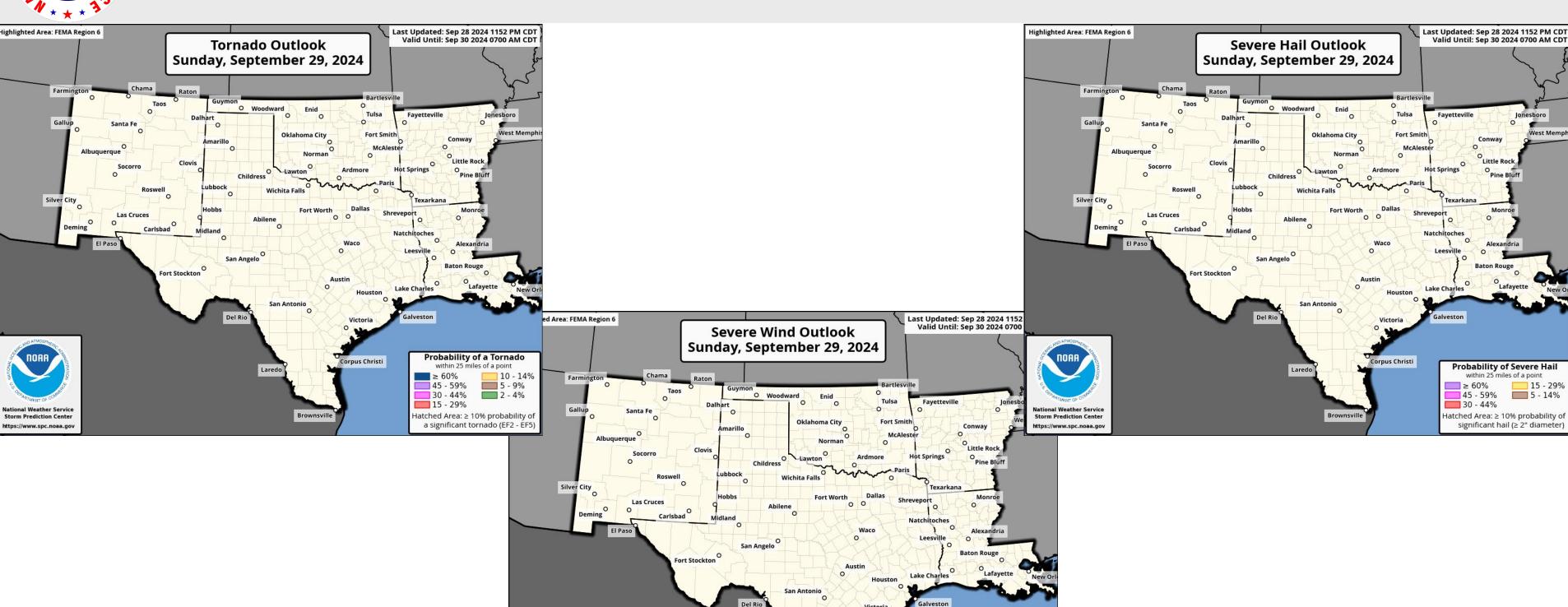






Today's Tornado & Severe Wind / Hail Probabilities

September 29, 2024¹



≥ 60%

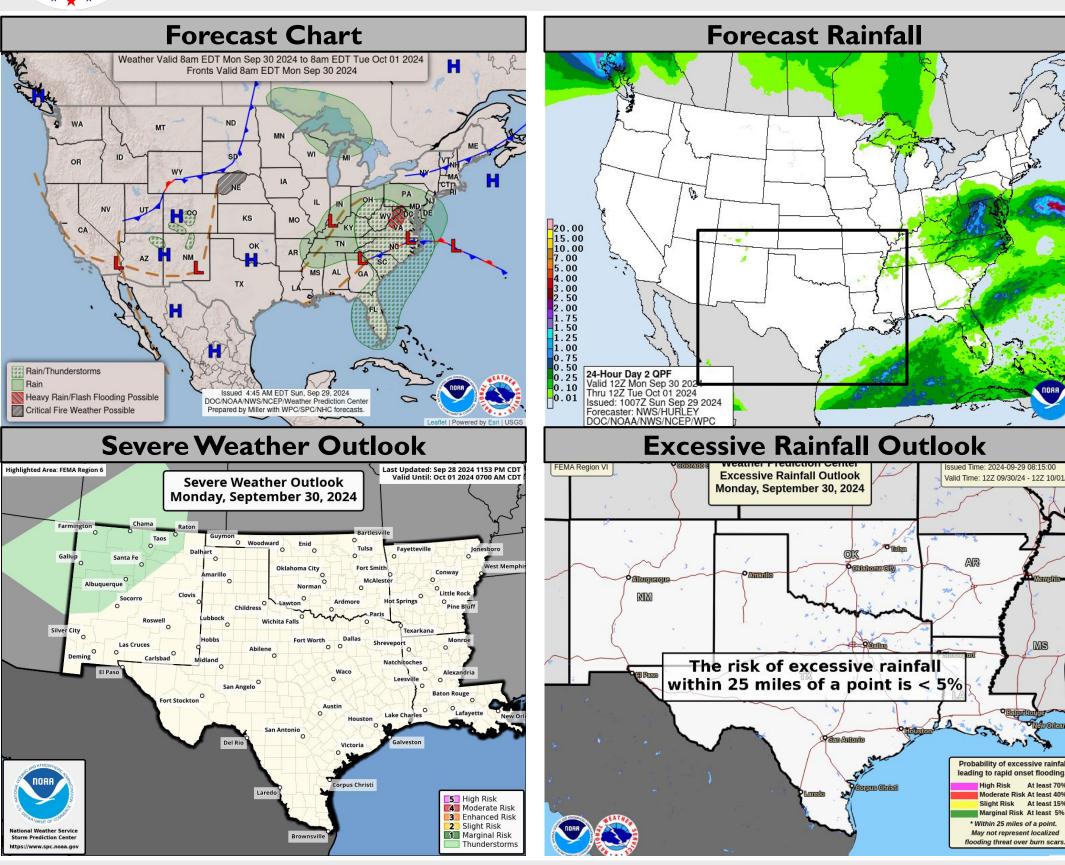
45 - 59% 30 - 44%

Hatched Area: ≥ 10% probability o

15 - 29% 5 - 14%

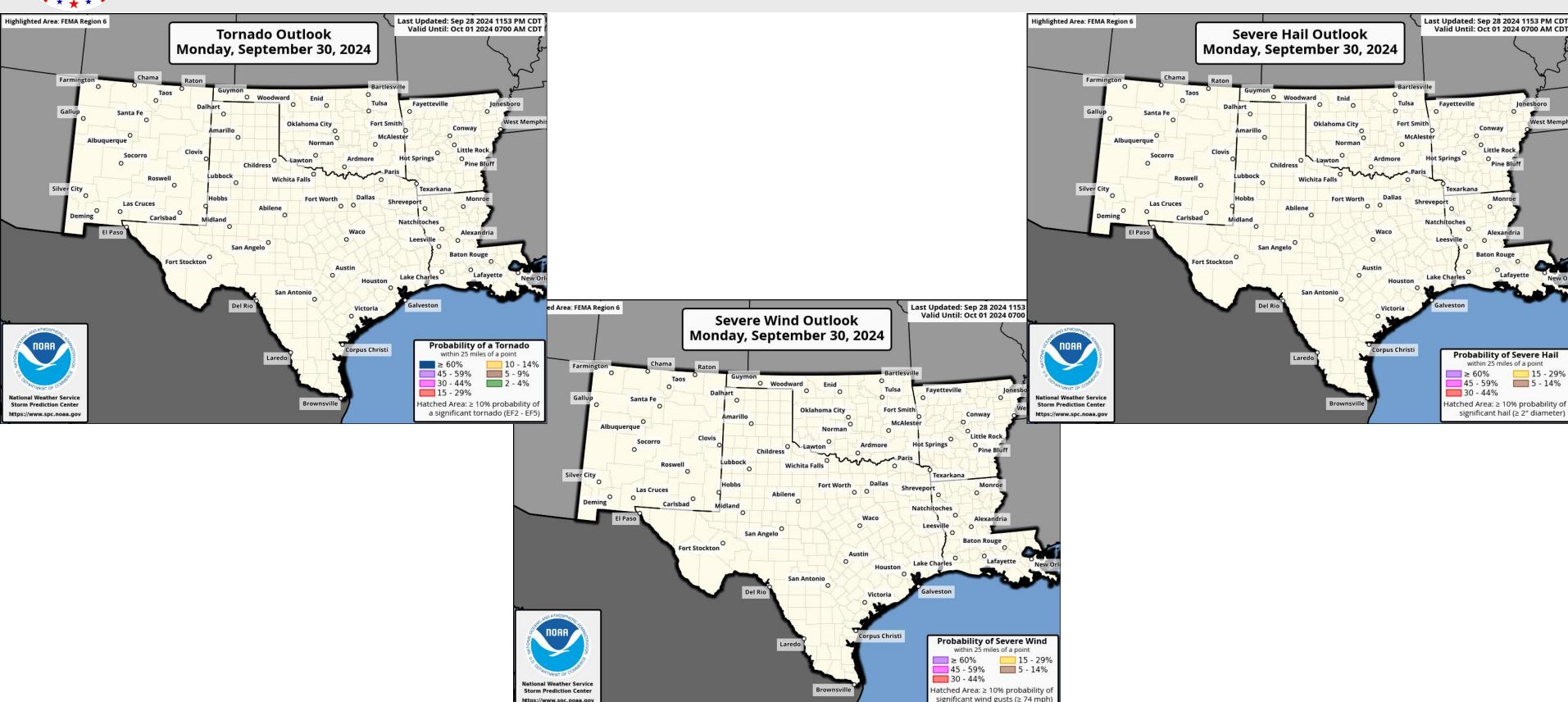


Tomorrow's Weather



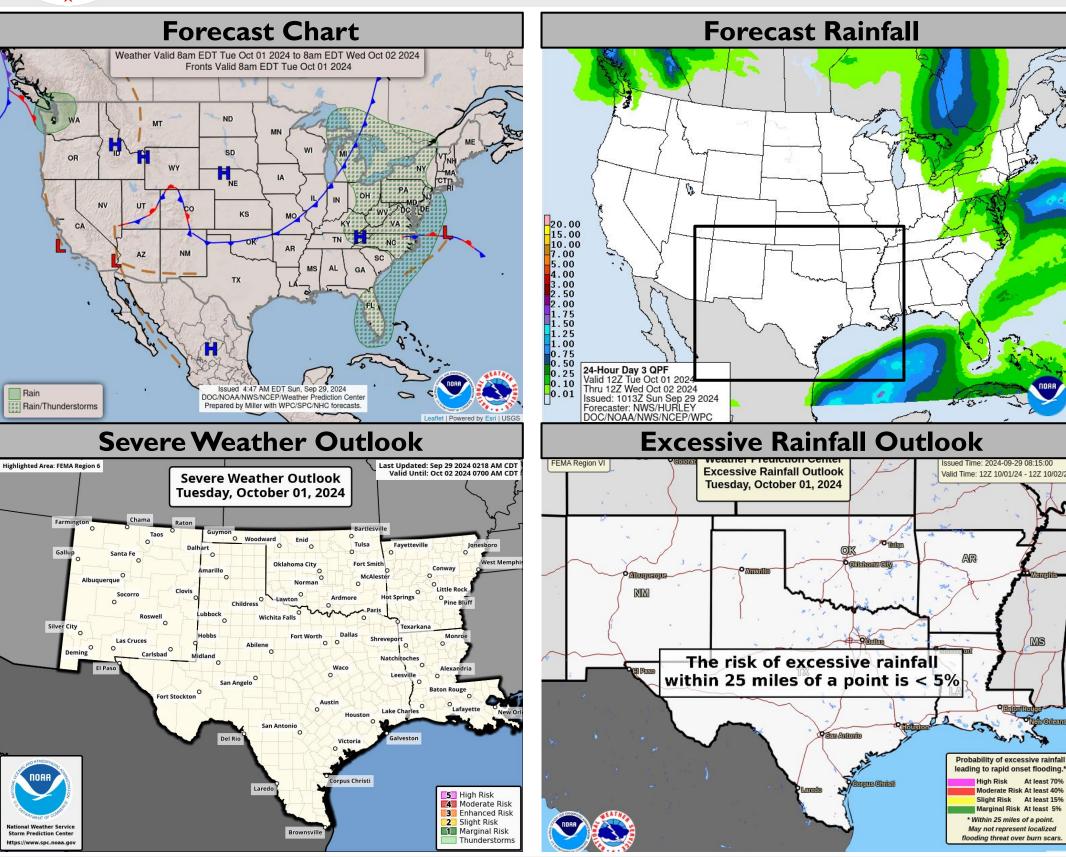


Tomorrow's Tornado & Severe Wind / Hail Probabilities



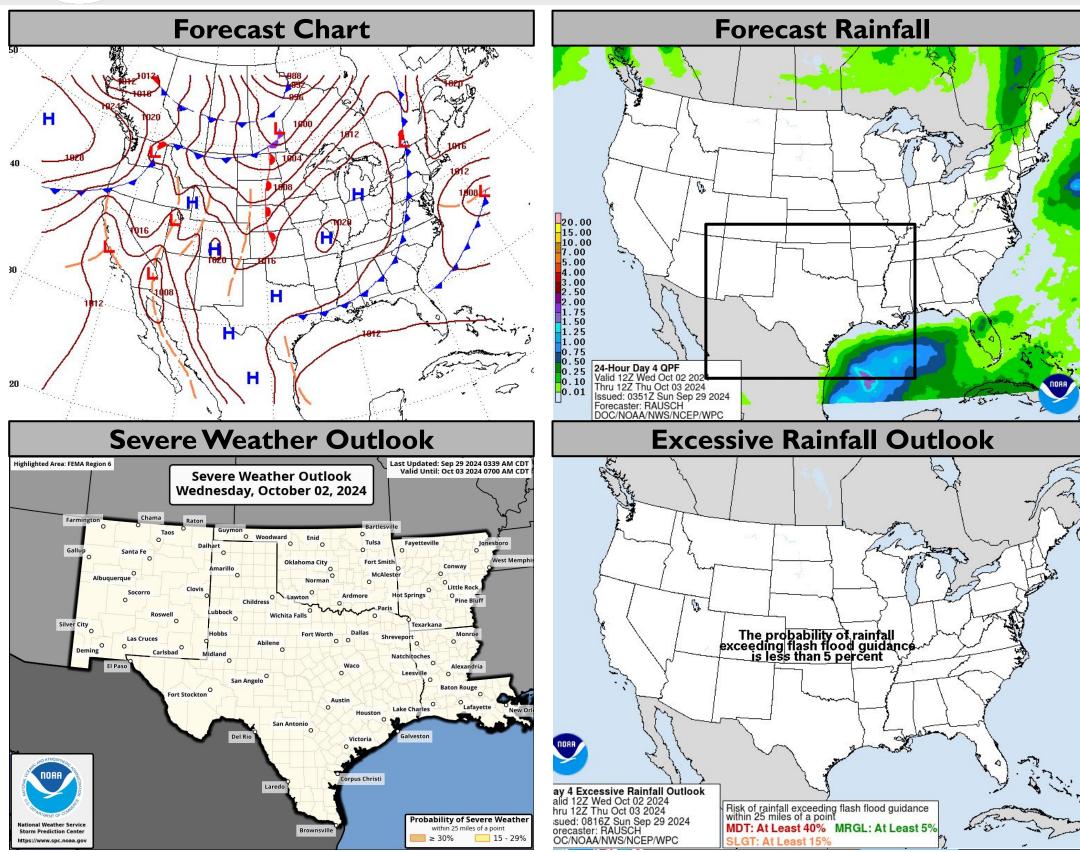


Tuesday's Weather





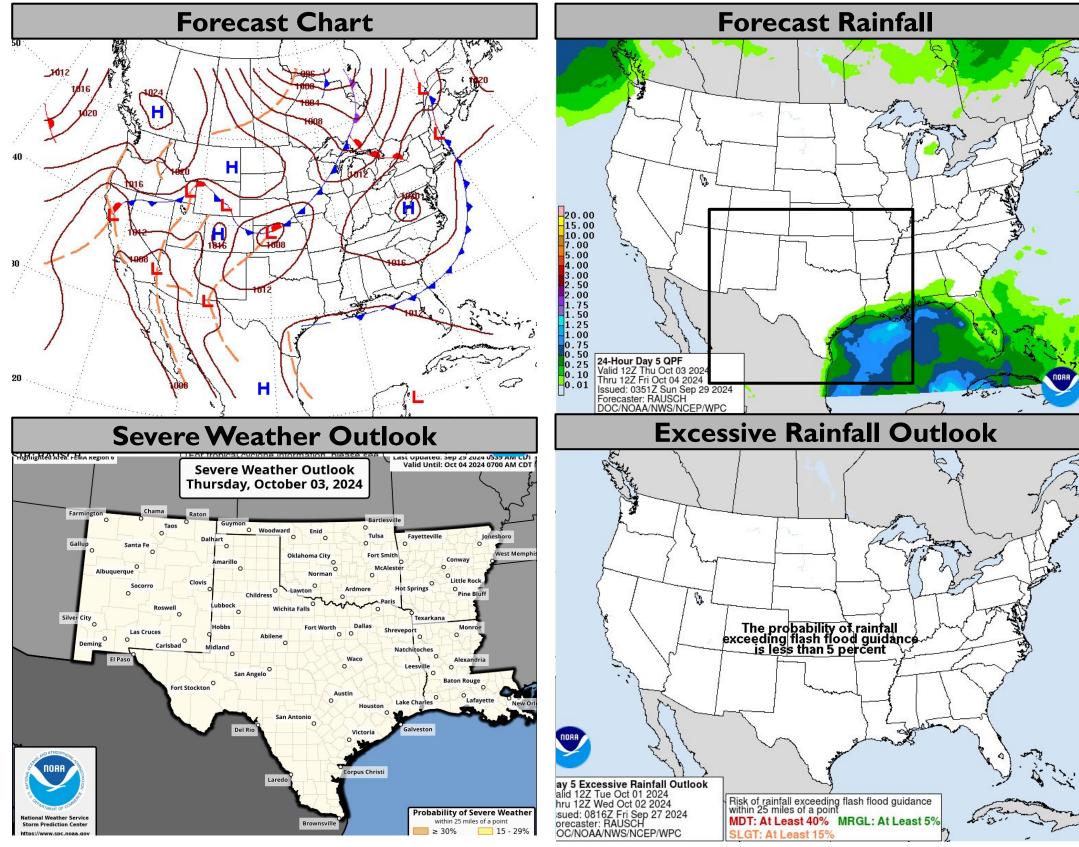
Wednesday's Weather







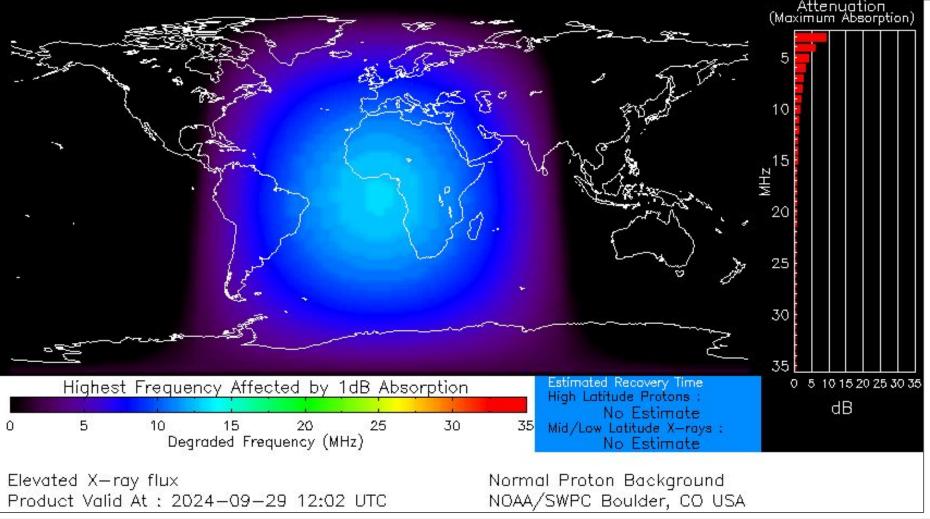
Thursday's Weather





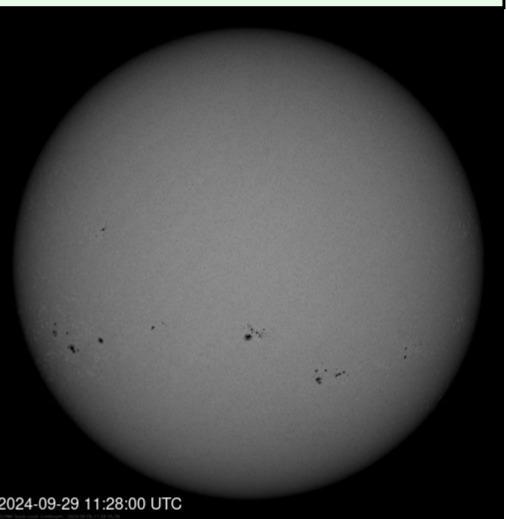
Space Weather 3-Day Forecast

	Sunday, Sep 29	Monday, Sep 30	Tuesday, Oct I
Geomagnetic Storms	Unsettled (Max Kp = 3)	Quiet (Max Kp = 2)	Quiet (Max Kp = 2)
Solar Radiation Storm (SI-S5)	5%	5%	5%
Radio Blackout (R1-R2)	55%	55%	55%
Radio Blackout (R3-R5)	15%	15%	15%



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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