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FEMA Region 6 Weather Threat Briefing

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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>.



- Moderate to major impacts for NM today and Friday with blizzard conditions possible. Impacts expand into Far W OK Panhandle and into Far NW TX Panhandle today.
- Marginal to slight risk for heavy rainfall over OK and TX on Thursday/Friday. System expands to AR/LA on Saturday, and lingers into Sunday.
- Marginal to slight risk for severe storms over SW/Cntl/NTX today/Friday. Threats include large hail, damaging winds, and an isolated tornado.
- Tropical Weather:
 - Hurricane Rafael is in the Gulf of Mexico. Track is more south and westward, leading to no impacts expected for FEMA 6.
 - A system near the southern Bahamas has a low chance of development (20% in 7 days). No impacts to FEMA 6.





FEMA Region 6 Threat Matrix

Next 5 Days

	Thursday, Nov 7	Friday, Nov 8	Saturday, Nov 9	Sunday, Nov 10	Monday, Nov 11
Severe Storms	SWTX	SW/Cntl/NTX			
Heavy Rain / Flash Flooding	W OK, Panhandle/NW/W TX	OK, E Panhandle/NTX	AR, LA	E AR, LA, ETX	
Fire Weather					
Tropical					
Winter Weather	NM Far W OK Panhandle, Far NW TX Panhandle	NM			
River Flooding	AR	AR			

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

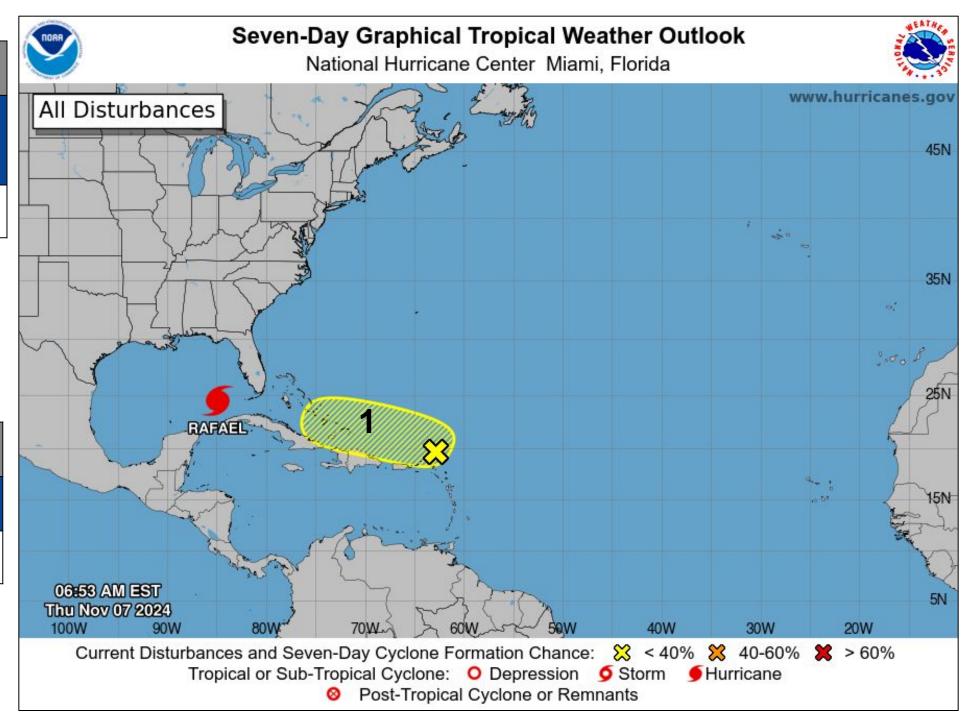




Tropical Weather Outlook – Atlantic/Gulf

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

Active Tropical Cyclones			
Storm	Potential Impacts to FEMA 6		
Rafael	No impacts expected		



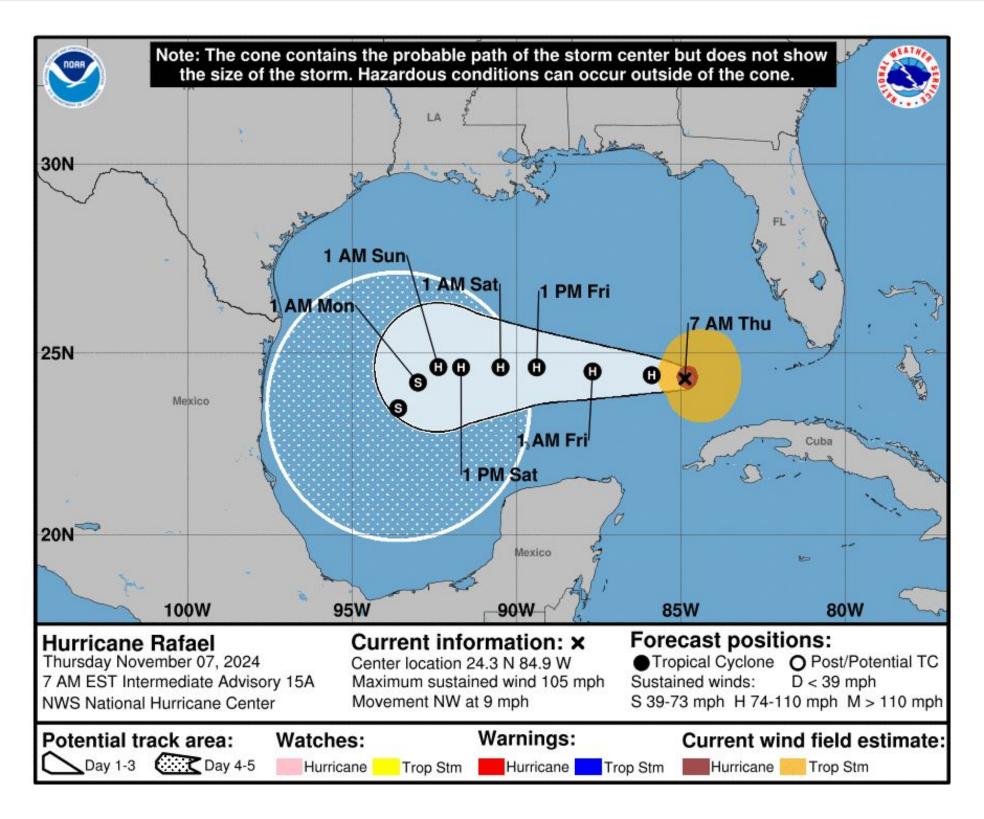
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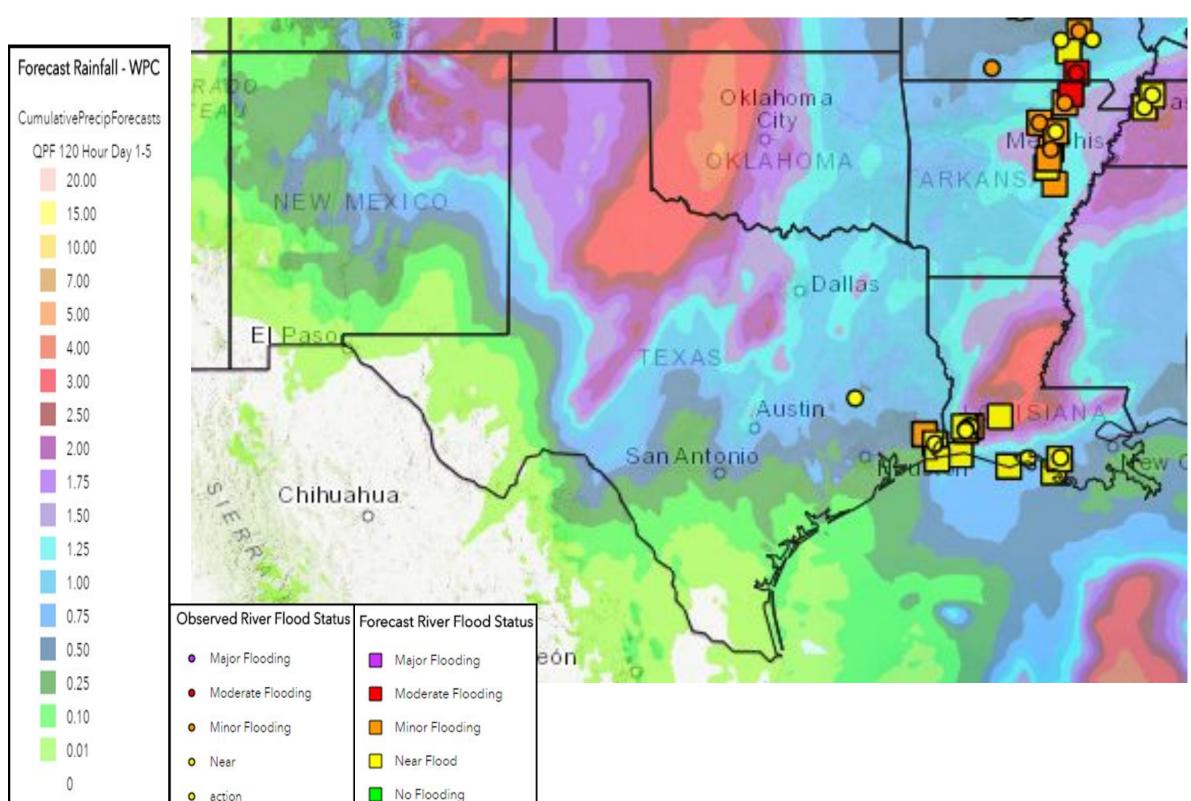


Rafael is in the Gulf of Mexico. With the more southerly/westerly track, impacts are not expected.



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

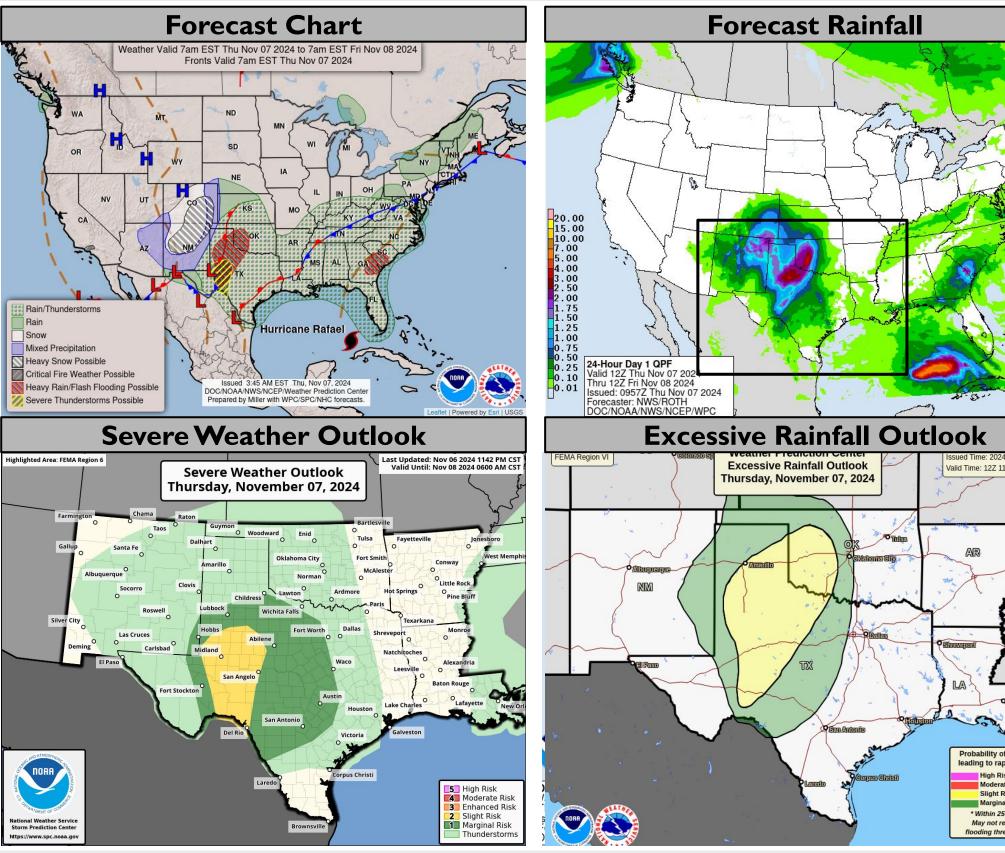


Minor river flooding over AR. No significant impacts.





Today's Weather



Snow in NM will have moderate to major impacts to travel. Power outages also possible.

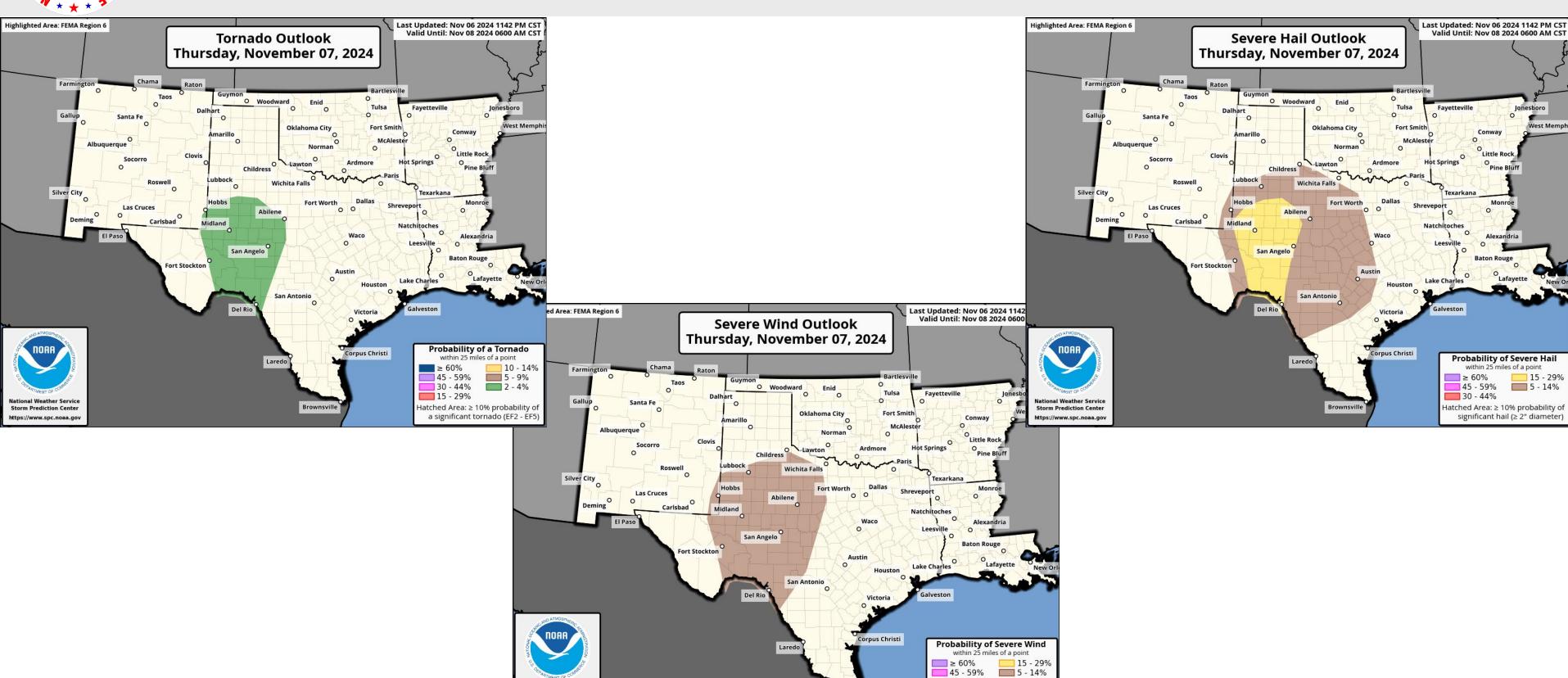
Snow in Far W OK Panhandle and Far NW TX Panhandle may bring travel impacts. Very sharp gradient to rain/snow line.

Marginal risk for excessive rainfall over W OK, Panhandle/NW/W TX.

Marginal risk for severe storms in SWTX.



Today's Tornado & Severe Wind / Hail Probabilities



30 - 44%

Hatched Area: ≥ 10% probability of significant wind gusts (≥ 74 mph)

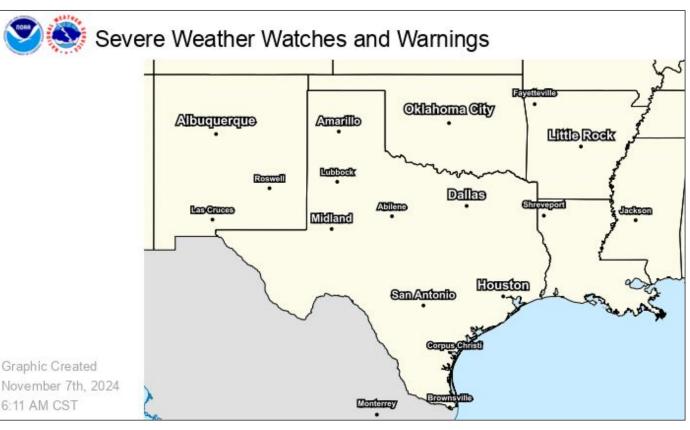




Watches, Warnings, and Advisories

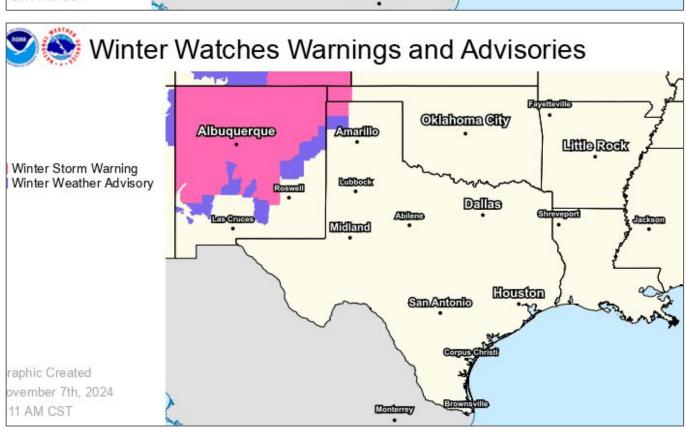
Wind, Severe, Winter, and Flood Hazards

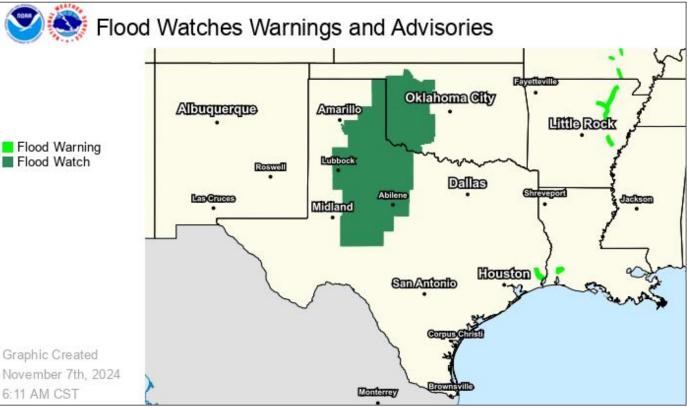




Winter Storm Warning in NM,W OK Panhandle, and NW TX Panhandle and Advisory in NW TX Panhandle.

Flood Watch in W OK, Panhandle/NW TX.



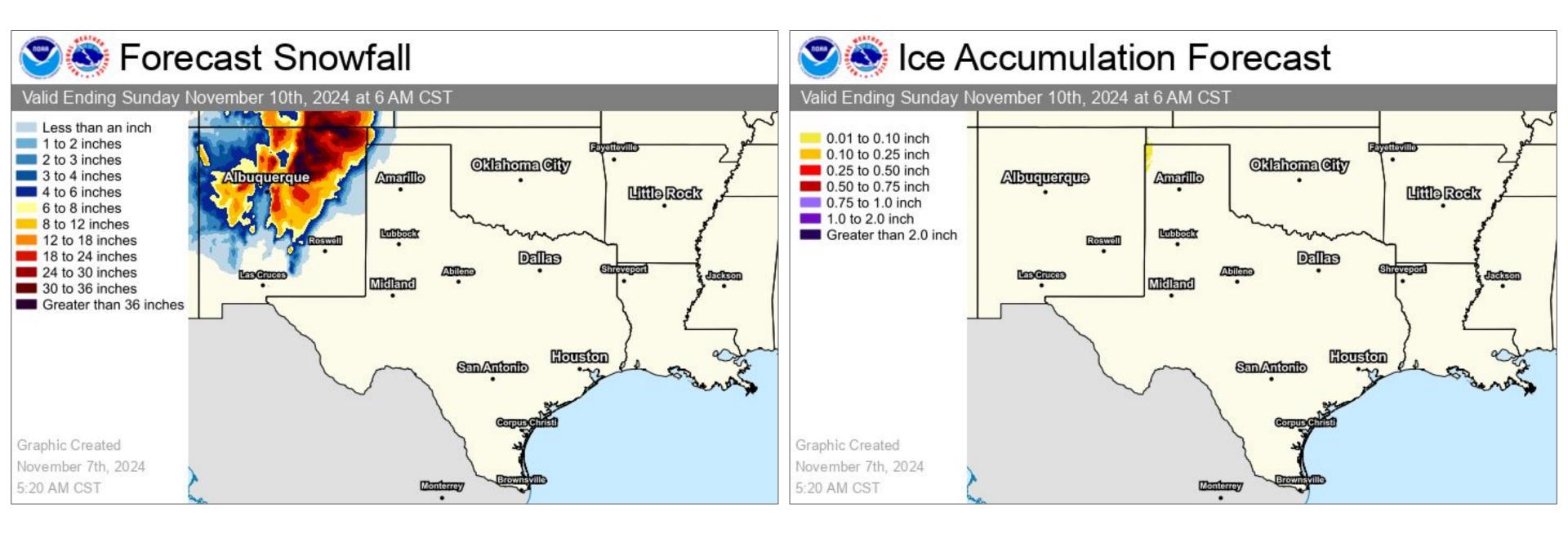






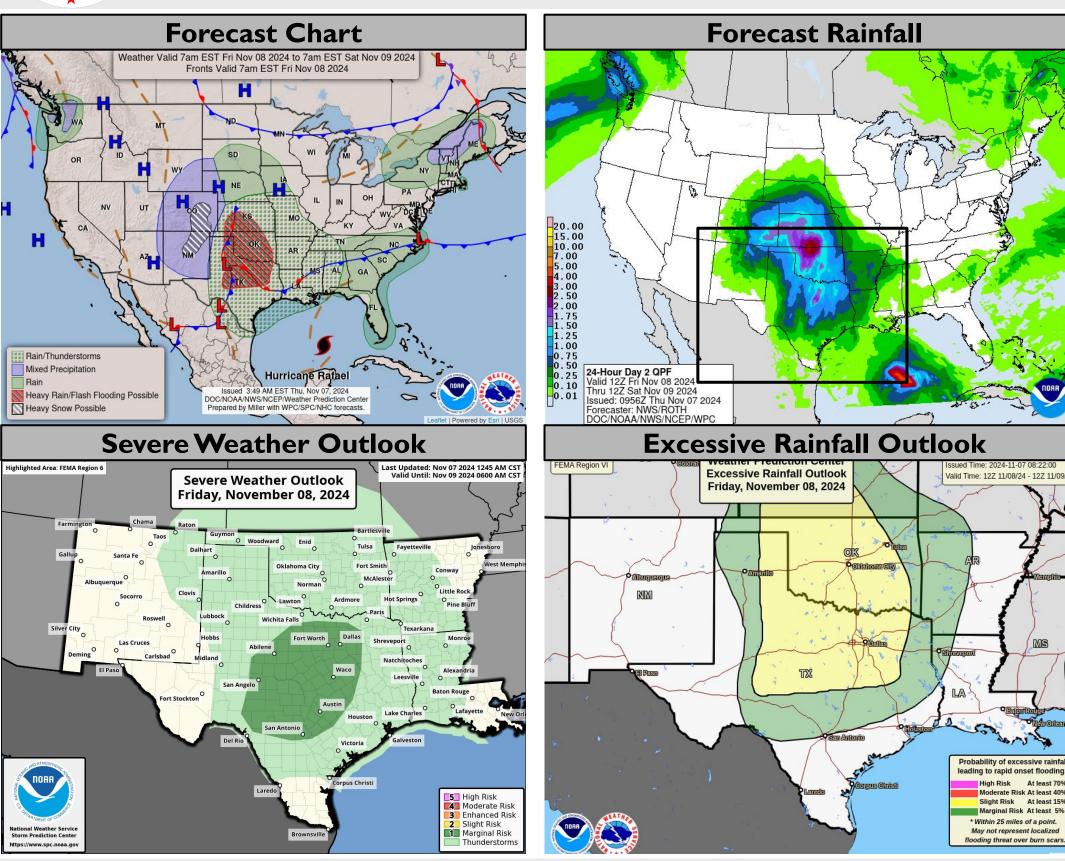
Winter Weather

Through the next 3 days





Tomorrow's Weather



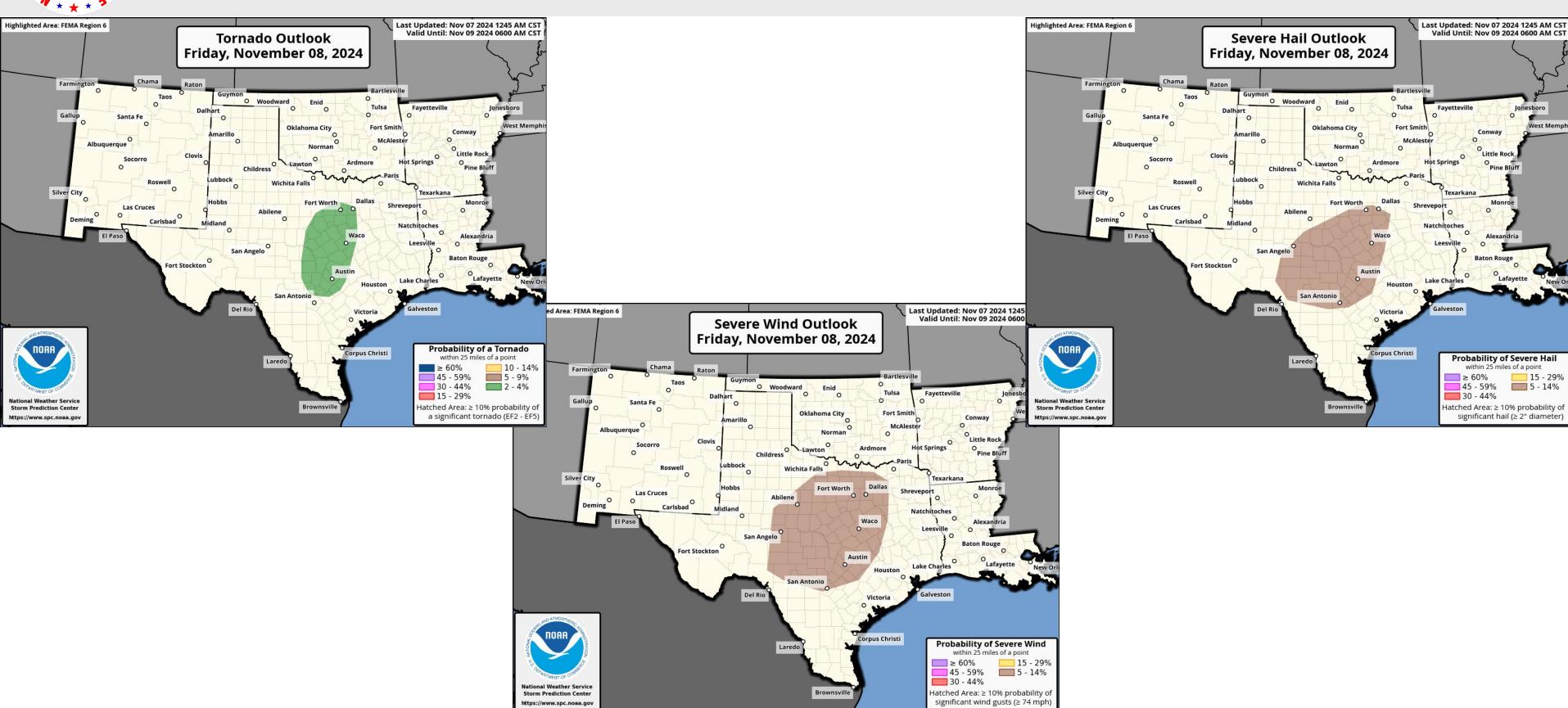
Moderate impacts from heavy snow in NM.

Slight risk for heavy rainfall/flash flooding over OK, E Panhandle/N TX.

Marginal risk for severe storms over SW/Cntl/NTX.



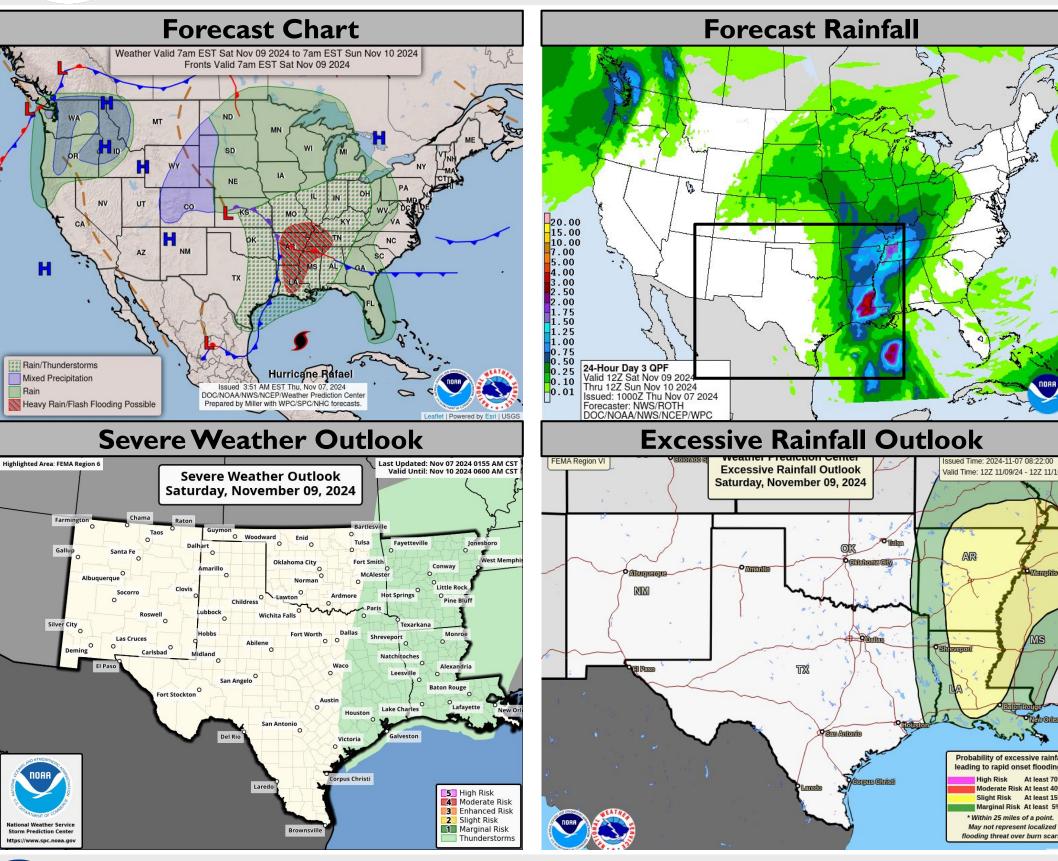
Tomorrow's Tornado & Severe Wind / Hail Probabilities







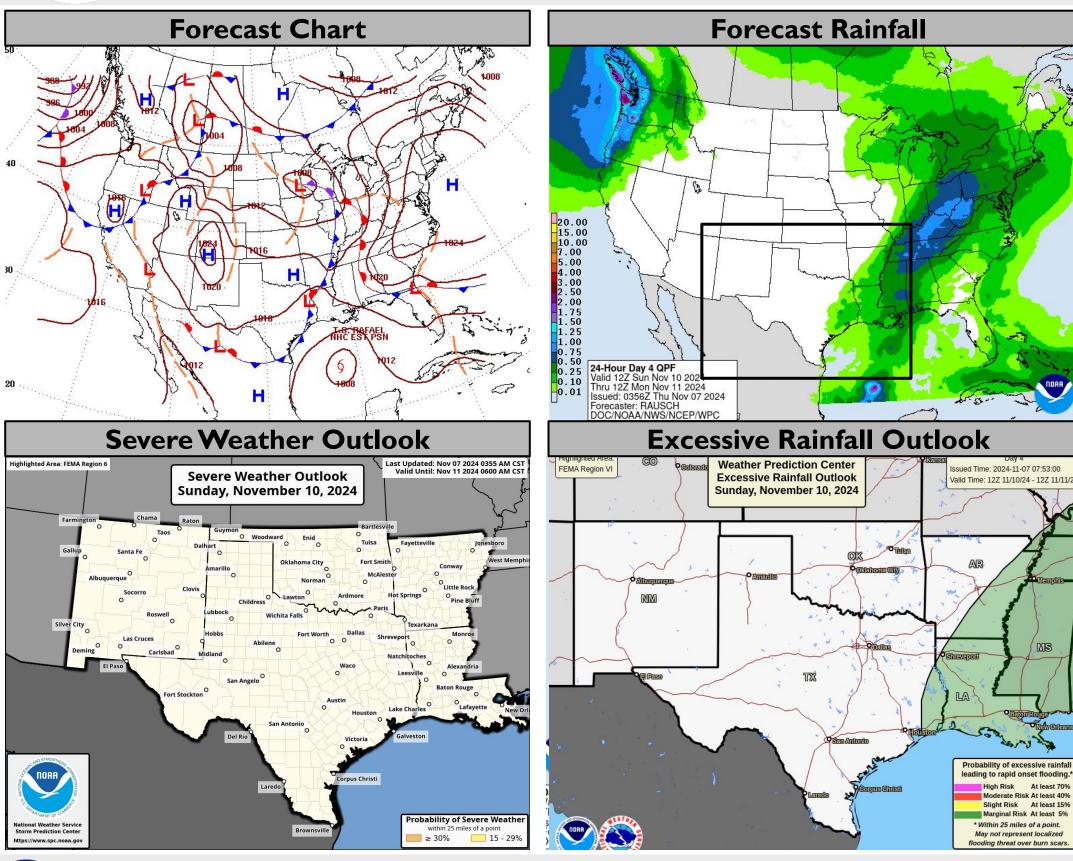
Saturday's Weather



Slight risk for heavy rainfall/flash flooding over AR, LA.



Sunday's Weather

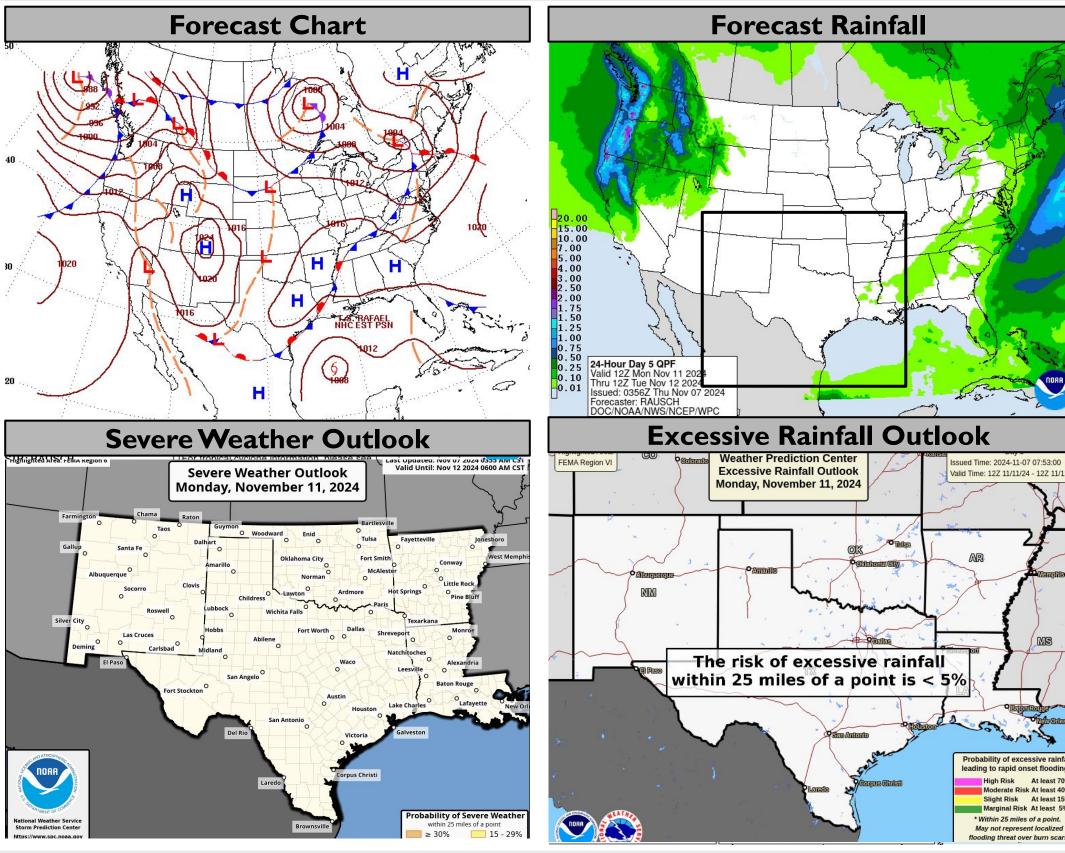


Marginal risk for heavy rainfall/flash flooding over EAR, LA, ETX.





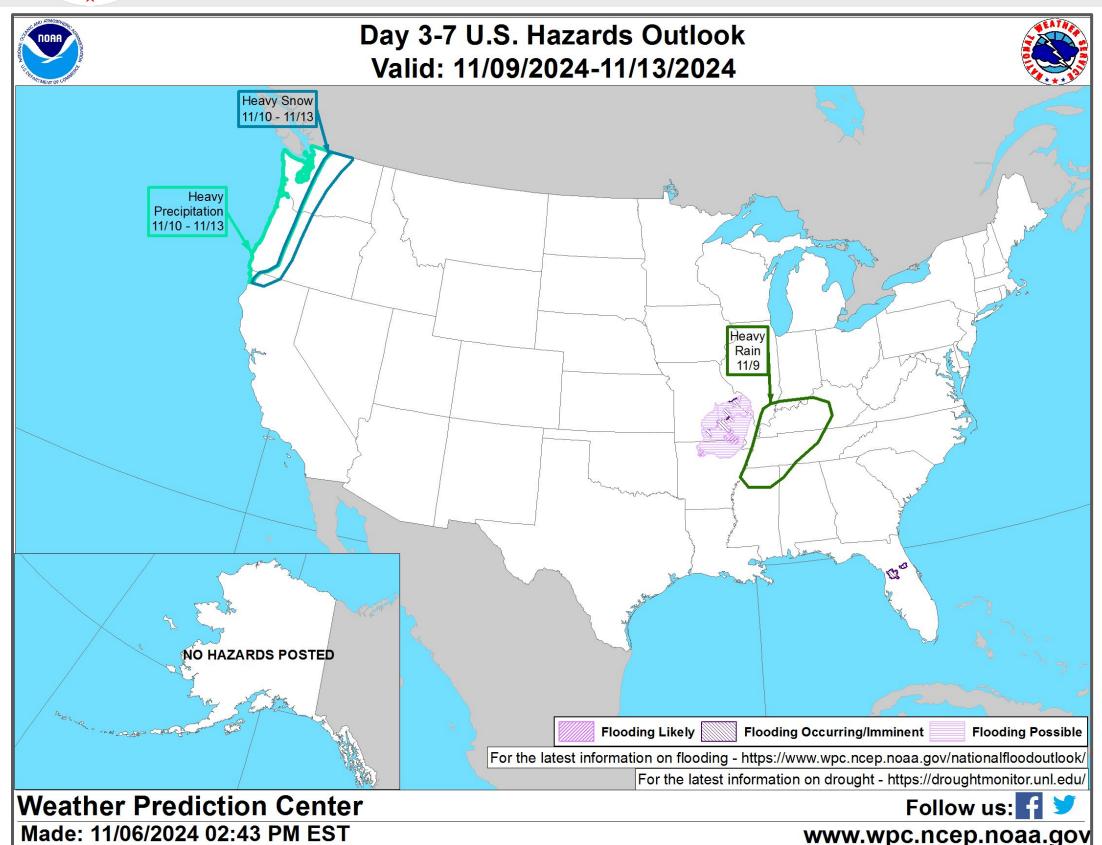
Monday's Weather



No significant weather expected.



"Day 3-7" Hazards Outlook



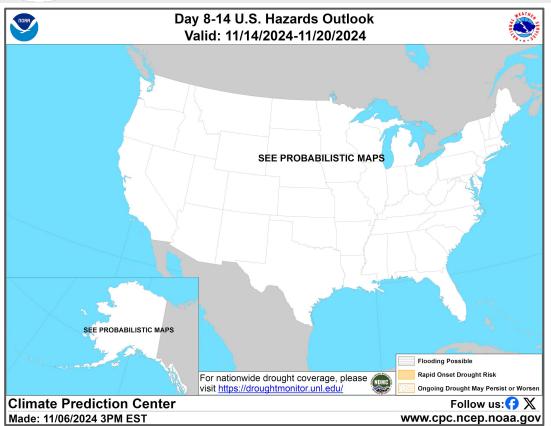
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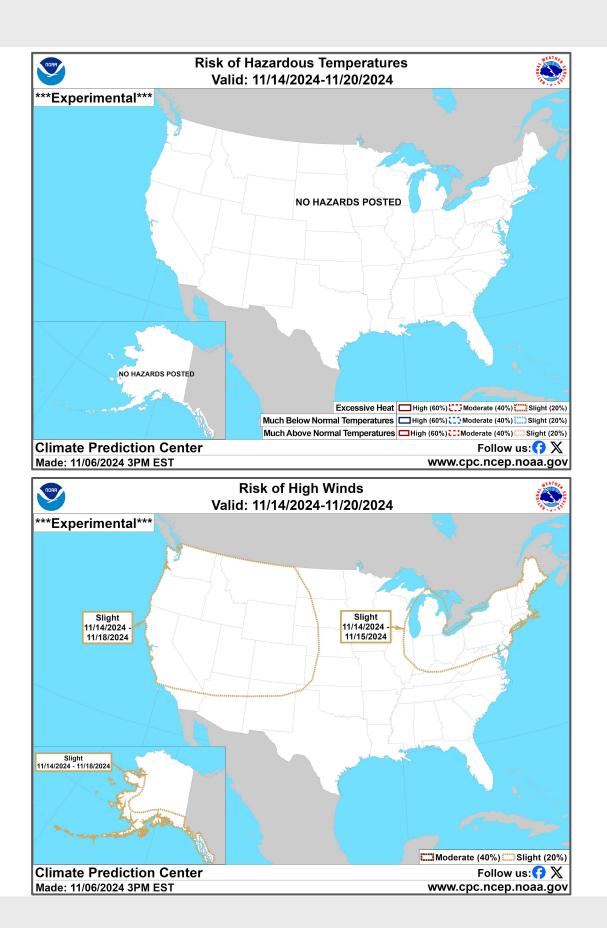
"Day 8-14" Hazards Outlook

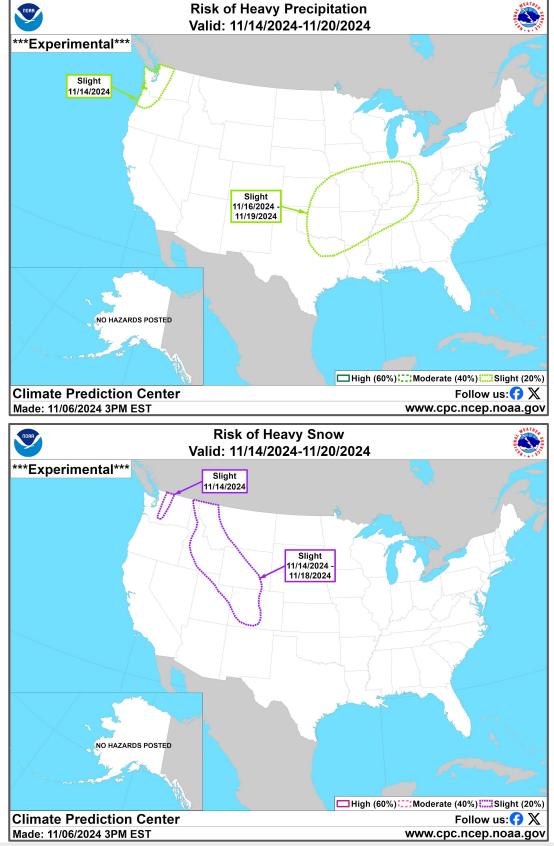


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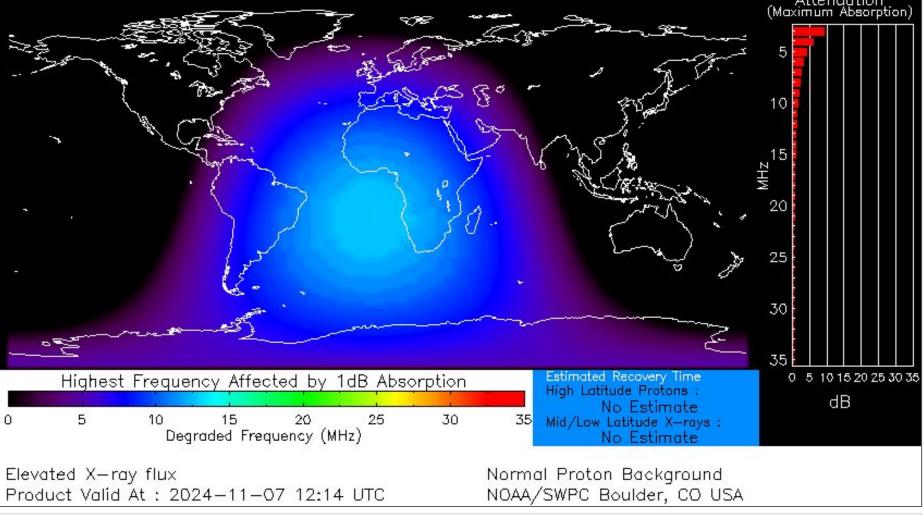






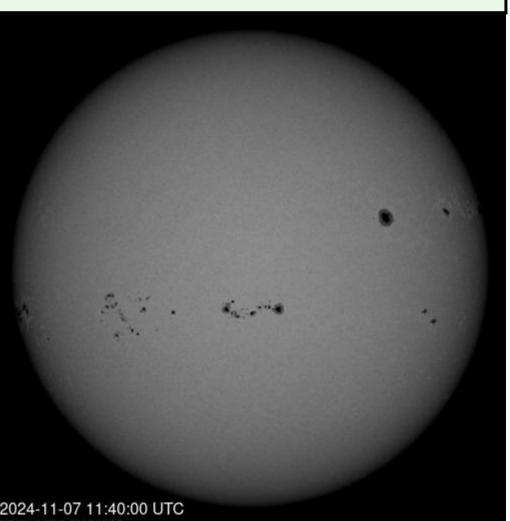
Space Weather 3-Day Forecast

	Thursday, Nov 7	Friday, Nov 8	Saturday, Nov 9
Geomagnetic Storms	Minor G1 Storm (Max Kp = 5)	Active (Max Kp = 4)	Active (Max Kp = 4)
Solar Radiation Storm (S1-S5)	10%	10%	10%
Radio Blackout (R1-R2)	80%	80%	80%
Radio Blackout (R3-R5)	35%	35%	35%



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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