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FEMA Region 6 Weather Threat Briefing

Sunday, March 23, 2025

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Summary

- **Slight risk (level 2 of 5) for severe weather today for S AR, NE TX, and N LA. Main threats are hail and wind, but isolated tornado possible. Timing: 3 PM-3AM. Monday mid-late morning through the afternoon has a marginal risk (level 1 of 5) for SE LA.**
- **Elevated (level 1 of 3) fire weather conditions N/W TX, TX Panhandle, OK today and then in NW TX, W OK Monday.**
- **Marginal risk (level 1 of 4) for heavy rainfall today for far SE AR, N LA. A system mid to late week brings risk for heavy rainfall to S/C/E TX and AR.**
- **Isolated minor river flooding in E TX continues to recede and SE LA looks to end late Monday.**





FEMA Region 6 Threat Matrix

Next 7 days

| | Sunday, Mar 23 | Monday, Mar 24 | Tuesday, Mar 25 | Wednesday, Mar 26 | Thursday, Mar 27 | Friday, Mar 28 | Saturday, Mar 29 |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------------|------------------|----------------|------------------|
| Severe Storms | S AR, NETX, N LA | SE LA | | | | | |
| Heavy Rain / Flash Flooding | Far SE AR, N LA | | | | S/CTX | ETX | AR |
| Fire Weather | N/W TX, TX Panhandle, OK | NW TX, W OK | | | | | |
| Winter | | | | | | | |
| River Flooding | ETX, SE LA | ETX, SE LA | ETX | ETX | ETX | ETX | ETX |

Threat levels are based on FEMA Region 4 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.

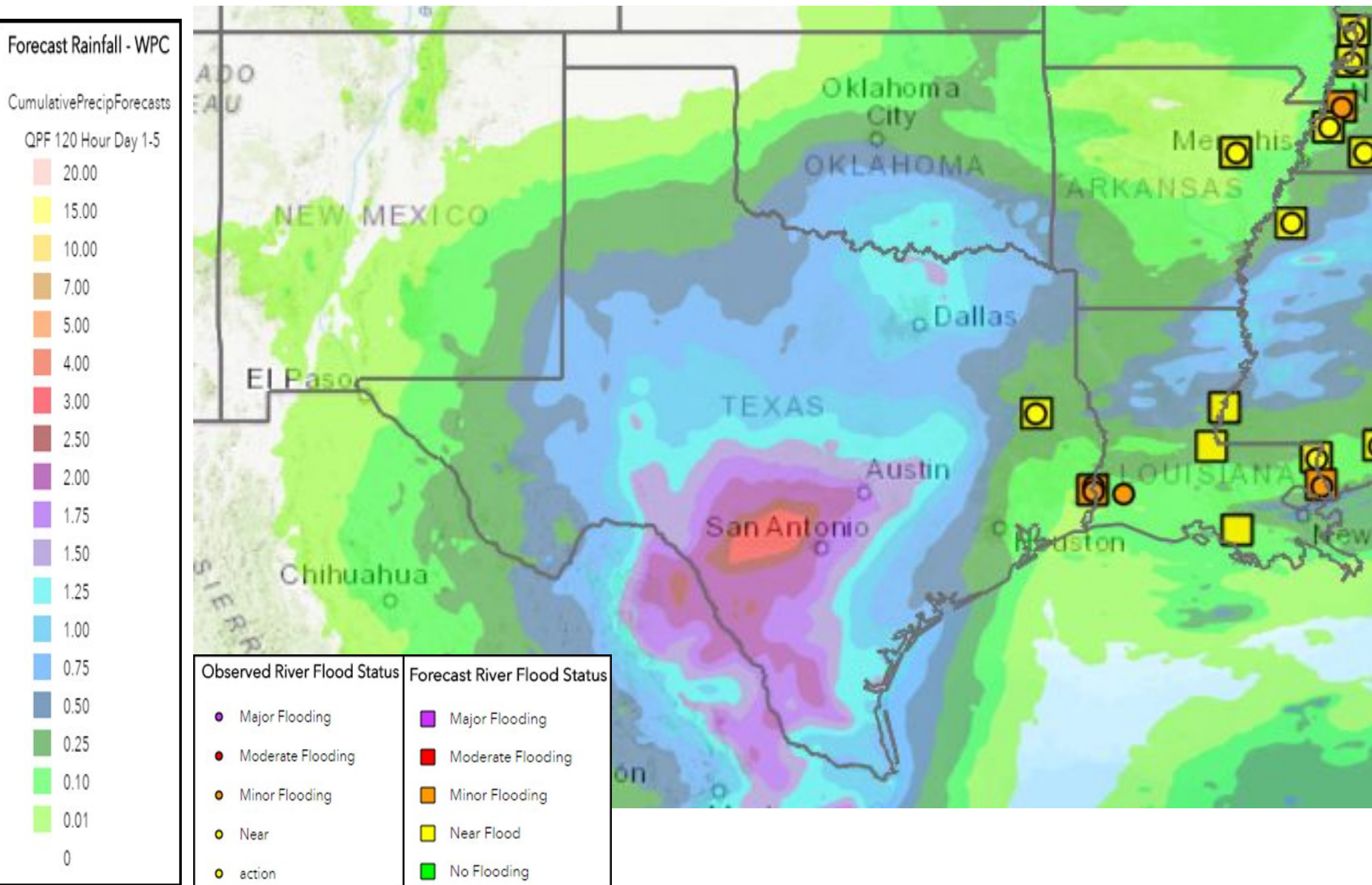
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| Risk Levels | Little to None | Minor | Moderate | Major | Extreme |
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5-Day Precipitation Forecast & River Flood Status

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



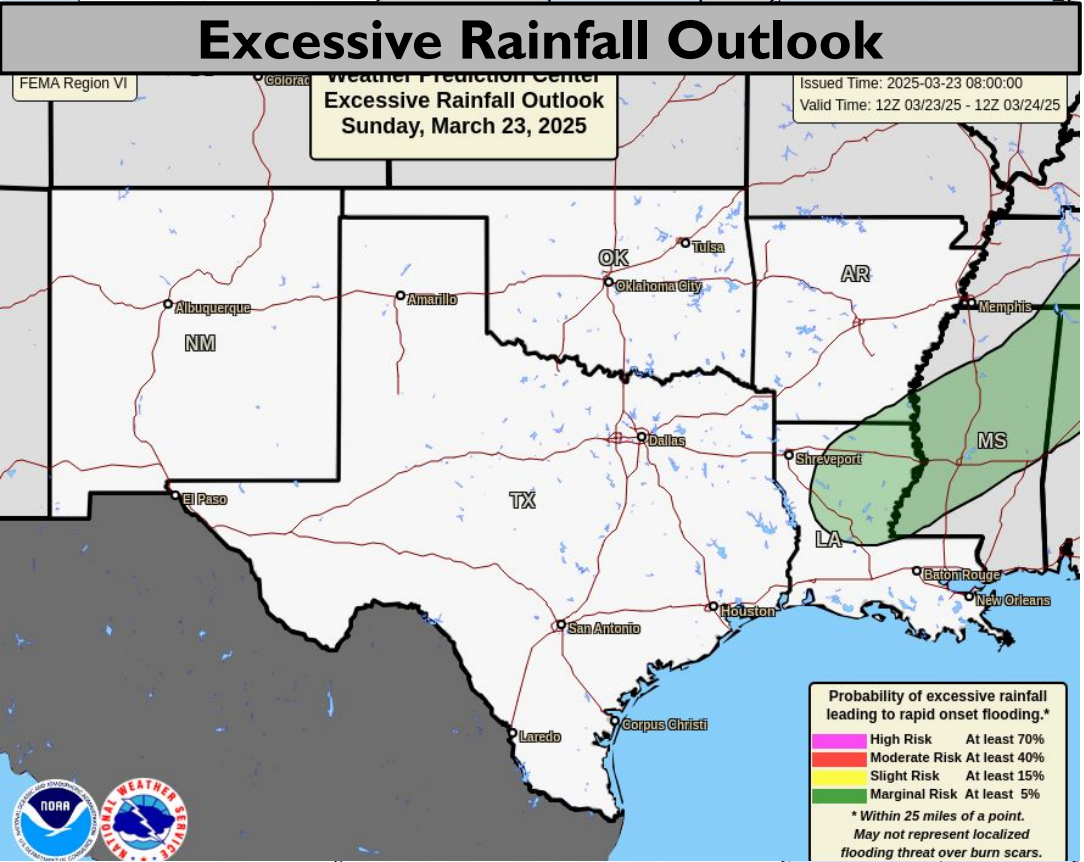
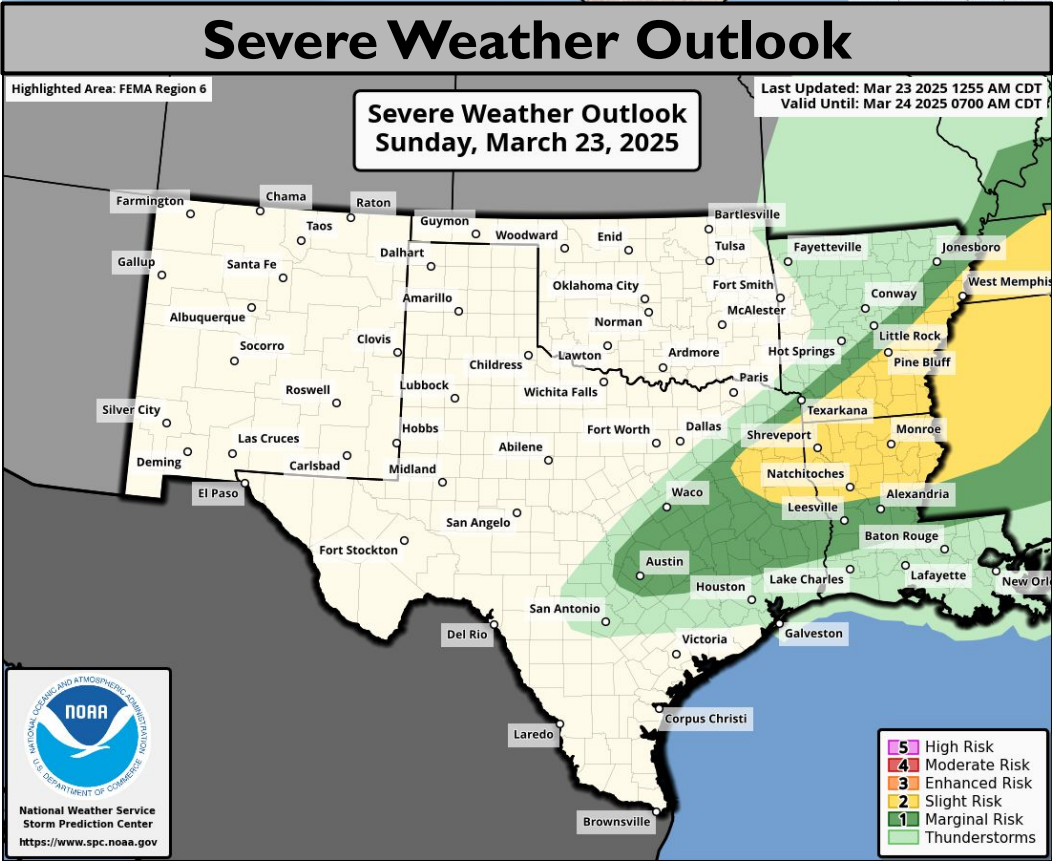
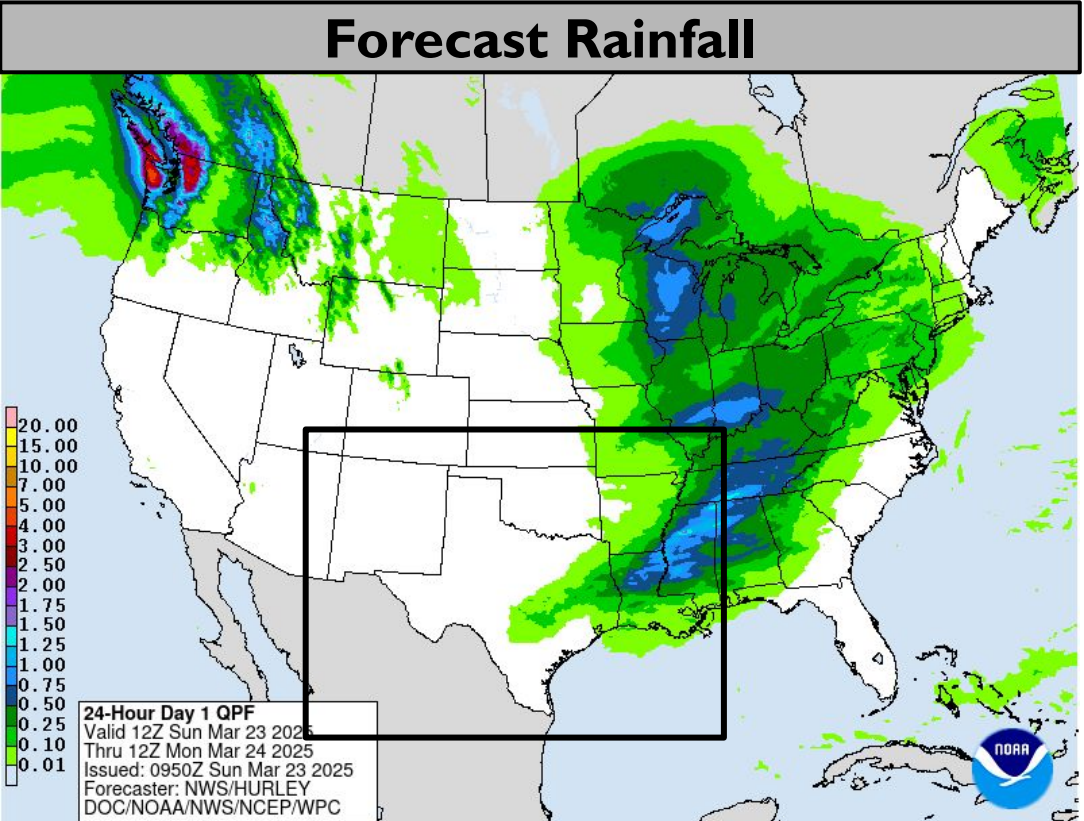
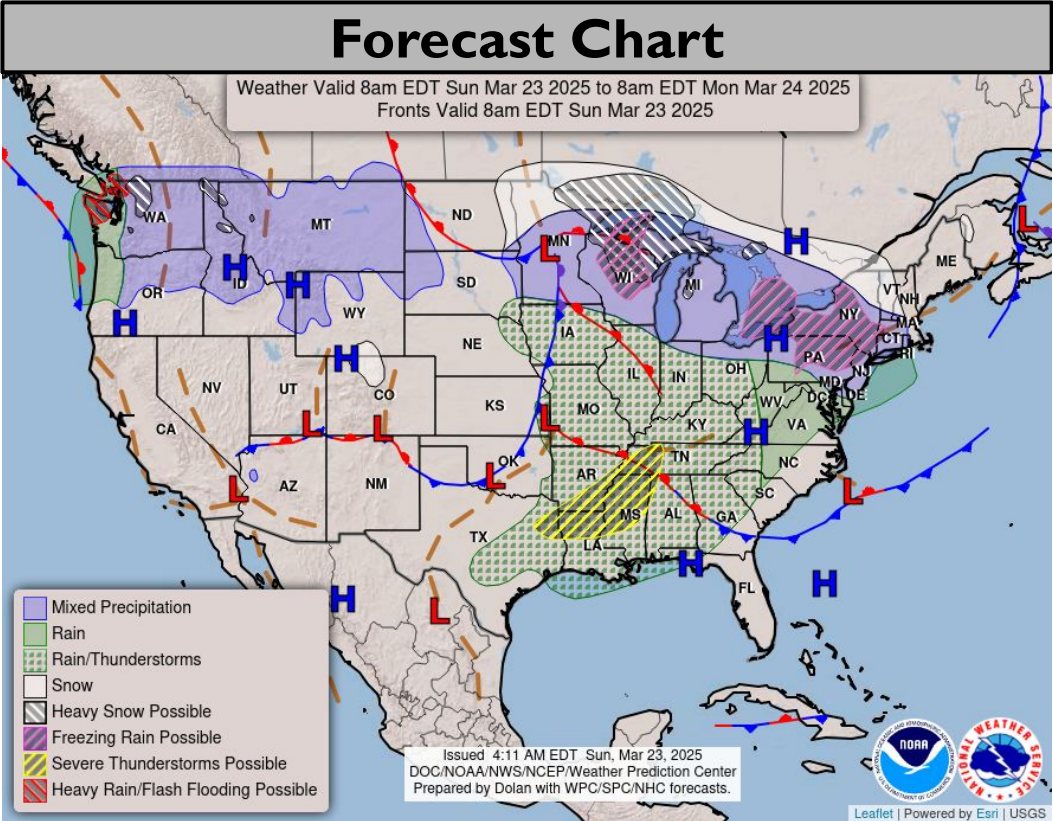
Isolated minor river flooding in across E TX continues, while SE LA ends late Monday.

Note: Numerical levels (e.g. level 1 of 4) will not be assigned to riverine flooding due to the varying levels of impacts across flood categories.





Today's Weather



Slight Risk (level 2 of 5) for severe storms S AR, NE TX, N LA. Threats: large hail and damaging winds. A tornado or two are possible. Timing: 3 PM to 3 AM.

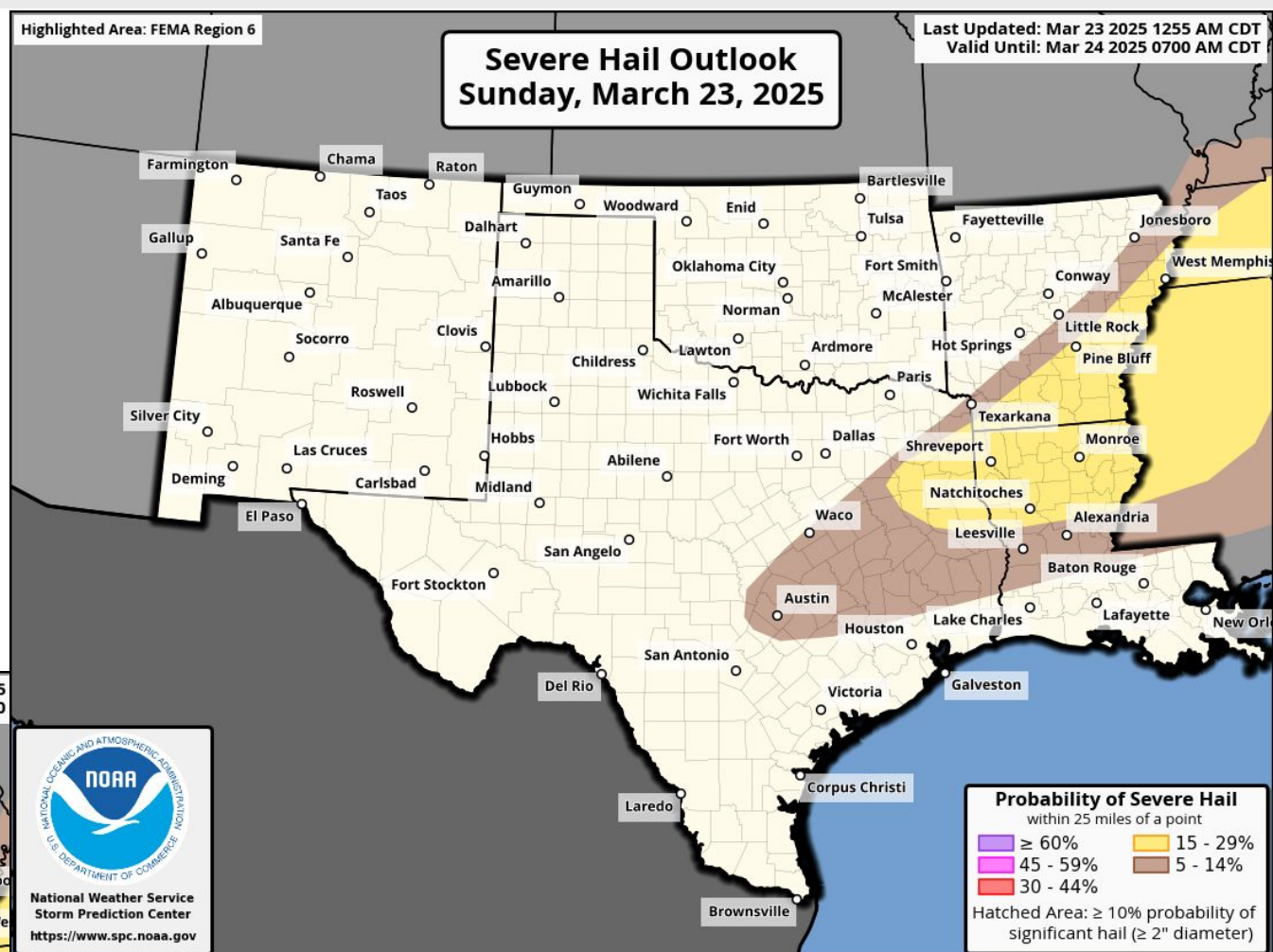
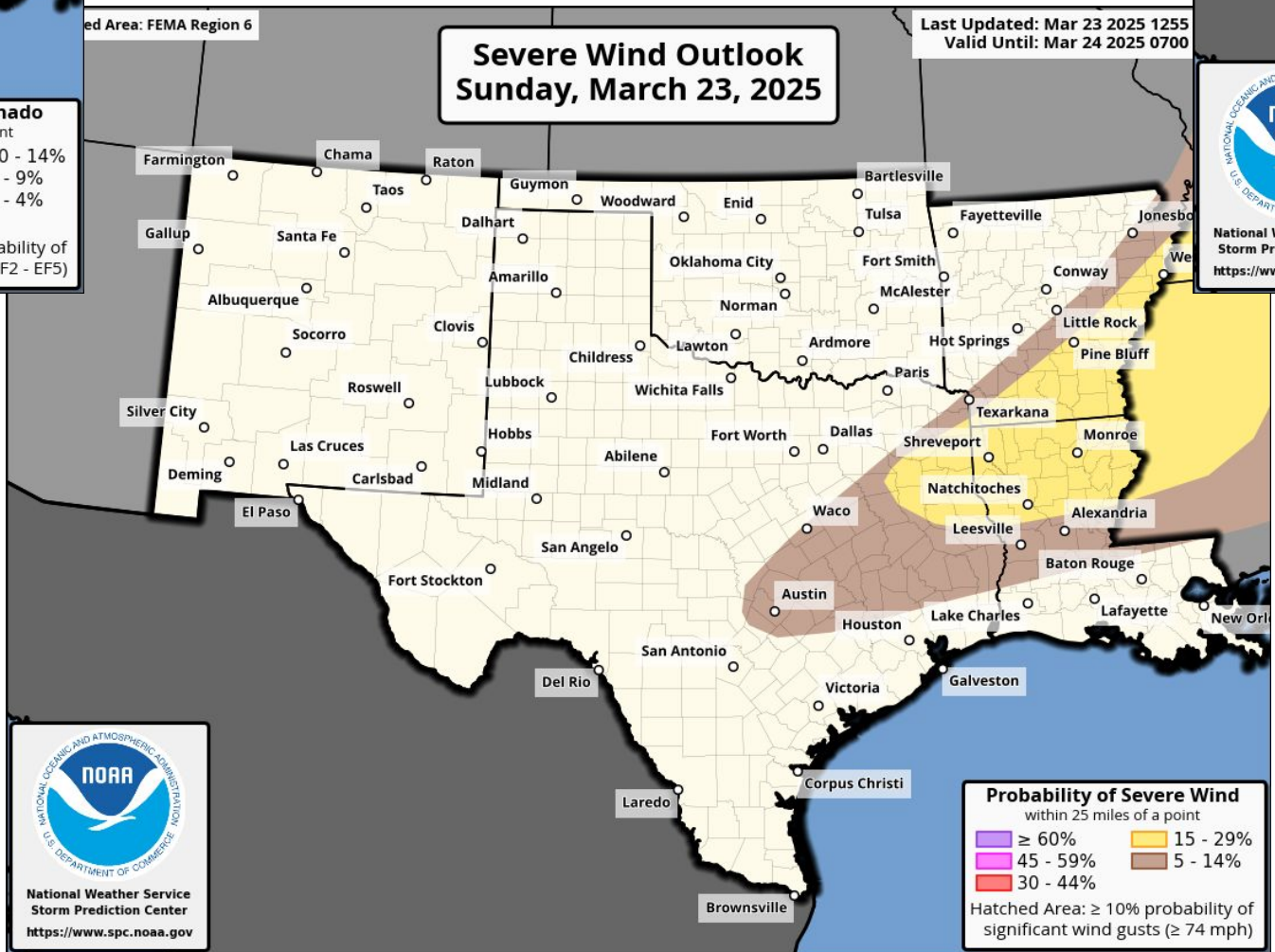
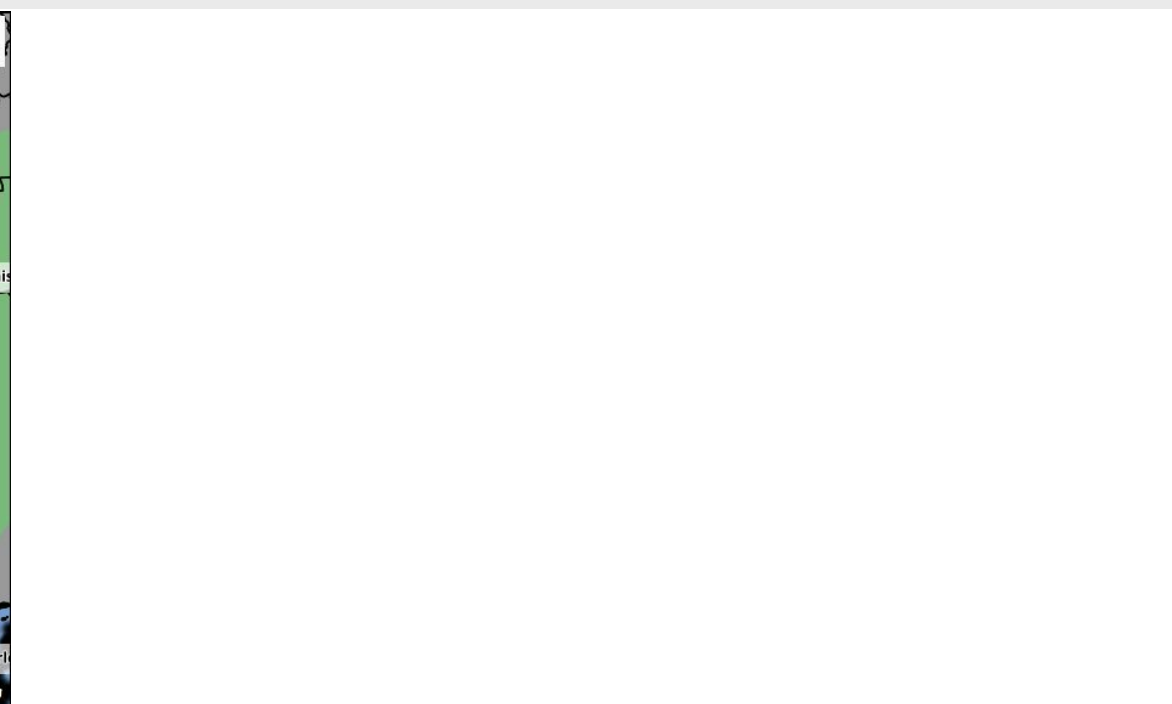
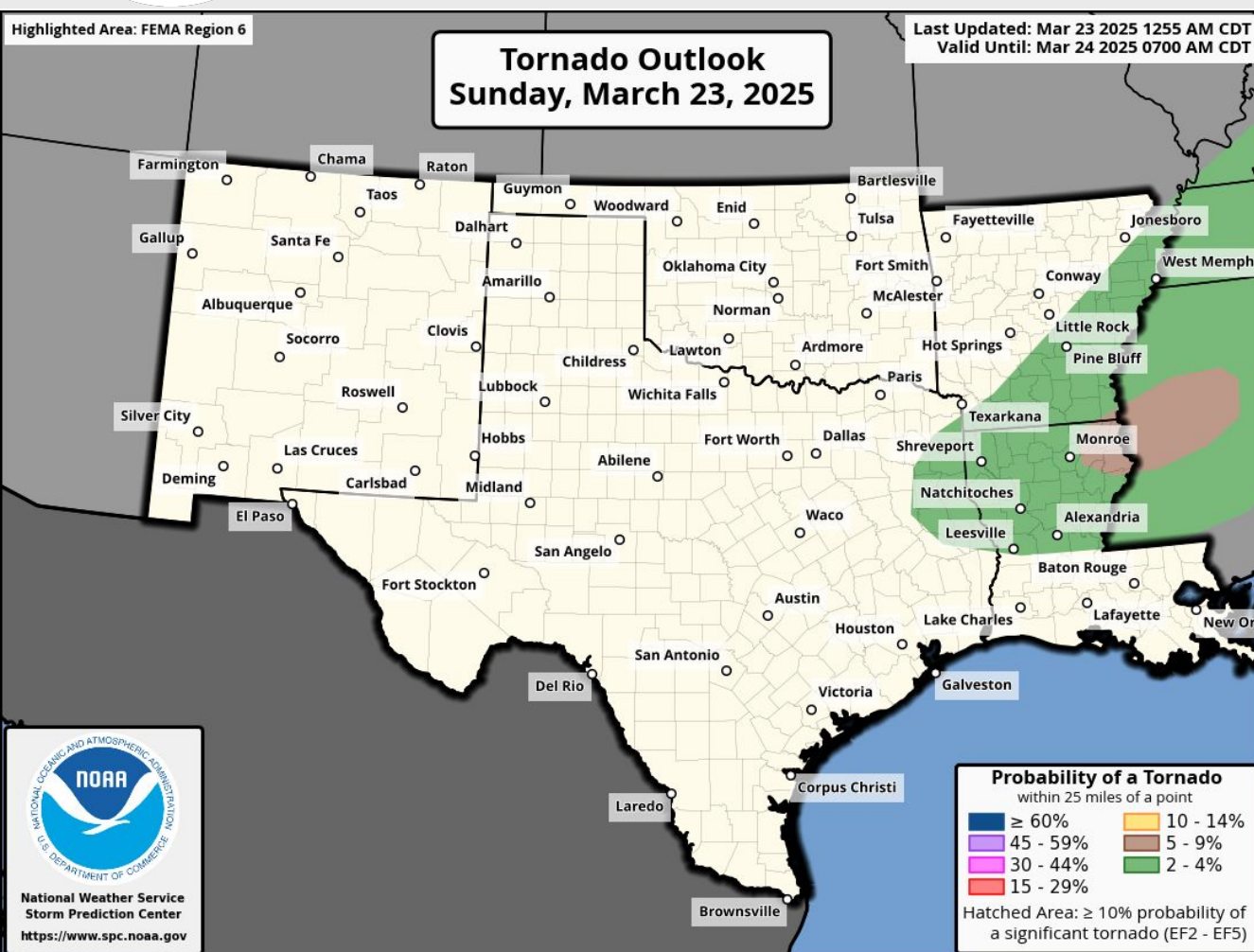
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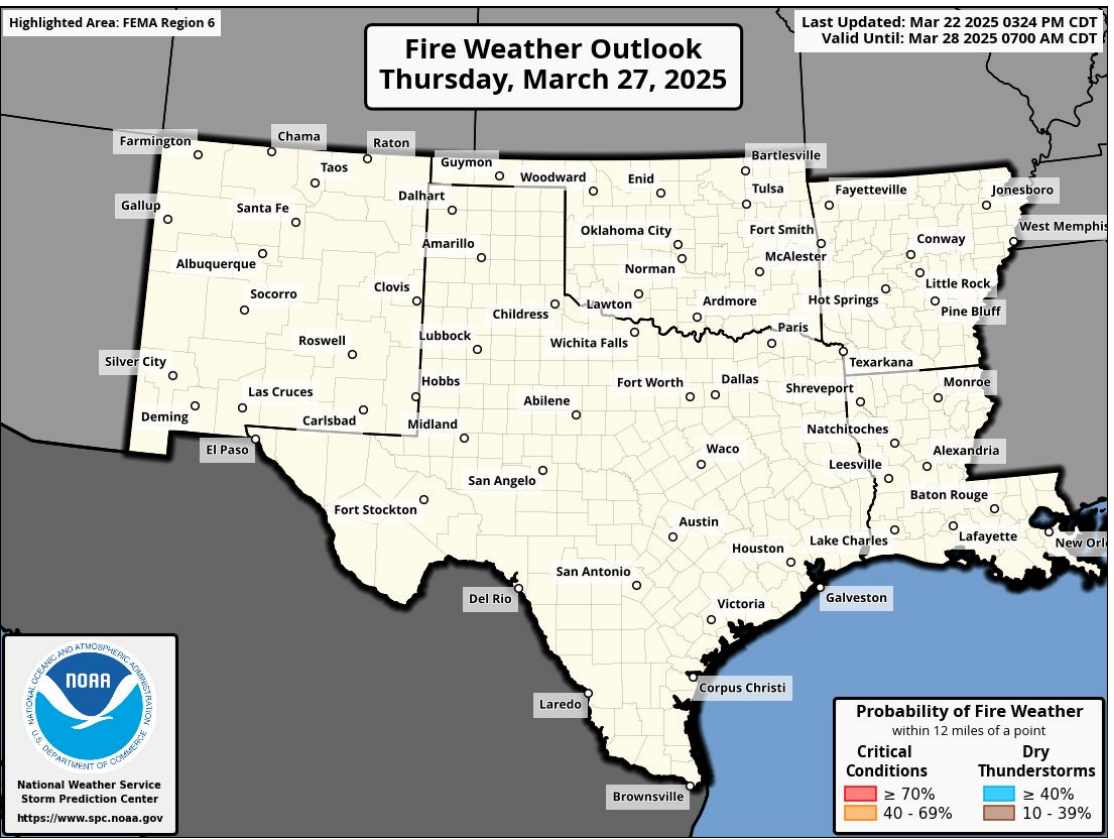
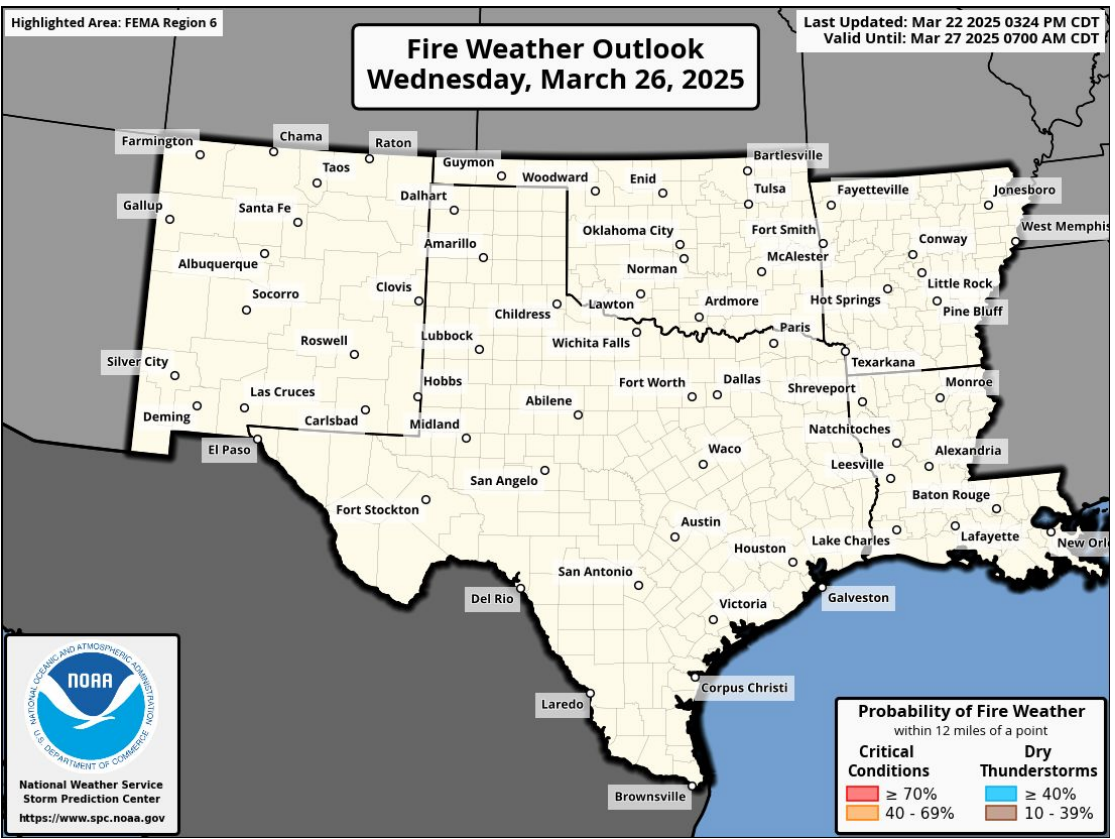
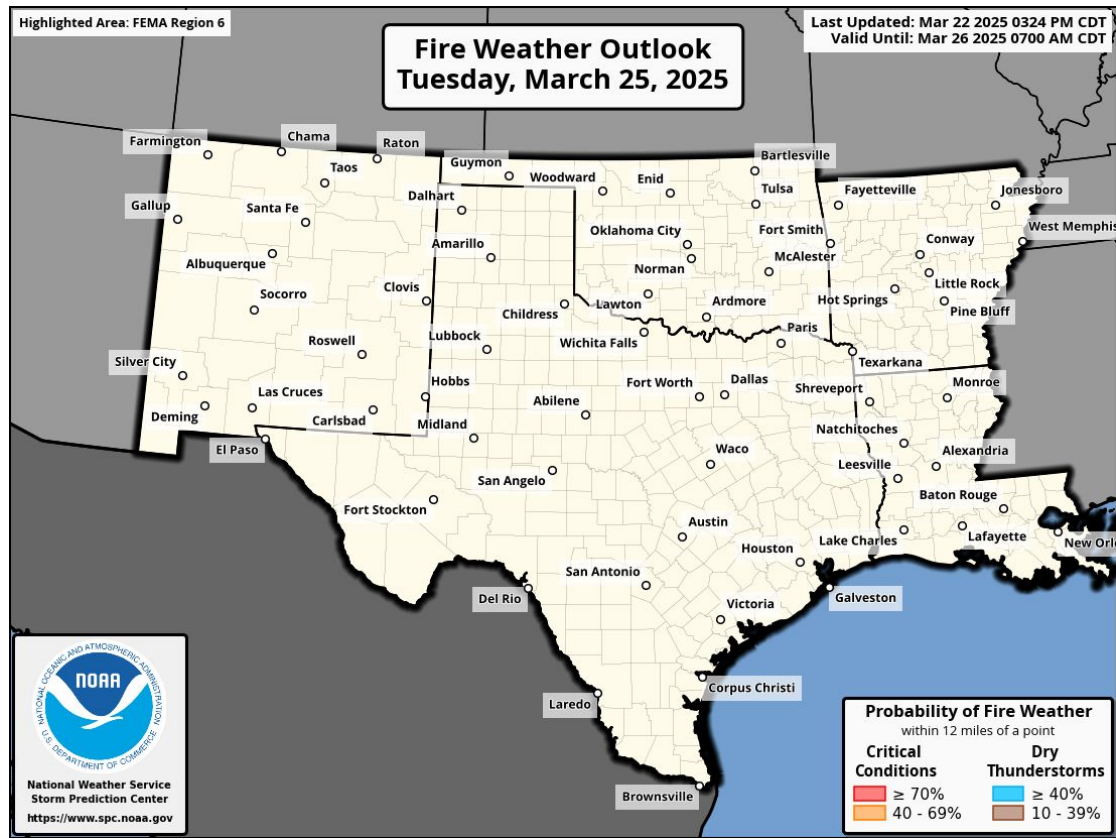
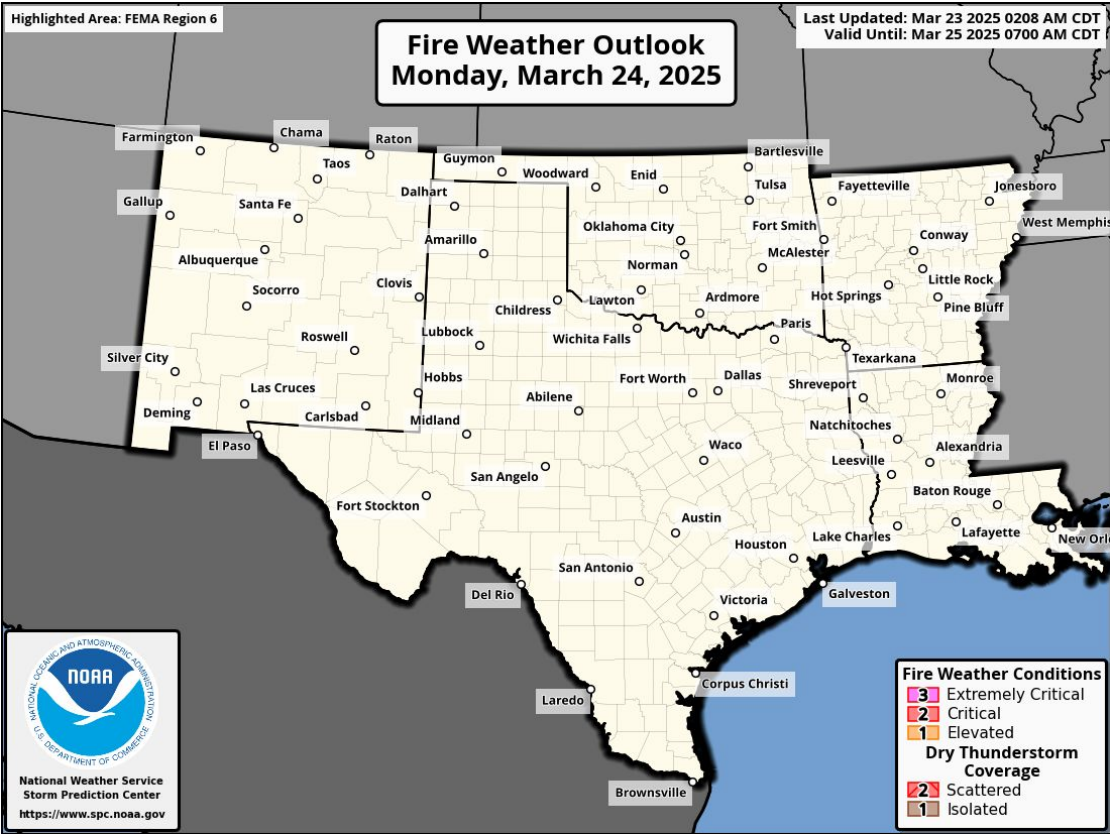
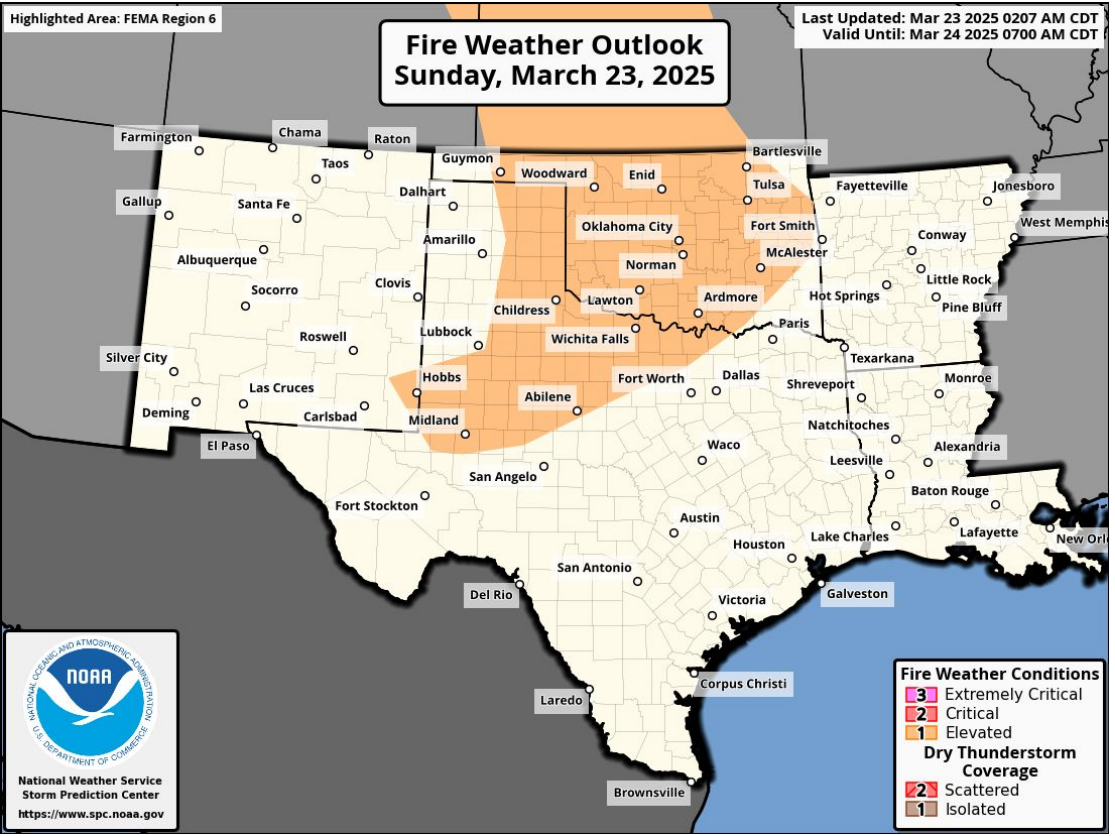
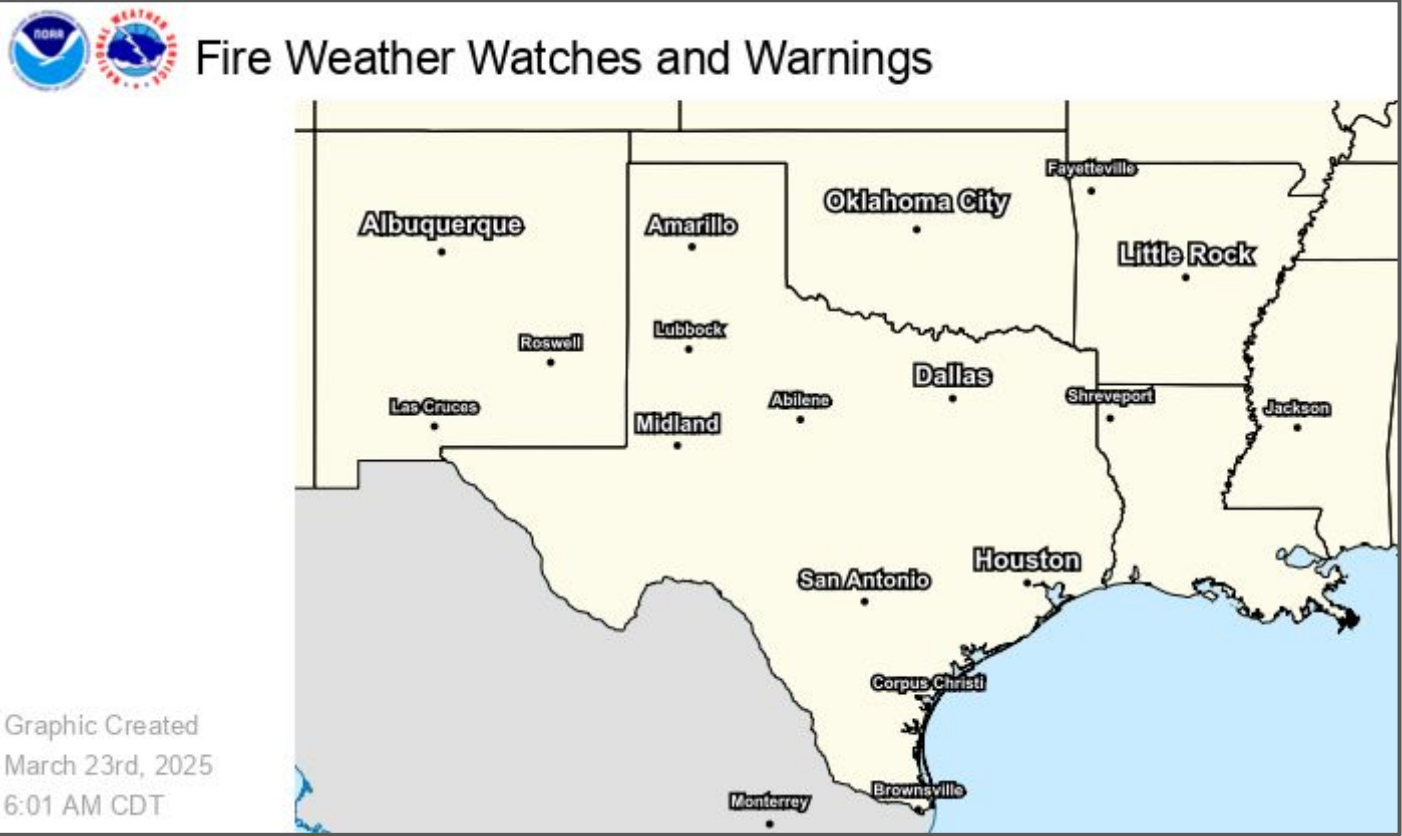


Today's Tornado & Severe Wind / Hail Probabilities



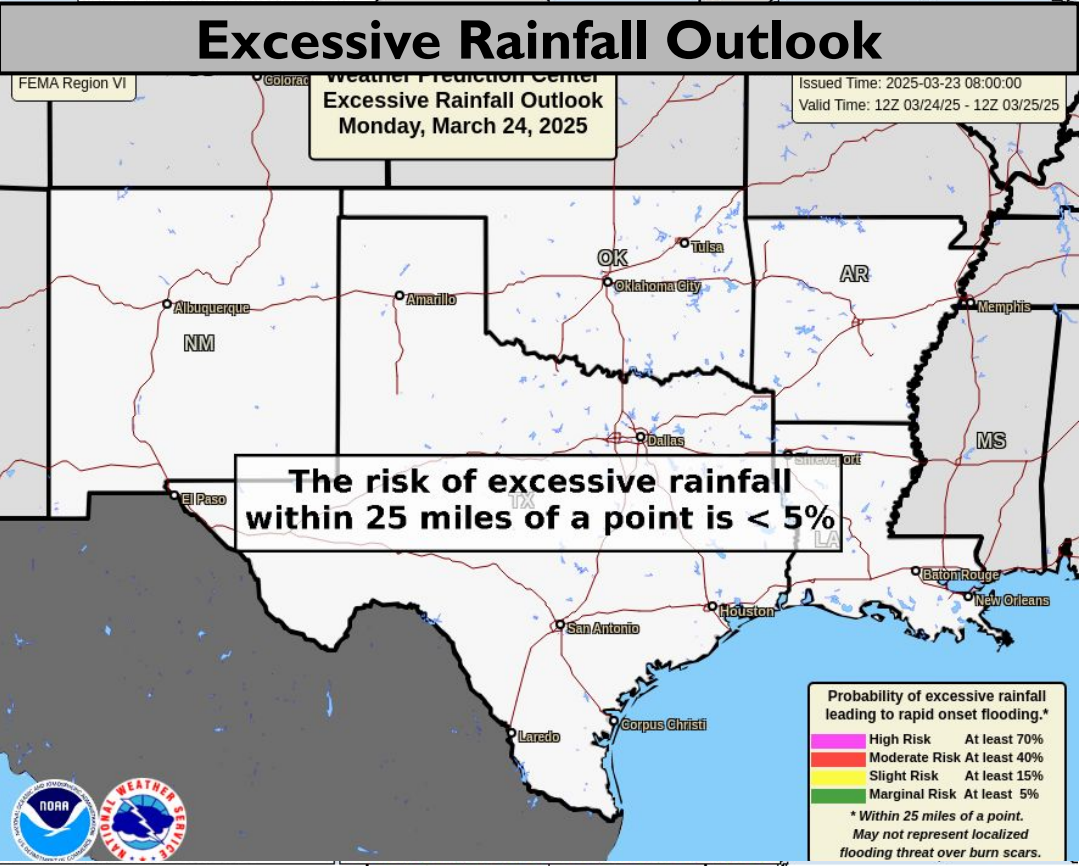
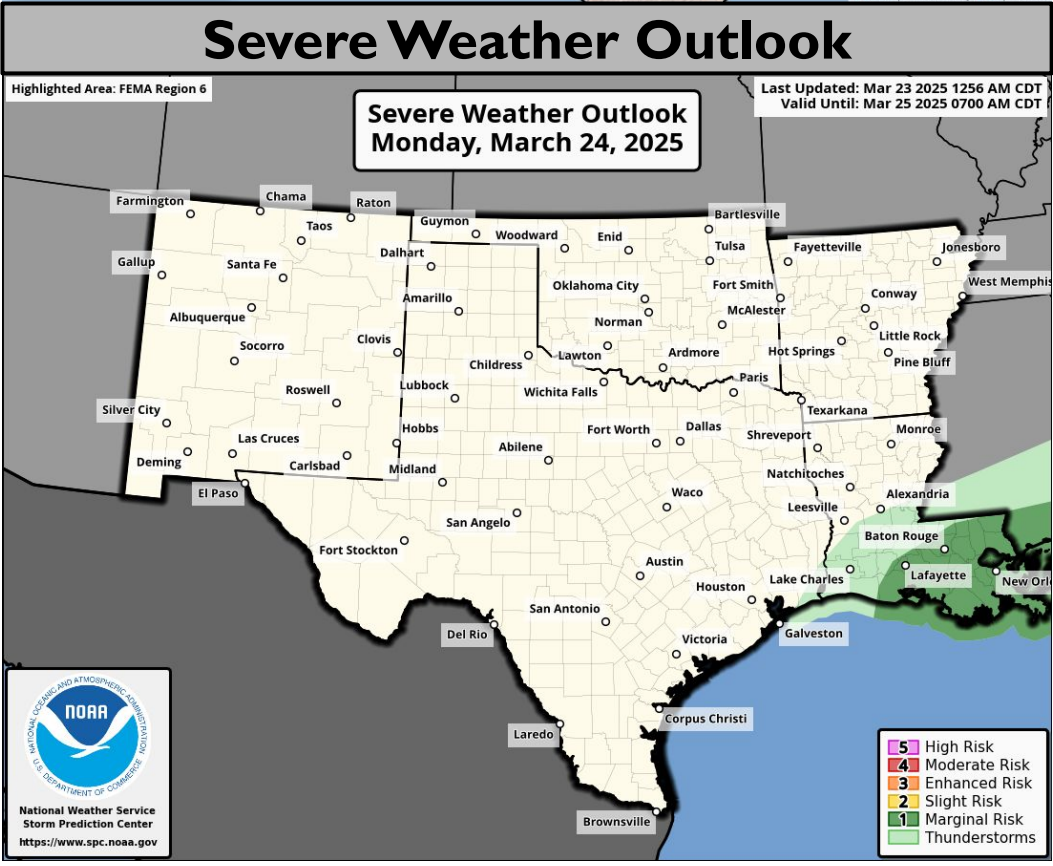
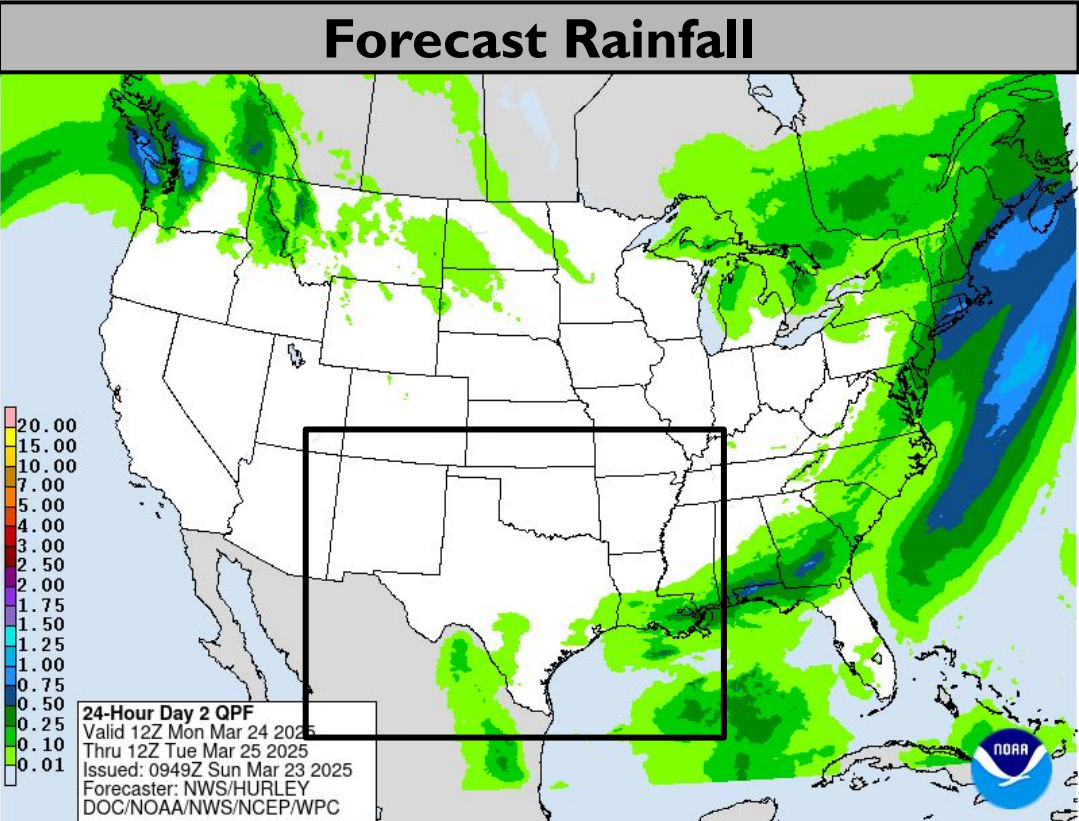
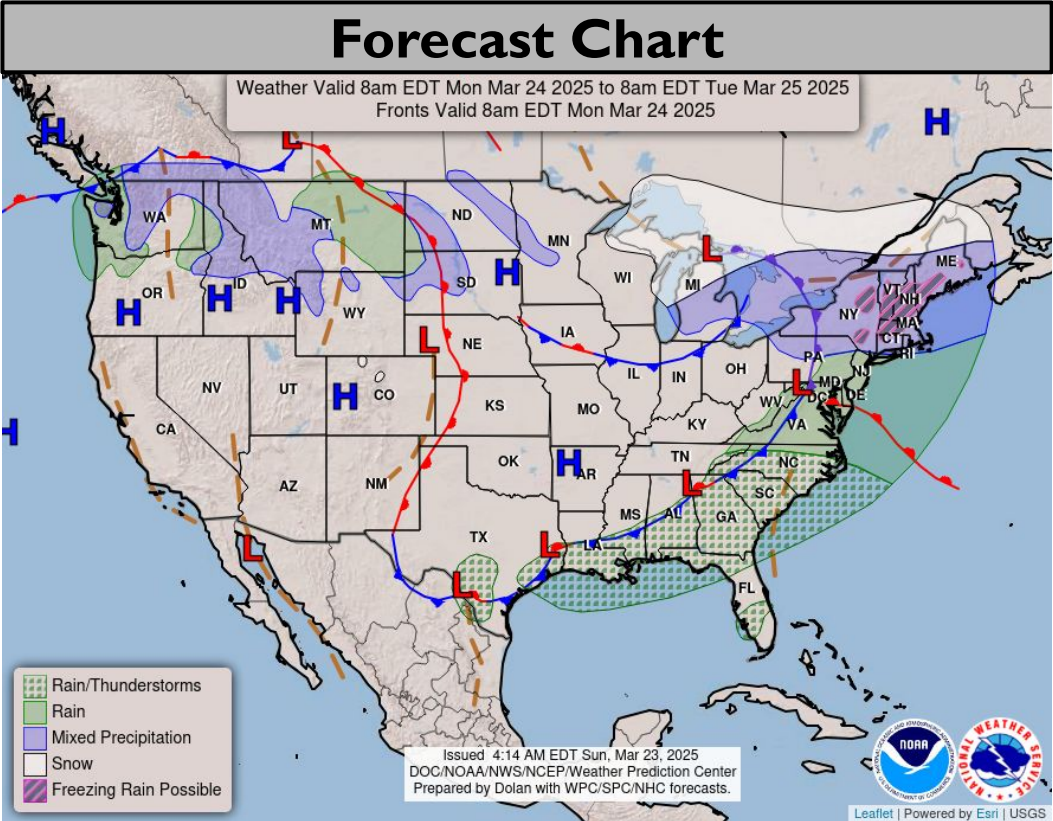


Fire Weather Outlooks





Tomorrow's Weather



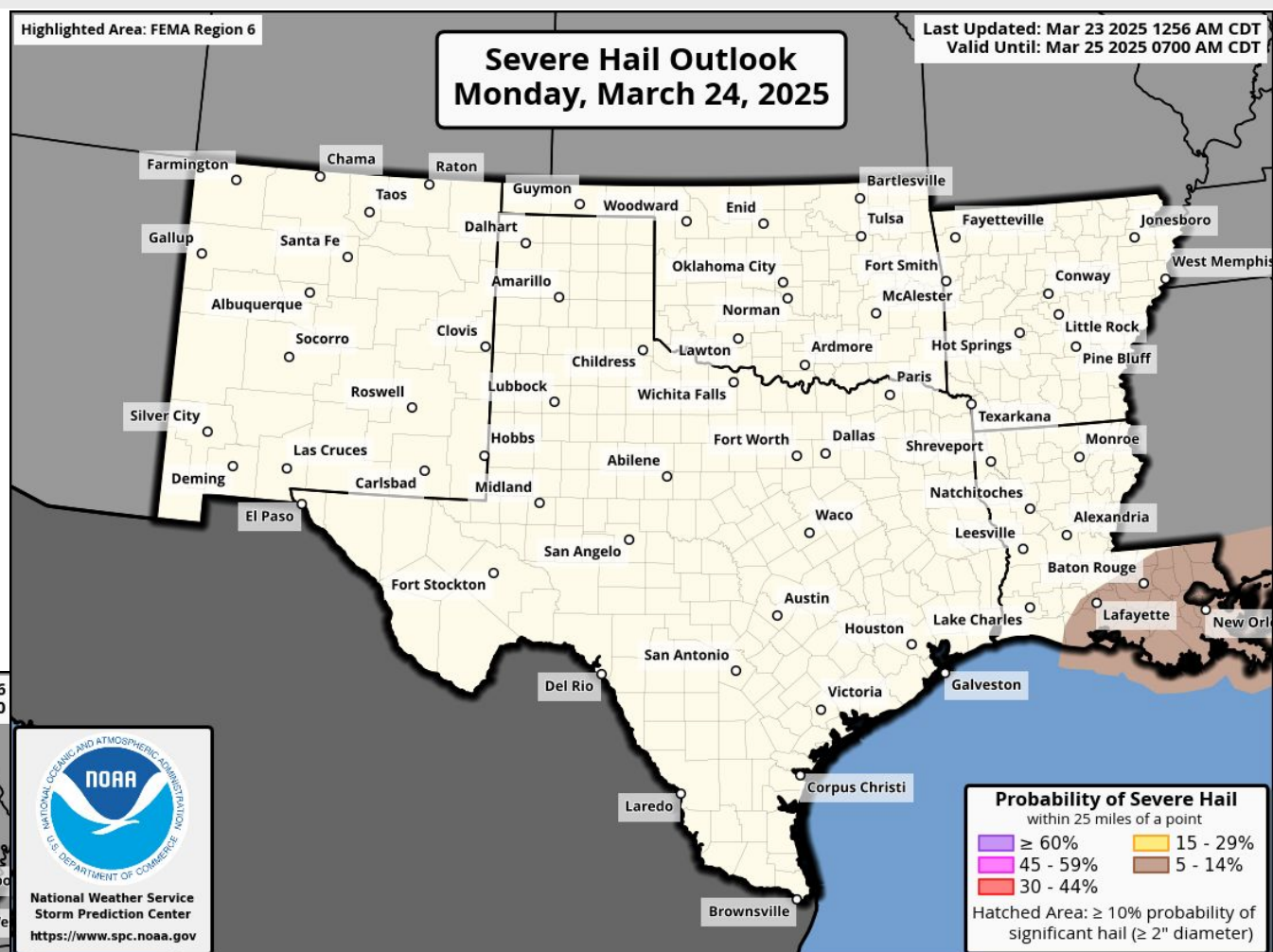
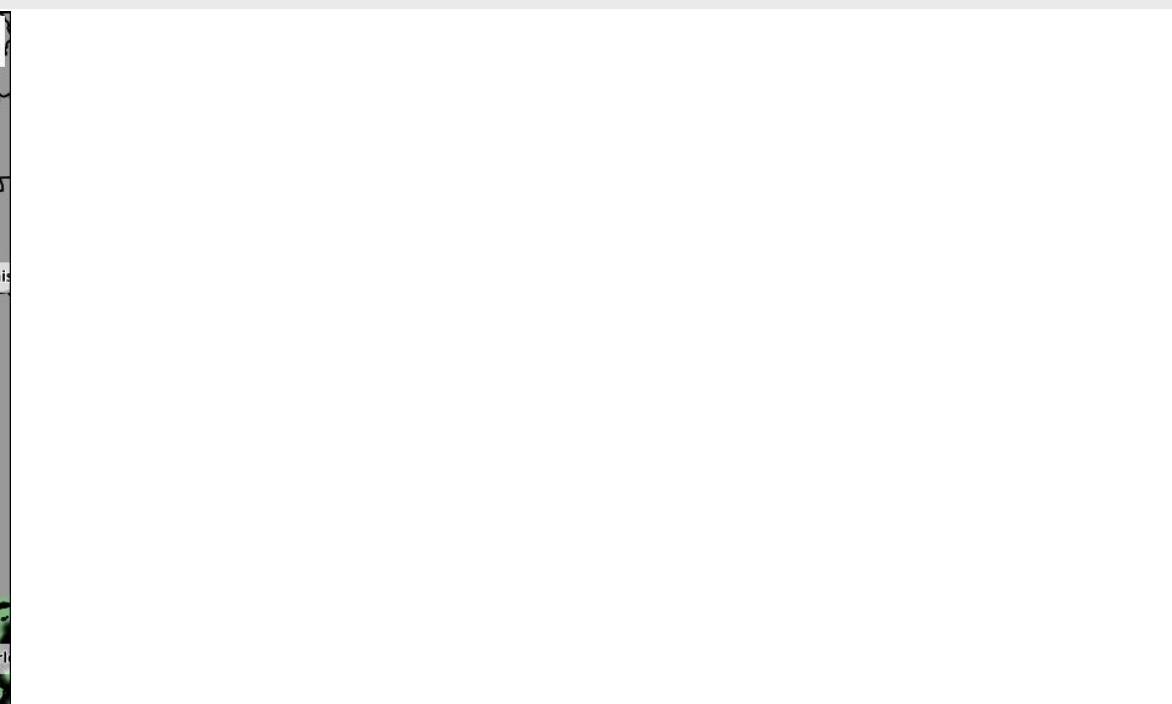
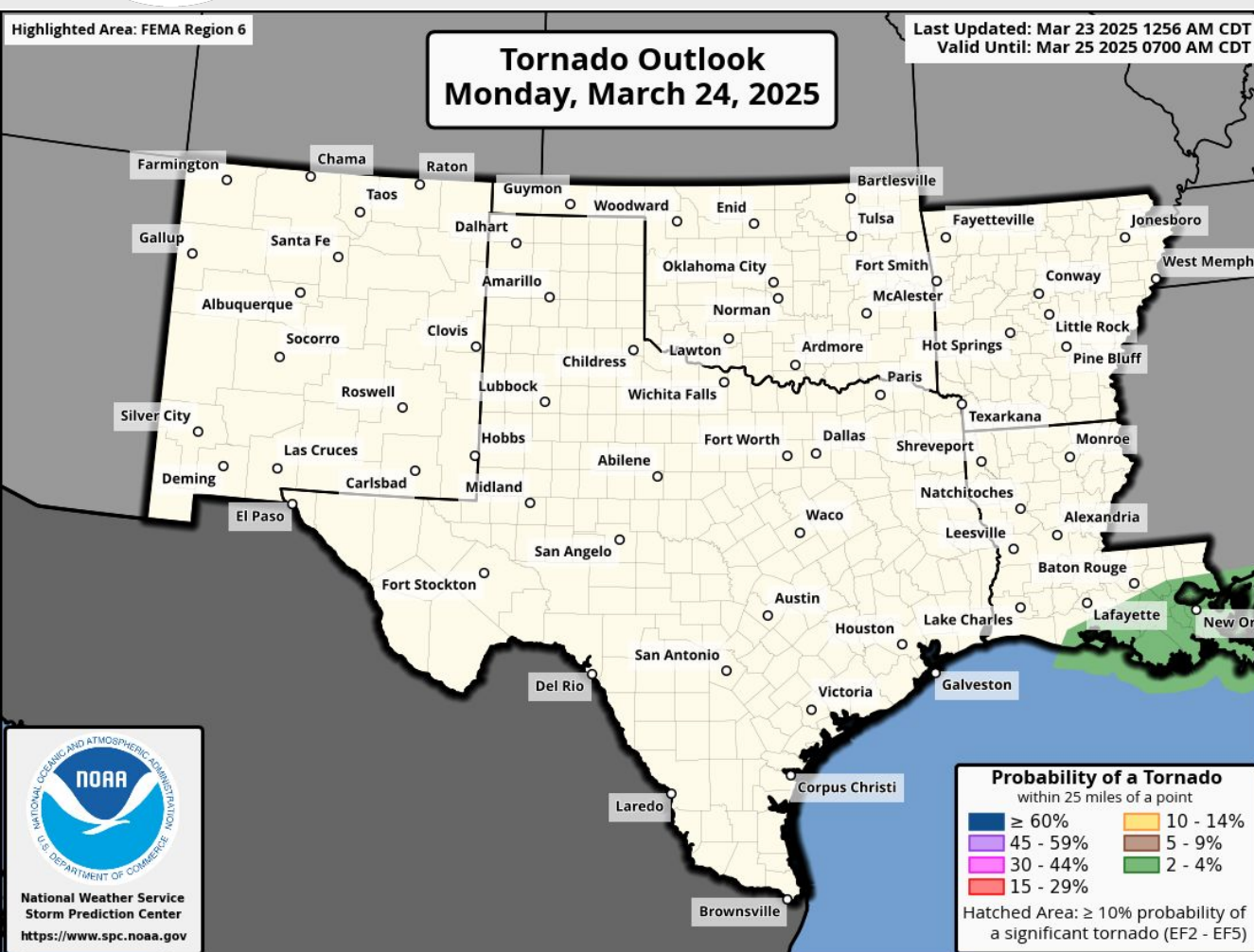
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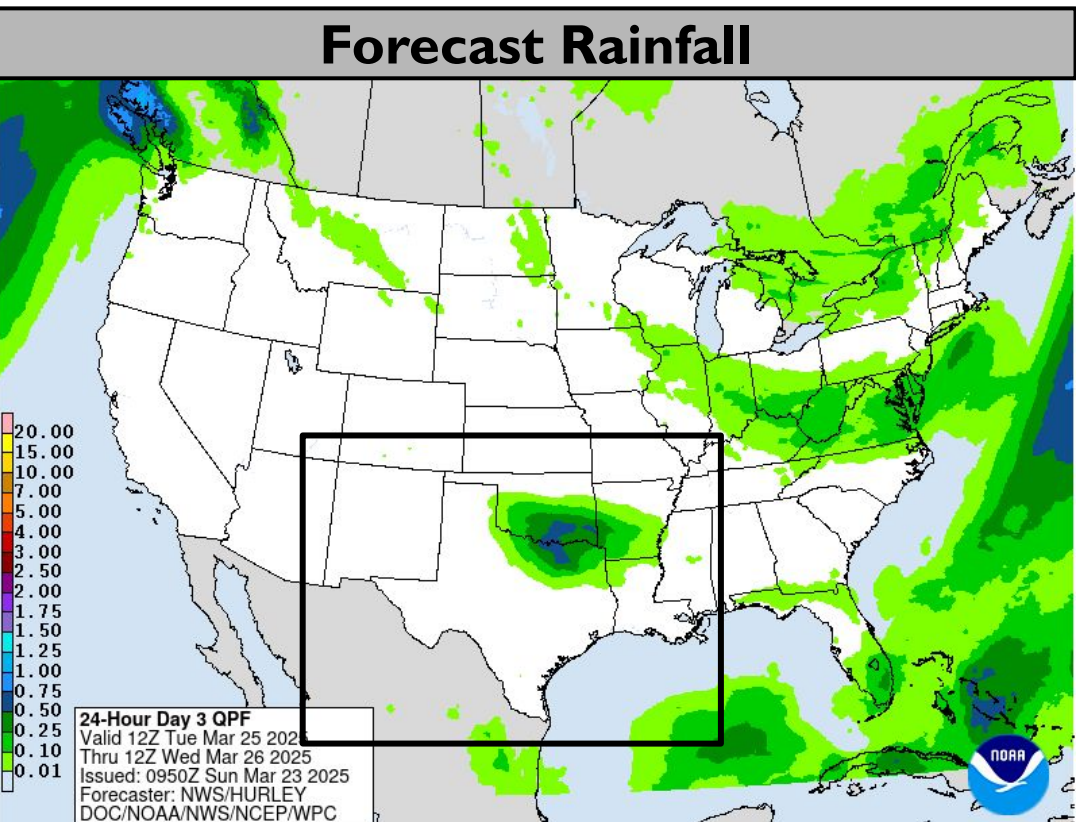
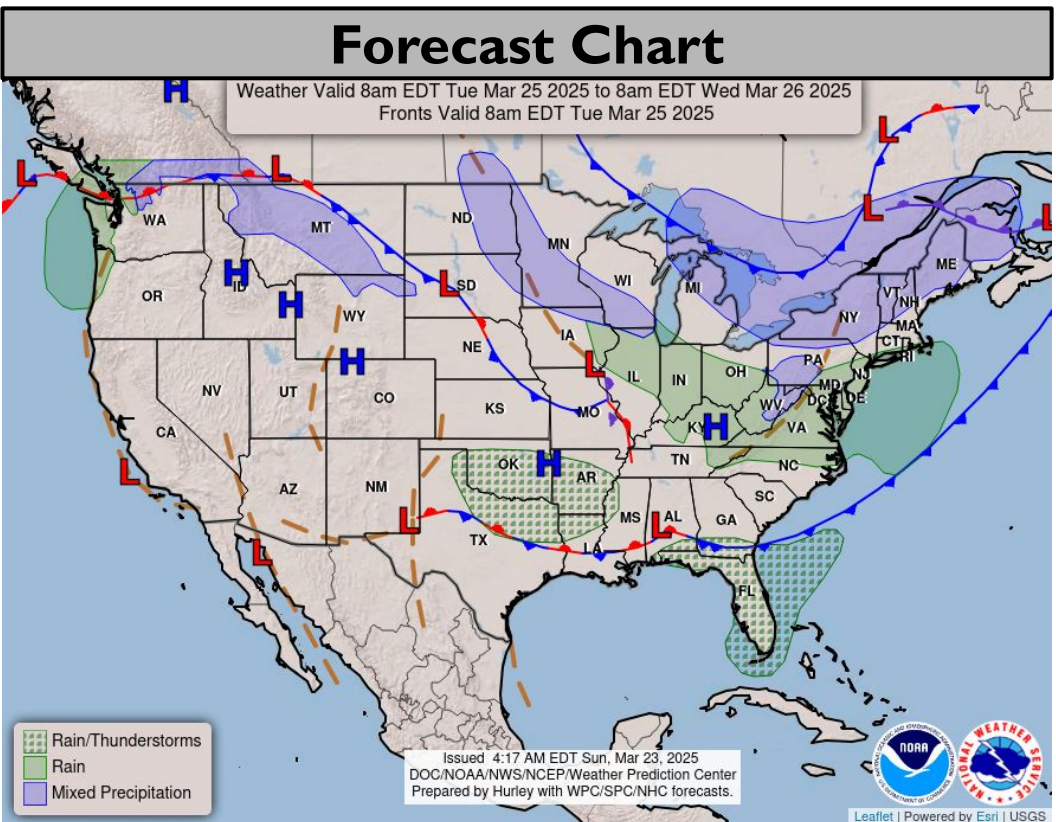


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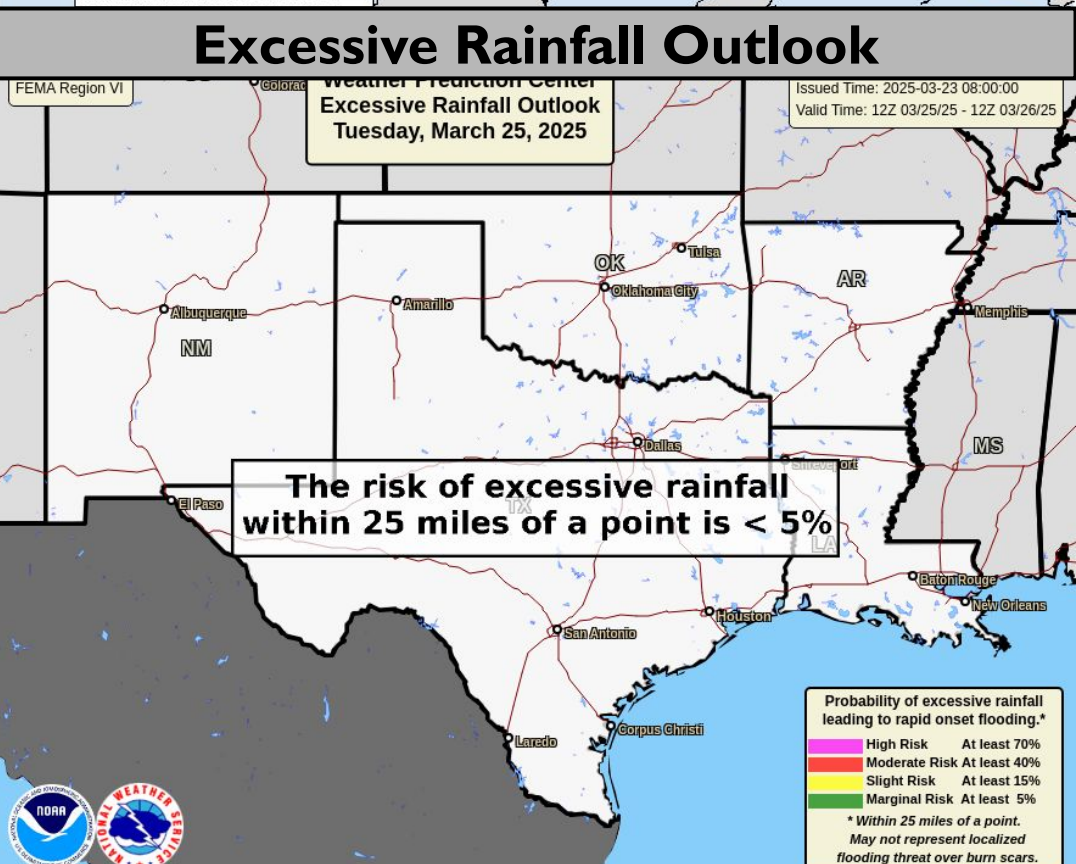
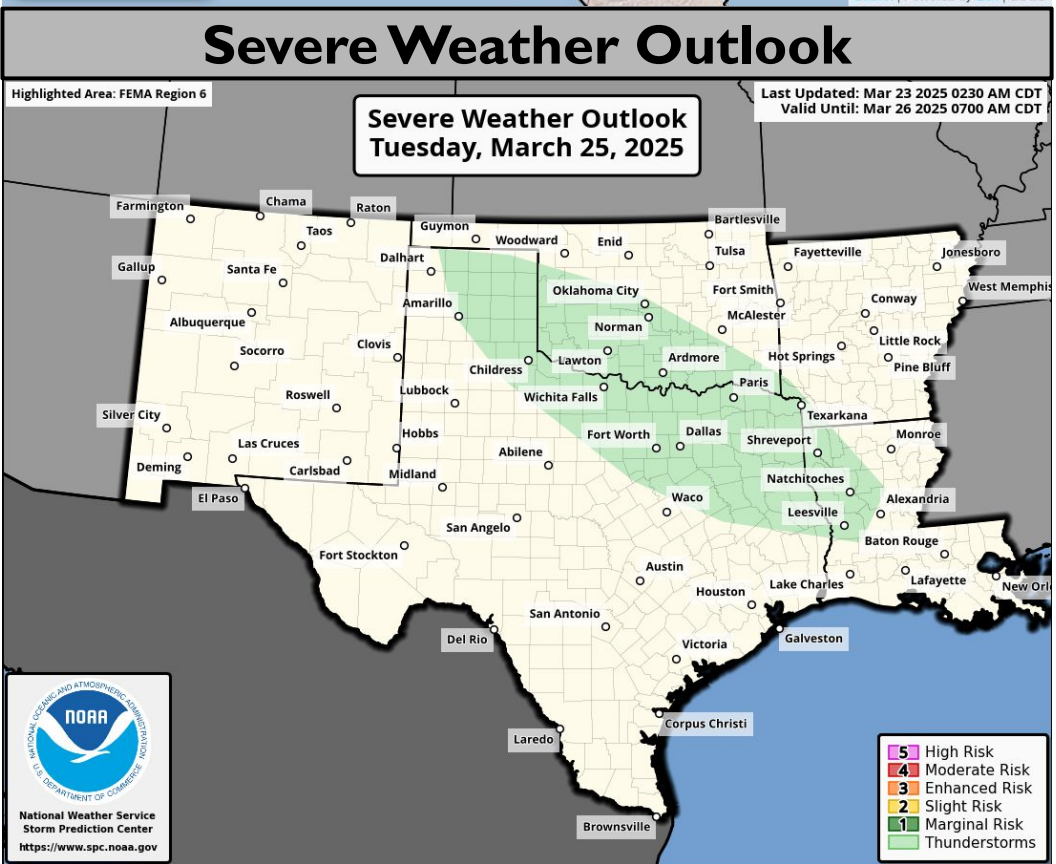




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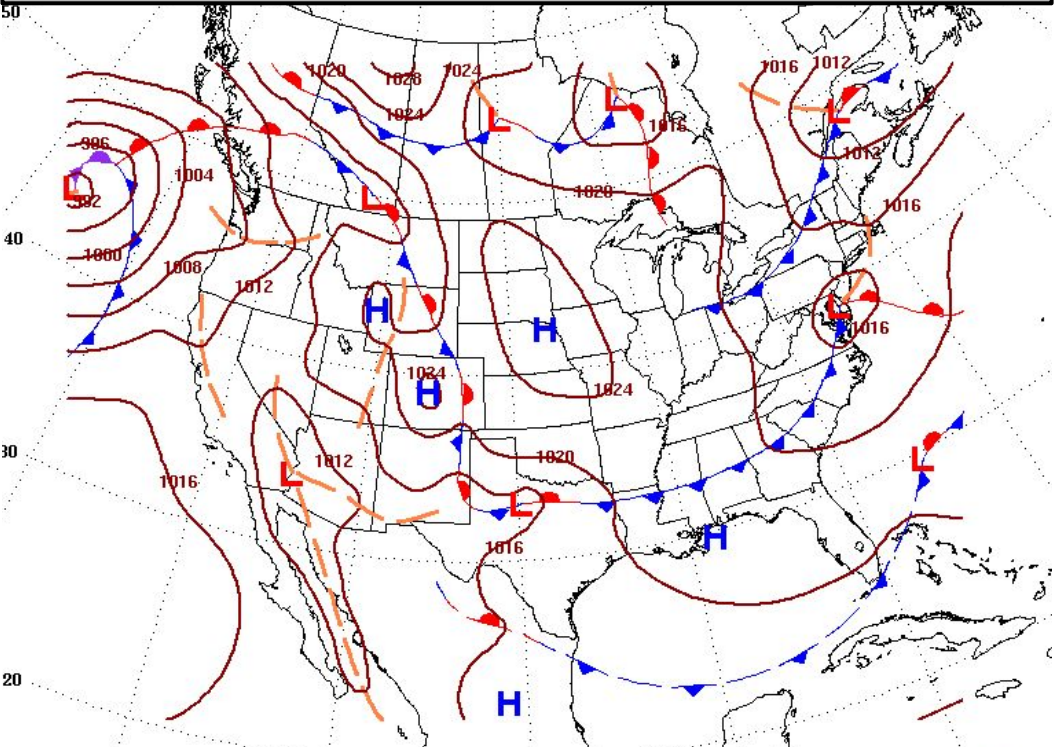
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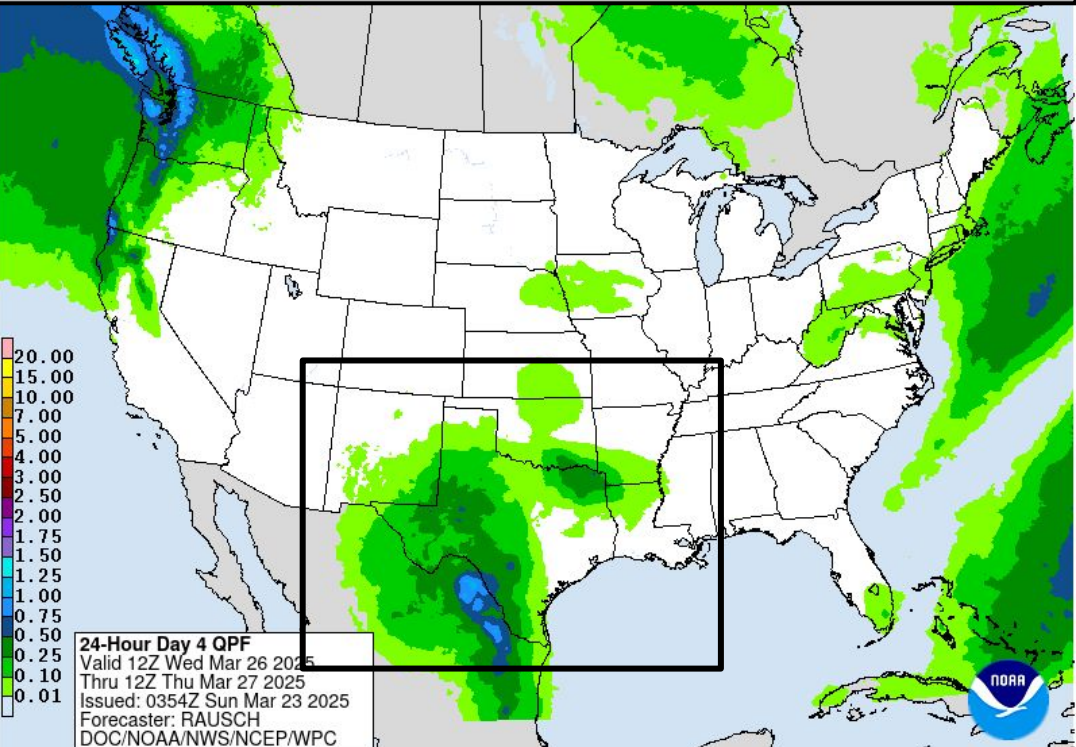


Wednesday's Weather

Forecast Chart

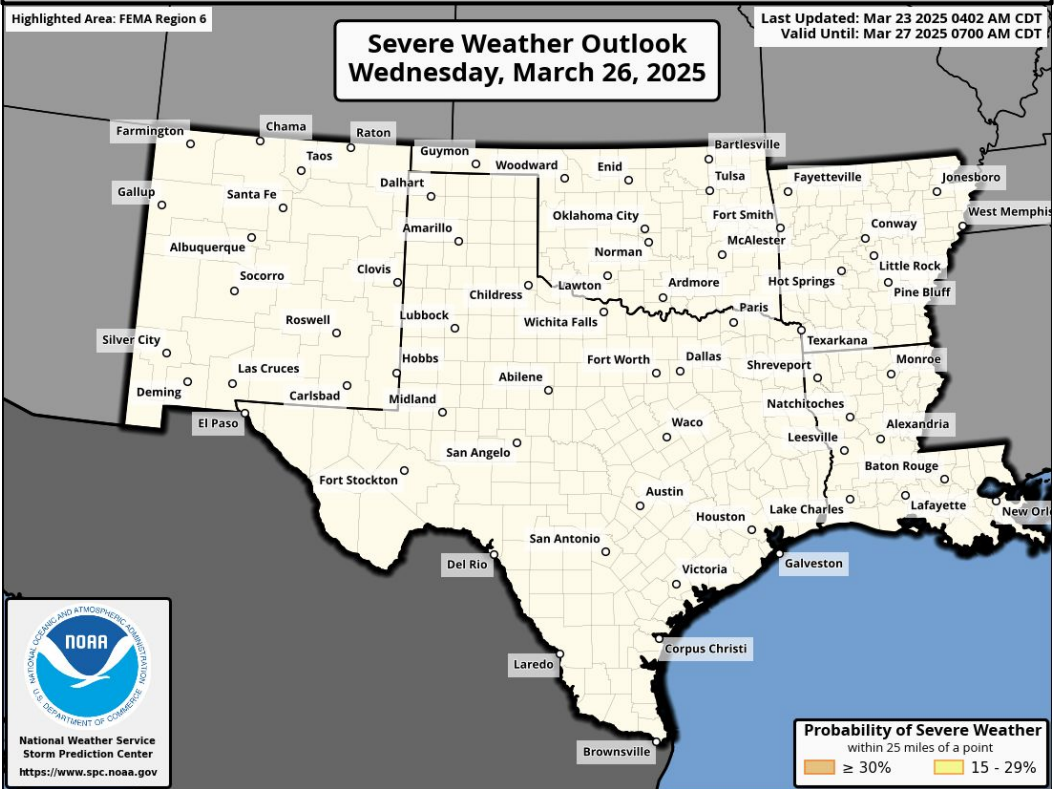


Forecast Rainfall

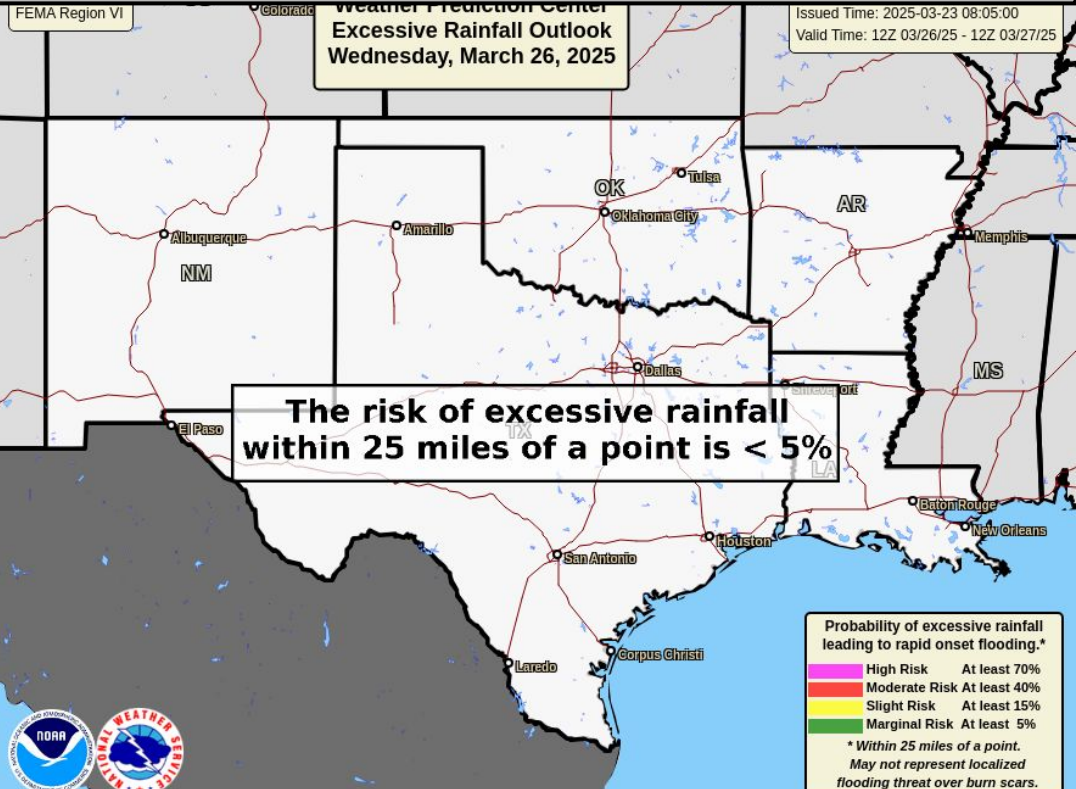


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Severe Weather Outlook



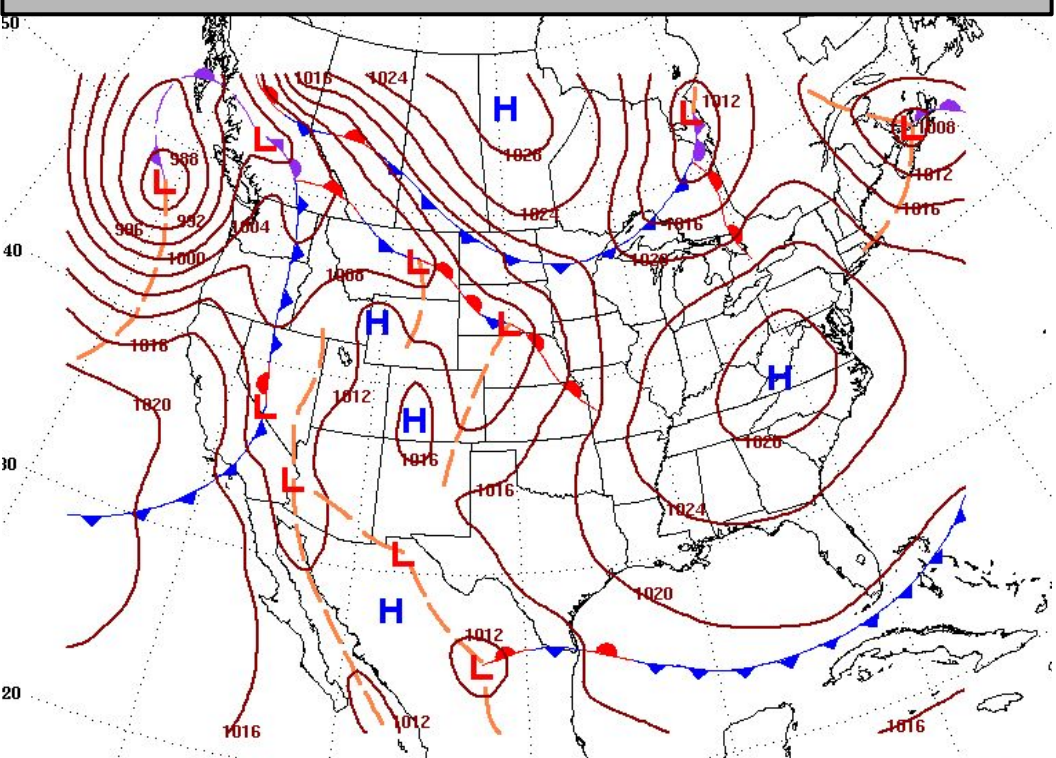
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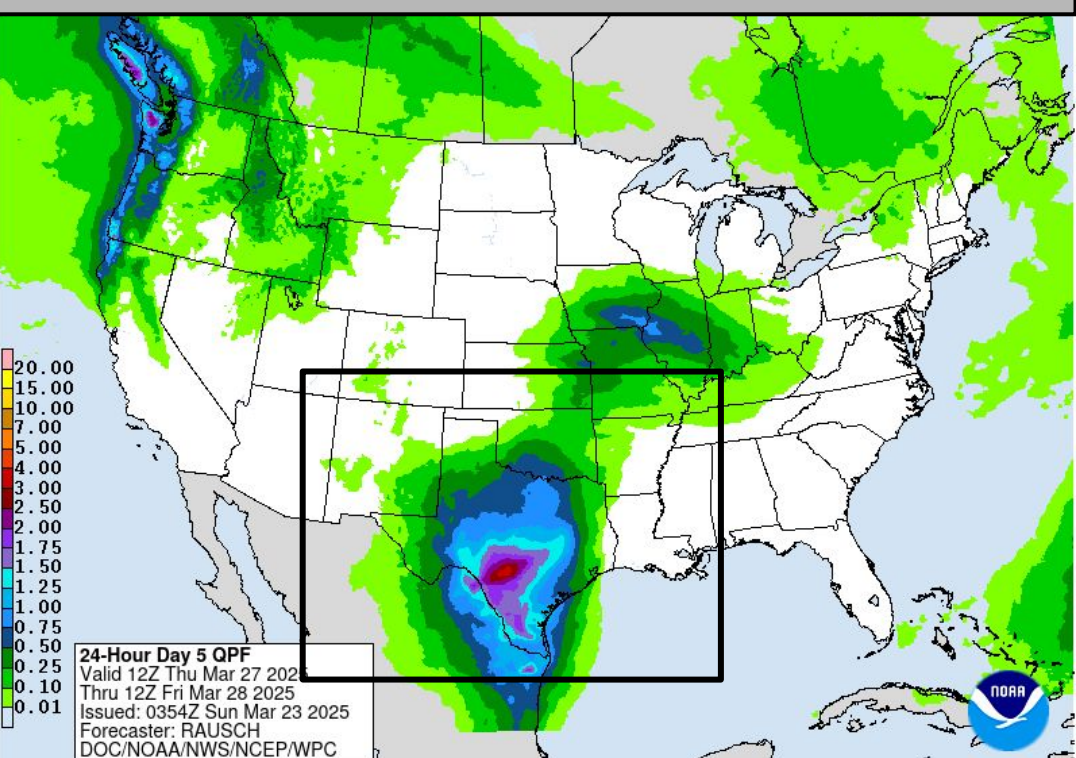


Thursday's Weather

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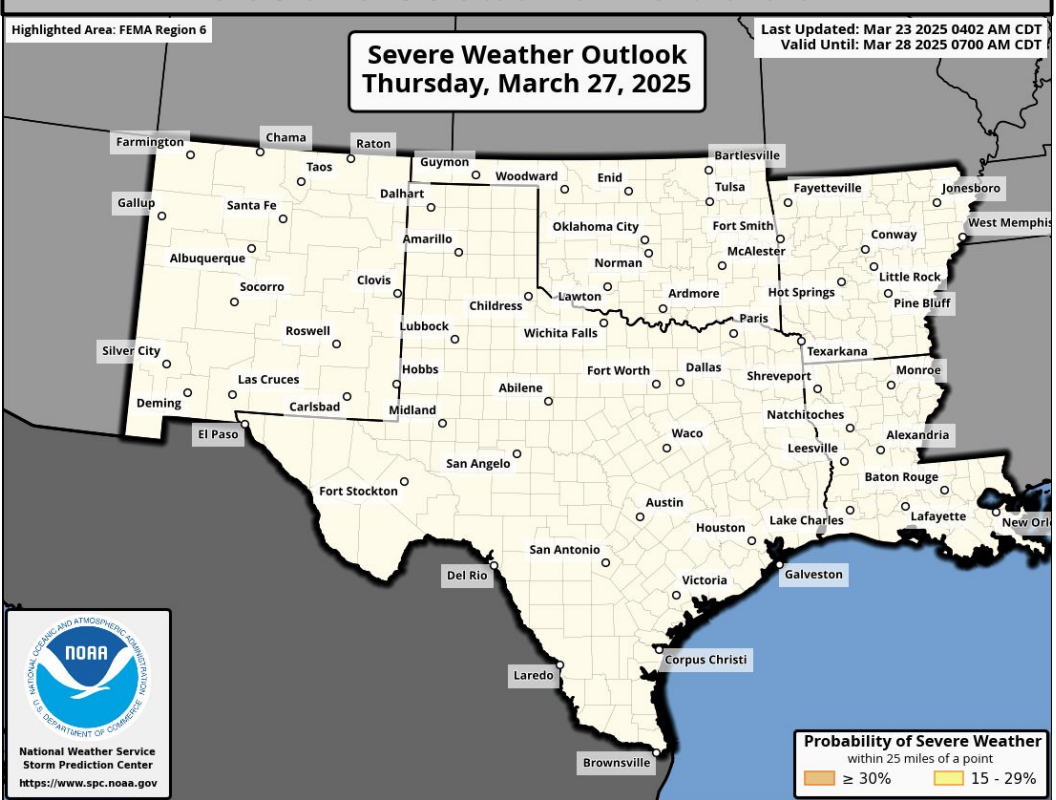


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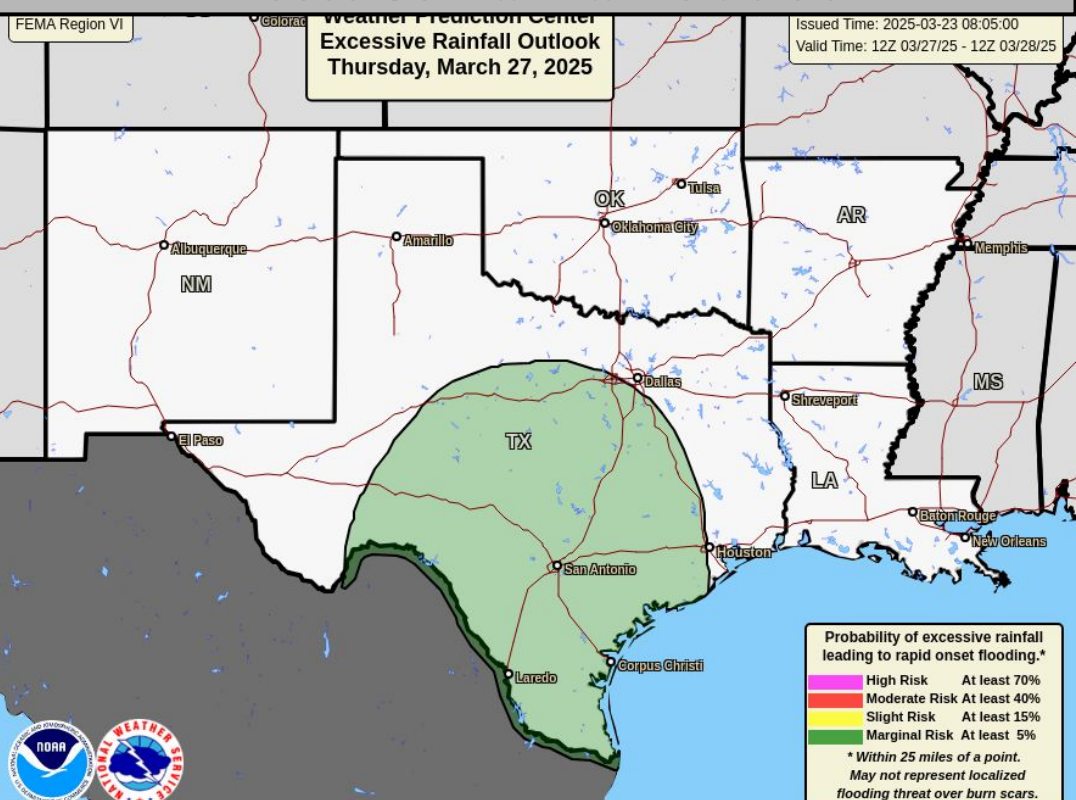


Marginal risk (level I of 4) for heavy rainfall in S/CTX.

Severe Weather Outlook



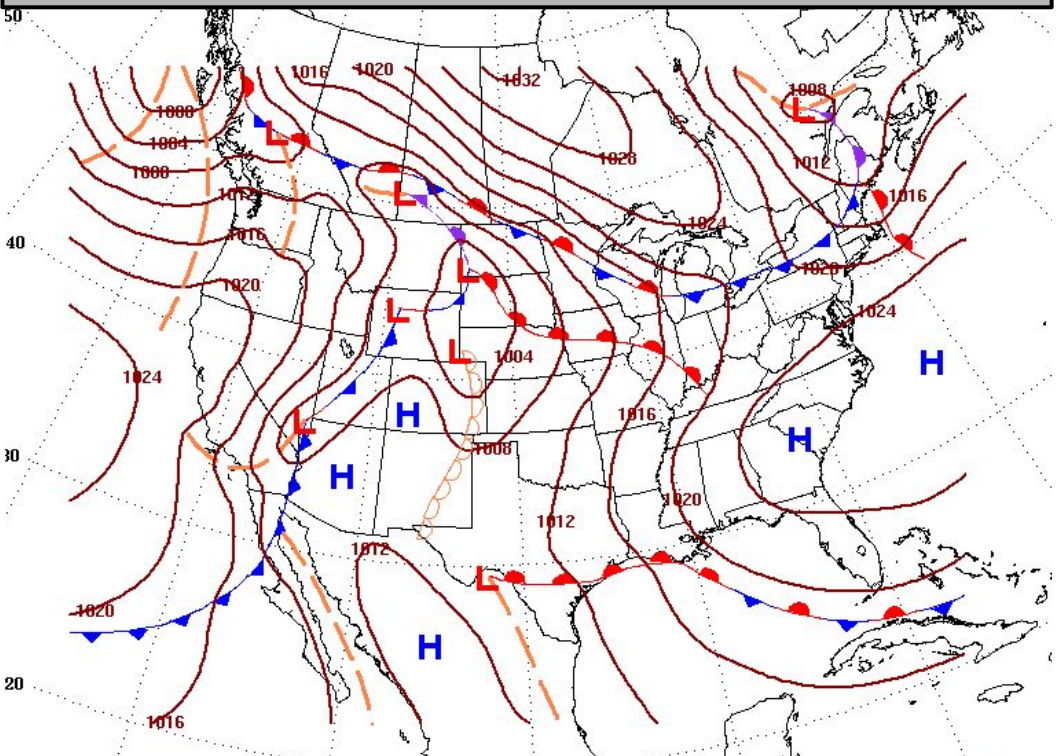
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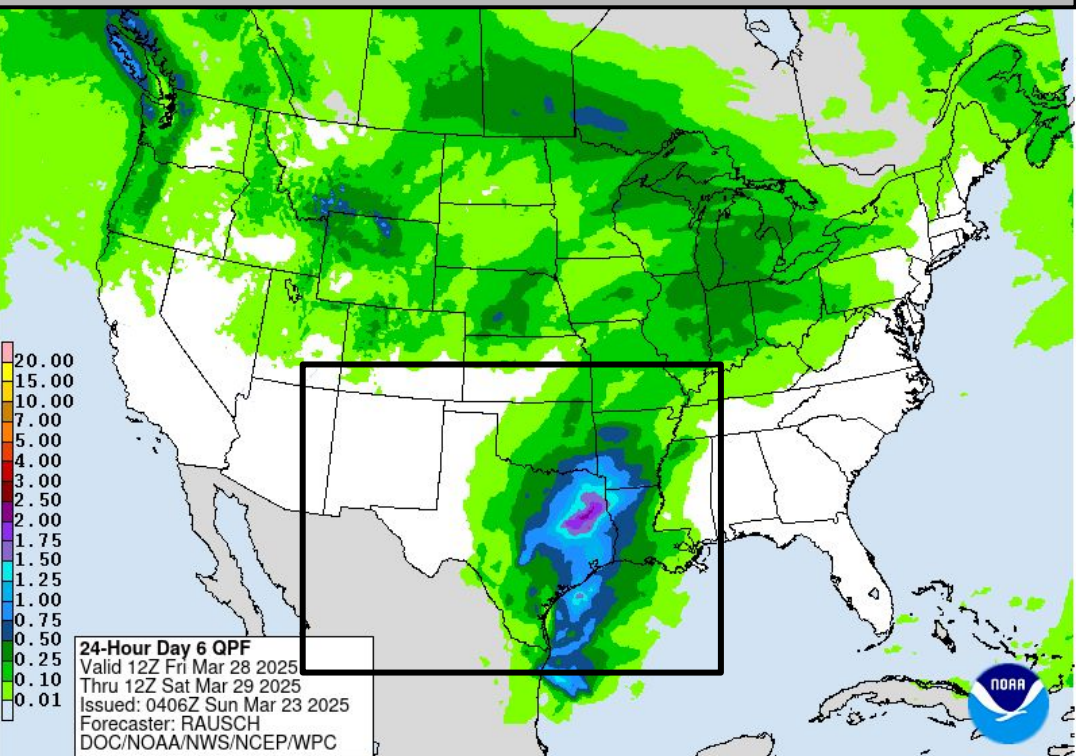


Friday's Weather

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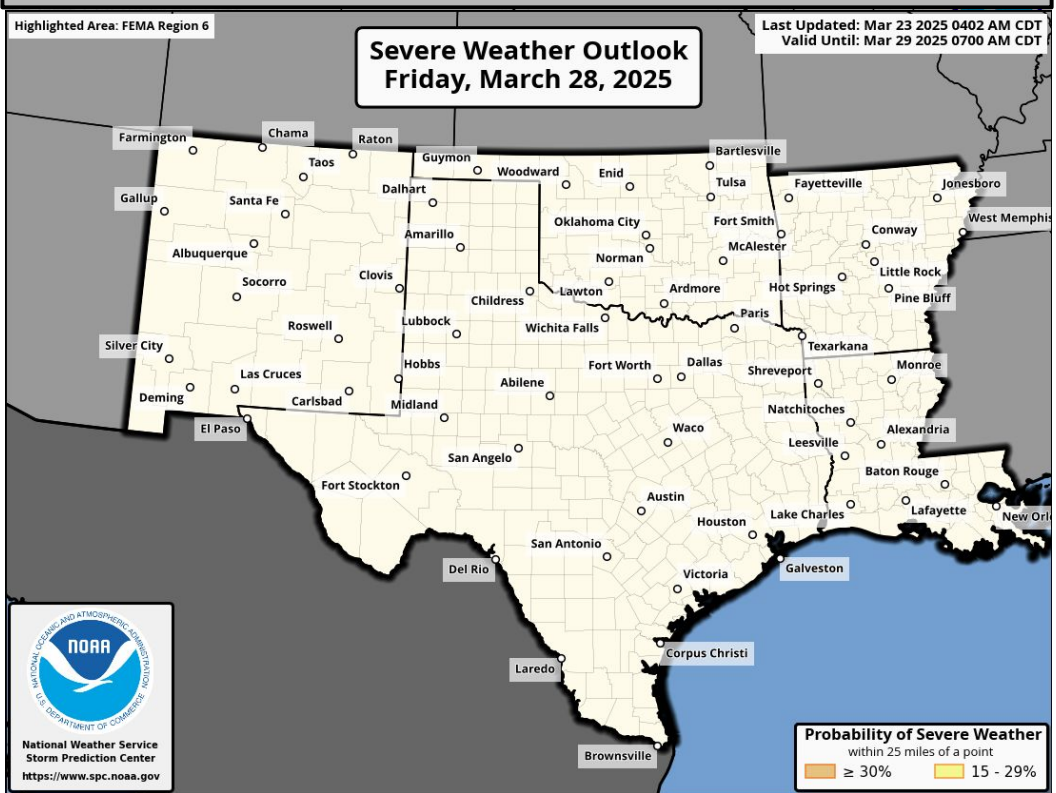


Forecast Rainfall



Monitoring for heavy rainfall in E TX.

Severe Weather Outlook



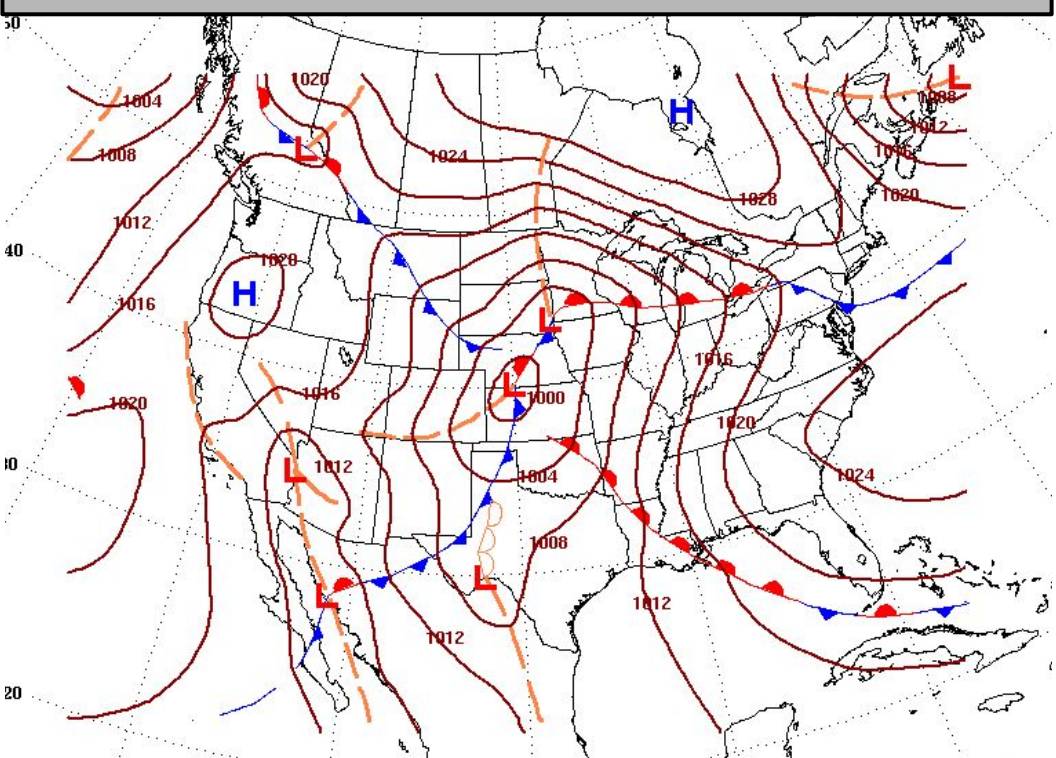
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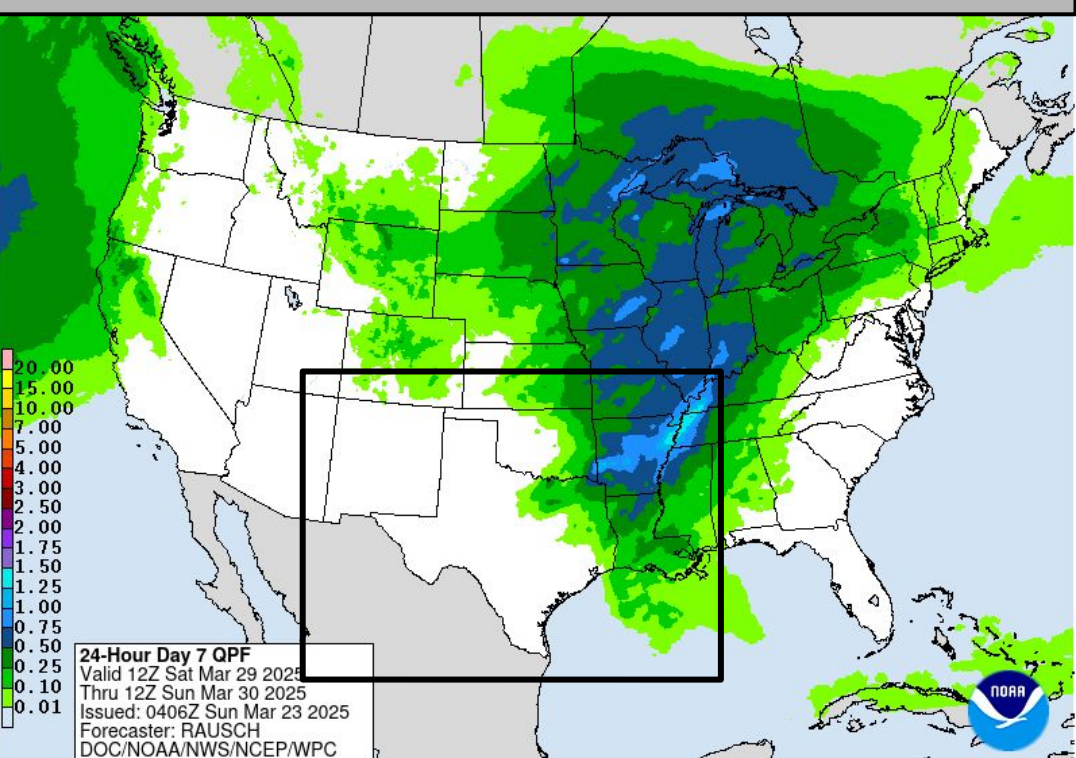


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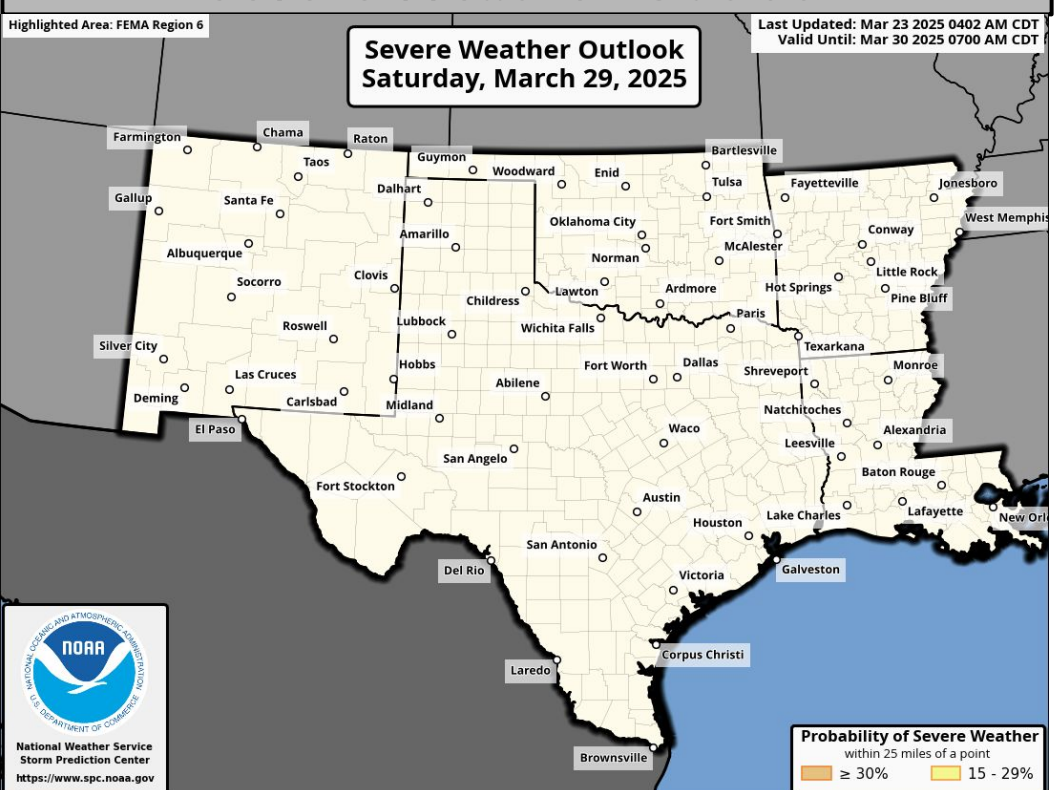


Forecast Rainfall



Monitoring for heavy rainfall in AR.

Severe Weather Outlook



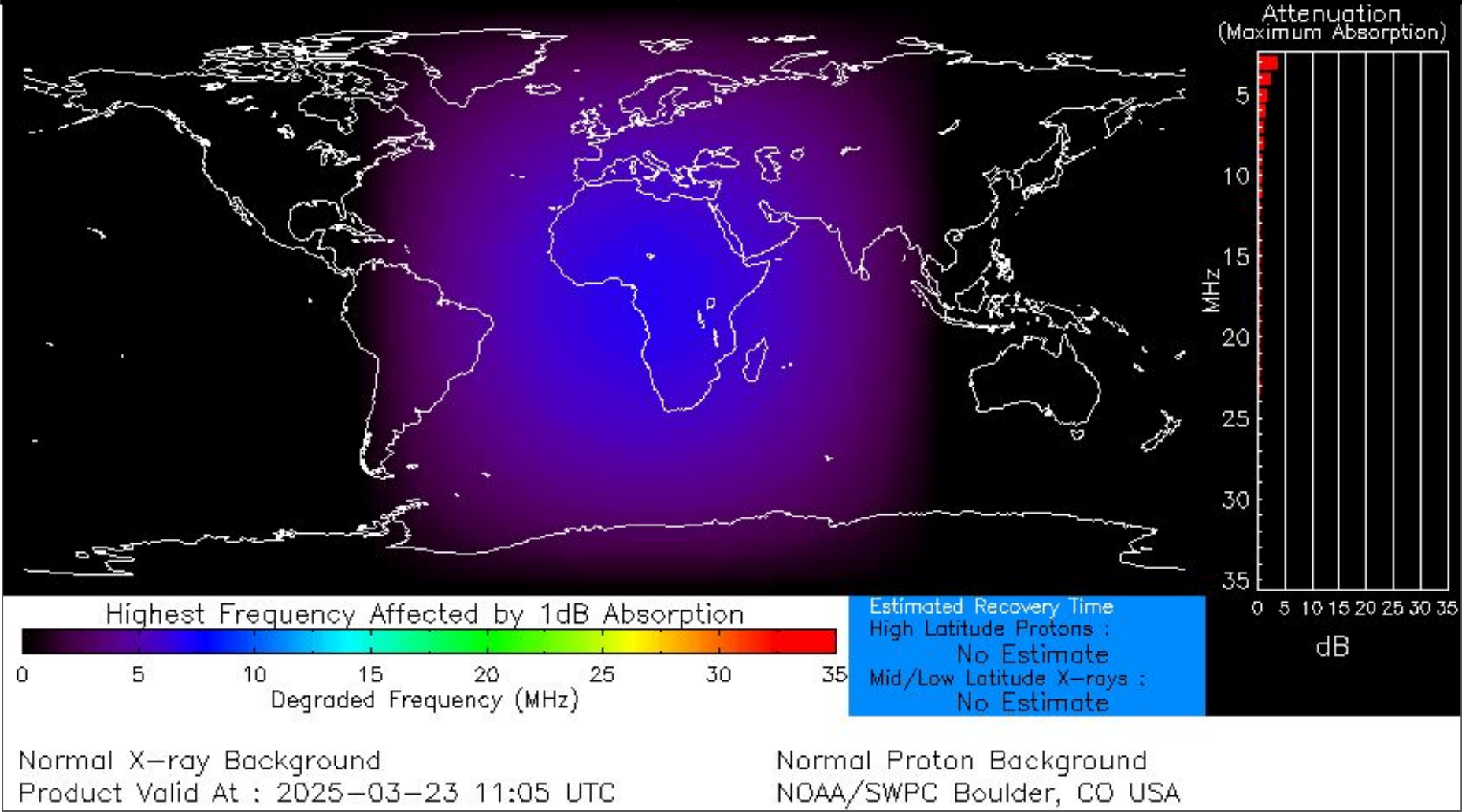
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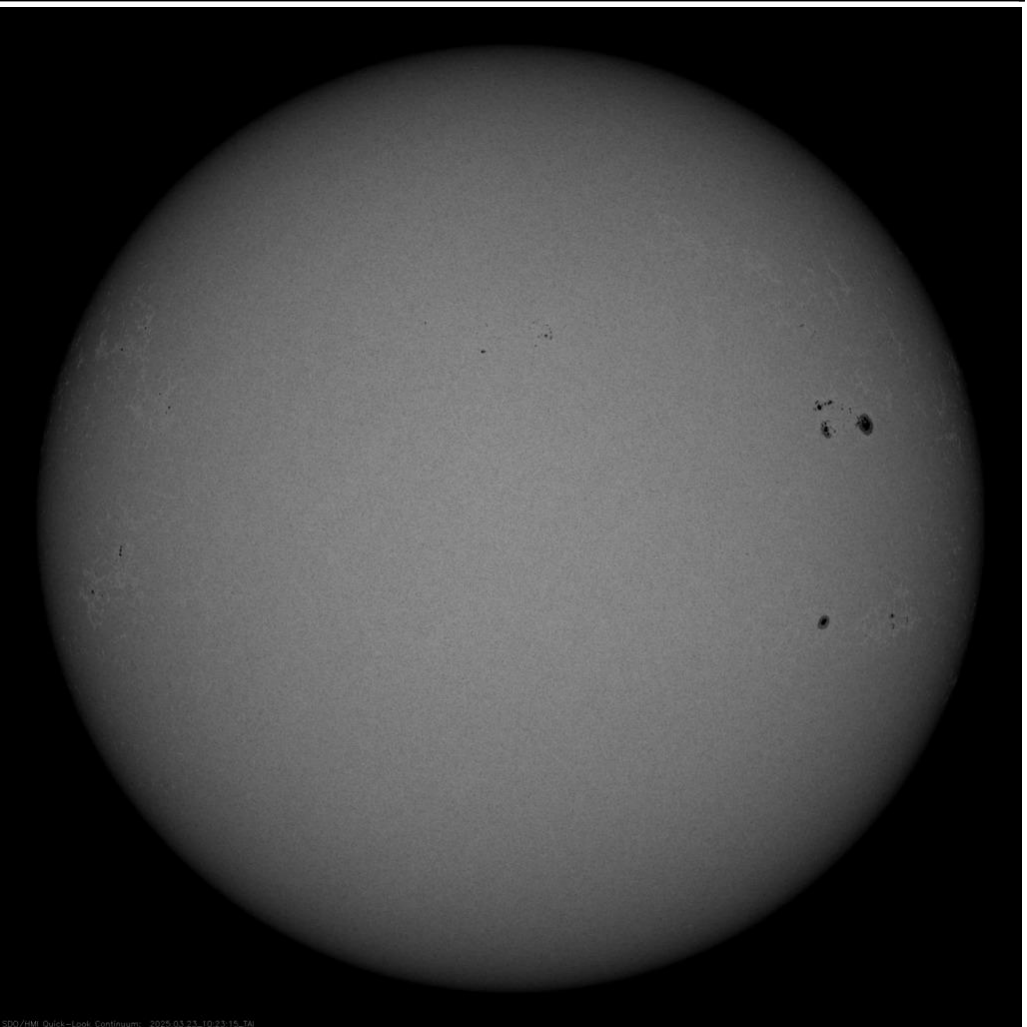
Space Weather 3-Day Forecast

| | Saturday, Mar 22 | Sunday, Mar 23 | Monday, Mar 24 |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Geomagnetic Storms | Minor G1 Storm (Max Kp = 5) | Unsettled (Max Kp = 3) | Moderate G2 Storm (Max Kp = 6) |
| Solar Radiation Storm (S1-S5) | 5% | 5% | 5% |
| Radio Blackout (R1-R2) | 30% | 30% | 30% |
| Radio Blackout (R3-R5) | 5% | 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 | 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 | <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 | 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 | <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 | 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 | <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 | 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 | <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 | 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 | <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