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# FEMA Region 6 Weather Threat Briefing

Monday, August 04, 2025

**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>.



- <u>Severe Weather:</u> Marginal risk (level 1 of 5) for severe storms this afternoon/evening in NE NM and the TX/OK Panhandle region.
- <u>Heat:</u> Dangerous heat will expand across C-SWTX and into NM this week. Afternoon highs by later in the week in OK will also trend higher.
- Tropical: No tropical impacts expected in FEMA 6 over the next 7 days.





## FEMA Region 6 Threat Matrix

#### Next 7 days

	Monday, Aug 4	Tuesday, Aug 5	Wednesday, Aug 6	Thursday, Aug 7	Friday, Aug 8	Saturday, Aug 9	Sunday, Aug 10
Severe Storms	NE NM,TX/OK Panhandles						
Heavy Rain / Flash Flooding	SE LA						
Burn Scars				N NM			
Tropical							
Heat	C-SWTX, E NM	C-SWTX, E NM	NM, OK,TX	NM, OK,TX	NM, OK,TX	NM, OK,TX	NM, OK,TX
River Flooding							

\*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

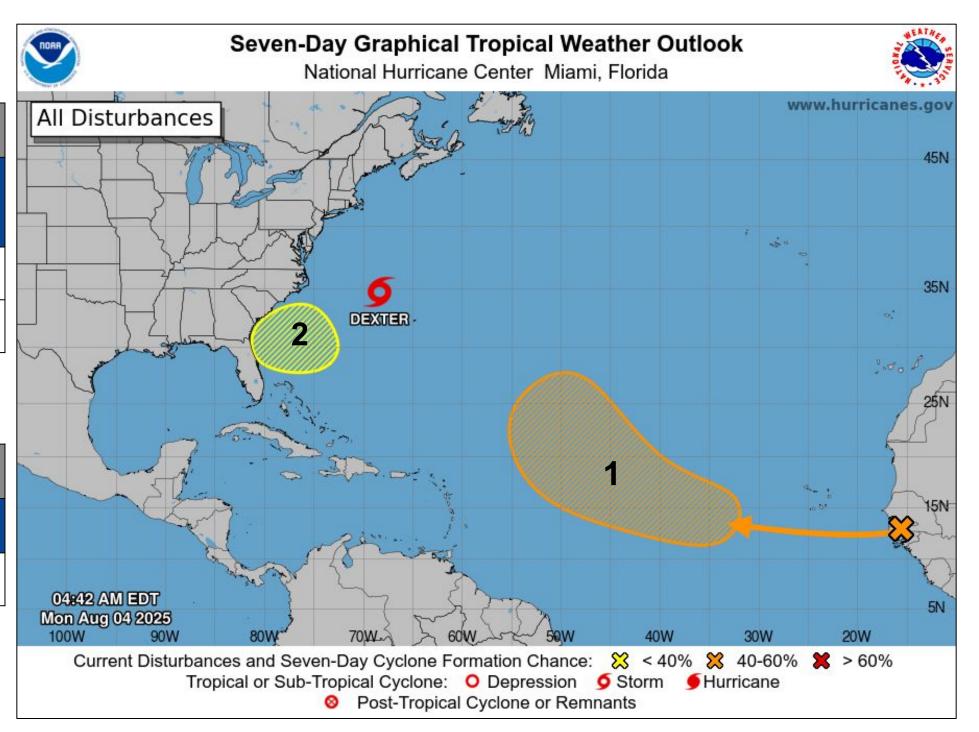




## Tropical Weather Outlook – Atlantic/Gulf

Areas of Possible Development				
Area Chance of Development Potential Impacts to FEMA 6				
1	Medium	None over the next 7 days.		
2	Low	None.		

Active Tropical Cyclones				
Storm Potential Impacts to FEMA 6				
T.S. Dexter	None.			



See <a href="http://www.hurricanes.gov">http://www.hurricanes.gov</a> for the latest on the tropics or any active storms





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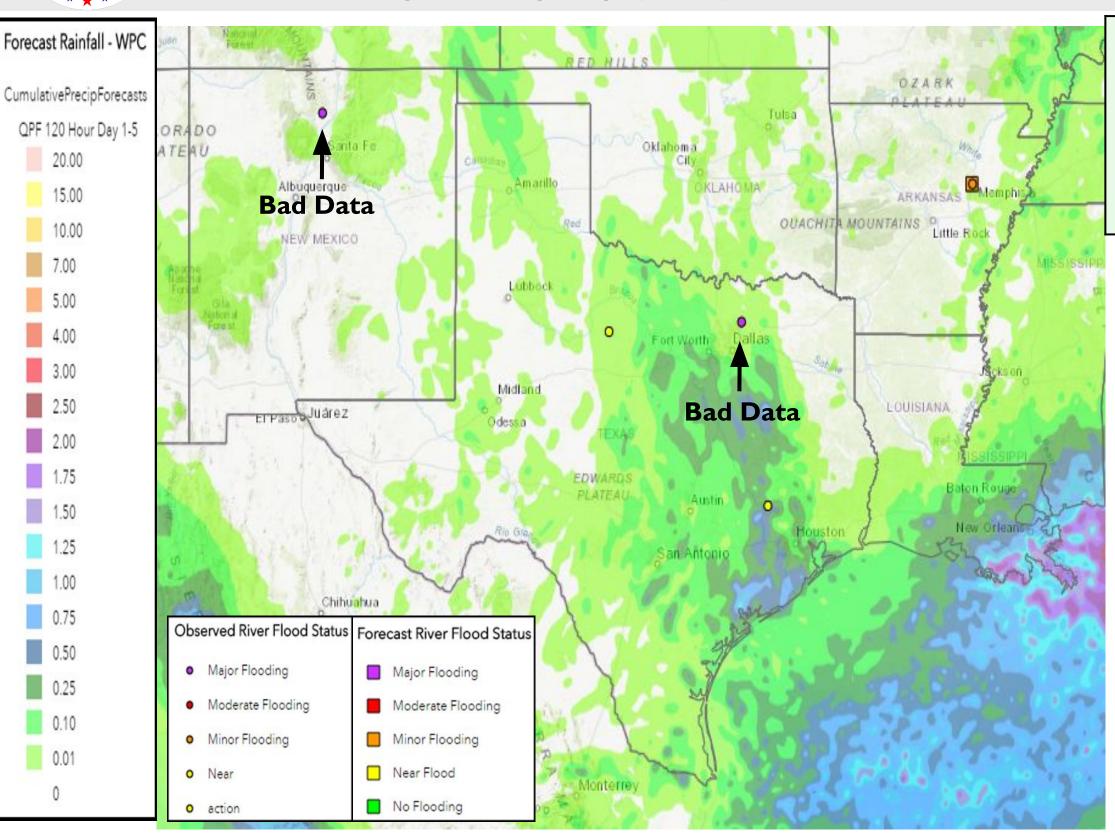
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#### 5-Day Precipitation Forecast & River Flood Status

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



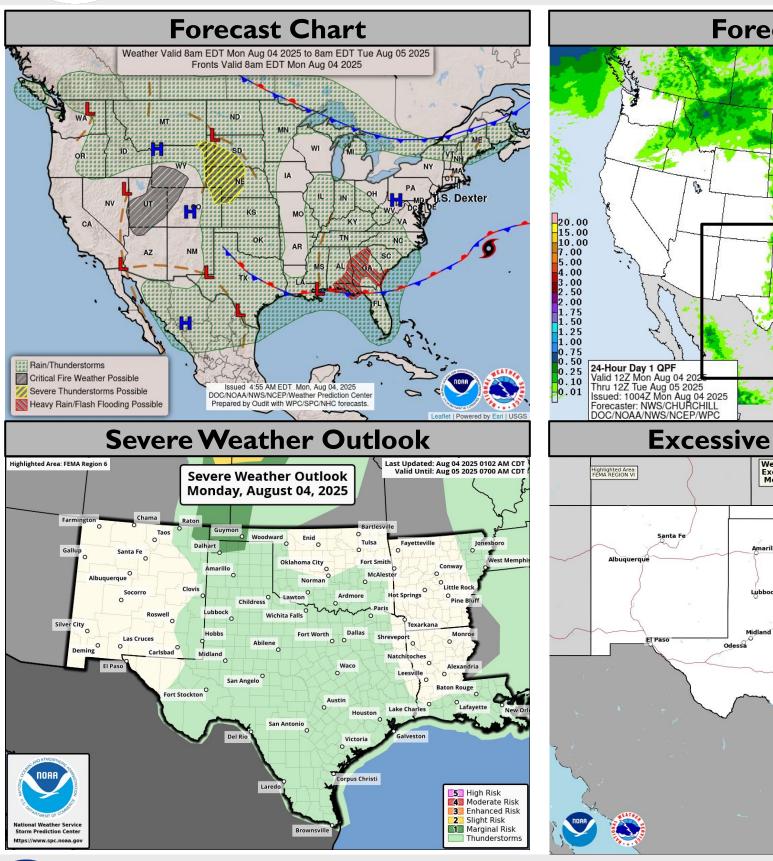
Isolated minor river flooding in EAR is forecast to continue thru mid-week. Rural secondary crossings, roadways, and croplands will be flooded.

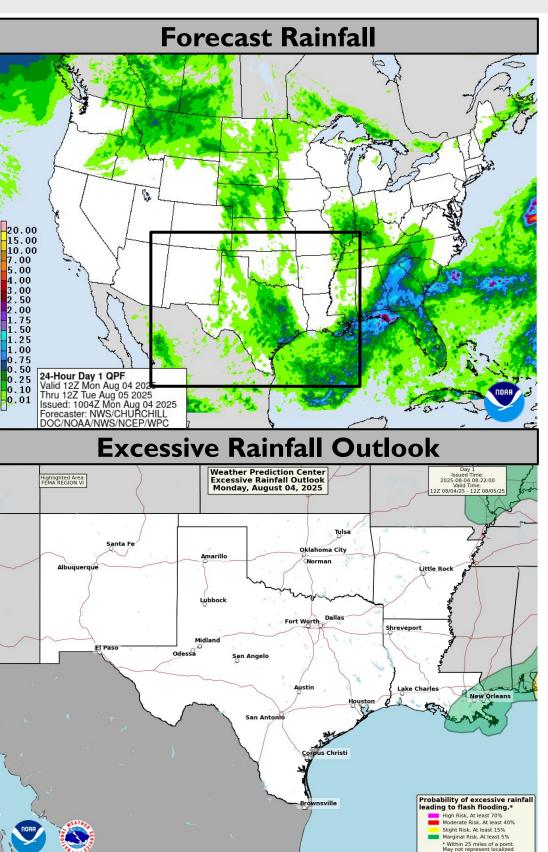
> Note: Numerical levels (e.g. level 1 of 4) will not be assigned to riverine flooding due to the varying levels of impacts across flood categories.





### Today's Weather





Heat Risk across C-SWTX, E NM.

Marginal risk (level 1 of 4) for heavy rain in SE LA.

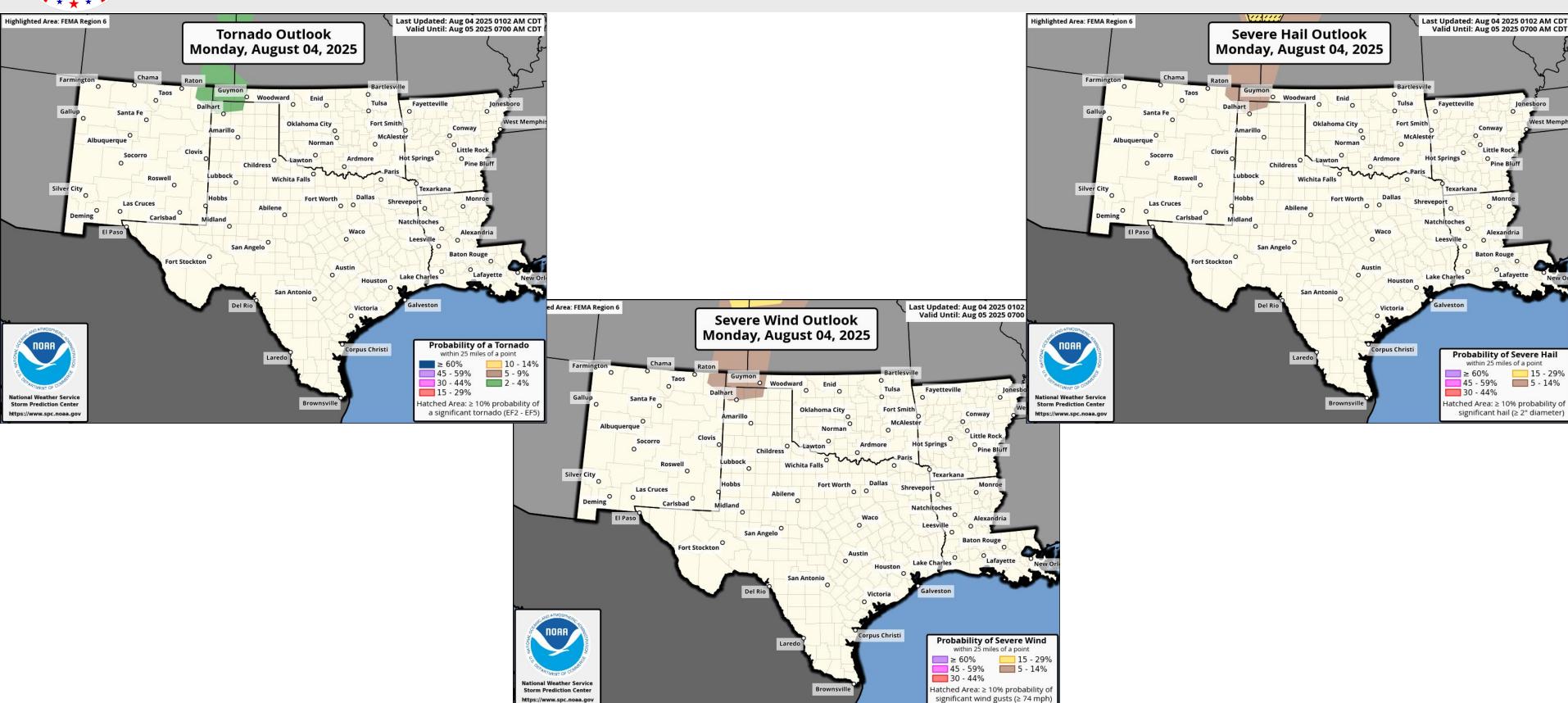
Marginal Risk (level 1 of 5) for severe storms this afternoon/evening across NE NM and in the TX/OK Panhandles.

\*Burn Scar Flash Flooding information on Burn Scar Matrix slides\*





#### Today's Tornado & Severe Wind / Hail Probabilities

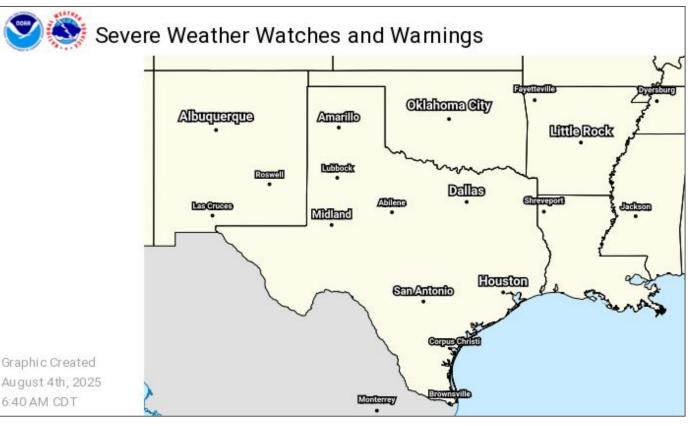




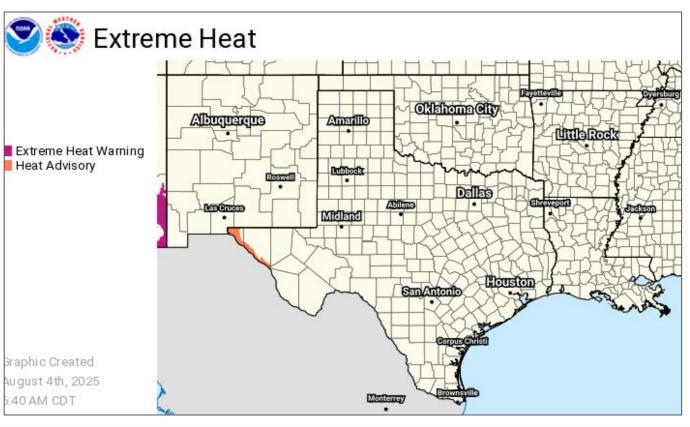
## Watches, Warnings, and Advisories

#### Wind, Severe, Heat, and Flood Hazards





Heat Advisories in WTX, Coastal Bend TX in effect. Temps feeling between 107-114 degrees.





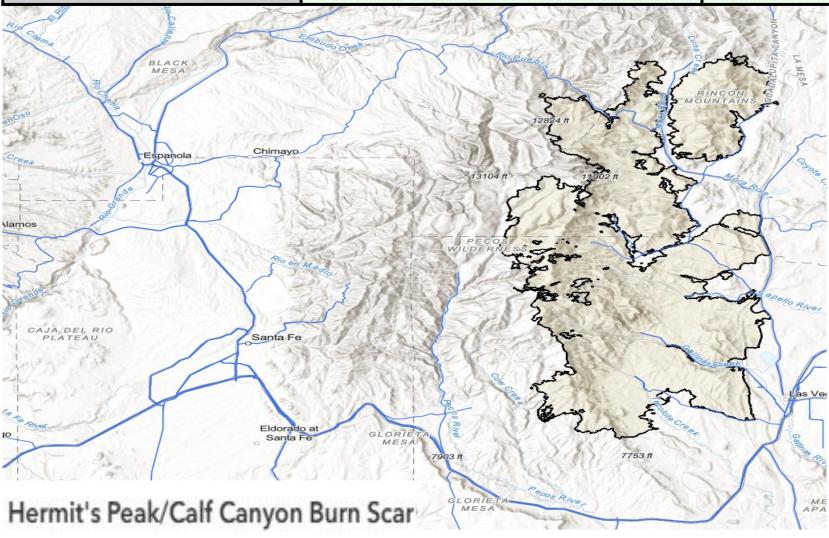




## Burn Scar Debris Flow Risk - HPCC Scars New Mexico

#### Hermit's Peak/Calf Canyon Burn Scar

	Monday, Aug 4	Tuesday, Aug 5	Wednesday, Aug 6	Thursday, Aug 7
Flash Flooding	Little to None	Little to None	Little to None	Minor
Timing - CDT				Afternoon/Evening



Little to None	No Flash Flood Threat
Minor (level I of 4)	Slight Risk of Flash Flooding
Moderate (level 2 of 4)	Probability of Flash Flooding Issuance 40% to 60%
Major (level 3 of 4)	Flood Watch Issued OR Debris Flow Probability > 50%
Extreme (level 4 of 4)	Life Threatening Flash Flooding Likely - Historic Type Day

WPC's Excessive Rainfall Outlook is Not Applicable to burn scars.

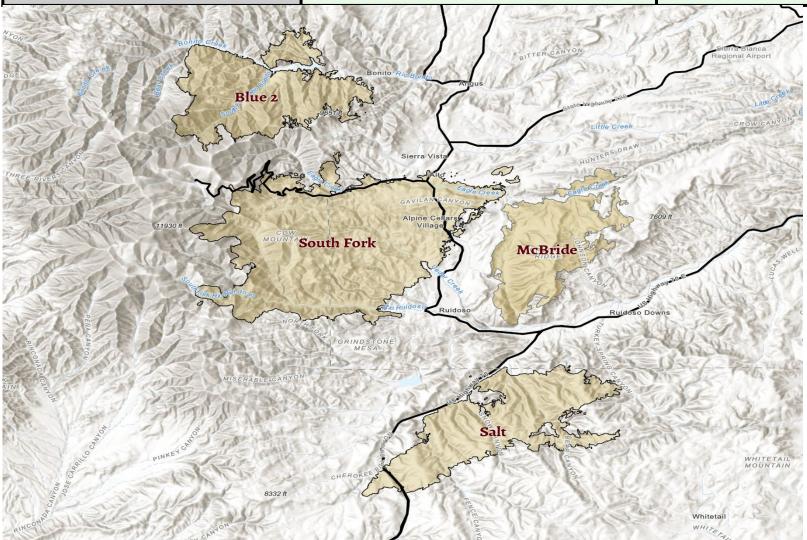




## Burn Scar Debris Flow Risk - Ruidoso, New Mexico

#### **Sacramento Complex**

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Flash Flooding	Little to None	Little to None	Little to None	Little to None
Timing - CDT				



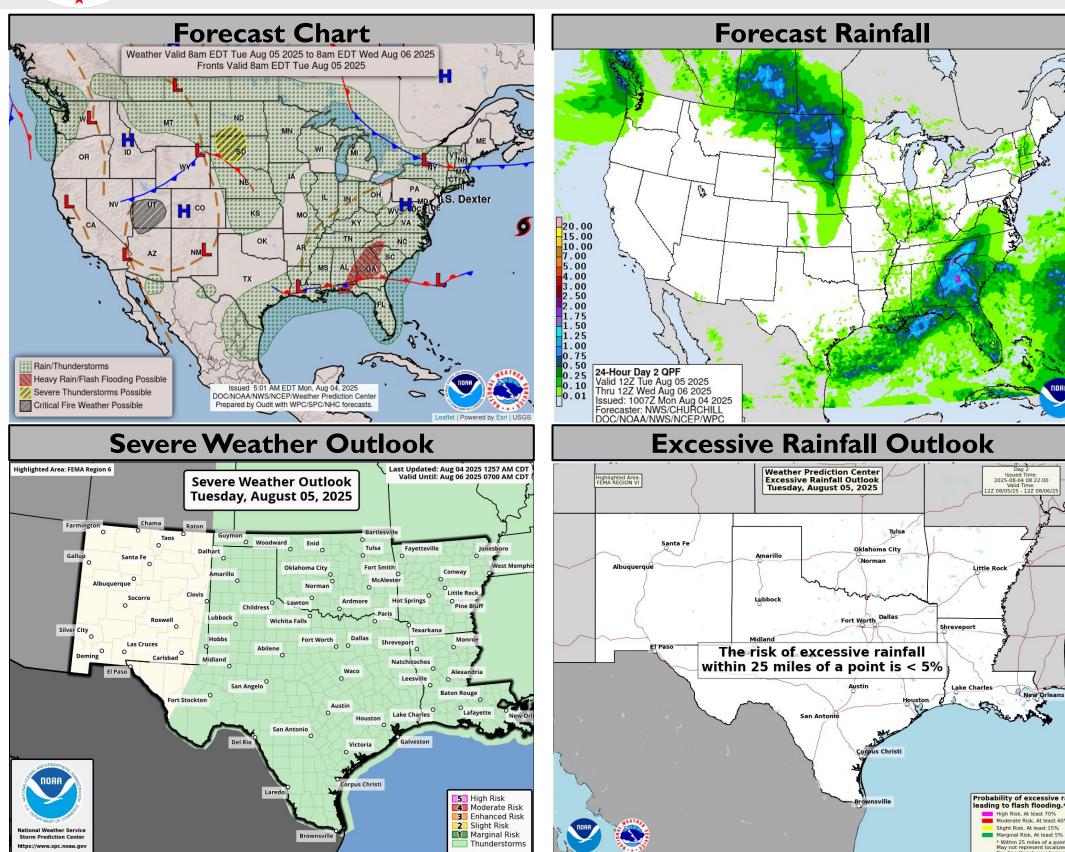
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- \*Note\* 2nd year burn scars can be more dangerous than year 1.





## Tomorrow's Weather



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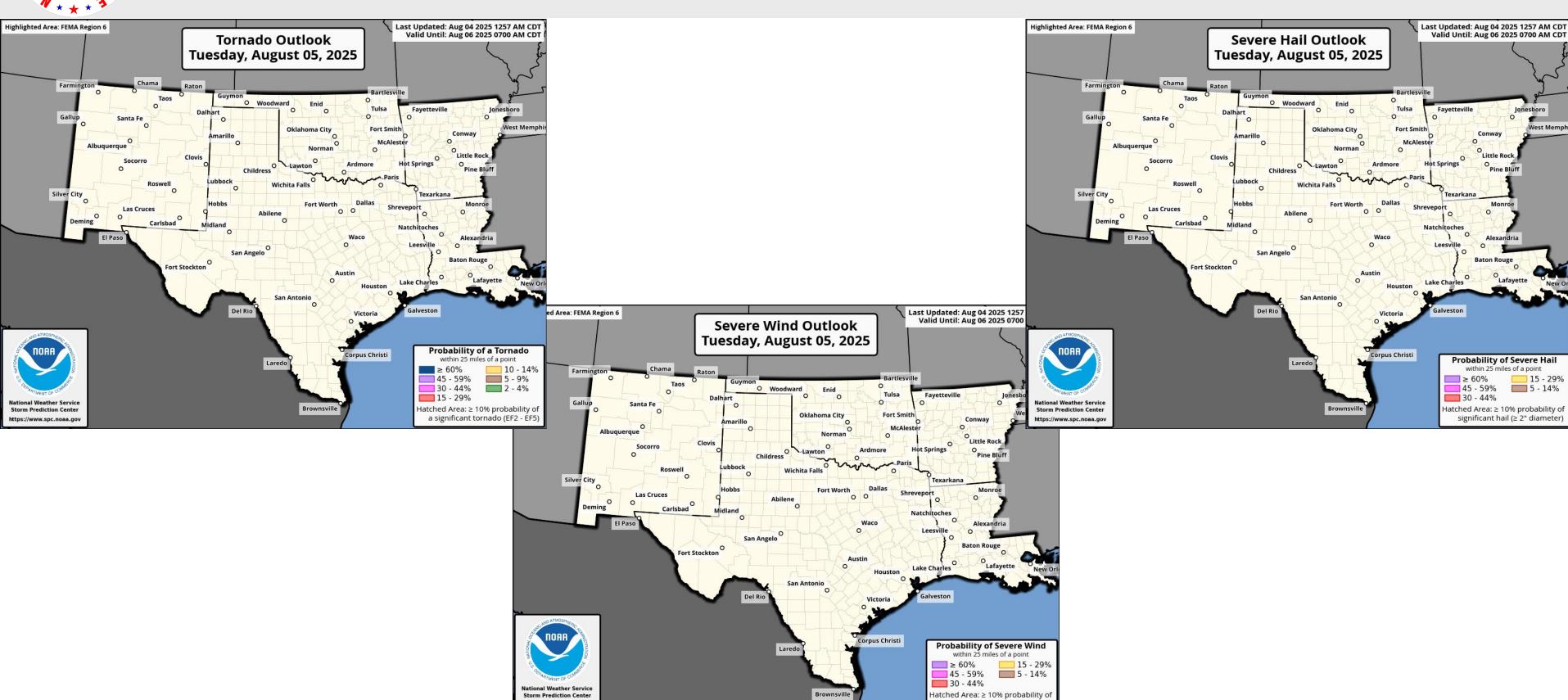
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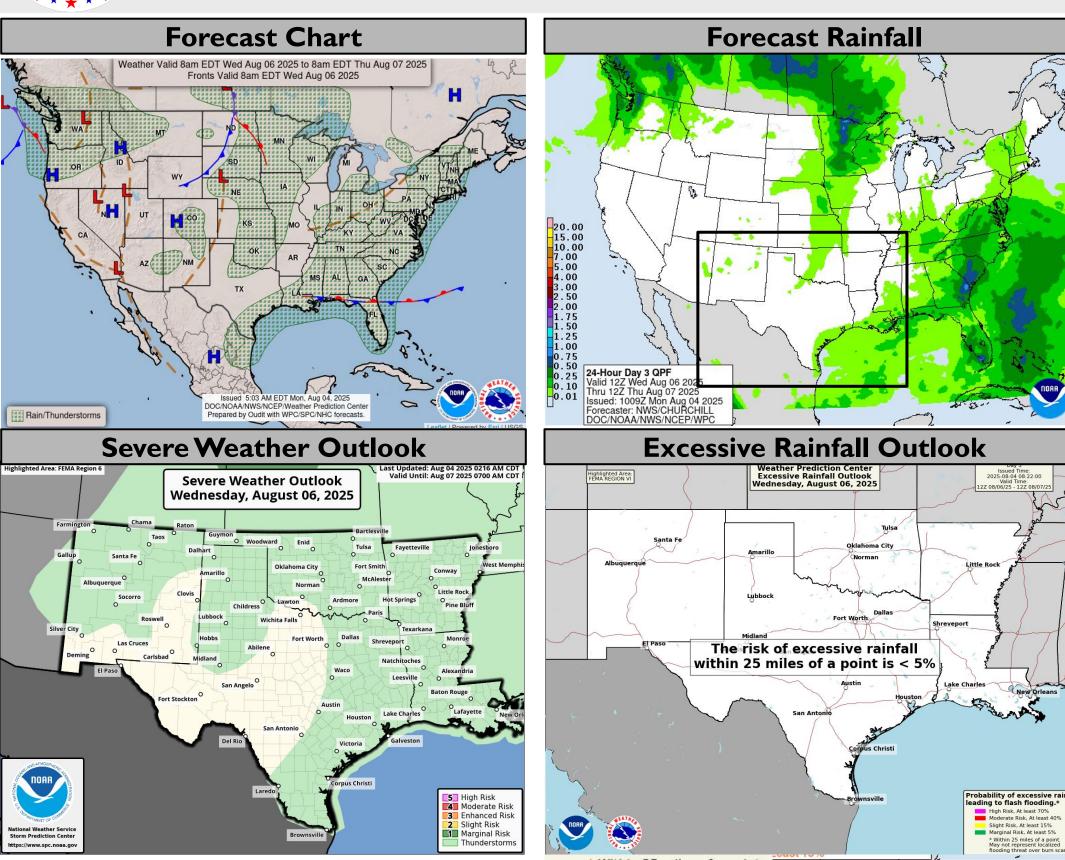
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significant wind gusts (≥ 74 mph)



## Wednesday's Weather



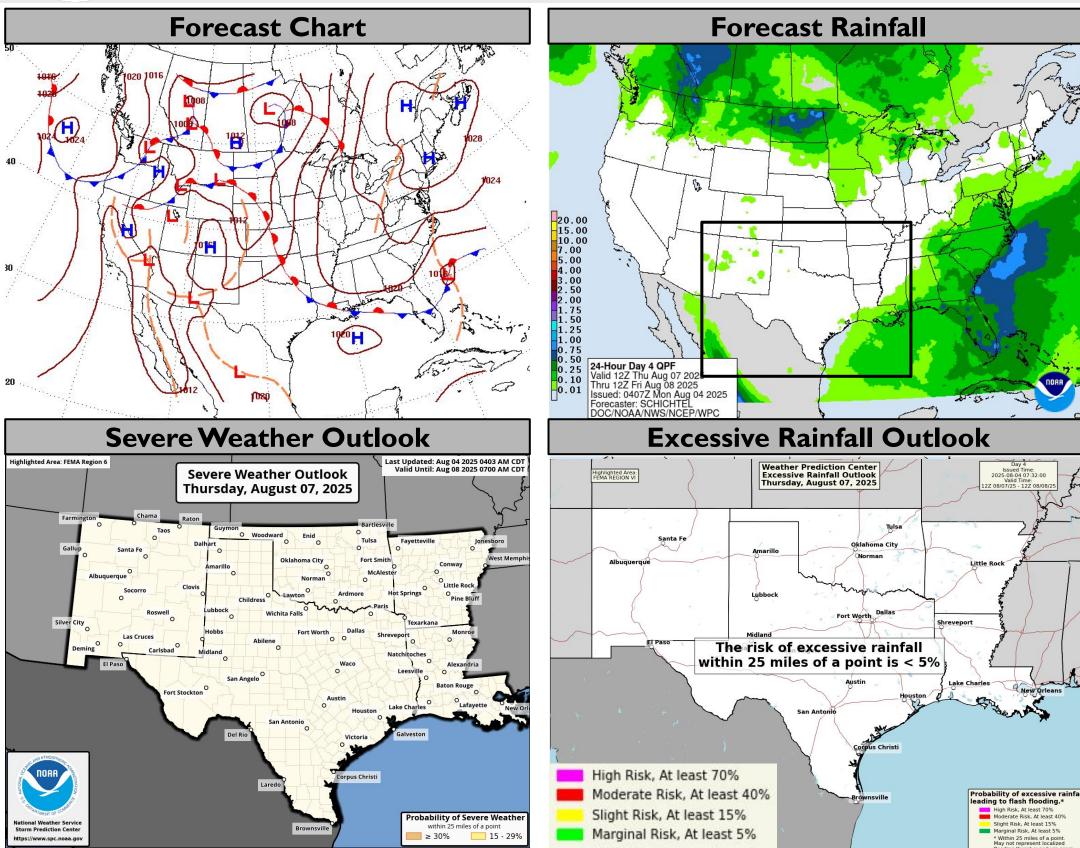
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## Thursday's Weather



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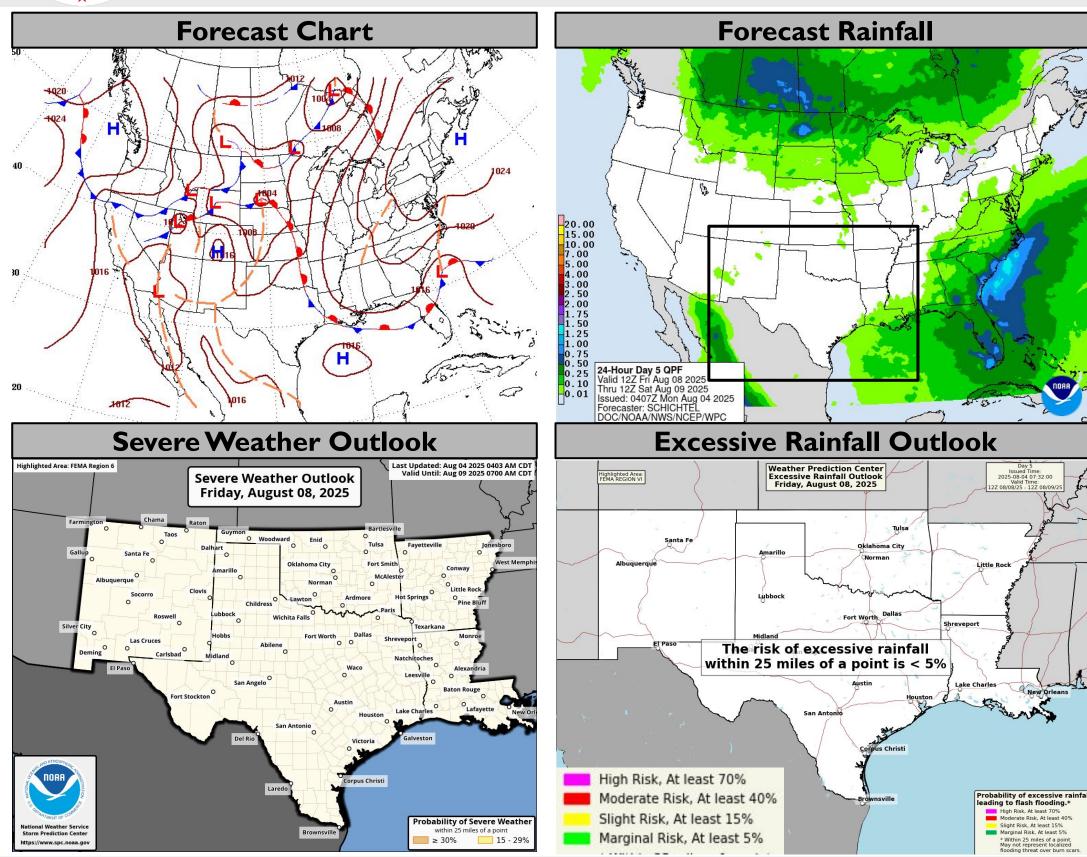
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## Friday's Weather



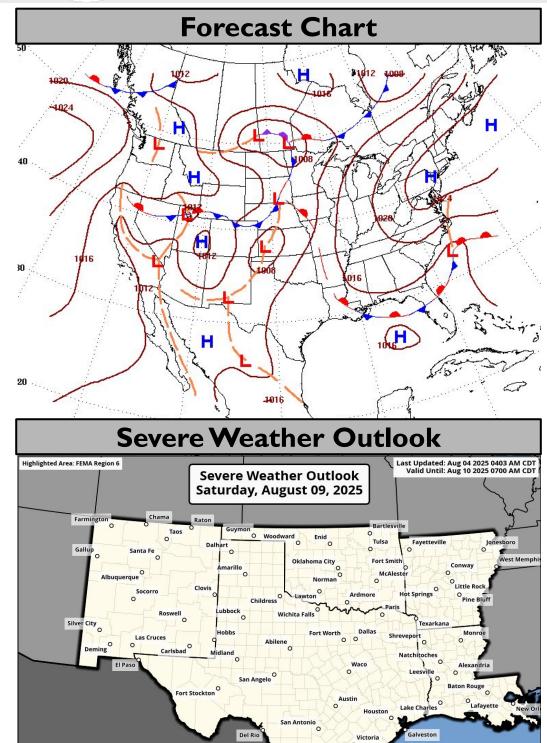
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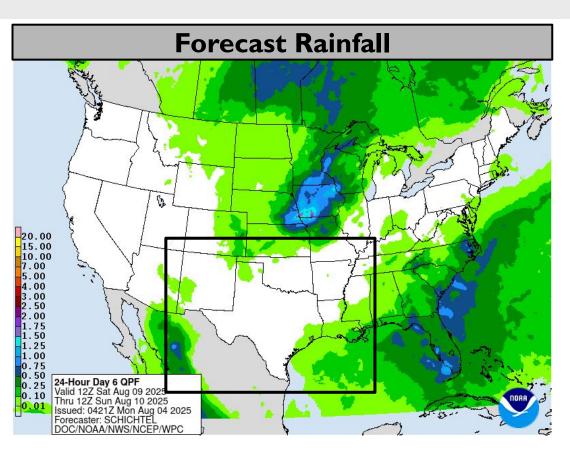




## Saturday's Weather

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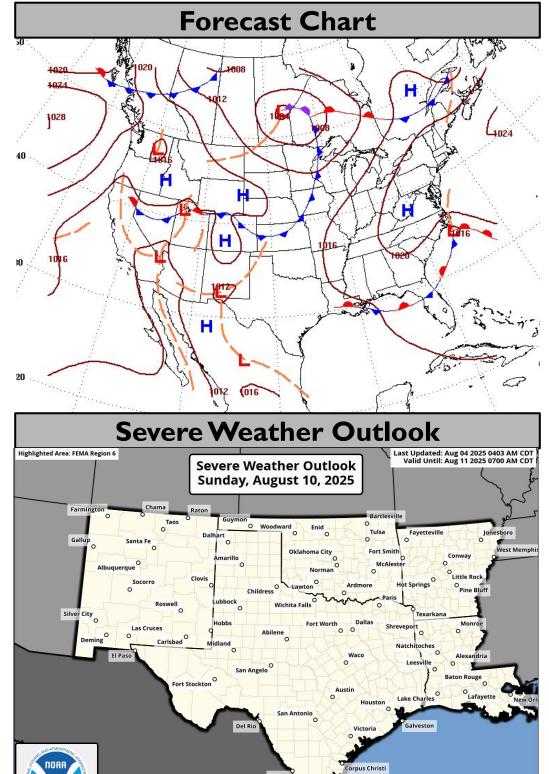


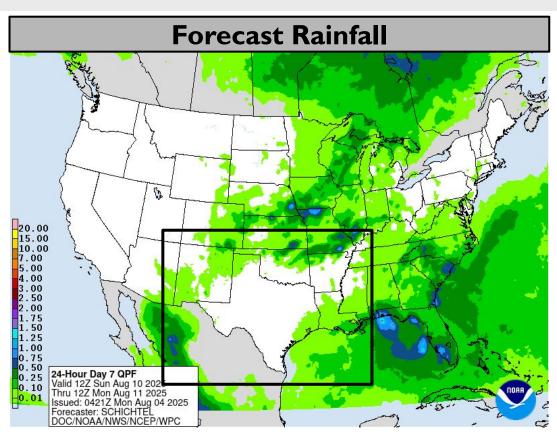
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Heat Risk across NM, OK, TX.



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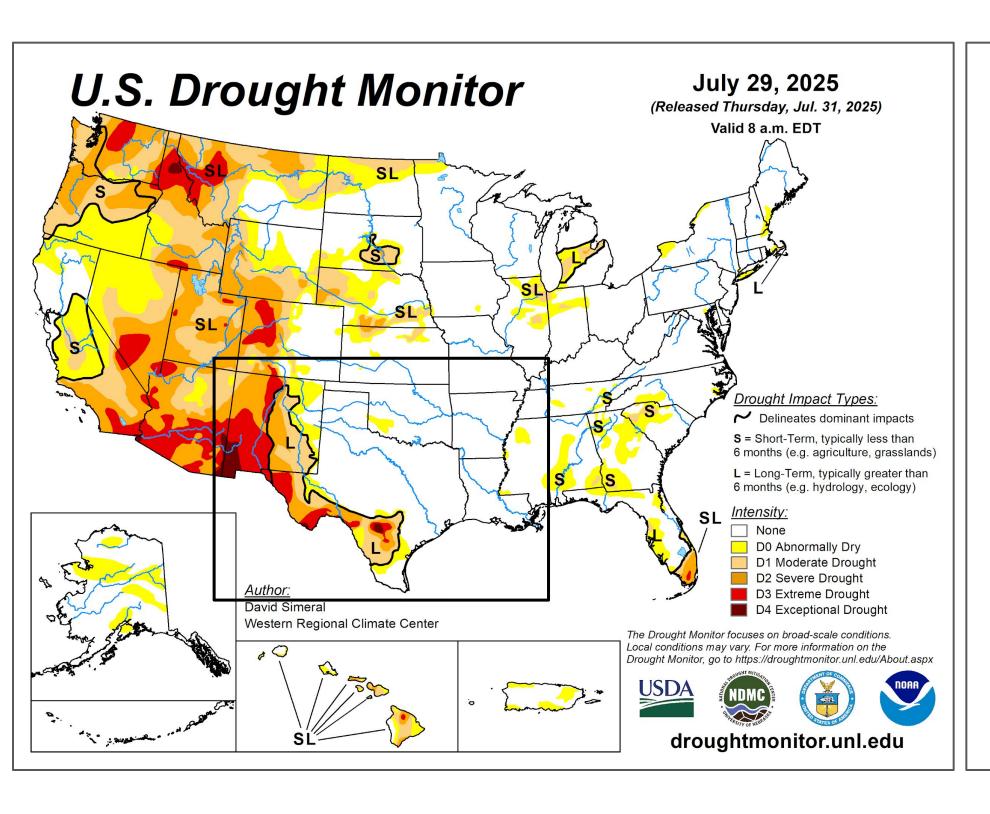


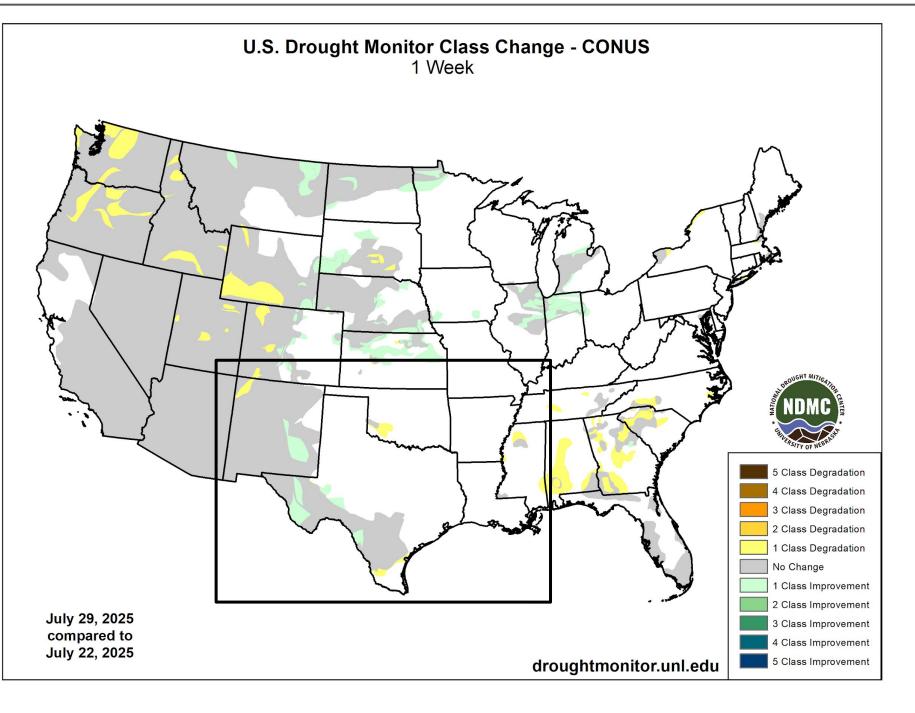
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Heat risk in NM, OK, TX.



## Drought Monitor



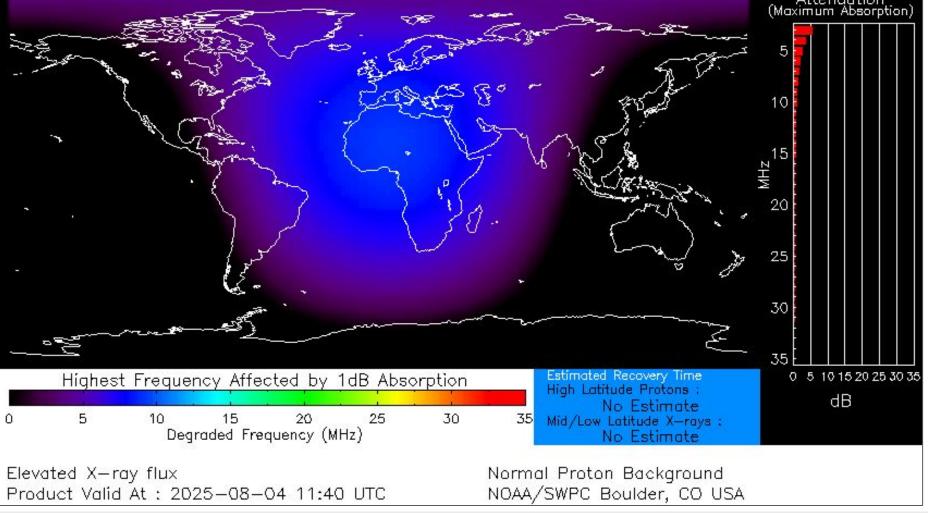






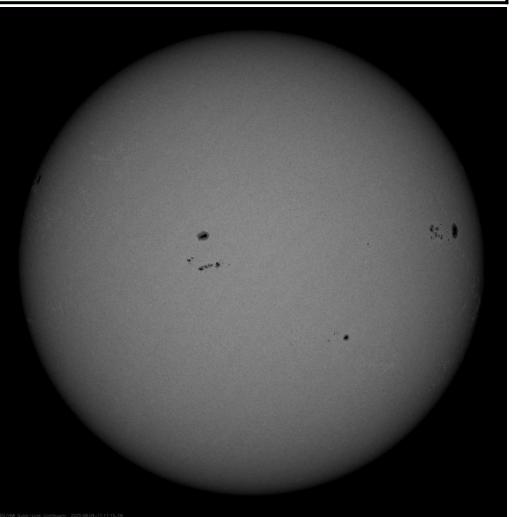
## Space Weather 3-Day Forecast

	Monday, Aug 4	Tuesday, Aug 5	Wednesday, Aug 6
Geomagnetic Storms	Quiet (Max Kp = 2)	Unsettled (Max Kp = 3)	Unsettled (Max Kp = 3)
Solar Radiation Storm (SI-S5)	1%	1%	1%
Radio Blackout (R1-R2)	40%	40%	40%
Radio Blackout (R3-R5)	5%	5%	5%



**Space Weather Storm Scales** 

**Latest 3-Day Space Weather Forecast** 





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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	<ul> <li>2-3 inches of rainfall expected over central AR today and tonight; some minor (brief) street flooding possible</li> <li>Scattered severe storms possible, one or two tornadoes expected, along with reports of strong winds/wind damage and ~1" hail</li> </ul>		
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> <li>A snow/sleet mix is expected to move through or near the DFW area tomorrow morning; travel impacts likely</li> <li>Numerous severe storms possible, a few tornadoes possible along with several reports of wind damage along with damaging hail</li> <li>Some large fires reported, burn bans advertised, critical conditions expected</li> </ul>		
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> <li>A Category 1 hurricane will be moving towards the NW Gulf in the next few days</li> <li>Widespread severe storms likely, strong tornadoes, widespread wind damage, and destructive hail</li> <li>Large fires ongoing throughout the area with critical fire weather conditions expected to continue</li> </ul>		
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> <li>A Category 4 hurricane is headed towards the SE LA; major storm surge, flooding and damaging winds anticipated to begin tomorrow</li> <li>Widespread severe storms expected, tornado outbreak probable with long- lived, very widespread and particularly intense storms</li> </ul>		

Criteria for the color codes in this briefing is to the left, please provide any feedback to

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