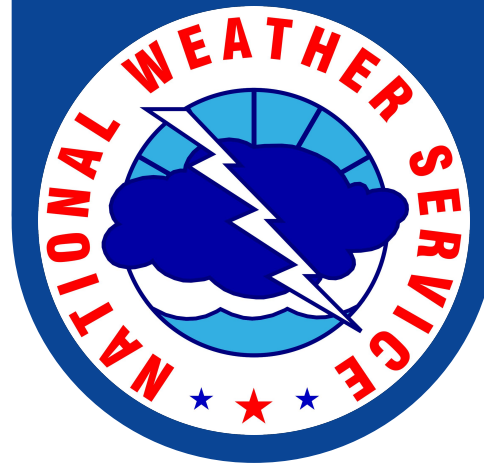




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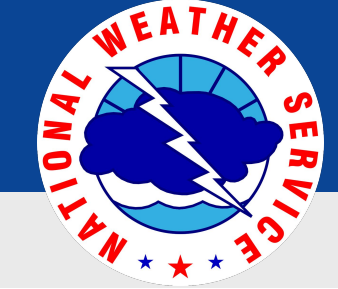
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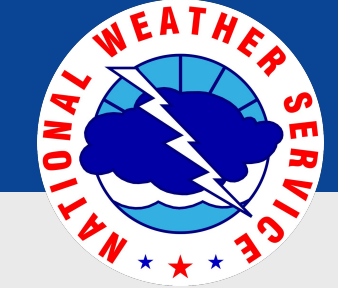
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Summary

- **Flash Flooding:** Slight risk (level 2 of 4) over OK and the TX Panhandle today. Marginal risk (level 1 of 4) over NM, far W TX, SE LA, OK, N/NW TX on Tuesday; SW NM, AR and LA on Wednesday; SW NM, AR and N LA on Thursday; NM and far W TX on Friday.
 - **Burn Scar:** Major risk (level 3 of 4) today and tomorrow over NM, moderate risk (level 2 of 4) on Wednesday, minor (level 1 of 4) on Thursday.
- **Severe Storms:** Marginal risk (level 1 of 5) today over E NM, TX Panhandle, W OK today.
- **Heat:** Hazardous heat expands across LA, TX and OK late week and over the weekend.
- **Tropical:** Monitoring a wave (AL 97) near the Cabo Verde Islands that has a high chance (90%) of becoming a tropical depression in the tropical Atlantic over the next 48 hours days. System will be moving west/northwest at 15-20 mph. No tropical impacts to FEMA 6 over the next 7 days





FEMA Region 6 Threat Matrix

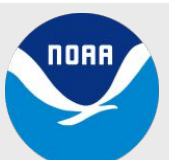
Next 7 days

	Monday, Aug 11	Tuesday, Aug 12	Wednesday, Aug 13	Thursday, Aug 14	Friday, Aug 15	Saturday, Aug 16	Sunday, Aug 17
Severe Storms	E NM, TX Panhandle, W OK						
Heavy Rain / Flash Flooding	OK, TX Panhandle	NM, far W TX, SE LA, OK, N/NW TX	SW NM, AR, LA	SW NM, AR, N LA	NM, far W TX		
Burn Scars	NM	N NM	NM	NM			
Tropical							
Heat					LA, STX	LA, TX	LA, TX, OK
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
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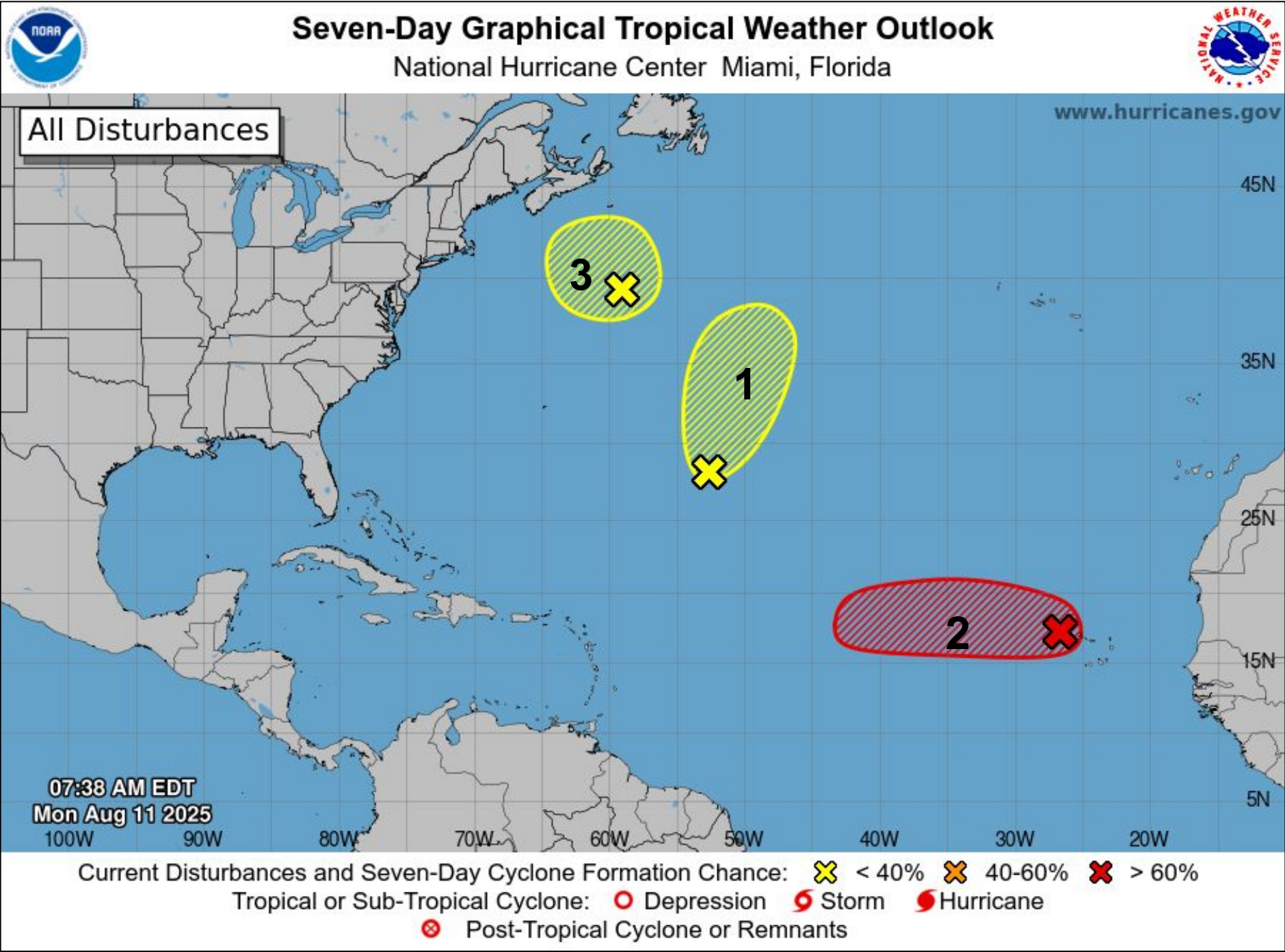




Tropical Weather Outlook – Atlantic/Gulf

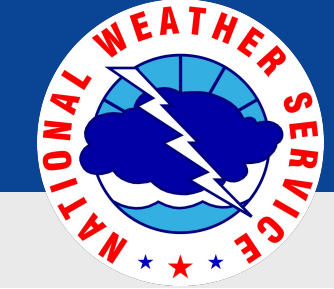
Areas of Possible Development		
Area	Chance of Development	Potential Impacts to FEMA 6
1	Low	None.
2	High	None over the next 7 days.
3	Low	None.

Active Tropical Cyclones	
Storm	Potential Impacts to FEMA 6



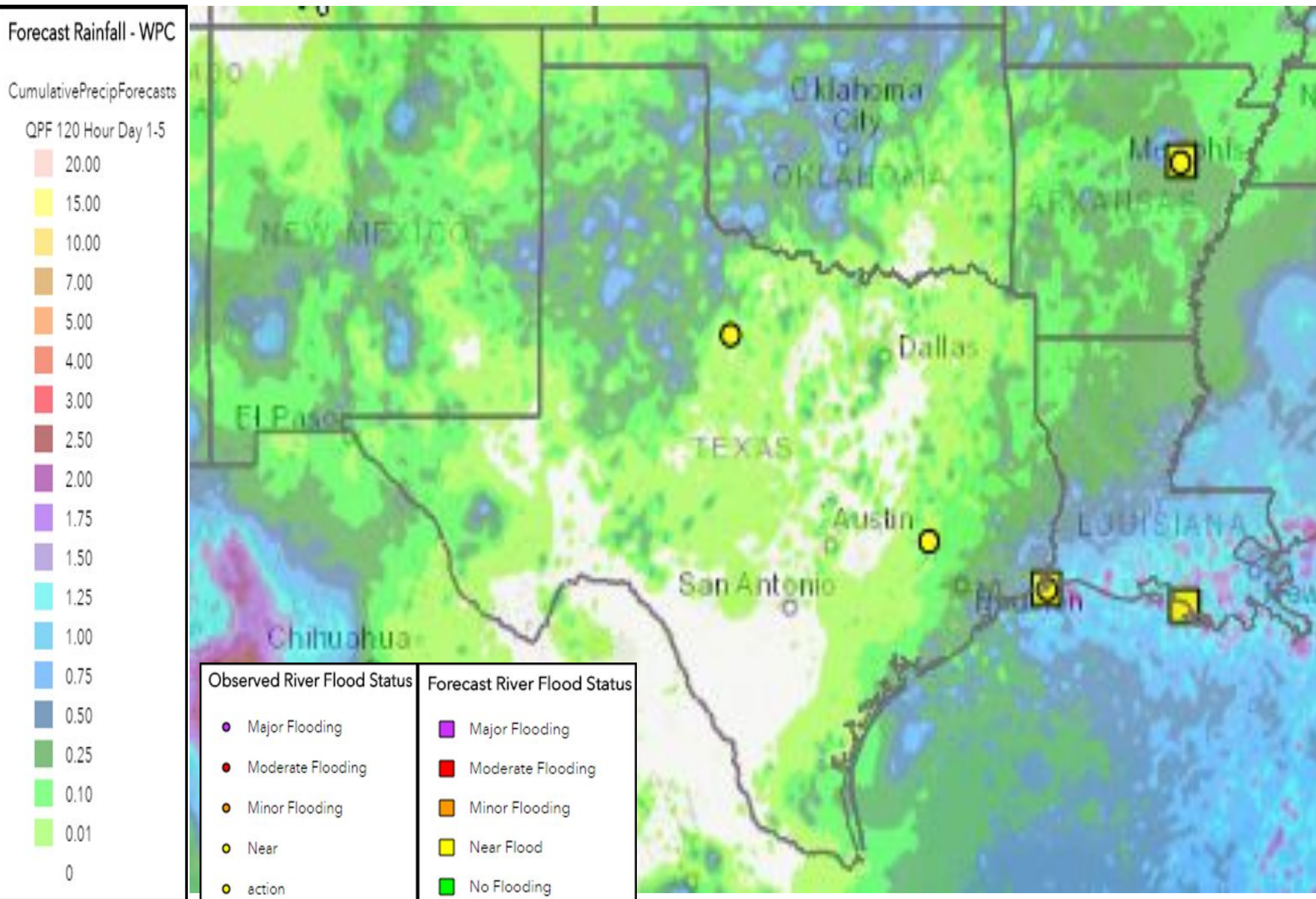
See <http://www.hurricanes.gov> for the latest on the tropics or any active storms





5-Day Precipitation Forecast & River Flood Status

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No river significant flooding.

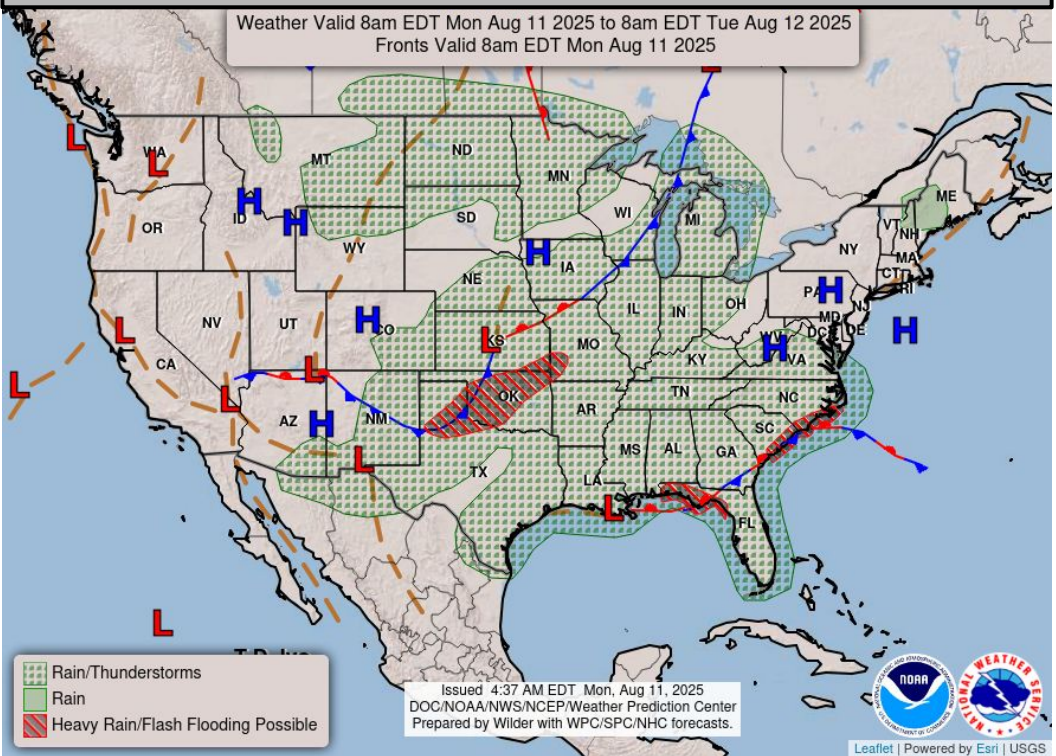
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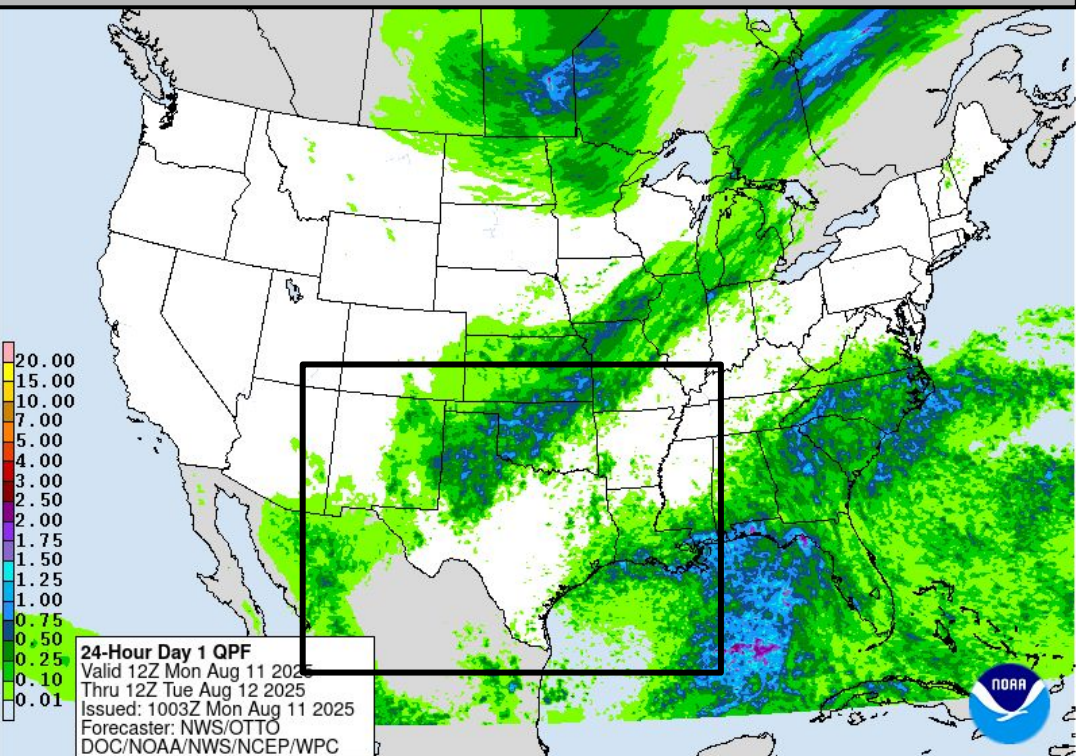


Today's Weather

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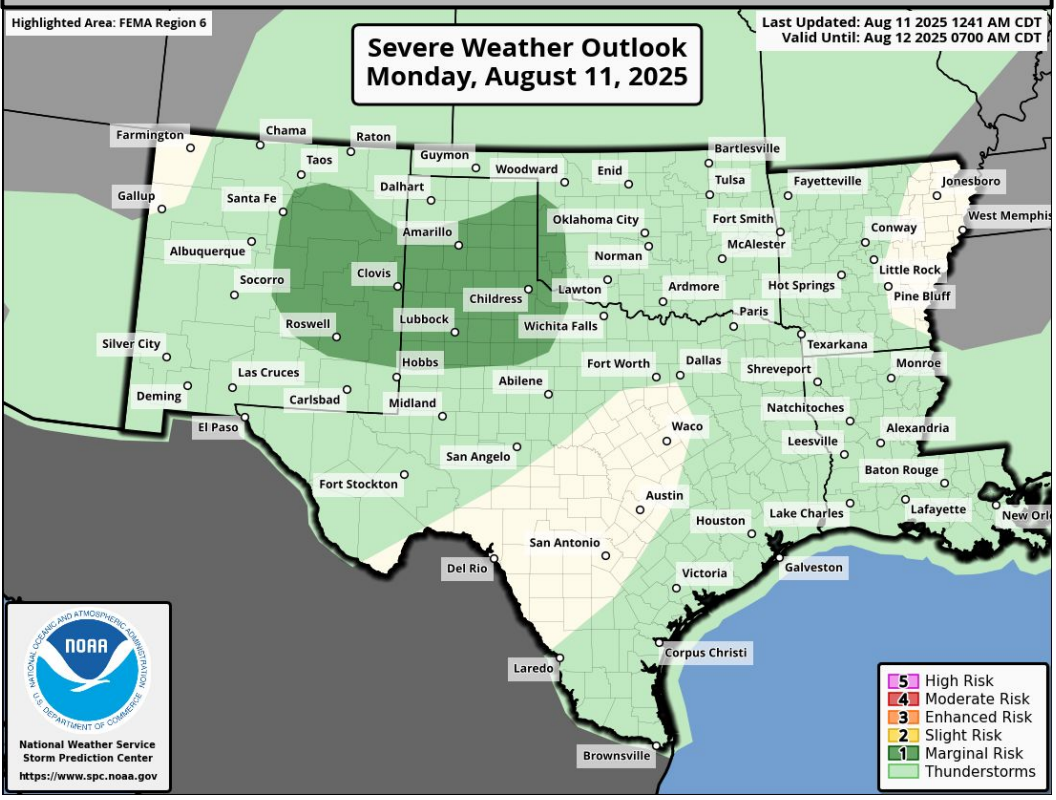
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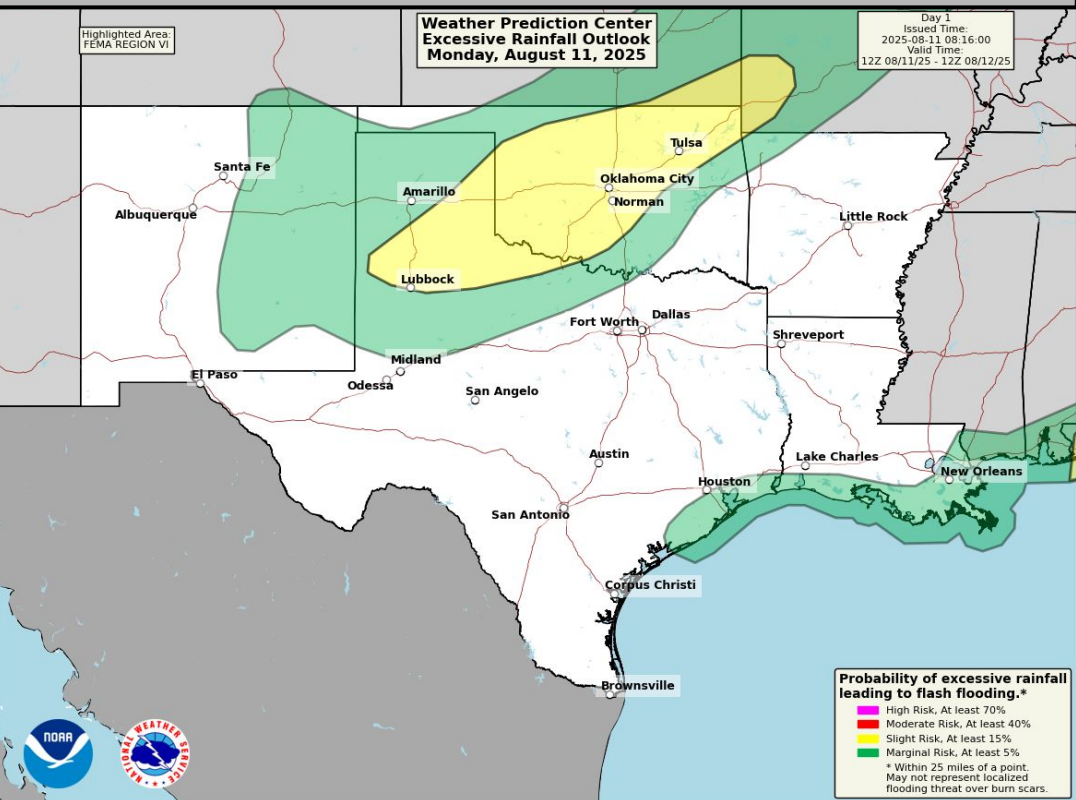
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Severe Weather Outlook



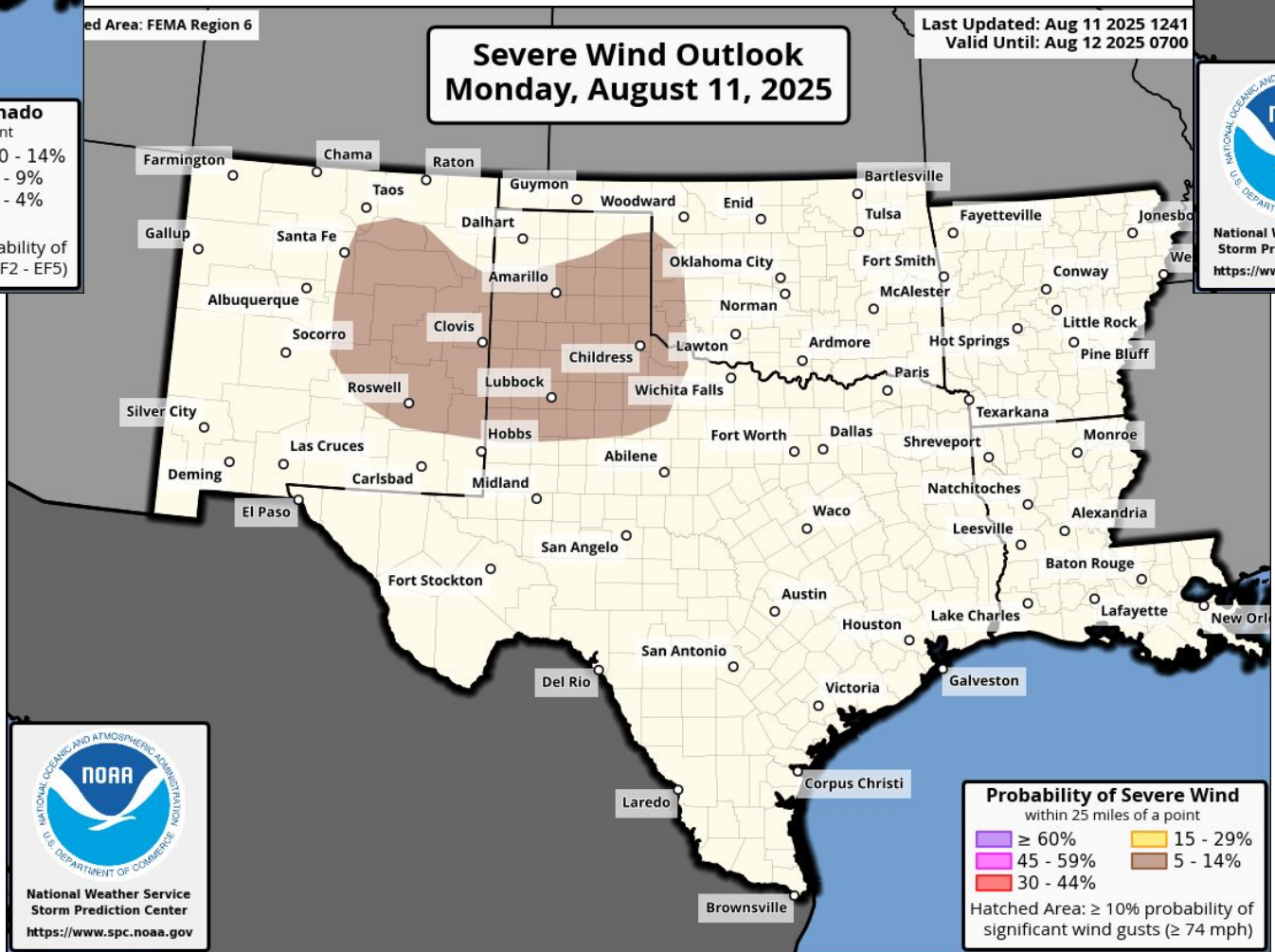
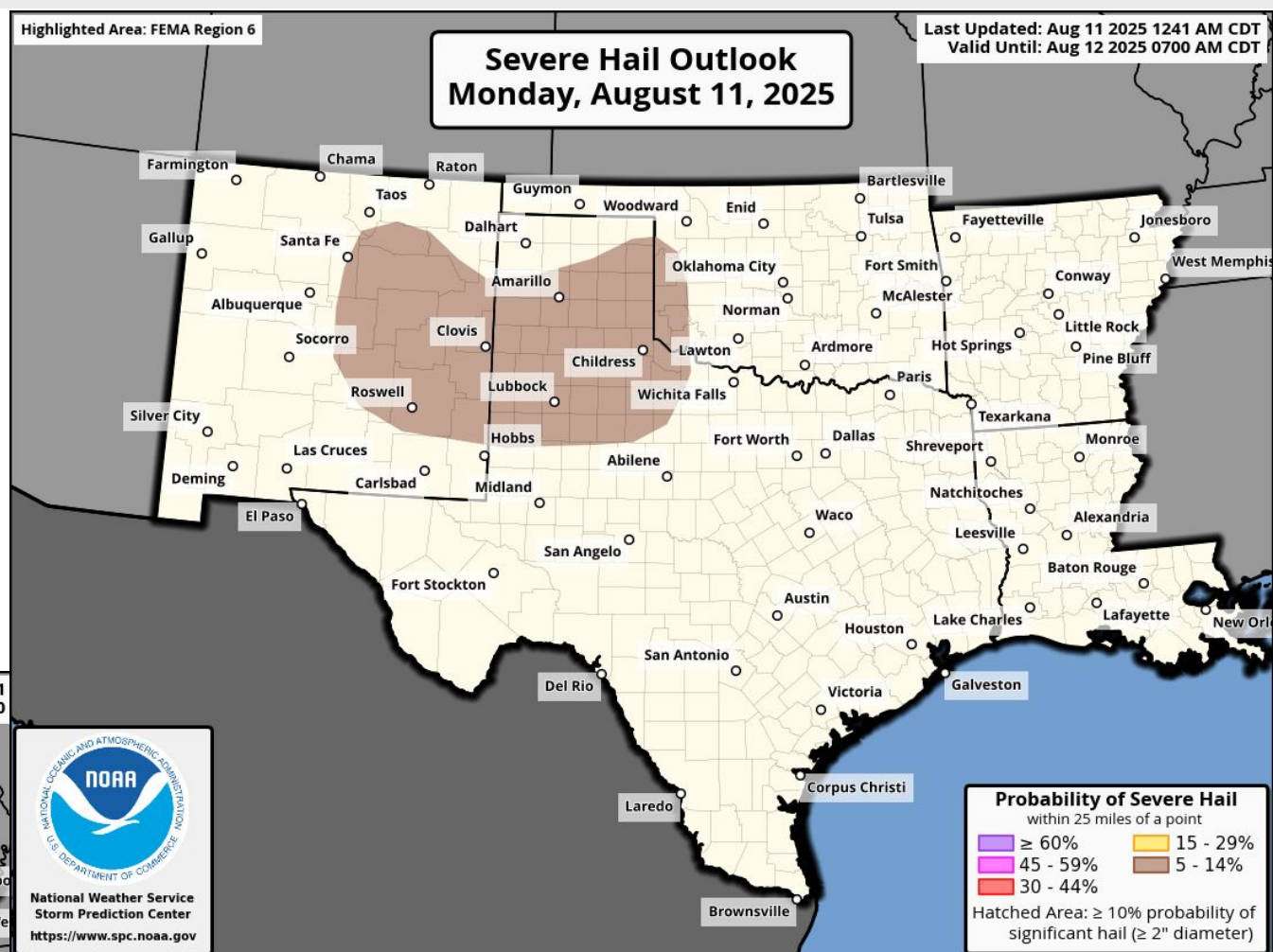
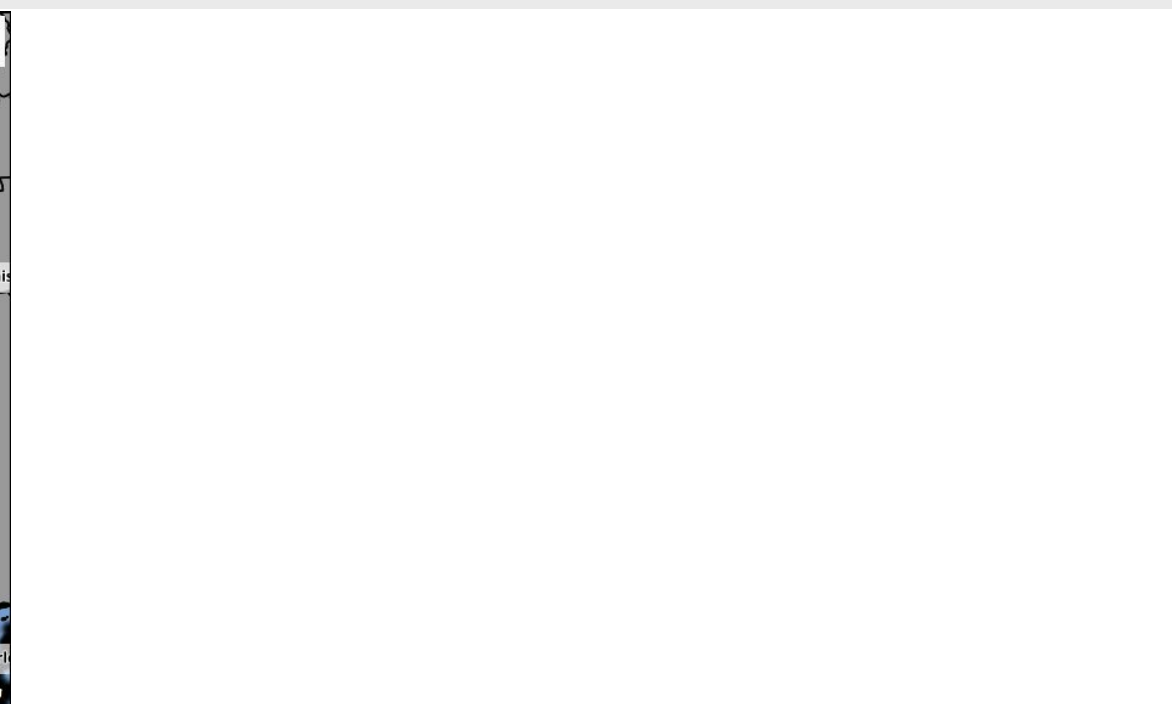
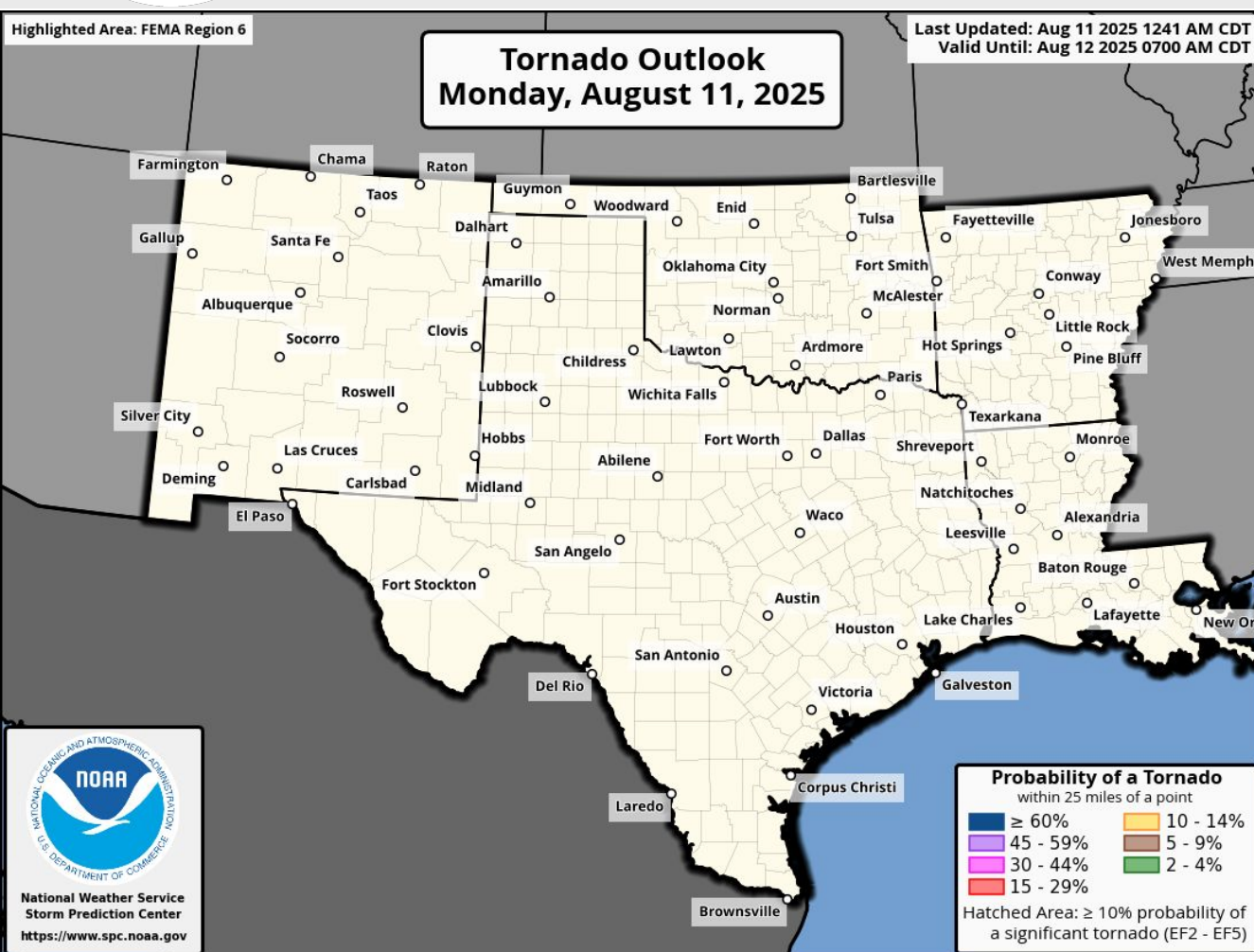
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Burn Scar Flash Flooding information on Burn Scar Matrix slides

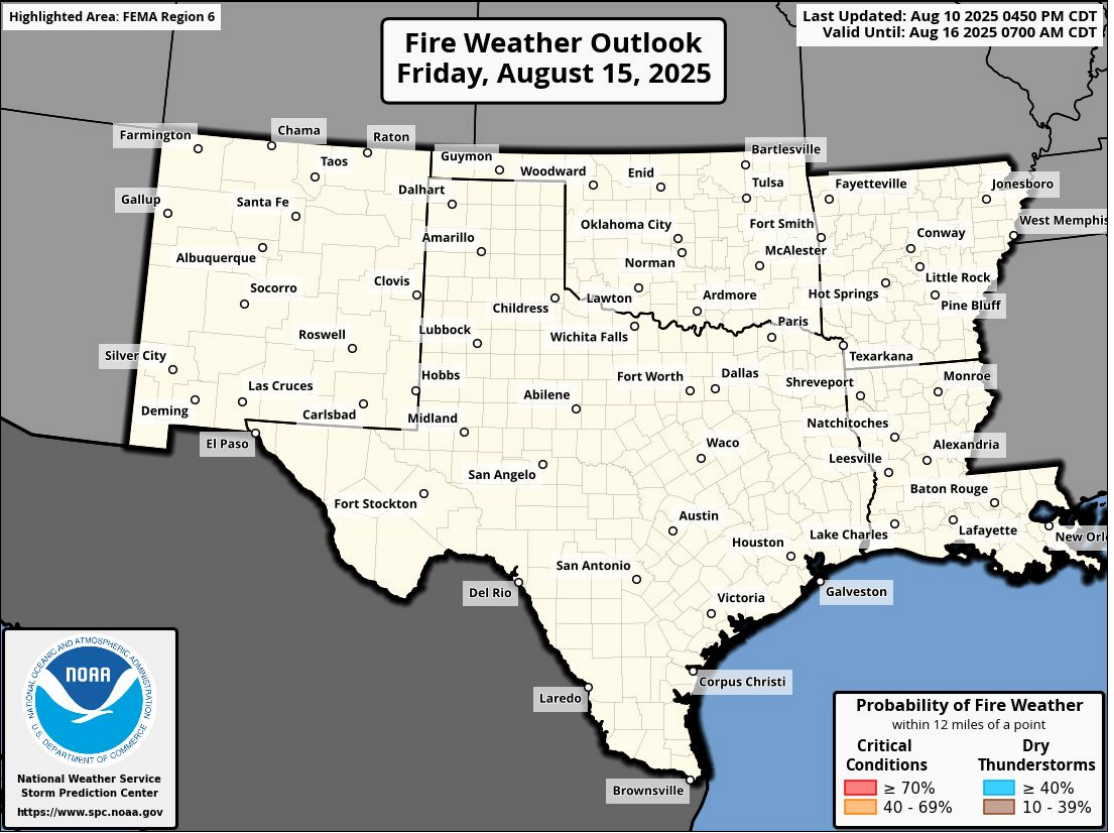
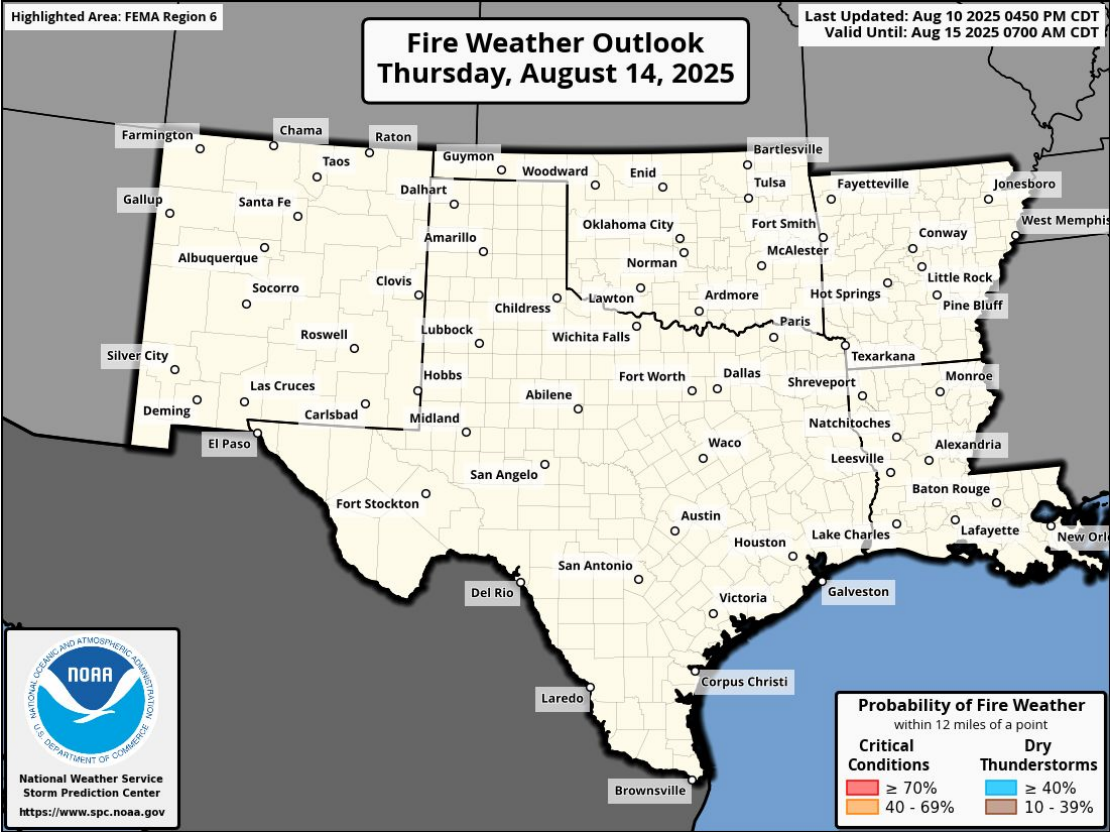
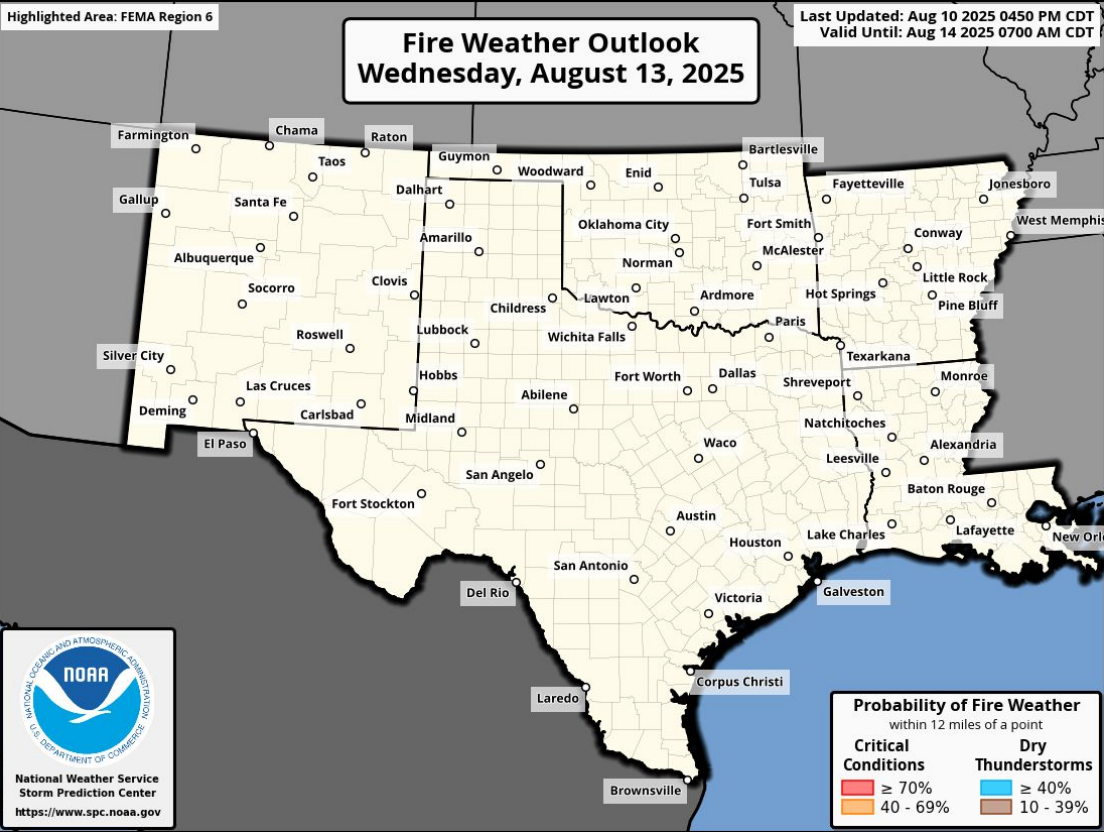
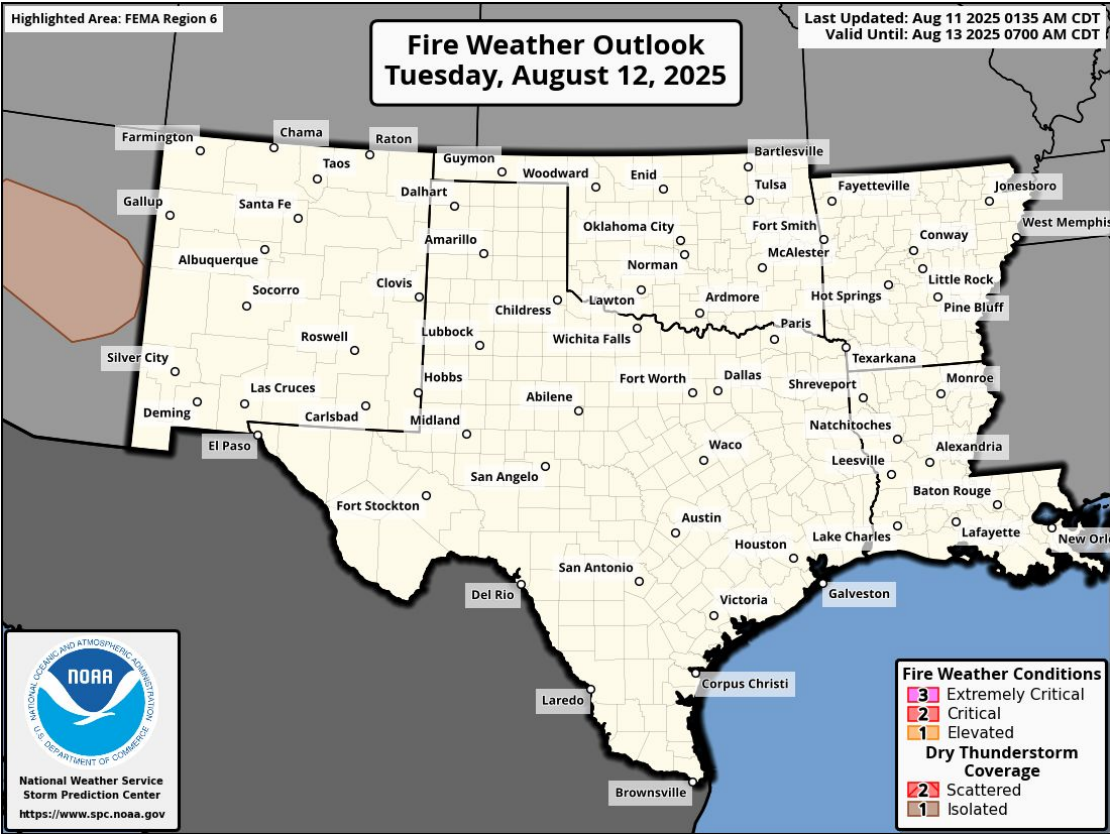
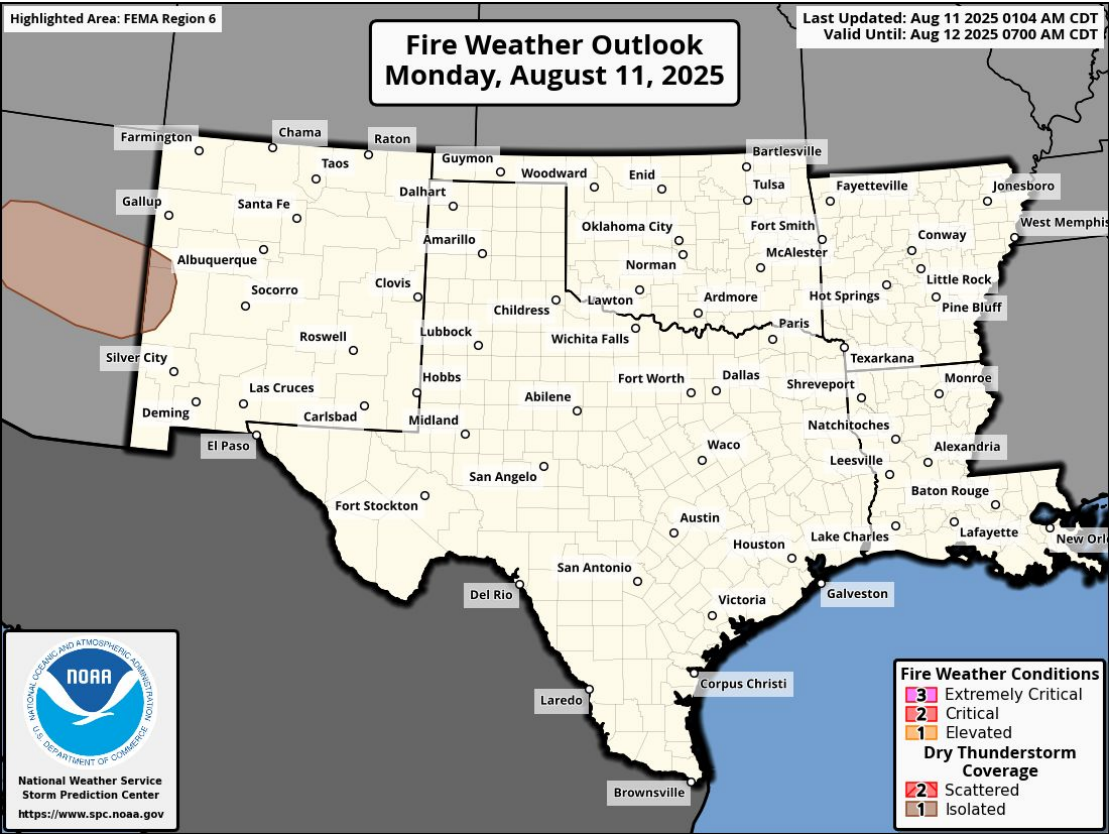
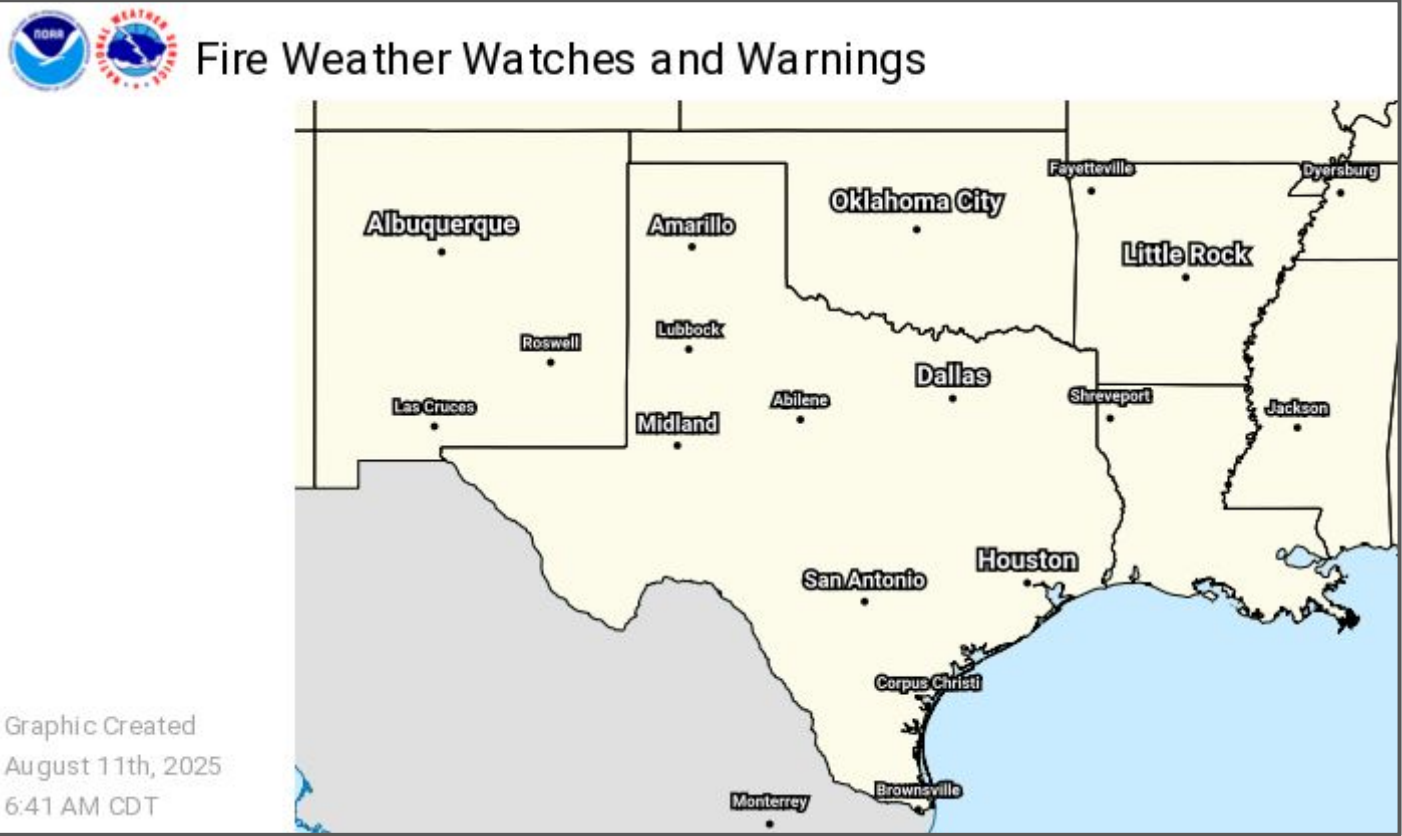


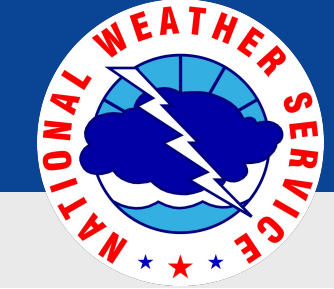
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Fire Weather Outlooks

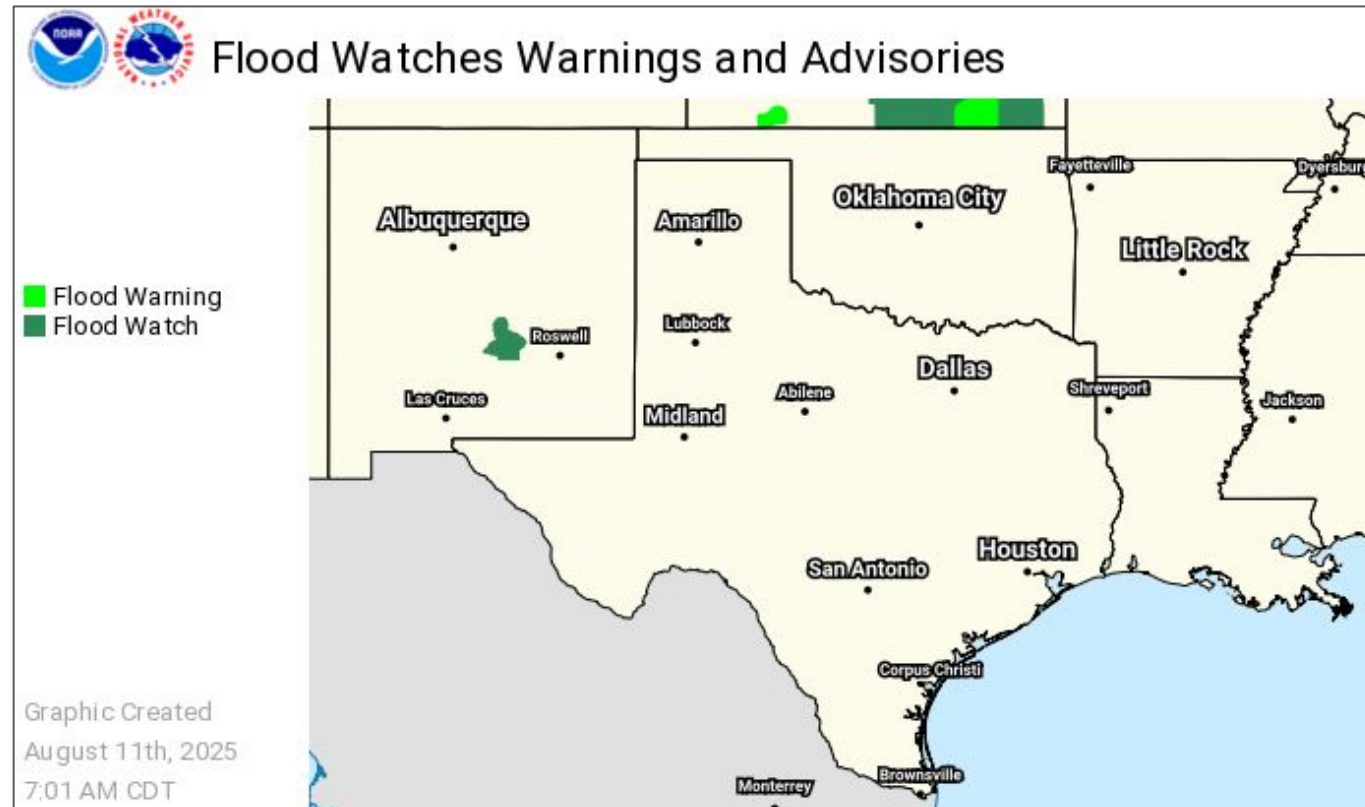
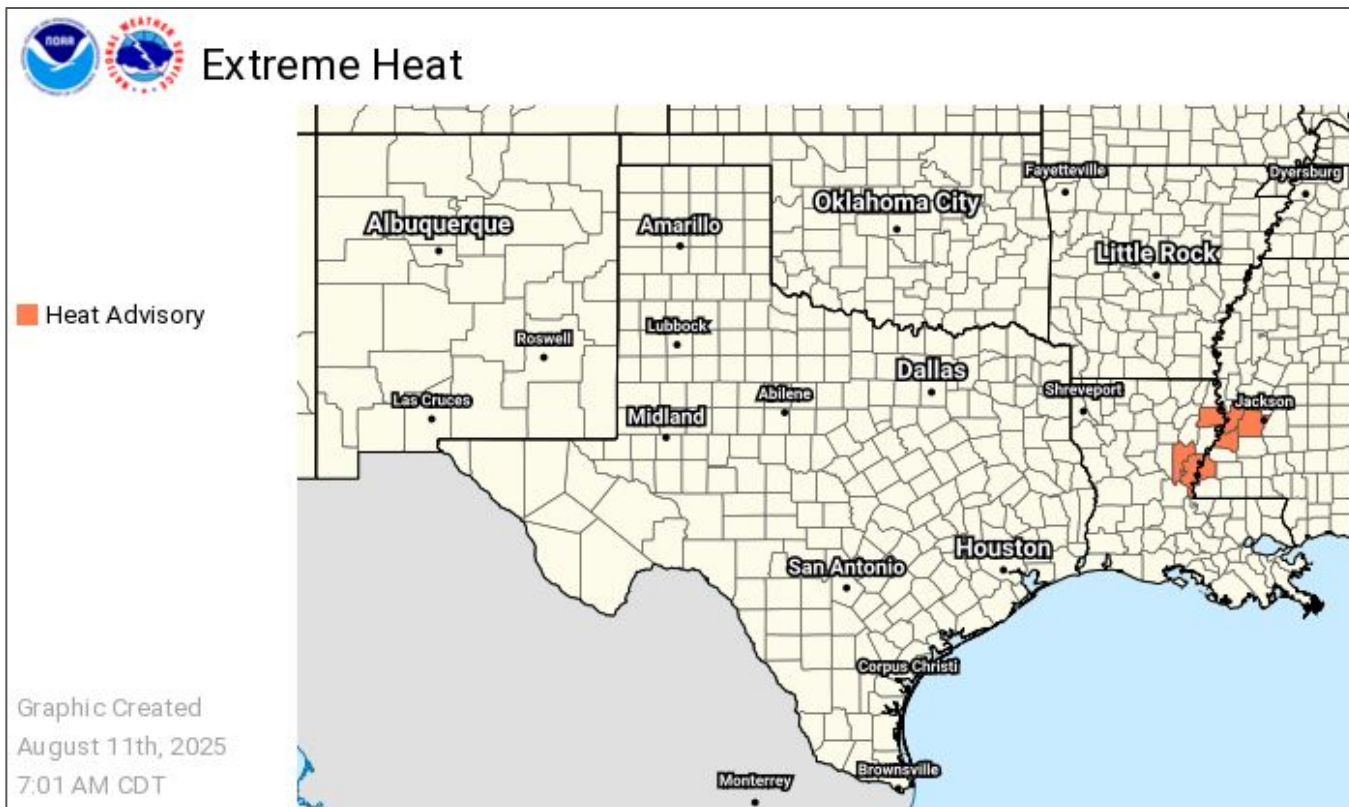
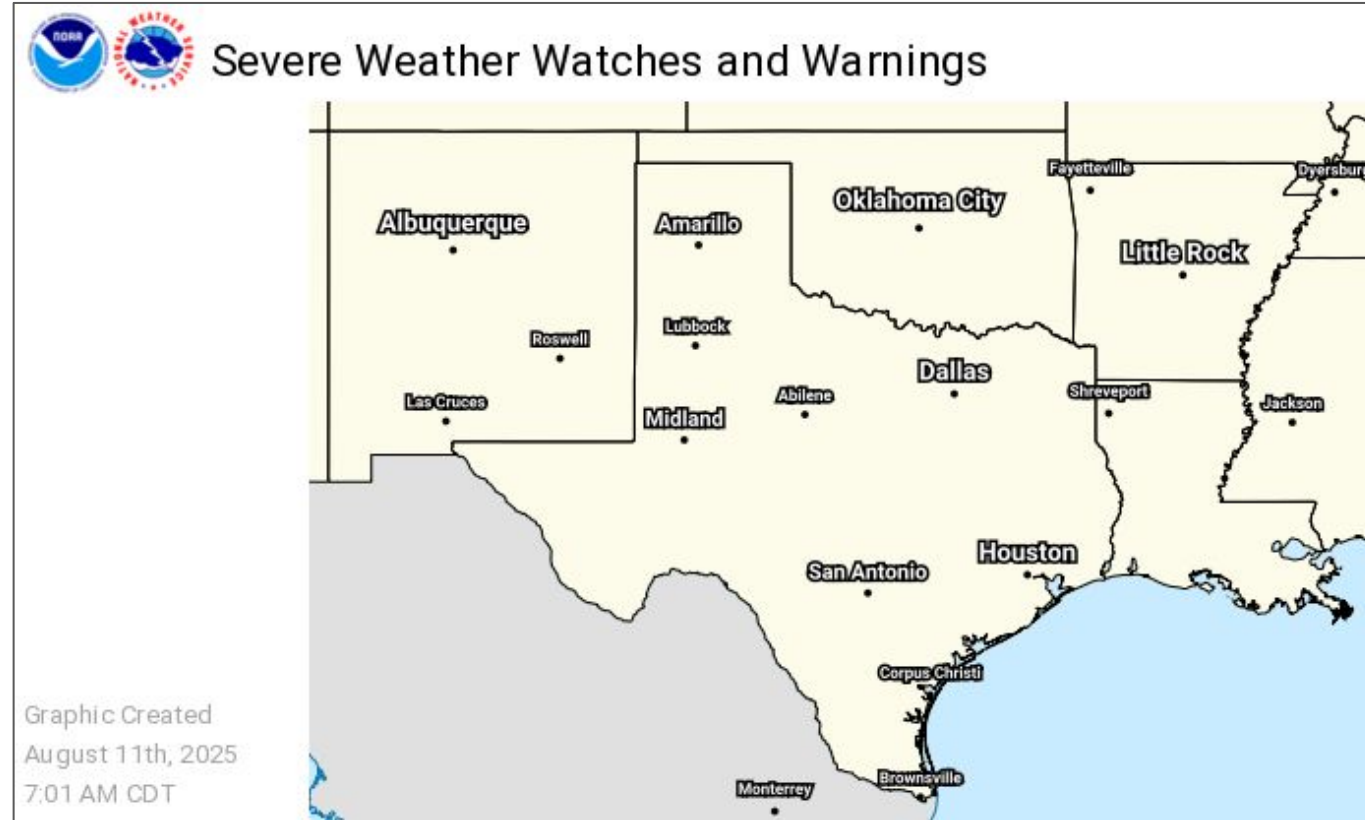




Watches, Warnings, and Advisories

Wind, Severe, Heat, and Flood Hazards

Flood watch through tomorrow over southern burn scar areas of NM.

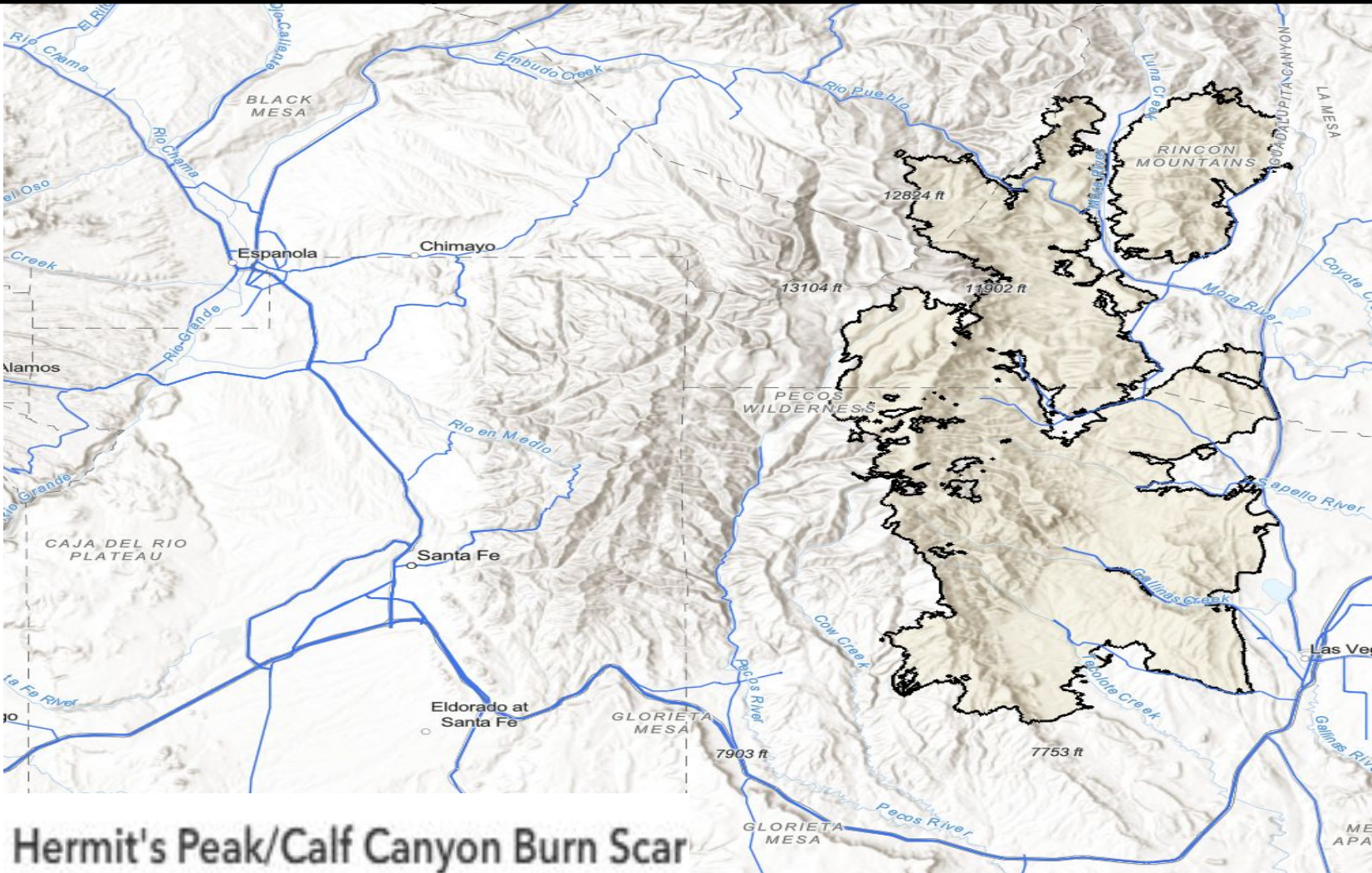




Burn Scar Debris Flow Risk - HPCC Scars New Mexico

Hermit's Peak/Calf Canyon Burn Scar

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Flash Flooding	Major	Major	Moderate	Minor
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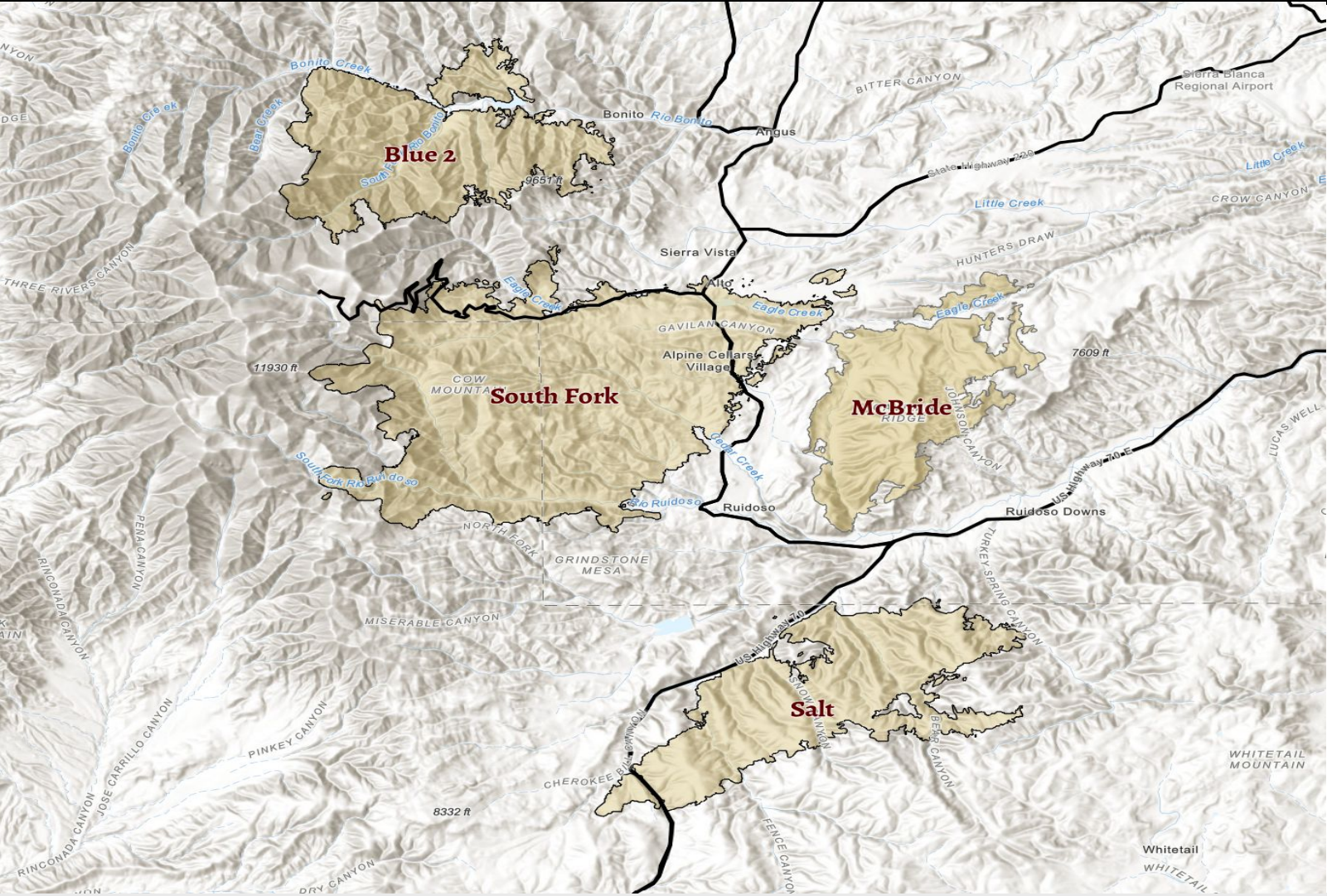




Burn Scar Debris Flow Risk - Ruidoso, New Mexico

Sacramento Complex

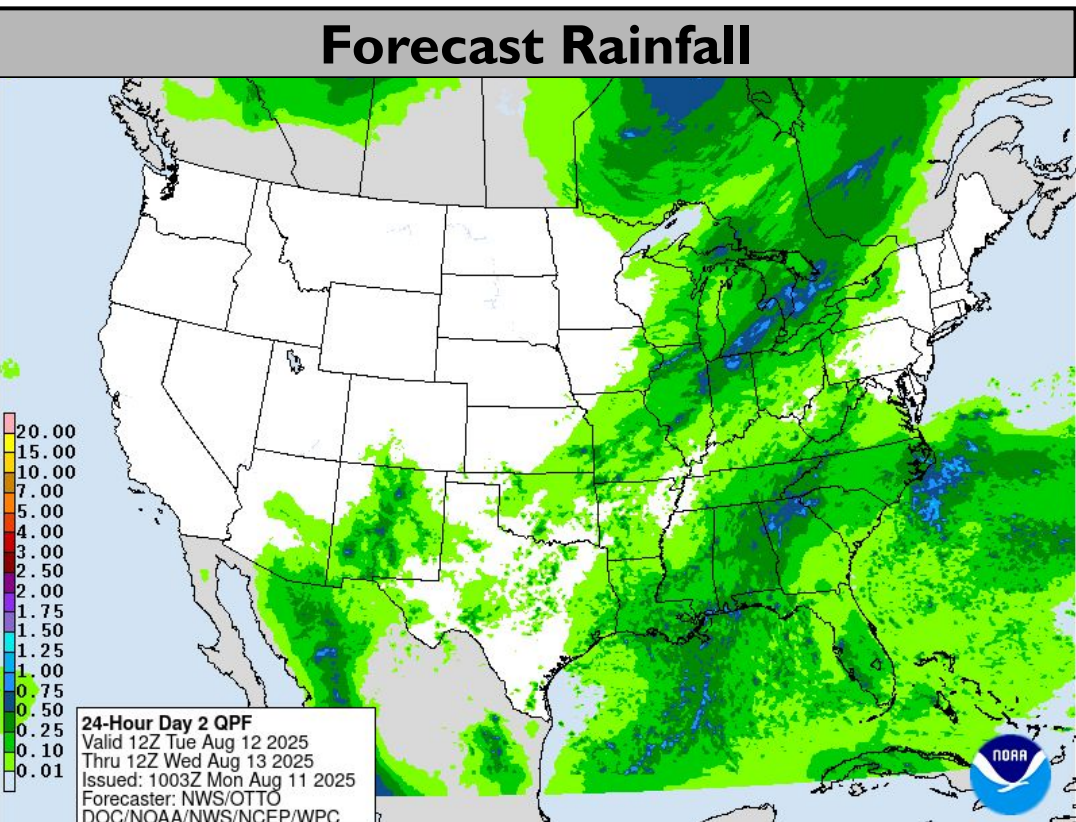
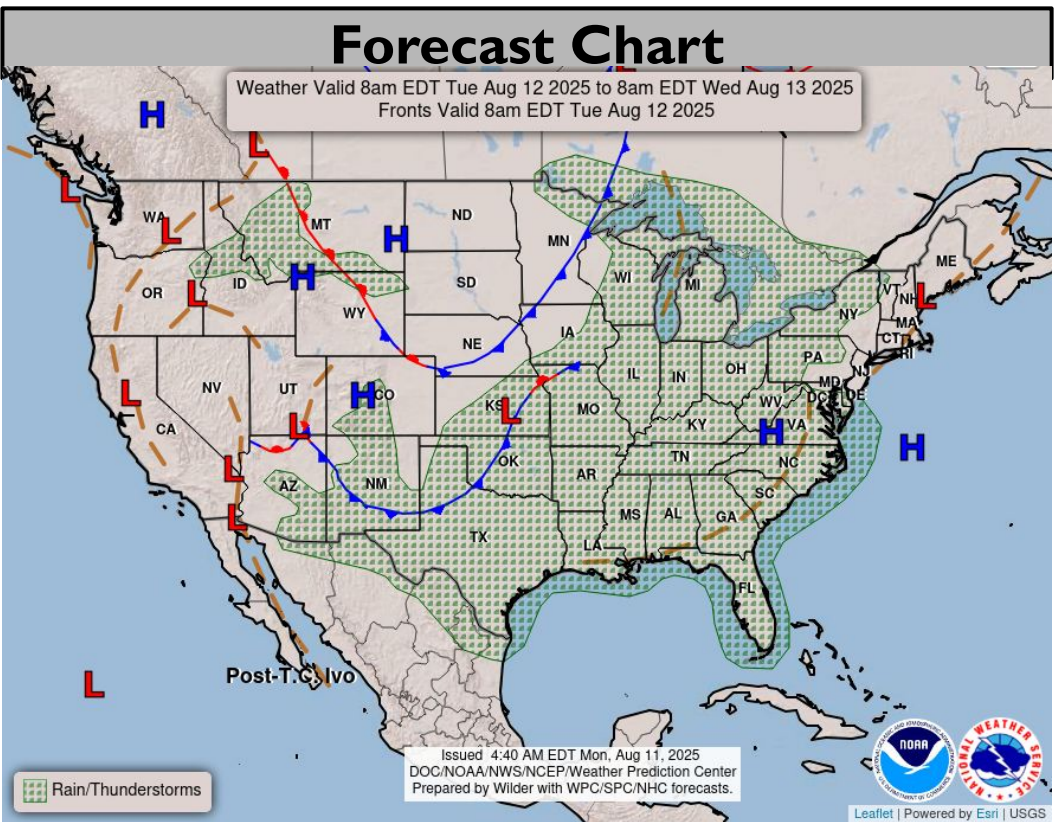
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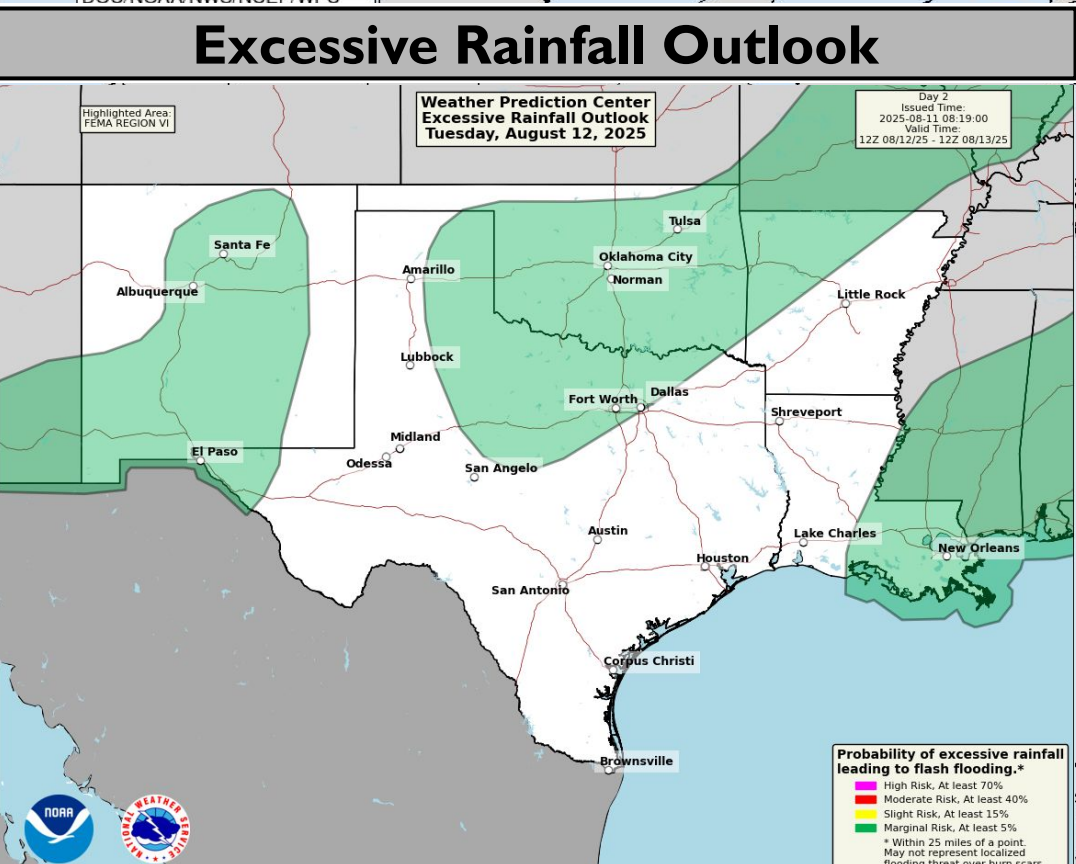
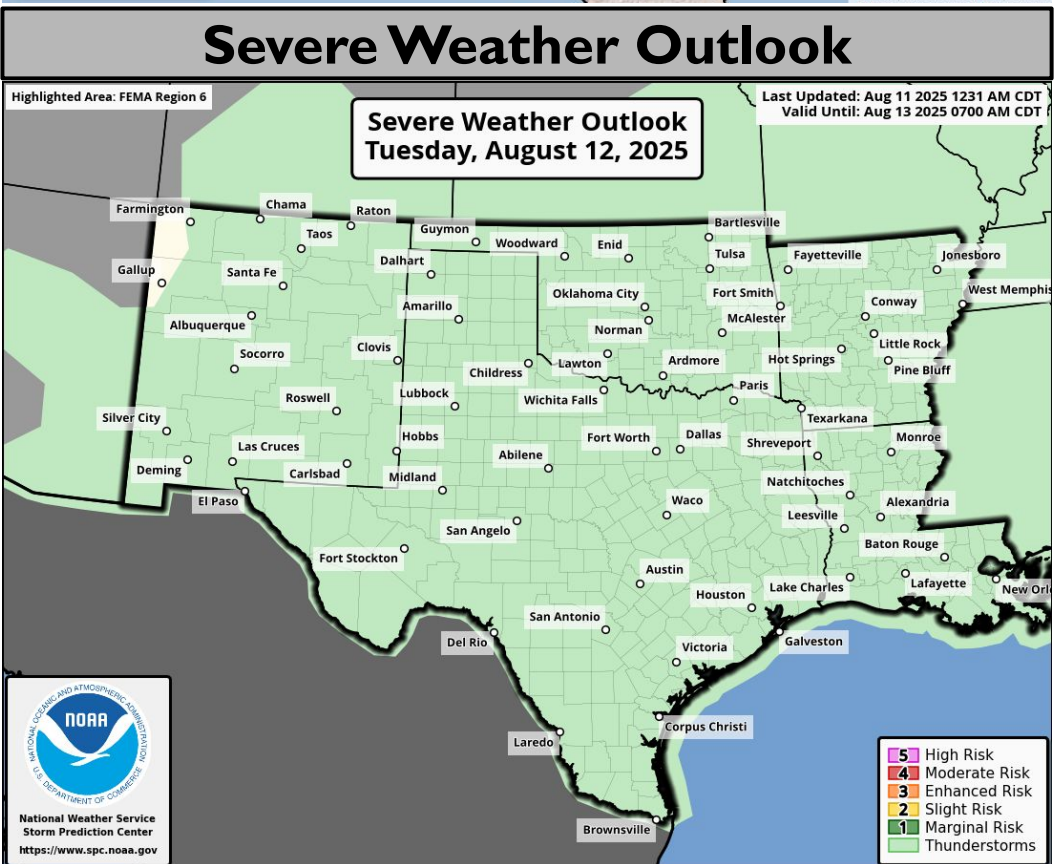
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Tomorrow's Weather



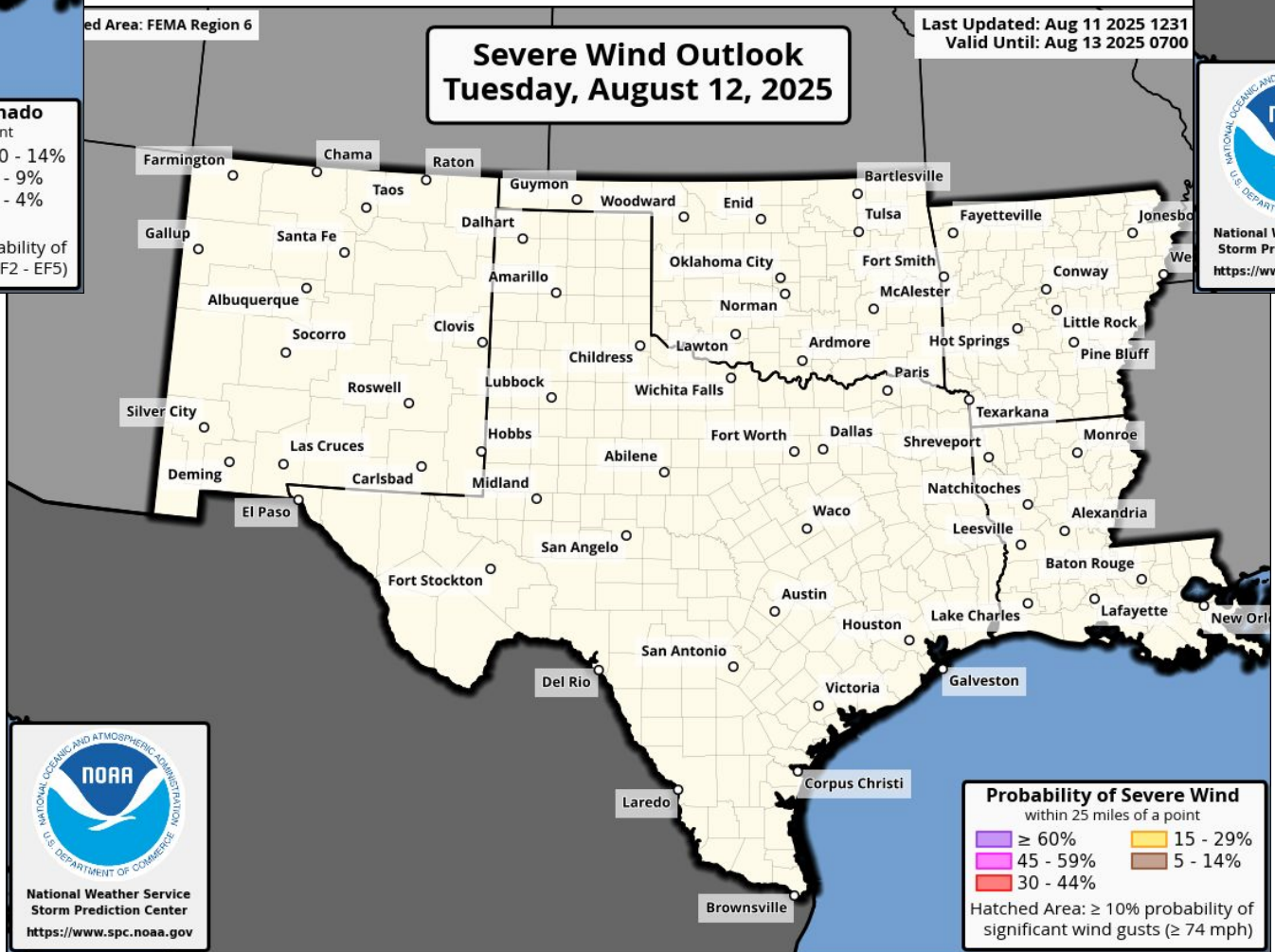
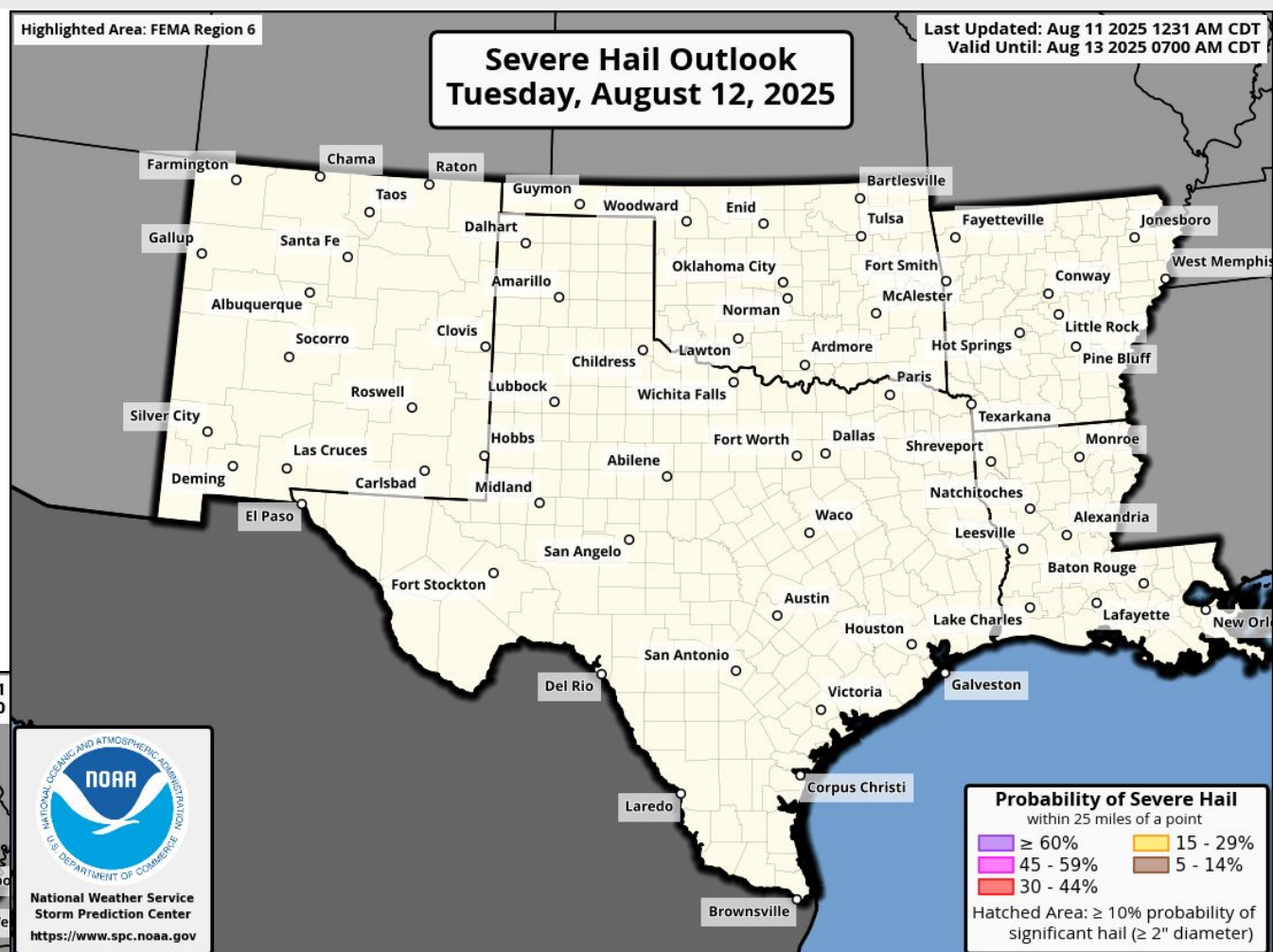
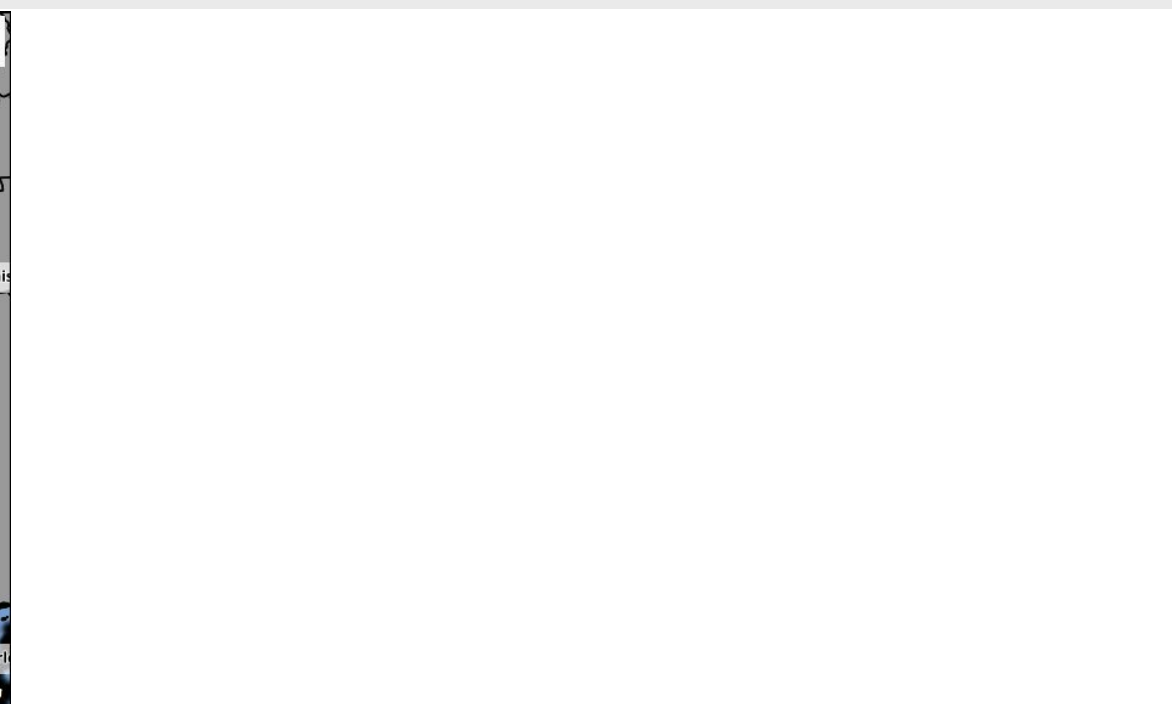
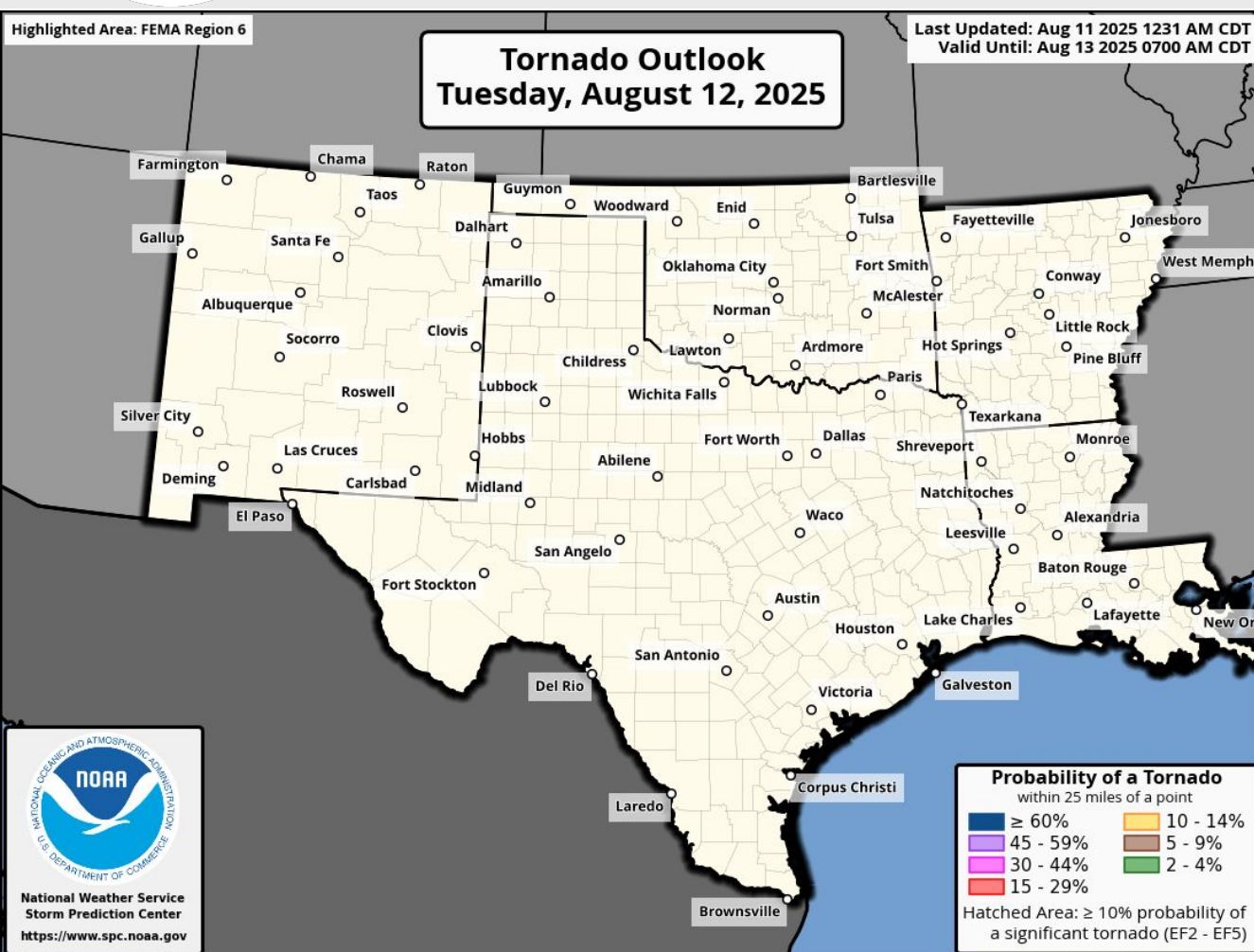
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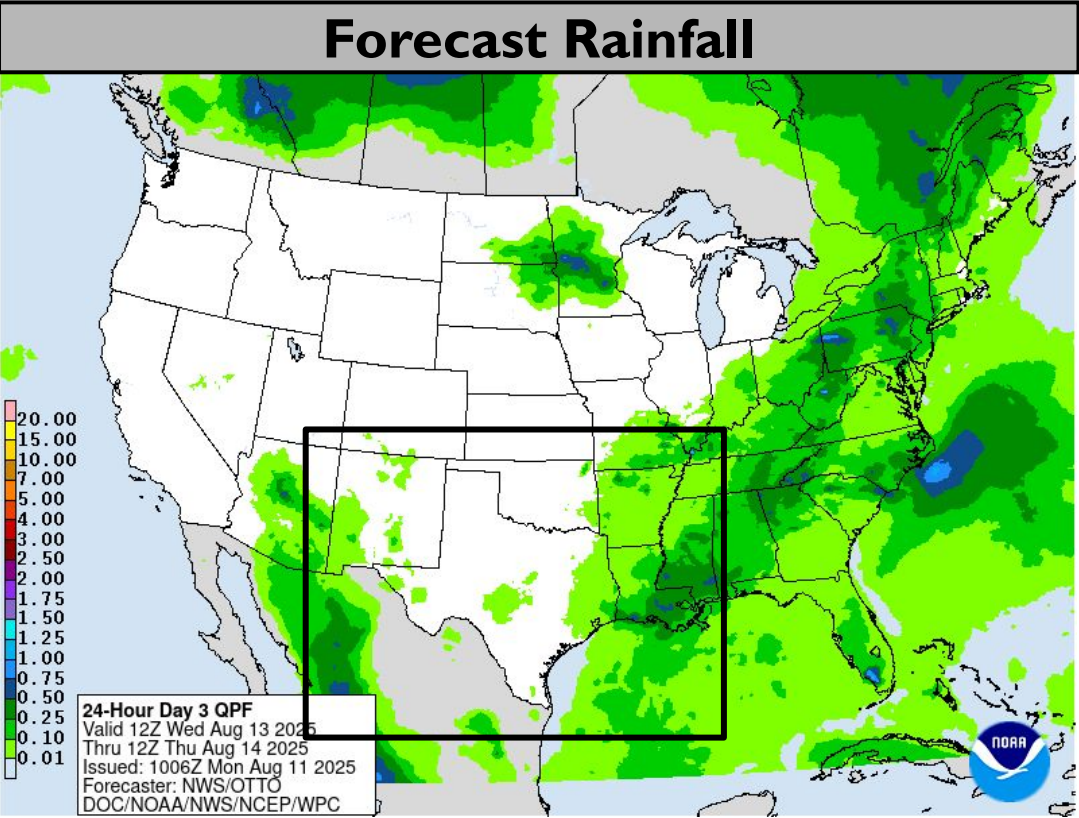
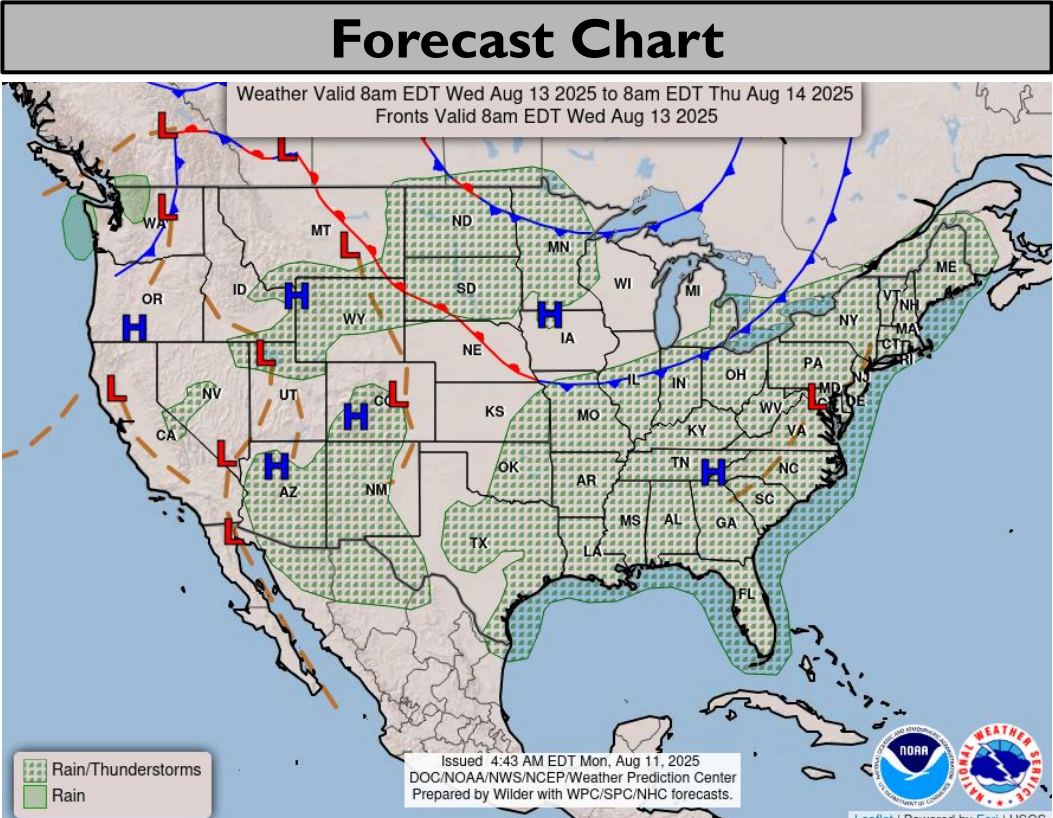


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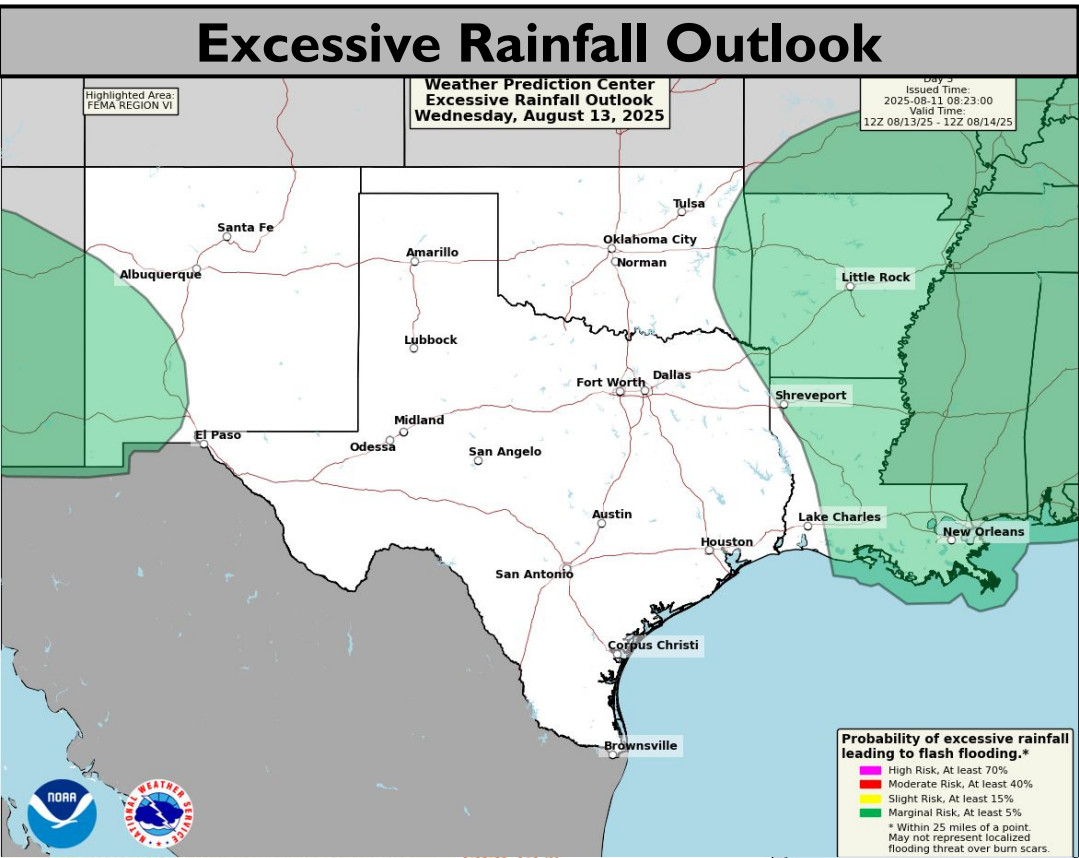
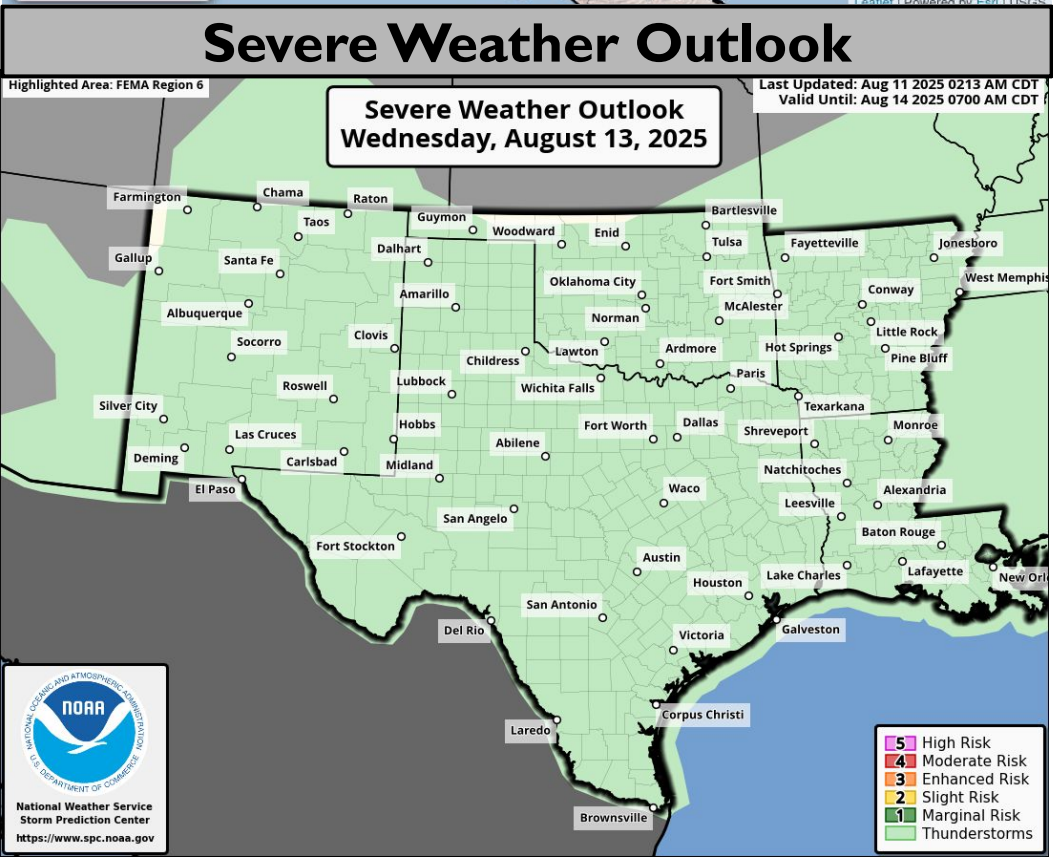




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Marginal risk (level 1 of 4) for isolated heavy rain/flash flooding in SW NM, AR, LA.



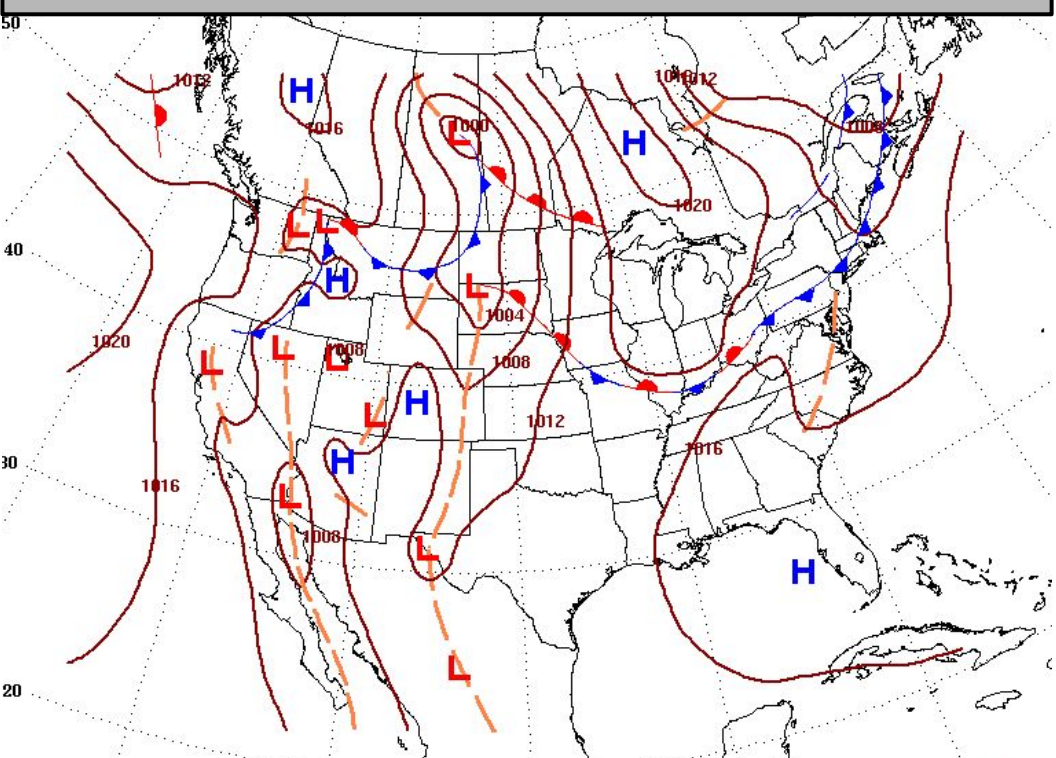
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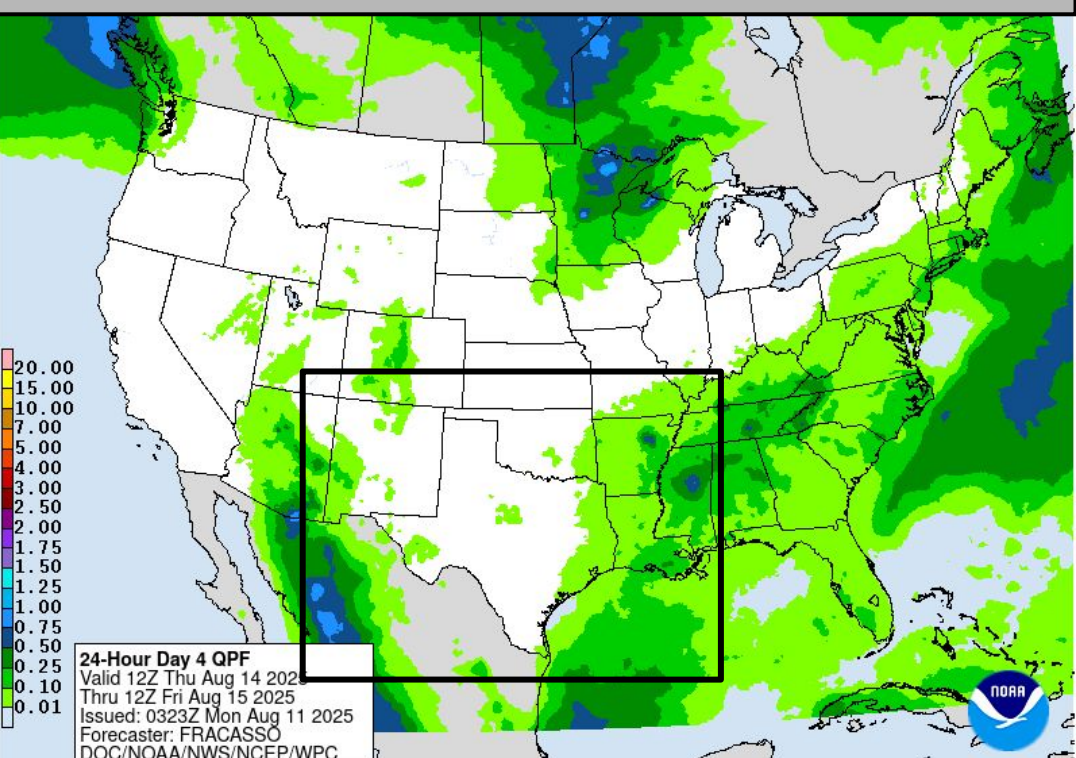


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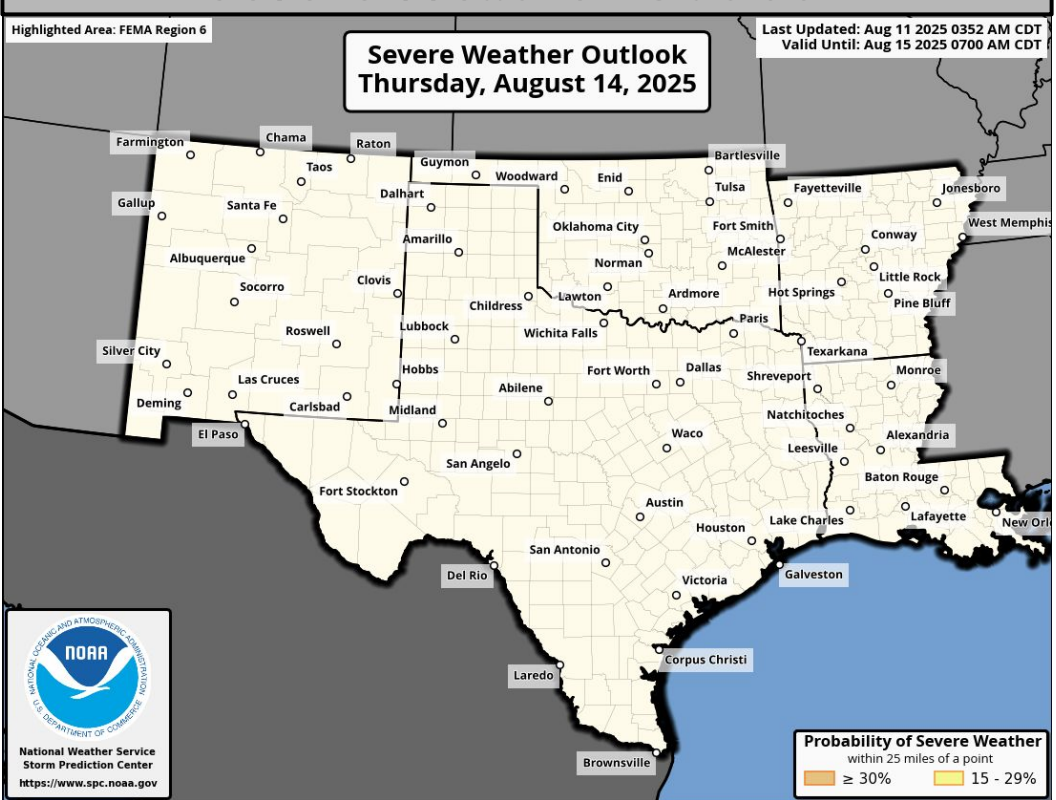


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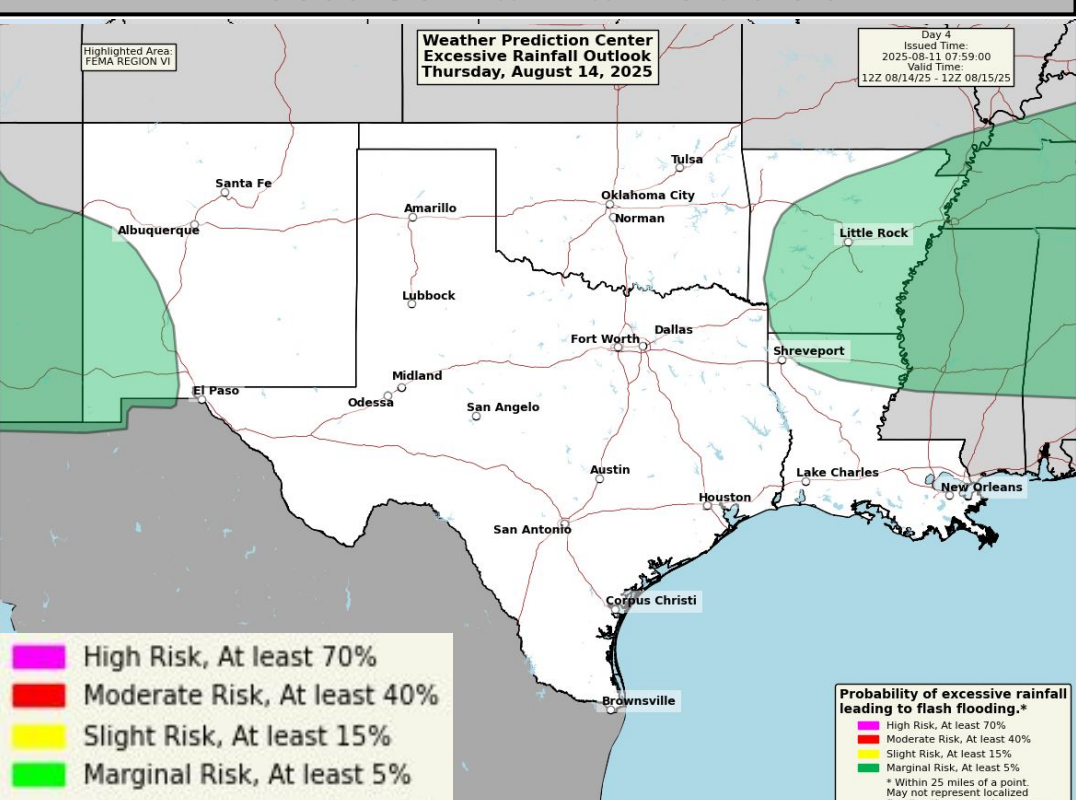


Marginal risk (level I of 4) for isolated heavy rain/flash flooding in SW NM, N LA, AR.

Severe Weather Outlook



Excessive Rainfall Outlook

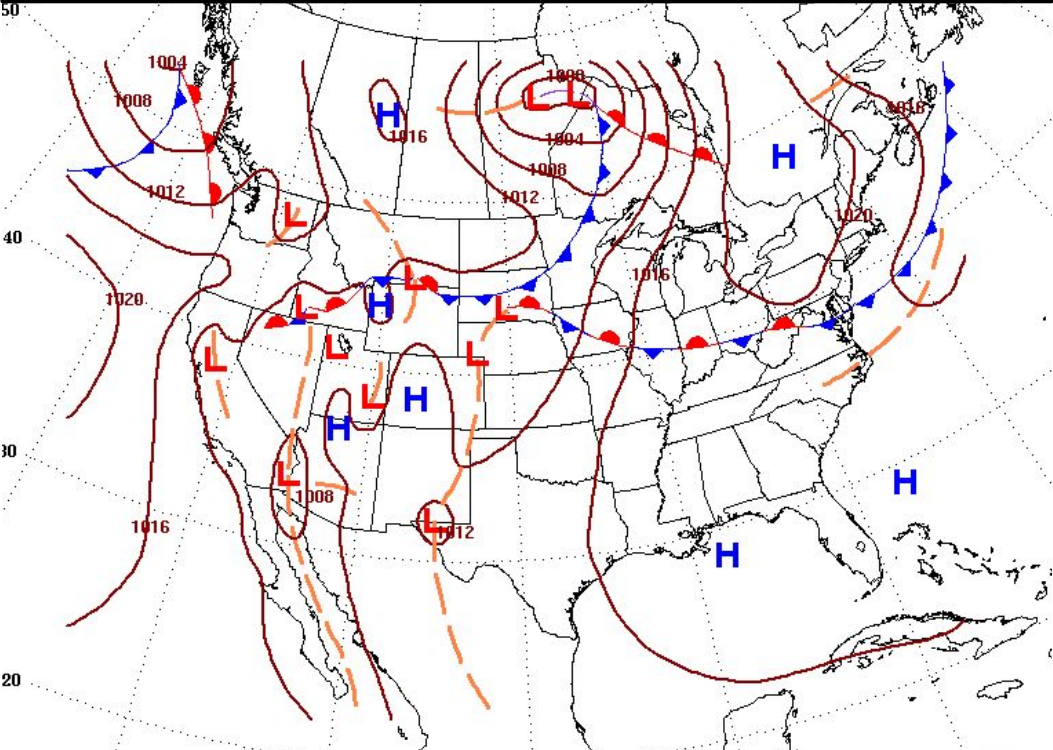


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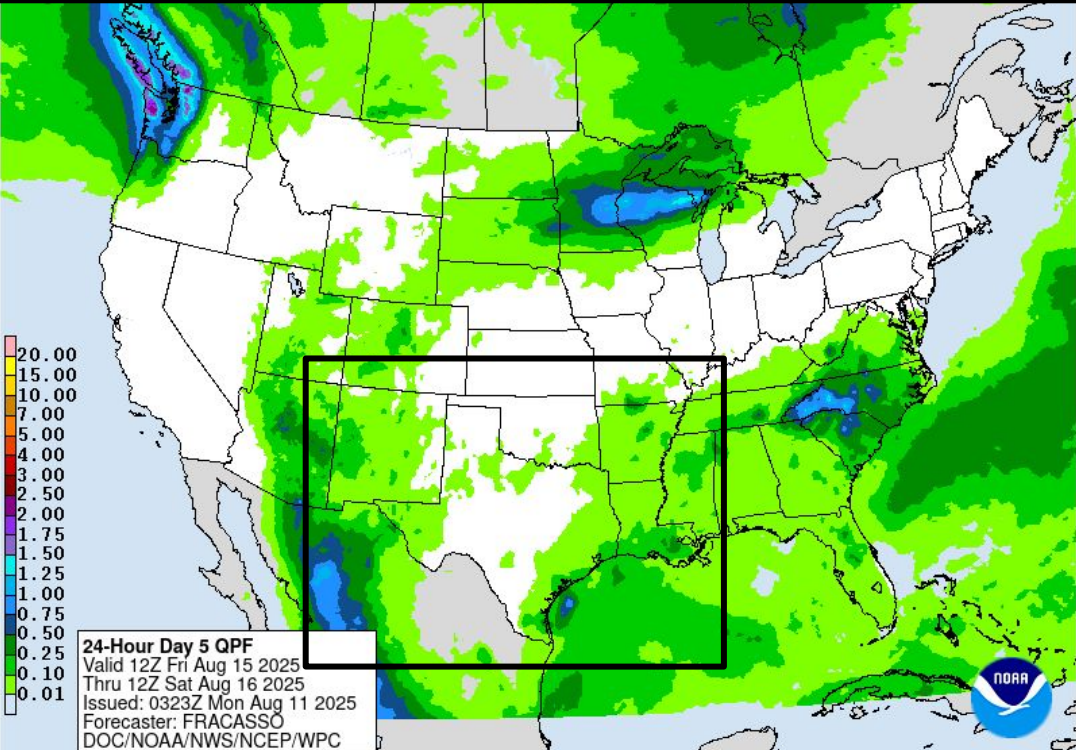


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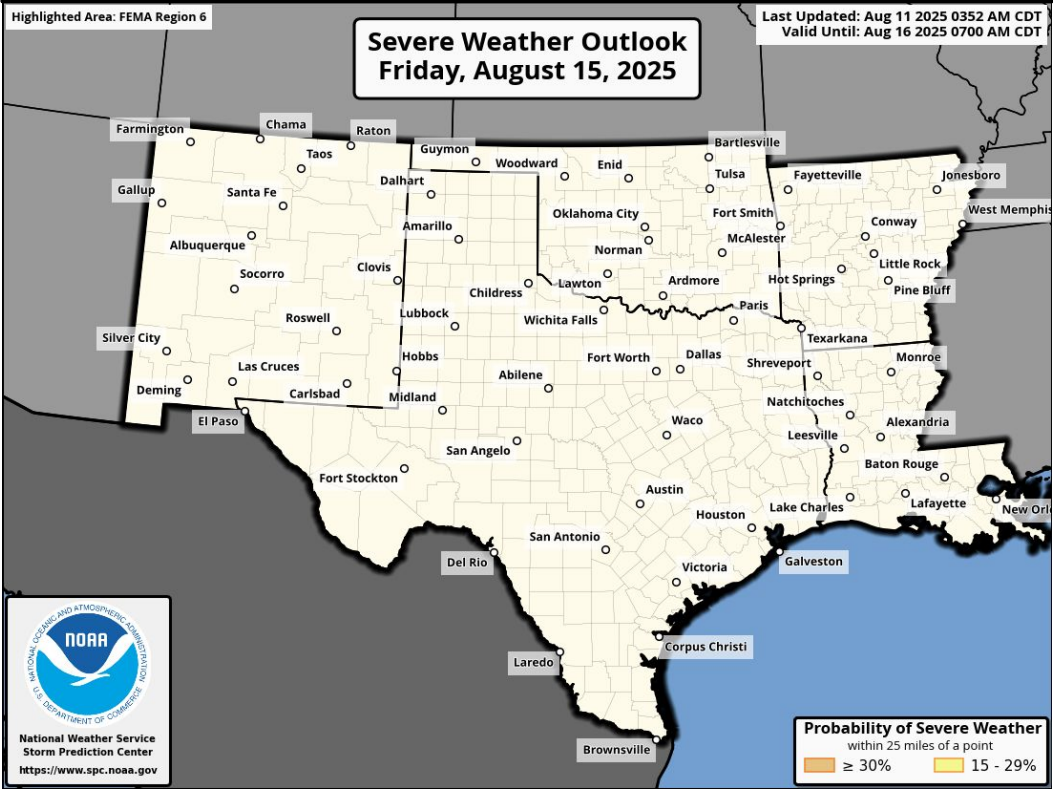
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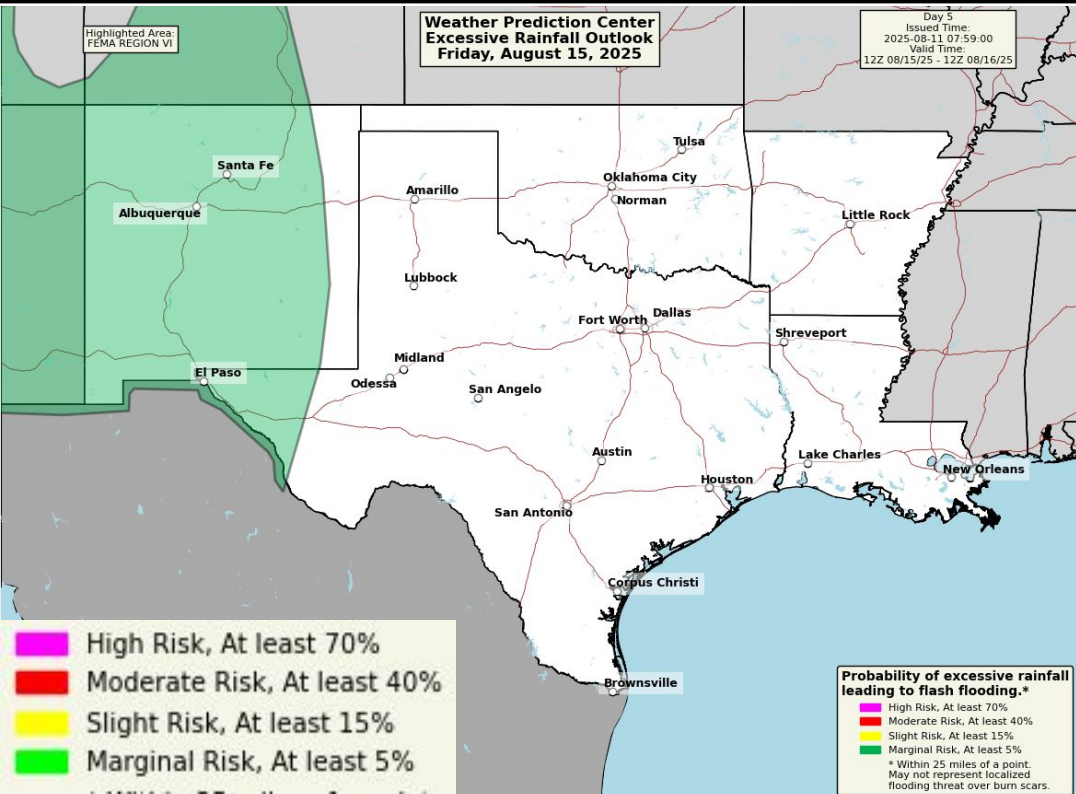
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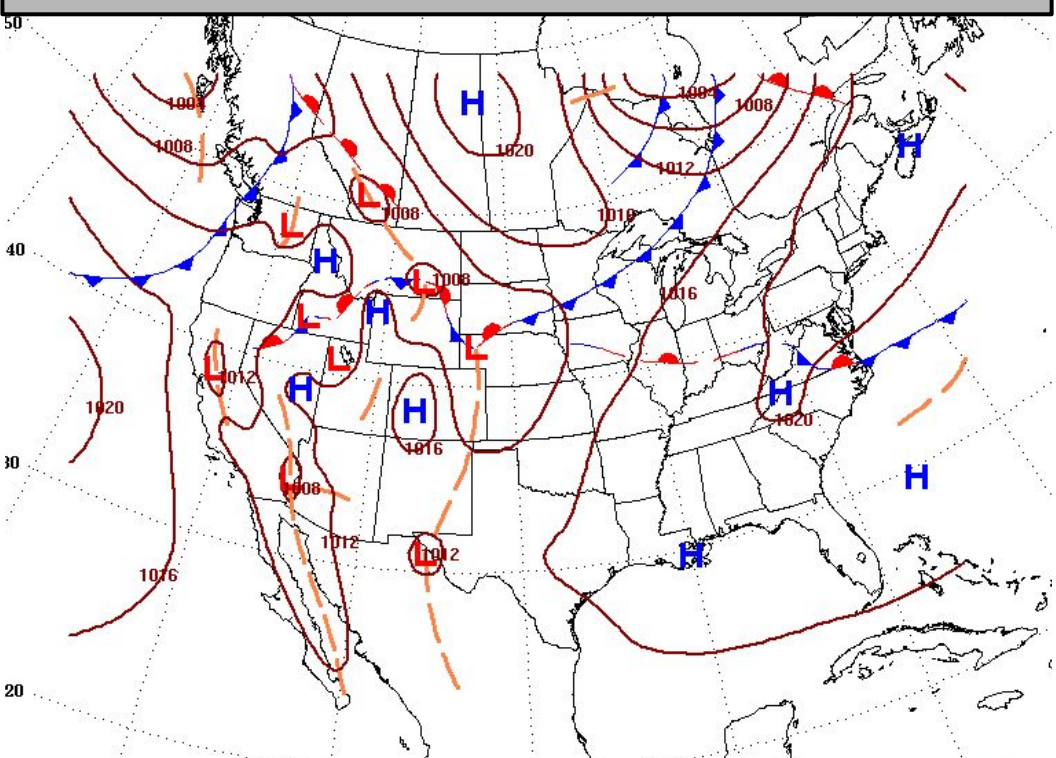
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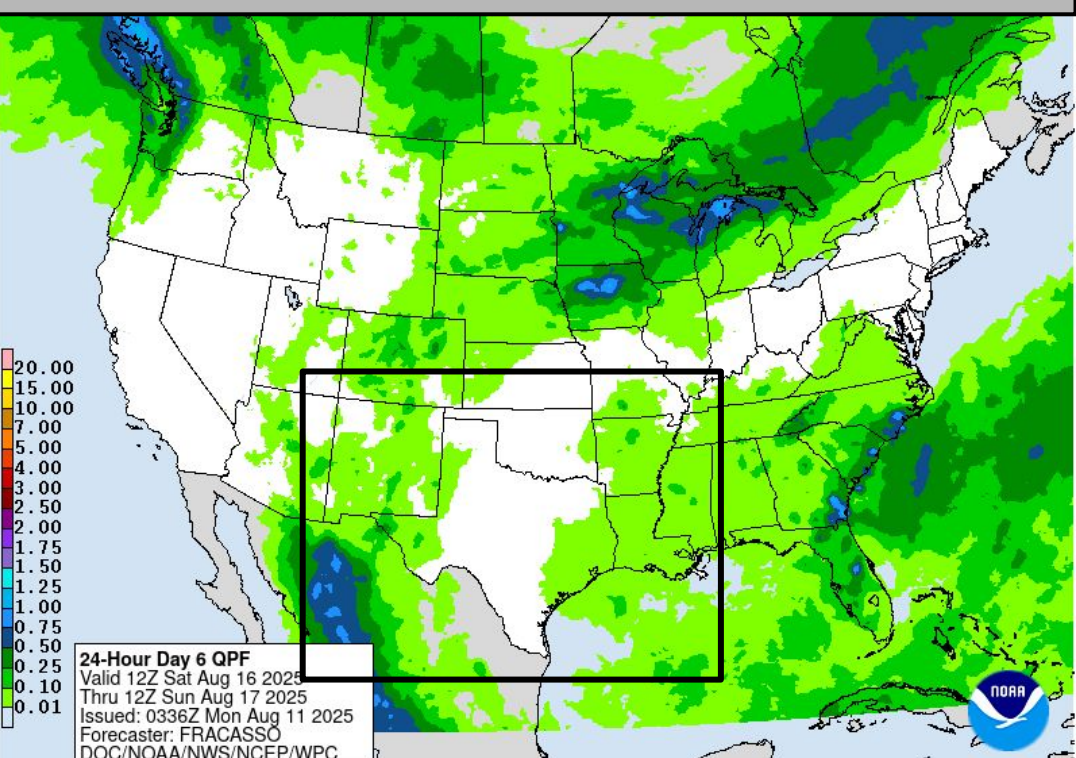


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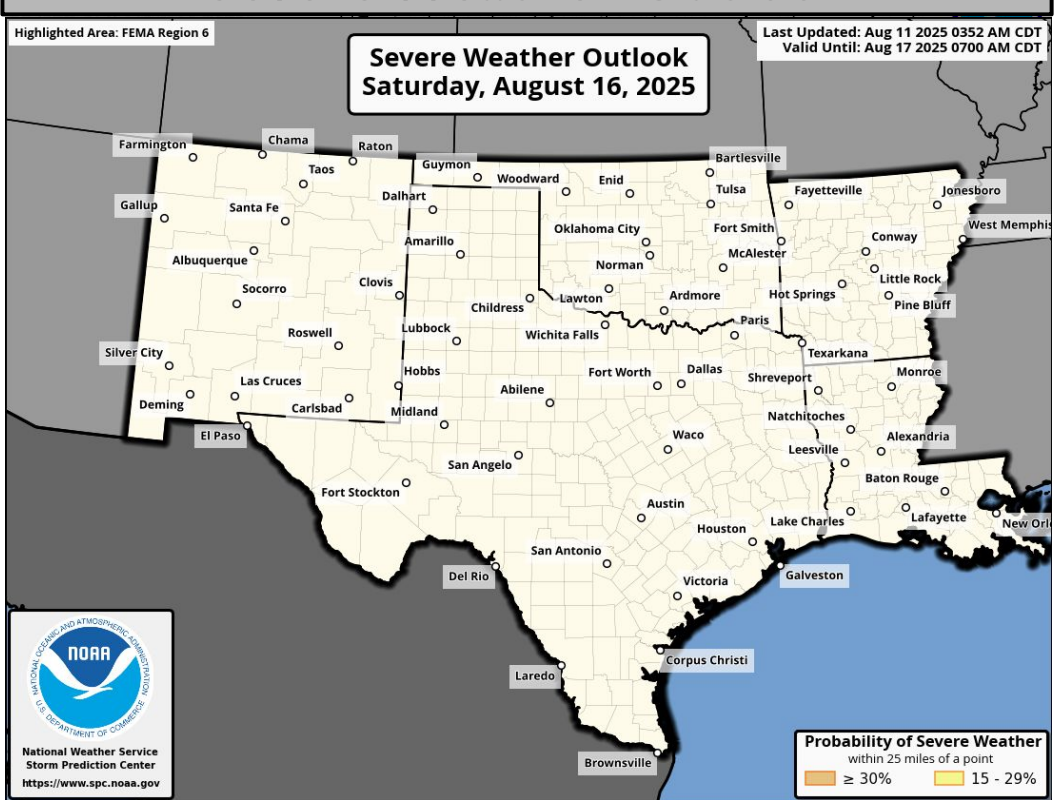


Forecast Rainfall



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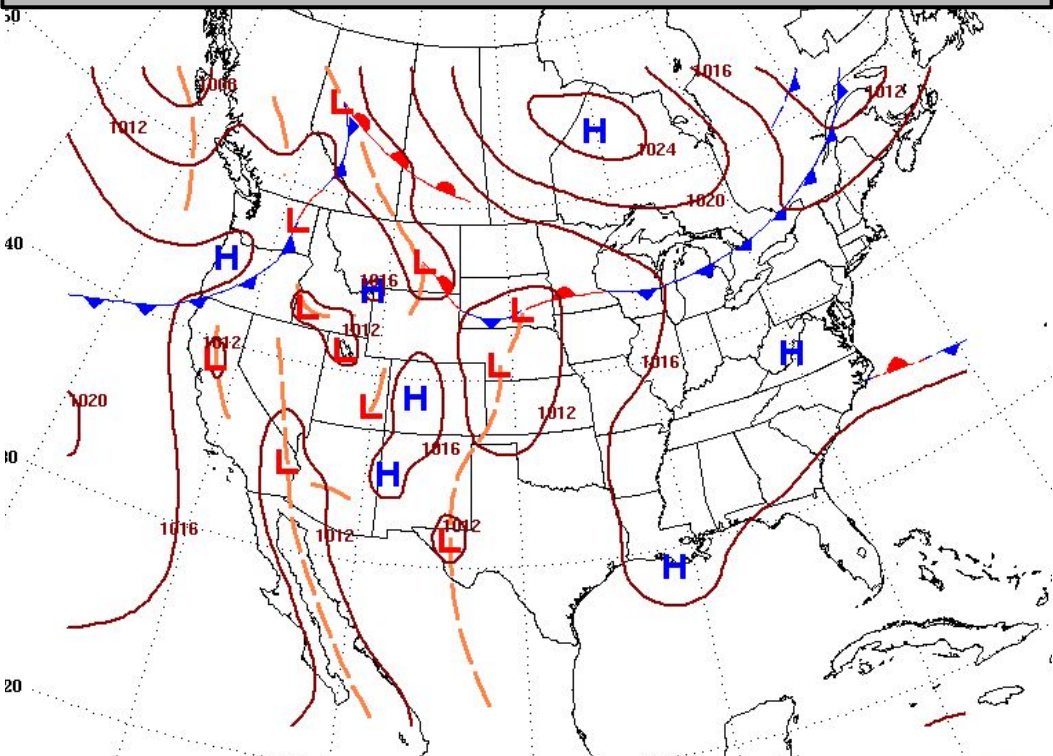


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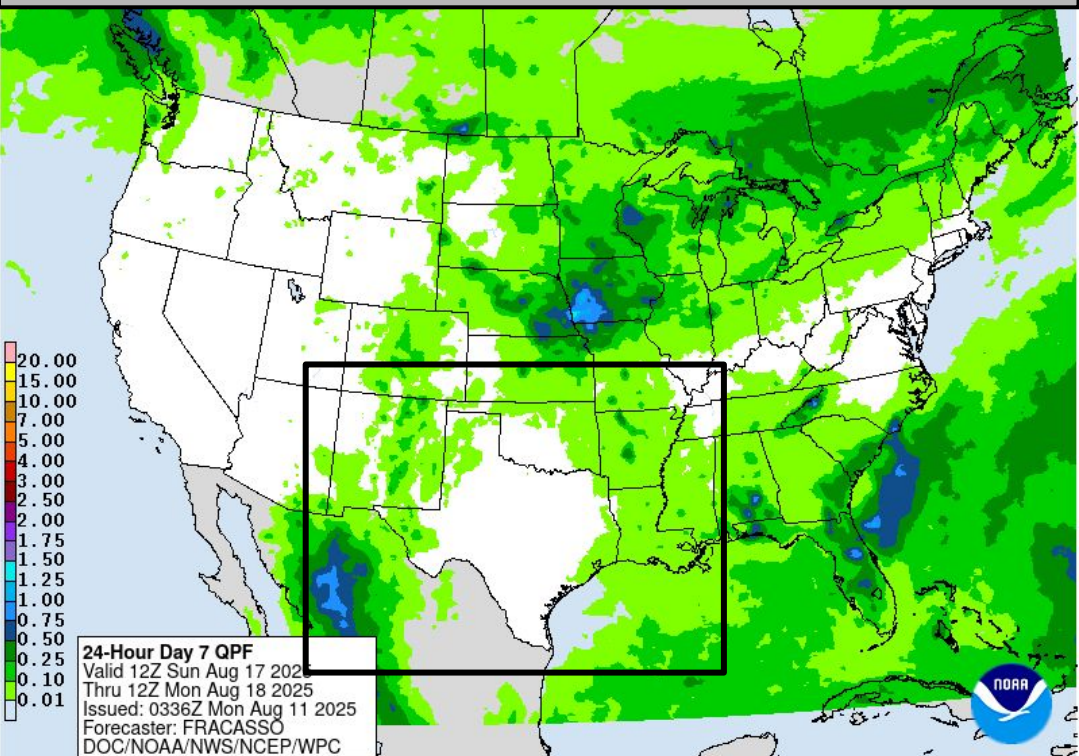


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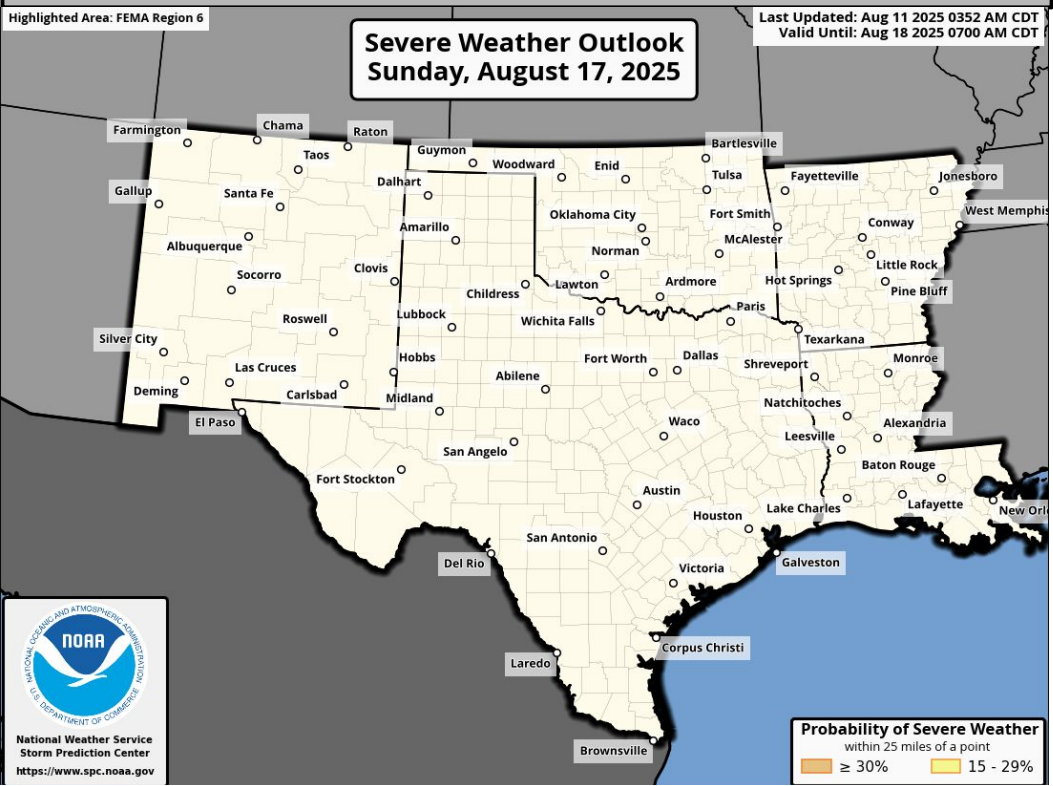


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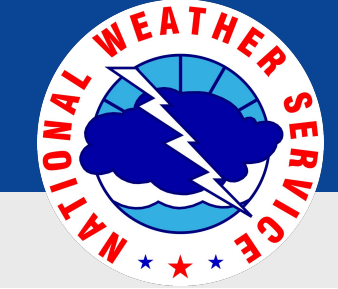
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Severe Weather Outlook



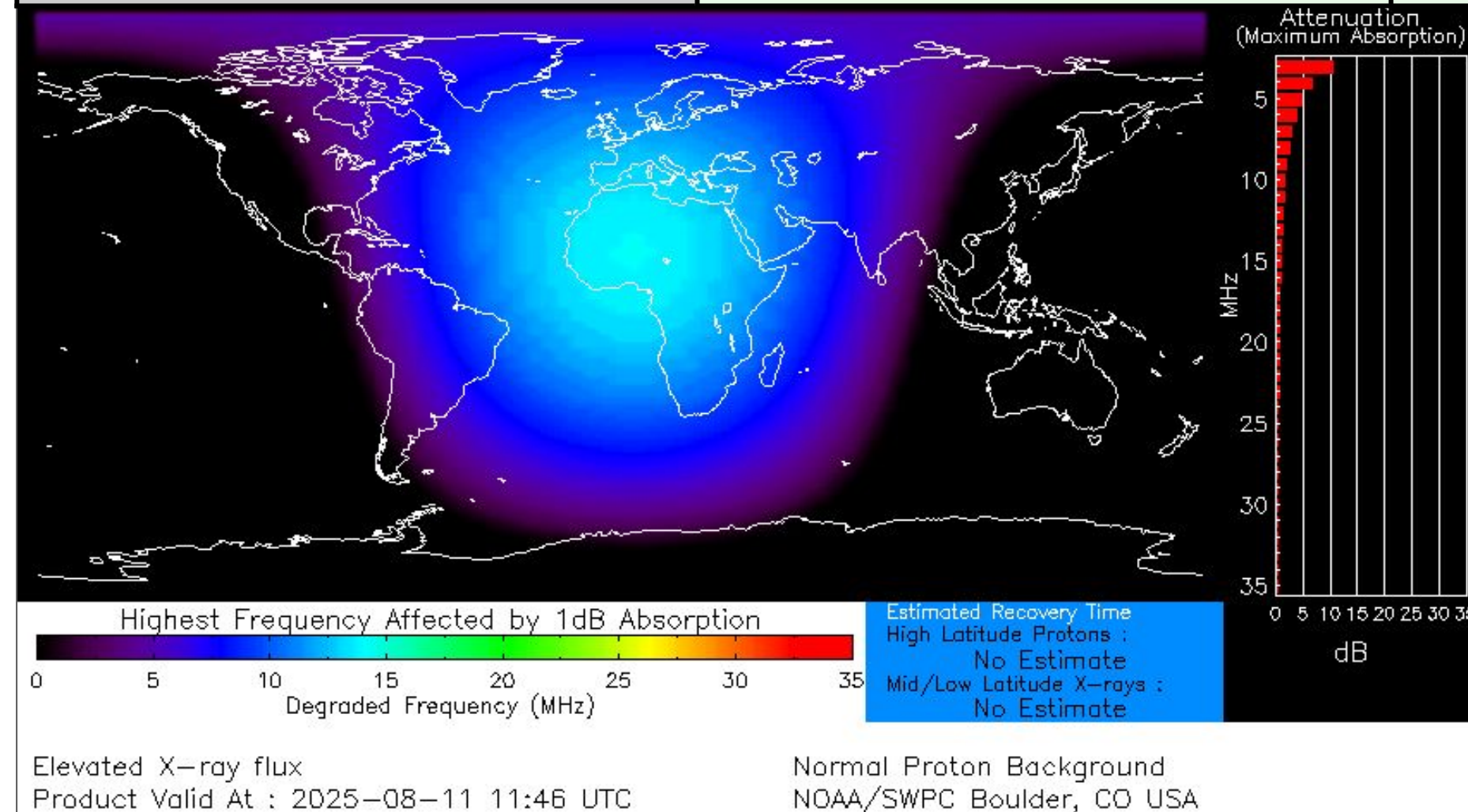
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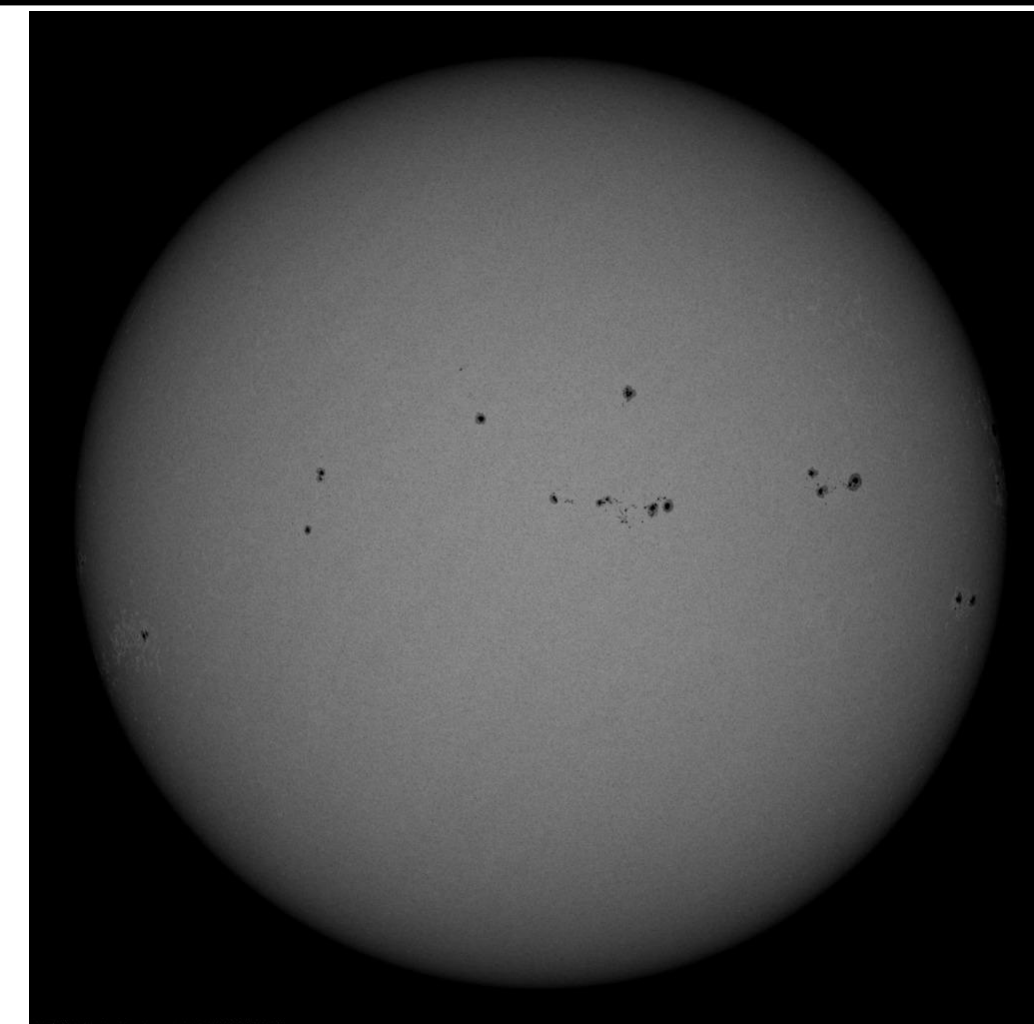
Space Weather 3-Day Forecast

	Monday, Aug 11	Tuesday, Aug 12	Wednesday, Aug 13
Geomagnetic Storms	Active (Max Kp = 4)	Active (Max Kp = 4)	Active (Max Kp = 4)
Solar Radiation Storm (S1-S5)	10%	10%	10%
Radio Blackout (R1-R2)	55%	55%	55%
Radio Blackout (R3-R5)	10%	10%	10%



[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



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