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# FEMA Region 6 Weather Threat Briefing

Sunday, November 16, 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>.





#### • Fire Weather:

• Elevated (level I of 3) threat tomorrow in E NM,TX Panhandle.

#### • Flash Flooding/Severe Weather:

- Monitoring for heavy rainfall/severe weather threat on Wednesday over E OK, N/C TX, W AR and again on Thursday.
- Severe weather may continue in portions of ETX,AR, LA on Friday.

#### • Winter Weather:

- Minor travel impacts due to snow above 8,000 feet in N NM today/tonight.
- Minor travel impacts in N NM mountains again mid week due to snow.

#### • Tropical Weather:

Tropical cyclone activity is not expected in the next 7 days for FEMA 6.





## FEMA Region 6 Threat Matrix

#### Next 7 days

	Sunday, Nov 16	Monday, Nov 17	Tuesday, Nov 18	Wednesday, Nov 19	Thursday, Nov 20	Friday, Nov 21	Saturday, Nov 22
Severe Storms				E OK, N/CTX, W AR	E OK, C/N TX, W AR	ETX,AR,LA	
Heavy Rain / Flash Flooding				E OK, N/CTX, W AR	E OK, C/N TX, W AR		
Tropical							
Winter Weather	N NM			N NM	N NM		
Fire Weather		E NM,TX Panhandle					
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

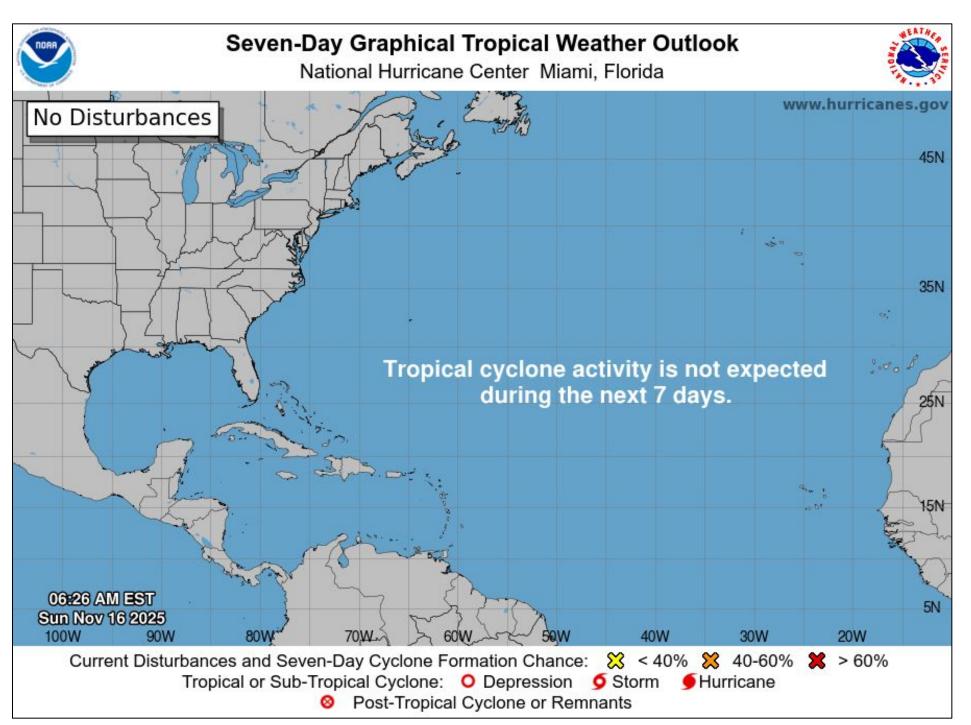




#### Tropical Weather Outlook – Atlantic/Gulf

Areas of Possible Development				
Area Chance of Development		Potential Impacts to FEMA 6		

Active Tropical Cyclones			
Storm Potential Impacts to FEMA 6			
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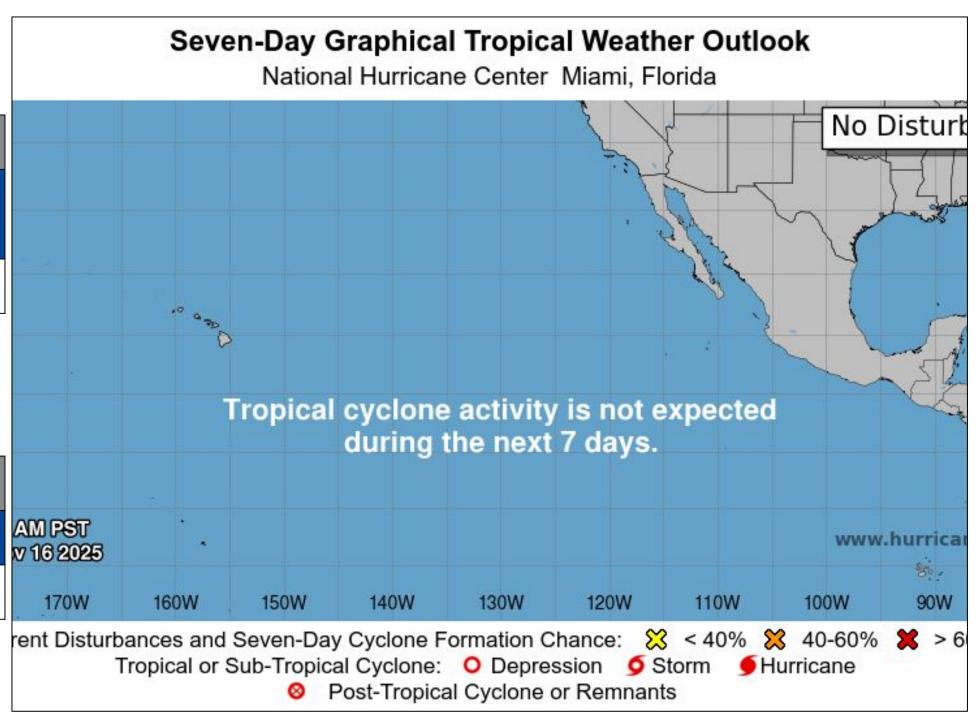




#### Tropical Weather Outlook – Eastern Pacific

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Storm Potential Impacts to FEMA 6			
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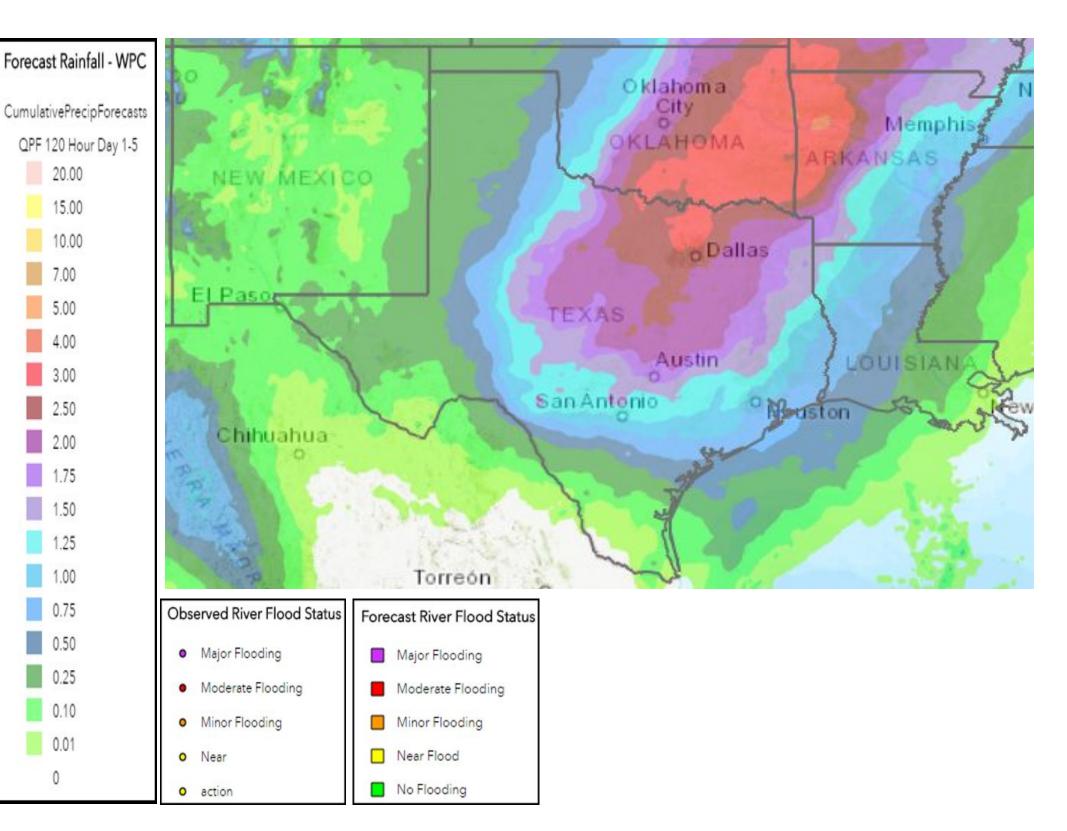
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#### 5-Day Precipitation Forecast & River Flood Status

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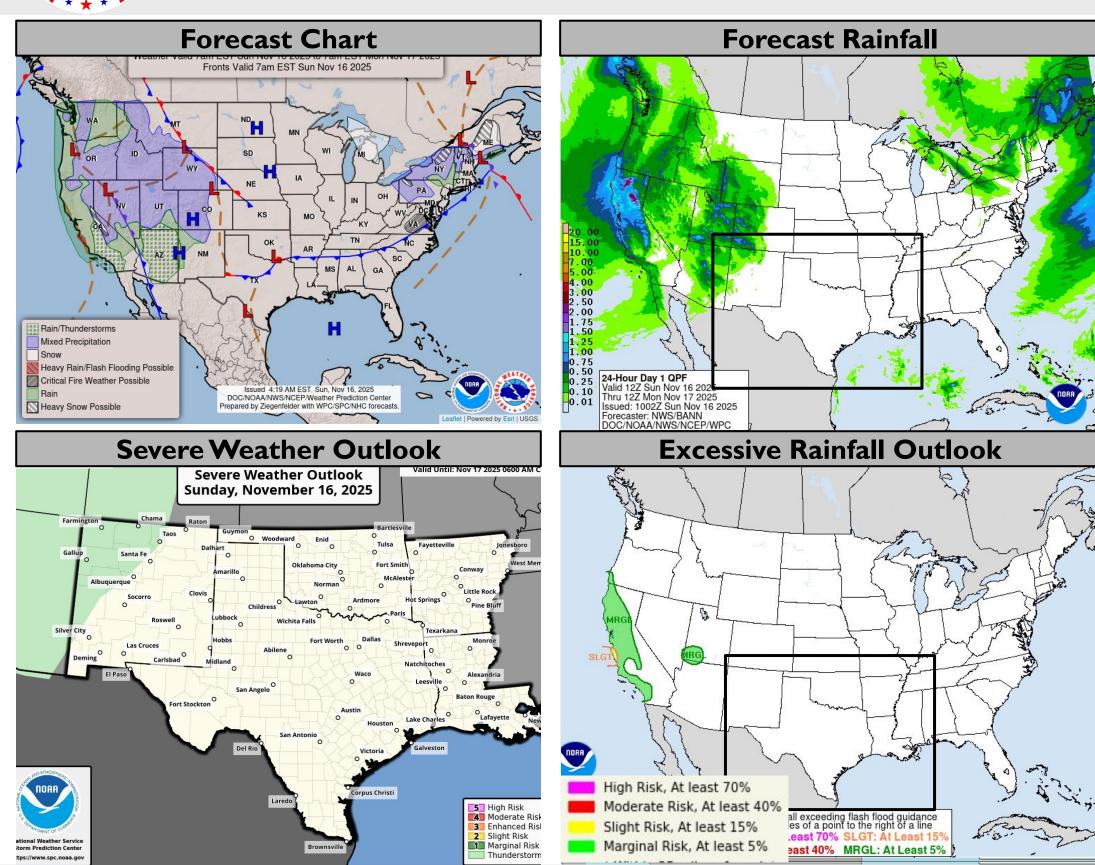
No river flooding is forecast.

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.





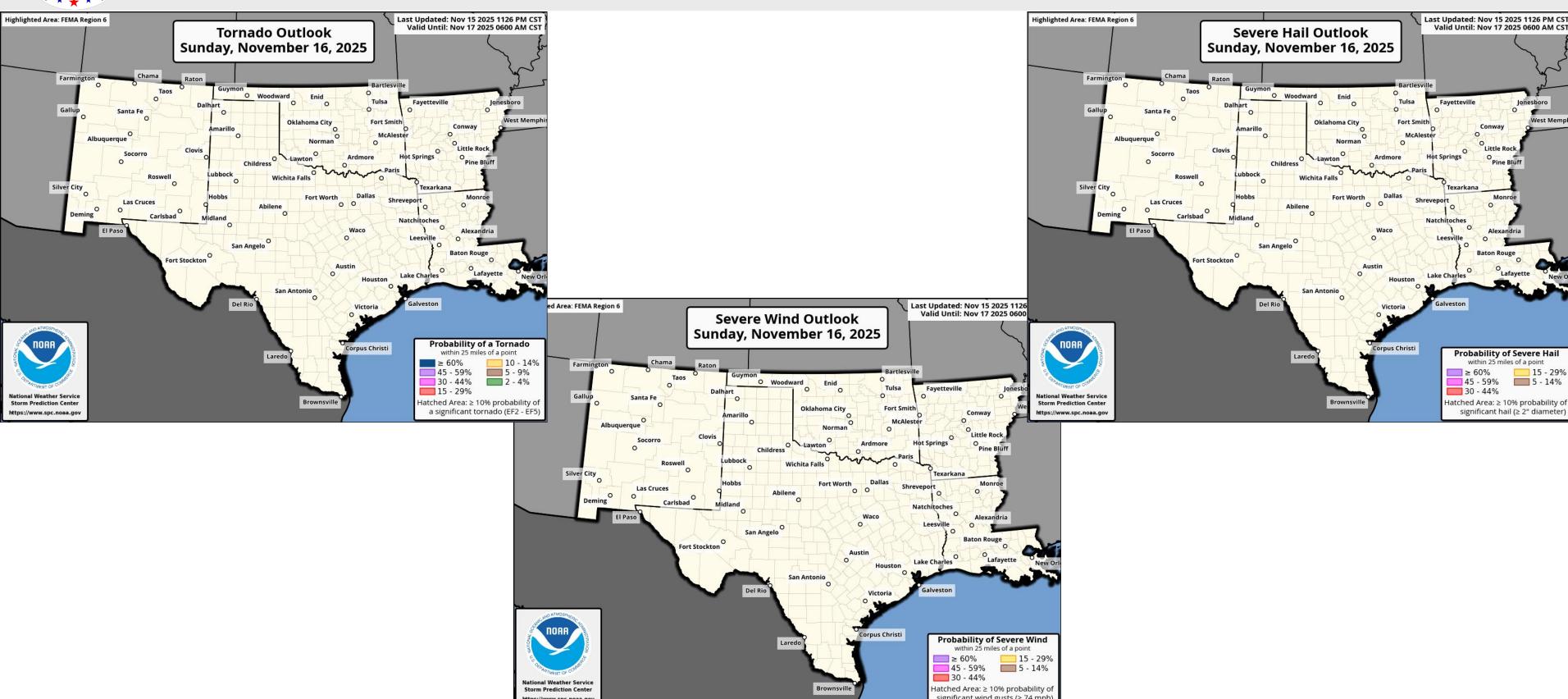
#### Today's Weather



Minor travel impacts in N NM above 8,000 feet due to 2-4" of snow.



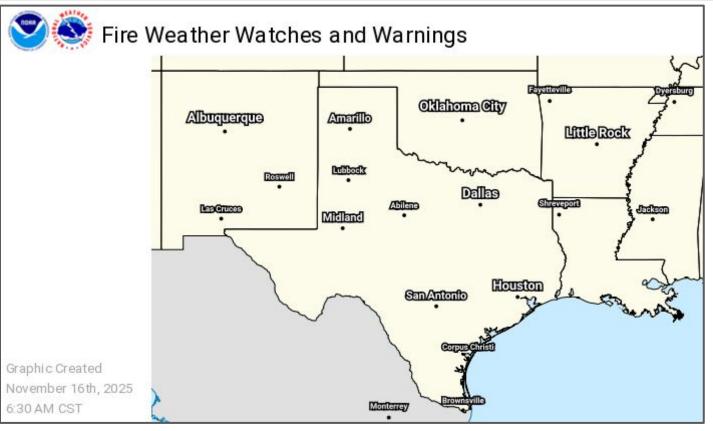
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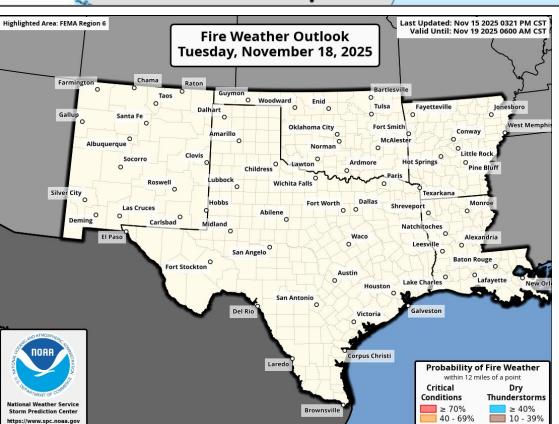


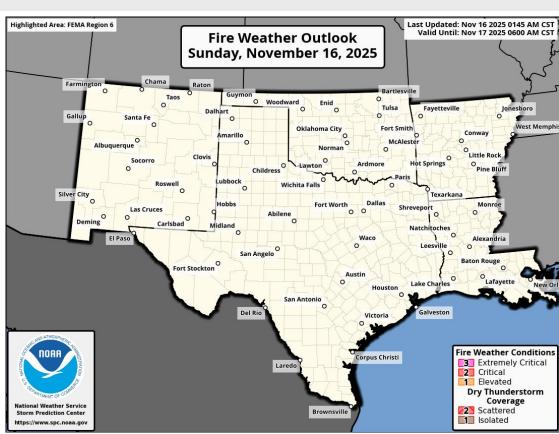


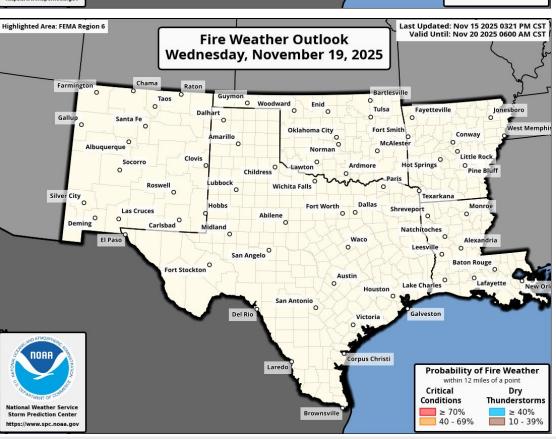


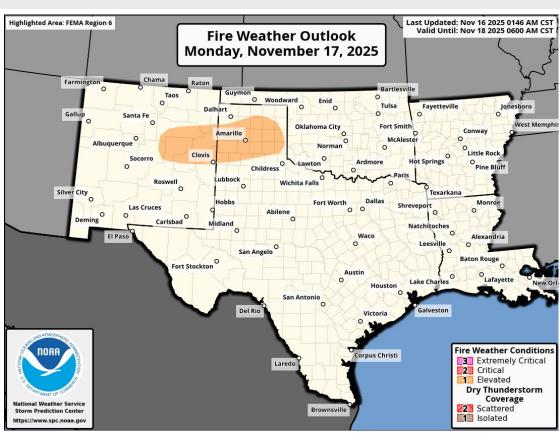
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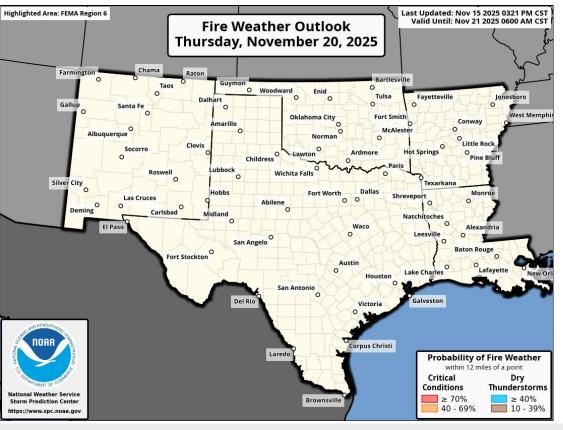










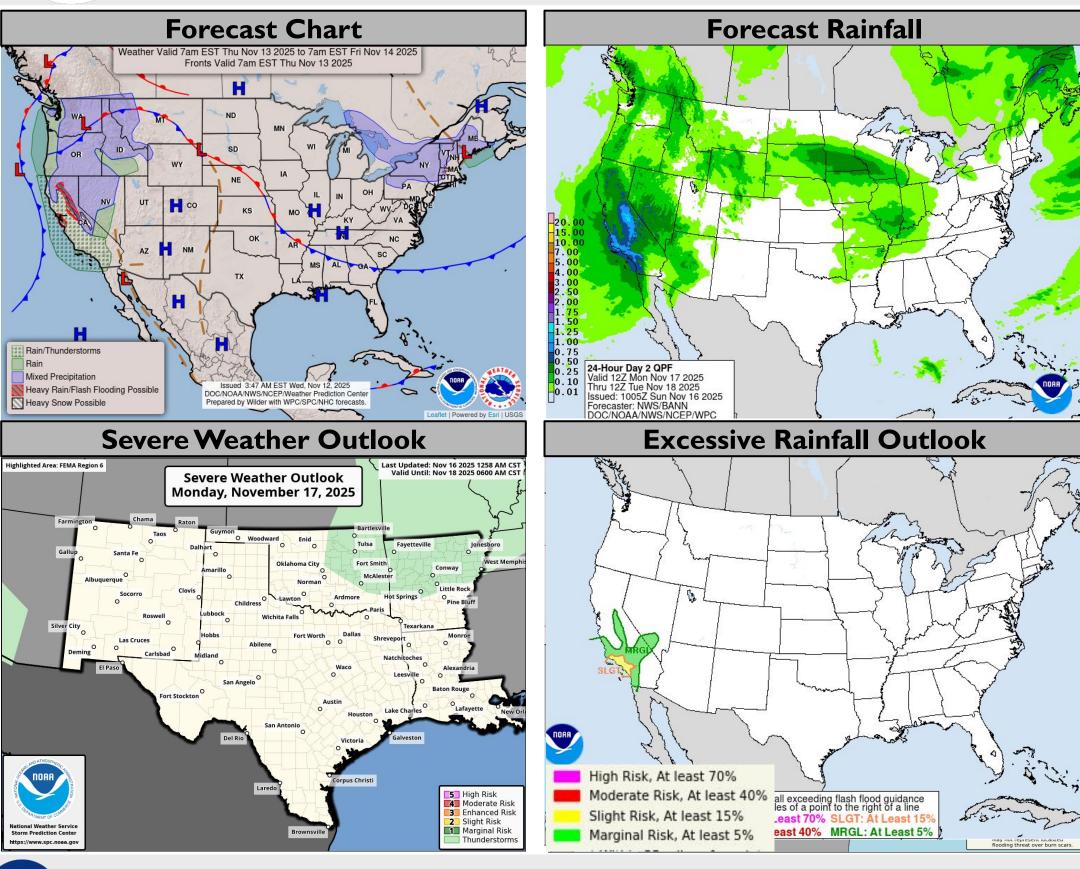




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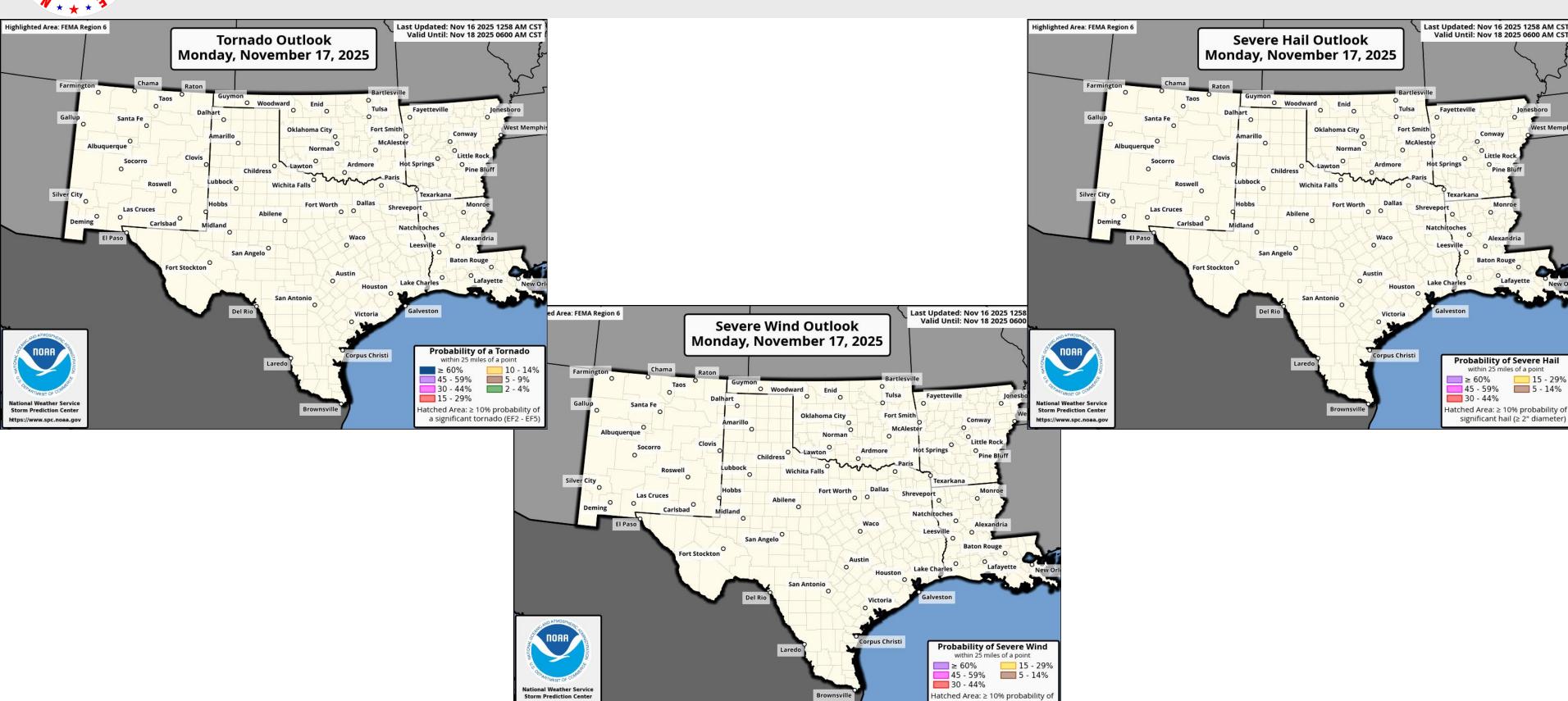
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Elevated (level 1 of 3) fire weather threat in E NM,TX Panhandle.



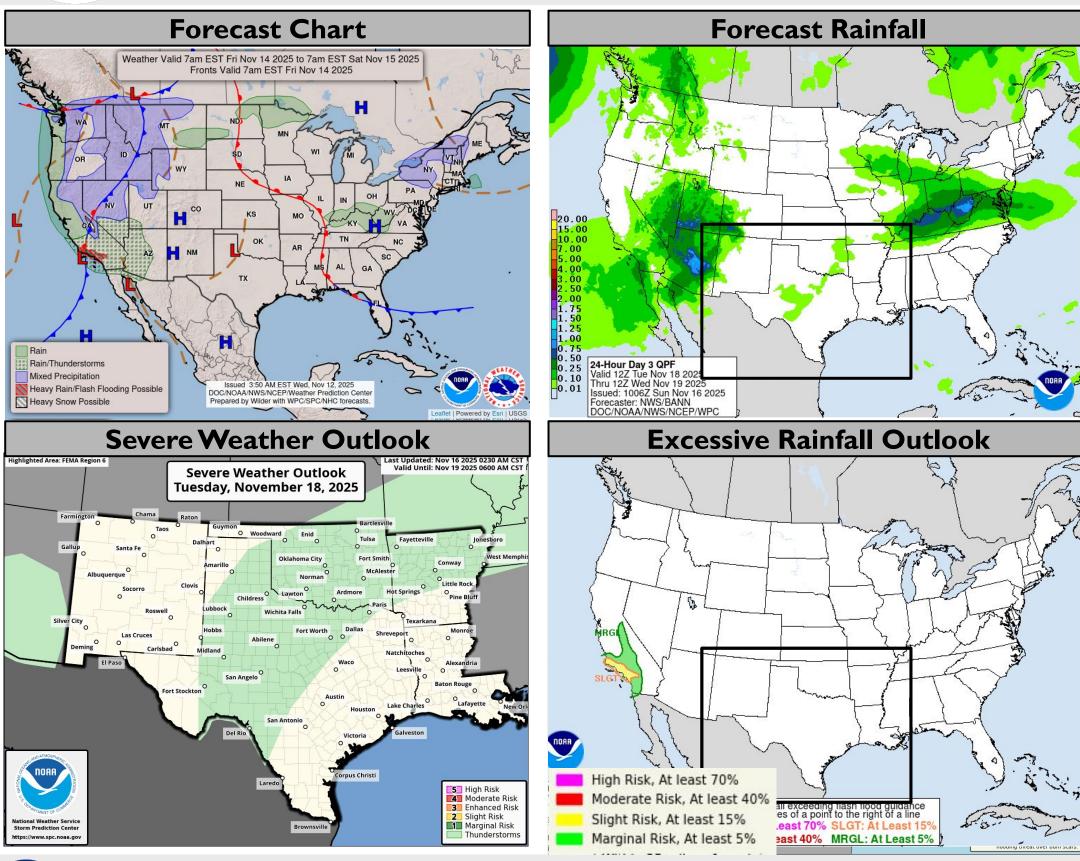
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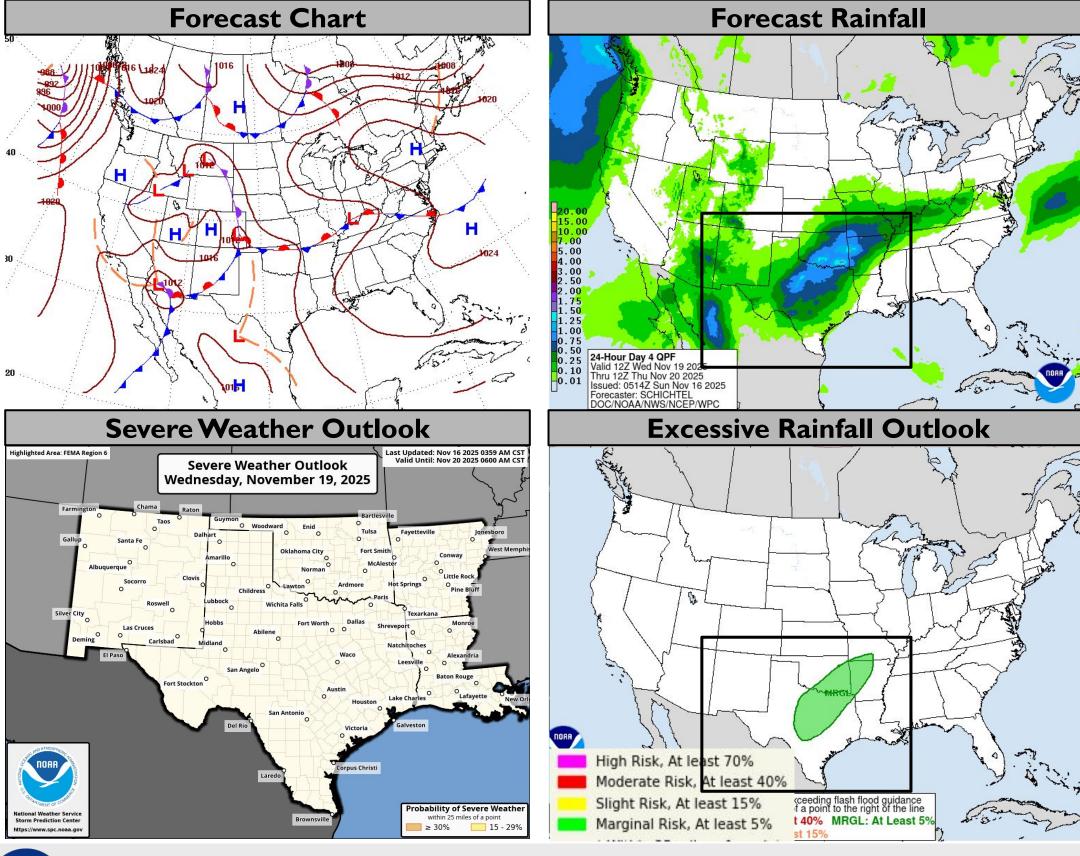
# Tuesday's Weather



No significant weather expected.



#### Wednesday's Weather

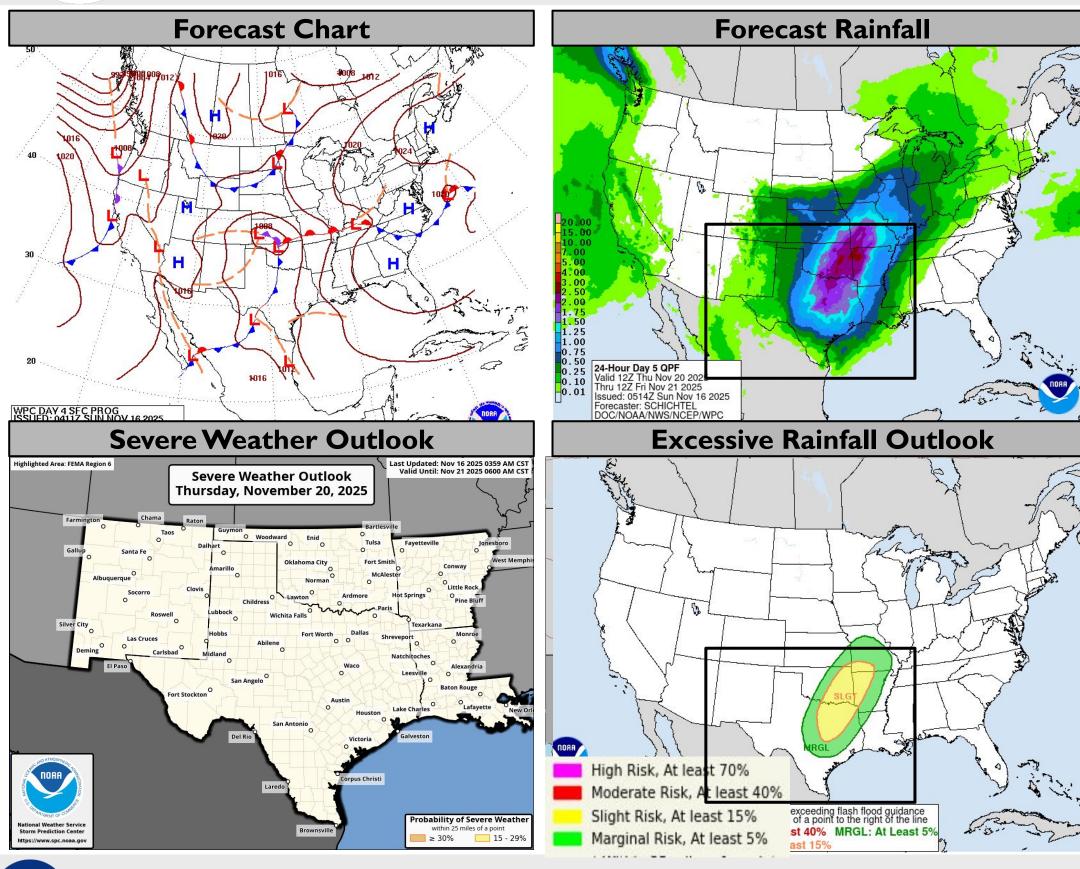


Monitoring for heavy rainfall/severe weather over E OK, N/C TX, W AR.

Monitoring N NM mountains for minor travel impacts due to high elevation snow.



#### Thursday's Weather



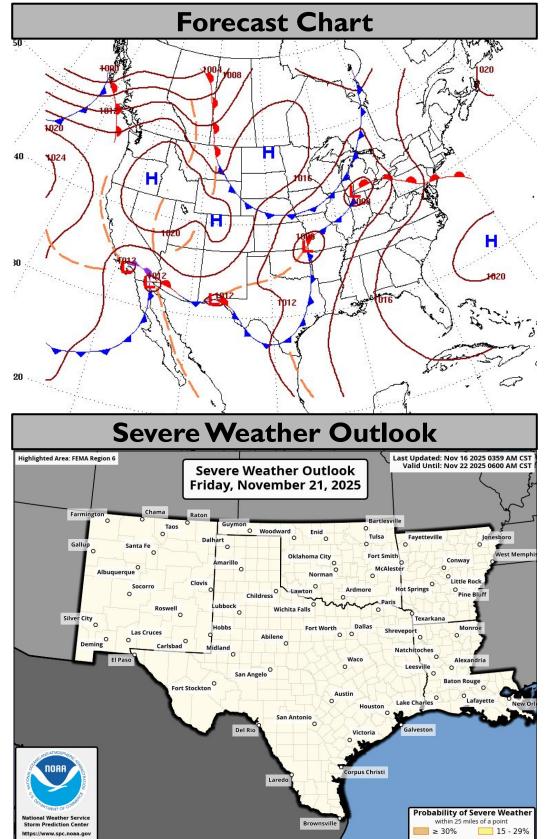
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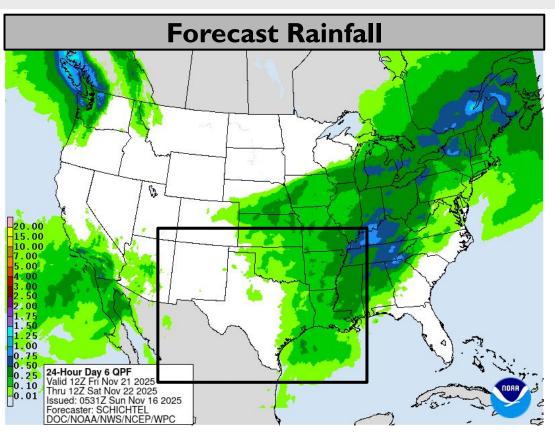
2-4" of rain, with localized amounts of 6" may lead to flash flooding.

Monitoring N NM mountains for minor travel impacts due to high elevation snow.



### Friday's Weather



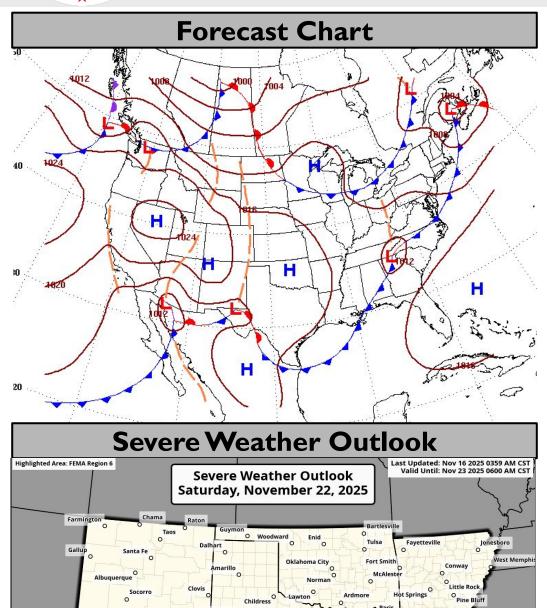


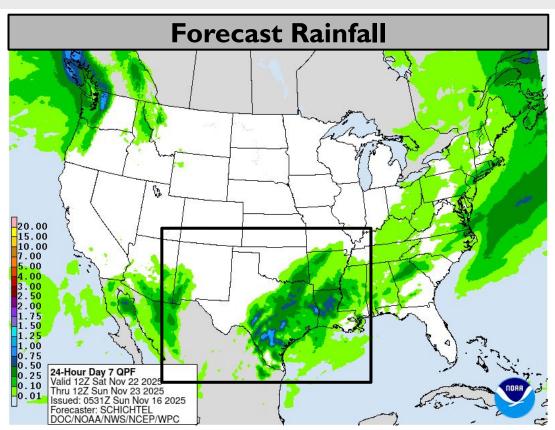
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Monitoring ETX, AR, and LA for severe storms.



# Saturday's Weather



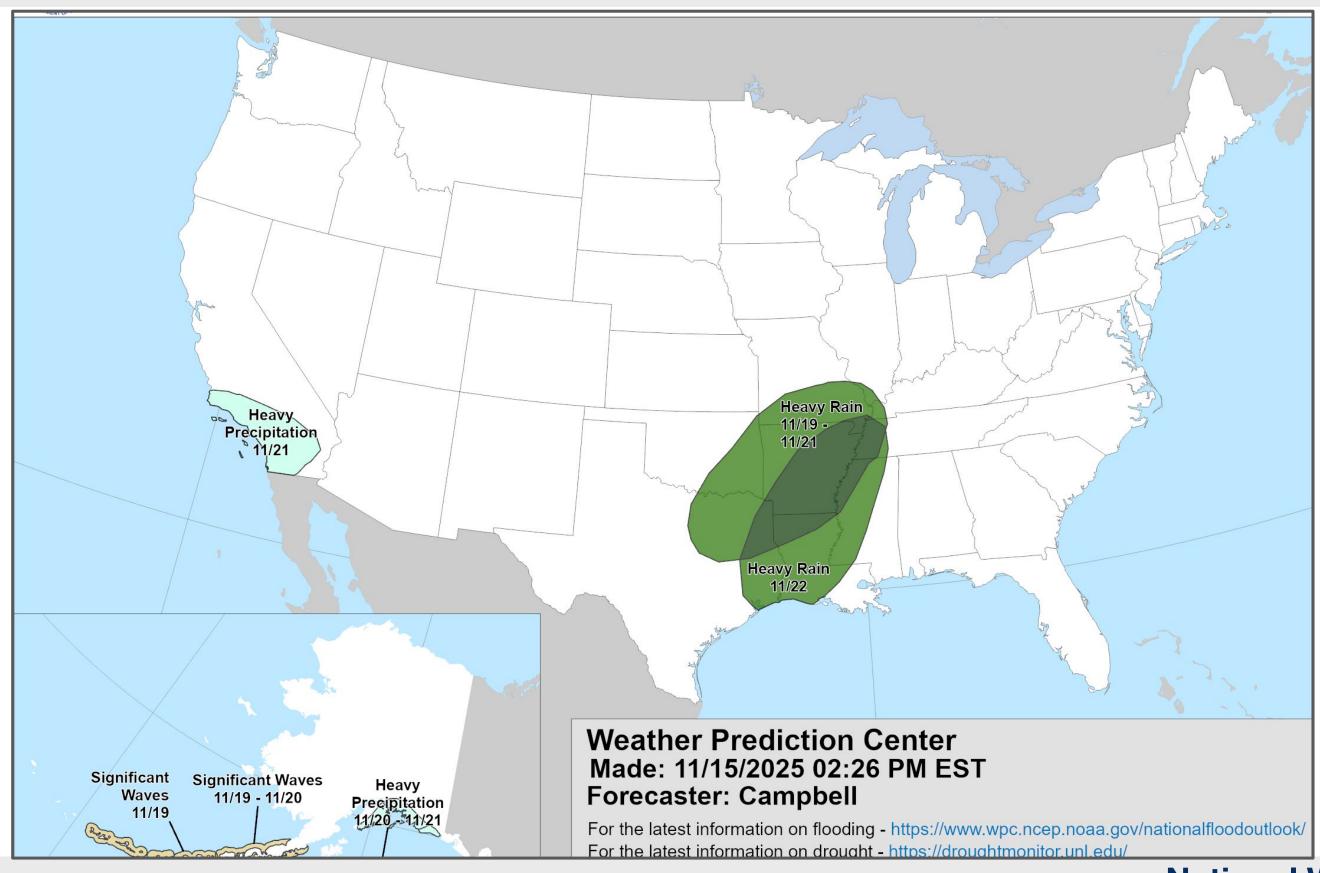


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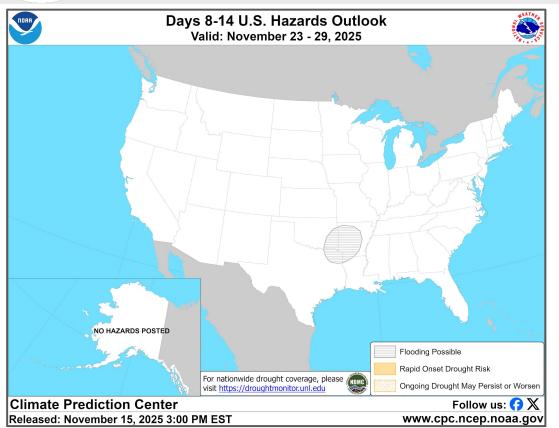


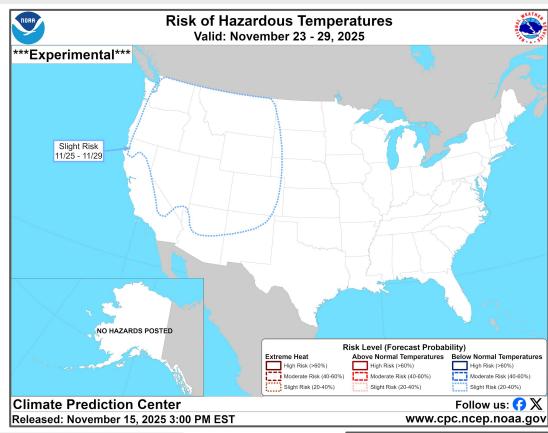
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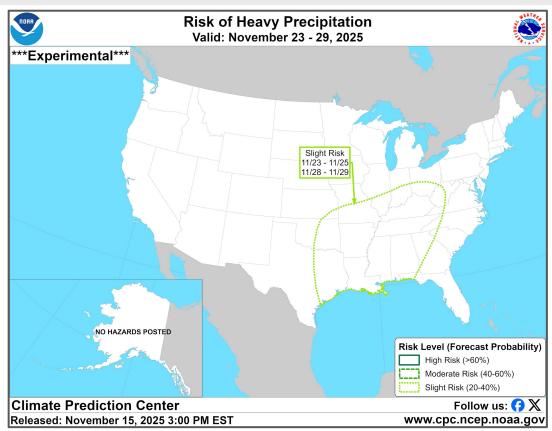


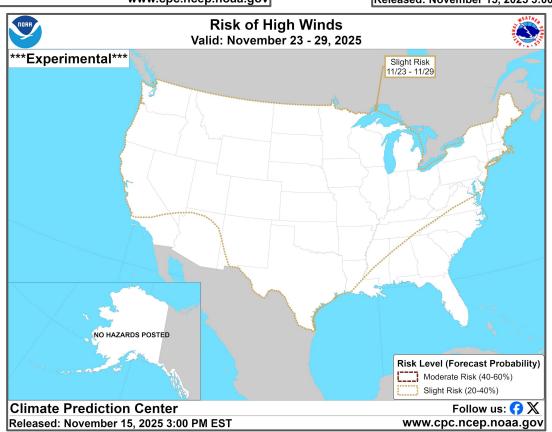


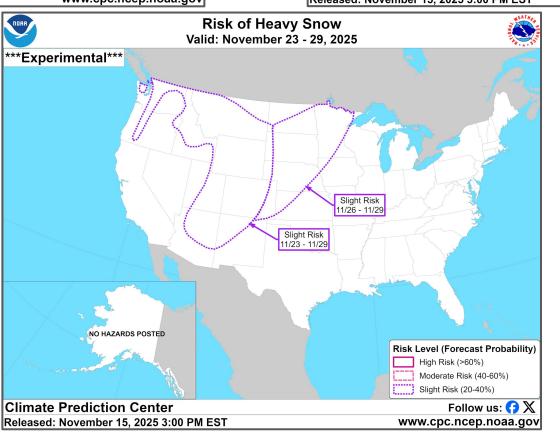
### "Day 8-14" Hazards Outlook









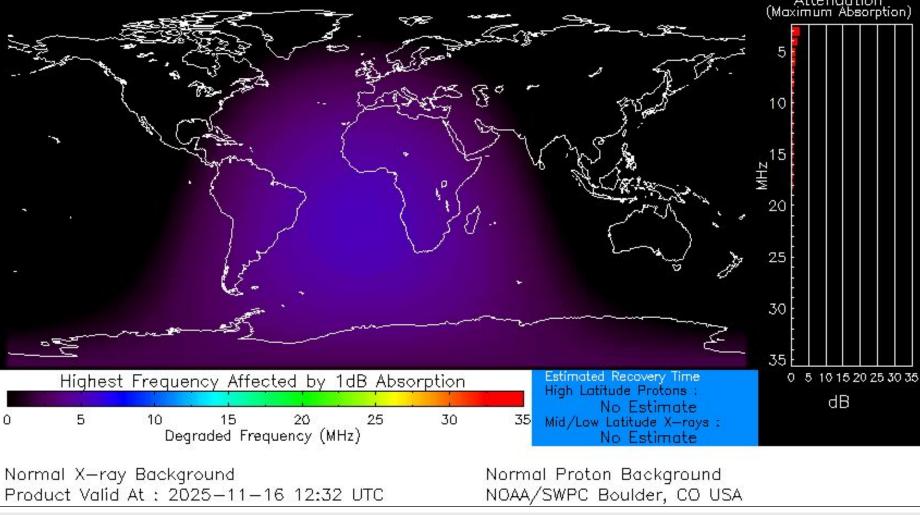






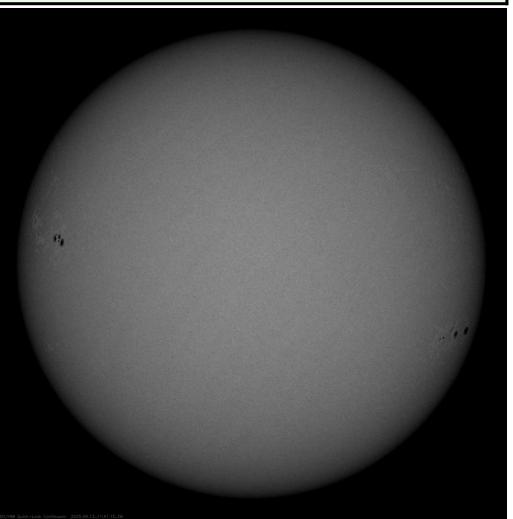
# Space Weather 3-Day Forecast

	Sunday, Nov 16	Monday, Nov 17	Tuesday, Nov 18
Geomagnetic Storms	Minor G1 Storm (Max Kp=5)	Active (Max Kp=4)	Unsettled (Max Kp=3)
Solar Radiation Storm (SI-S5)	15%	10%	5%
Radio Blackout (R1-R2)	60%	55%	40%
Radio Blackout (R3-R5)	20%	15%	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 mino (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 day.</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 toward:         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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