

Incidents Reported to the State Operations Center (last 24 hours)

DATE	SUBJECT	LOCATION
02/18/26	Initial Report of a Boil Water Notice	Leon County
02/18/26	Update Report #6 of the Lavender Fire	Oldham County
02/18/26	Initial Report of a Boil Water Notice	McMullen County
02/18/26	Update Report #7 of the Lavender	Oldham County
02/18/26	Update Report #4 of the 8 Ball Fire	Armstrong County
02/18/26	Final Report of the Las Palomas Fire	Hidalgo County
02/18/26	Update Report #8 of the Lavender Fire	Oldham County
02/18/26	Initial Report of the Canadian Bridge Fire	Hutchinson County
02/18/26	Update Report #5 of the 8 Ball Fire	Armstrong and Donley Counties
02/18/26	Update Report of the Canadian Bridge Fire	Hutchinson County
02/18/26	Update Report #2 of the Canadian Bridge Fire	Hutchinson County
02/18/26	Initial and Final Report of the Anderson 1482 Fire	Anderson County
02/19/26	Update Report #9 of the Lavender Fire	Oldham County

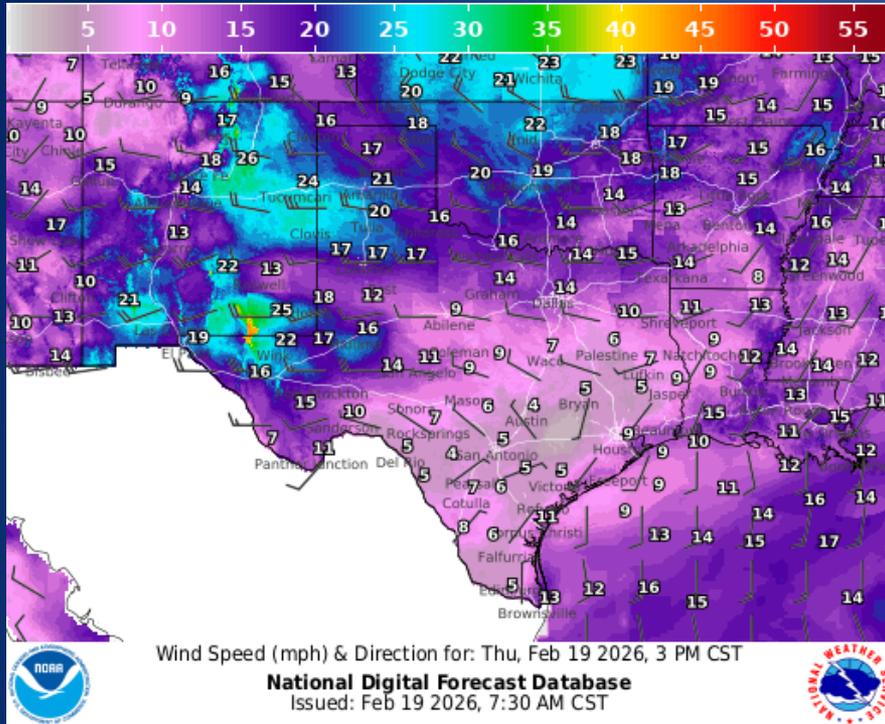
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02/19/26	Update Report #3 of the Canadian Bridge Fire	Hutchinson County
02/19/26	Final Report of the Haystack Fire	Lipscomb County
02/19/26	Final Report of the Korn Fire	Hartley County
02/19/26	Initial Report of a Boil Water Notice	Kerr County

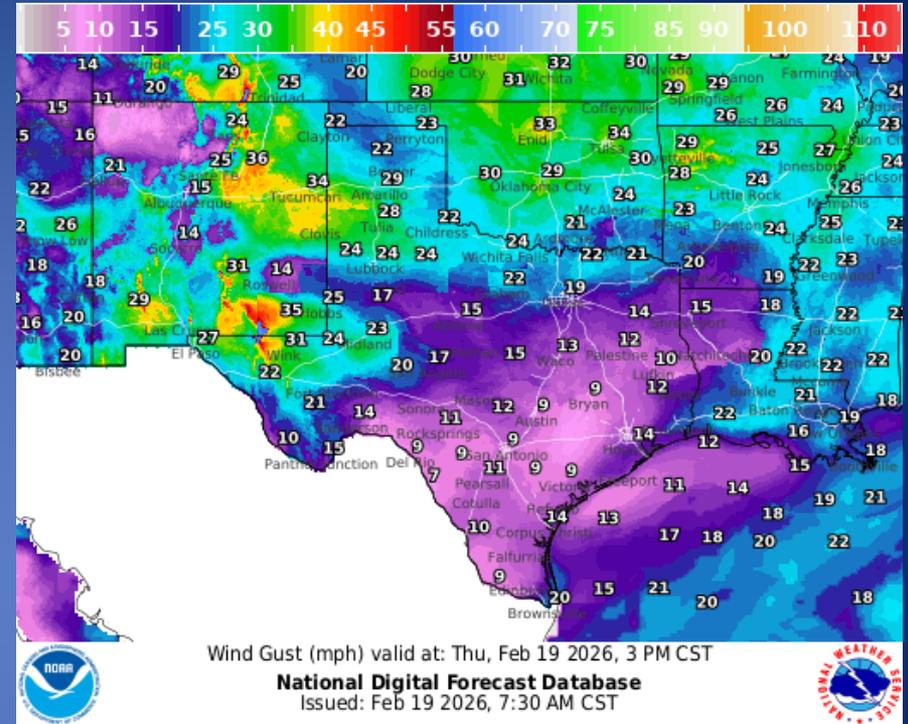
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DATE	SUBJECT
02/18/26	NWS Amarillo: Multi Day Fire Weather Threat this Work Week
02/18/26	Daily Situation Report [25-0026 02JUL Severe Weather]
02/18/26	Daily Situation Report [26-0001 Wildfire Season 2026]
02/18/26	NWS Norman, OK: Fire Weather Update
02/19/26	NWS El Paso, TX/Santa Teresa, NM: NWS Weather Hazards Outlook
02/19/26	Daily NWS Threat Brief

Weather Forecast



Wind Speeds



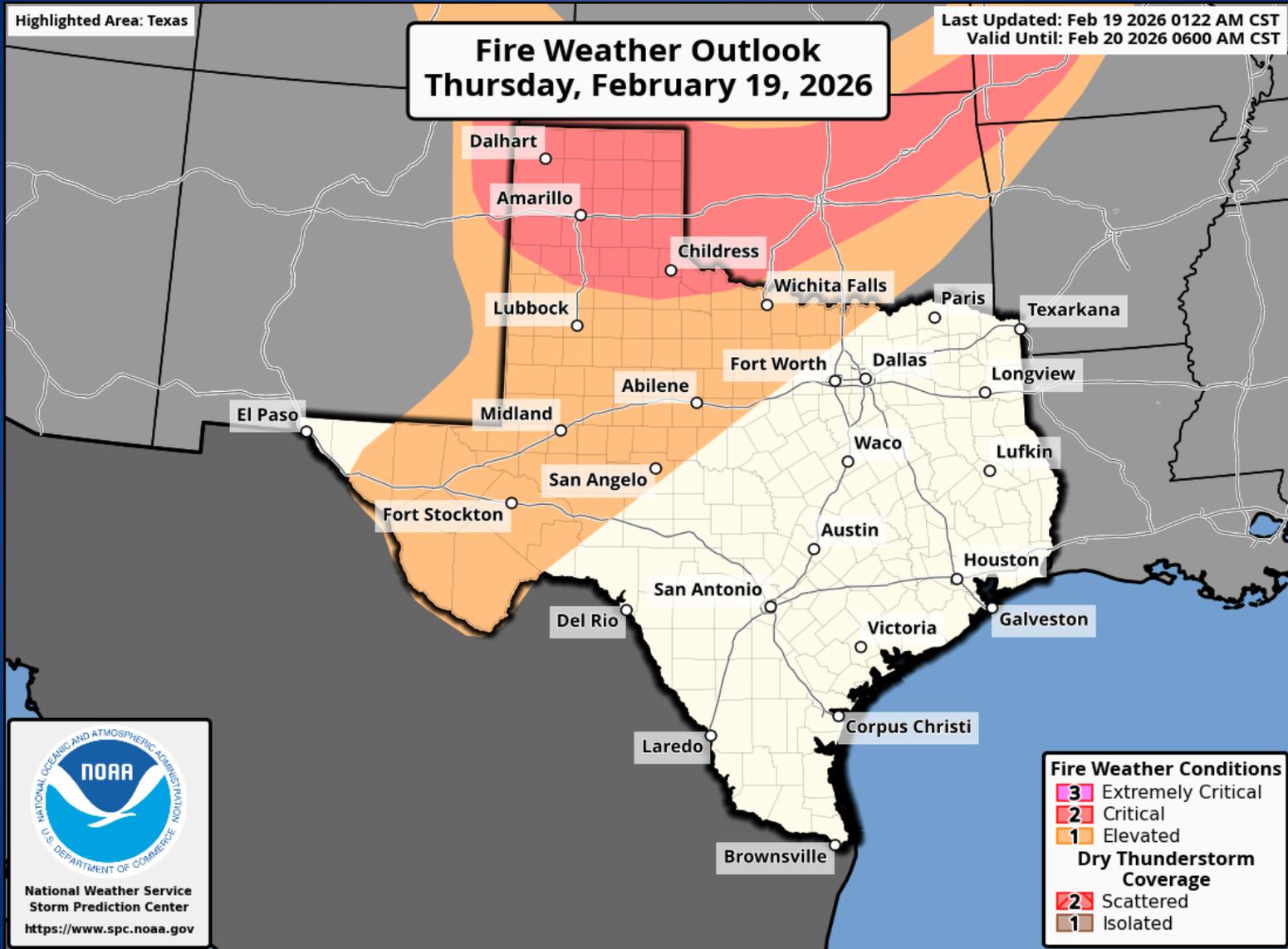
Gusts

Hazardous Weather

Highlighted Area: Texas

Last Updated: Feb 19 2026 0122 AM CST
Valid Until: Feb 20 2026 0600 AM CST

Fire Weather Outlook Thursday, February 19, 2026



Fire Weather Conditions	
	Extremely Critical
	Critical
	Elevated
Dry Thunderstorm Coverage	
	Scattered
	Isolated

Hazardous Weather

Critical Fire Weather Conditions Today



What to Expect



A variety of winds today. West winds 20-25 mph in the morning gradually turning northwest by noon, then a cold front will track from NE to SW across the Panhandles this evening with 10-15 mph winds.



Increased potential for wildfire starts and fires may spread quickly

Timing

Critical Fire Weather:
10 AM - 7 PM

Safety Info

Take extra precautions to prevent fire starts!
Contact local law/fire officials if you smell smoke or see fire!



National Weather Service Amarillo
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Updated: Thu Feb 19, 2026 2:08 AM

Another critical Fire Weather day for most of the Panhandles. Today will have some complexities with the winds as they will start off west to northwest for the most part, but will start to shift out of multiple directions as a cold front moves through.

Taste of Summer and Elevated Fire Danger

Hot and dry conditions lead to fire weather concerns



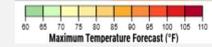
Key Messages

- May-like temperatures - Mid/Upper 90s across mid/upper RGV & Northern Ranchlands Thursday/Friday.
- Cold front arrives Saturday bringing temperatures back to seasonable levels (low/mid 70s).
- Unfortunately, the cold front passage will lead to elevated fire danger this weekend due to abundant cured fuels amidst worsening drought conditions.
- **Stay cool/hydrated and avoid outdoor burning.**

Maximum Temperature (°F)

Forecast

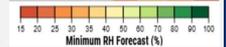
	2/19/2/20/2/21/2/22			
	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
Brownsville	87	88	87	70
Edinburg	93	94	89	72
Falfurrias	92	93	89	72
Harlingen	91	91	88	71
Hebbronville	92	92	87	70
McAllen	94	94	90	72
Raymondville	91	91	87	70
Rio Grande City	96	96	91	74
Roma	95	94	91	73
Sarita	90	90	86	71
South Padre Island	75	75	73	70
Weslaco	93	92	89	71
Zapata	93	92	89	72



Minimum RH (%) Forecast

Forecast

	2/19/2/20/2/21/2/22			
	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
Brownsville	51	51	54	47
Edinburg	33	39	45	28
Falfurrias	34	39	38	19
Harlingen	42	46	51	39
Hebbronville	29	33	30	17
McAllen	33	38	44	28
Raymondville	41	46	51	35
Rio Grande City	24	33	37	21
Roma	23	33	36	20
Sarita	42	47	49	25
South Padre Island	84	87	89	63
Weslaco	36	41	46	32
Zapata	22	30	28	17



NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE BROWNSVILLE/RGV
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Updated: Wed Feb 18, 2026

Headline: 🌡️ From May-like Heat to a Weekend Cold Front We're in for a weather roller coaster! Here is what to expect for the rest of the week: Thursday & Friday: May-like temperatures arrive early! Expect highs in the mid-to-upper 90s across the Mid/Upper RGV and Northern Ranchlands. Stay cool and stay hydrated! 💧☀️ Saturday: A cold front arrives, bringing temperatures back down to seasonable levels in the low-to-mid 70s. 🌨️⚠️ A Note on Fire Safety: Unfortunately, this cold front will bring little to no rain. The passage will lead to elevated fire danger this weekend due to abundant "freeze-cured" fuels and worsening drought conditions. 🚫🔥 Please avoid all outdoor burning. One spark is all it takes in these dry, blustery conditions. 🚫🔥

Hazardous Weather

High Grass Fire Threat Today  

weather.gov/FWD
Issued Thu Feb 19, 2026 6:42 AM

High Temperatures & Min Humidity
Red Flag Warning through 7 pm

A Red Flag Warning is in effect for Young, Jack, Montague, and Cooke counties through 7 pm for gusty winds and low humidity which will create dangerous fire weather conditions.

Vegetation Dryness

Normal	Dry	Very Dry	Extremely Dry
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Max Wind Gusts

<20	20s	30s	40s	50s	60s
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Wildfire Prevention

-  AVOID outdoor burning!
-  Secure tow chains. NEVER park/drive over tall grass!
-  NEVER toss lit cigarettes!

West Winds 15 to 20 mph with higher gusts



NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE FORT WORTH TX
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Gusty west winds and very low humidity will lead to a high threat for grass fires across parts of North Texas today. A Red Flag Warning is in effect for Young, Jack, Montague, and Cooke Counties until 7 pm.

Today: Red Flag Warning 

Avoid activities that may cause a spark
Check out [weather.gov/lubbock](https://www.weather.gov/lubbock) for more information.

In effect from 10 AM - 7 PM CST

The far southern Texas Panhandle, and most of the South and Rolling Plains.

West-to-northwest at 20 to 25 mph  **Gusts up to 40 mph** 

Relative humidity as low as 10 percent

Fire Danger

 **Low** **Elevated** **Critical** **Extreme** 

AVOID OUTDOOR BURNING **REPORT FIRES TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES**



NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE LUBBOCK, TEXAS
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Updated: Thu Feb 19, 2026 12:43 AM

A critical fire weather danger is expected once again today. A Red Flag Warning is in effect from 10 AM until 7 PM CST for the far southern Texas Panhandle, and most of the South Plains and Rolling Plains. Conditions will become favorable for the rapid growth and spread of wildfires. Avoid activities that involve sparks and/or open flames.

Hazardous Weather

Elevated Fire Danger

Avoid activities that may cause a spark
Latest info at weather.gov/Midland

11 AM MT/12 PM CT through 6 PM MT/7 PM CT Today

Southeast NM, Permian Basin,
Trans Pecos, and
Davis/Guadalupe Mountains

- West winds 20-30 mph, with a few gusts over 40 mph.
- Stronger winds in higher terrain.
- Relative Humidity as low as 15%
- Dry Fuels

Fire Danger



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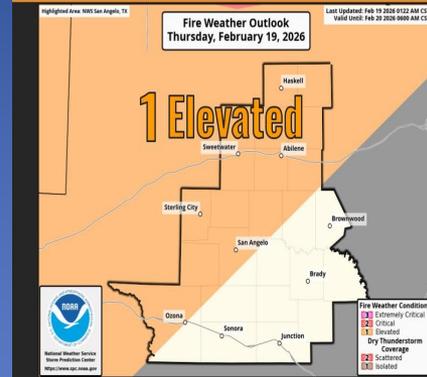
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Updated: Wed Feb 18, 2026 9:56 PM

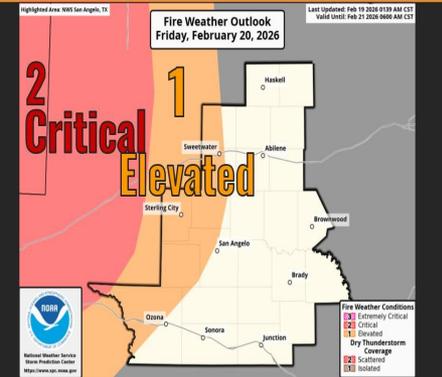
A Rangeland Fire Danger Statement is in effect for southeast New Mexico and portions of the West Texas high terrain. Low relative humidity and increasing winds will increase fire danger during the afternoon. Avoid activities with open sparks!

Increased Risk For Fires Today and Tomorrow



Key Messages

- Elevated fire weather conditions are expected each afternoon, mainly for northern and western areas.
- Low relative humidities of 15-20 percent
- Breezy winds from the northwest at 10 to 20 mph today
- These conditions will allow fires to spread more easily.



Safety Precautions

- Make sure chains are not dragging from vehicles
- Don't drive on dry grass
- Avoid outdoor burning, or any activity that could result in sparks or flames



NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE SAN ANGELO

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Updated: Thu Feb 19, 2026 5:35 AM

Temperatures of 10 to 20 degrees above normal, combined with RH values dropping into the 15 to 20 percent range, and breezy winds will result in elevated fire weather conditions.

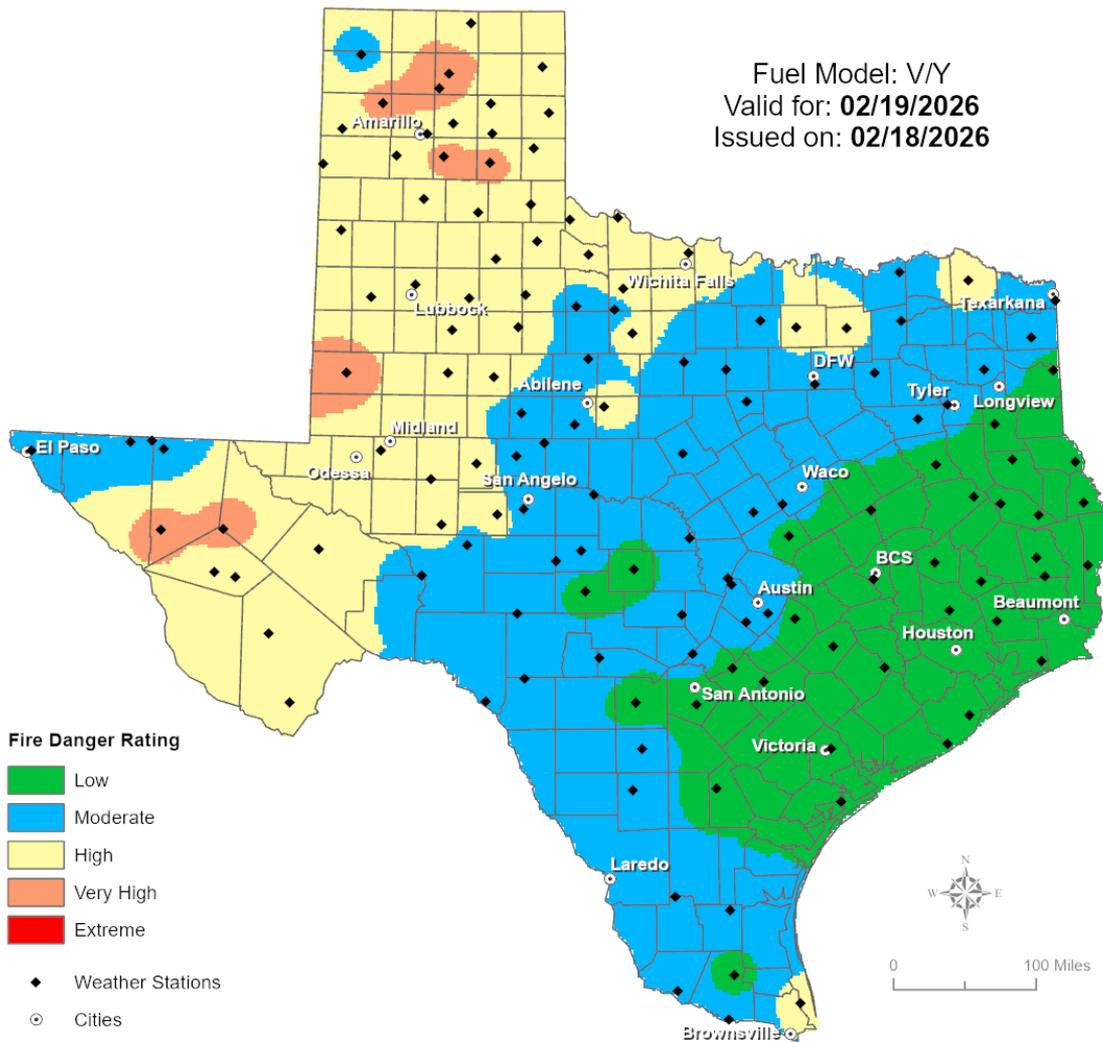
Weather Advisory/Statement/Watch/Warning Issued

DATE	WARNING TYPE	LOCATION
02/18/26	Airport Weather Warning	Potter and Randall Counties
02/18/26	High Wind Watch	Culberson and Hudspeth Counties
02/18/26	Dense Fog Advisory	Chambers, Galveston, Harris, and Liberty Counties
02/19/26	Marine Dense Fog Advisory	Brazoria, Galveston, Jefferson, and Orange Counties

Fire Danger Forecast

Forecast Fire Danger

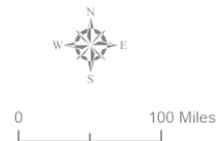
Fuel Model: V/Y
Valid for: **02/19/2026**
Issued on: **02/18/2026**



Fire Danger Rating

- Low
- Moderate
- High
- Very High
- Extreme

- ♦ Weather Stations
- Cities



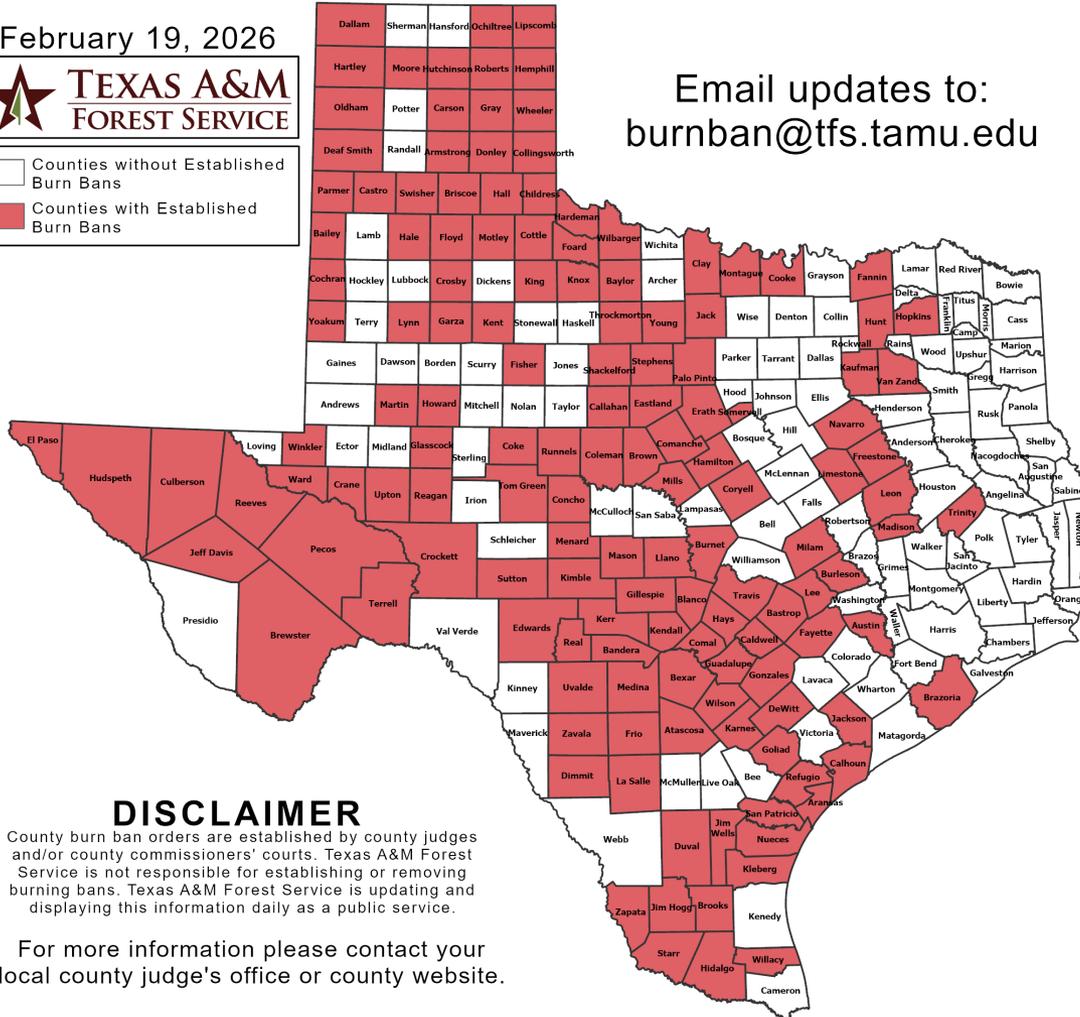
Burn Ban

OUTDOOR BURN BANS

February 19, 2026



Counties without Established Burn Bans
 Counties with Established Burn Bans



Email updates to:
burnban@tfs.tamu.edu

Counties with Burn Bans: 144

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| Aransas | Fannin | Madison |
| Armstrong | Fayette | Martin |
| Atascosa | Fisher | Mason |
| Austin | Floyd | Medina |
| Bailey | Foard | Menard |
| Bandera | Freestone | Milam |
| Bastrop | Frio | Mills |
| Baylor | Garza | Montague |
| Bexar | Gillespie | Moore |
| Blanco | Glasscock | Motley |
| Brazoria | Goliad | Navarro |
| Brewster | Gonzales | Nueces |
| Briscoe | Gray | Ochiltree |
| Brooks | Guadalupe | Oldham |
| Brown | Hale | Palo Pinto |
| Burleson | Hall | Parmer |
| Burnet | Hamilton | Pecos |
| Caldwell | Hardeman | Reagan |
| Calhoun | Hartley | Real |
| Callahan | Hays | Reeves |
| Carson | Hemphill | Refugio |
| Castro | Hidalgo | Roberts |
| Childress | Hopkins | Runnels |
| Clay | Howard | San Antonio |
| Cochran | Hudspeth | San Patricio |
| Coke | Hunt | Shackelford |
| Coleman | Hutchinson | Somervell |
| Collingsworth | Jack | Starr |
| Comal | Jackson | Stephens |
| Comanche | Jeff Davis | Sutton |
| Concho | Jim Hogg | Swisher |
| Cooke | Jim Wells | Terrell |
| Coryell | Karnes | Throckmorton |
| Cottle | Kaufman | Tom Green |
| Crane | Kendall | Travis |
| Crockett | Kerr | Trinity |
| Crosby | Kimble | Upton |
| Culberson | King | Uvalde |
| Dallam | Kleberg | Van Zandt |
| Deaf Smith | Knox | Ward |
| DeWitt | La Salle | Wheeler |
| Dimmit | Lee | Wilbarger |
| Donley | Leon | Willacy |
| Duval | Limestone | Wilson |
| Eastland | Lipscomb | Winkler |
| Edwards | Llano | Yoakum |
| El Paso | Lynn | Young |
| Erath | | Zapata |
| | | Zavala |

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County burn ban orders are established by county judges and/or county commissioners' courts. Texas A&M Forest Service is not responsible for establishing or removing burning bans. Texas A&M Forest Service is updating and displaying this information daily as a public service.

For more information please contact your local county judge's office or county website.

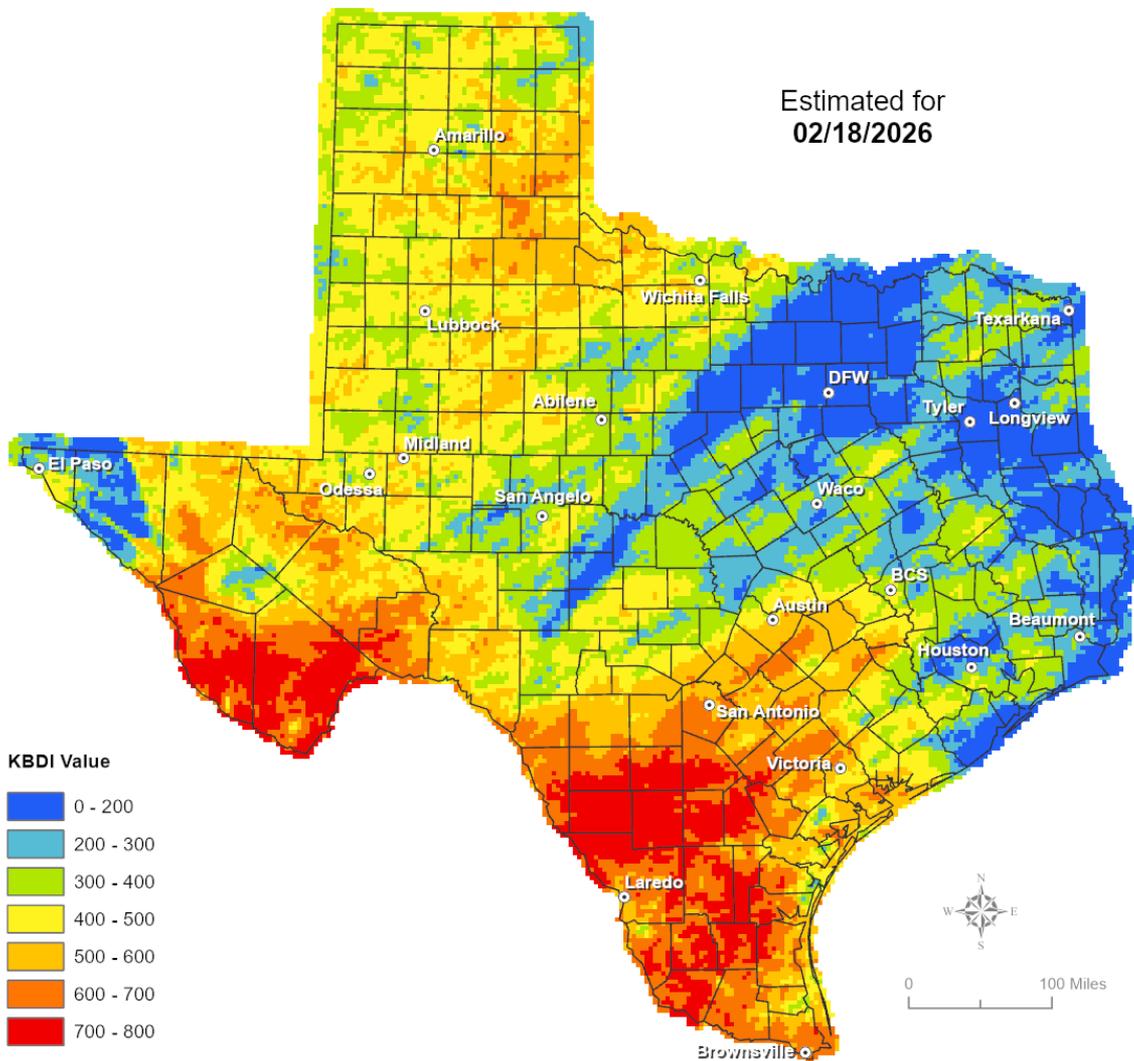
RED FLAG WARNINGS: www.weather.gov
 Additional map formats available at <https://tfsweb.tamu.edu/Burnbans/>

Keetch-Byram Drought Index

Keetch-Byram Drought Index

(4 km x 4 km resolution)

Estimated for
02/18/2026



Fire Weather Warnings/Watches/Statements

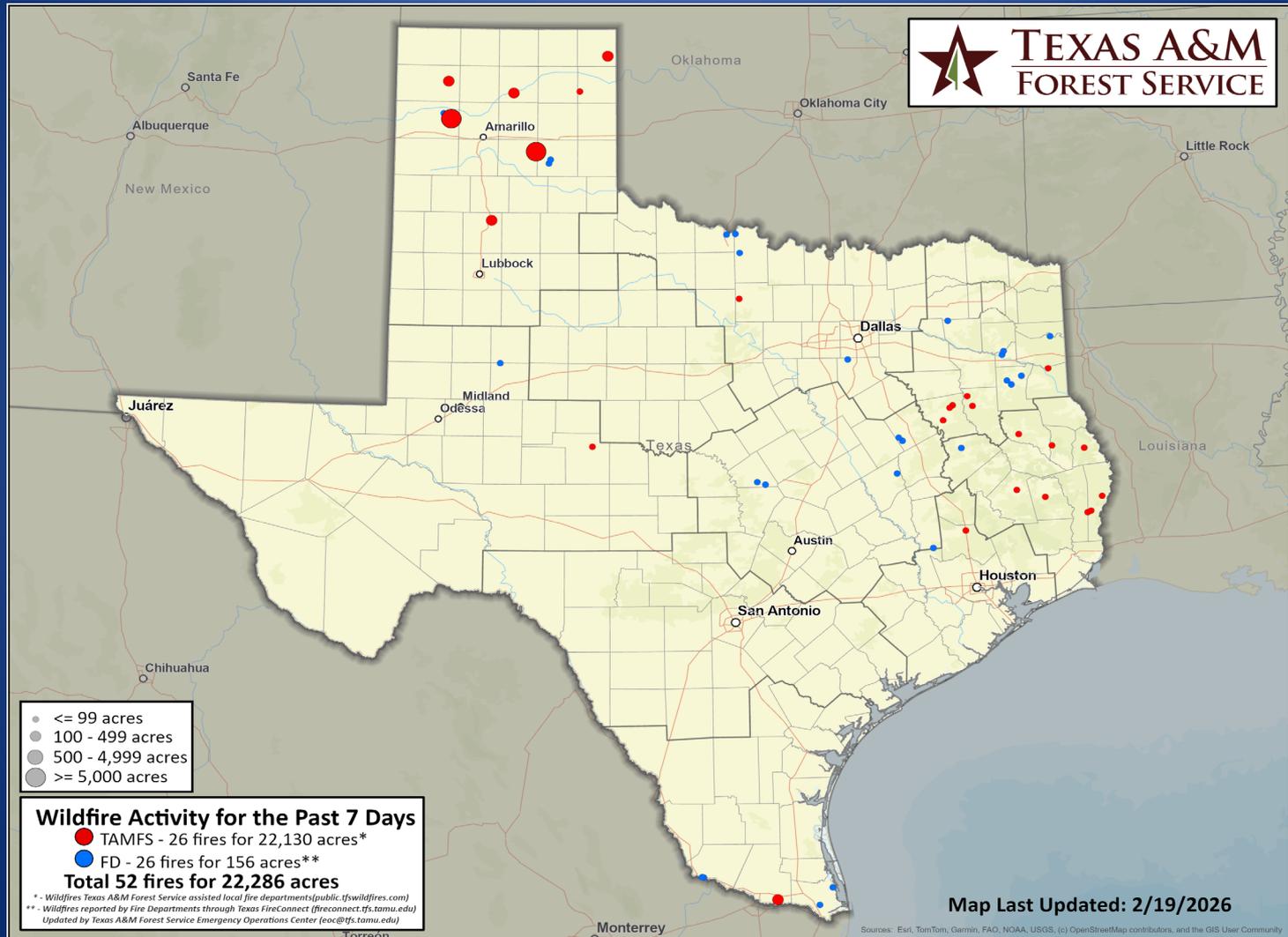
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02/18/26	Fire Warning	Deaf Smith, Hutchinson, and Potter Counties
02/18/26	Red Flag Warning	Archer, Armstrong, Baylor, Carson, Childress, Clay, Collingsworth, Cottle, Dallam, Deaf Smith, Dickens, Donley, Foard, Gray, Hall, Hansford, Hardeman, Hartley, Hemphill, Hutchinson, Jack, King, Knox, Lipscomb, Montague, Moore, Motley, Ochiltree, Oldham, Potter, Randall, Roberts, Sherman, Wheeler, Wichita, Wilbarger, and Young Counties
02/18/26	Fire Weather Watch	Andrews, Armstrong, Bailey, Borden, Brewster, Briscoe, Carson, Castro, Cochran, Crosby, Culberson, Dallam, Dawson, Deaf Smith, Floyd, Gaines, Garza, Hale, Hartley, Hockley, Howard, Hutchinson, Jeff Davis, Lamb, Loving, Lubbock, Lynn, Martin, Moore, Oldham, Parmer, Potter, Presidio, Randall, Reeves, Sherman, Swisher, Terry, and Yoakum Counties
02/19/26	Red Flag Warning	Cooke, Jack, Montague, and Young Counties
02/19/26	Fire Weather Watch	Andrews, Borden, Brewster, Culberson, Dawson, Gaines, Howard, Jeff Davis, Loving, Martin, Presidio, and Reeves Counties

Fire Weather Warnings/Watches/Statements

DATE	WARNING TYPE	LOCATION
02/19/26	Fire Danger Statement	Brown, Callahan, Coke, Coleman, Concho, Crockett, Culberson, Denton, Fisher, Grayson, Haskell, Irion, Jeff Davis, Jones, Kimble, Loving, Mason, McCulloch, Menard, Nolan, Palo Pinto, Parker, Reeves, Runnels, San Saba, Schleicher, Shackelford, Stephens, Sterling, Sutton, Taylor, Throckmorton, Tom Green, and Wise Counties
02/19/26	Grass Fire Danger Statement	Collin, Denton, Fannin, Grayson, Palo Pinto, Parker, Stephens, and Wise Counties

Fire Activity (*Last 24 Hours)

Report of 265 (+9) fires and 24,939 (+18,524) acres have been burned this year. There are 144 (-1) counties with burn bans. The Keetch–Byram Drought Index list contains 128 (+1) counties with an average over 400.



Training

DATES		TITLE	COURSE	LOCATION
02/16/26	02/20/26	Confined Space Rescue Technician (Certification Course)	H-516	Liberty
02/17/26	02/20/26	Hazard Mitigation Assistance: Developing Quality Application Elements	L-212	Fort Worth
02/17/26	02/19/26	Intermediate Incident Command System for Expanding Incidents	G-300	Columbus
02/17/26	02/19/26	Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program (HSEEP) Training Course (L146	San Marcos
02/17/26	02/20/26	Texas Emergency Management Response to Recovery Course	T-PUB250	Richmond
02/18/26	02/20/26	Disaster Accounting Basics	T-ACC600	San Antonio, Fort Worth
02/18/26	02/19/26	Community Mass Care and Emergency Assistance	G-108	Richardson
02/18/26	02/19/26	Local Volunteer and Donations Management	G-288	Tyler
02/18/26	02/19/26	Advanced Incident Command System for Complex Incidents	G-400	Angleton

Training

DATES		TITLE	COURSE	LOCATION
02/18/26	02/19/26	Engaged Leaders – Foundation for the Future	HIL-101	Austin
02/19/26	02/20/26	Advanced Incident Command System for Complex Incidents	G-400	Lufkin
02/19/26	02/20/26	Advanced Incident Command System for Complex Incidents	G-400	Marble Falls
02/19/26	02/19/26	Executive Guide Public Officials Workshop	T-PUB200	Manvel
02/19/26	02/19/26	Executive Guide Public Officials Workshop	T-PUB200	Refugio

Statewide Significant Events

DATES		LOCATION	EVENT
02/14/26	02/28/26	Fort Worth	NRCHA Kalpowar Quarter Horses Celebration of Champions
02/12/26	03/01/26	San Antonio	San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo
02/19/26	02/19/26	Laredo	WBCA- Youth Parade