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FEMA Region 6 Weather Threat Briefing

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Summary

- **Severe Storms:**

- Marginal risk (level 1 of 5) today in S-C/S TX; Friday in OK, NW AR; Saturday in OK.
- Monitoring Sunday in AR, TX, LA.

- **Flash Flooding:**

- Marginal risk (level 1 of 4) over S/SE/E TX, LA Friday; and over LA Saturday. High rain rates possible through Saturday, and high end bullseyes can reach 5-7”.

- **Heat:**

- Minor impacts (level 2 of 5) hot temps in E NM, TX/OK Panhandles, W TX, W OK Tuesday and Wednesday.

- **River Flooding:**

- Cache River at Patterson in AR recedes below flood stage today. Angelina near Lufkin reaches Minor stage through Friday.





FEMA Region 6 Threat Matrix

Next 7 days

	Thursday, May 7	Friday, May 8	Saturday, May 9	Sunday, May 10	Monday, May 11	Tuesday, May 12	Wednesday, May 13
Severe Storms	S-C/STX	OK, NW AR	OK	TX, AR, LA			
Heavy Rain / Flash Flooding		S/SE/ETX, LA	LA				
Heat						E NM, TX/OK Panhandles, W TX W OK	TX/OK Panhandles, W TX W OK
Fire Weather							
Winter Weather							
River Flooding	ETX, NE AR	ETX					

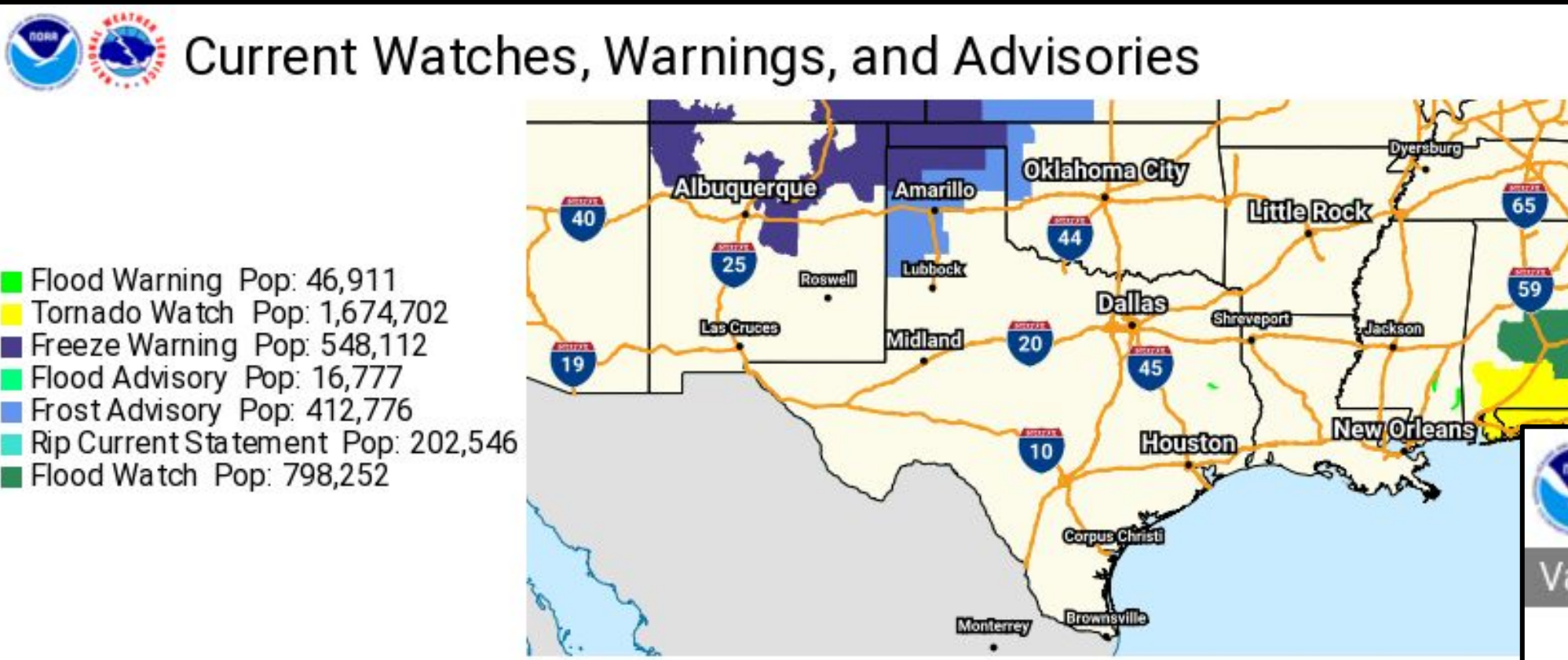
Threat levels are based on FEMA Region 6 criteria. State or local threat level criteria may differ.

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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Current Radar/Hazards



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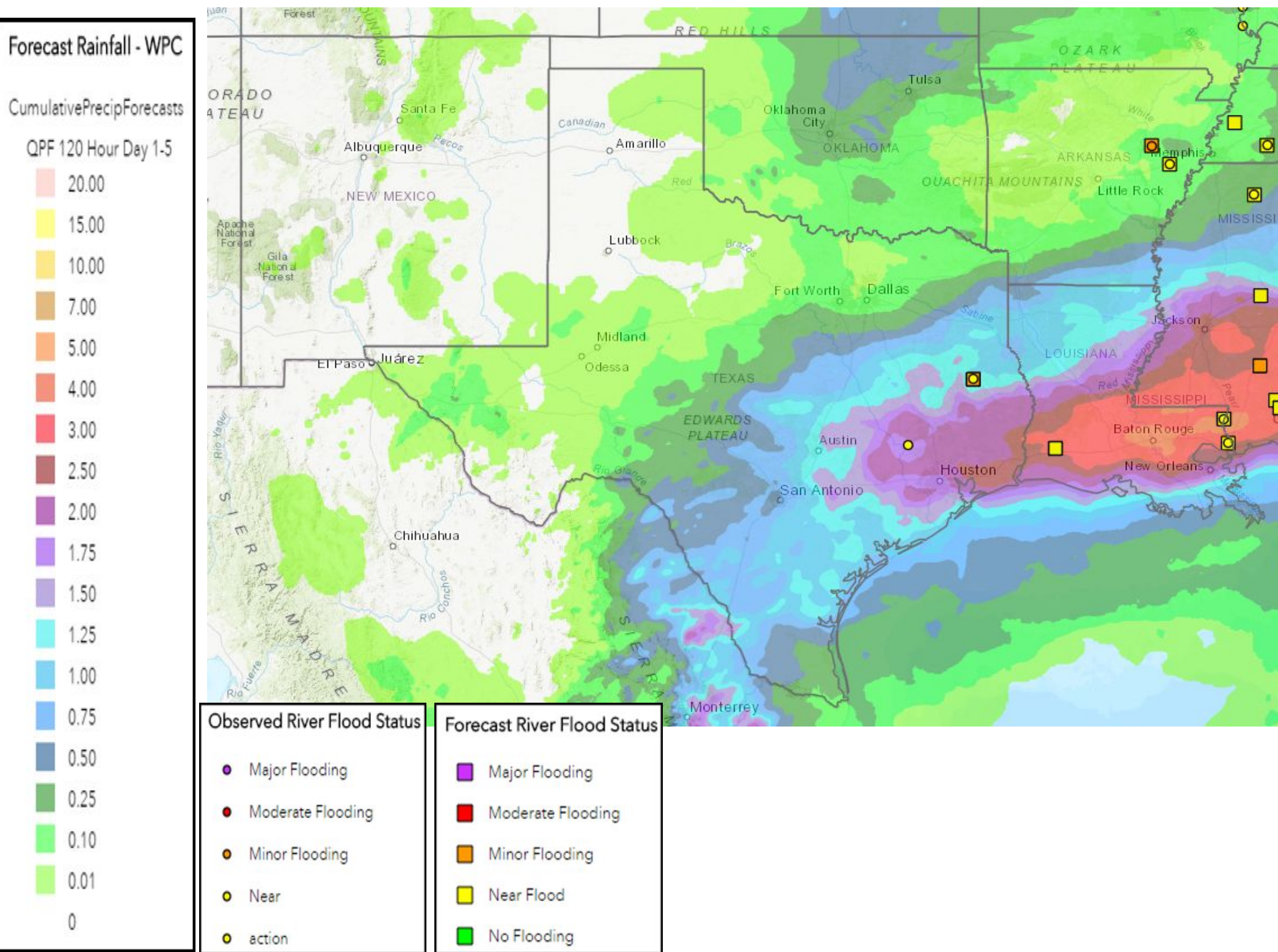
Frost/Freeze Warnings in NM, TX/OK Panhandles, W OK through 9 AM. Temps of 22-28 degrees.





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



Minor flood stage anticipated/ongoing in E TX, NE AR.

Cache River at Patterson in AR in Minor flood stage ends today. Impacts to low swampy timberland.

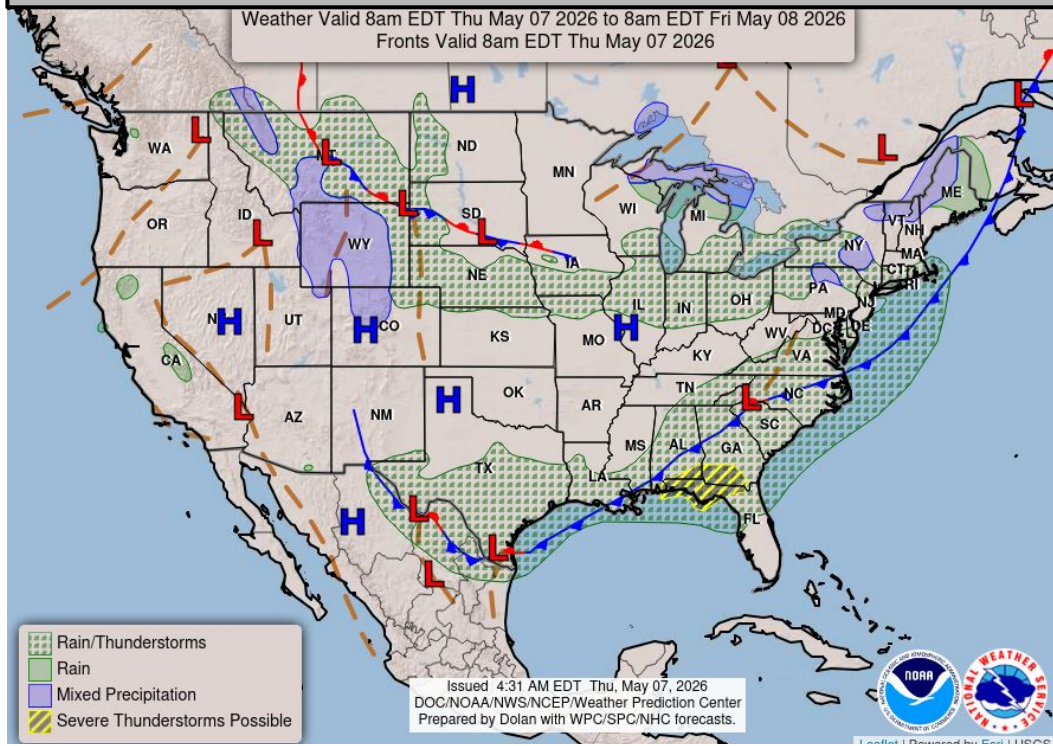
Angelina at Lufkin in E TX will reach Minor flood stage today. No impacts.

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.

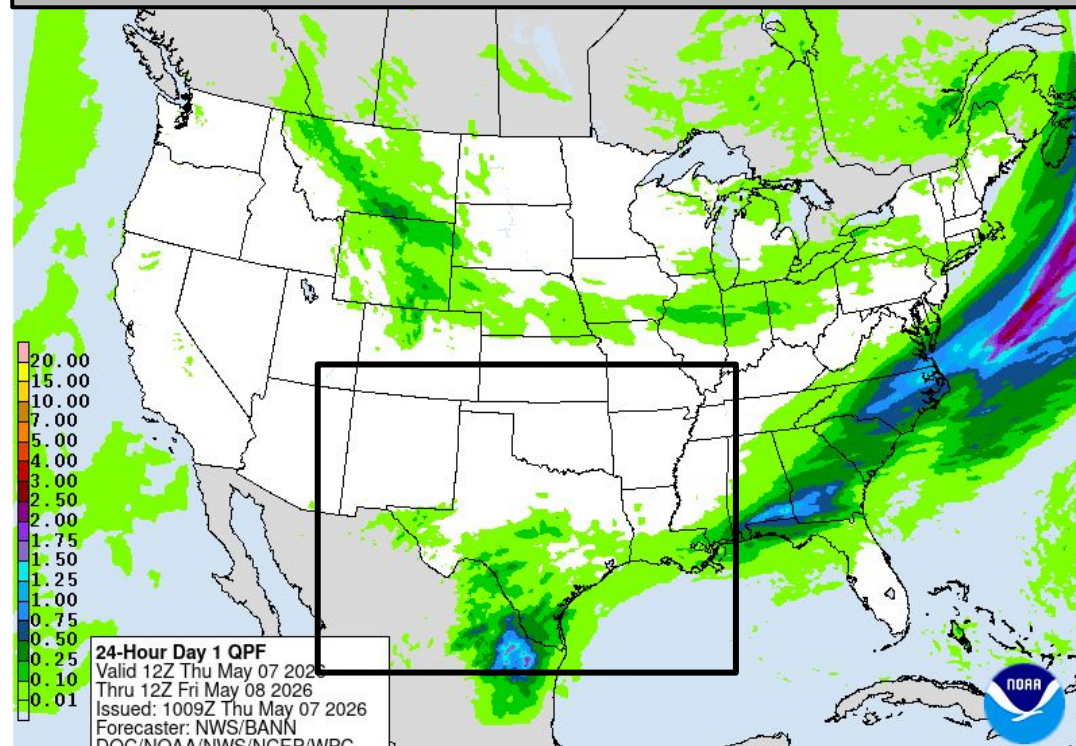


Today's Weather

Forecast Chart

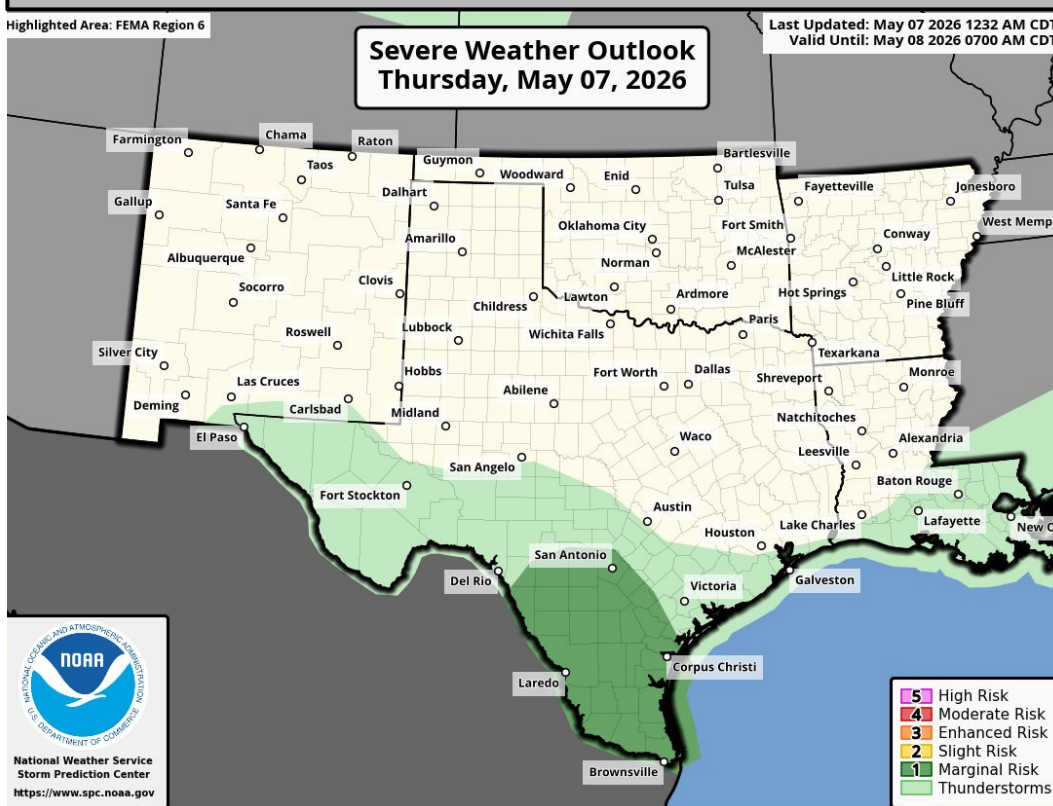


Forecast Rainfall

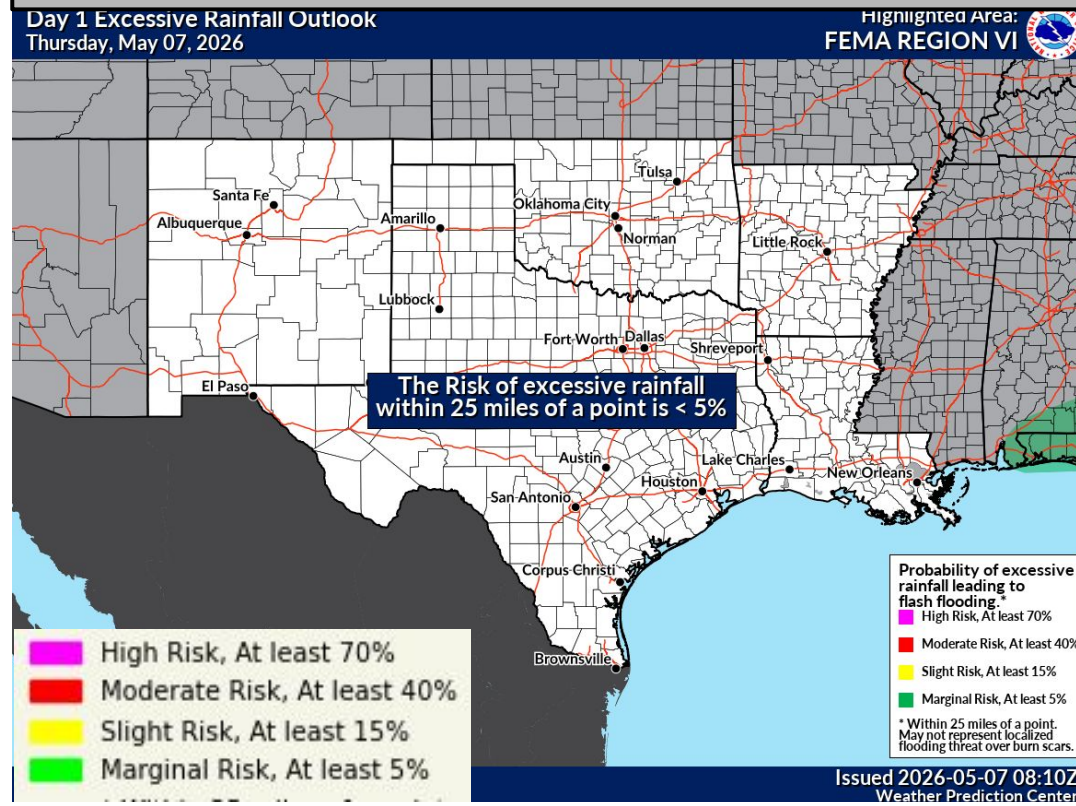


Marginal risk (level 1 of 5) for severe storms in S-C/S TX.

Severe Weather Outlook

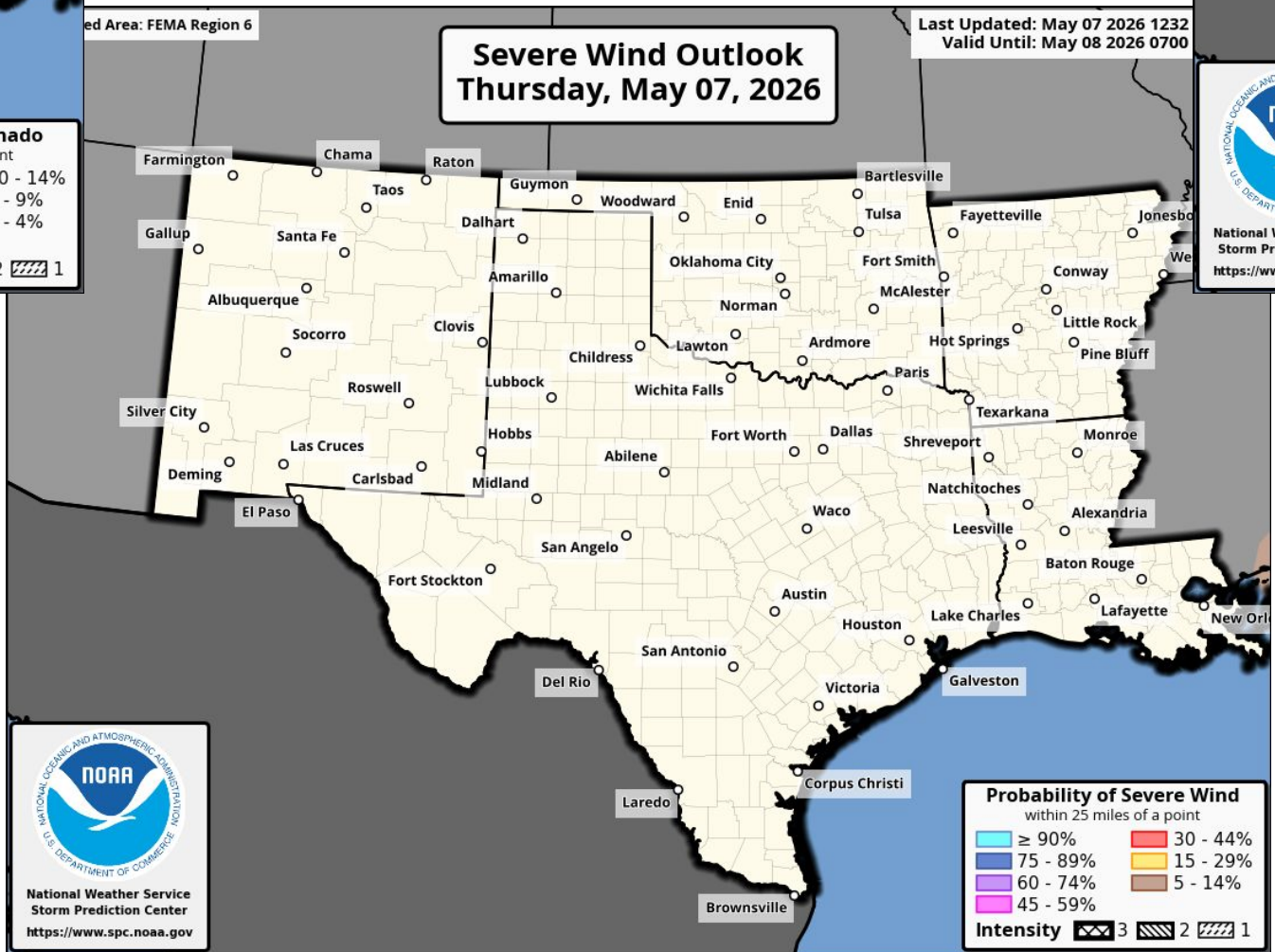
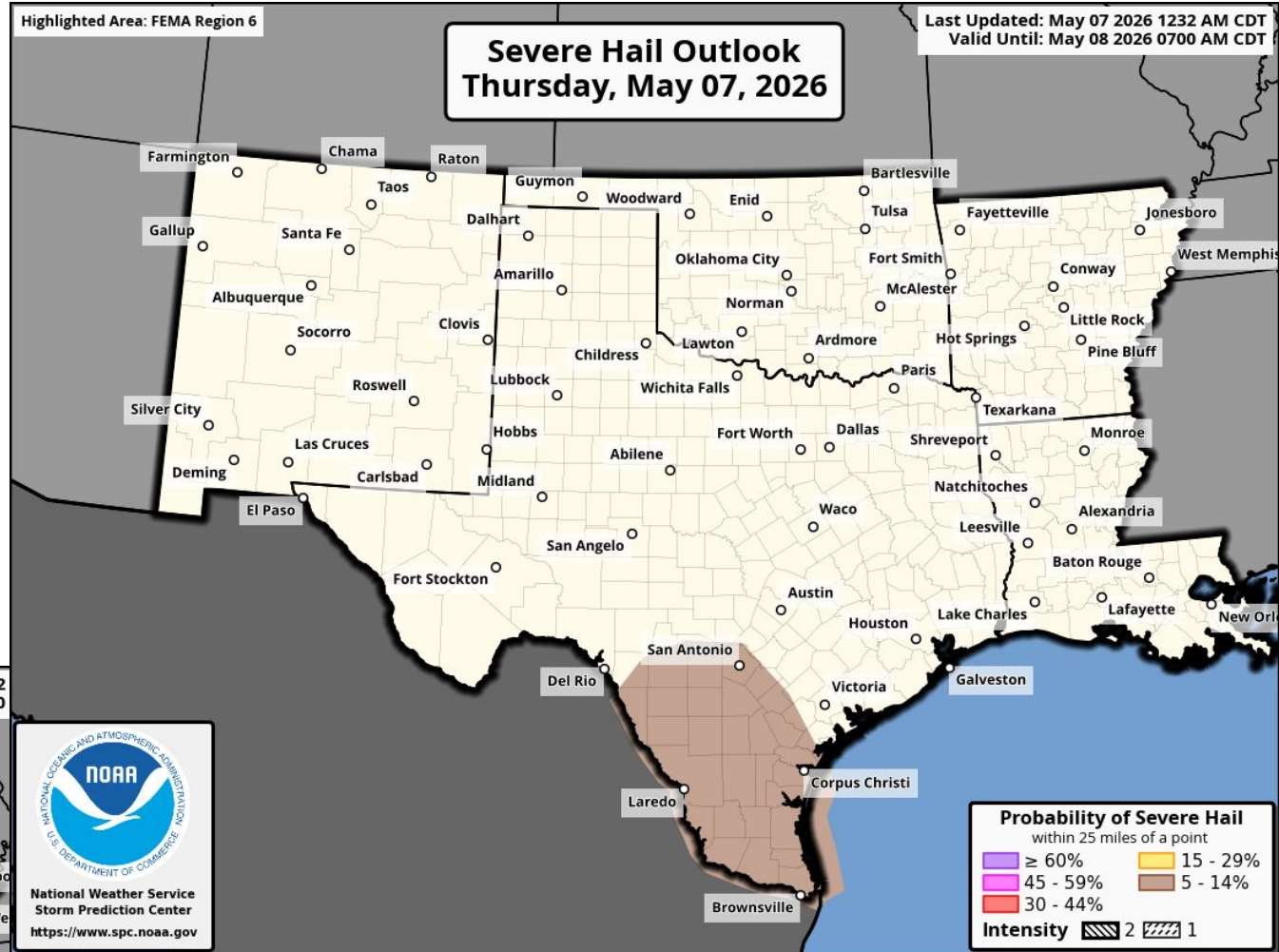
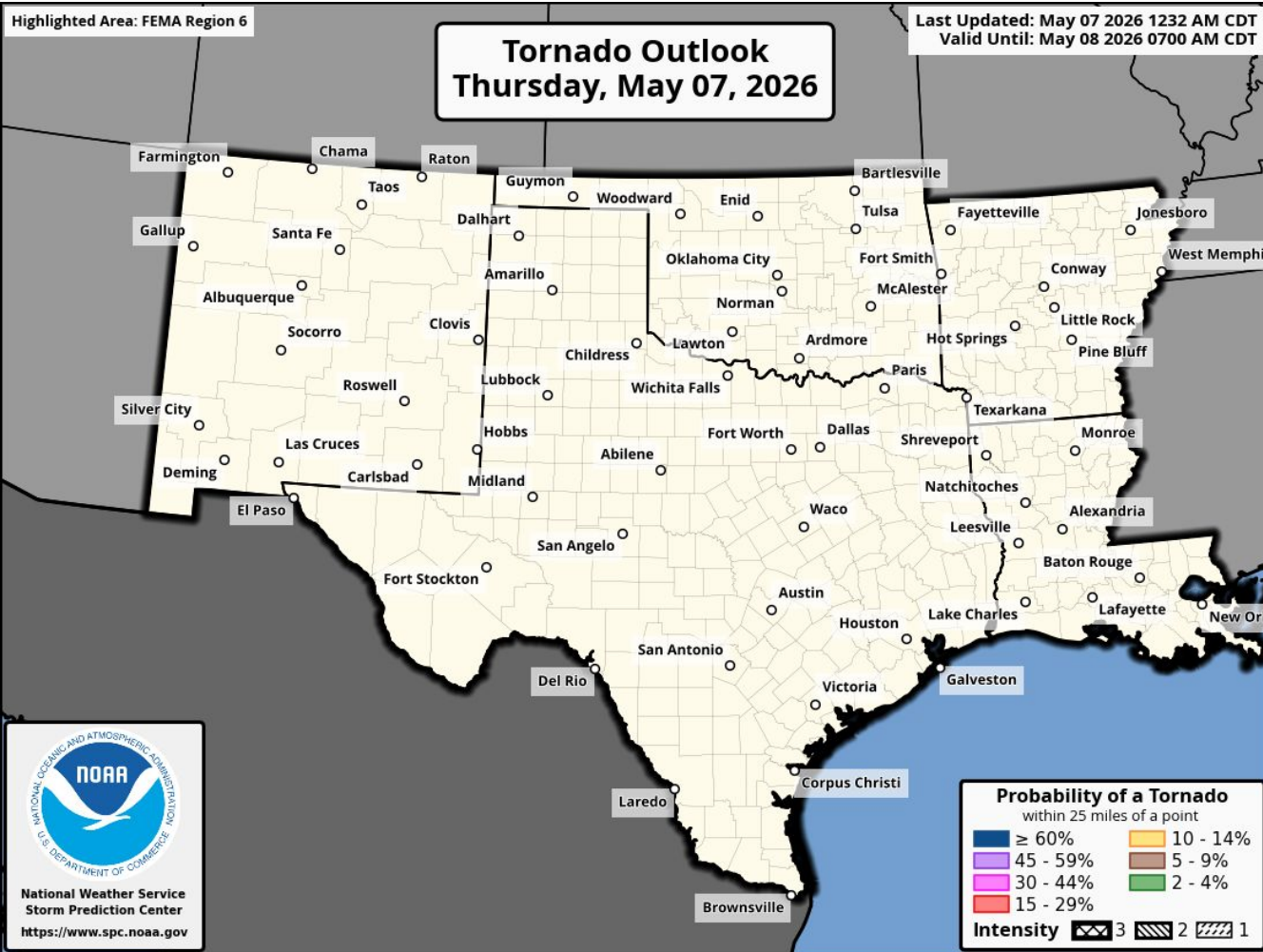


Excessive Rainfall Outlook



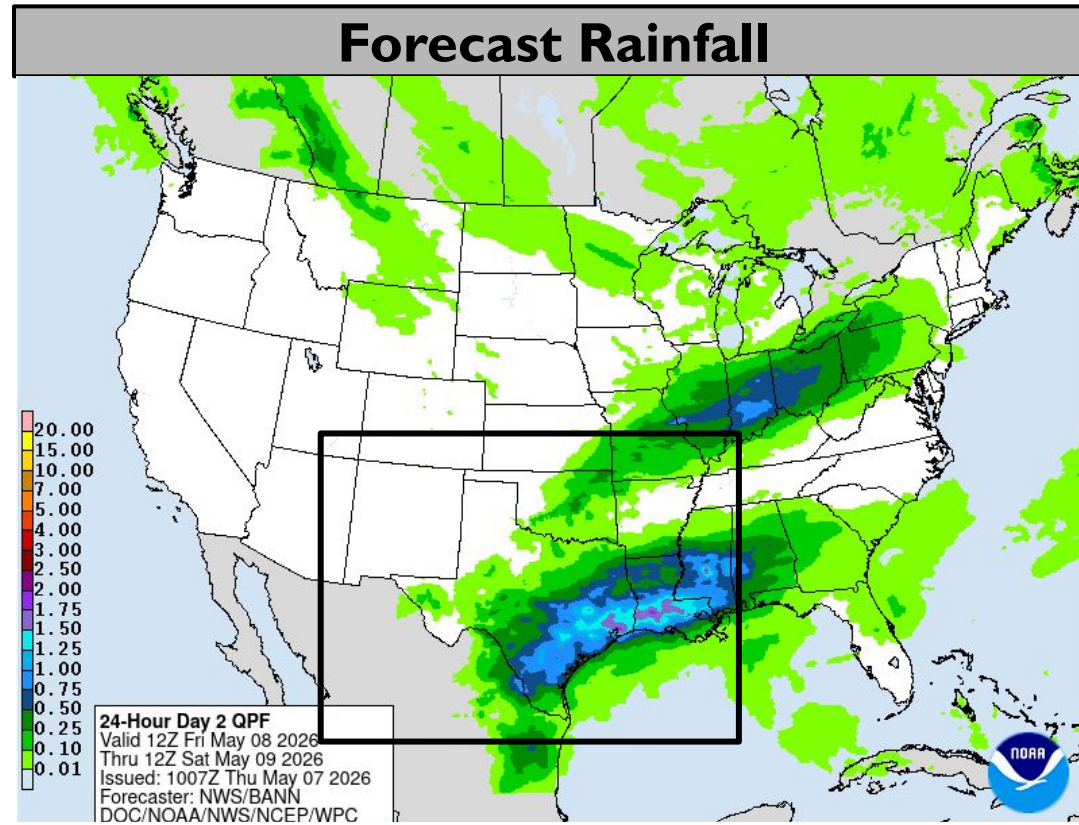
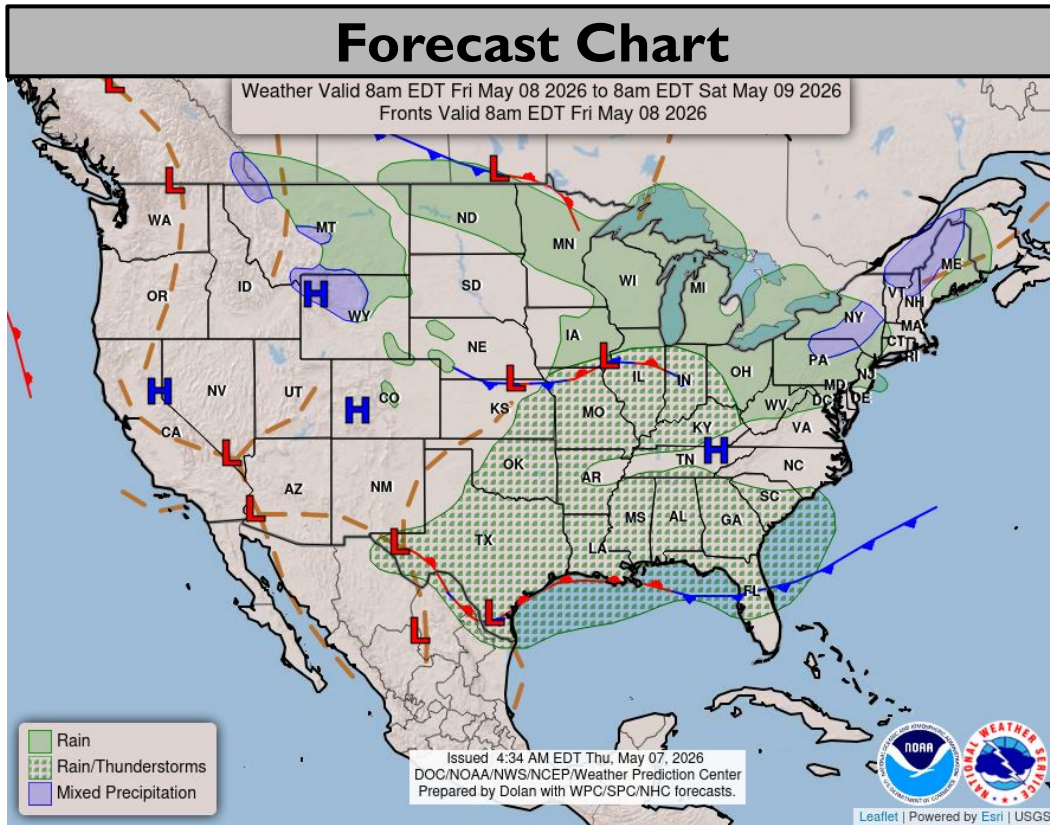


Today's Tornado & Severe Wind / Hail Probabilities



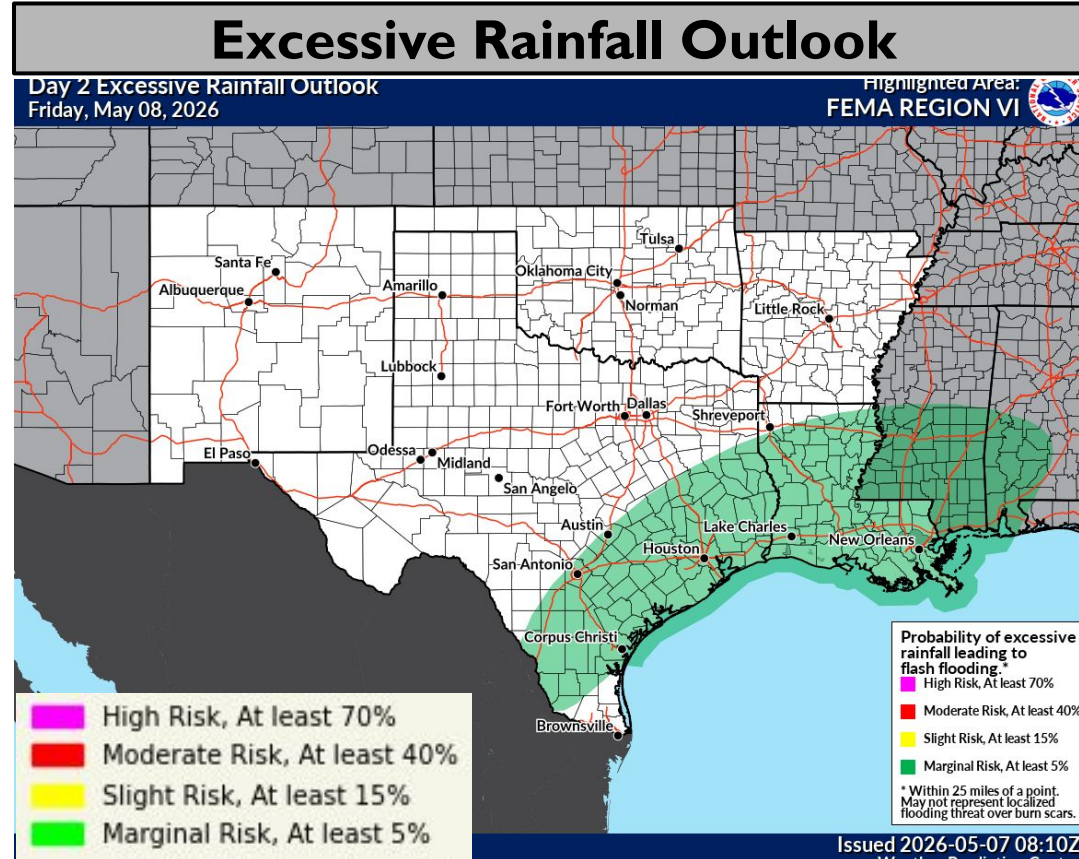
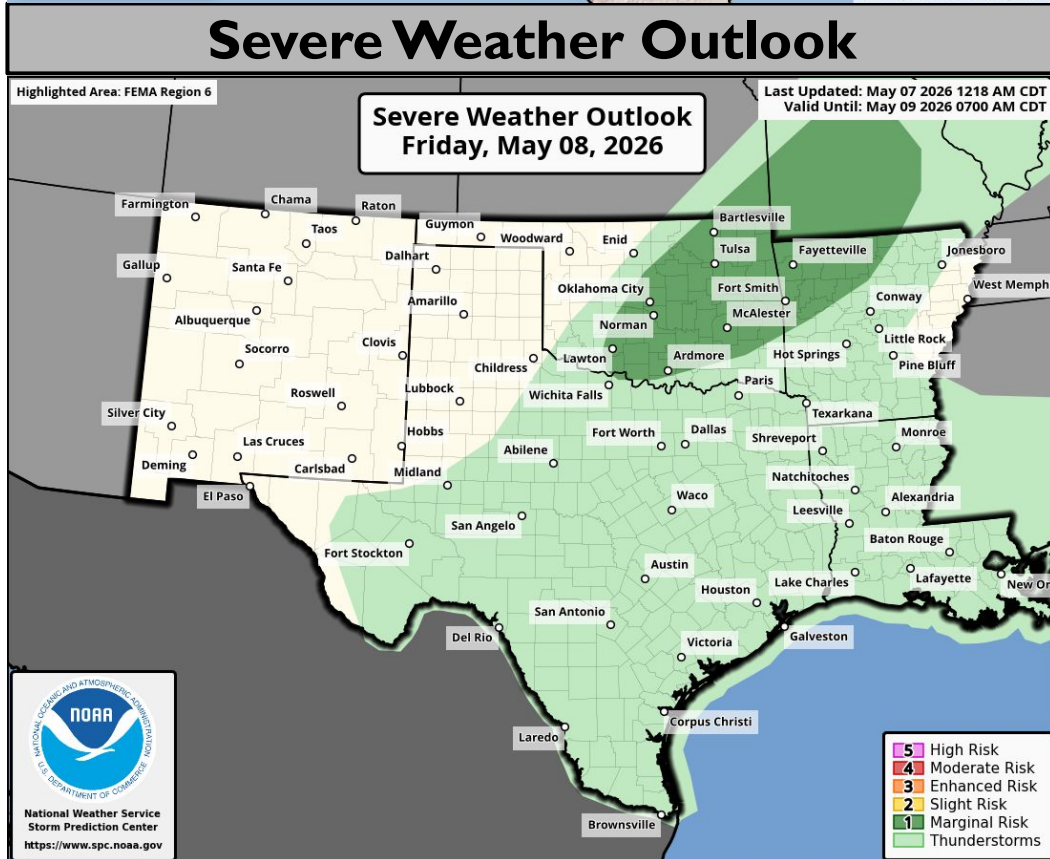


Tomorrow's Weather



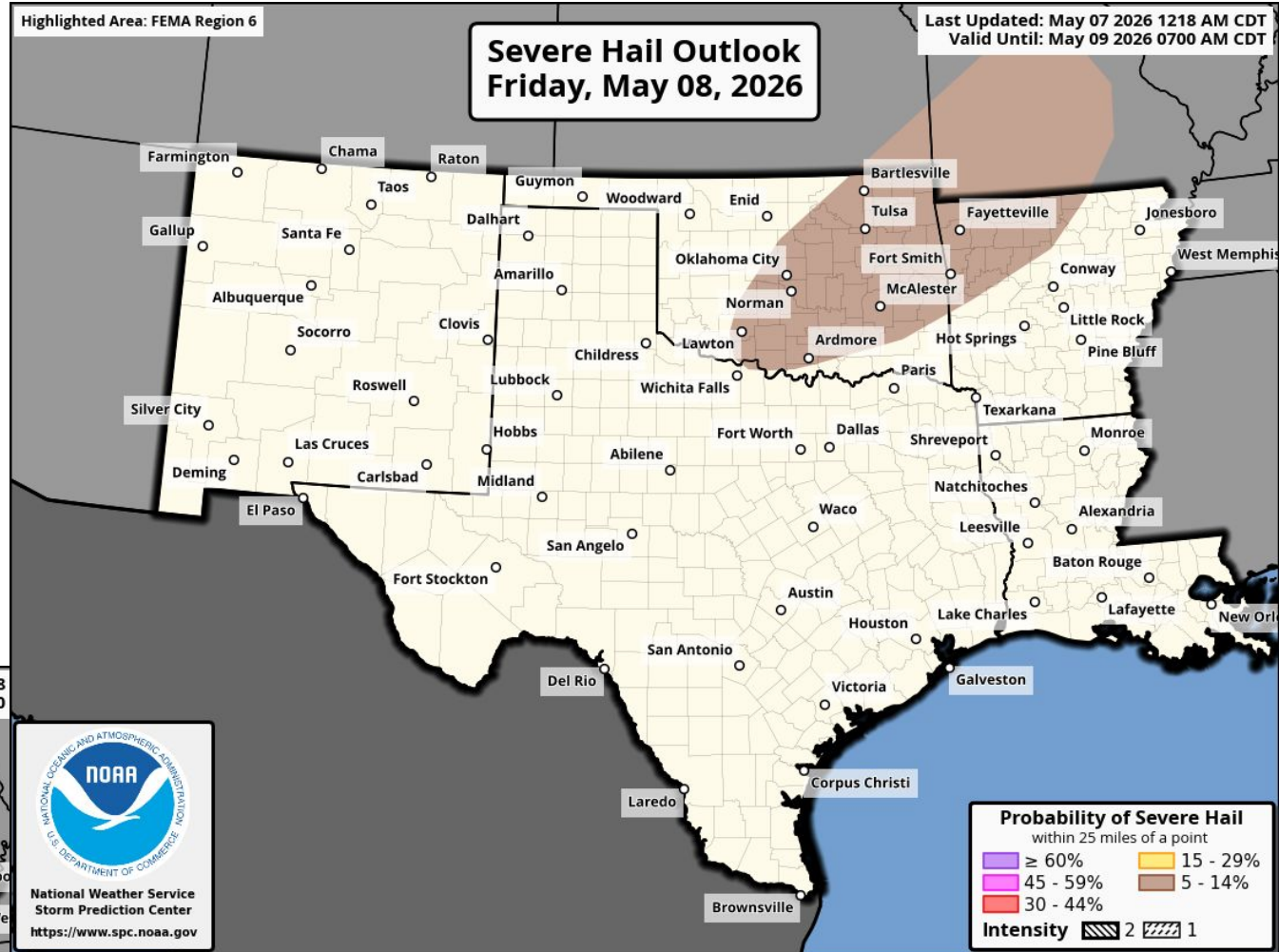
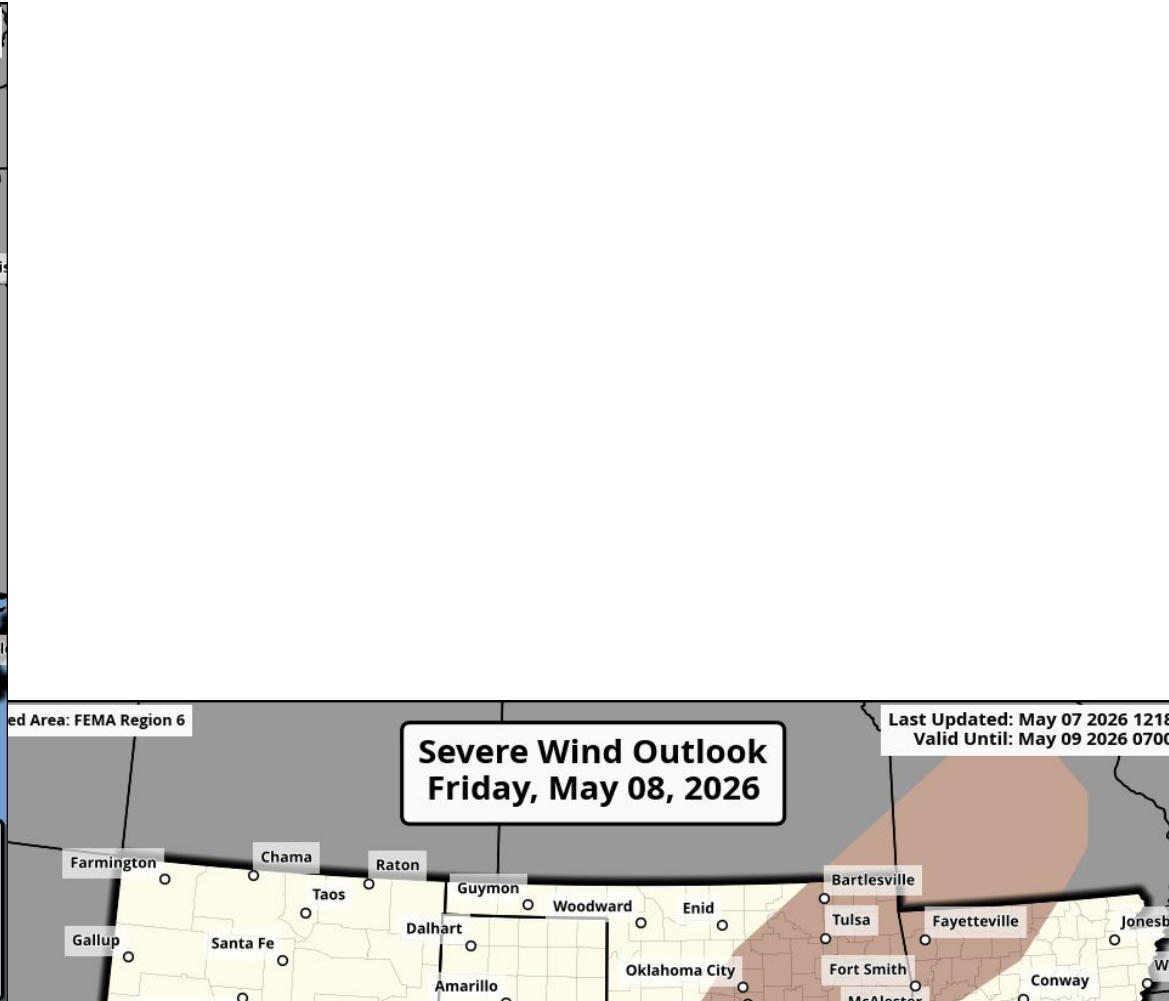
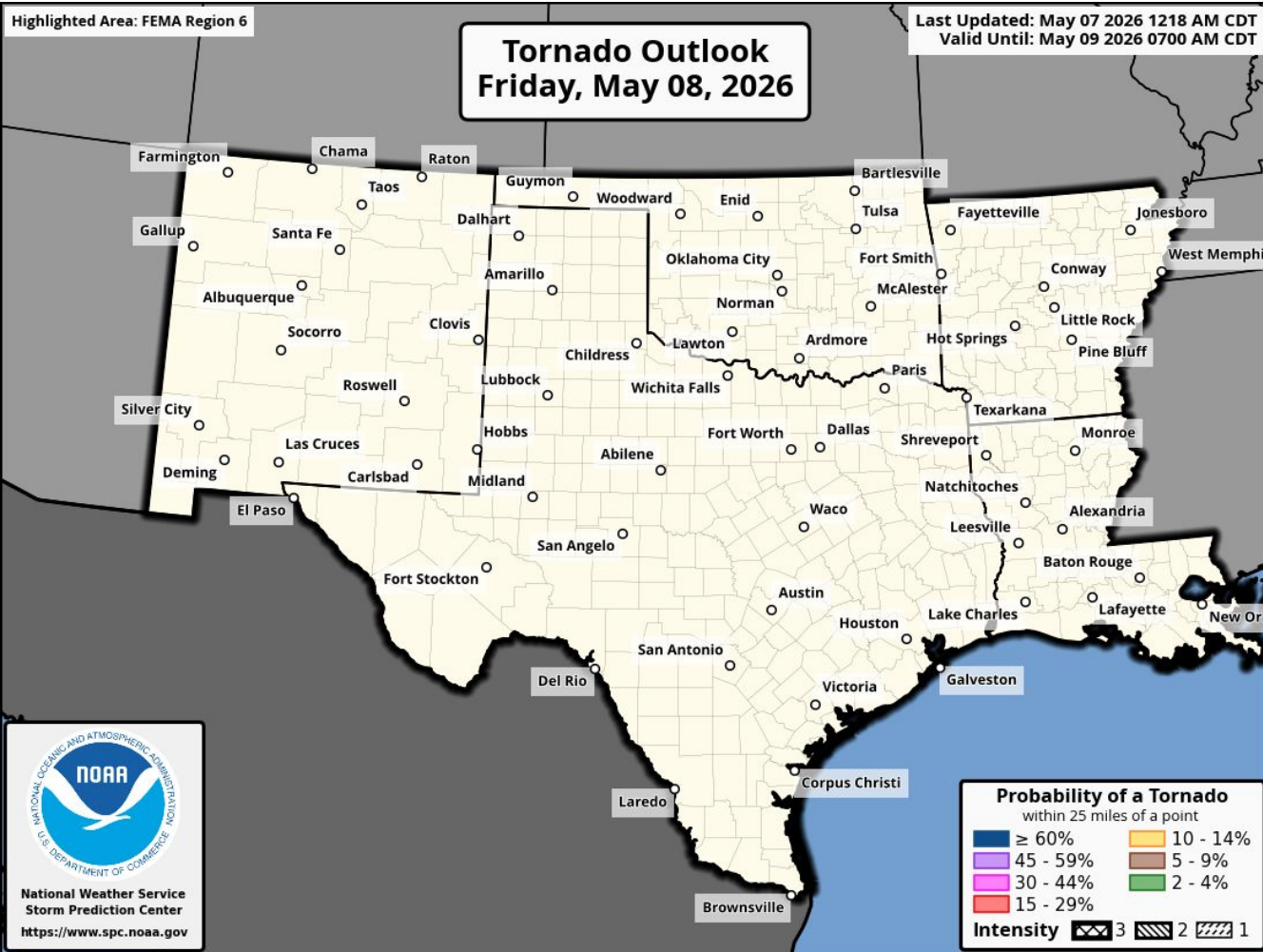
Marginal risk (level 1 of 4) for flash flooding in S/SE/E TX, LA.

Marginal risk (level 1 of 5) for severe storms in OK, NW AR.





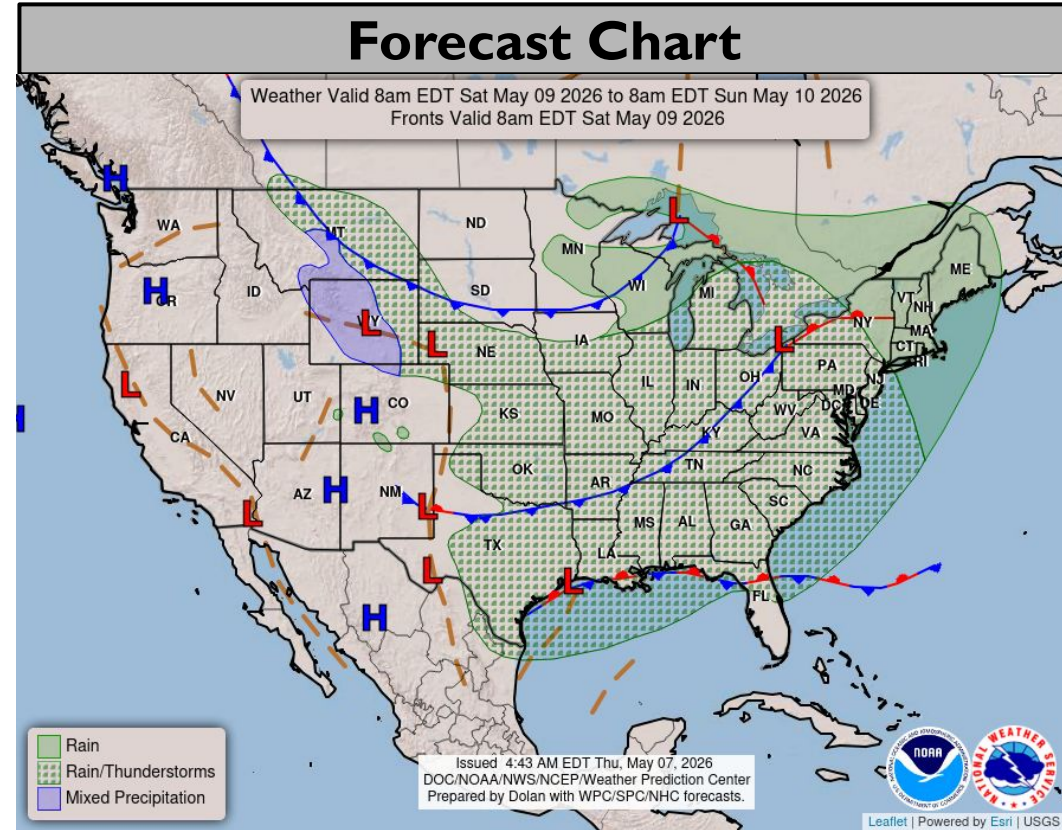
Tomorrow's Tornado & Severe Wind / Hail Probabilities



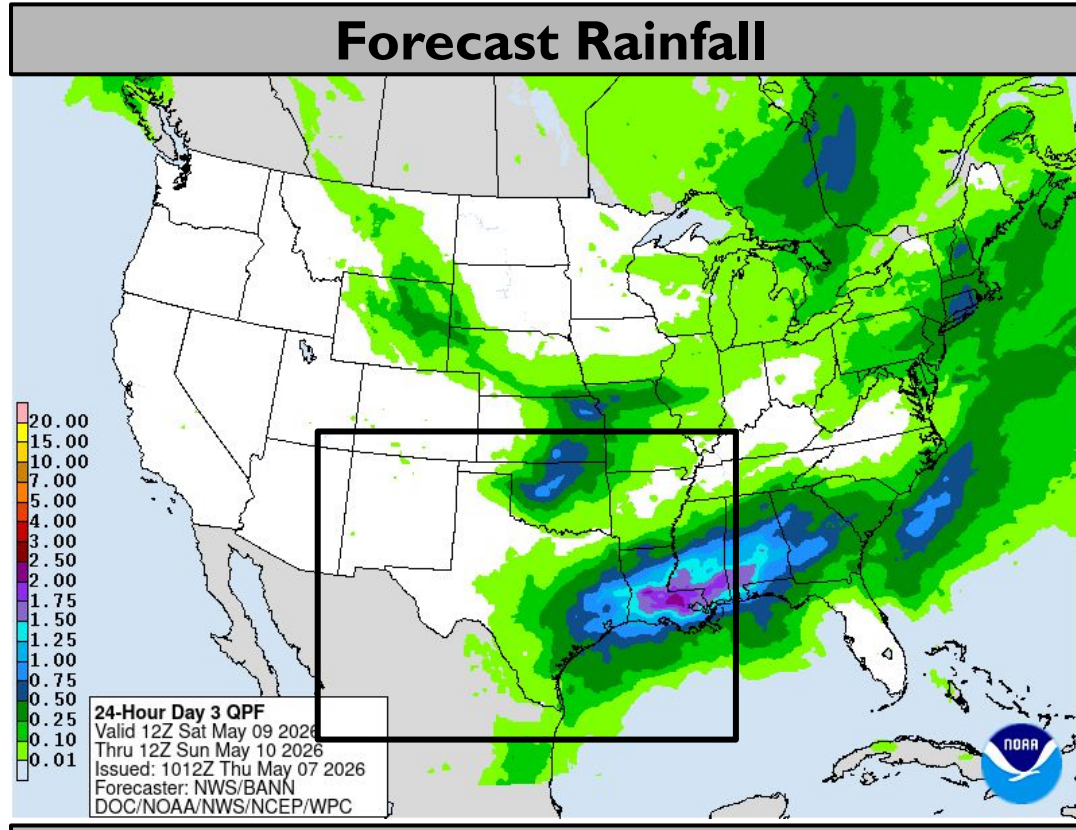


Saturday's Weather

Forecast Chart



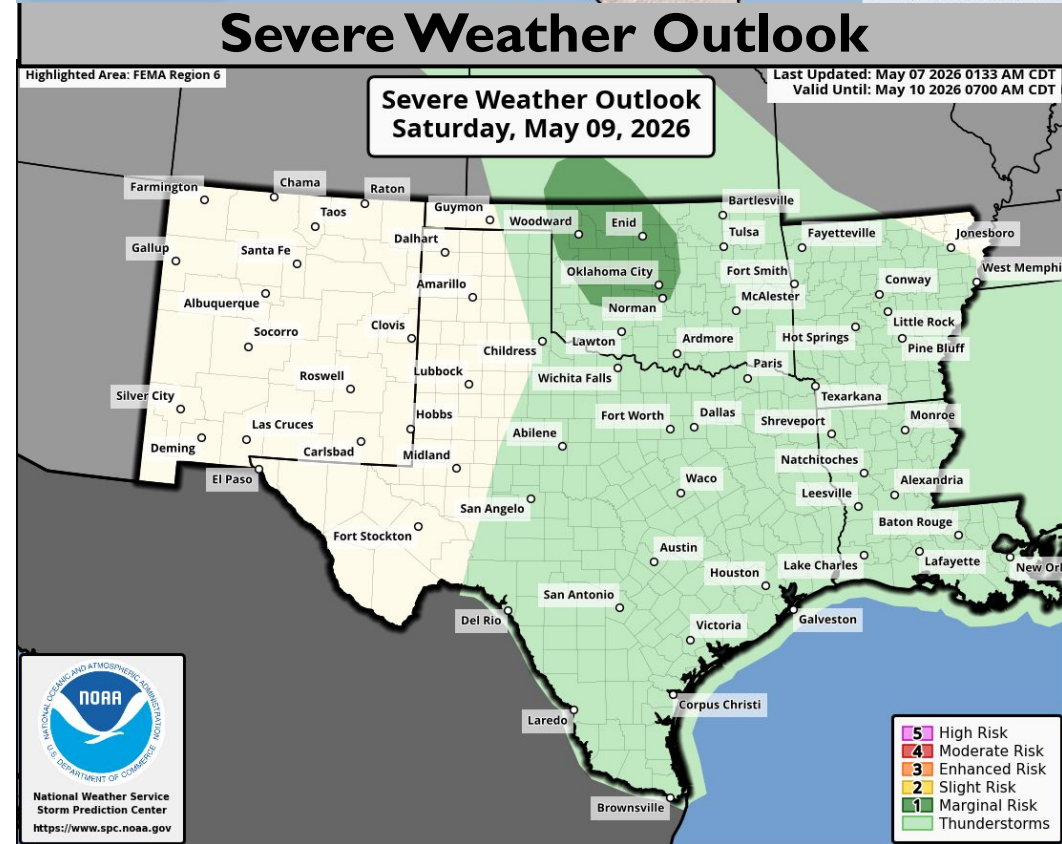
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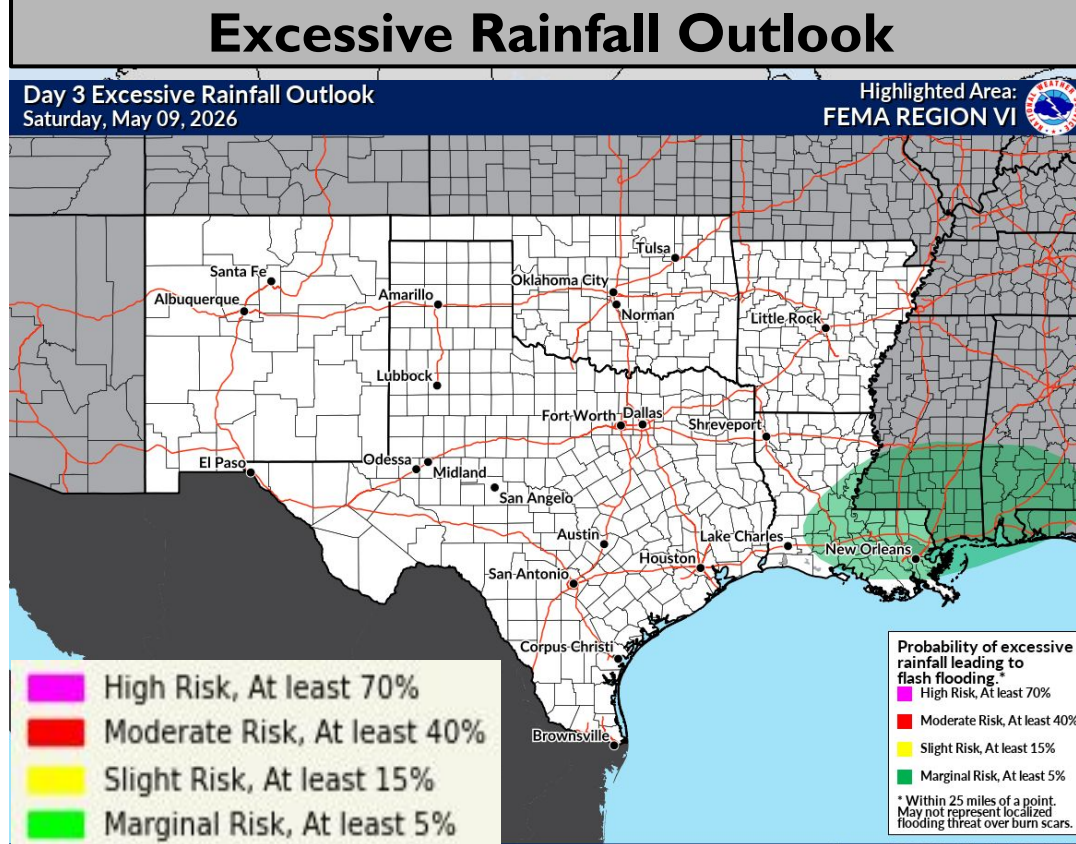
Marginal risk (level 1 of 4) for flash flooding in LA.

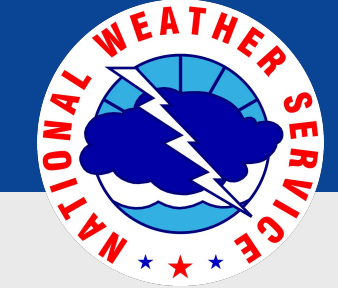
Marginal risk (level 1 of 5) for severe storms in OK.

Severe Weather Outlook

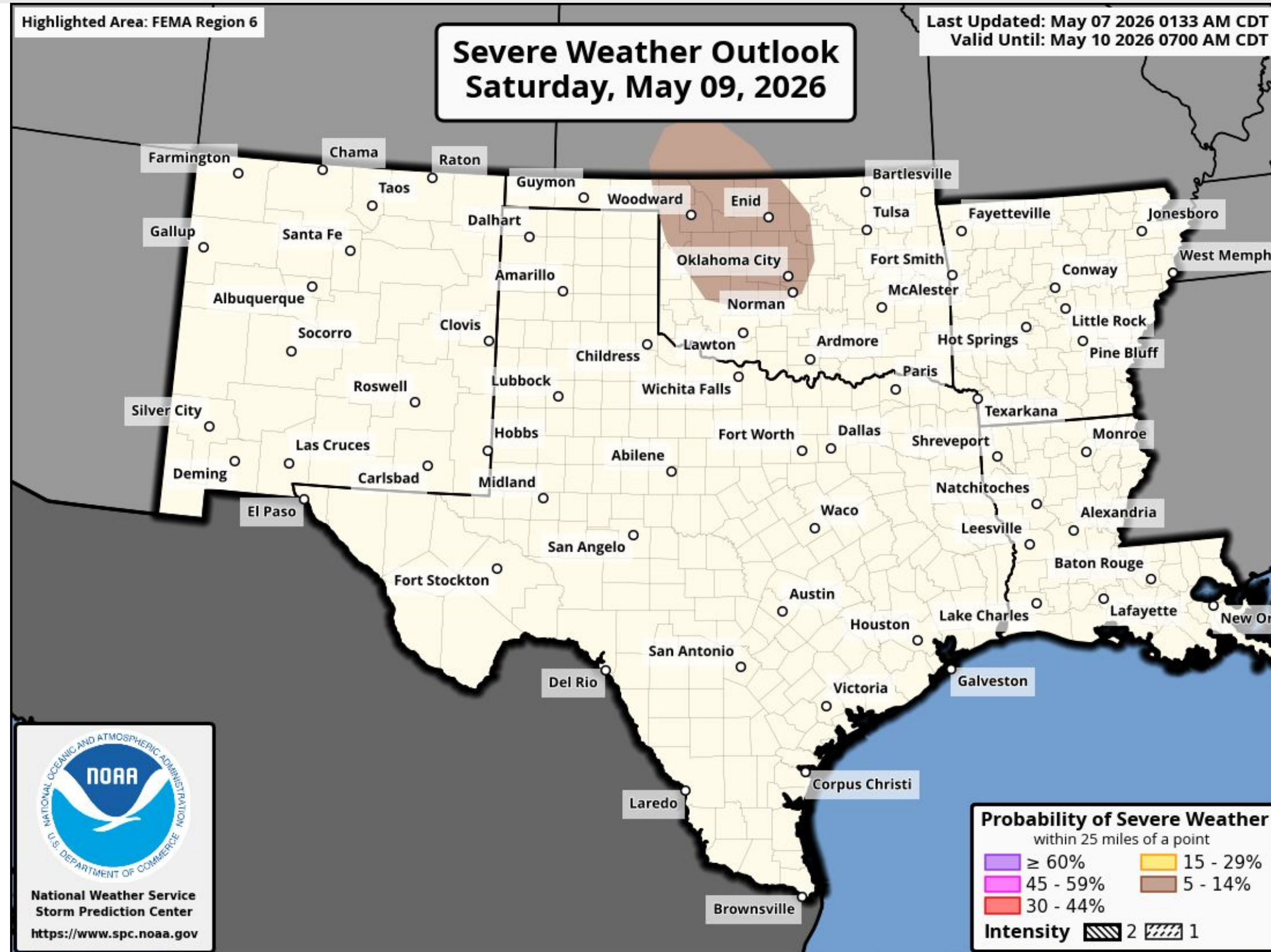


Excessive Rainfall Outlook





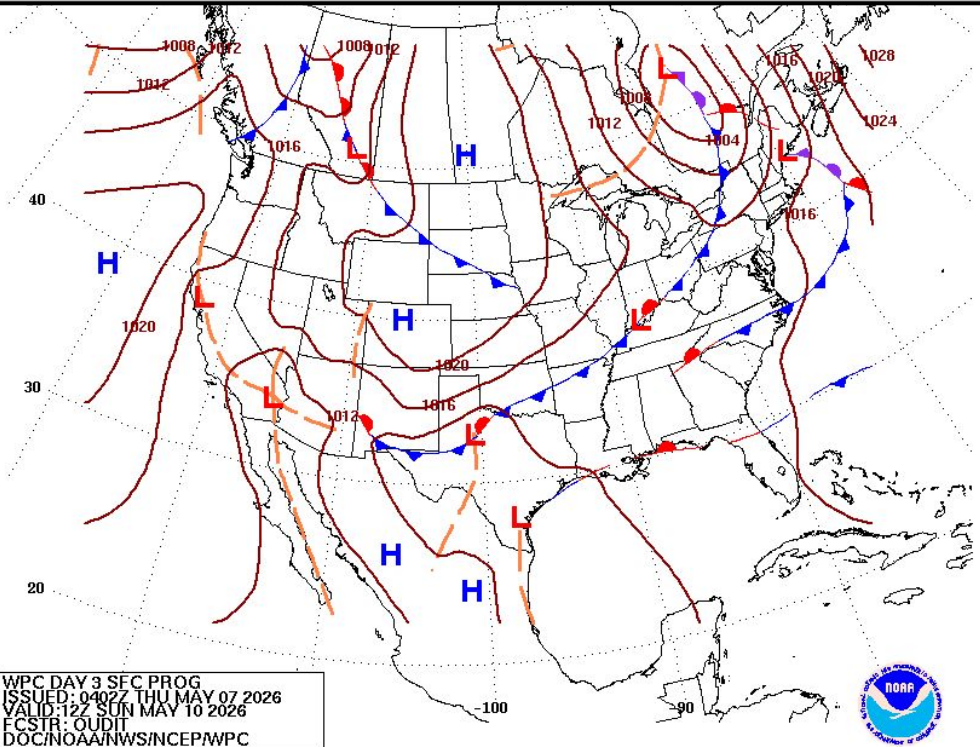
Saturday's Severe Weather Probabilities/CIIG Level



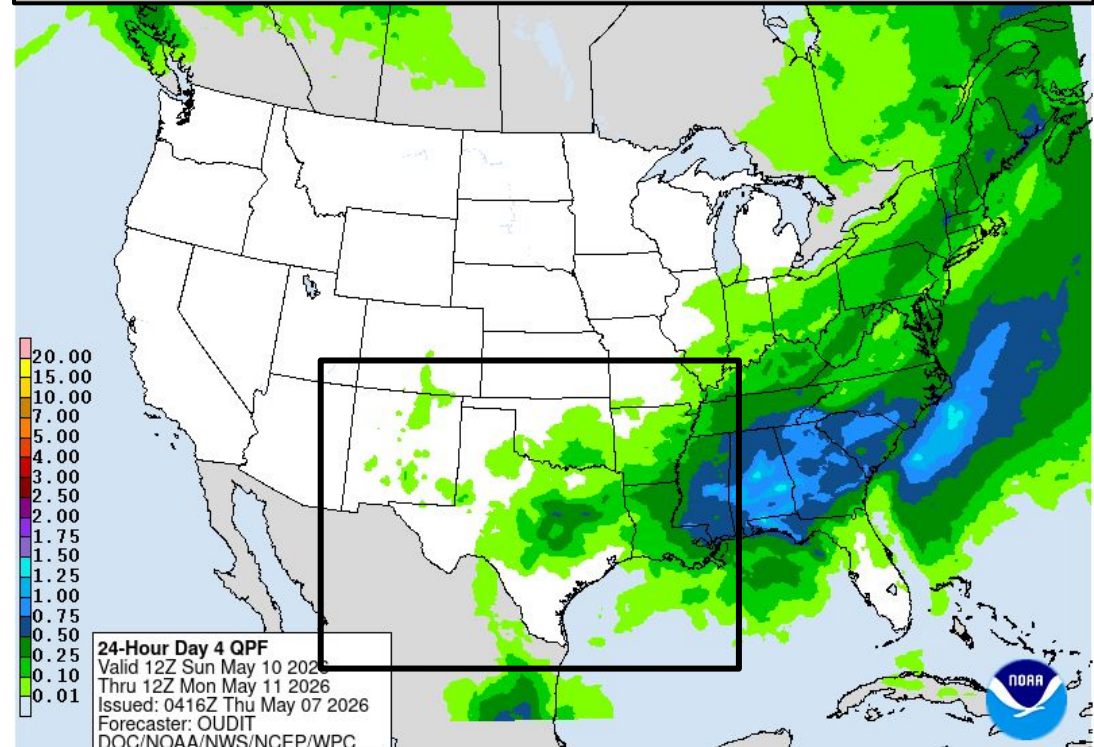


Sunday's Weather

Forecast Chart

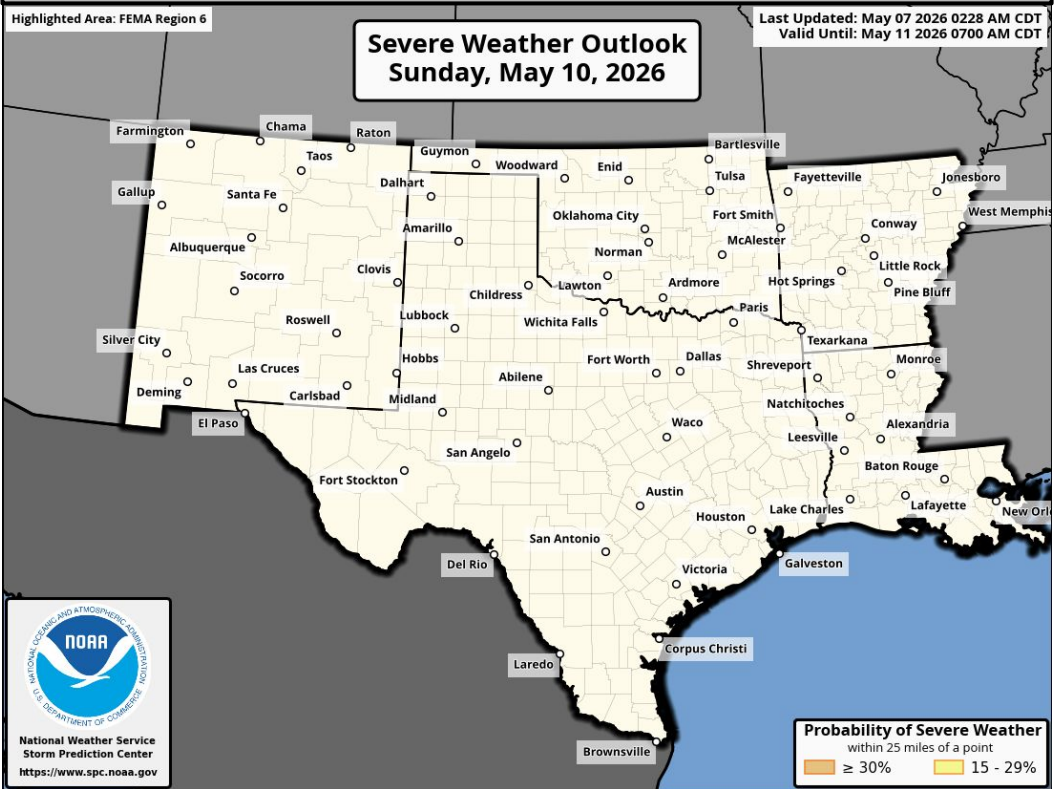


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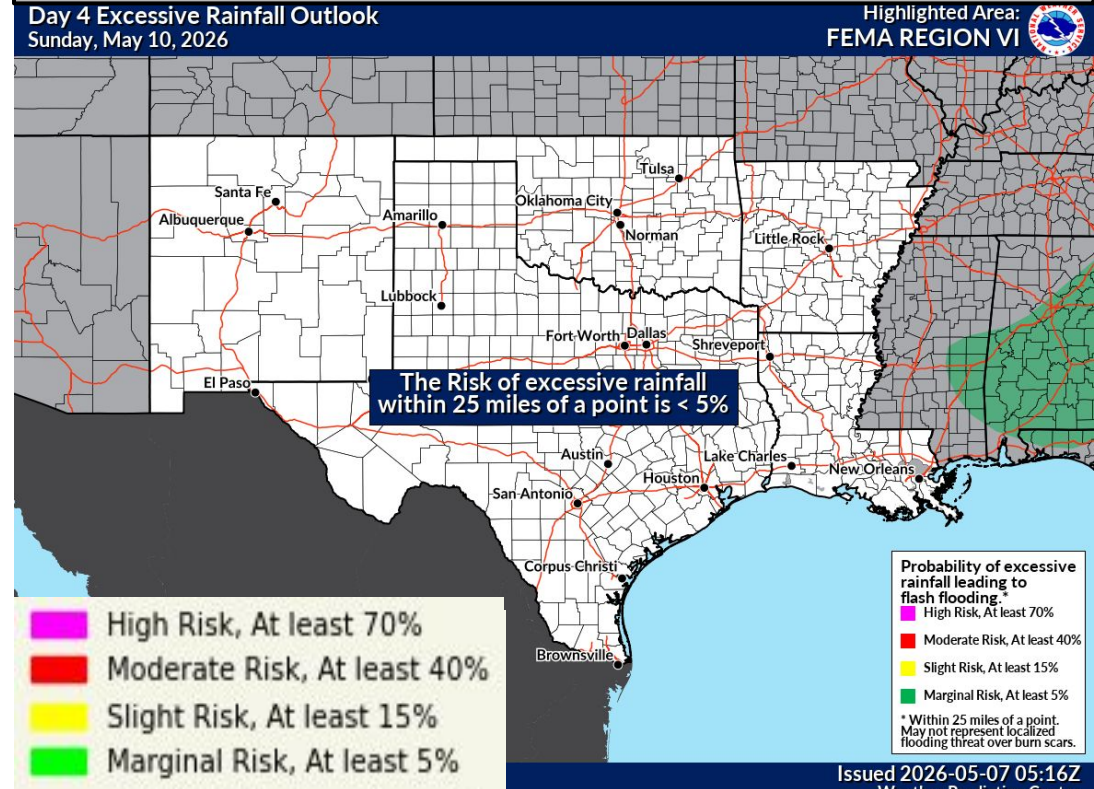


Monitoring TX, AR, LA for severe storms.

Severe Weather Outlook



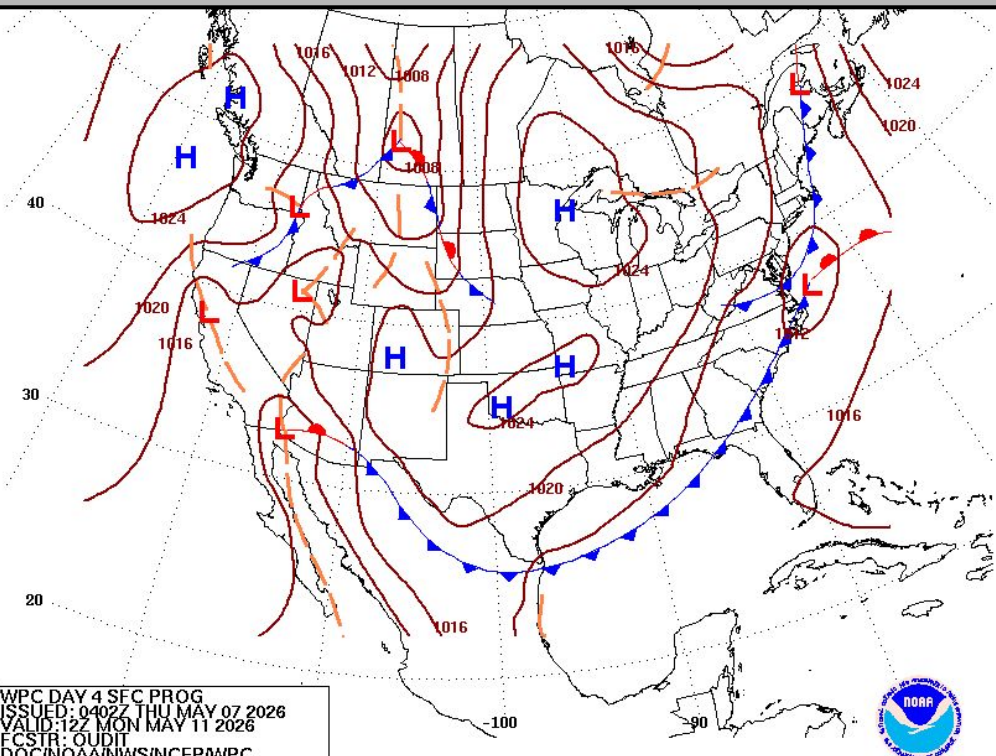
Excessive Rainfall Outlook





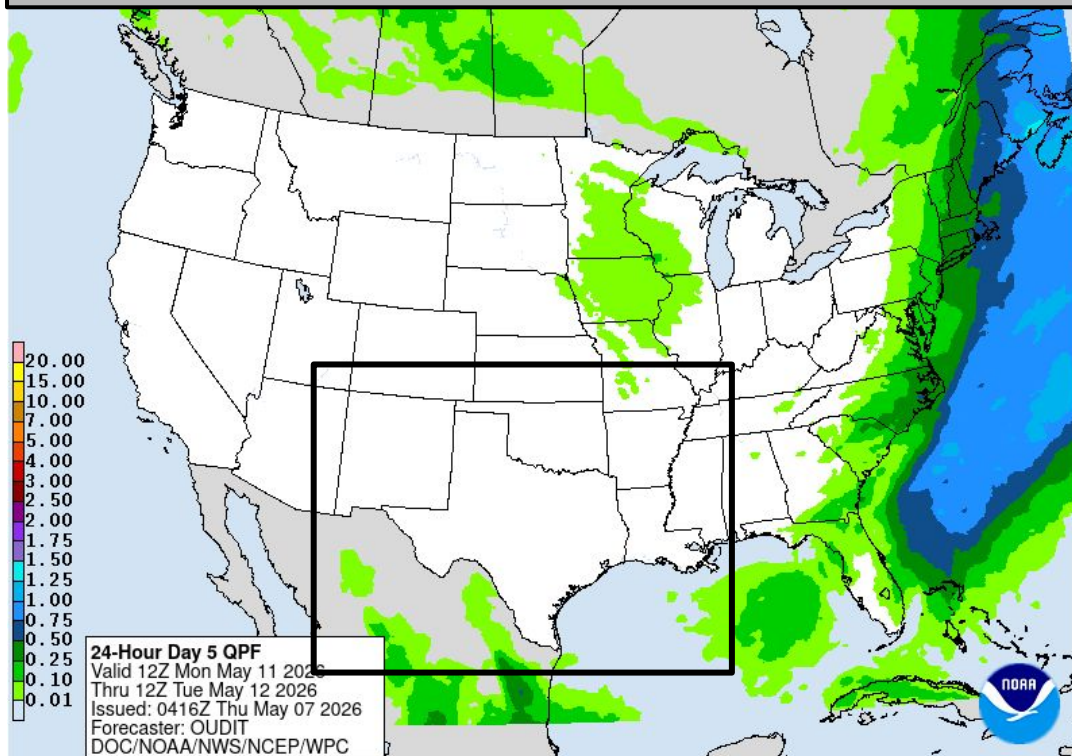
Monday's Weather

Forecast Chart



WPC DAY 4 SEC PROG
ISSUED: 0402Z THU MAY 07 2026
VALID: 12Z MON MAY 11 2026
FCSTR: OUDIT
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/WPC

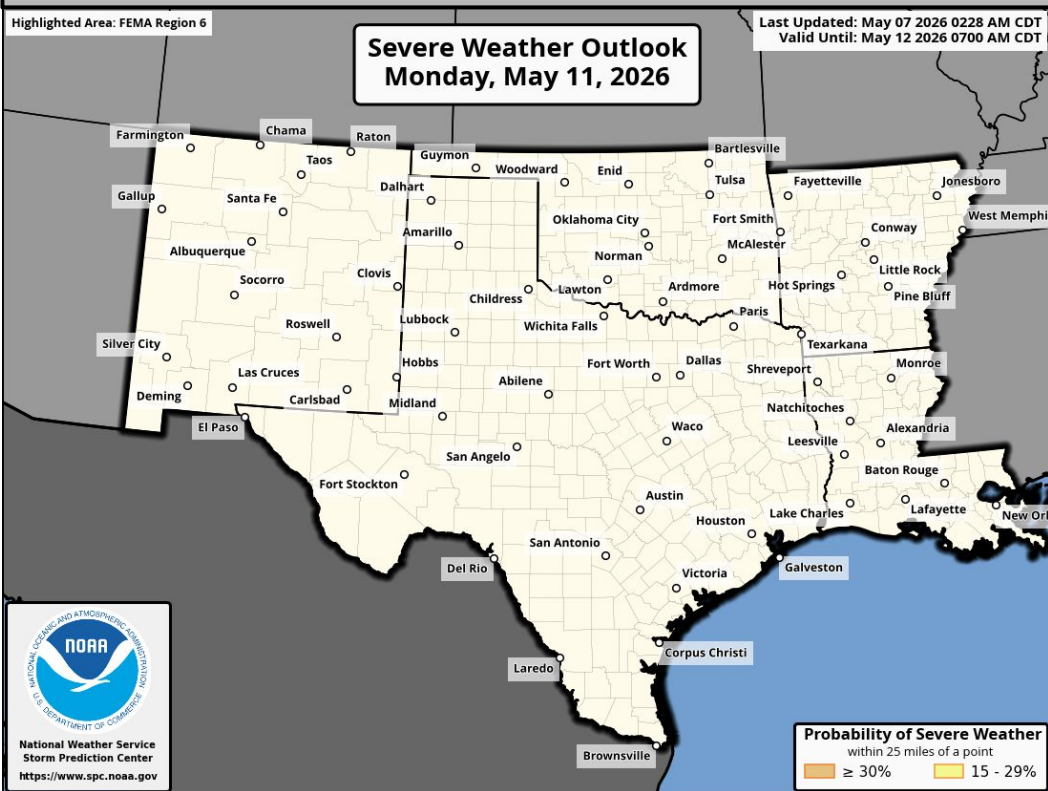
Forecast Rainfall



24-Hour Day 5 QPF
Valid 12Z Mon May 11 2026
Thru 12Z Tue May 12 2026
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No significant weather expected.

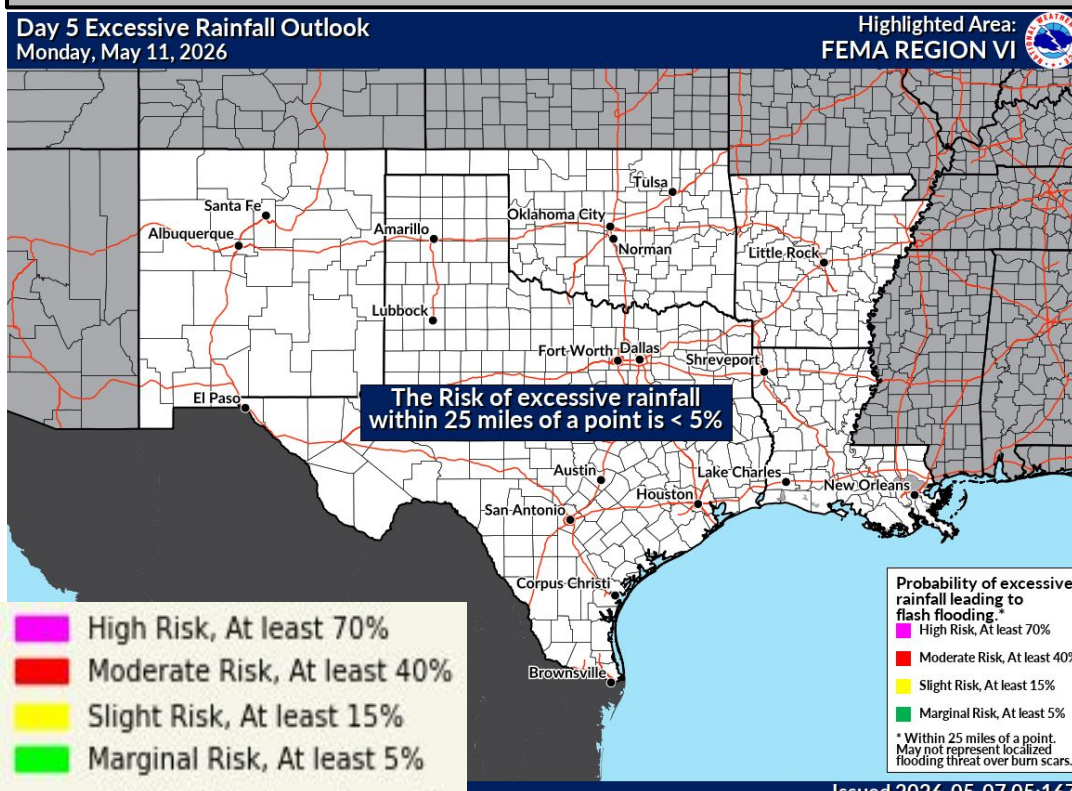
Severe Weather Outlook



Severe Weather Outlook
Monday, May 11, 2026

Probability of Severe Weather
within 25 miles of a point
≥ 30% 15 - 29%

Excessive Rainfall Outlook



Day 5 Excessive Rainfall Outlook
Monday, May 11, 2026

Highlighted Area:
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The Risk of excessive rainfall
within 25 miles of a point is < 5%

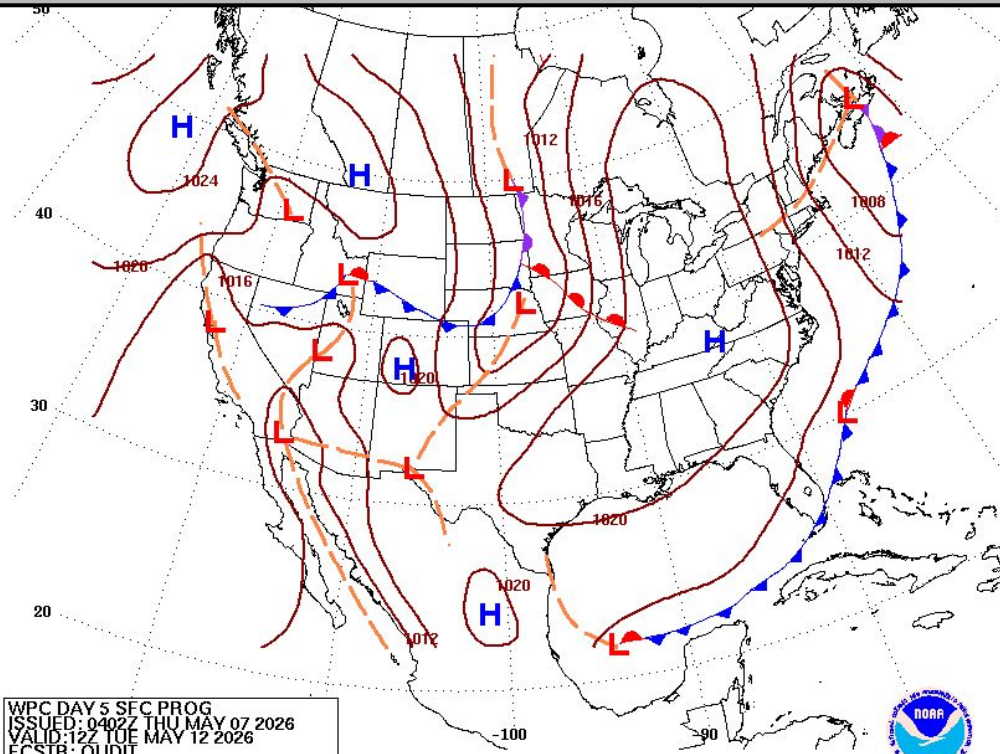
High Risk, At least 70%
Moderate Risk, At least 40%
Slight Risk, At least 15%
Marginal Risk, At least 5%

Probability of excessive
rainfall leading to
flash flooding:
High Risk, At least 70%
Moderate Risk, At least 40%
Slight Risk, At least 15%
Marginal Risk, At least 5%
* Within 25 miles of a point,
May not represent localized
flooding threat over burn scars.



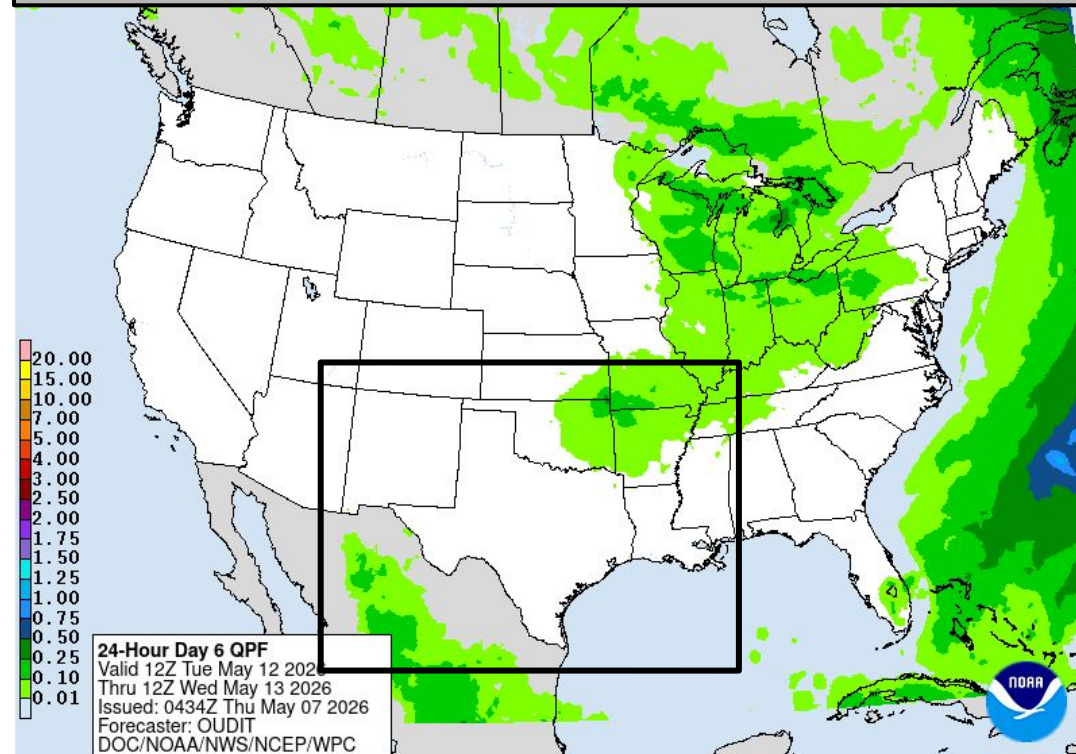
Tuesday's Weather

Forecast Chart



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FCSTB - OUDIT

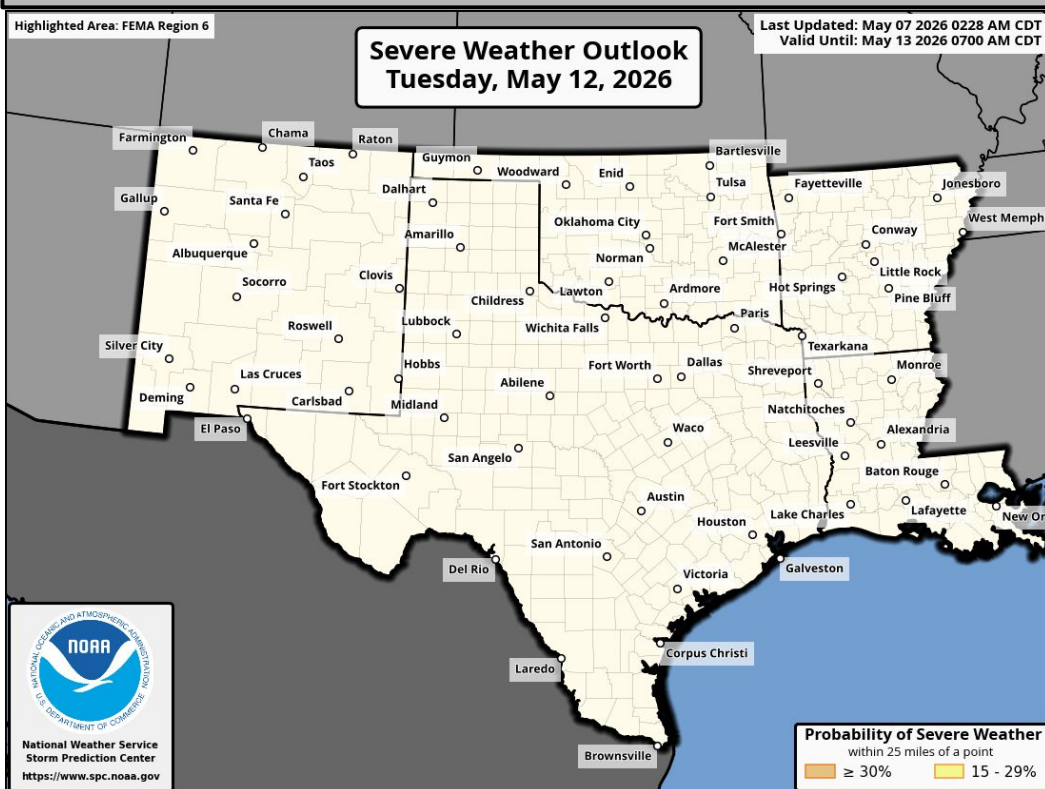
Forecast Rainfall



24-Hour Day 6 QPF
Valid 12Z Tue May 12 2026
Thru 12Z Wed May 13 2026
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Forecaster: OUDIT
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Minor impacts (level 2 of 5) for hot temps in E NM, TX/OK Panhandles, W TX, W OK.

Severe Weather Outlook



Severe Weather Outlook
Tuesday, May 12, 2026

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Valid Until: May 13 2026 0700 AM CDT

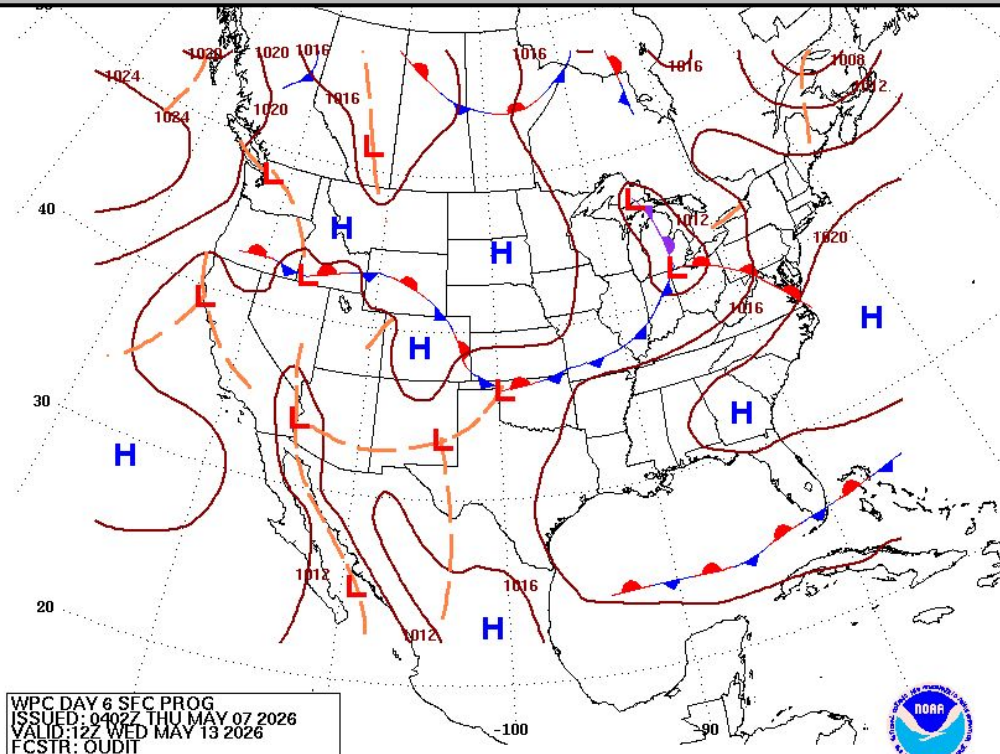


Excessive Rainfall Outlooks not available beyond Day 5



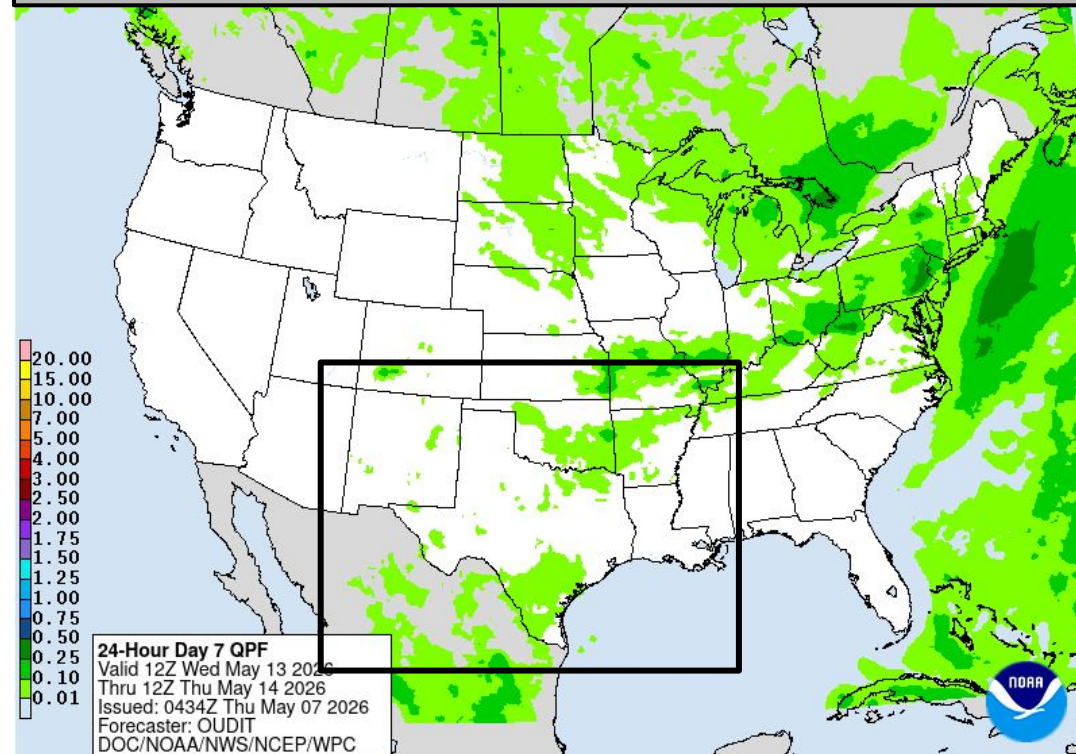
Wednesday's Weather

Forecast Chart



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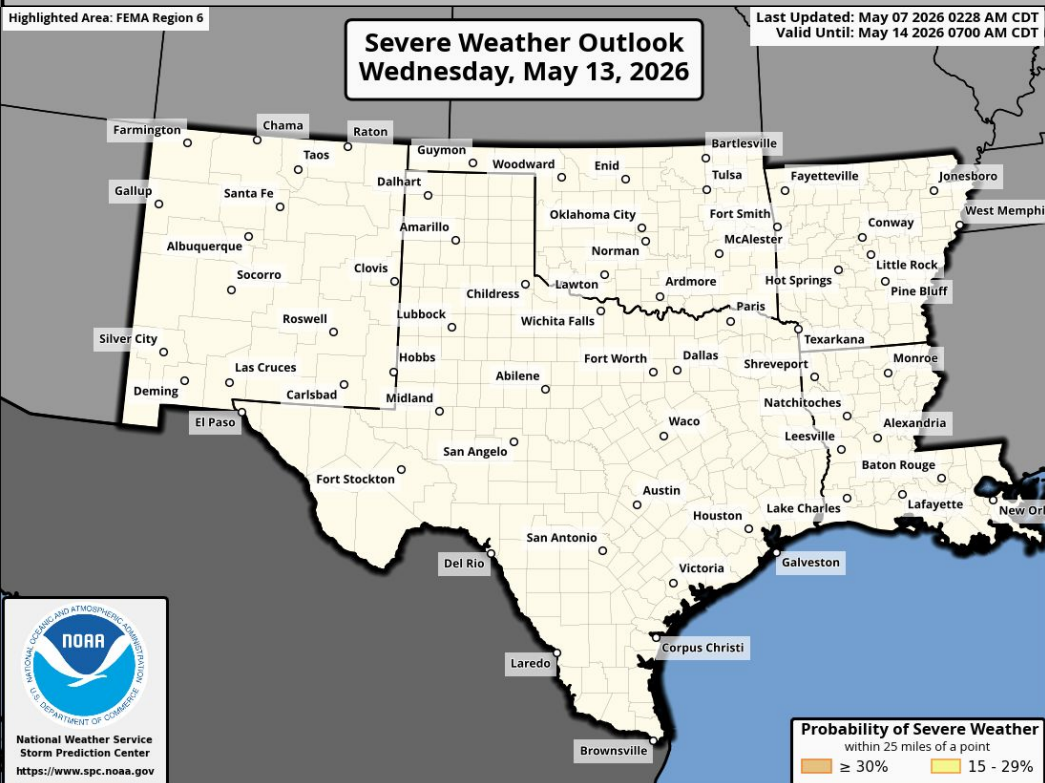
Forecast Rainfall



24-Hour Day 7 QPF
Valid 12Z Wed May 13 2026
Thru 12Z Thu May 14 2026
Issued: 0434Z Thu May 07 2026
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Minor impacts (level 2 of 5) for hot temps in TX/OK Panhandles, WTX, W OK.

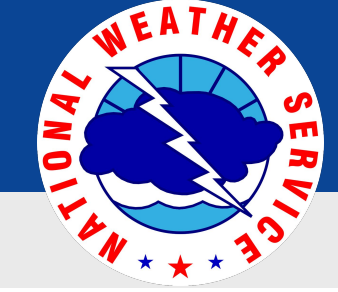
Severe Weather Outlook



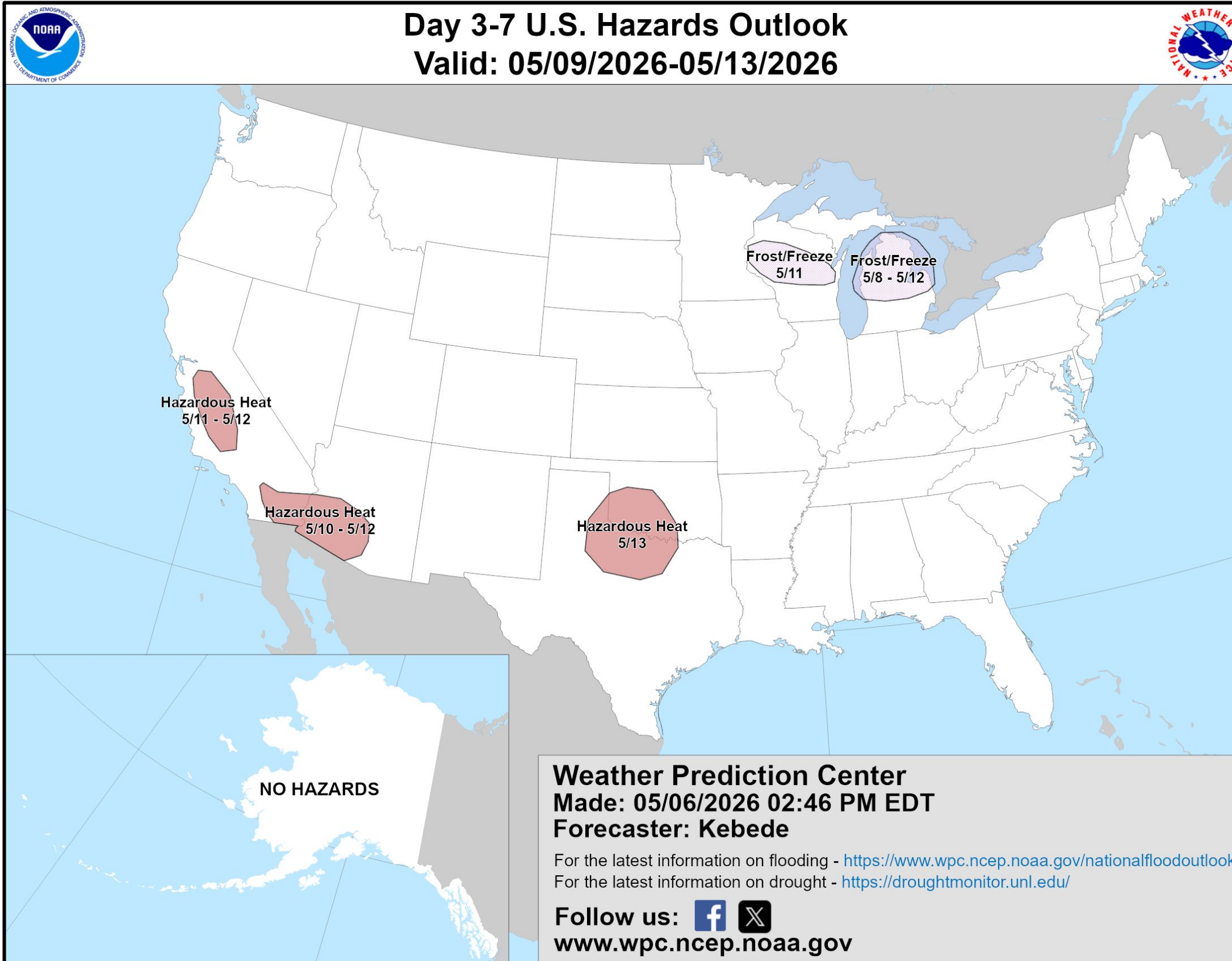
Severe Weather Outlook
Wednesday, May 13, 2026

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Excessive Rainfall Outlooks not available beyond Day 5

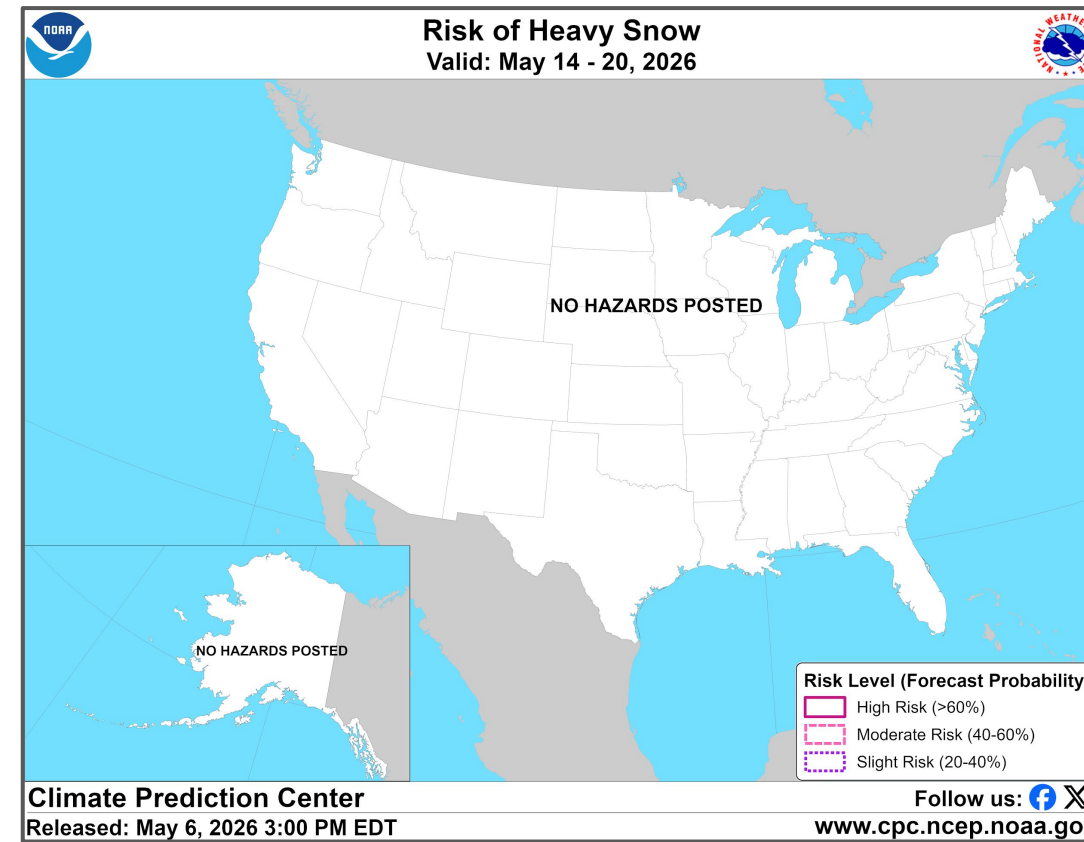
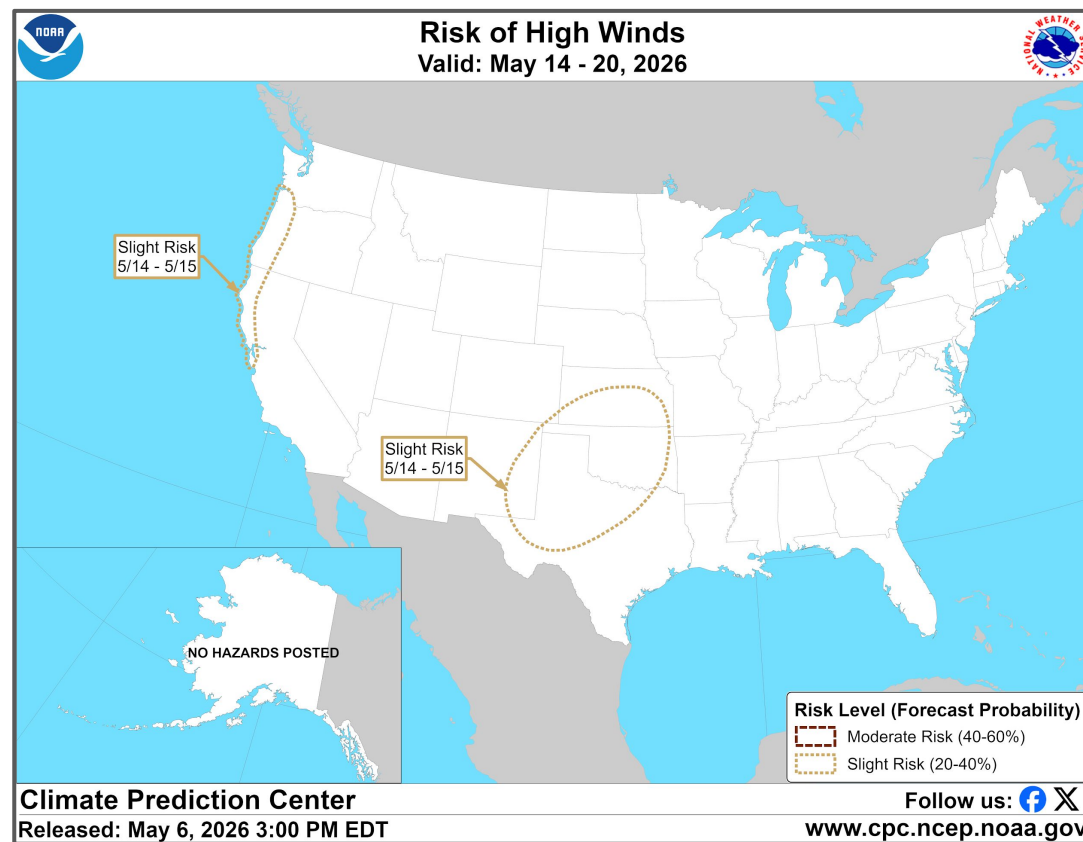
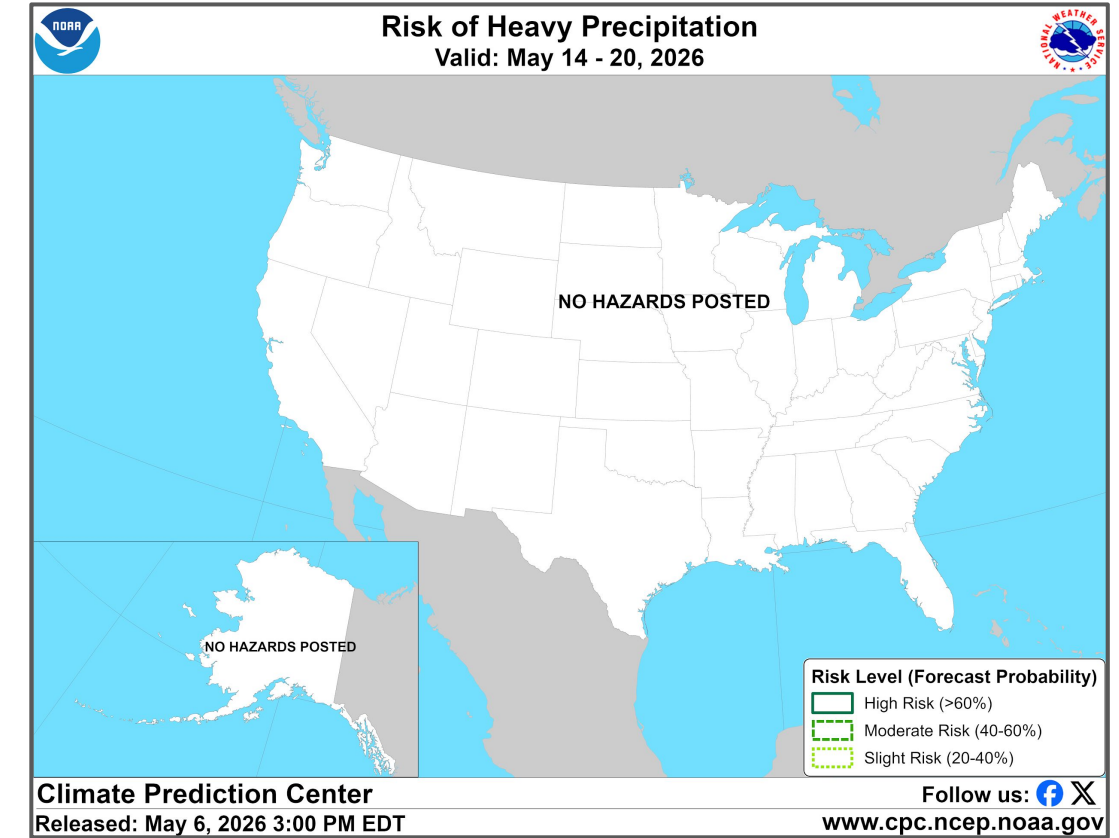
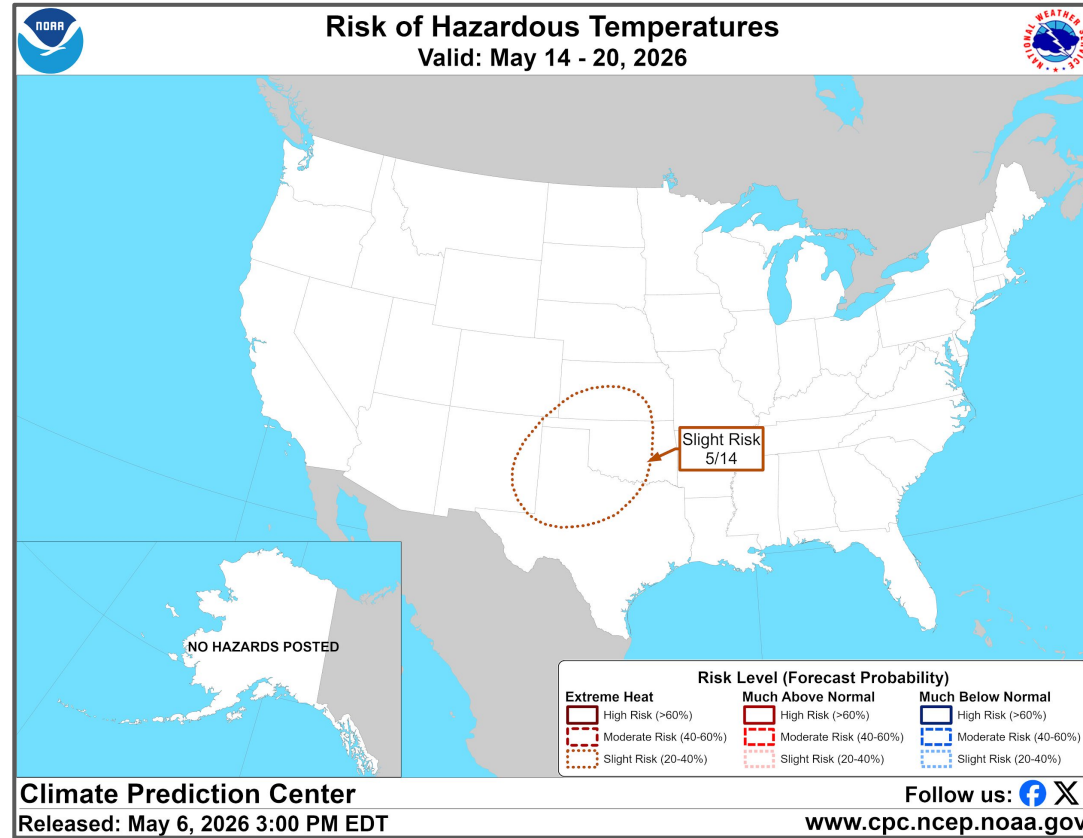
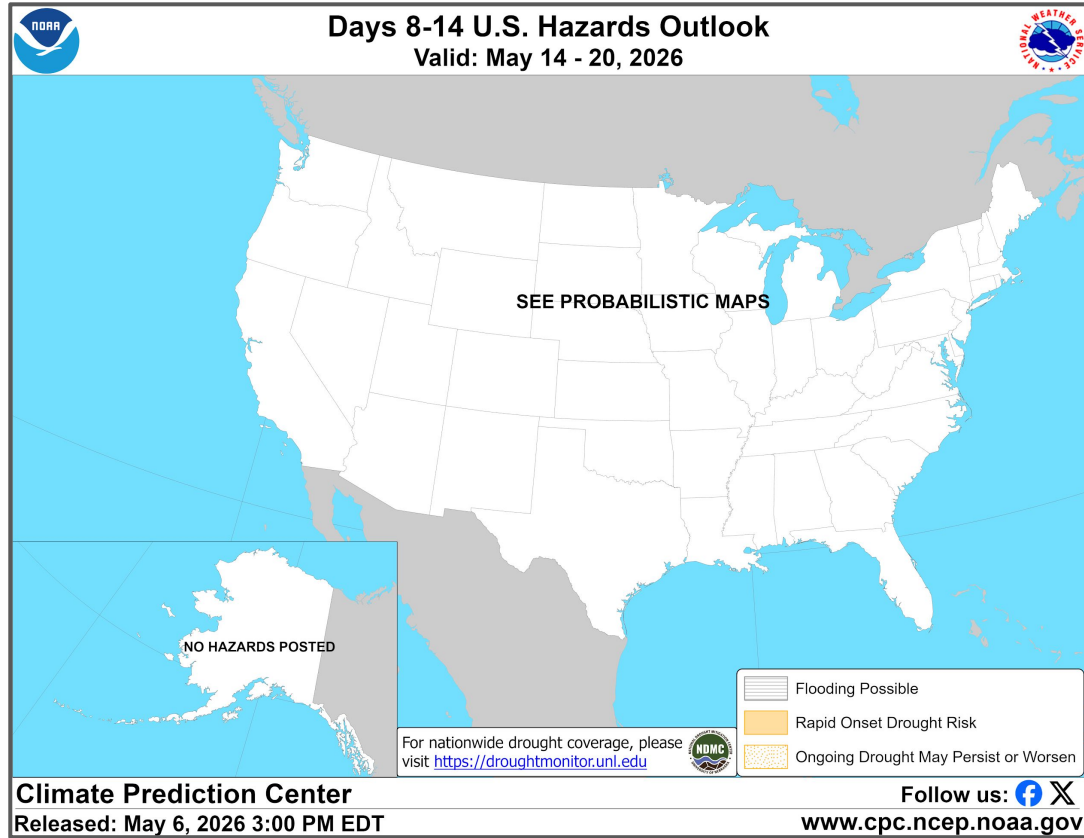


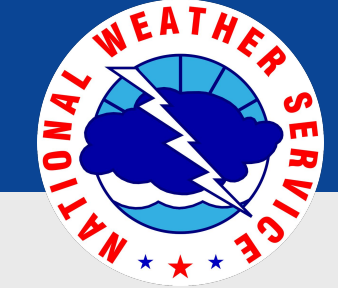
“Day 3-7” Hazards Outlook





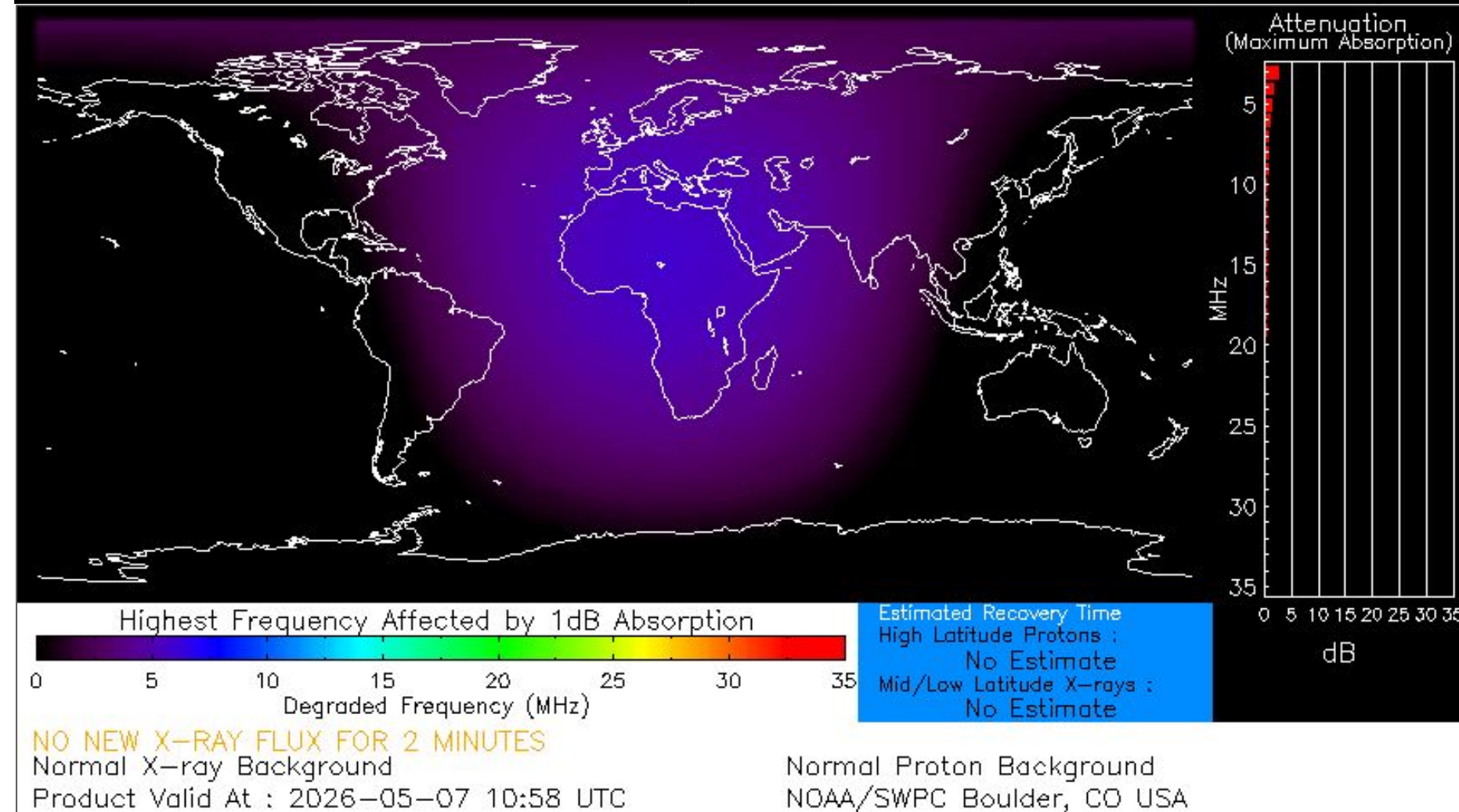
“Day 8-14” Hazards Outlook





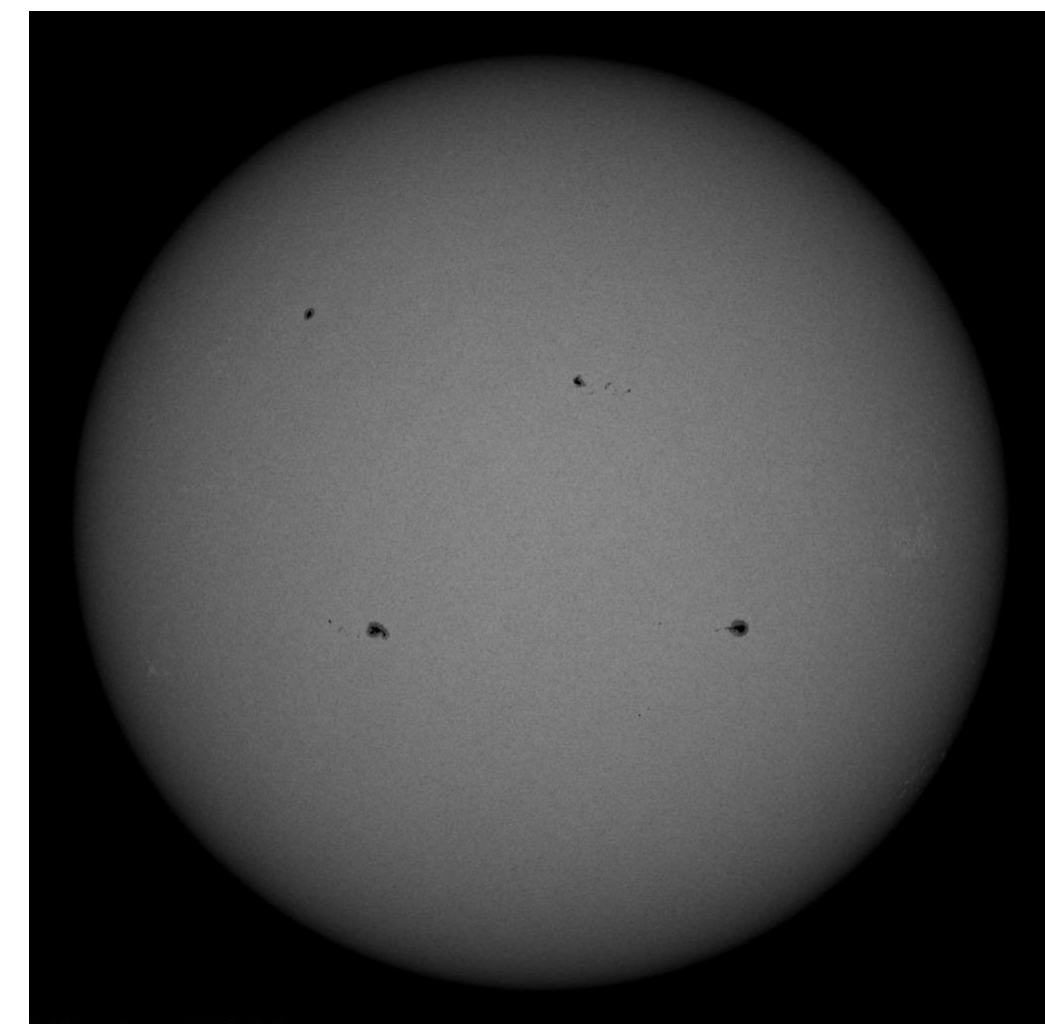
Space Weather 3-Day Forecast

	Thursday, May 7	Friday, May 8	Saturday, May 9
Geomagnetic Storms	Active (Max Kp=4)	Active (Max Kp=4)	Active (Max Kp=4)
Solar Radiation Storm (S1-S5)	1%	1%	1%
Radio Blackout (R1-R2)	25%	35%	35%
Radio Blackout (R3-R5)	1%	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	<p style="text-align: center;">Little to None</p> <p>Safety: Rarely a Direct Threat to Life and Property Impact Potential: Typically Results in Little Inconvenience to Daily Routines</p>	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	<p style="text-align: center;">Minor</p> <p>Safety: Rarely a Direct Threat to Life and Property Impact Potential: Typically Results in Some Inconvenience to Daily Life</p>	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	<p style="text-align: center;">Moderate</p> <p>Safety: Often Threatening to Life and Property, Some Damage Unavoidable Impact Potential: Typically Results in Minor Disruption to Daily Life</p>	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	<p style="text-align: center;">Major</p> <p>Safety: Extensive Property Damage Likely, Life Saving Actions Also will be Needed Impact Potential: Will likely result in Large Disruption to Daily Life</p>	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	<p style="text-align: center;">Extreme</p> <p>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</p>	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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