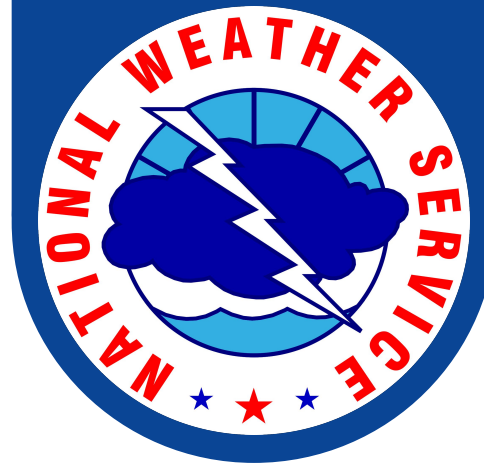




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# FEMA Region 6 Weather Threat Briefing

Saturday, May 09, 2026

**Disclaimer:** The purpose of this briefing is to provide a **Regional** 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 [www.weather.gov/srh](http://www.weather.gov/srh).





# Summary

- **Severe Storms:**

- **Slight risk (level 2 of 5) today in NW TX, SW OK from late afternoon through the overnight hours. Hail is the main threat.**
- **Enhanced risk (level 3 of 5) Sunday in C-NE TX from mid-afternoon through the evening. Damaging wind (70+ MPH) and hail (2+”) are the main threat. This could have significant impacts for outdoor activities.**

- **Flash Flooding:**

- **Slight risk (level 2 of 4) for flash flooding in SE LA today**
- **Marginal risk (level 1 of 4) for SE OK, S AR, NE TX, N LA tomorrow.**

- **River Flooding:**

- **Monitoring for local river rises in LA through the weekend.**

- **Heat:**

- **Minor heat impacts (level 2 of 5) in E NM, TX/OK Panhandles, W TX, W OK mid-week.**





# FEMA Region 6 Threat Matrix

Next 7 days

	Saturday, May 9	Sunday, May 10	Monday, May 11	Tuesday, May 12	Wednesday, May 13	Thursday, May 14	Friday, May 15
Severe Storms	NW TX, W-Ctrl OK	Ctrl-N TX	SE LA				
Heavy Rain / Flash Flooding	SE LA	SE OK, S AR, NE TX, N LA					
Heat				E NM, TX/OK Panhandles, W TX W OK	TX/OK Panhandles, W TX W OK		
Fire Weather							
River Flooding	S LA	S LA					

*\*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



## Current Watches, Warnings, and Advisories

- Flood Warning Pop: 46,144
- Extreme Heat Warning Pop: 4,034,148
- Dense Fog Advisory Pop: 1,916,279
- Rip Current Statement Pop: 202,546



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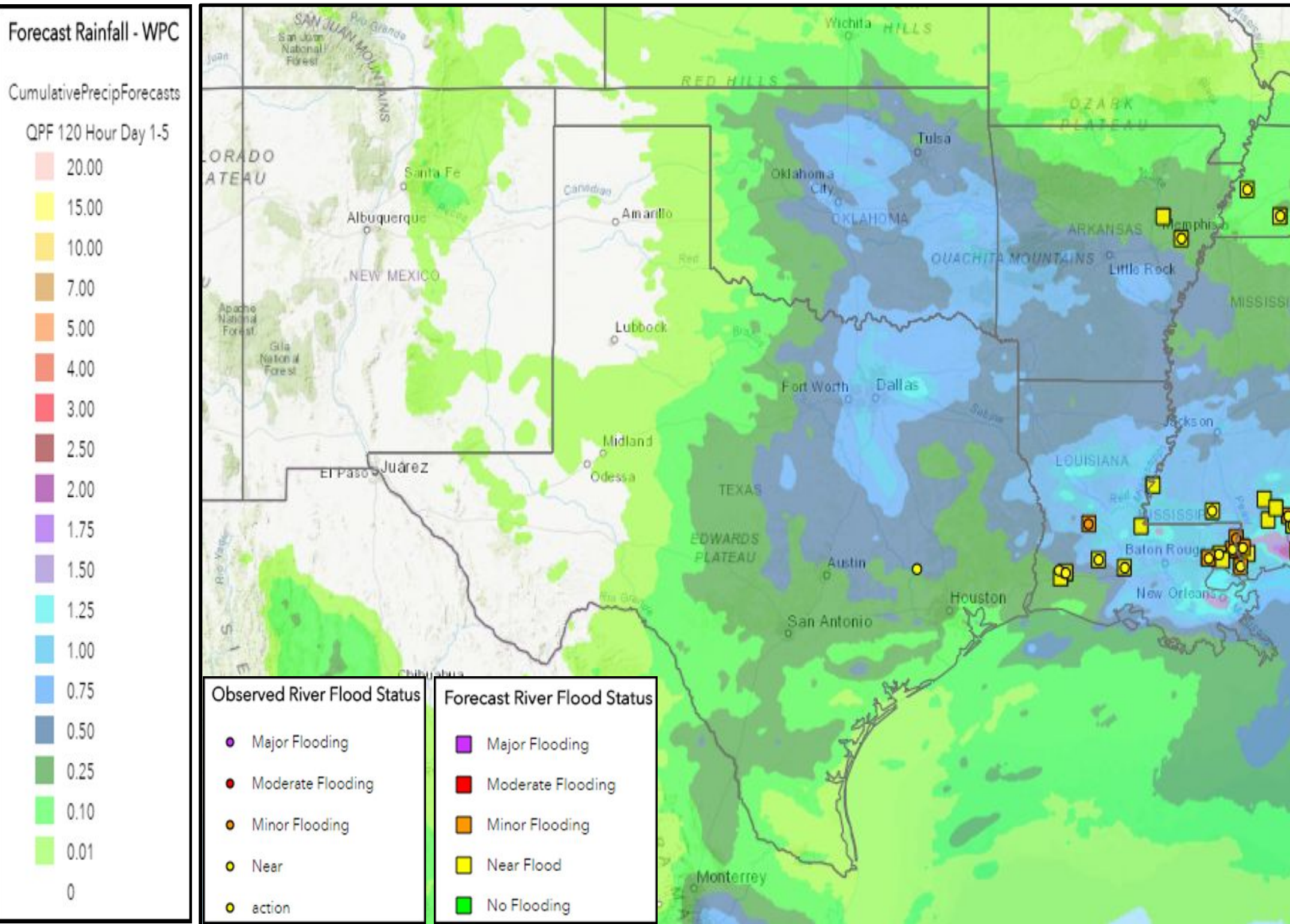
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# 5-Day Precipitation Forecast & River Flood Status

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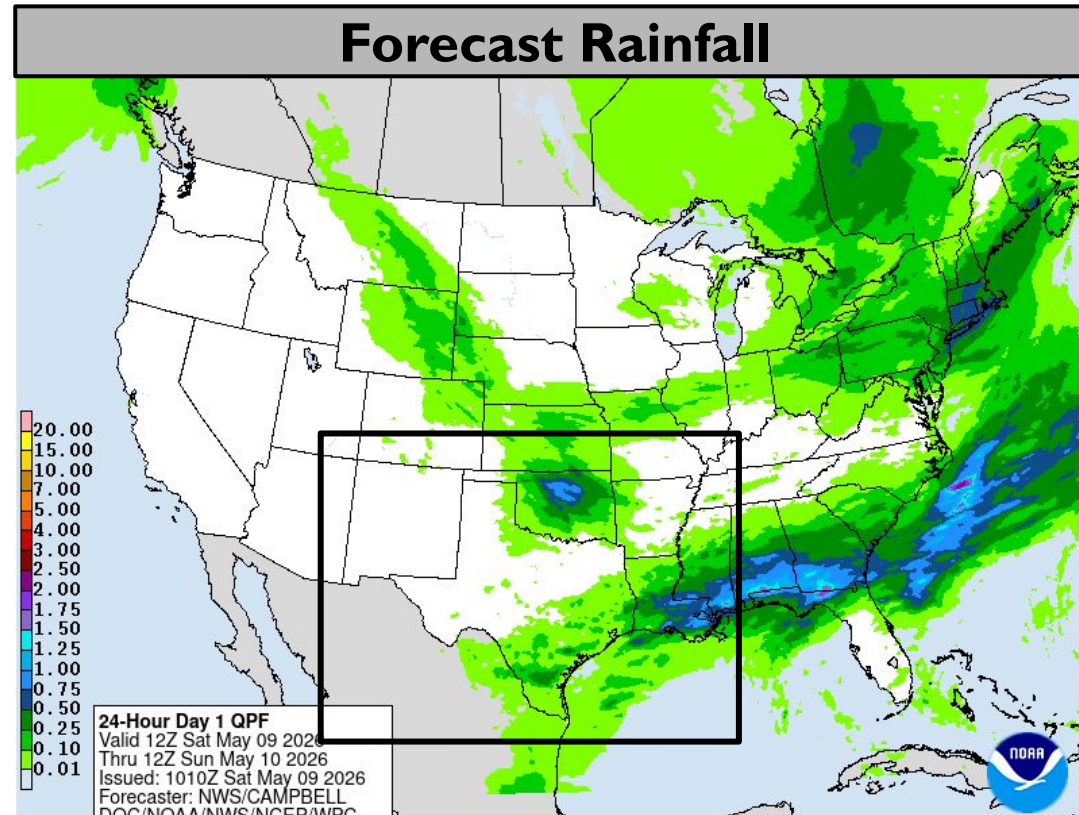
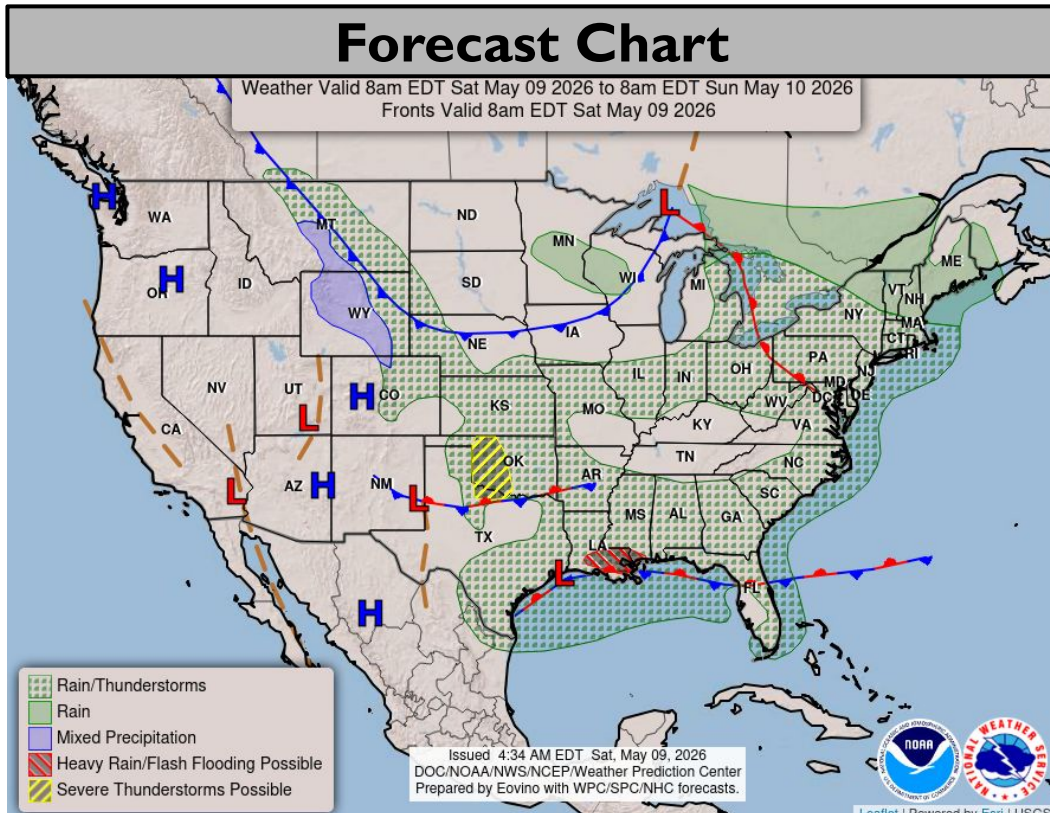


**Isolated minor river flooding is occurring in S LA; additional instances of minor river flooding could occur following rainfall today. No significant impacts are currently expected.**

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.

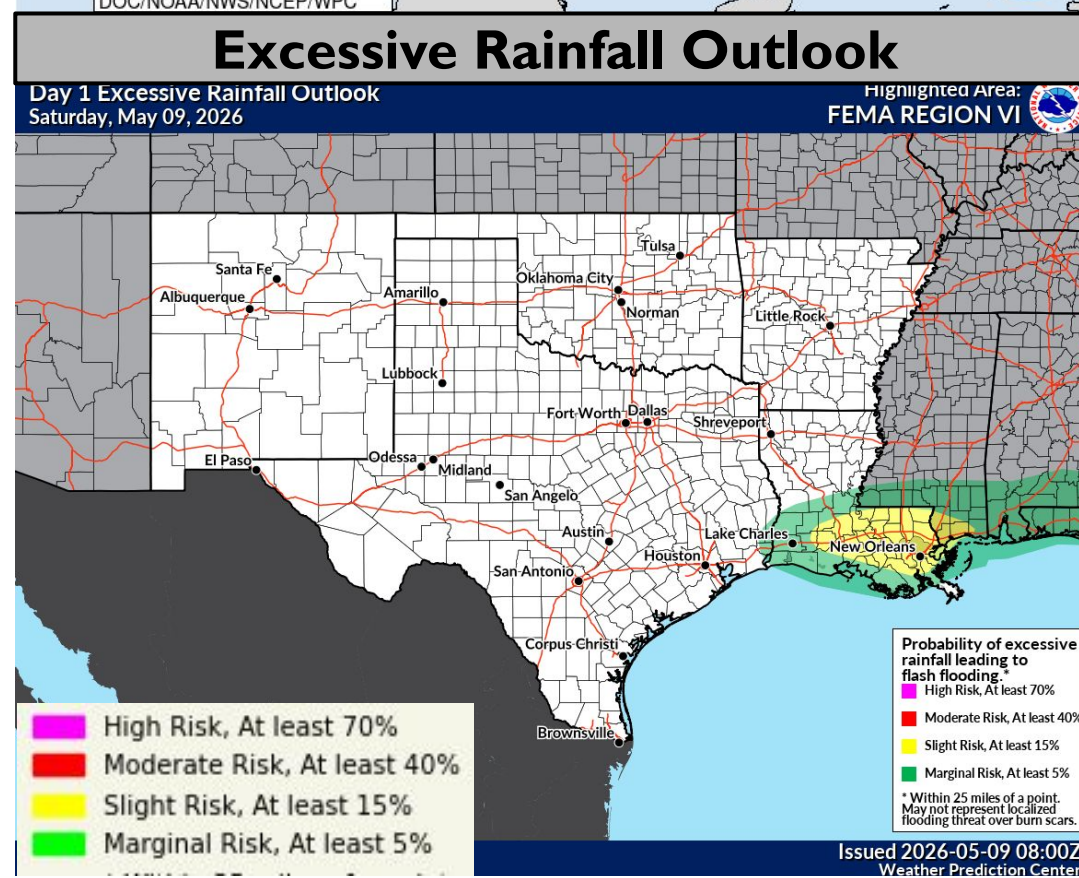
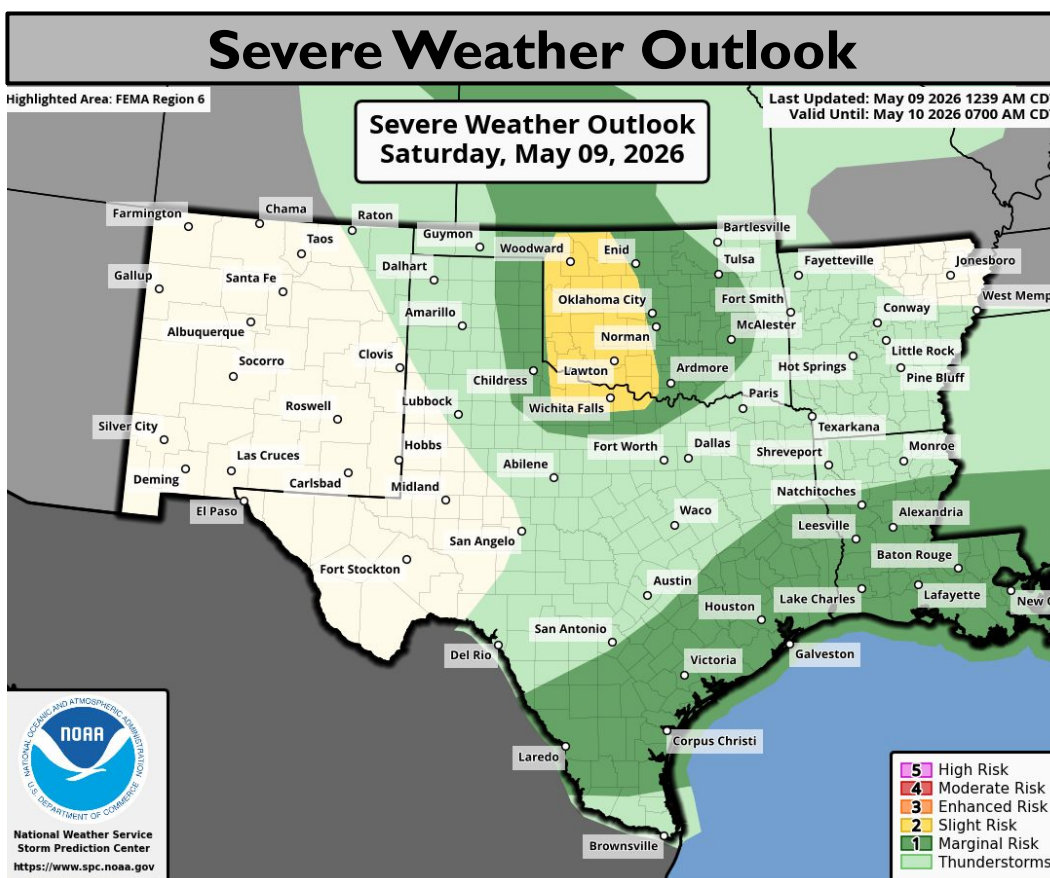


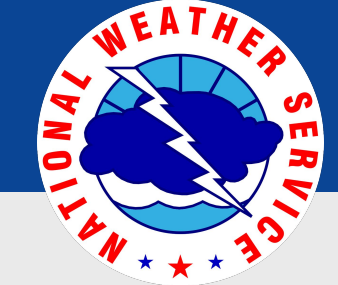
# Today's Weather



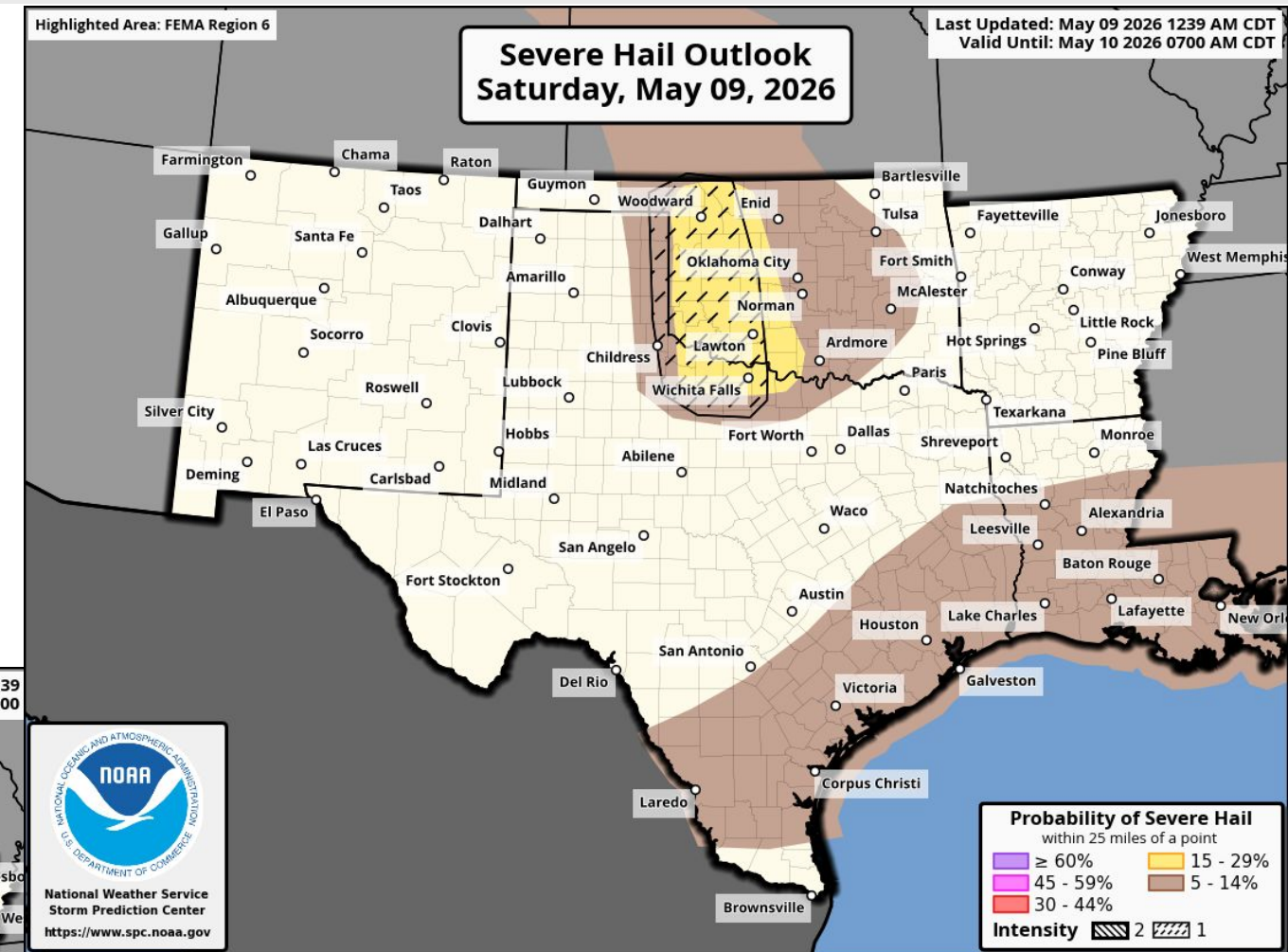
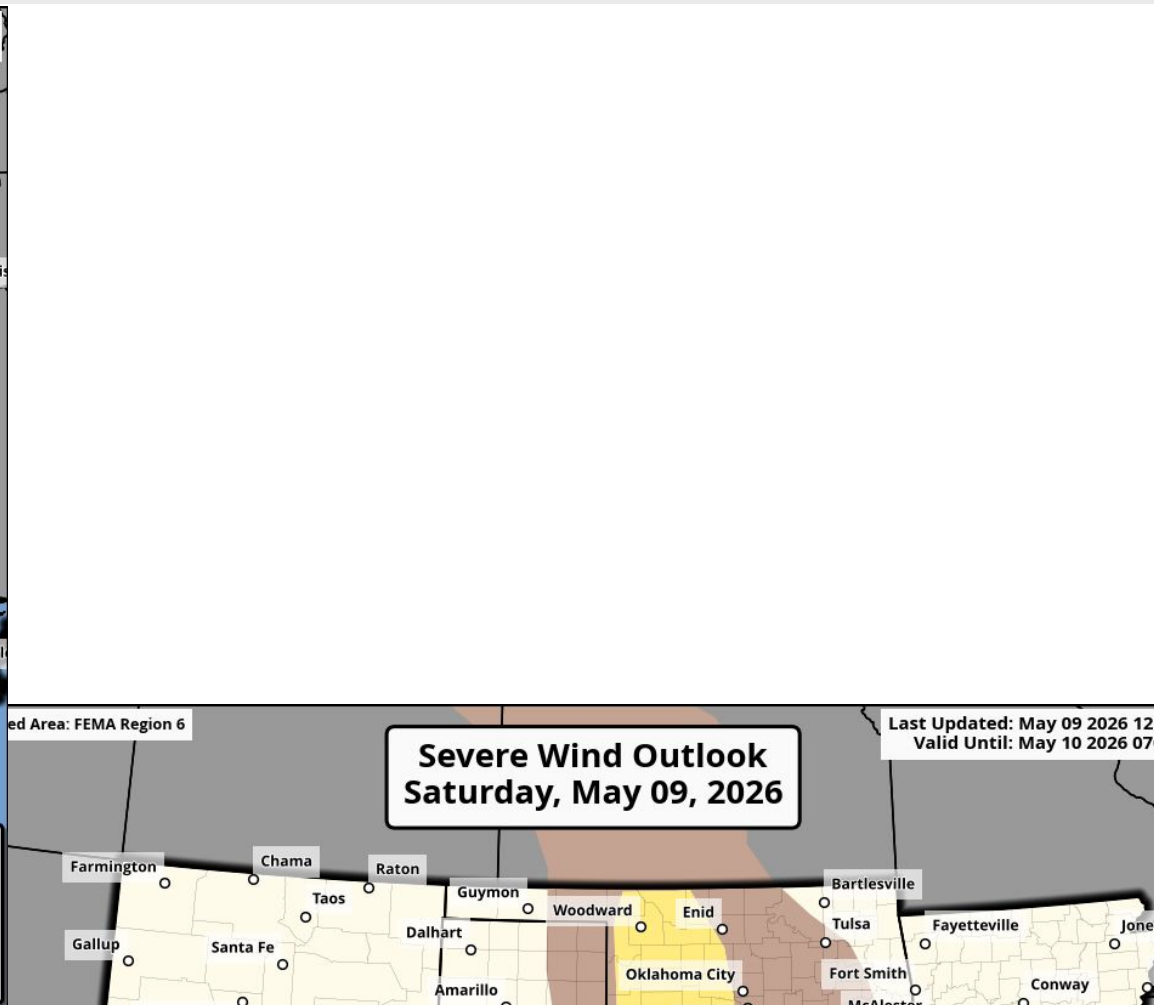
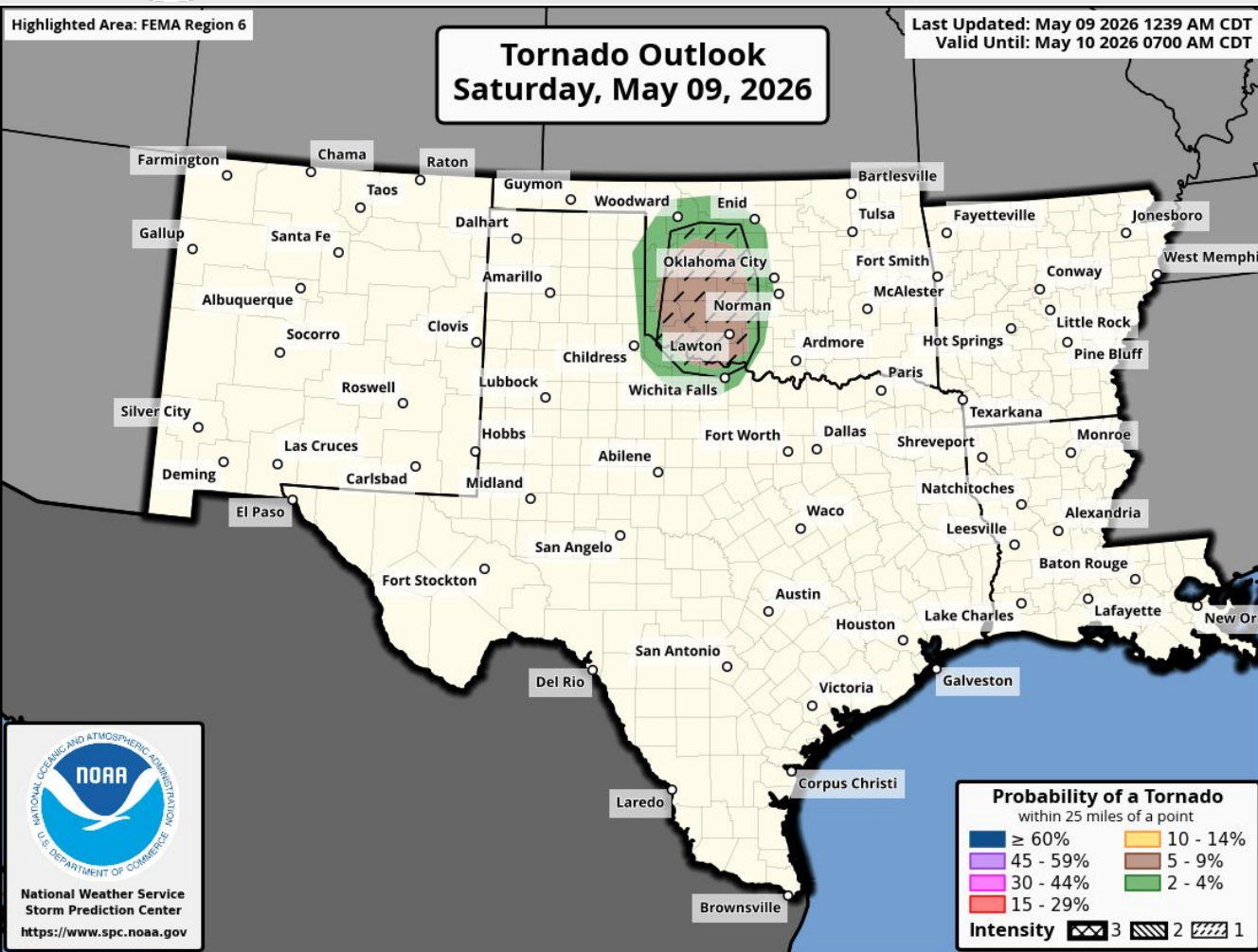
**Slight risk (level 2 of 5) for severe storms in NW TX, W-Ctrl OK. Hail is the main threat.**

**Slight risk (level 2 of 4) for flash flooding in SE LA. Rainfall rates in excess of 1-3 inches could produce road closures, especially near underpasses and other low lying areas.**



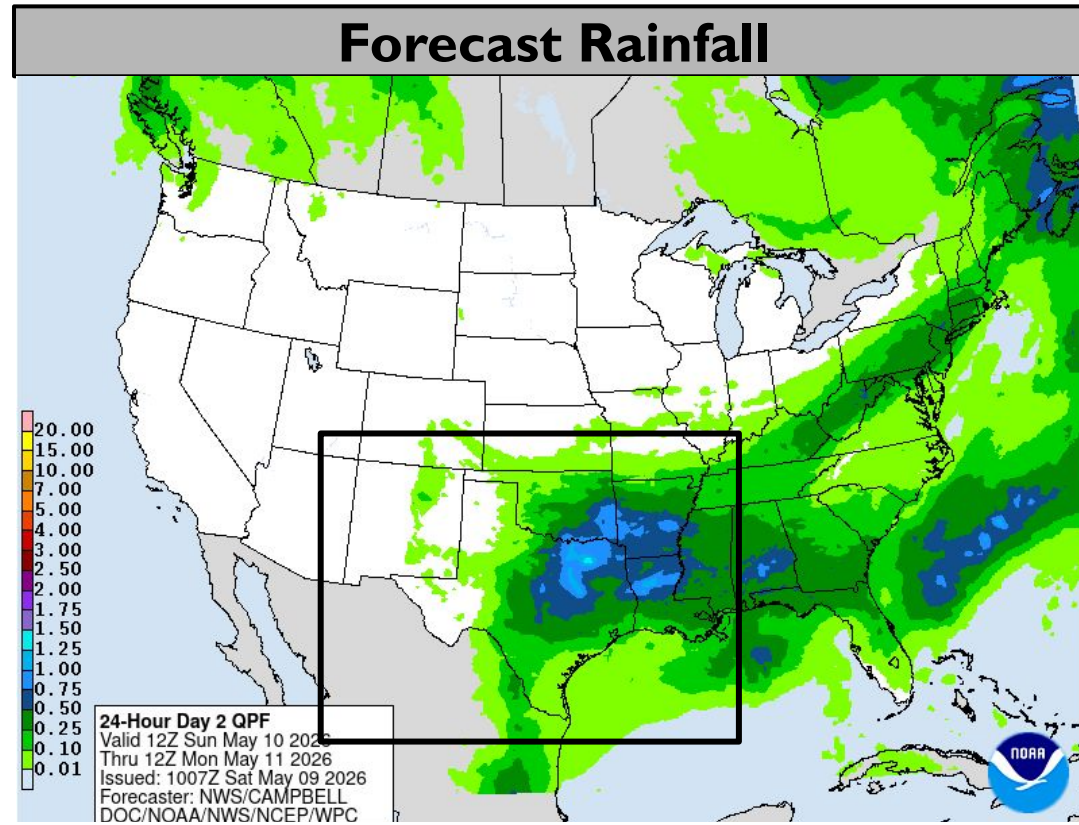
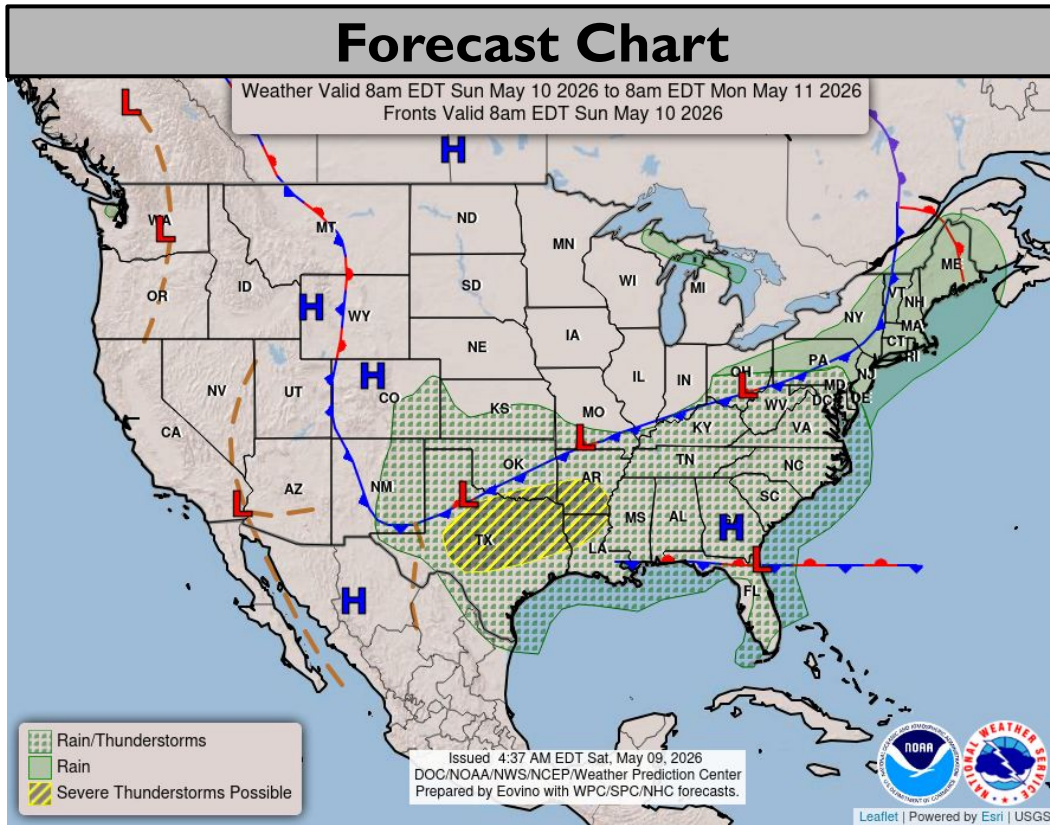


# Today's Tornado & Severe Wind / Hail Probabilities



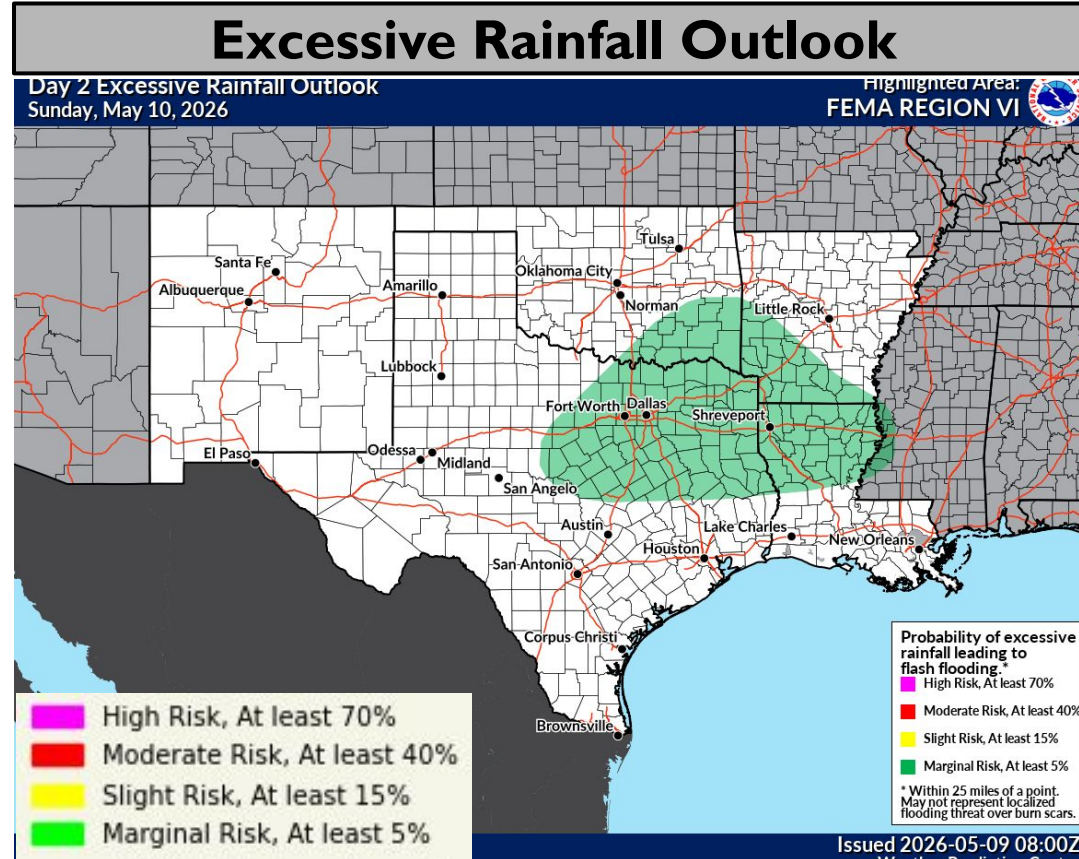
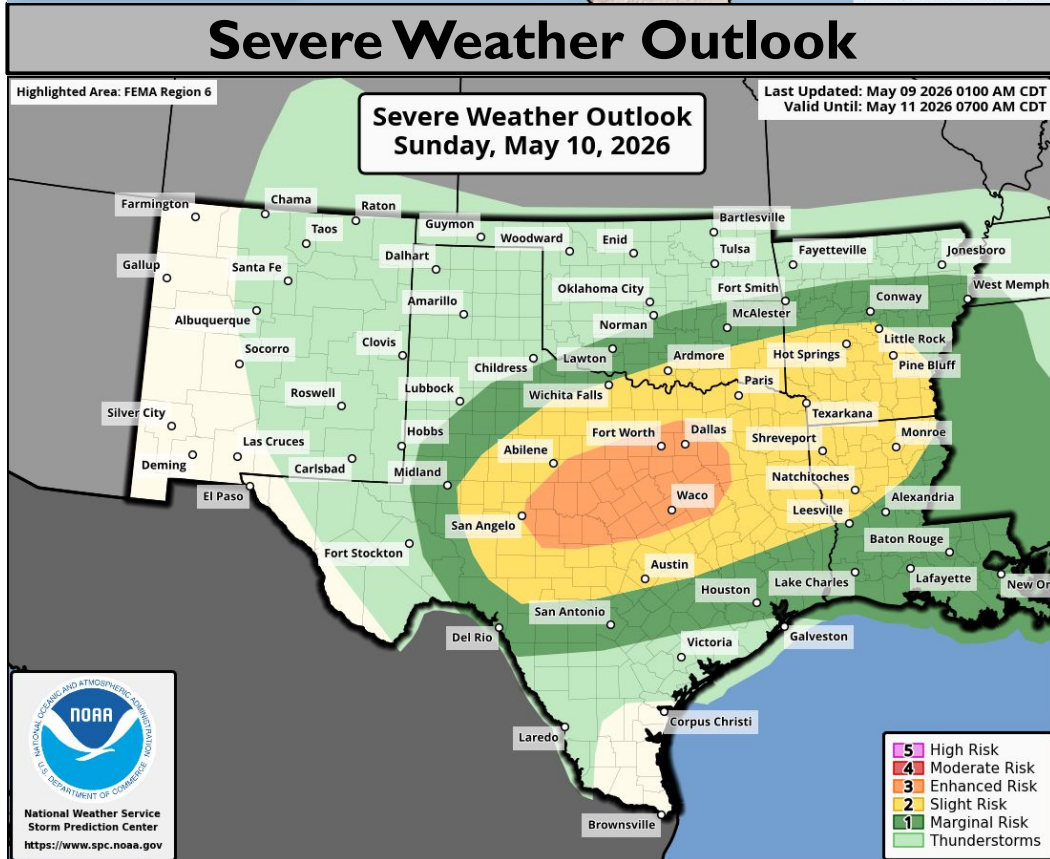


# Tomorrow's Weather



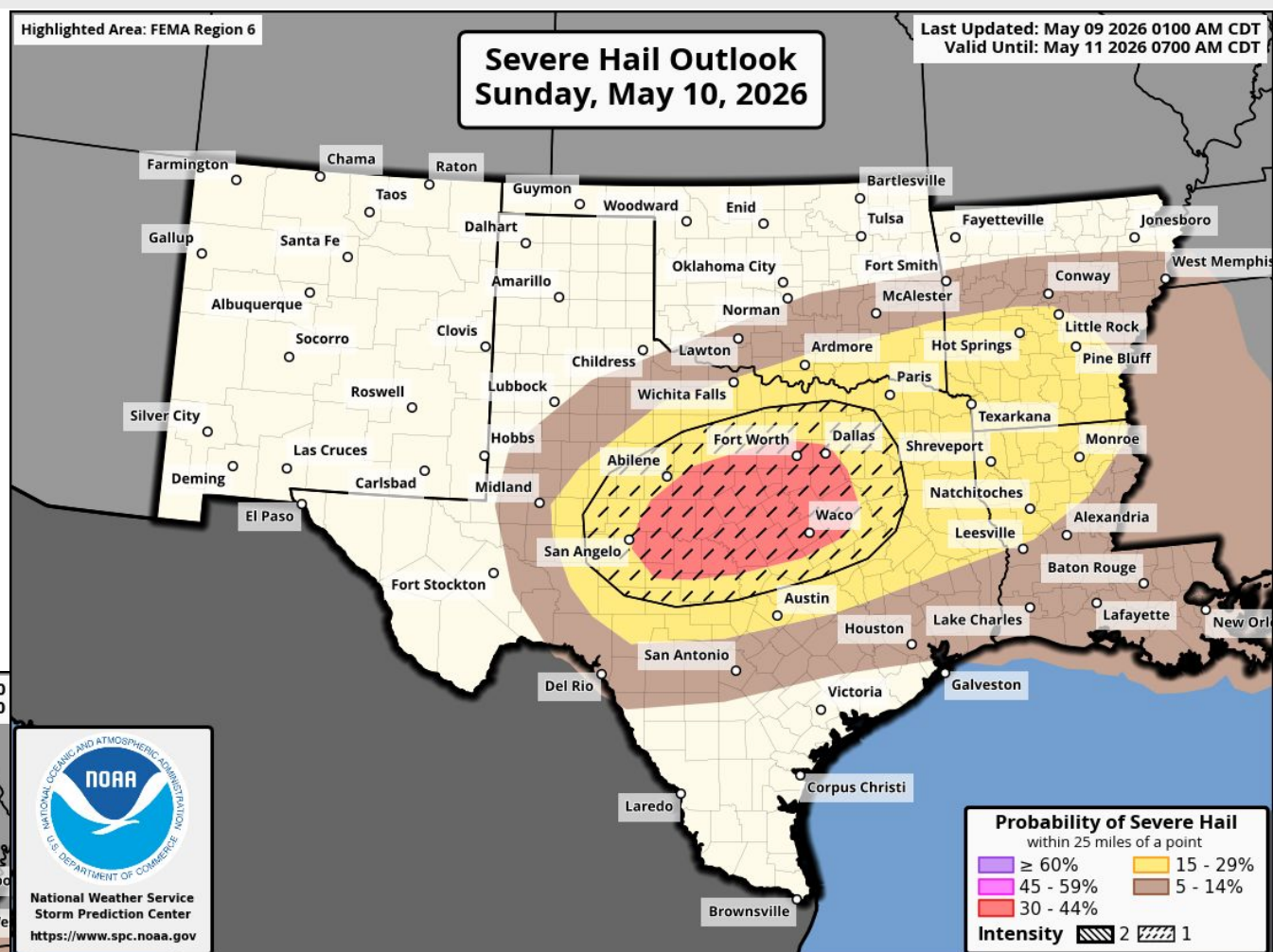
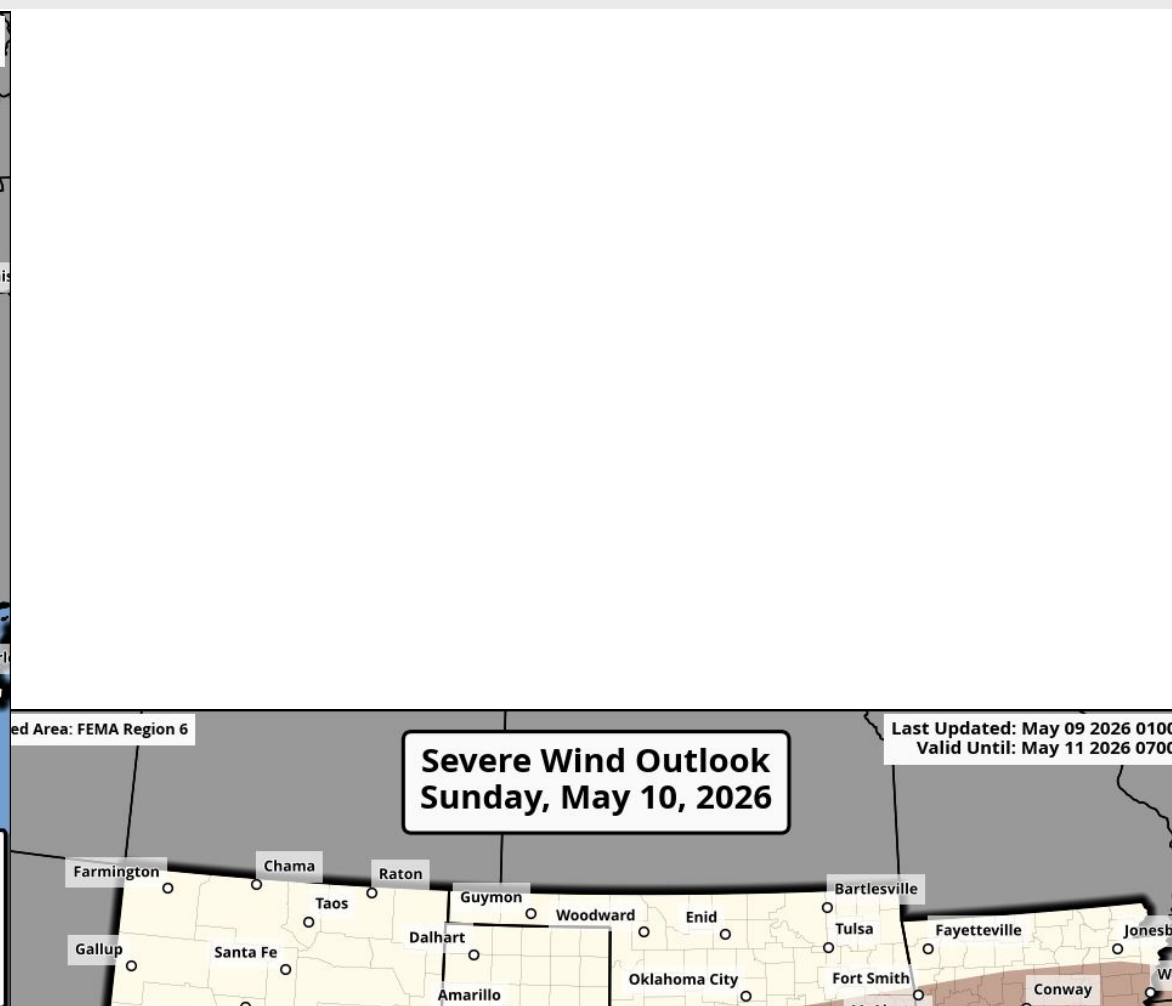
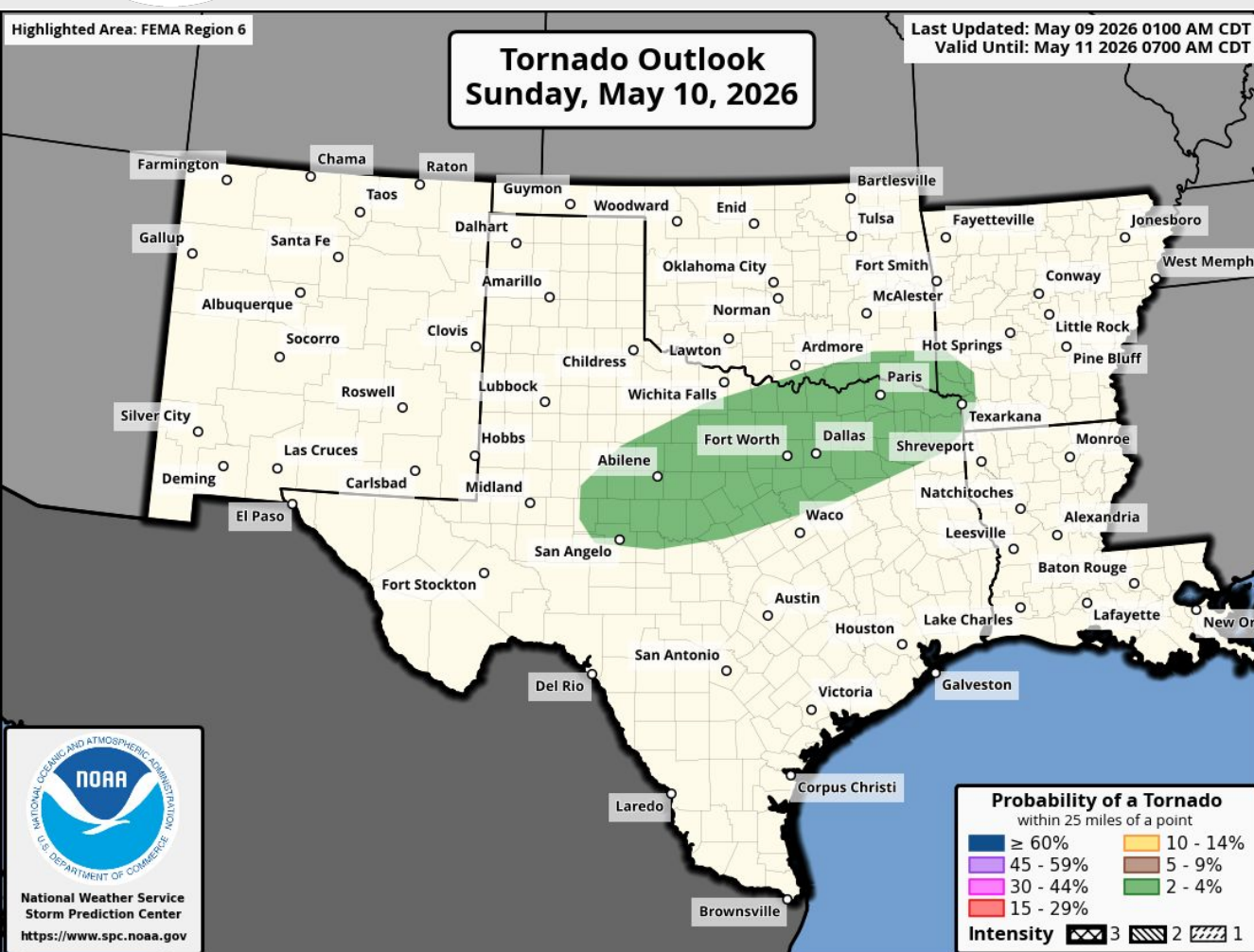
**Enhanced risk (level 3 of 5) for severe storms in Ctrl-N TX. Hail and damaging winds are the main threats.**

**Marginal risk (level 1 of 4) for flash flooding in SE OK, S AR, NETX, N LA.**





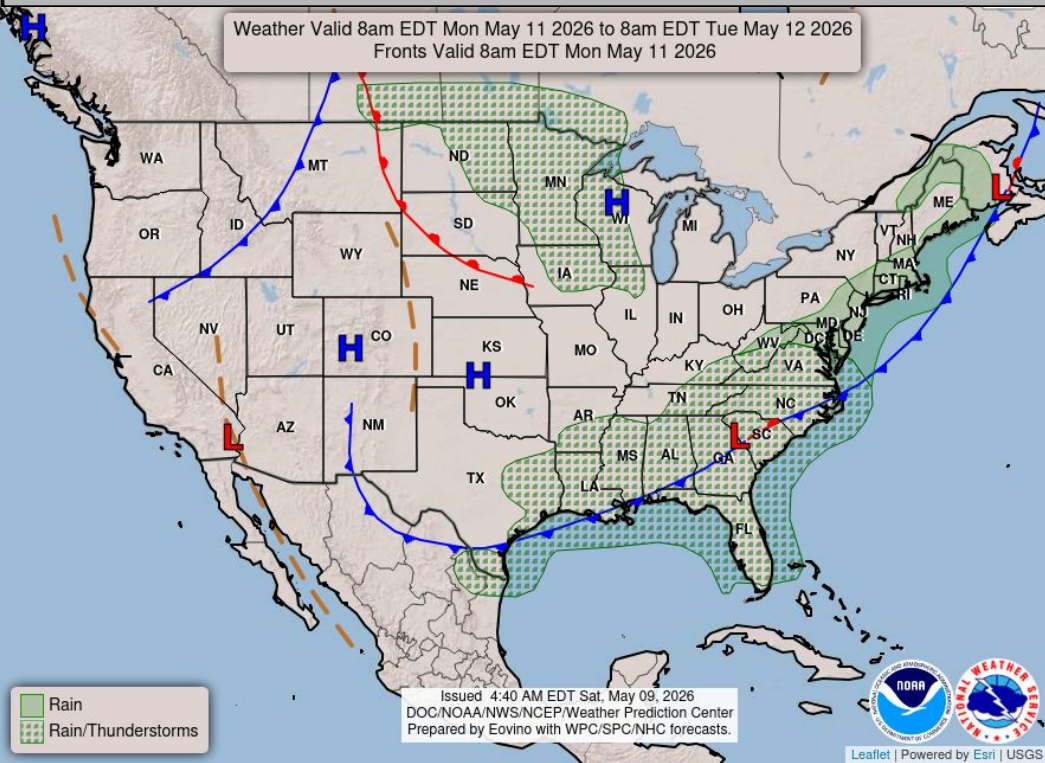
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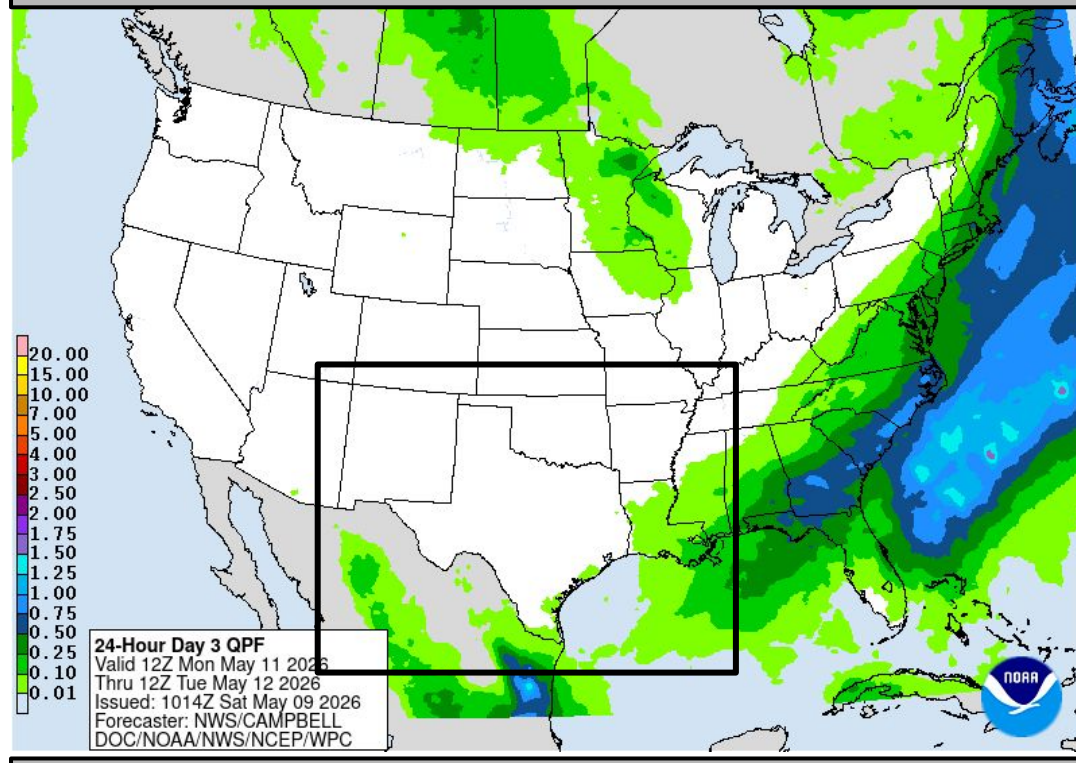


# Monday's Weather

## Forecast Chart

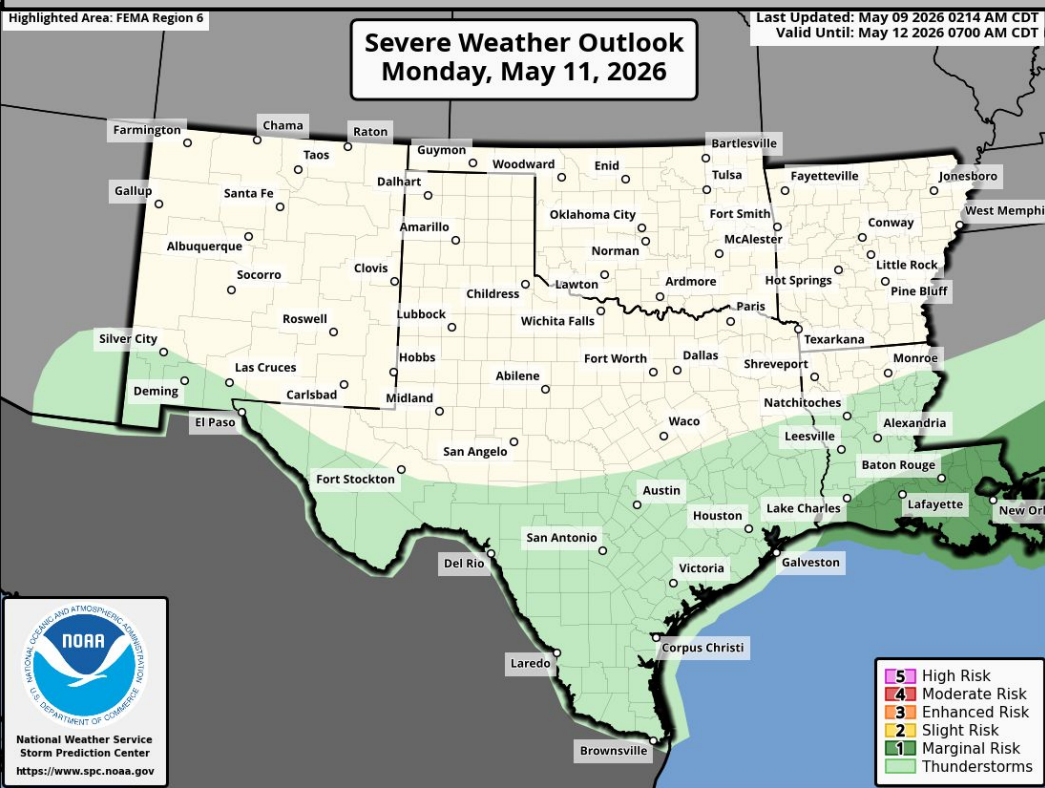


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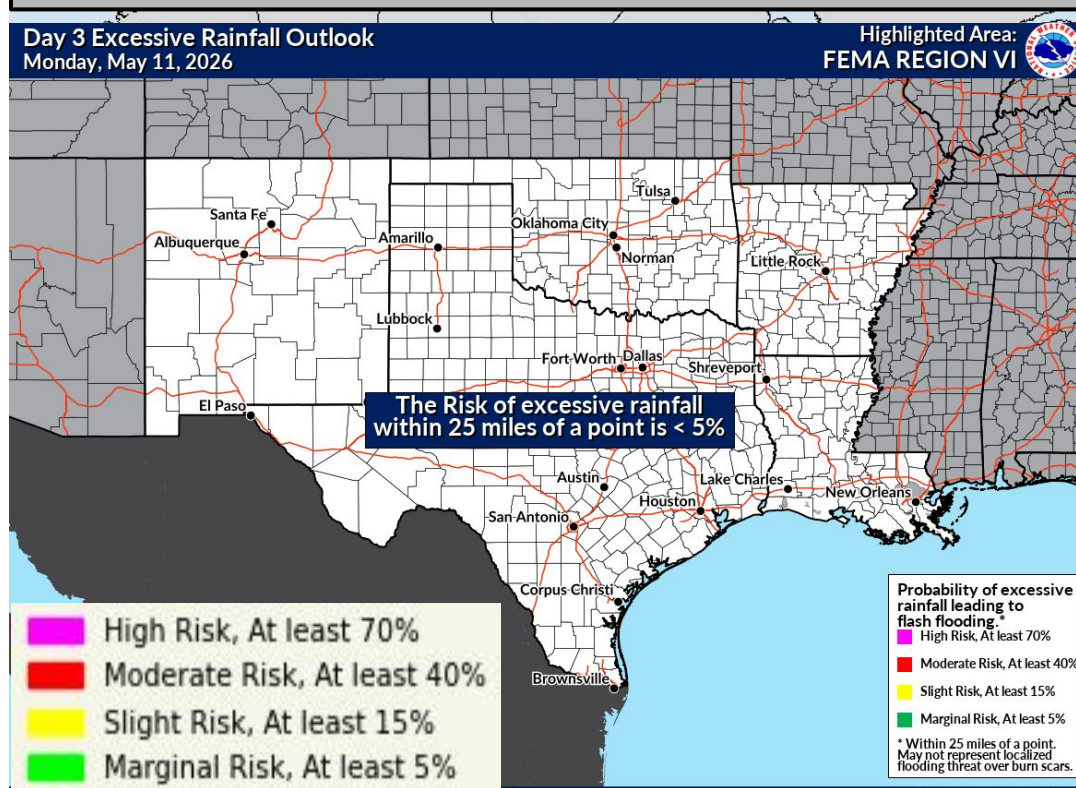


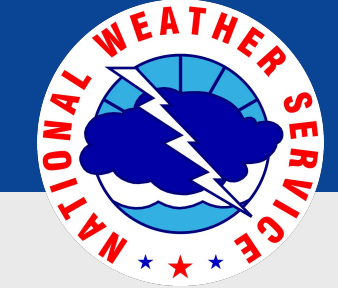
**Marginal risk of severe storms  
(level 1 of 5) across SE LA.  
Damaging wind is main threat.**

## Severe Weather Outlook

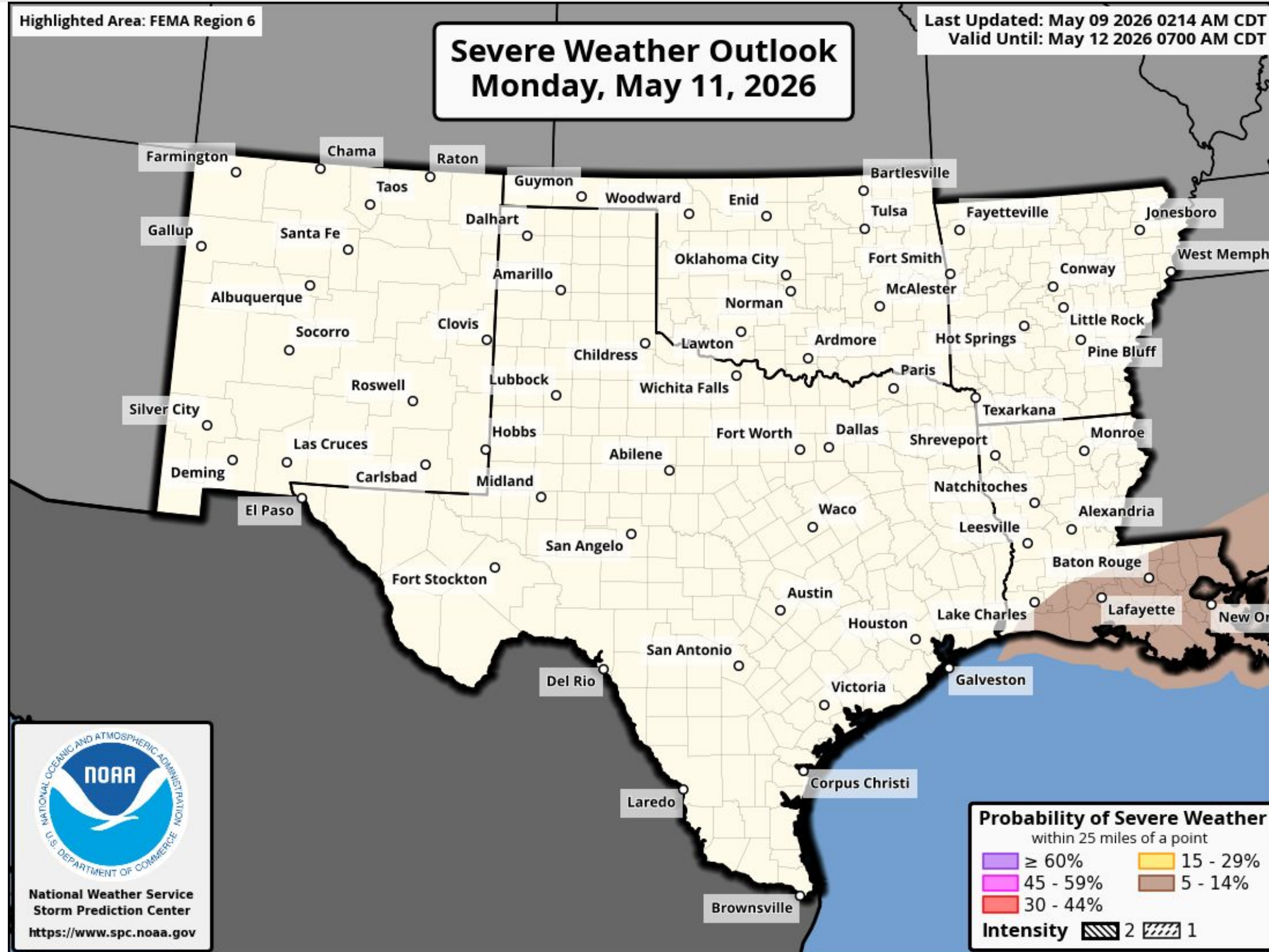


## Excessive Rainfall Outlook





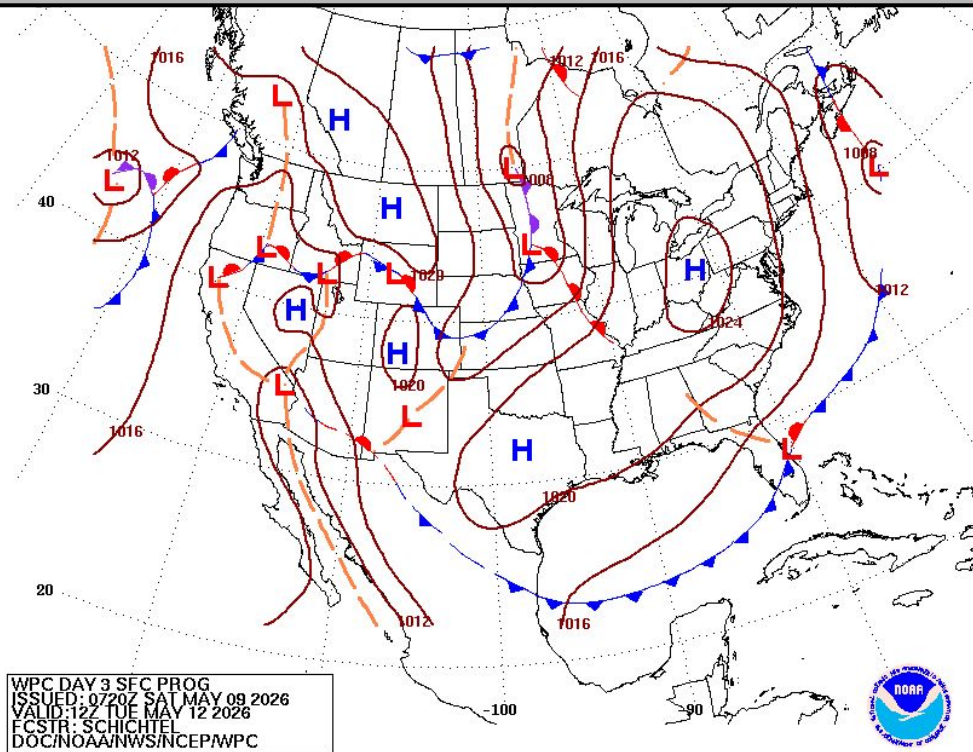
# Monday's Severe Weather Probabilities/CIG Level





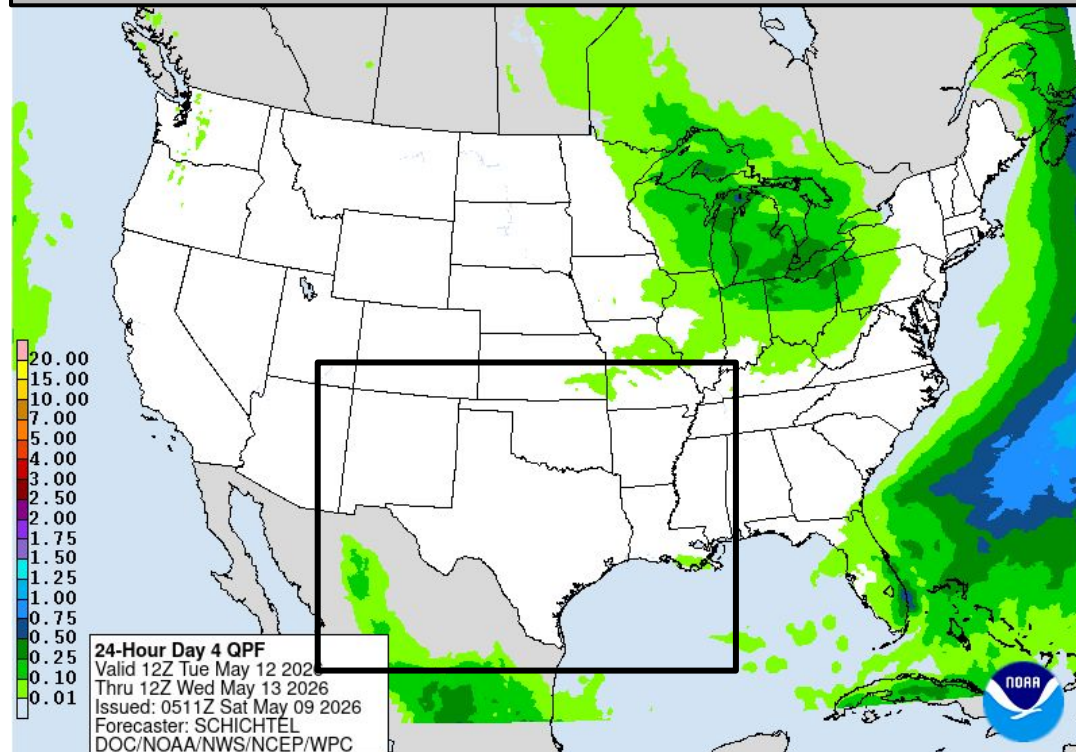
# Tuesday's Weather

## Forecast Chart



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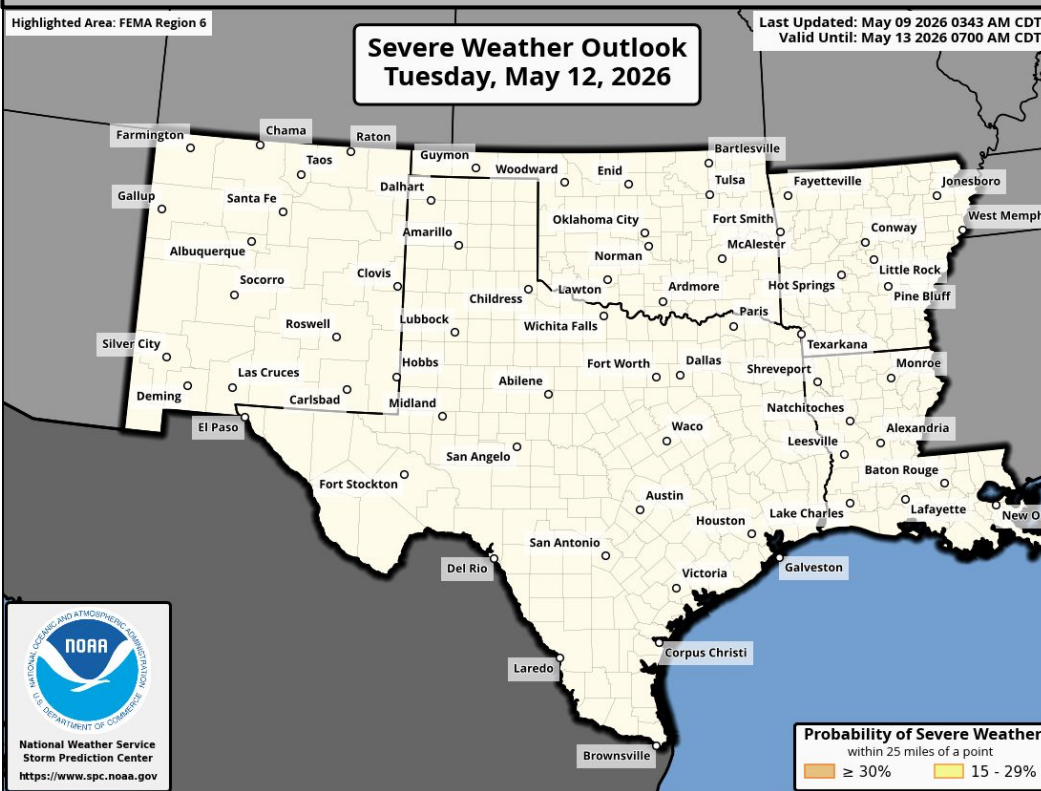
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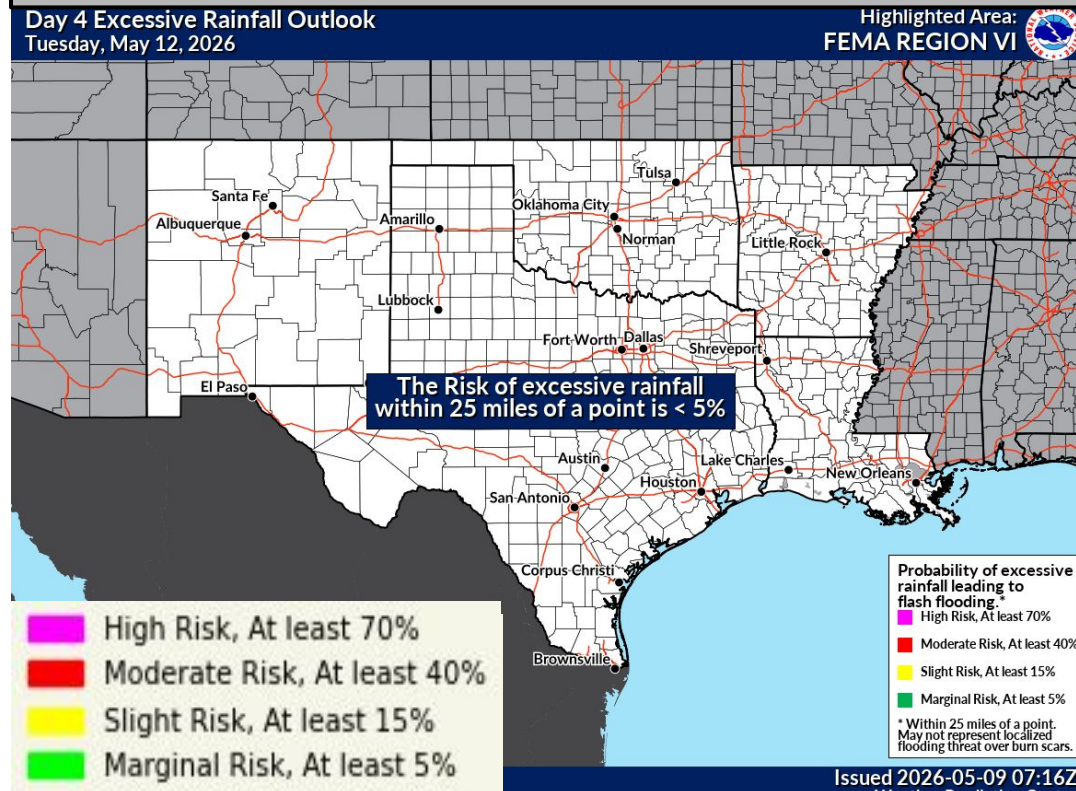
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Forecaster: SCHICHEL  
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**Minor impacts (level 2 of 5) for hot temps in E NM, TX/OK Panhandles, W TX, W OK.**

## Severe Weather Outlook



## Excessive Rainfall Outlook

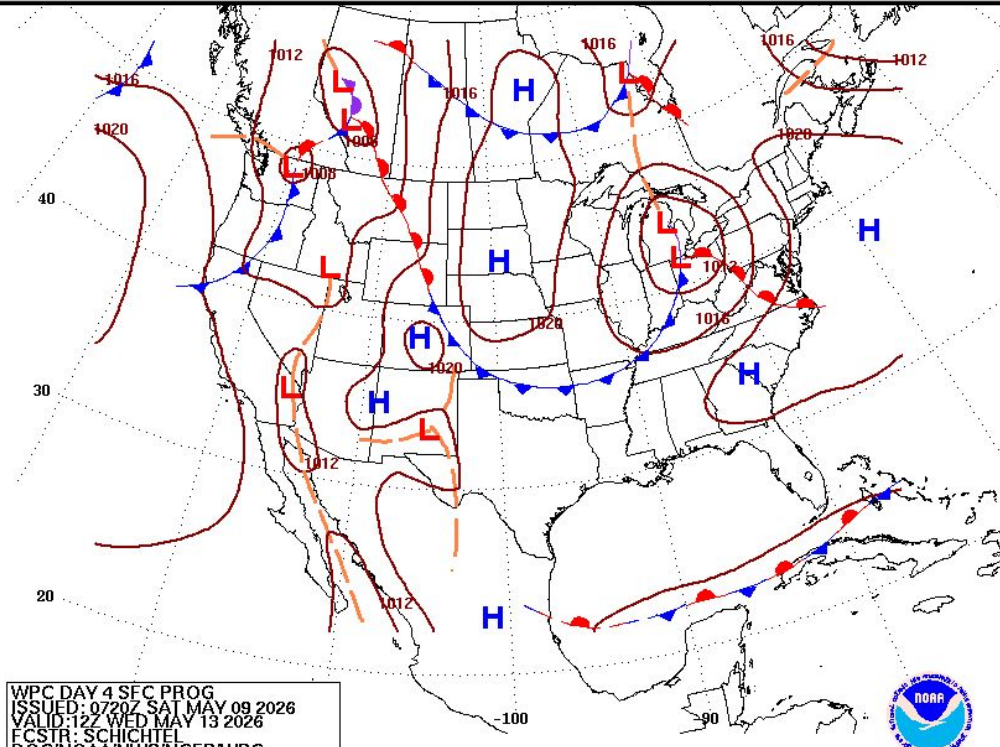


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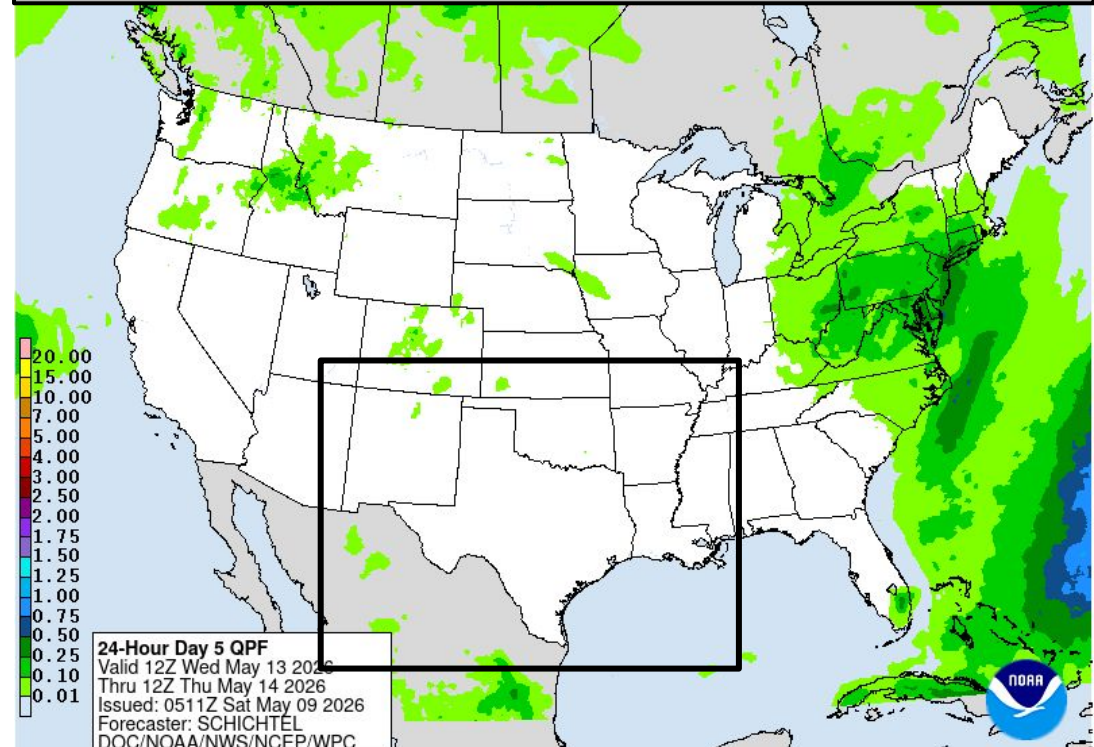


# Wednesday's Weather

### Forecast Chart

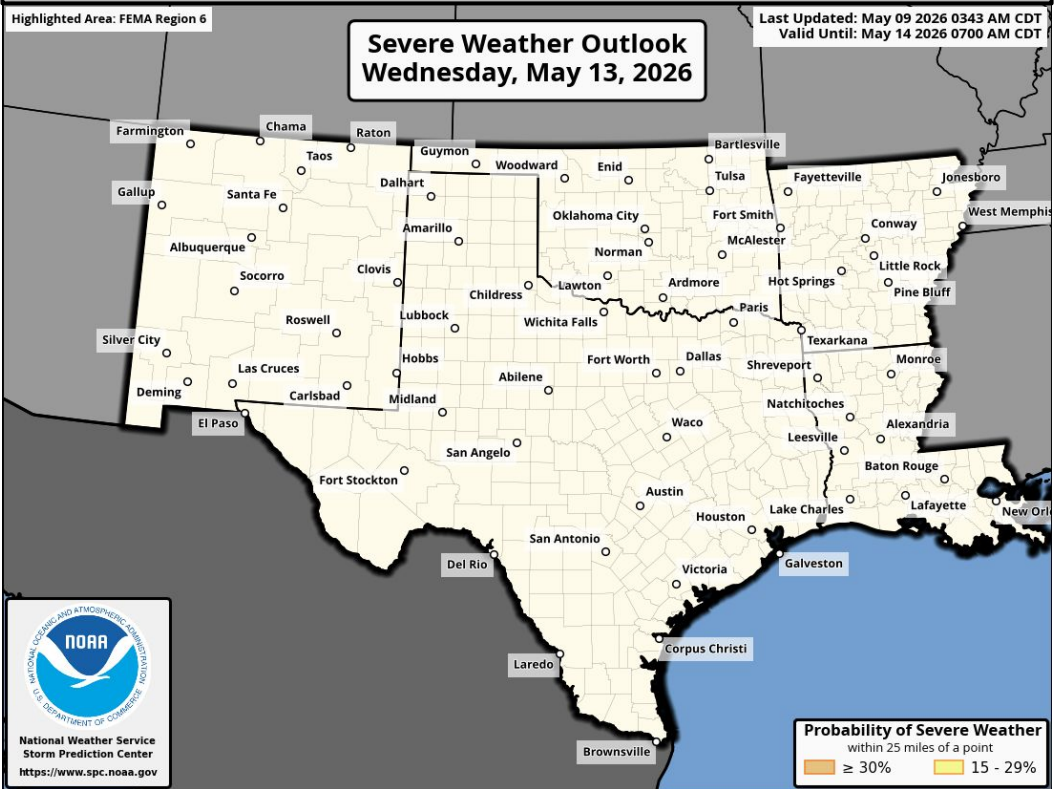


### Forecast Rainfall

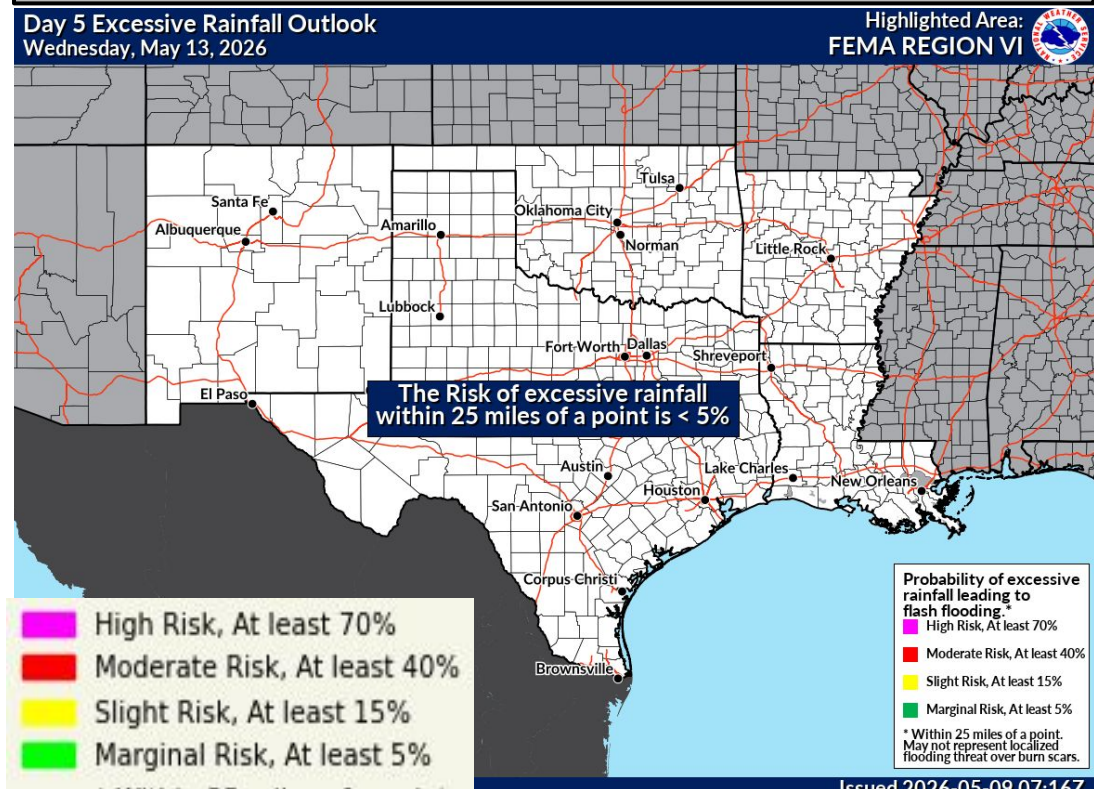


**Minor impacts (level 2 of 5) for hot temps in TX/OK Panhandles, WTX, W OK.**

### Severe Weather Outlook



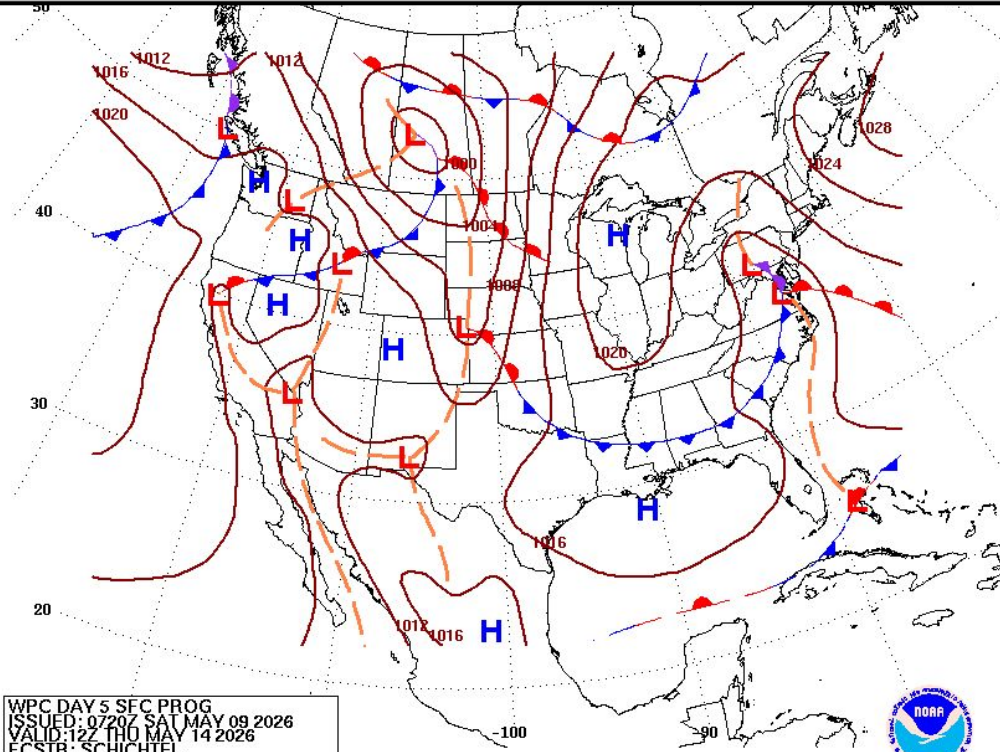
### Excessive Rainfall Outlook





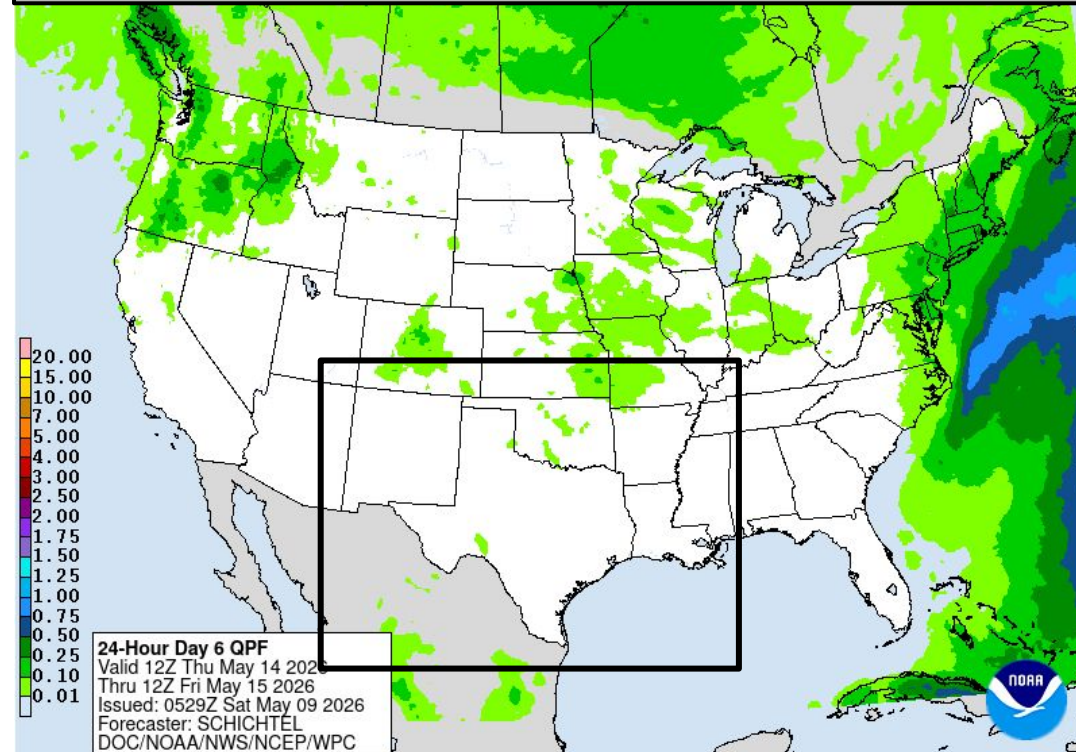
# Thursday's Weather

### Forecast Chart



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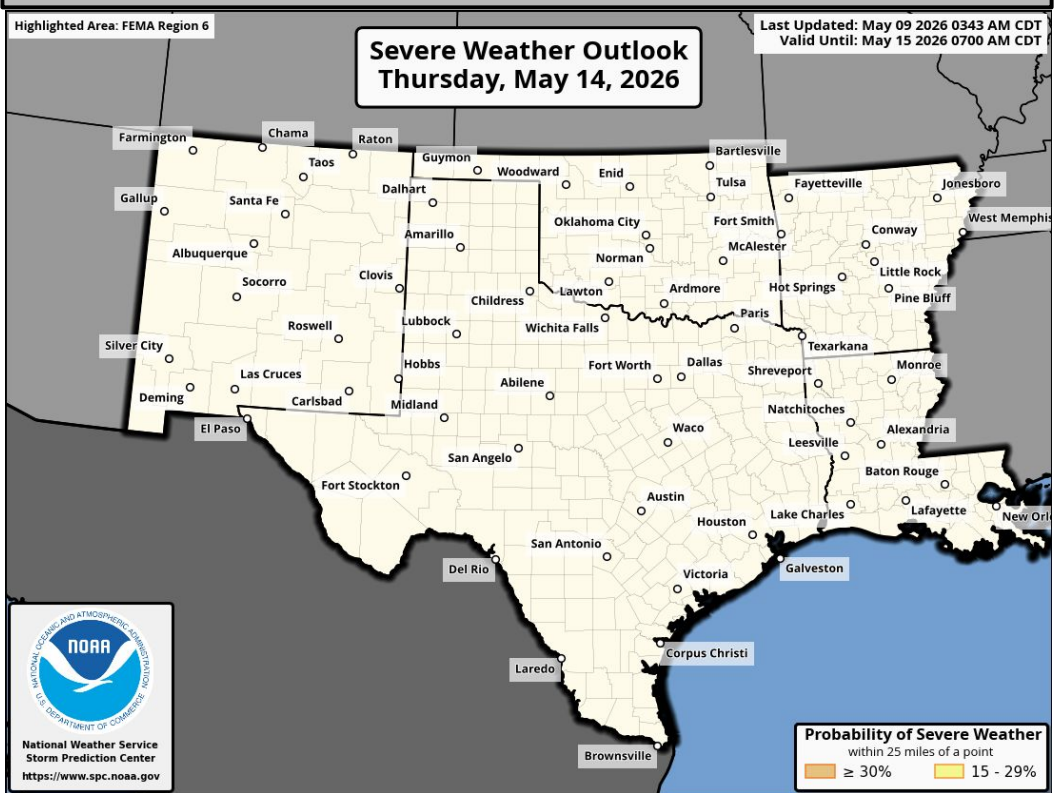
### Forecast Rainfall



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**No significant weather expected.**

### Severe Weather Outlook



Severe Weather Outlook  
Thursday, May 14, 2026

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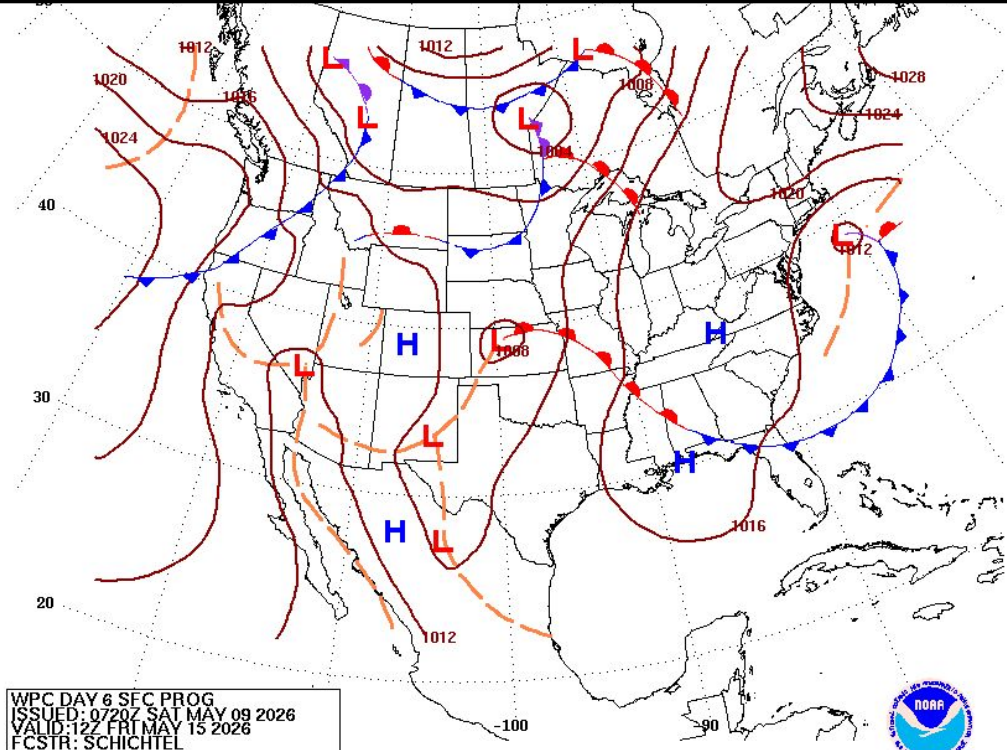


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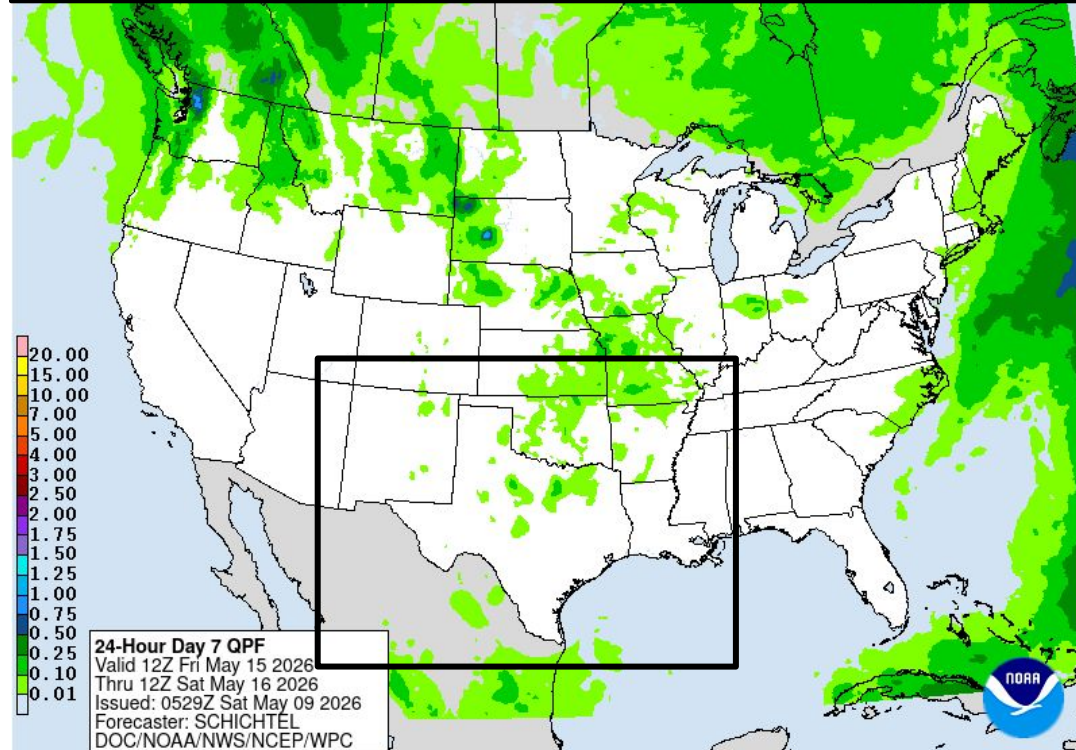


# Friday's Weather

## Forecast Chart

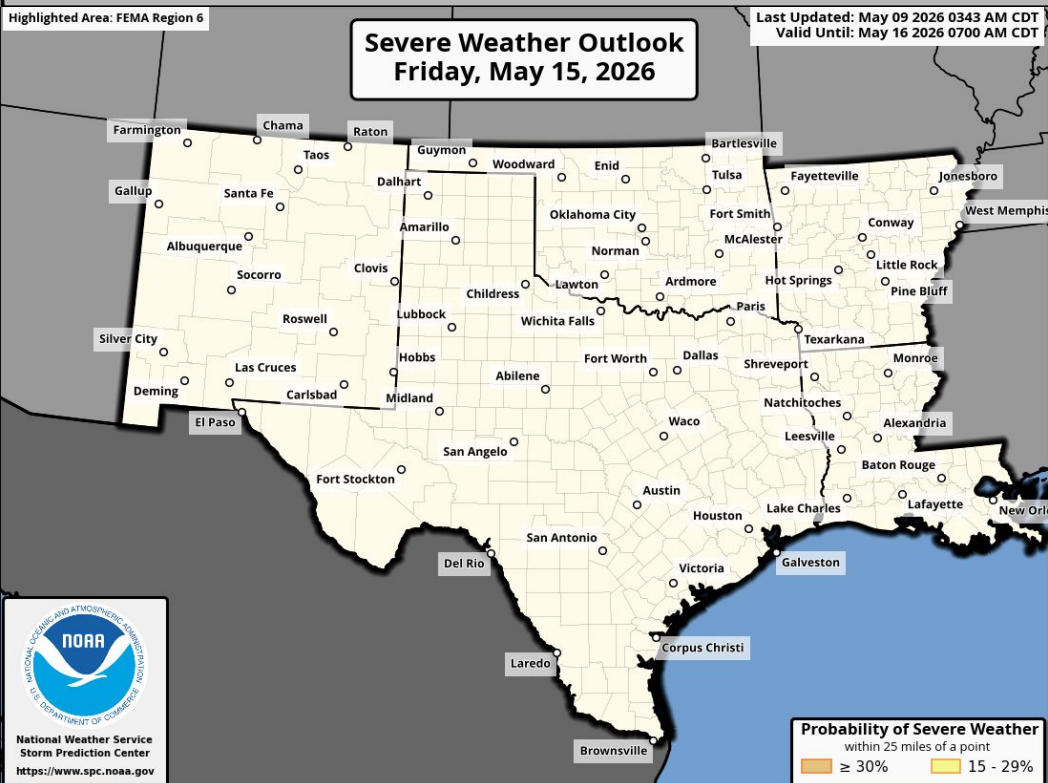


## Forecast Rainfall



**No significant weather expected.**

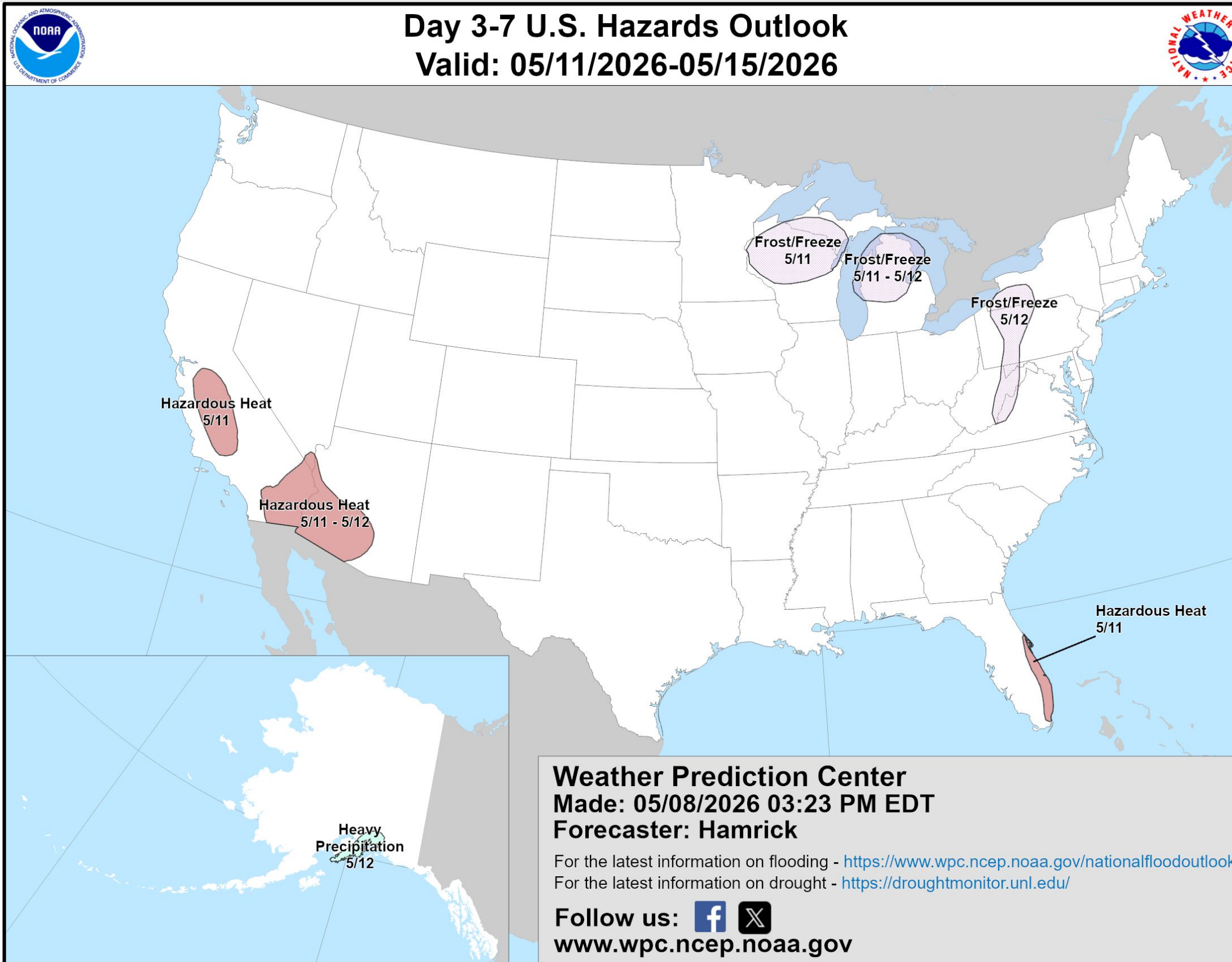
## Severe Weather Outlook



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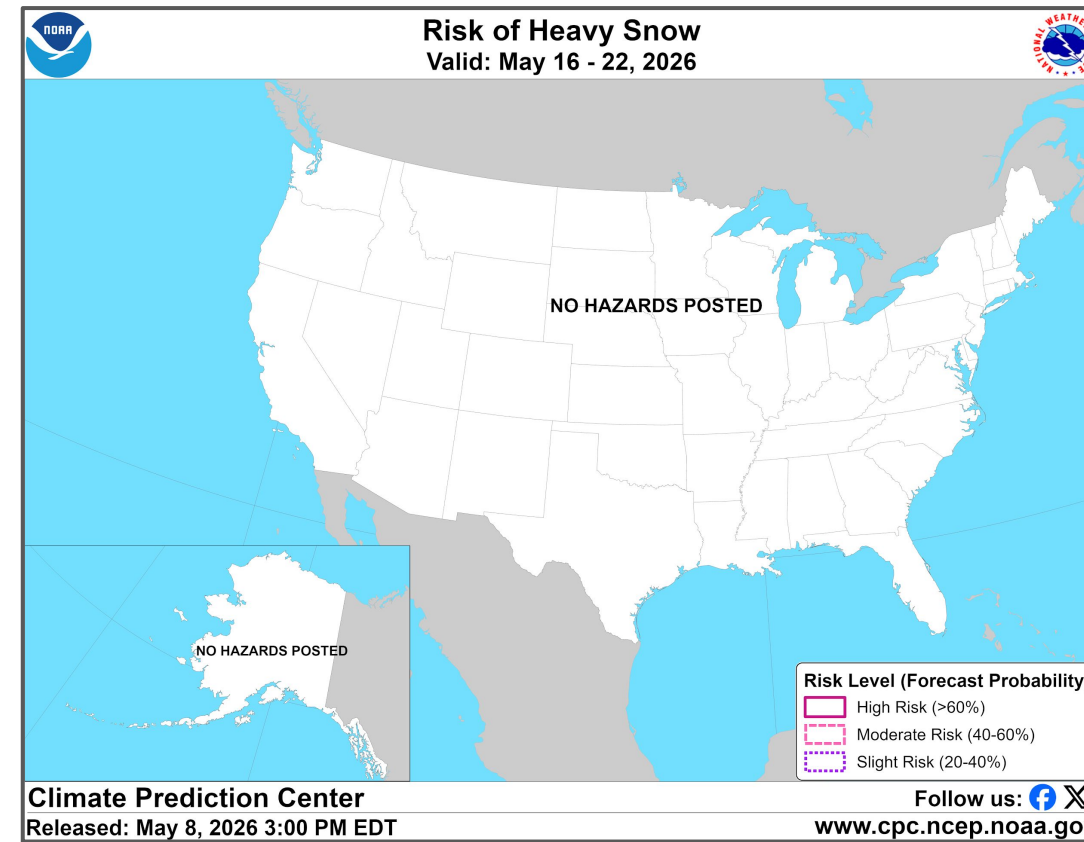
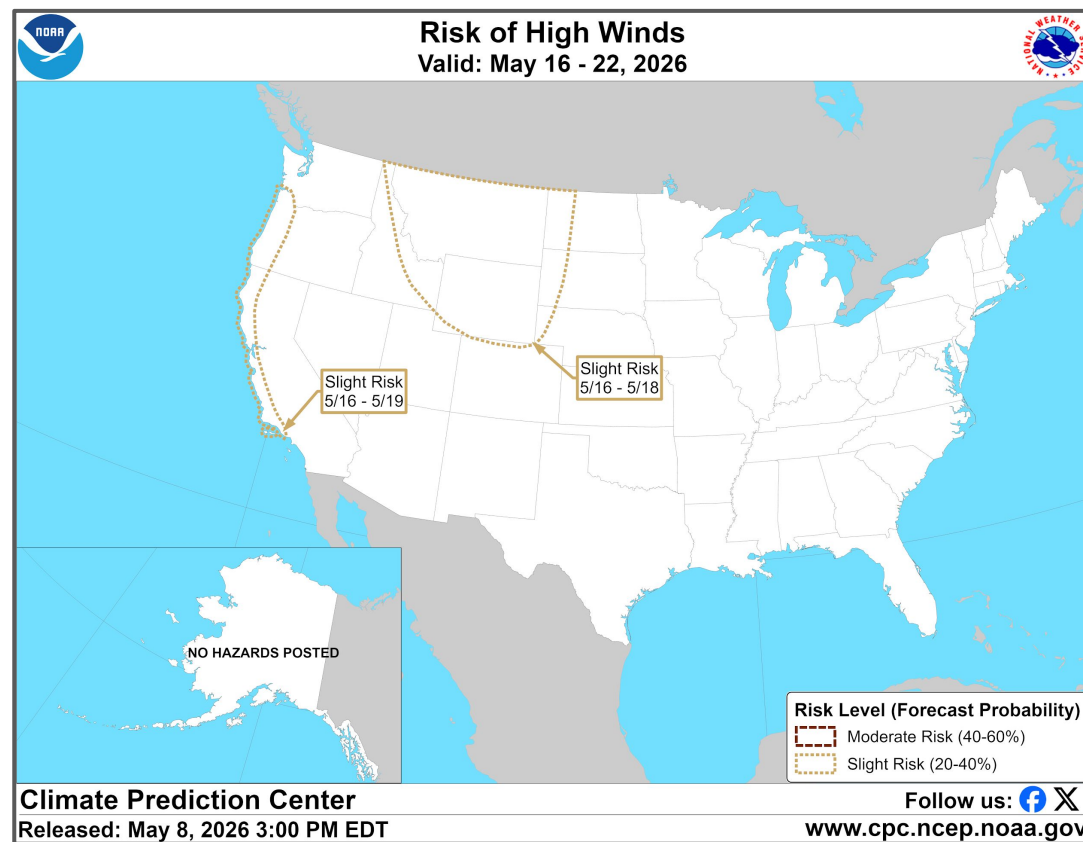
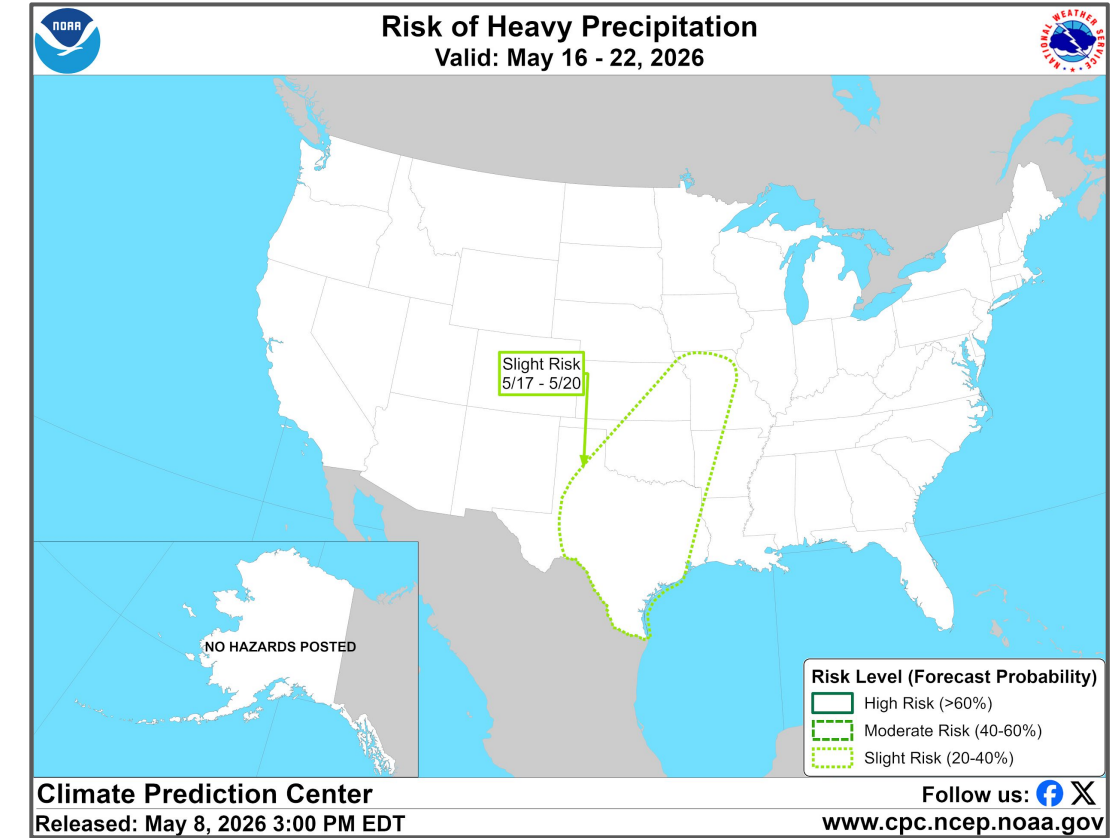
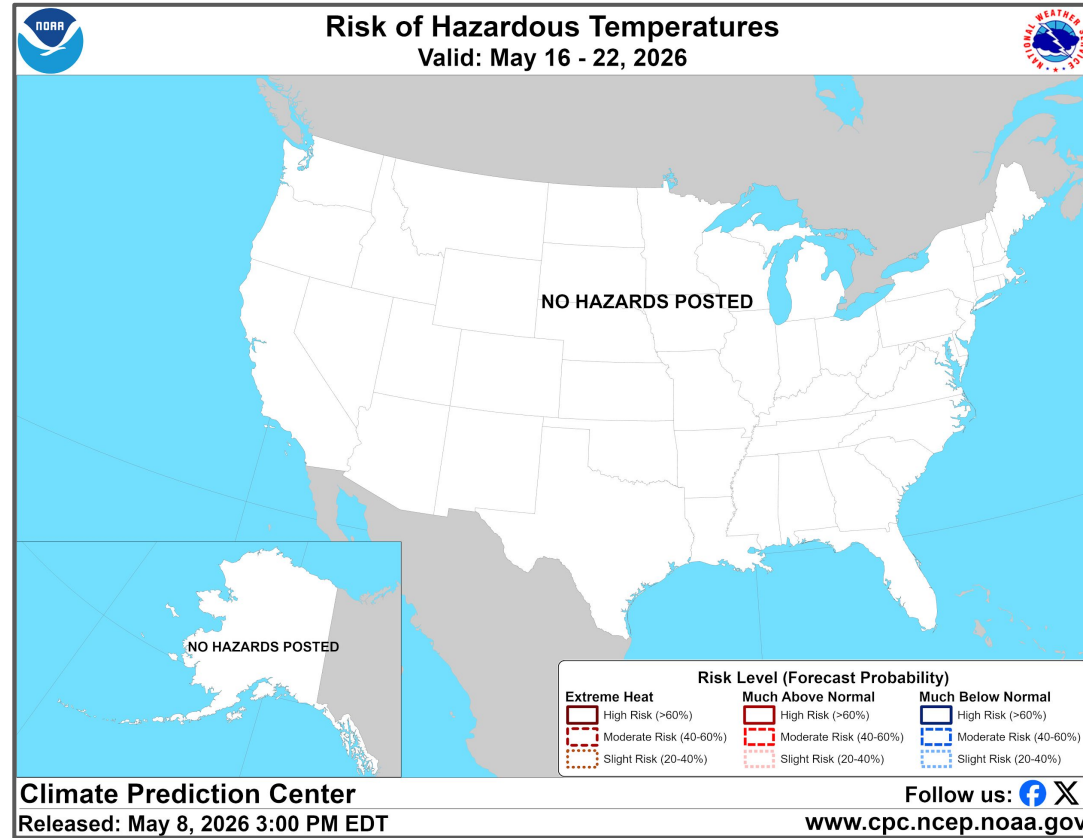
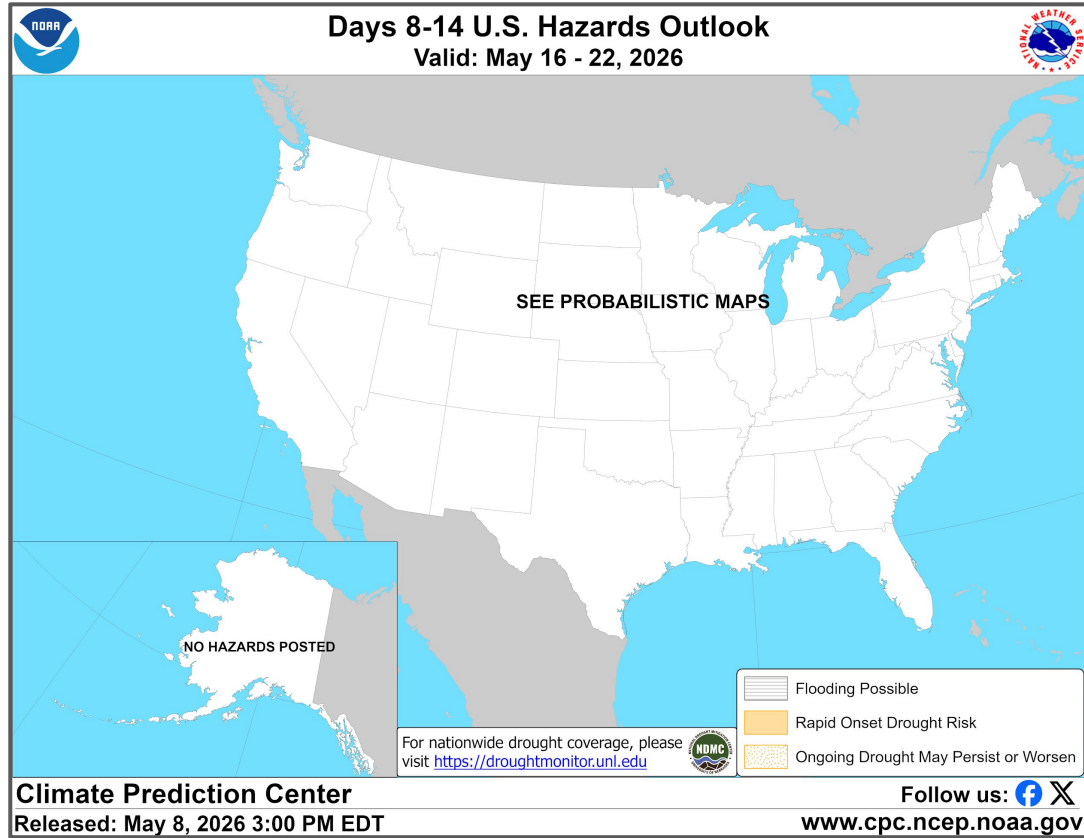


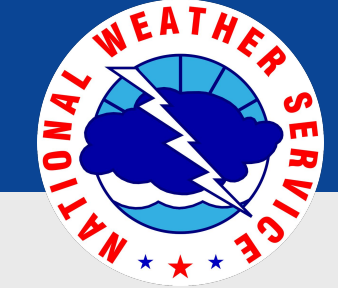
# “Day 3-7” Hazards Outlook





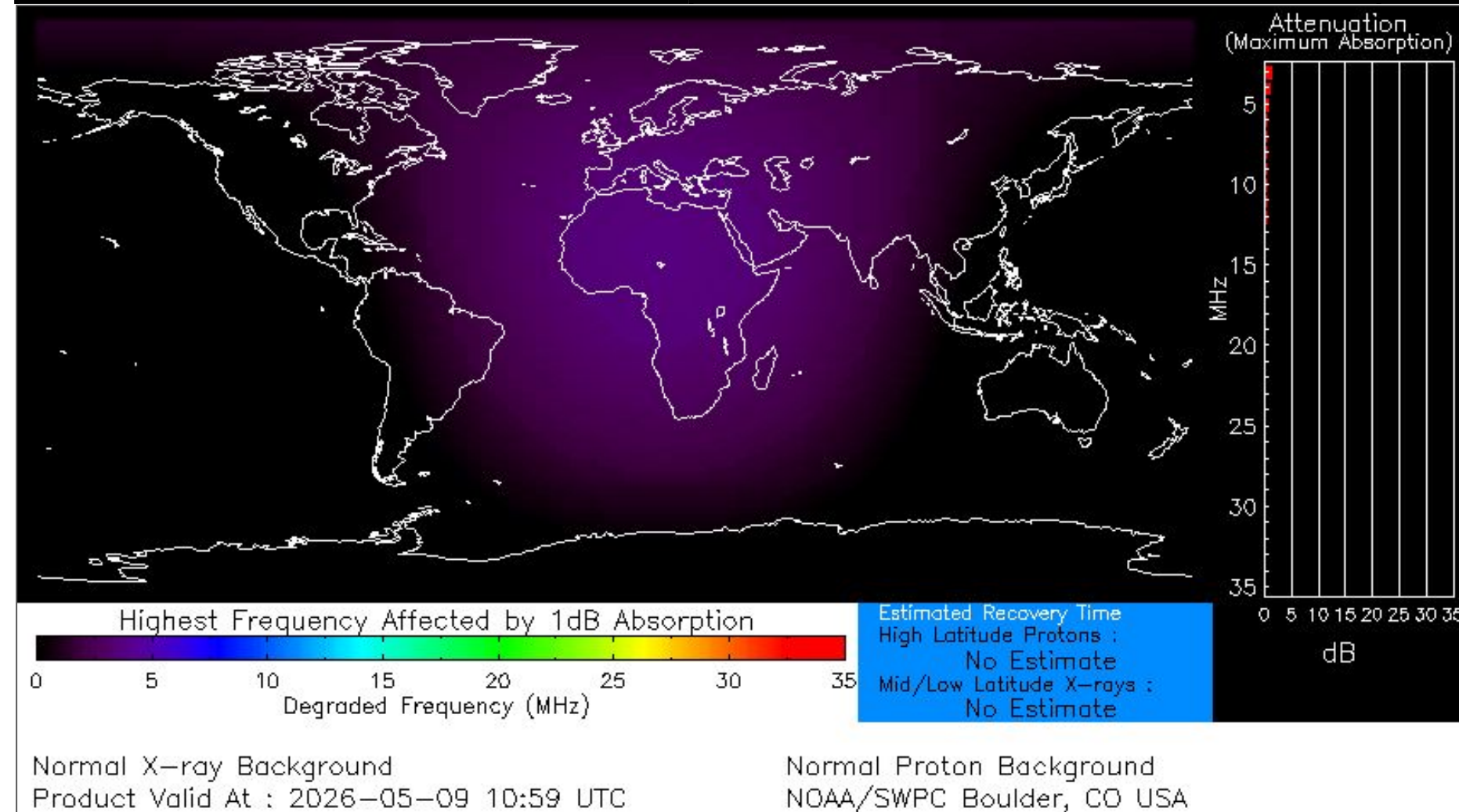
# “Day 8-14” Hazards Outlook





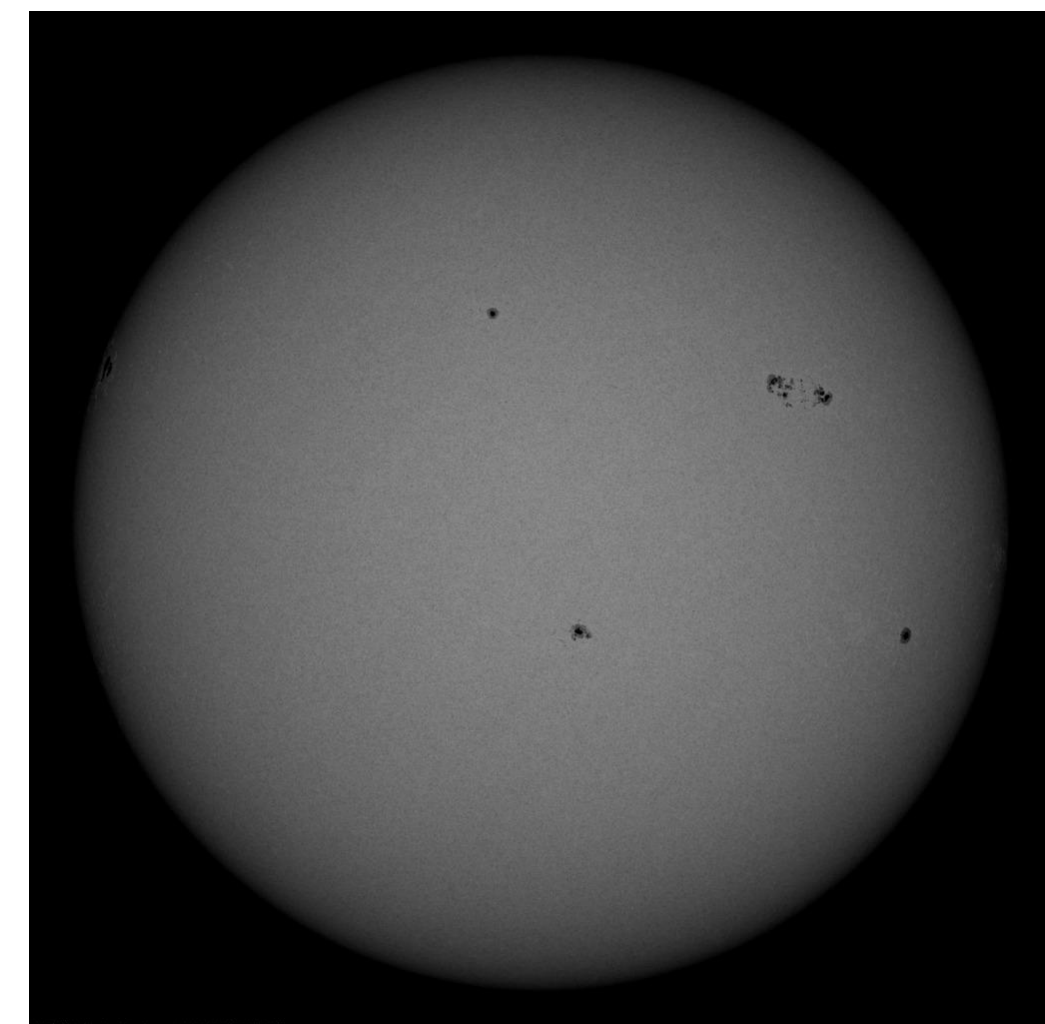
# Space Weather 3-Day Forecast

	Saturday, May 9	Sunday, May 10	Monday, May 11
<b>Geomagnetic Storms</b>	<b>Unsettled (Max Kp=3)</b>	<b>Unsettled (Max Kp=3)</b>	<b>Unsettled (Max Kp=3)</b>
<b>Solar Radiation Storm (S1-S5)</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>1%</b>
<b>Radio Blackout (R1-R2)</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>45%</b>
<b>Radio Blackout (R3-R5)</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>10%</b>



[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;"><b>Little to None</b></p> <p>Safety: Rarely a Direct Threat to Life and Property Impact Potential: Typically Results in Little Inconvenience to Daily Routines</p>	<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</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Thunderstorms expected over LA this afternoon; a few may produce winds to knock down a few trees</li> <li>Something that happens almost every day in a particular season such as seabreeze storms in coastal TX</li> </ul>
Yellow	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Minor</b></p> <p>Safety: Rarely a Direct Threat to Life and Property Impact Potential: Typically Results in Some Inconvenience to Daily Life</p>	<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</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Moderate</b></p> <p>Safety: Often Threatening to Life and Property, Some Damage Unavoidable Impact Potential: Typically Results in Minor Disruption to Daily Life</p>	<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</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Major</b></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>	<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</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Extreme</b></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>	<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</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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 [sr-srh.roc@noaa.gov](mailto:sr-srh.roc@noaa.gov)**



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