

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

DATE	SUBJECT	LOCATION
05/17/26	Update Report #2 of the Comanche Fire	Motley County
05/17/26	Update Report #6 of the Hunggate Fire	Randall County
05/17/26	Update Report #3 of the Comanche Fire	Motley County
05/17/26	Initial Report of the Oldham 4172 Fire	Oldham County
05/17/26	Update Report of the Blue Diamond (Oldham 4172) Fire	Oldham County
05/17/26	Update Report #2 of the Blue Diamond Fire	Oldham County
05/17/26	Initial Report of the Stinky Fire	Potter County
05/17/26	Final Report of the Stinky Fire	Potter County
05/17/26	Update Report # 3 of the Blue Diamond Fire	Oldham County

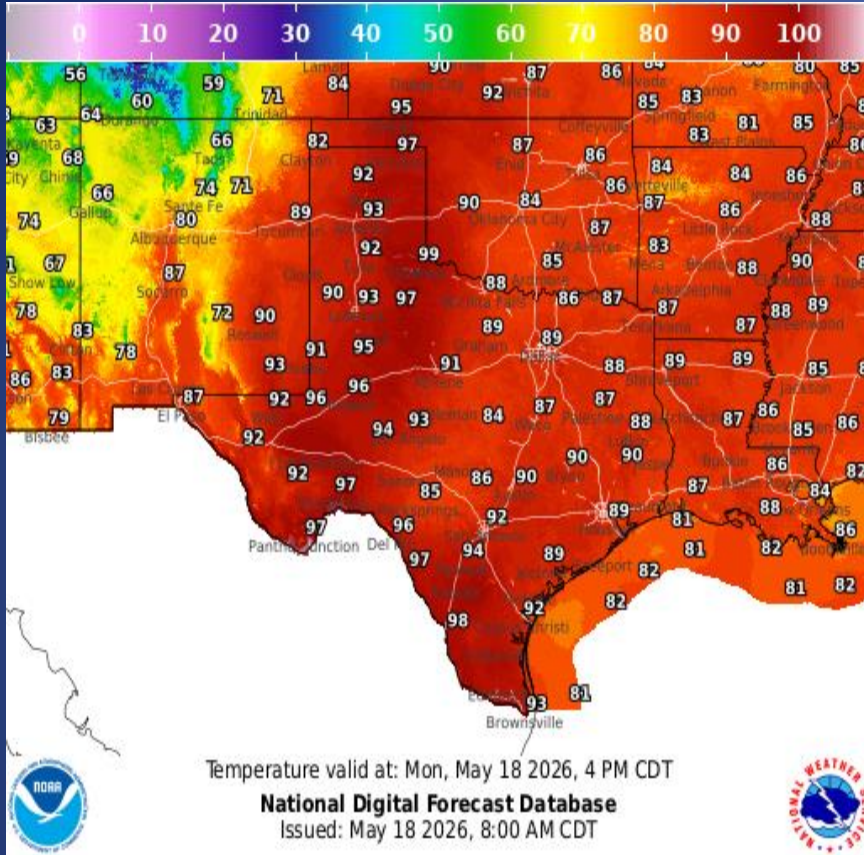
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DATE	SUBJECT
05/17/26	NWS Fort Worth: Potential for Severe Storms Early This Week
05/17/26	NWS West Gulf RFC: An Active Week For Weather, Rivers Will Respond, Expect River Flooding
05/17/26	Daily Situation Report [25-0026 02JUL Severe Weather]
05/17/26	Daily Situation Report [26-0001 Wildfire Season 2026]
05/17/26	Daily Situation Report [26-0010 09APR Severe Weather]
05/17/26	Daily Situation Report [26-0012 14MAY Hunggate Fire FM-5633]
05/17/26	NWS Norman, OK: Severe Weather Update
05/17/26	NWS Corpus Christi: Wet & Hazardous Week Ahead Heat - Severe - Flooding - Dangerous Swimming & Marine Conditions
05/18/26	NWS Shreveport, LA: Severe Thunderstorms Possible Tuesday Afternoon into Tuesday Night
05/18/26	NWS Corpus Christi: Wet & Hazardous Week Ahead (Updated) Heat - Severe - Flooding - Dangerous Swimming & Marine Conditions
05/18/26	NWS El Paso: Weather Outlook

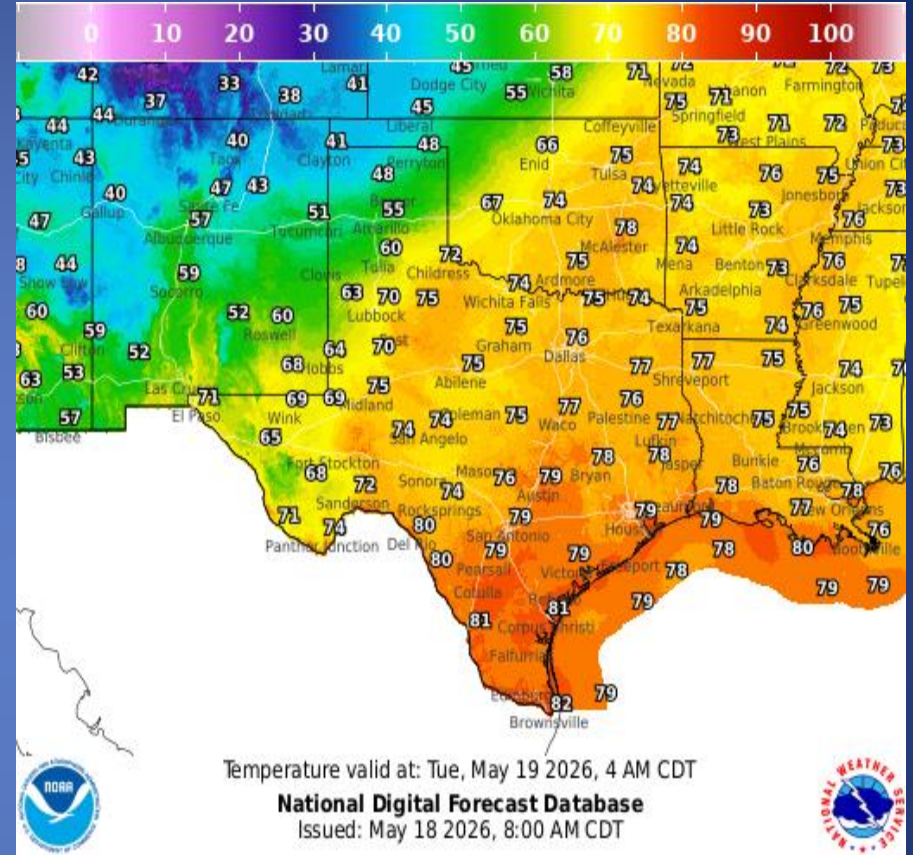
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DATE	SUBJECT
05/18/26	NWS Daily Threat Brief
05/18/26	NWS Fort Worth: Active Weather Returns This Week
05/18/26	NWS Brownsville Update: High Risk of Rip Currents, Minor Coastal Flooding, Rainy Tuesday Onwards, Daily Thunderstorms Possible

Weather Forecast

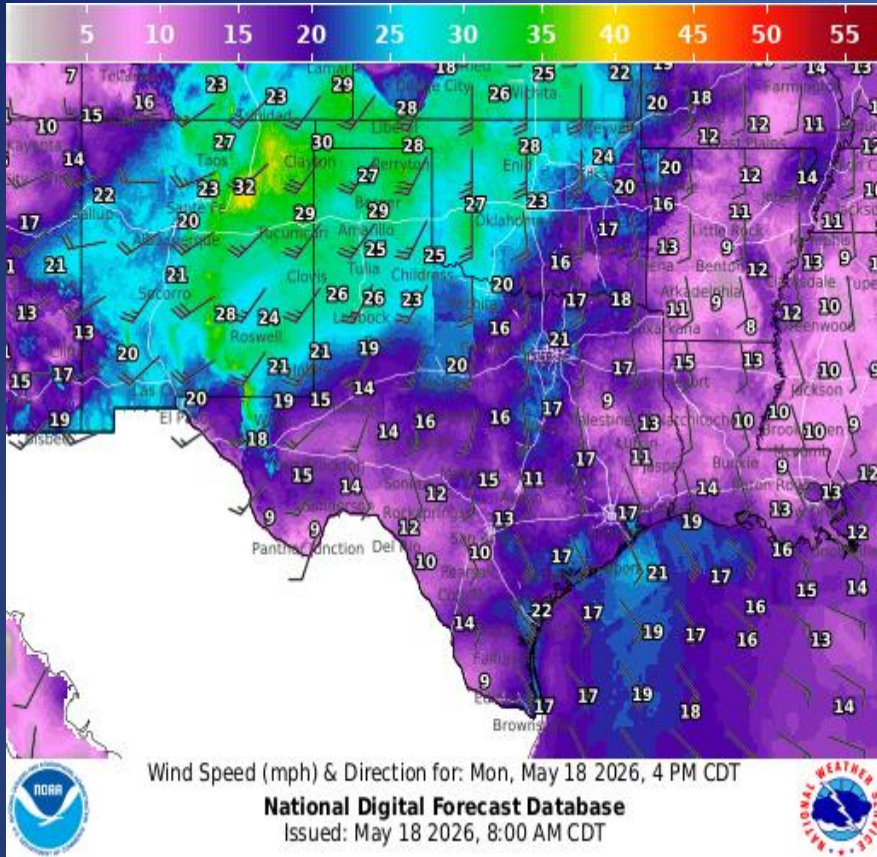


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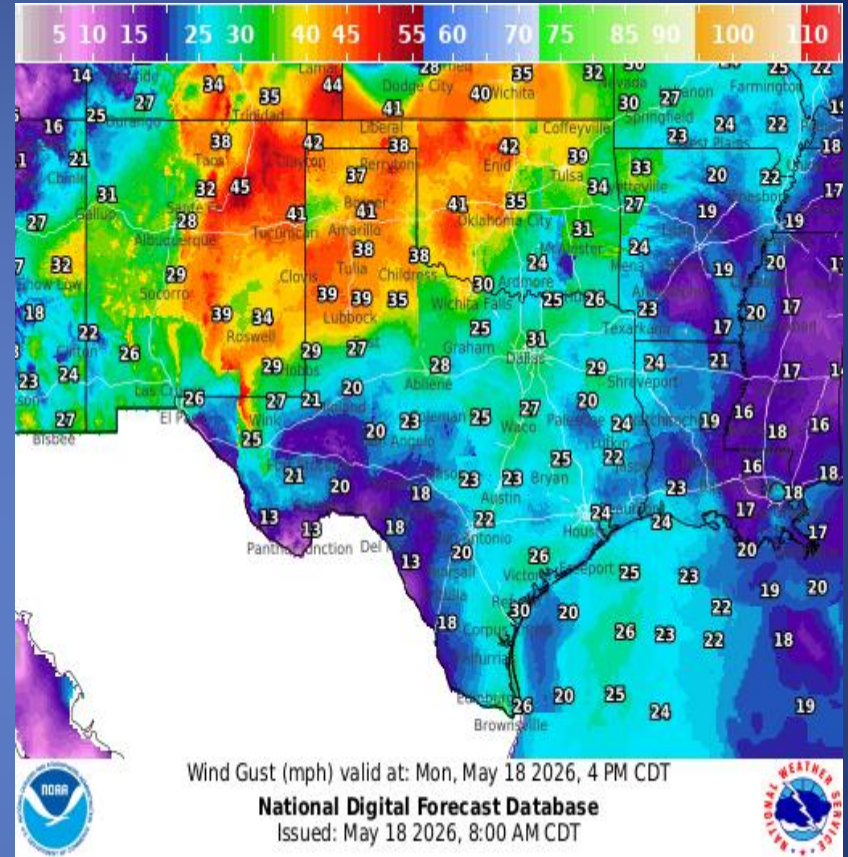


Lows

Weather Forecast

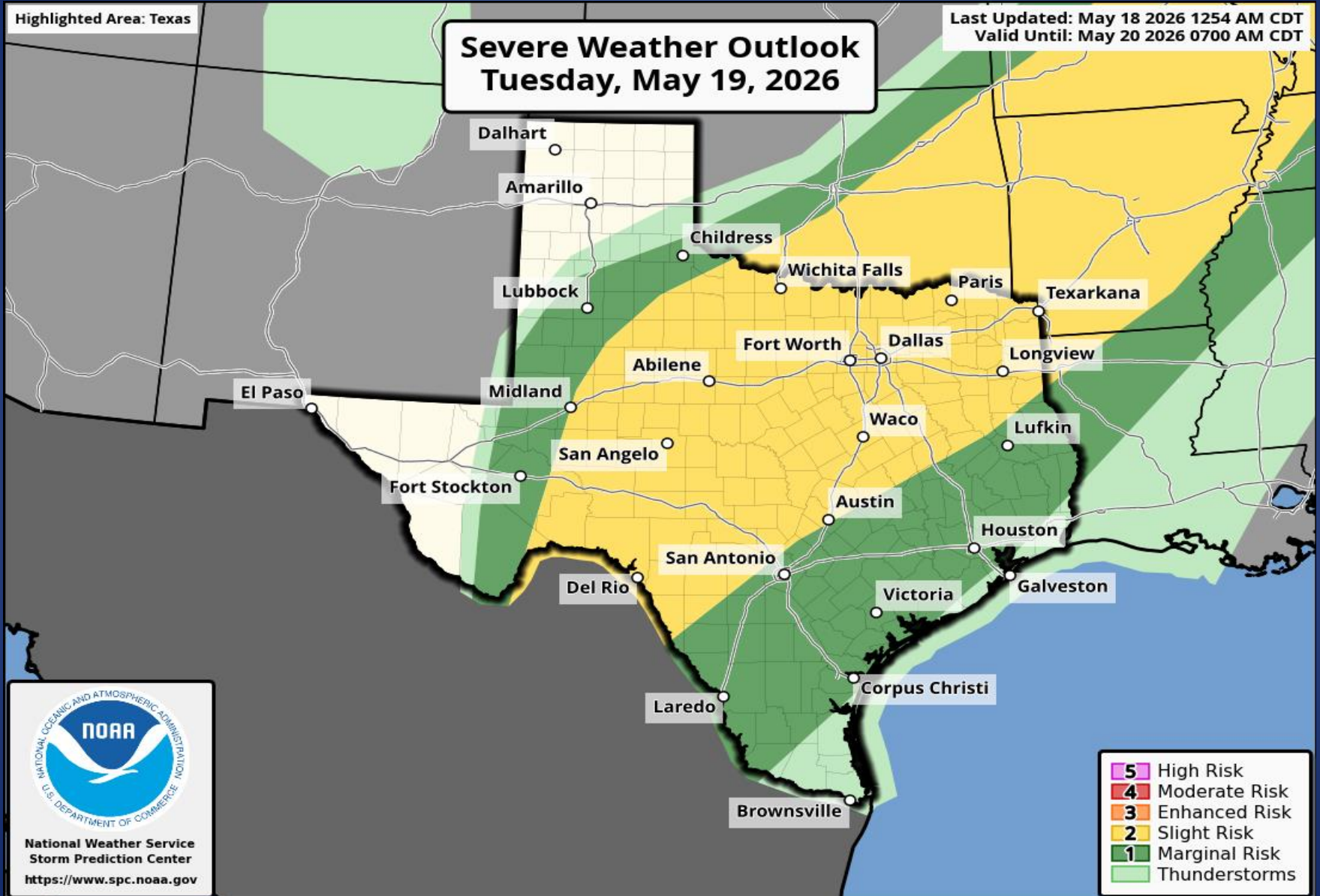


Wind Speed



Wind Gust

Hazardous Weather



Hazardous Weather

Extremely Critical Fire Weather Conditions Today

Updated: Mon May 18, 2026 4:37 AM



What to Expect



Southerly and southwesterly winds gusting upwards of **40 to 50 mph** with **very dry conditions**



Increased potential for **wildfire starts** and fires may **spread quickly**



Timing

Extremely Critical Fire Weather:
11 AM - 9 PM



Safety Info

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

Legend: Wildfire Threat 1 2 3

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Red Flag Warning

11 AM Monday - 10 PM Monday

Avoid activities that may cause a spark
Check out [weather.gov](#) for more information.



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



Southwest at **25 to 35 mph**



Gusts up to **50 mph**



Relative humidity as low as **5 percent**



Fire Danger

Low

Elevated

Critical

Extreme

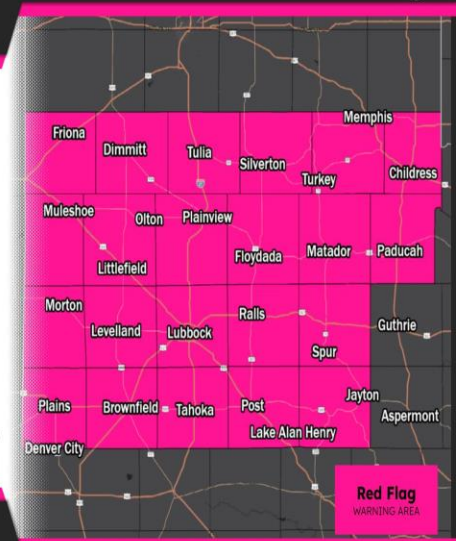


REPORT FIRES TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES



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Red Flag
WARNING AREA

Updated: Mon May 18, 2026 12:37 AM


Another day with extremely critical fire weather conditions across all of the Panhandles. Please avoid all outdoor activities that produce sparks and flames.


A Red Flag Warning is in effect from 11 AM until 10 PM this evening. Extremely critical fire danger will occur across the region today. Breezy winds of 25 to 35 mph with gusts up to 50 are expected as relative humidity will drop as low as 5 percent.


Hazardous Weather

Red Flag Warning


 This Afternoon and Evening

 Southeast New Mexico, Guadalupe Mountains and surrounding foothills and plains, and the northwestern Permian Basin

-  → Winds: Southwest 20-30 mph, gusts up to 40 mph. Higher gusts in the mountains.
→ Relative Humidity: As low as 5%
→ Very dry fuels

-  → Avoid open flames or sparks
→ Properly discard cigarettes
→ NO outdoor burning of any kind

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




Updated: Mon May 18, 2026 4:08 AM

Strong southwest winds along with low relative humidity and above average temperatures will result in critical fire weather conditions through this afternoon and evening west of the dryline.

Small Craft Advisory

Through 9 AM Tuesday


-  • Baffin Bay to Matagorda Bay 0-60 NM
• All Inland Bays and the Laguna Madre

SEAS

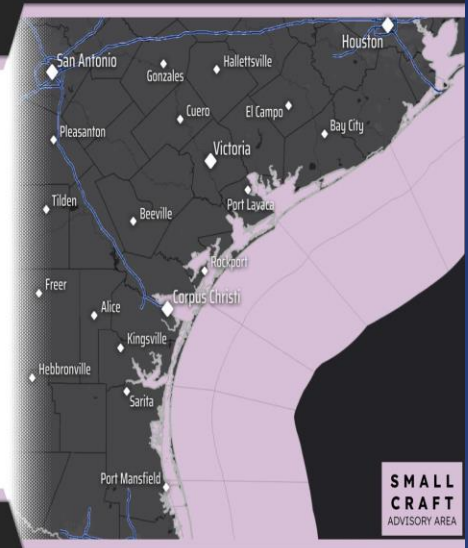
-  • 5-7 FT
• Bays Choppy to Occasionally Rough

WIND

- SE Around 20 KT, with gusts up to 25 KT

-  • Wind and wave conditions will be hazardous for small craft.
• Inexperienced mariners, especially those operating smaller vessels, should avoid navigating in these conditions.

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SMALL CRAFT ADVISORY AREA

Updated: May 18, 2026

A persistent SE'ly wind at around 20 kts will increase seas to 5-7 ft leading to hazardous conditions for smaller vessels. A Small Craft Advisory is in effect through Tuesday morning. Smaller vessels should avoid navigating in these conditions.

Weather Advisory/Statement/Watch/Warning Issued

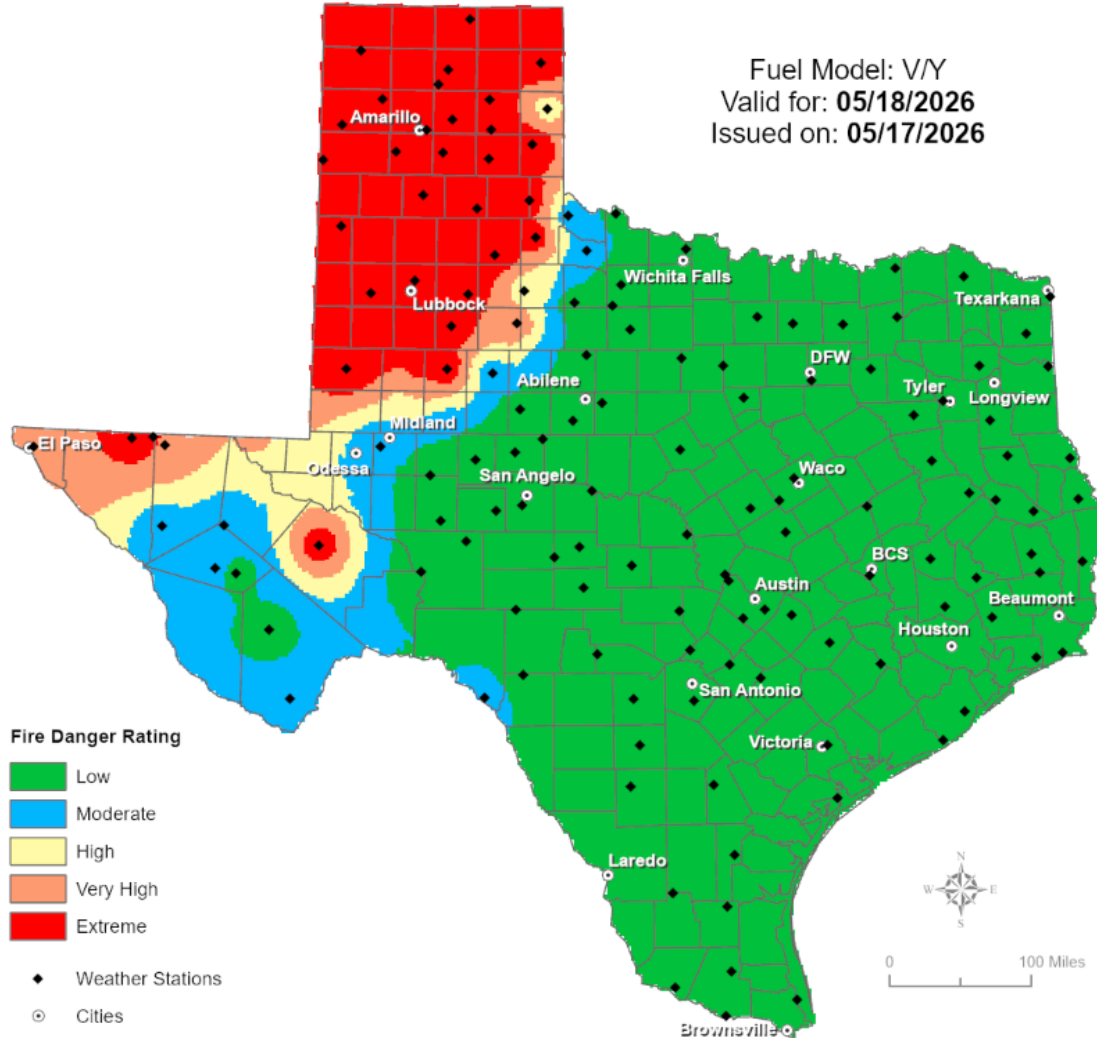
DATE	WARNING TYPE	LOCATION
05/17/26	Airport Weather Warning	Bexar, Dallas, and Tarrant Counties
05/17/26	Small Craft Advisory	Jefferson County
05/17/26	Wind Advisory	Armstrong, Bailey, Briscoe, Carson, Castro, Childress, Cochran, Collingsworth, Crosby, Dallam, Deaf Smith, Donley, Floyd, Gray, Hale, Hall, Hansford, Hartley, Hemphill, Hockley, Hutchinson, Lamb, Lipscomb, Lubbock, Moore, Motley, Ochiltree, Oldham, Parmer, Potter, Randall, Roberts, Sherman, Swisher, Wheeler, and Yoakum Counties
05/17/26	Shelter In Place Warning	Travis County
05/18/26	Small Craft Advisory	Aransas, Brazoria, Calhoun, Chambers, Galveston, Kleberg, Harris, Jackson, Matagorda, Nueces, Refugio, and San Patricio Counties
05/18/26	Rip Current Statement	Aransas, Brazoria, Calhoun, Chambers, Galveston, Jackson, Kleberg, Nueces, Matagorda, Refugio, and San Patricio Counties
05/18/26	Flood Advisory	Aransas, Calhoun, Kleberg, Nueces, Refugio, and San Patricio Counties

Weather Advisory/Statement/Watch/Warning Issued

DATE	WARNING TYPE	LOCATION
05/18/26	Coastal Flood Statement	Cameron, Kenedy, and Willacy Counties

Fire Danger Forecast

Forecast Fire Danger



Burn Ban

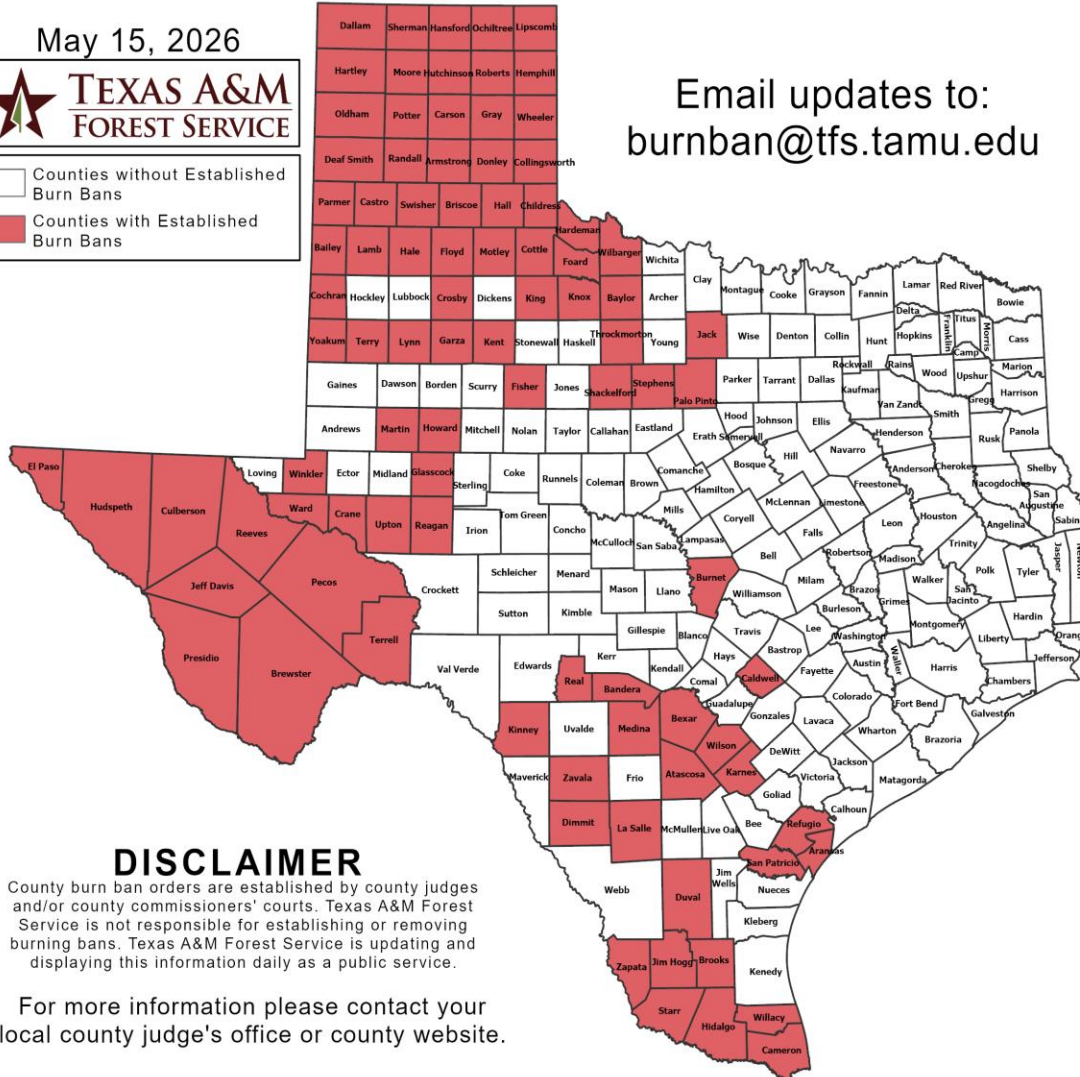
OUTDOOR BURN BANS

May 15, 2026



Counties without Established Burn Bans
 Counties with Established Burn Bans

Email updates to:
burnban@tfs.tamu.edu



Counties with Burn Bans: 92

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|---------------|------------|--------------|
| Aransas | Garza | Palo Pinto |
| Armstrong | Glasscock | Parmer |
| Atascosa | Gray | Pecos |
| Bailey | Hale | Potter |
| Bandera | Hall | Presidio |
| Baylor | Hansford | Randall |
| Bexar | Hardeman | Reagan |
| Brewster | Hartley | Real |
| Briscoe | Hemphill | Reeves |
| Brooks | Hidalgo | Refugio |
| Burnet | Howard | Roberts |
| Caldwell | Hudspeth | San Patricio |
| Cameron | Hutchinson | Shackelford |
| Carson | Jack | Sherman |
| Castro | Jeff Davis | Starr |
| Childress | Jim Hogg | Stephens |
| Cochran | Karnes | Swisher |
| Collingsworth | Kent | Terrell |
| Cottle | King | Terry |
| Crane | Kinney | Throckmorton |
| Crosby | Knox | Upton |
| Culberson | Lamb | Ward |
| Dallam | La Salle | Wheeler |
| Deaf Smith | Lipscomb | Wilbarger |
| Dimmit | Lynn | Willacy |
| Donley | Martin | Wilson |
| Duval | Medina | Winkler |
| El Paso | Moore | Yoakum |
| Fisher | Motley | Zapata |
| Floyd | Ochiltree | Zavala |
| Foard | Oldham | |

DISCLAIMER

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.

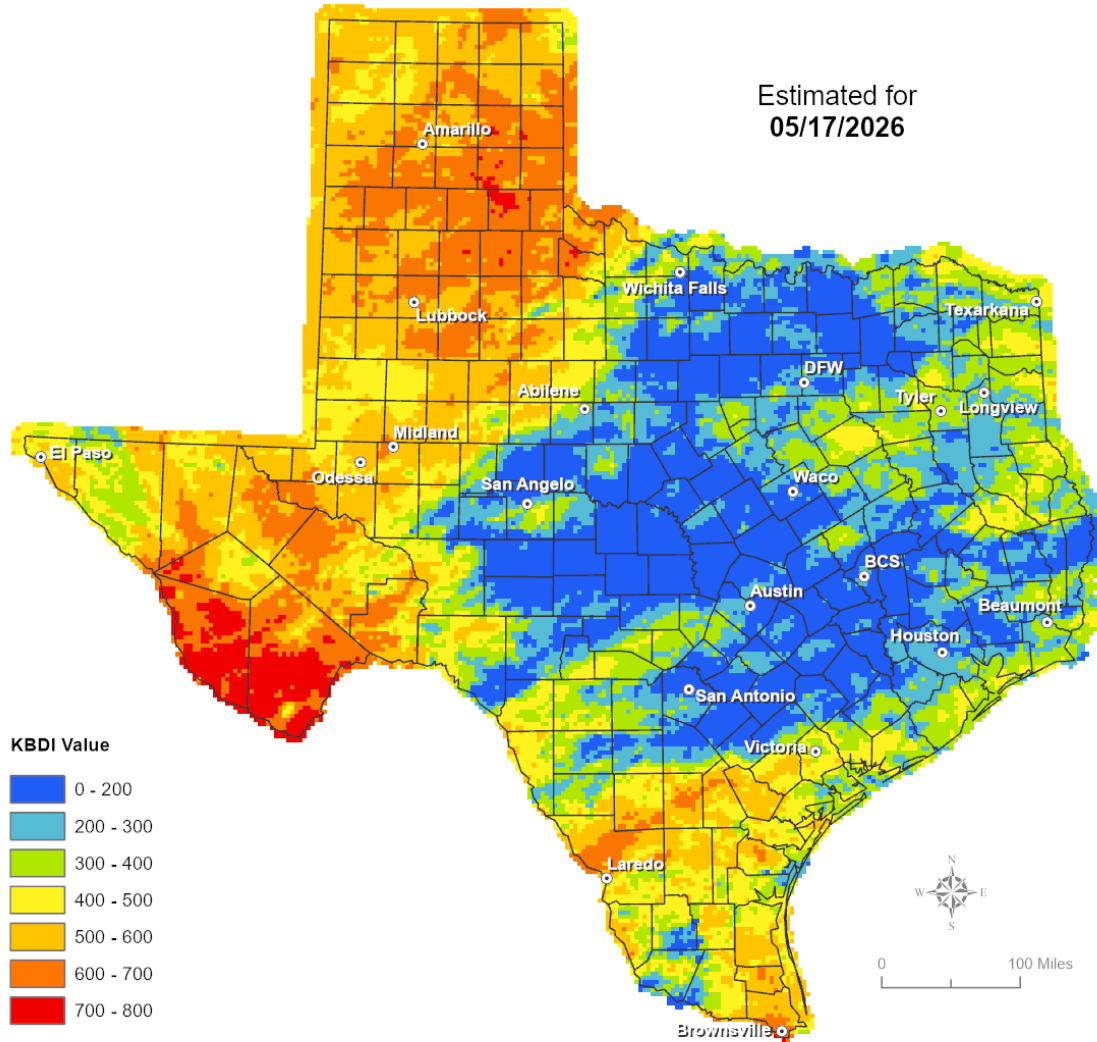
RED FLAG WARNINGS: www.weather.gov
 Additional map formats available at <https://tfsweb.tamu.edu/Burnbans/>

Keetch-Byram Drought

Keetch-Byram Drought Index

(4 km x 4 km resolution)

Estimated for
05/17/2026

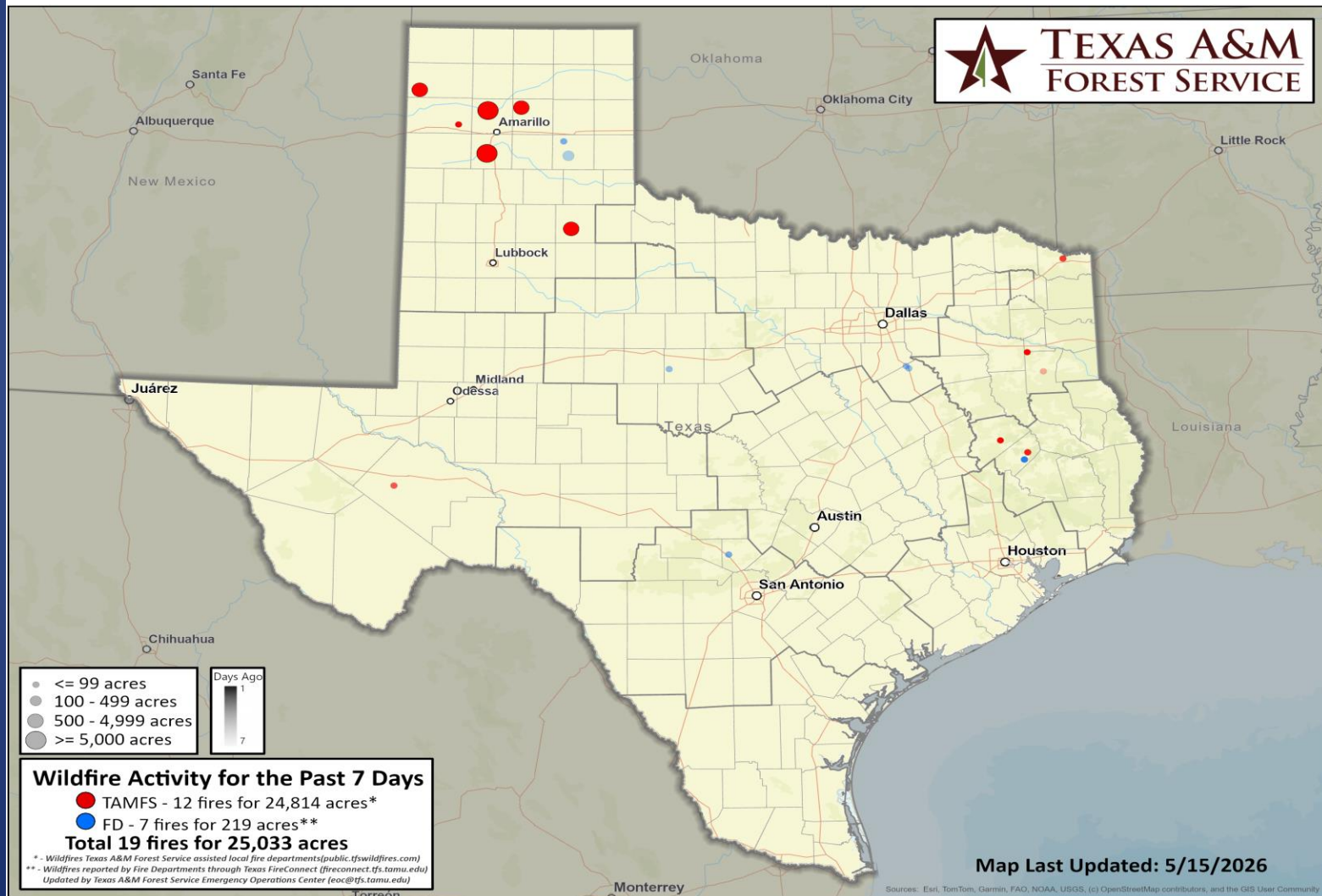


Fire Weather Warnings/Watches/Statements

DATE	WARNING TYPE	LOCATION
05/17/26	Red Flag Warning	Armstrong, Bailey, Briscoe, Carson, Castro, Childress, Cochran, Collingsworth, Cottle, Crosby, Culberson, Dallam, Dawson, Deaf Smith, Dickens, Donley, El Paso, Floyd, Gaines, Garza, Gray, Hale, Hansford, Hartley, Hemphill, Hockley, Hutchinson, Kent, Lamb, Lipscomb, Lubbock, Lynn, Moore, Motley, Ochiltree, Oldham, Parmer, Potter, Randall, Roberts, Sherman, Swisher, Yoakum, and Wheeler Counties
05/17/26	Fire Weather Watch	Foard and Hardeman Counties
05/17/26	Fire Warning	Oldham and Potter County
05/18/26	Red Flag Warning	Andrews, Culberson, Foard, Hardeman, Loving, and Winkler Counties

Fire Activity (*Last 24 Hours)

Report of 676 (No Change) fires and 92,576 (No Change) acres have been burned this year. There are 92 (No Change) counties with burn bans. The Keetch-Byram Drought Index list contains 96 (No Change) counties with an average over 400.



Training

DATES		TITLE	COURSE	LOCATION
05/18/26	05/20/26	Intermediate Incident Command System for Expanding Incidents	G-300	San Antonio
05/18/26	05/19/26	Advanced Incident Command System for Complex Incidents	G-400	Houston
05/18/26	05/18/26	Executive Guide Public Officials Workshop	T-PUB200	Houston
05/18/26	05/18/26	Executive Guide Public Officials Workshop	T-PUB200	San Antonio

Statewide Significant Events

DATES		LOCATION	EVENT
05/16/26	05/18/26	University Park	SMU Spring Graduation

Exercises

DATES		LOCATION	EVENT
05/18/26	05/18/26	El Paso	Tabletop: Paso Del Norte Regional Disaster Housing Plan TTX
05/19/26	05/19/26		None Scheduled