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FEMA Region 6 Weather Threat Briefing

Saturday July 11, 2020

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.



- **Slight risk of severe storms today over OK and AR; damaging winds and large hail are the main threats.**
 - Some isolated heavy rain/flash flooding also possible.
- **Dangerous heat across much of the Region today and tomorrow; likely continuing into next week as well.**
- **Marginal risk of severe storms on Sunday over NE NM and the W Panhandles...as well as E AR and E LA.**

FEMA Region 6 Threat Matrix



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Jul 11, 2020 - Jul 15, 2020

DAY / THREAT	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed
Severe Storms	OK, AR	NE NM, W Panhandles, E AR, E LA			
Heavy Rain / Flash Flooding	E OK, AR, N LA				
Fire Weather					
Tropical Winds / Surge					
Heat	Entire Region	Entire Region	Entire Region	Entire Region	Entire Region
River Flooding	LA, AR, TX	LA, AR, TX	AR, TX	AR	AR

	No Weather Threats Expected
	Very Common – Happens Often
	Common – Happens Frequently
	Uncommon – A Few Times a Year
	Rare – Once Every 1-5 Years
	Very Rare – Once Every 5-10 Years

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.

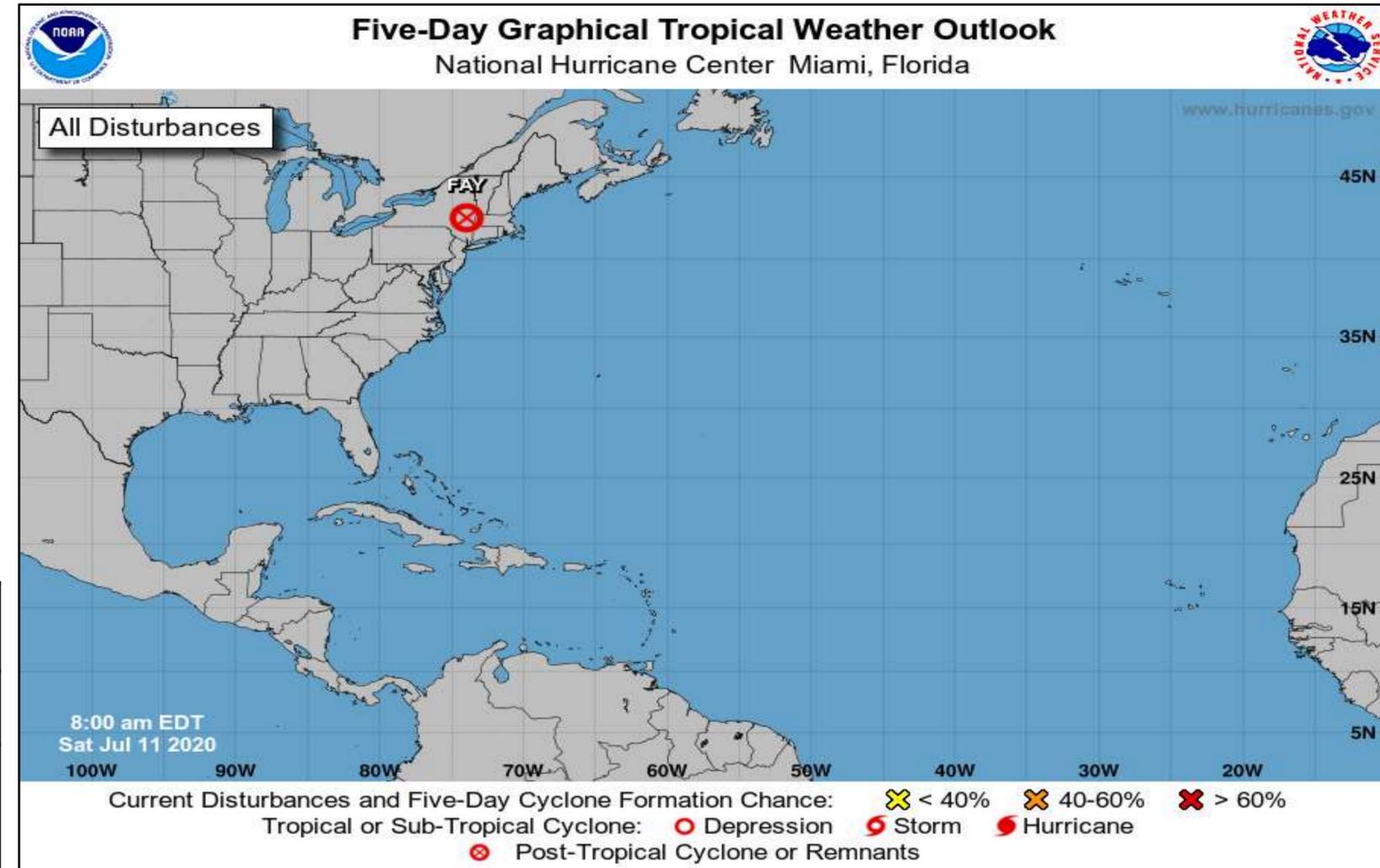


Areas of Possible Development

Area	Chance of Development	Potential Impacts to FEMA 6
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Active Tropical Cyclones

Storm	Potential Impacts to FEMA 6
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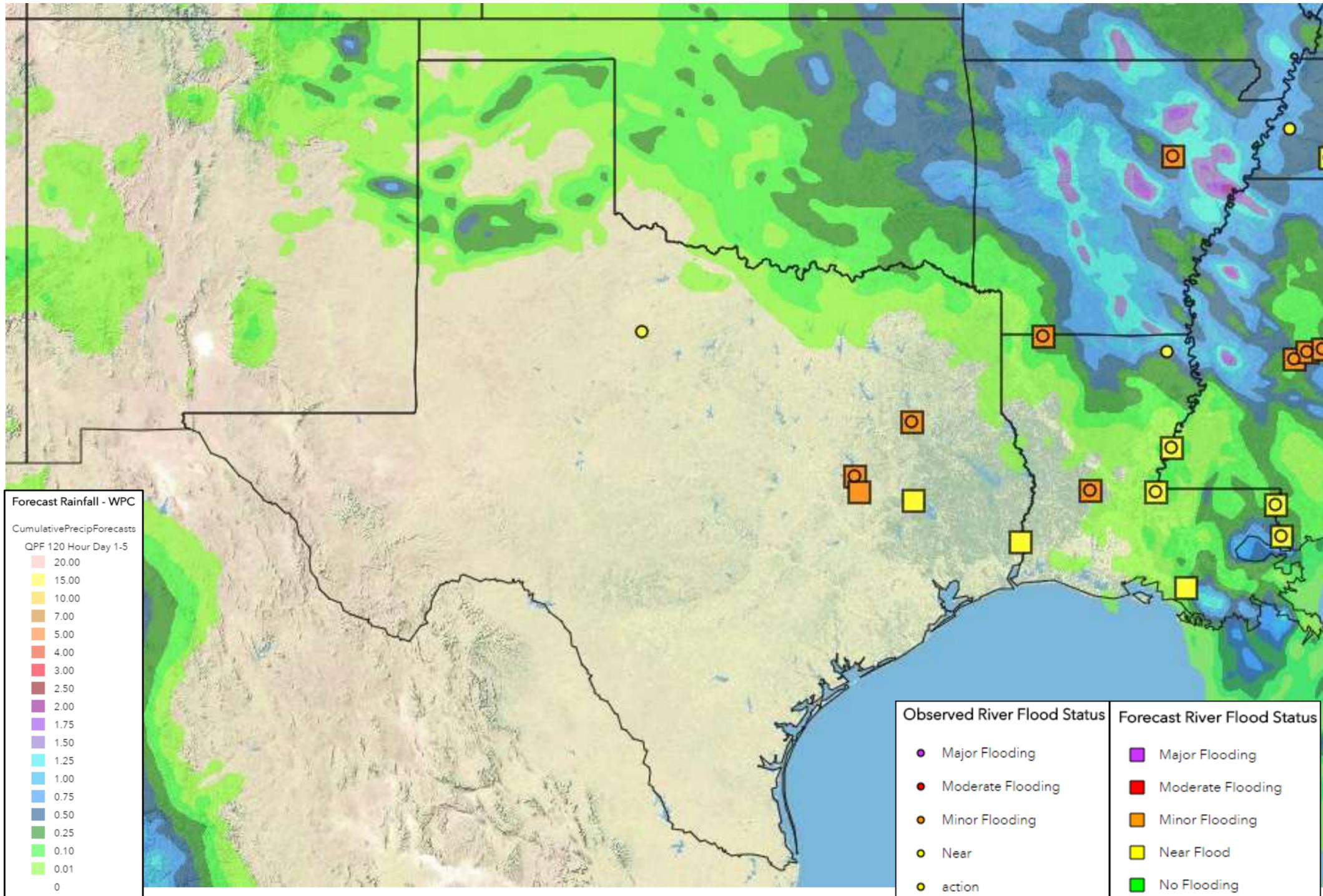


5-Day Precipitation Forecast & River Flood Status



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Note: Even though the image displays 5 days of forecasted rainfall, river forecasts only include 1-2 days of rainfall



Minor flooding continues for portions of the Navasota and Neches Rivers in E TX. Ranchers that may have livestock and equipment in the river bottoms should move them to higher ground.

The White River near Augusta in NE AR remains in minor flood stage through next week with seasonal agricultural impacts.

Bayou Dorcheat near Springhill in NW LA is in minor flood stage today, with lowland flooding expected. The Calcasieu River near Glenmora in Central LA is also in minor flood stage today with a few local roads possibly flooded.

No additional flooding is expected due to the forecast rainfall the next 5 days.

Today's Weather



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Forecast Chart

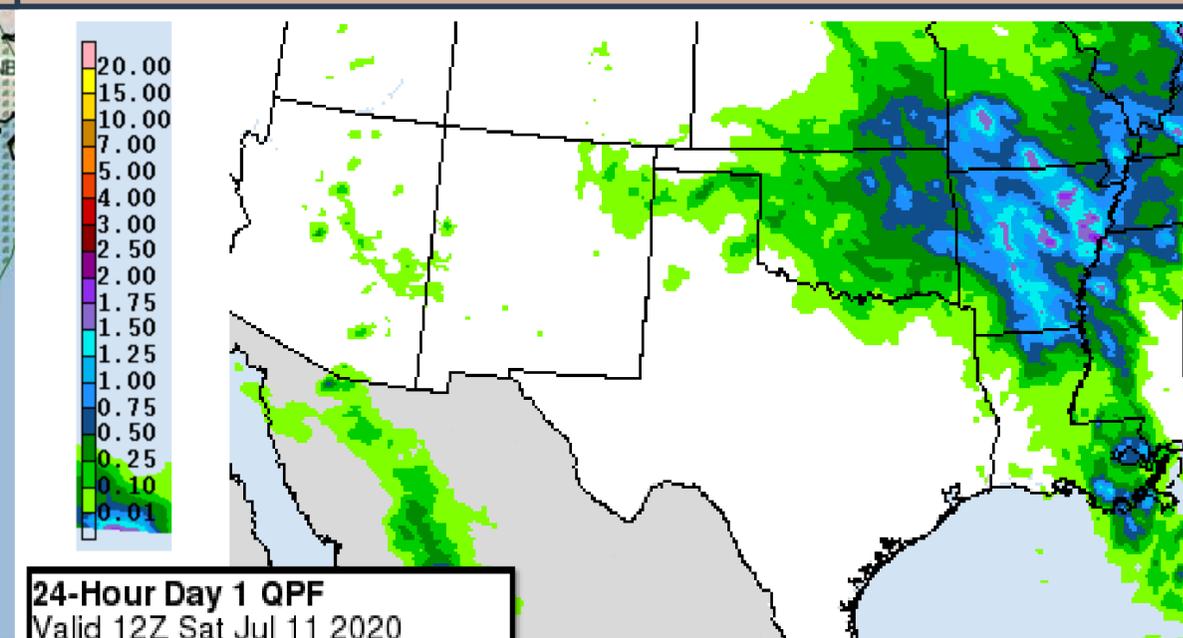
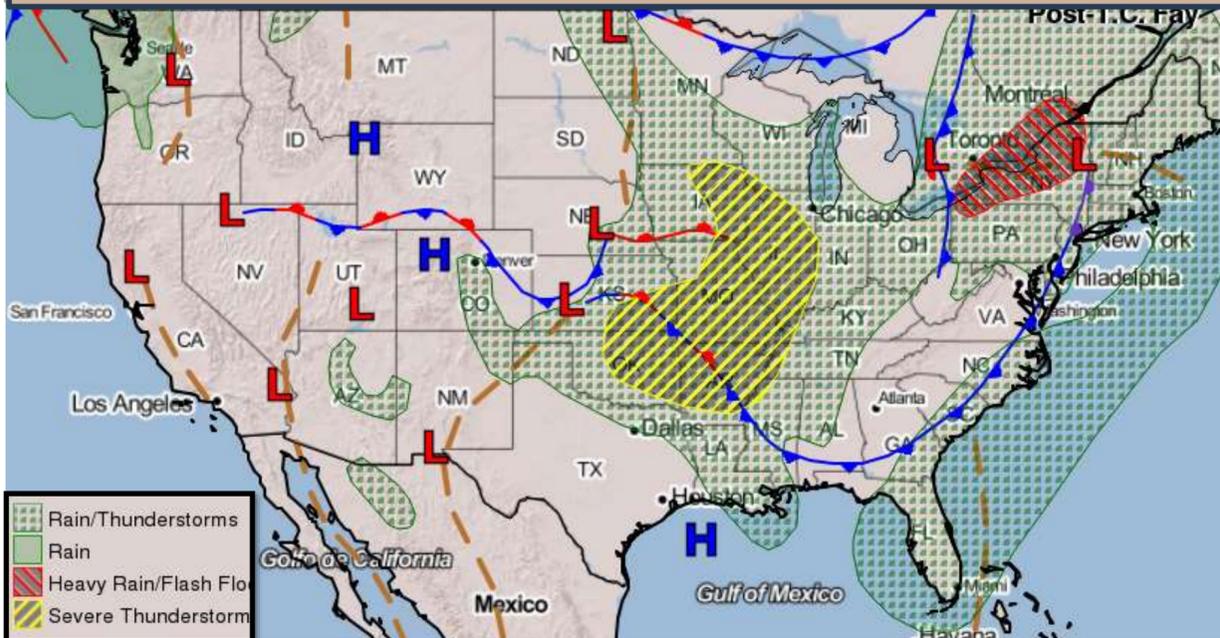
Forecast Rainfall

Dangerous heat across much of the Region.

Slight risk of severe storms over OK and AR; damaging winds and large hail are the main threats.

Marginal risk of severe storms extends into the Panhandles, the Red River Valley and N LA.

Marginal risk of flash flooding over E OK, AR and N LA.

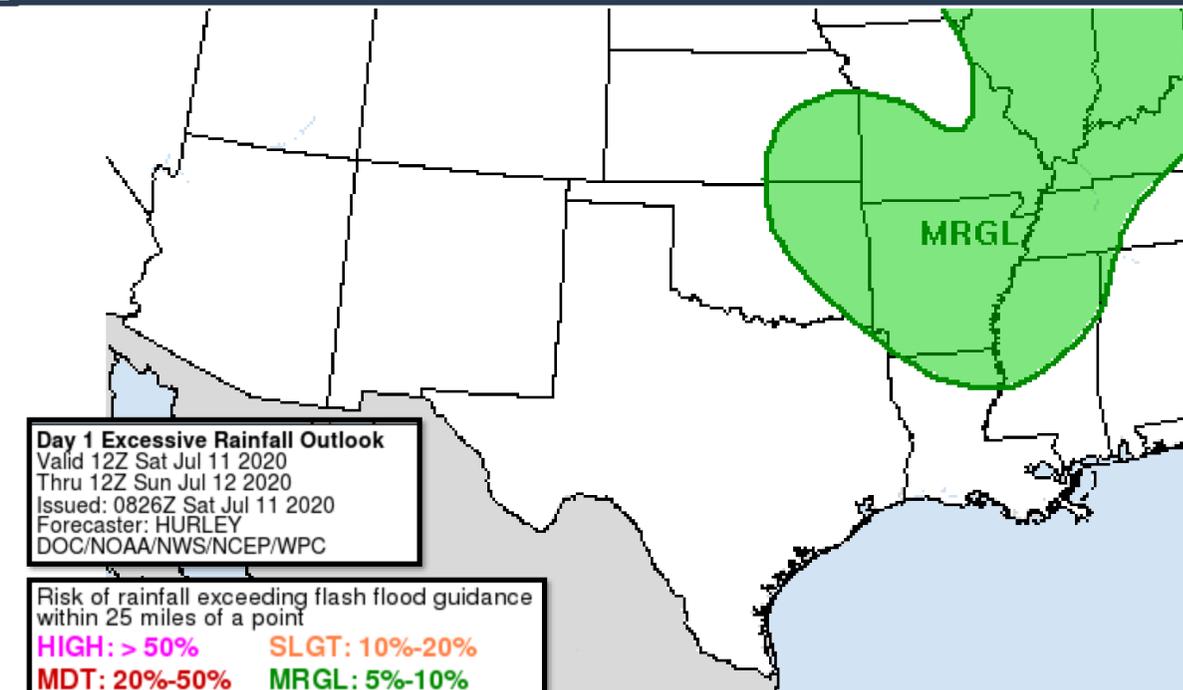
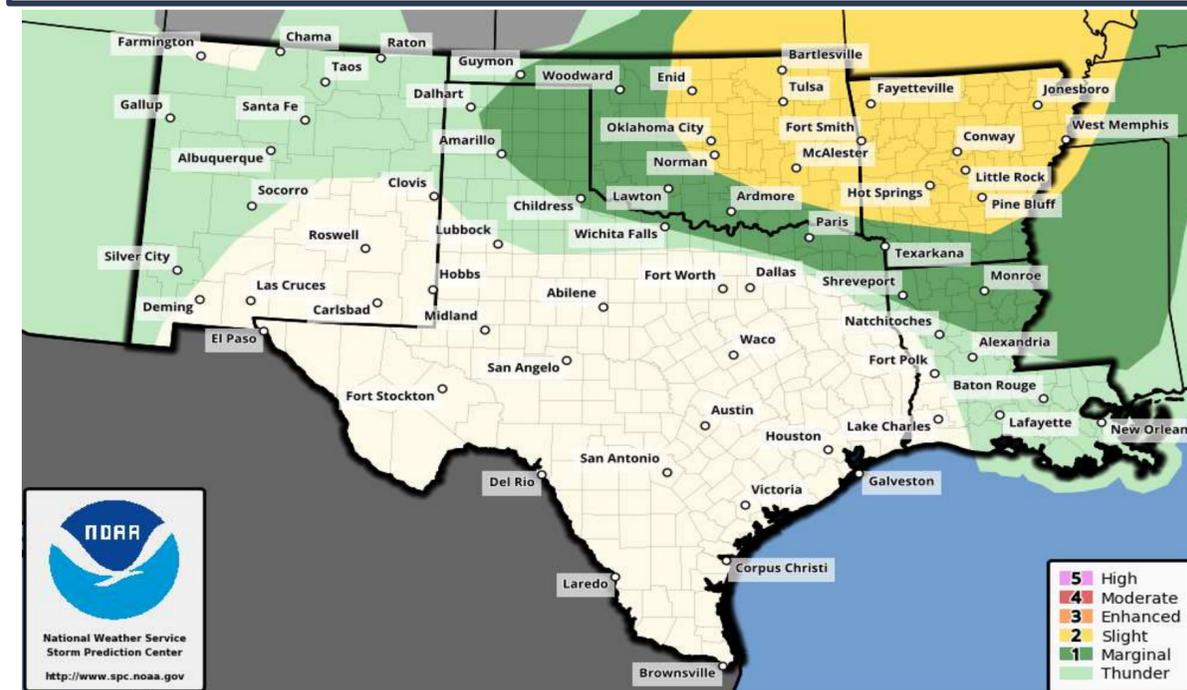


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Fronts Valid 8am EDT Sat Jul 11 2020

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Severe Weather Outlook

Excessive Rainfall Outlook



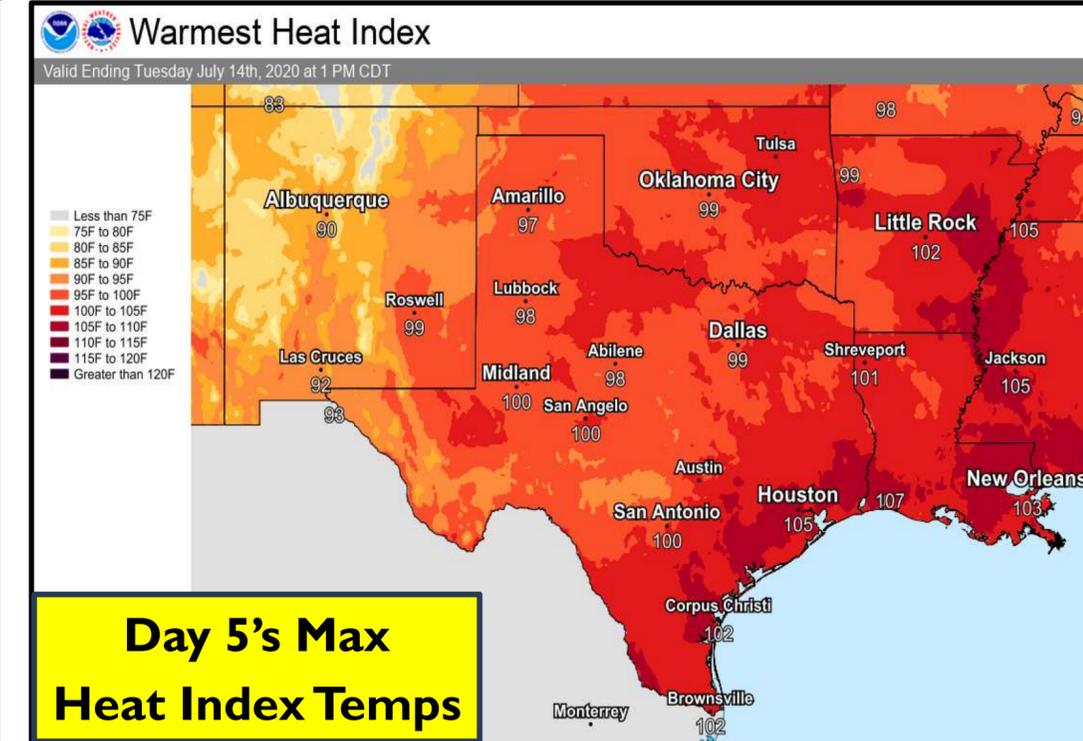
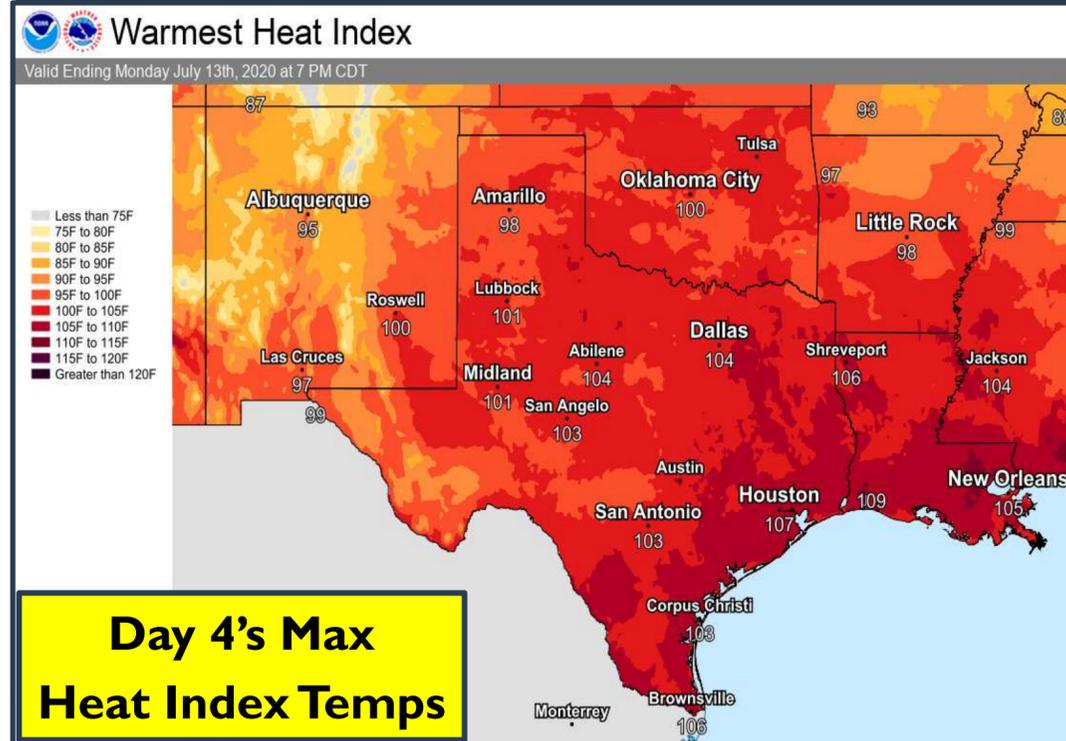
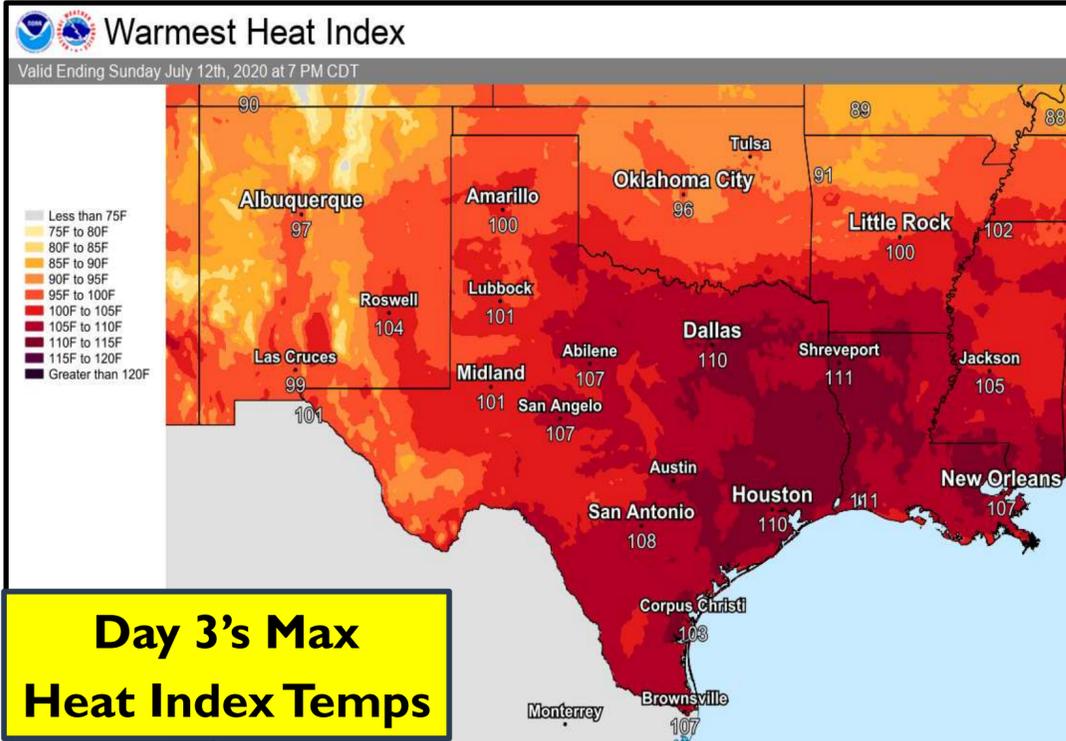
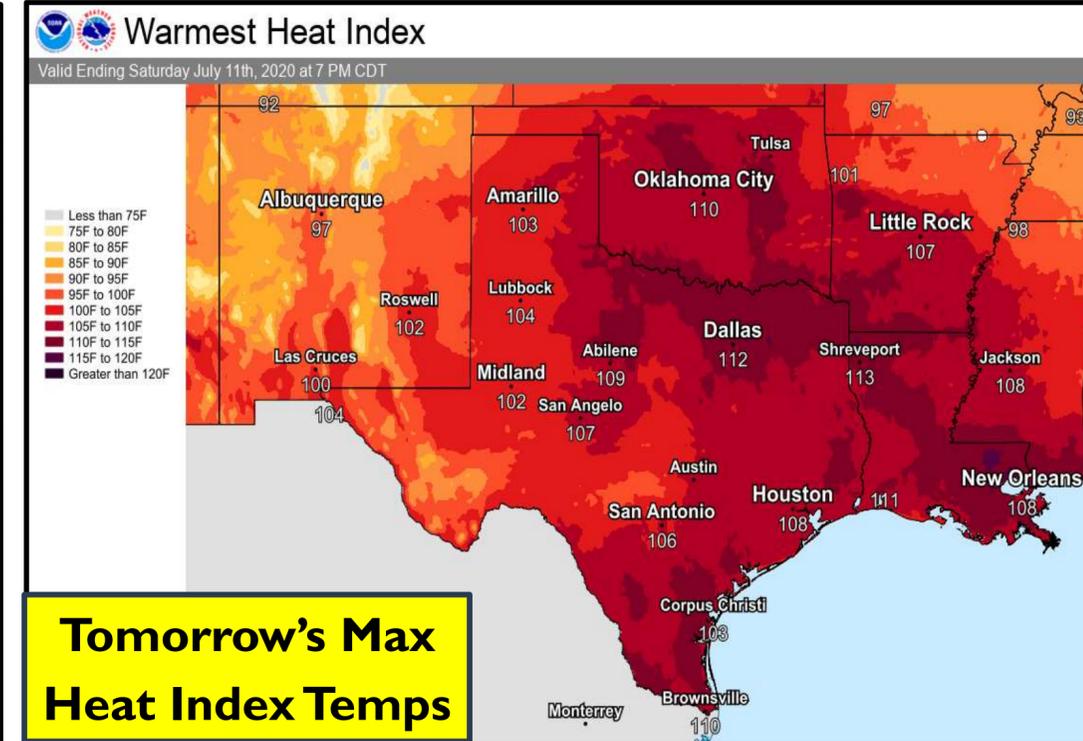
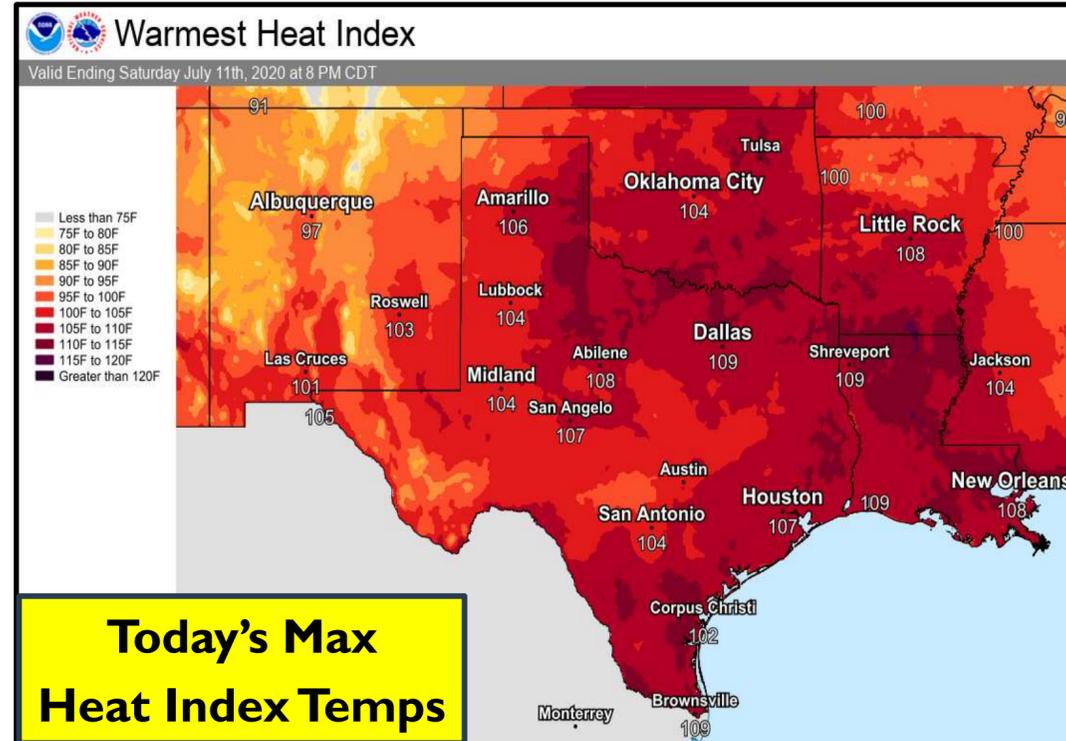
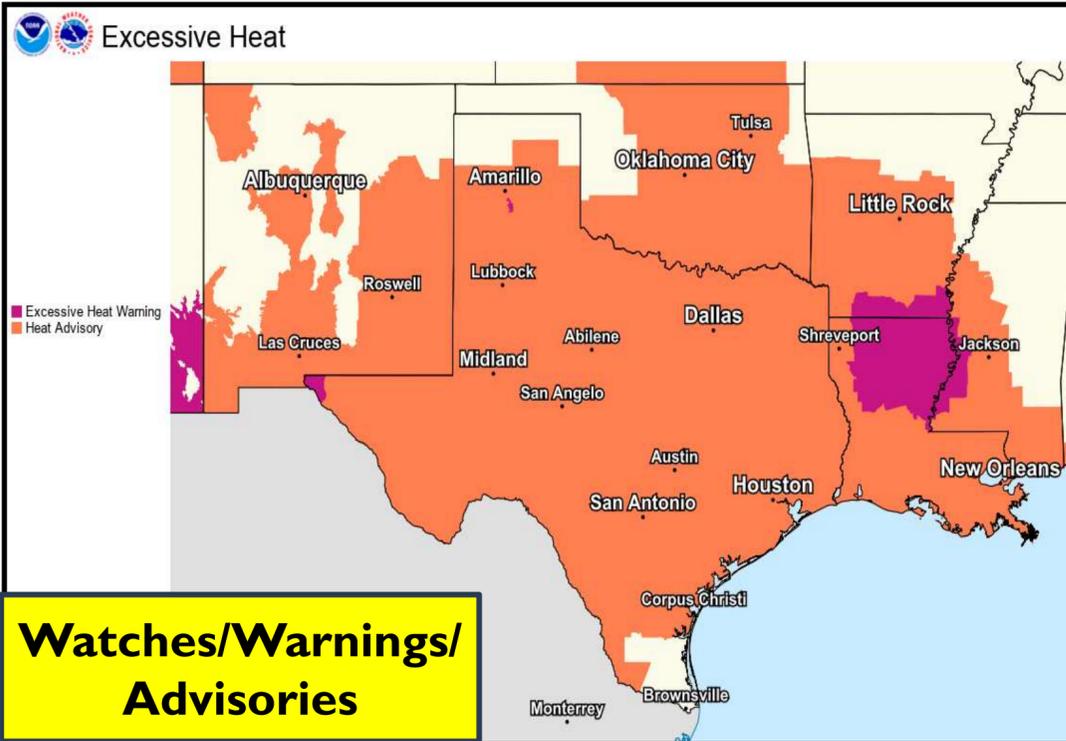
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Forecaster: HURLEY
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/WPC

Risk of rainfall exceeding flash flood guidance within 25 miles of a point
HIGH: > 50% **SLGT: 10%-20%**
MDT: 20%-50% **MRGL: 5%-10%**

Excessive Heat Outlook



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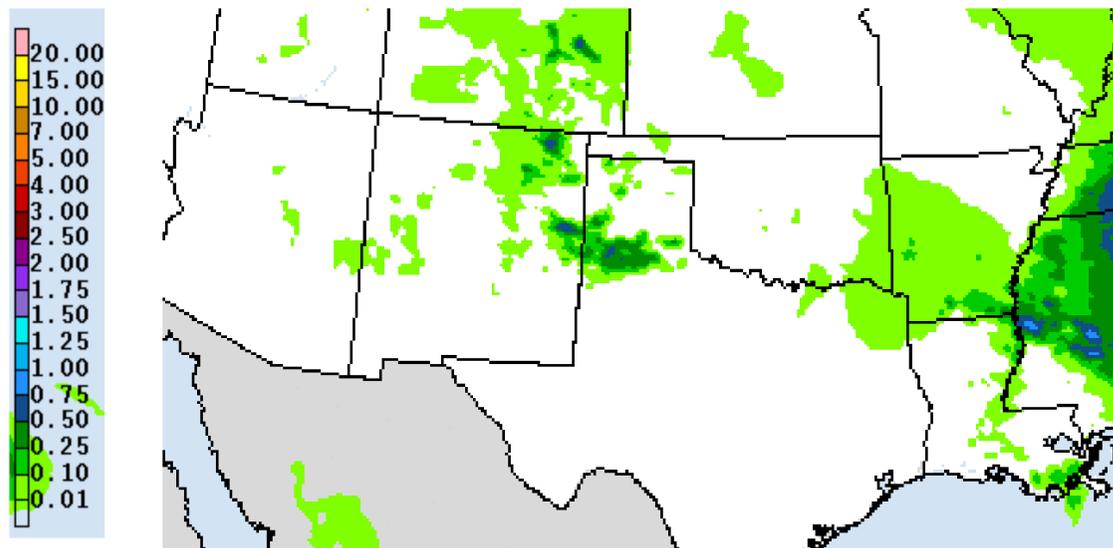
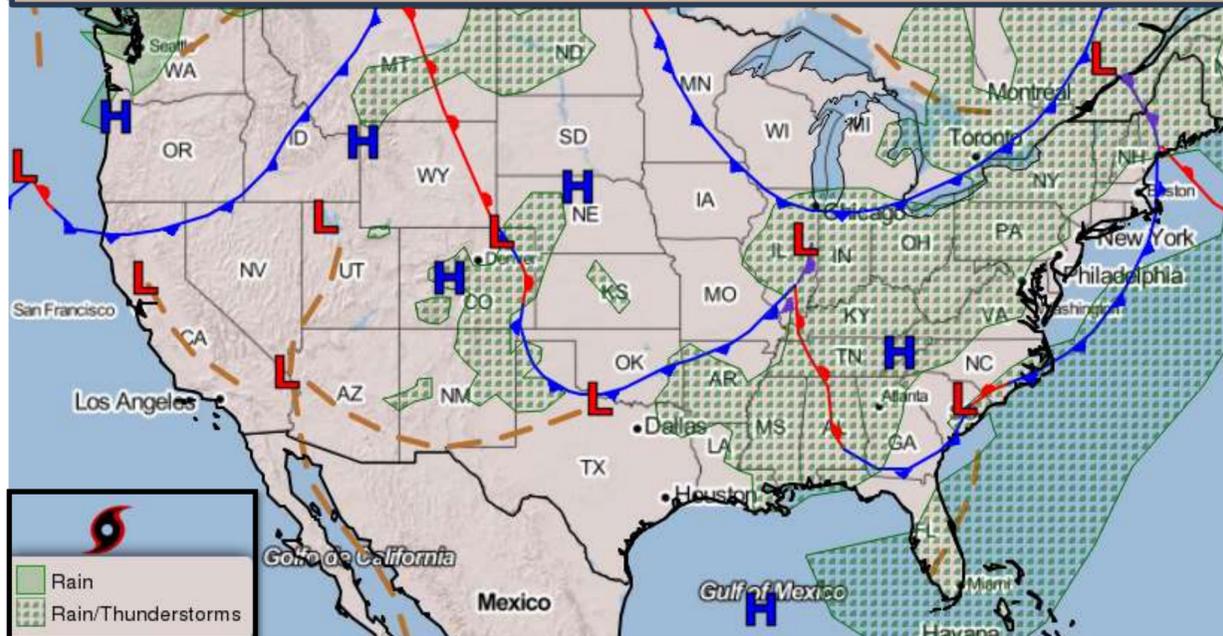
Tomorrow's Weather



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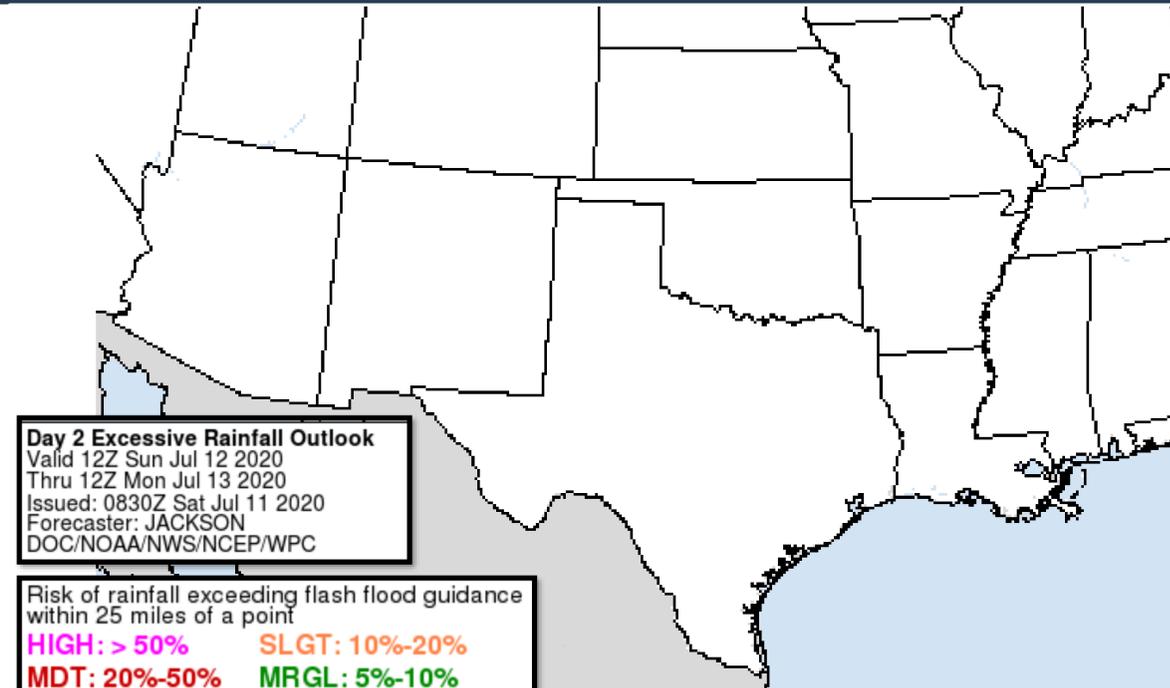
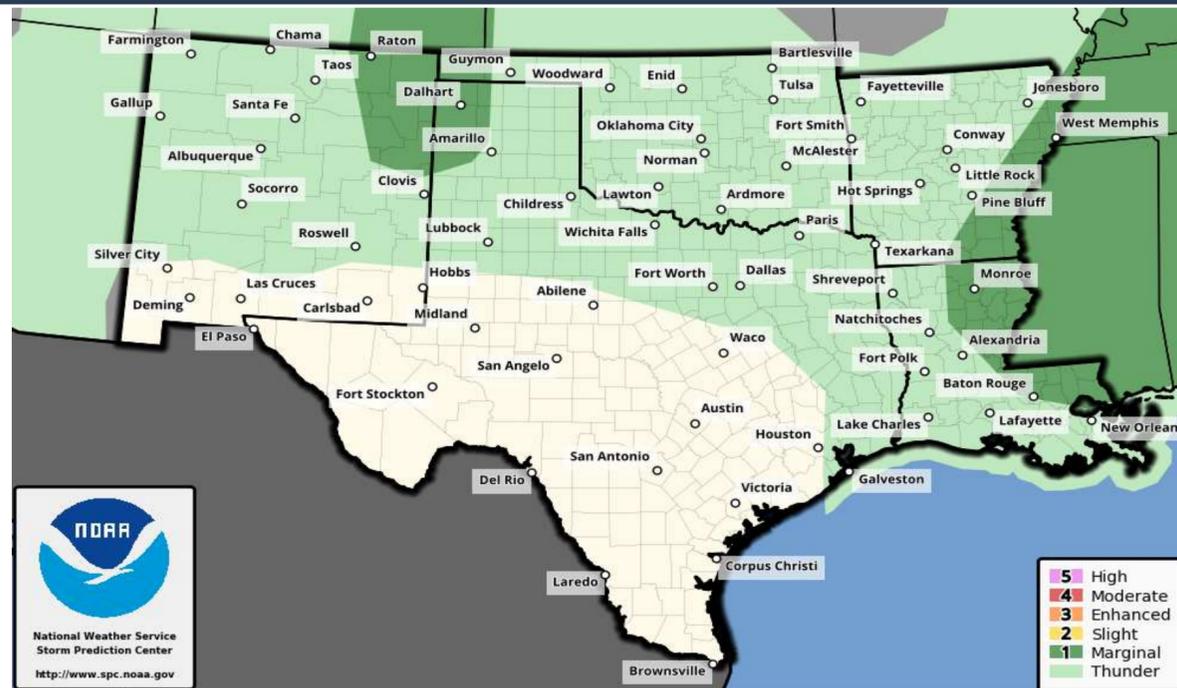
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Prepared by Campbell with WPC/SPC/NHC forecasts.

Severe Weather Outlook

Excessive Rainfall Outlook



Day 2 Excessive Rainfall Outlook
Valid 12Z Sun Jul 12 2020
Thru 12Z Mon Jul 13 2020
Issued: 0830Z Sat Jul 11 2020
Forecaster: JACKSON
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/WPC

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Monday's Weather

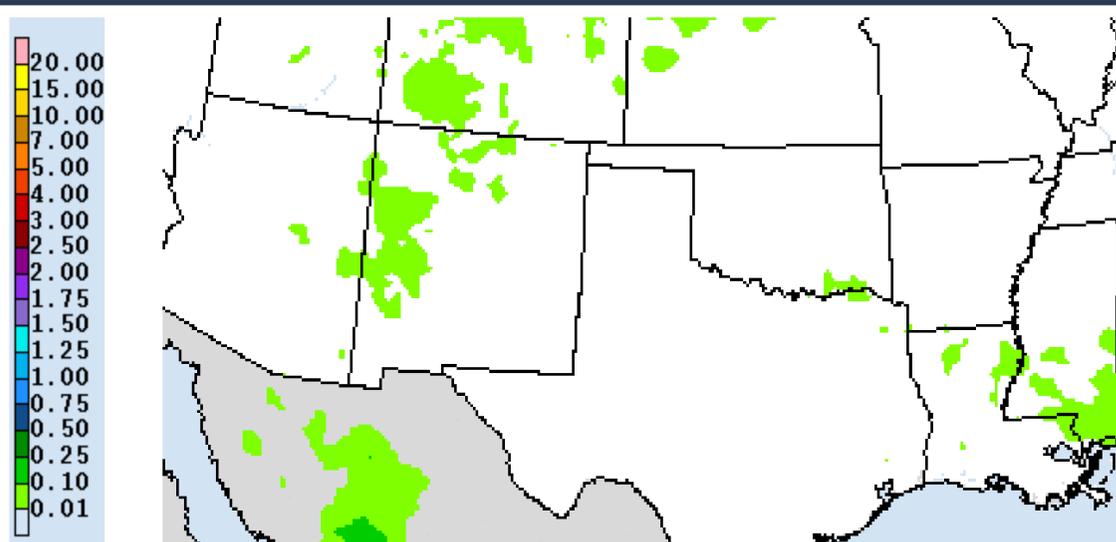
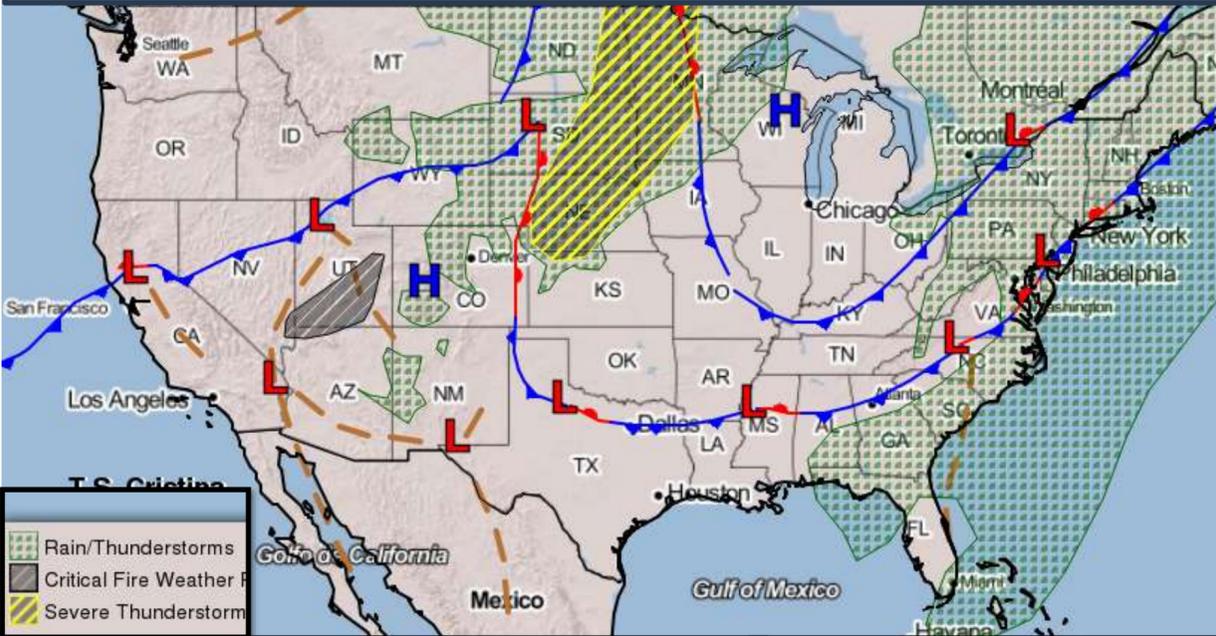


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Forecast Chart

Forecast Rainfall

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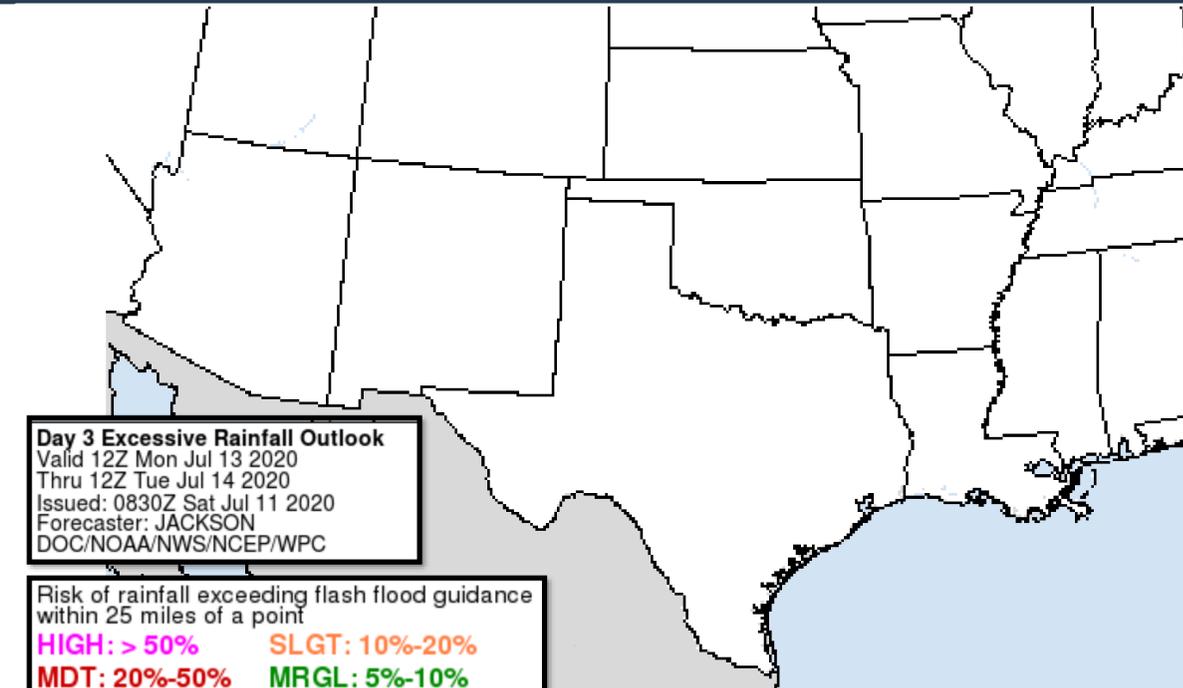
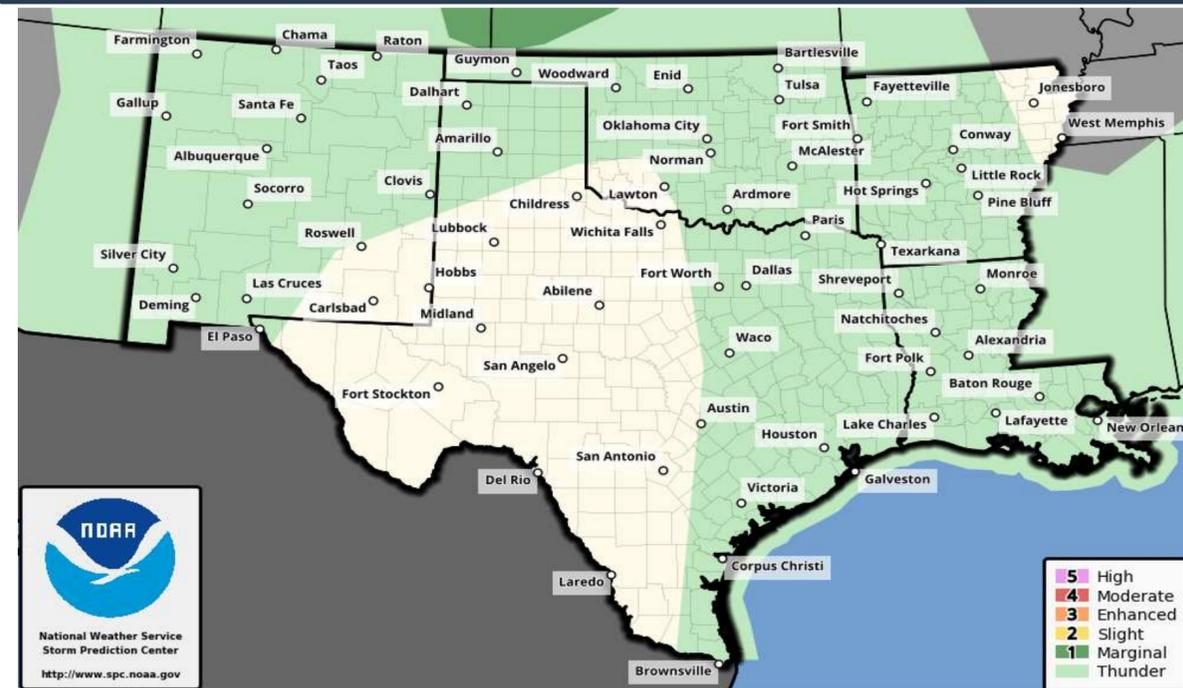


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24-Hour Day 3 QPF
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Severe Weather Outlook

Excessive Rainfall Outlook



Day 3 Excessive Rainfall Outlook
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Issued: 0830Z Sat Jul 11 2020
Forecaster: JACKSON
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/WPC

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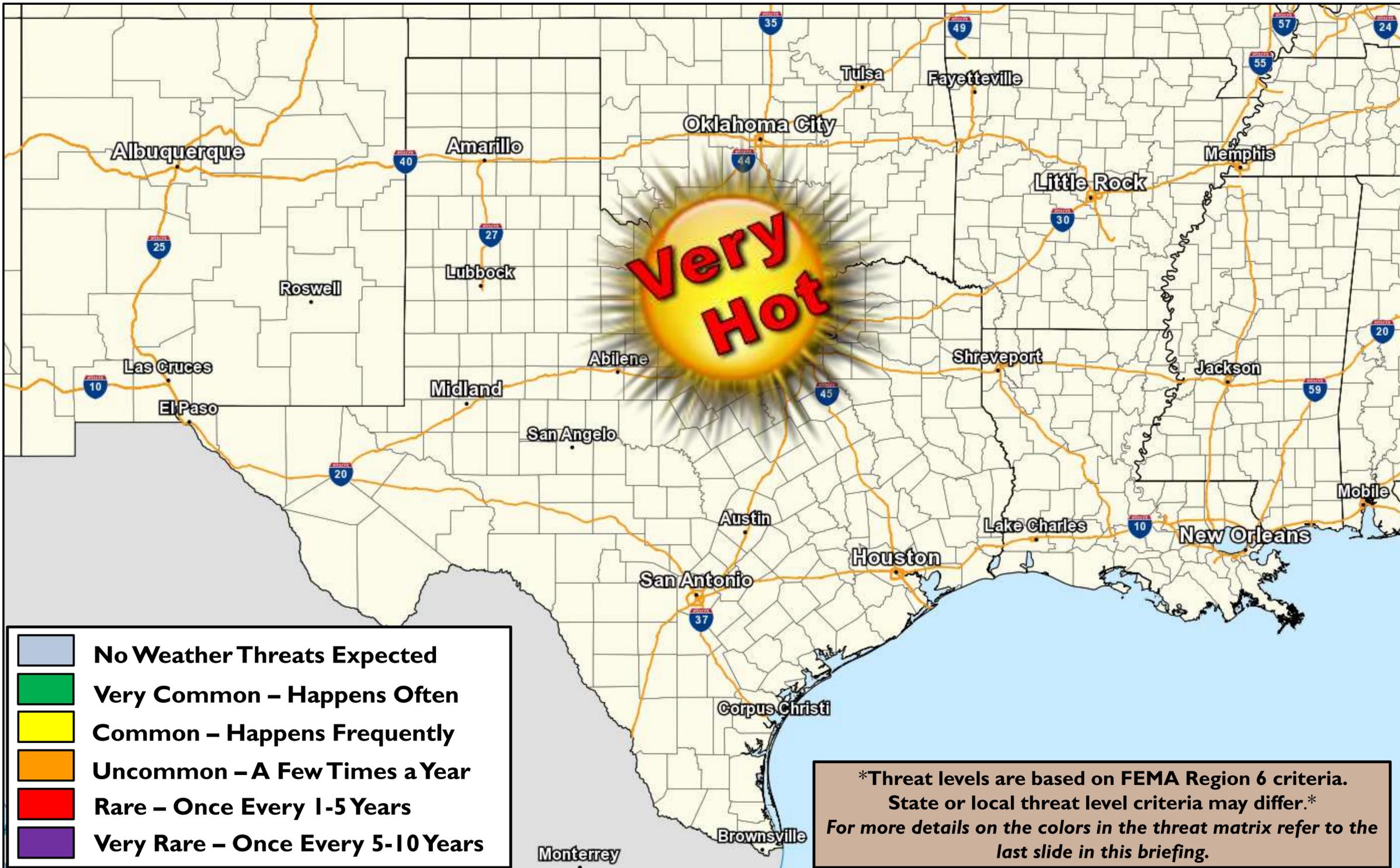
Days 4-5 Weather Hazards

Tuesday - Wednesday



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Dangerous heat continues across much of the Region.

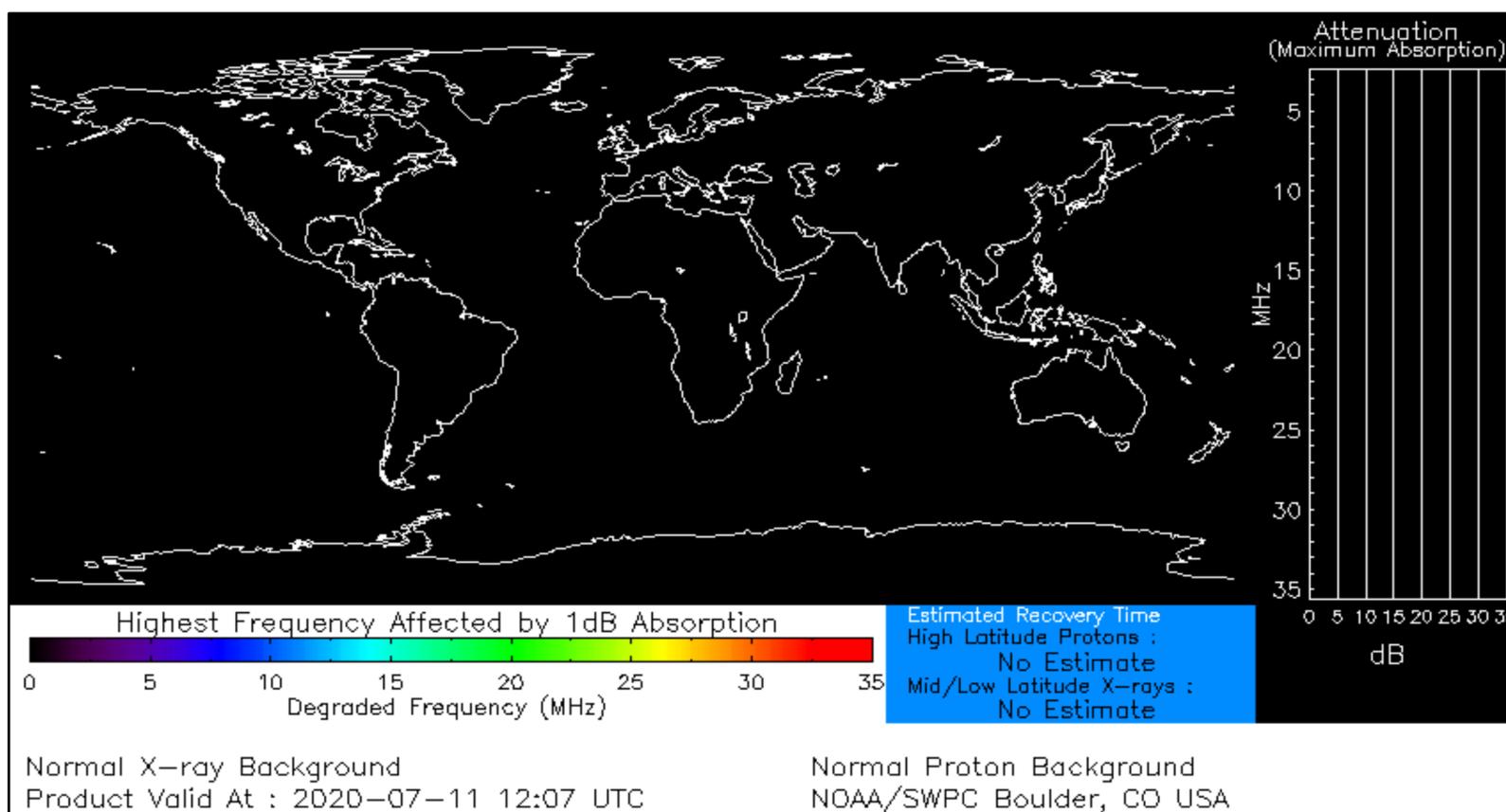


Space Weather 3-Day Forecast



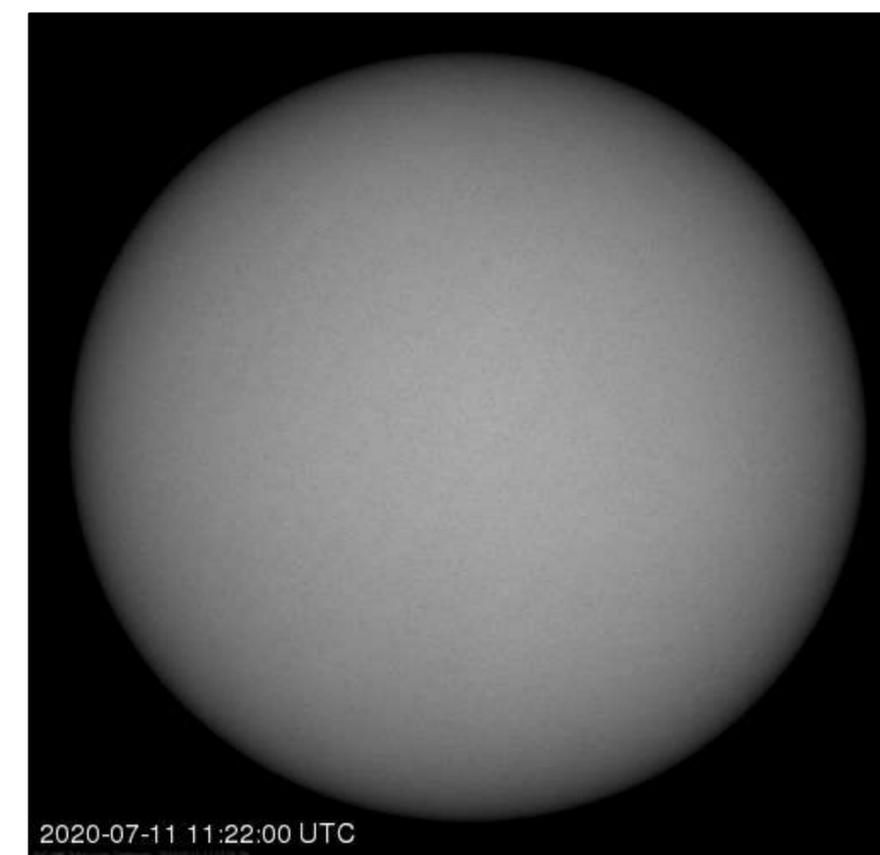
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	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
Geomagnetic Storms	Quiet to Unsettled (Max Kp = 3)	Quiet to Unsettled (Max Kp = 3)	Quiet to Unsettled (Max Kp = 3)
Solar Radiation Storm (S1-S5)	1%	1%	1%
Radio Blackout (R1-R2)	1%	1%	1%
Radio Blackout (R3-R5)	1%	1%	1%



[Click here for a Description of the Space Weather Storm Scales](#)

[Click here for the Latest 3-Day Space Weather Forecast Text](#)





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Weather "Threat" Matrix

Color	Definition	Criteria	Example(s)
Green	<p style="text-align: center;">Very Common</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"> 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 <u>seabreeze</u> storms in coastal TX
Yellow	<p style="text-align: center;">Somewhat Common – Happens Frequently</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"> 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;">Uncommon – A Few Times a Year</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"> 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;">Rare – Once every 1-5 Years</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"> 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;">Very Rare – Once Every 5-10 Years</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"> 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.