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FEMA Region 6 Weather Threat Briefing

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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.





Summary

- **Severe Storms**: Slight risk (level 2 of 5) over **AR, E/S OK, N TX** today.
- **Flash Flooding**: Slight risk (level 2 of 4) over **NE AR** today and over **NM Mon/Tue**.
- **Heat**: Heat advisories across **SW TX** today.
- **Fire Weather**: Elevated (level 1 of 3) Friday through Sunday over **NW NM**.
- **Tropical**: Tropical development is not expected in the next 7 days.
- **River Flooding**: Moderate/Minor (isolated major) river flooding in **OK, AR, TX, and LA**. Trinity River at Riverside is Moderate and impacts homes.





FEMA Region 6 Threat Matrix

Next 7 days

	Wednesday, Jun 18	Thursday, Jun 19	Friday, Jun 20	Saturday, Jun 21	Sunday, Jun 22	Monday, Jun 23	Tuesday, Jun 24
Severe Storms	AR, E/S OK, NTX						
Heavy Rain / Flash Flooding	NE AR					NM	NM
Fire Weather			NW NM	NW NM	NW NM		
Heat	SW TX						
River Flooding	TX	TX	TX	TX	TX	TX	TX, AR, LA
	AR, LA	AR, LA	AR, LA	AR, LA	AR, LA	AR, 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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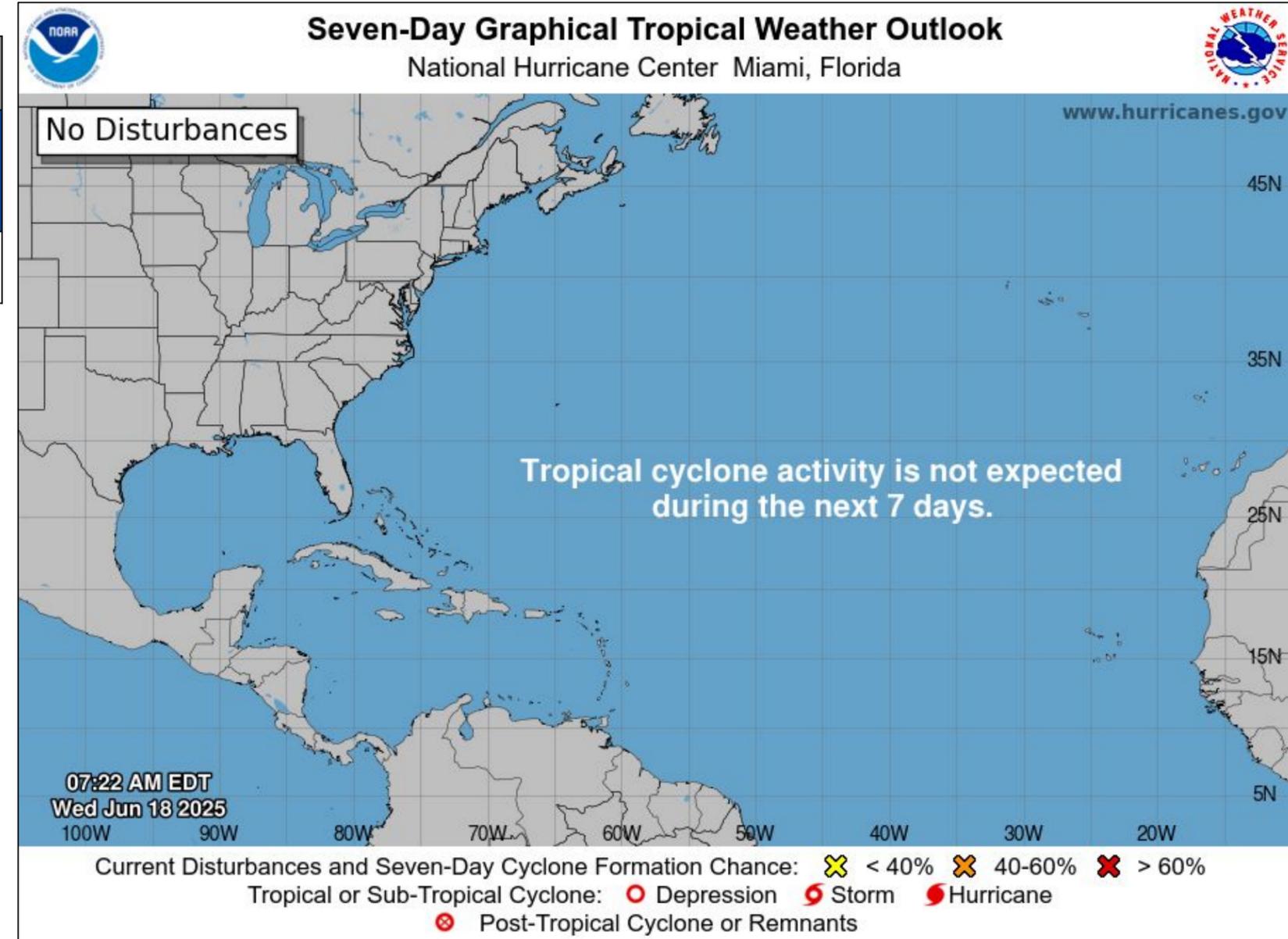
Tropical Weather Outlook – Atlantic/Gulf

Areas of Possible Development

Area	Chance of Development	Potential Impacts to FEMA 6

Active Tropical Cyclones

Storm	Potential Impacts to FEMA 6

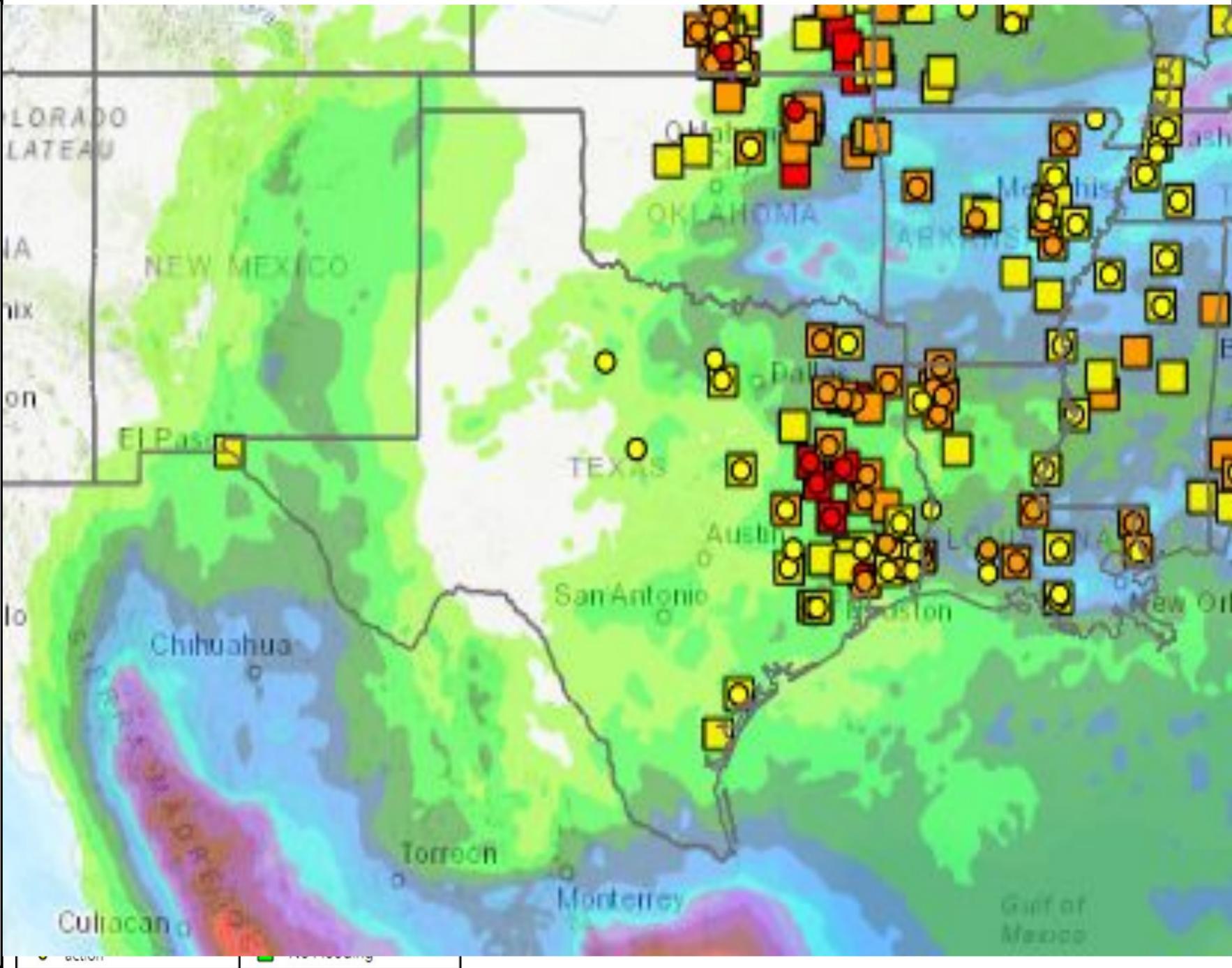
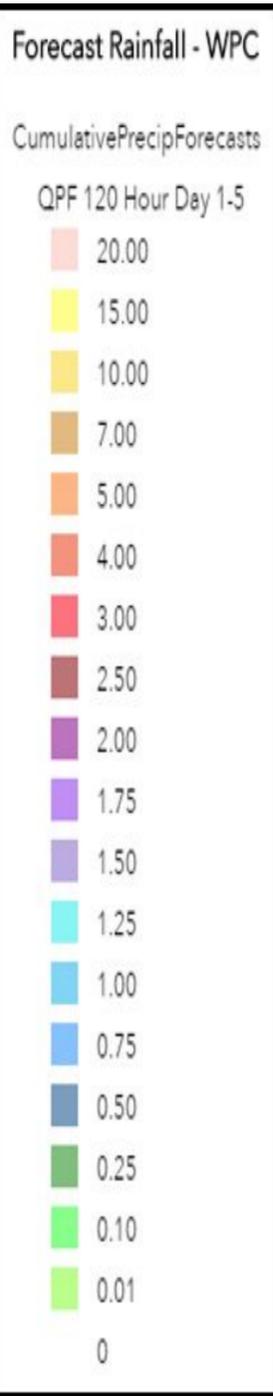


See <http://www.hurricanes.gov> for the latest on the tropics or any active storms



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 to Moderate river flooding over TX.

Trinity River at Riverside rises into Moderate today and impacts homes in the Green Rich Shores Subdivision.

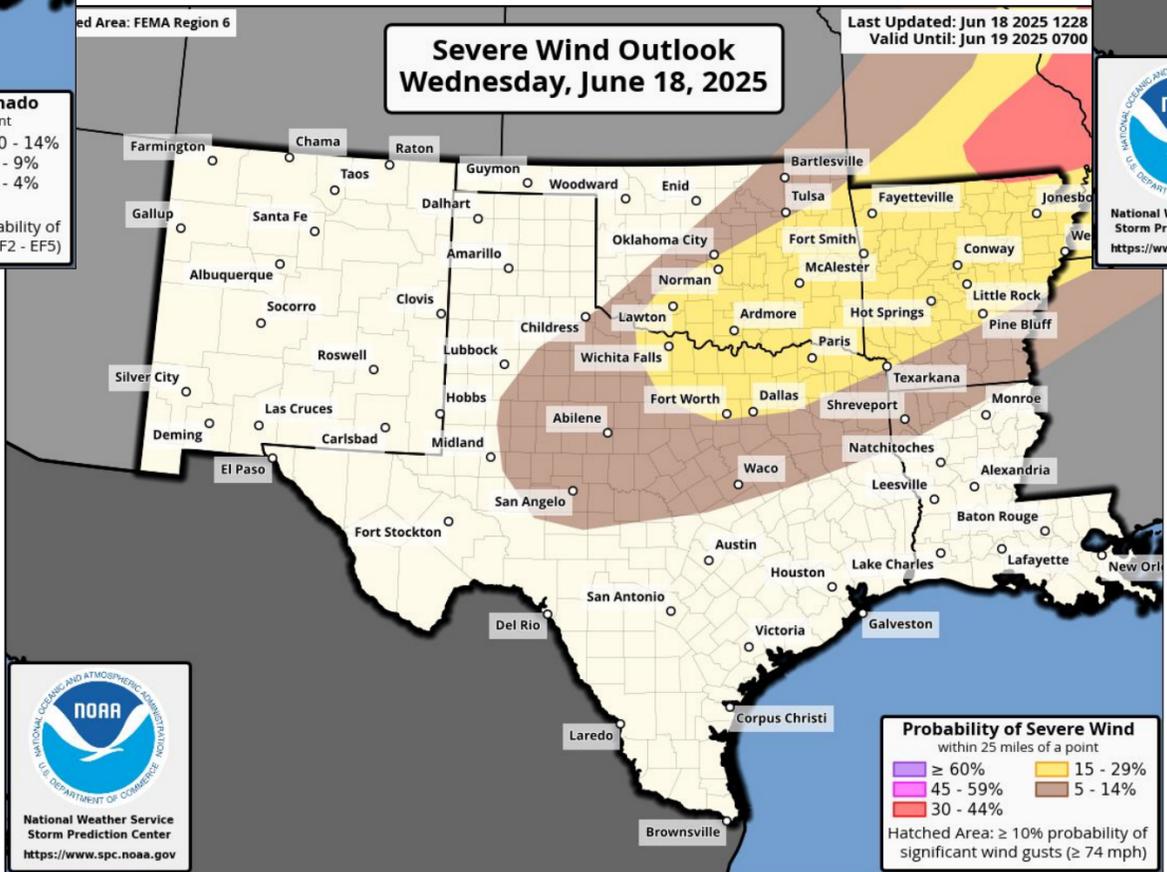
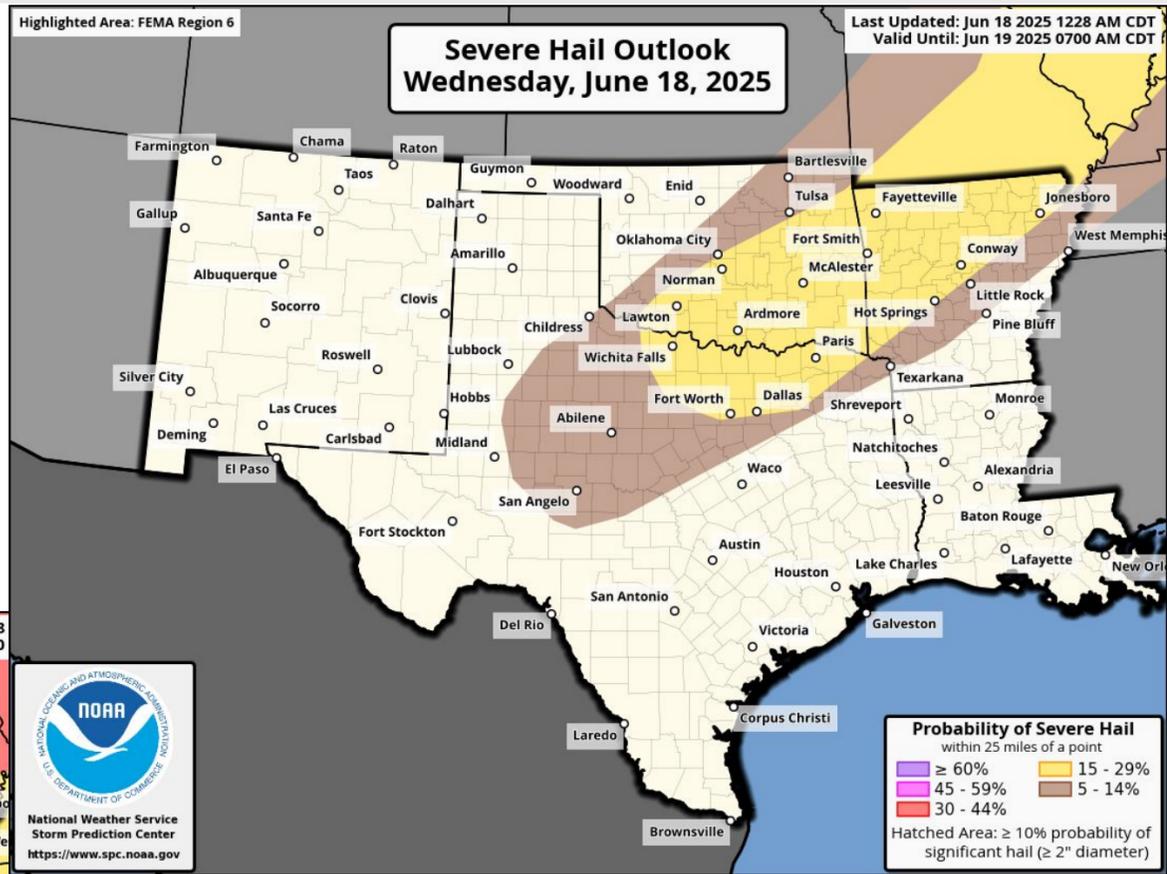
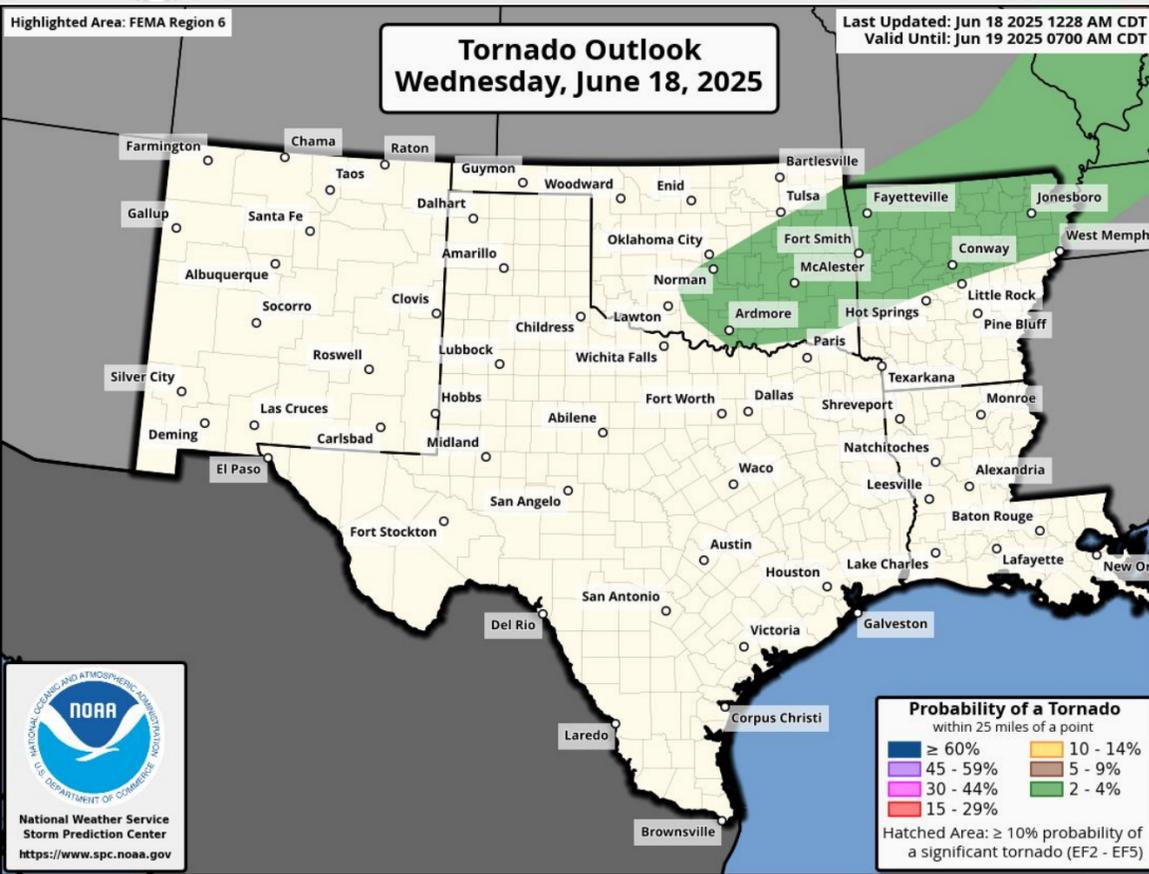
Minor river flooding in OK, AR, LA.

Impacts to mainly secondary roads and agriculture.

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.

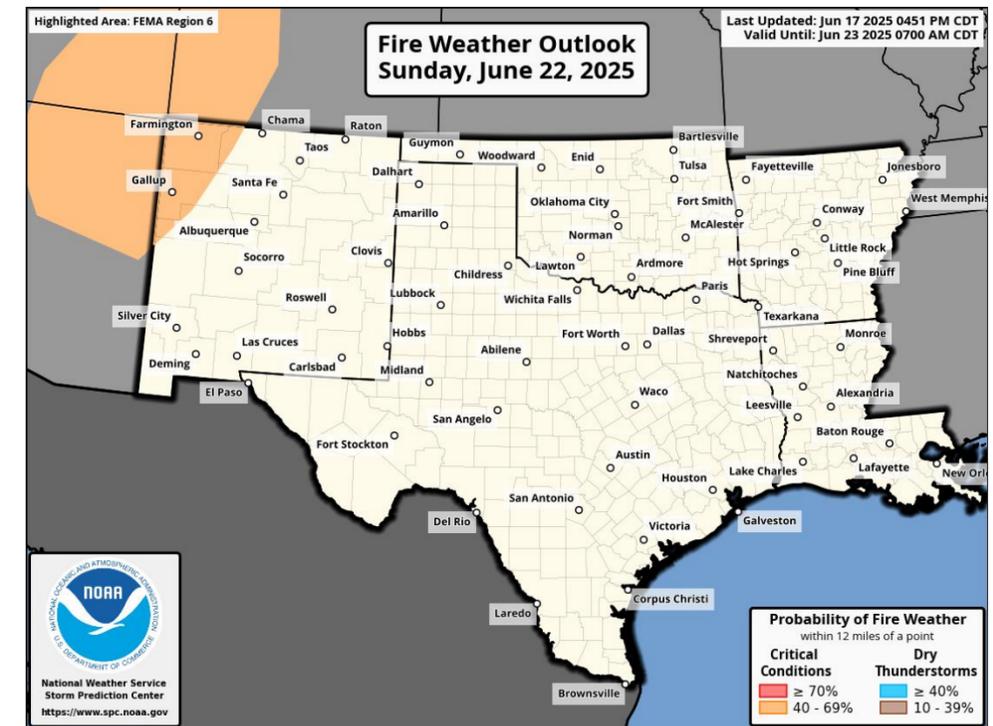
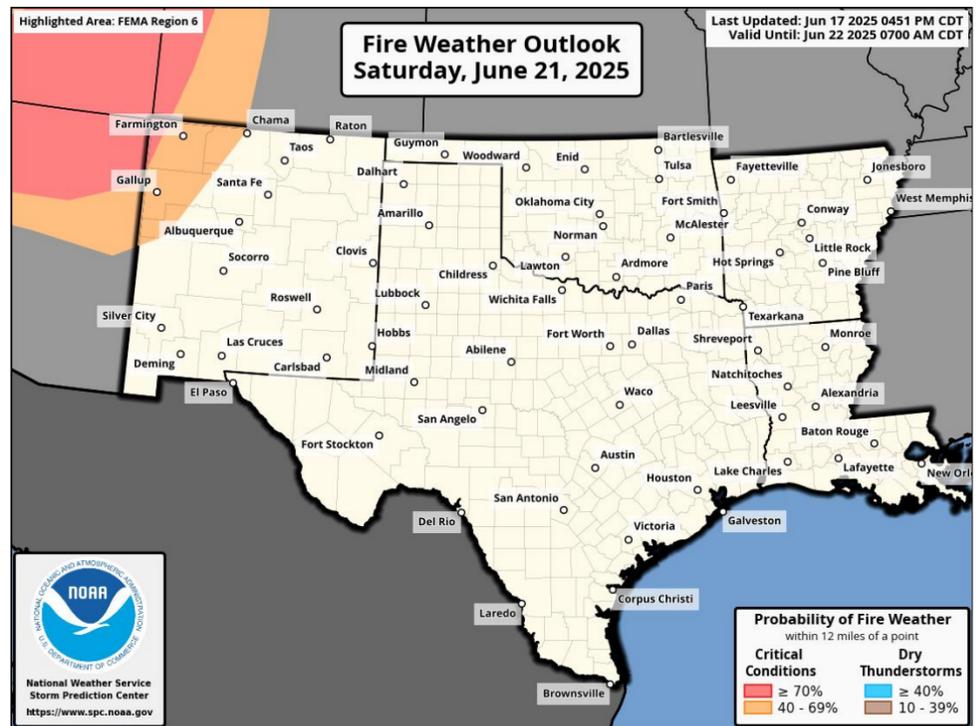
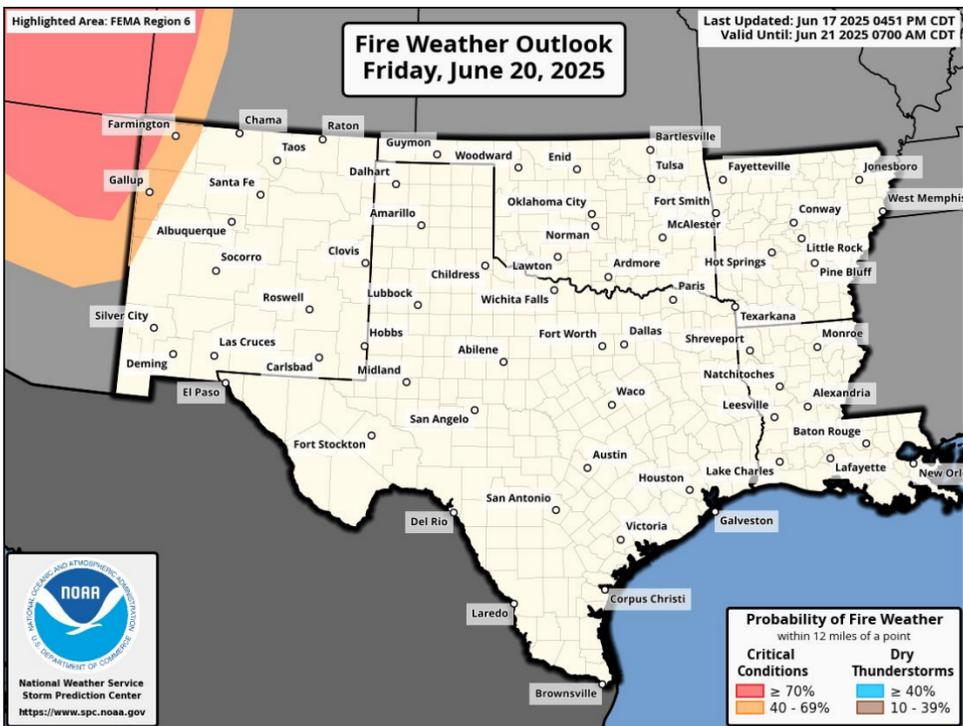
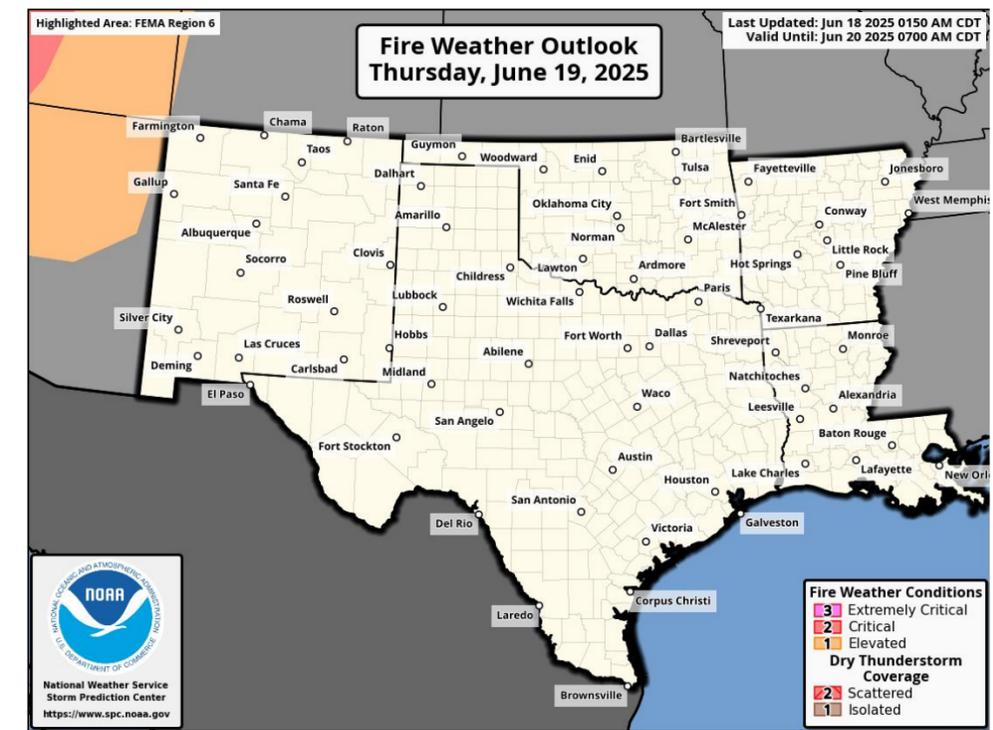
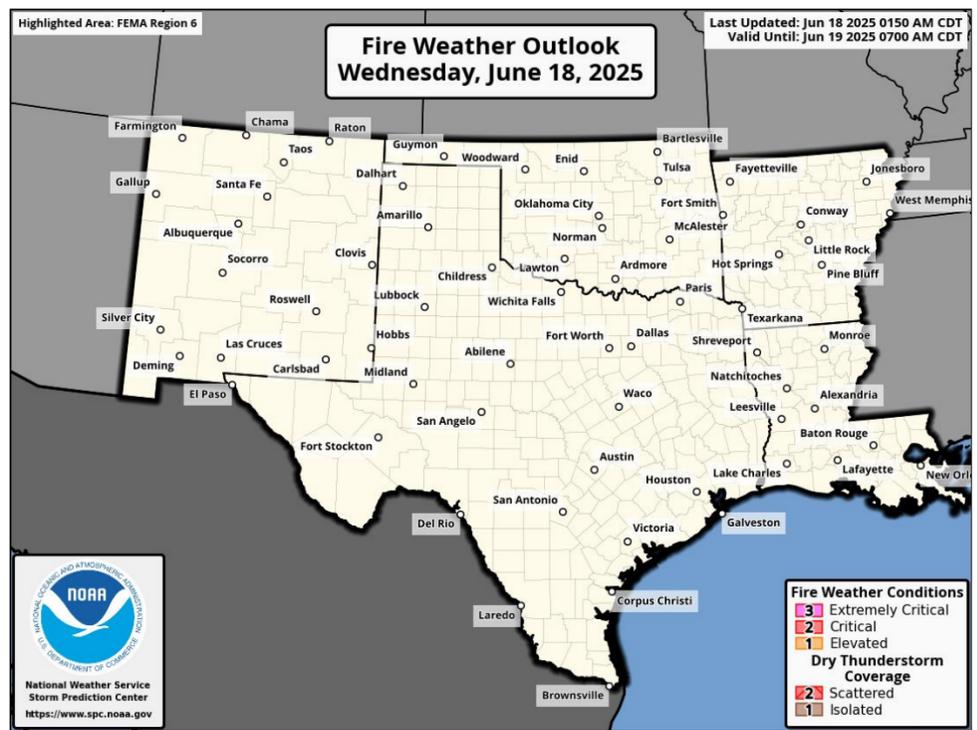
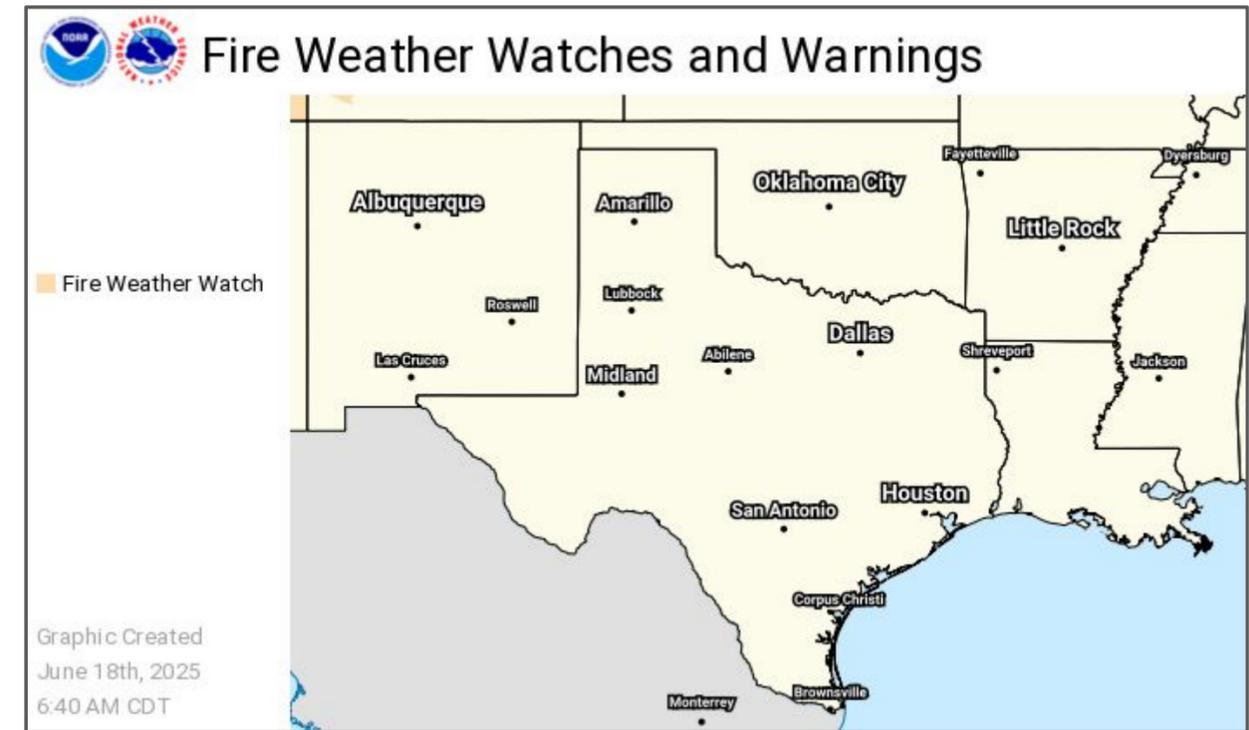


Today's Tornado & Severe Wind / Hail Probabilities





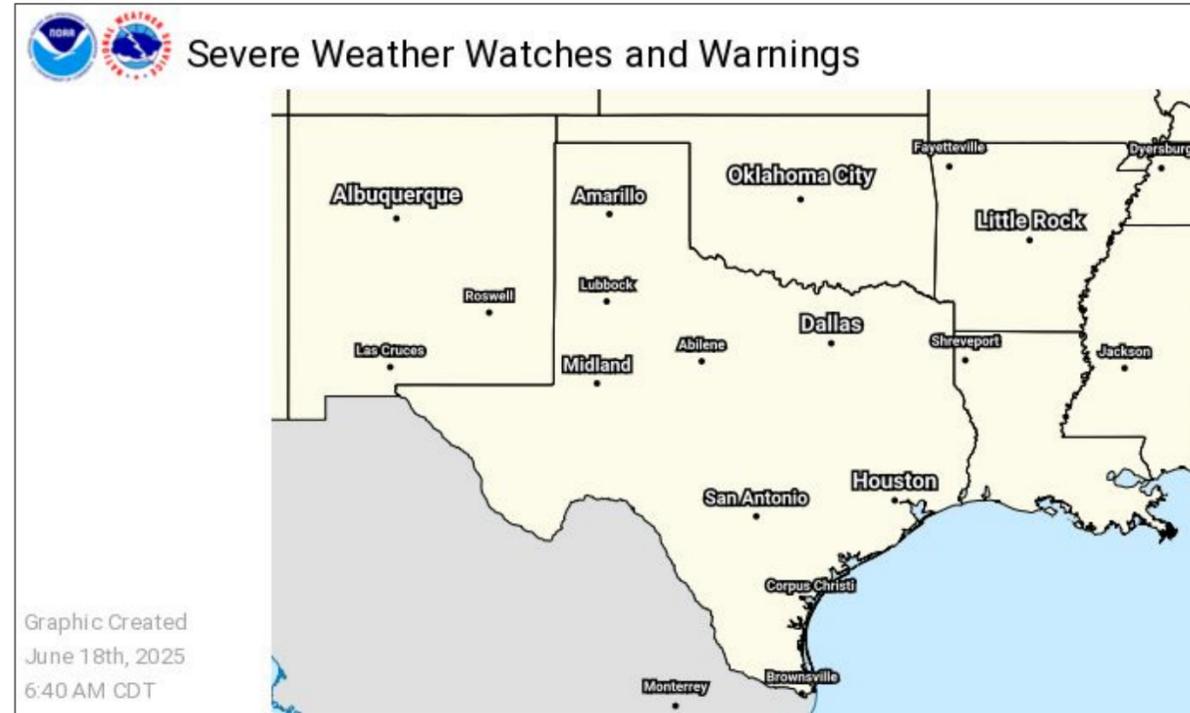
Fire Weather Outlooks





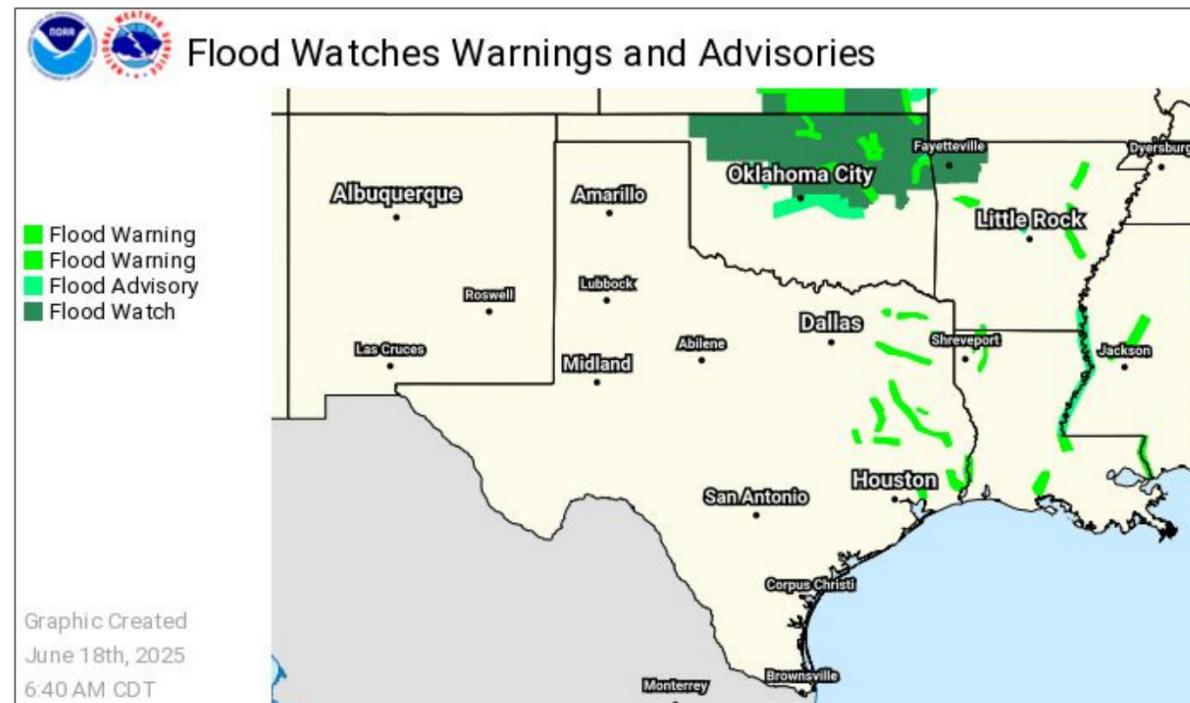
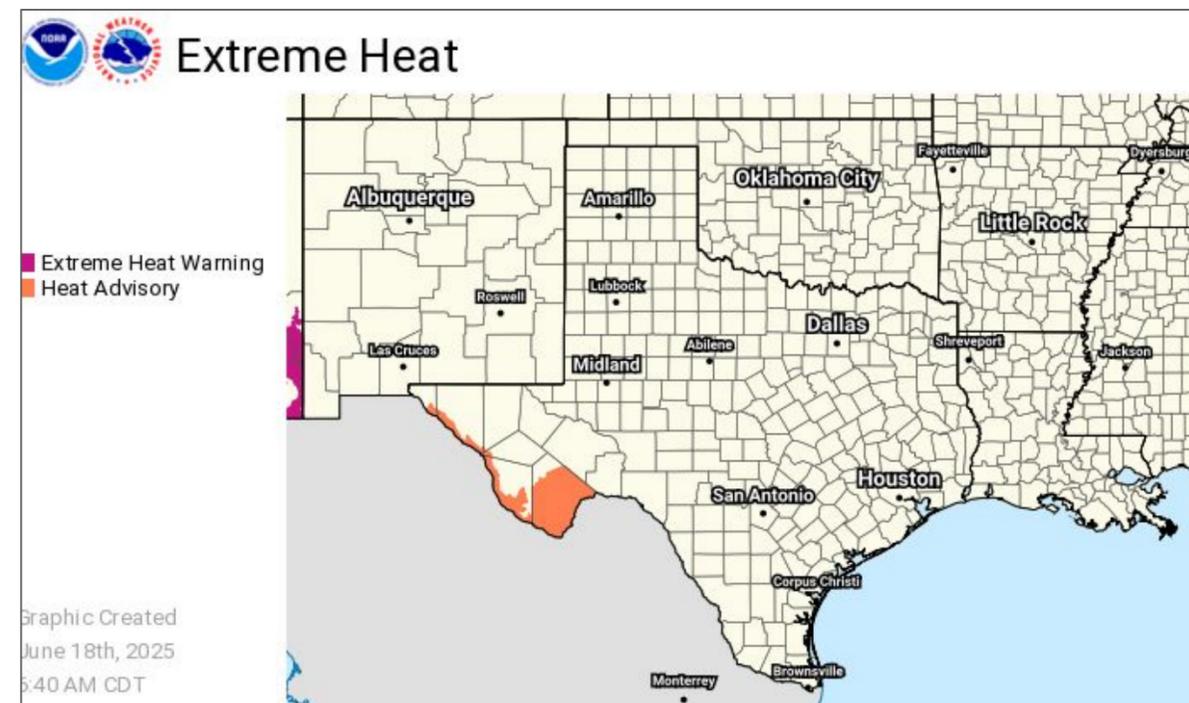
Watches, Warnings, and Advisories

Wind, Severe, Heat, and Flood Hazards



Heat Advisories in SW TX today.

Flood watch over N OK and NW AR through 1pm.

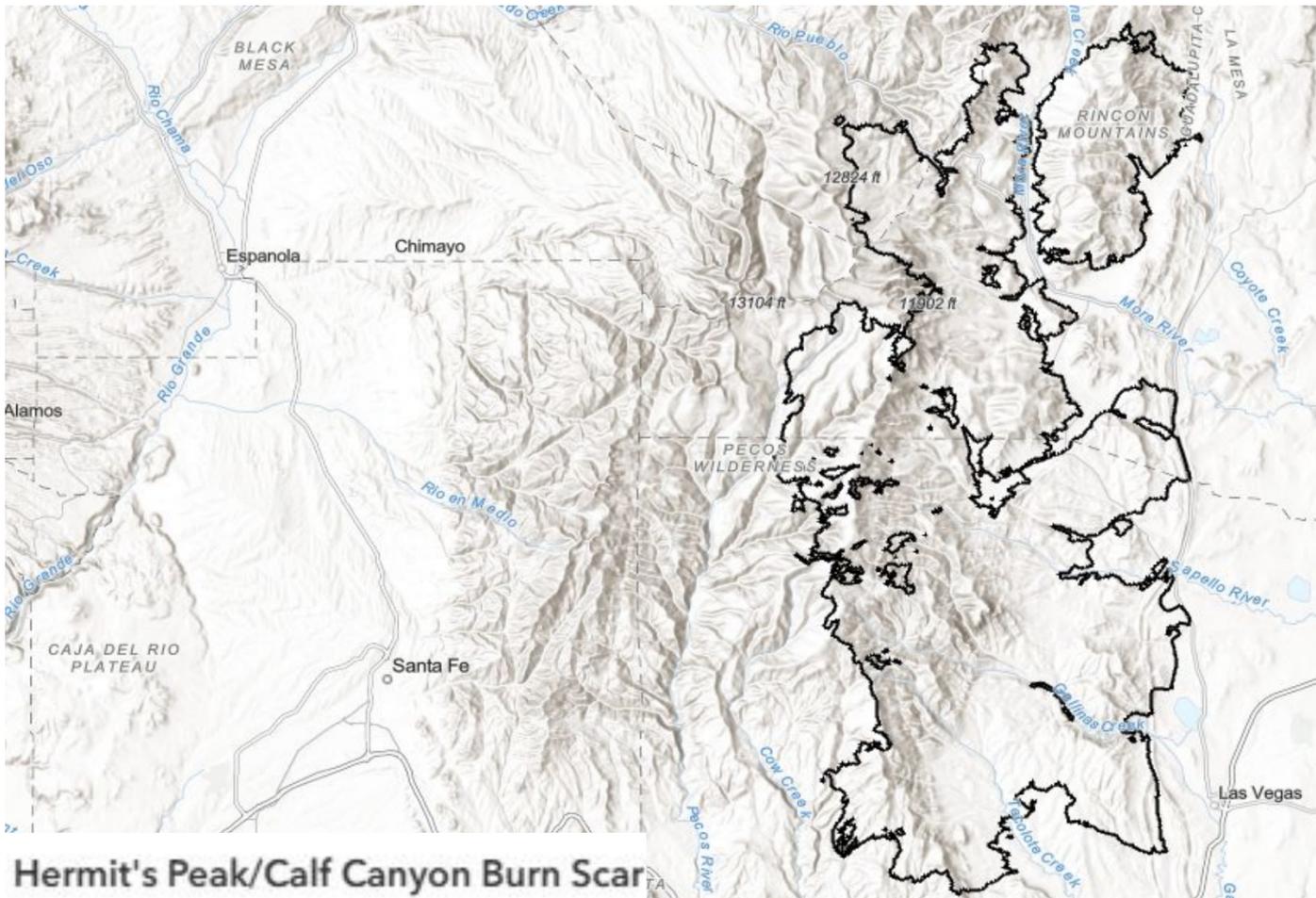




Burn Scar Debris Flow Risk - HPCC Scars New Mexico

Hermit's Peak/Calf Canyon Burn Scar

	Tuesday, Jun 17	Wednesday, Jun 18	Thursday, Jun 19	Friday, Jun 20
Flash Flooding				



Hermit's Peak/Calf Canyon Burn Scar

Little to None	No Flash Flood Threat
Minor	Slight Risk of Flash Flooding
Moderate	Probability of Flash Flooding Issuance 40% to 60%
Major	Flood Watch Issued OR Debris Flow Probability > 50%
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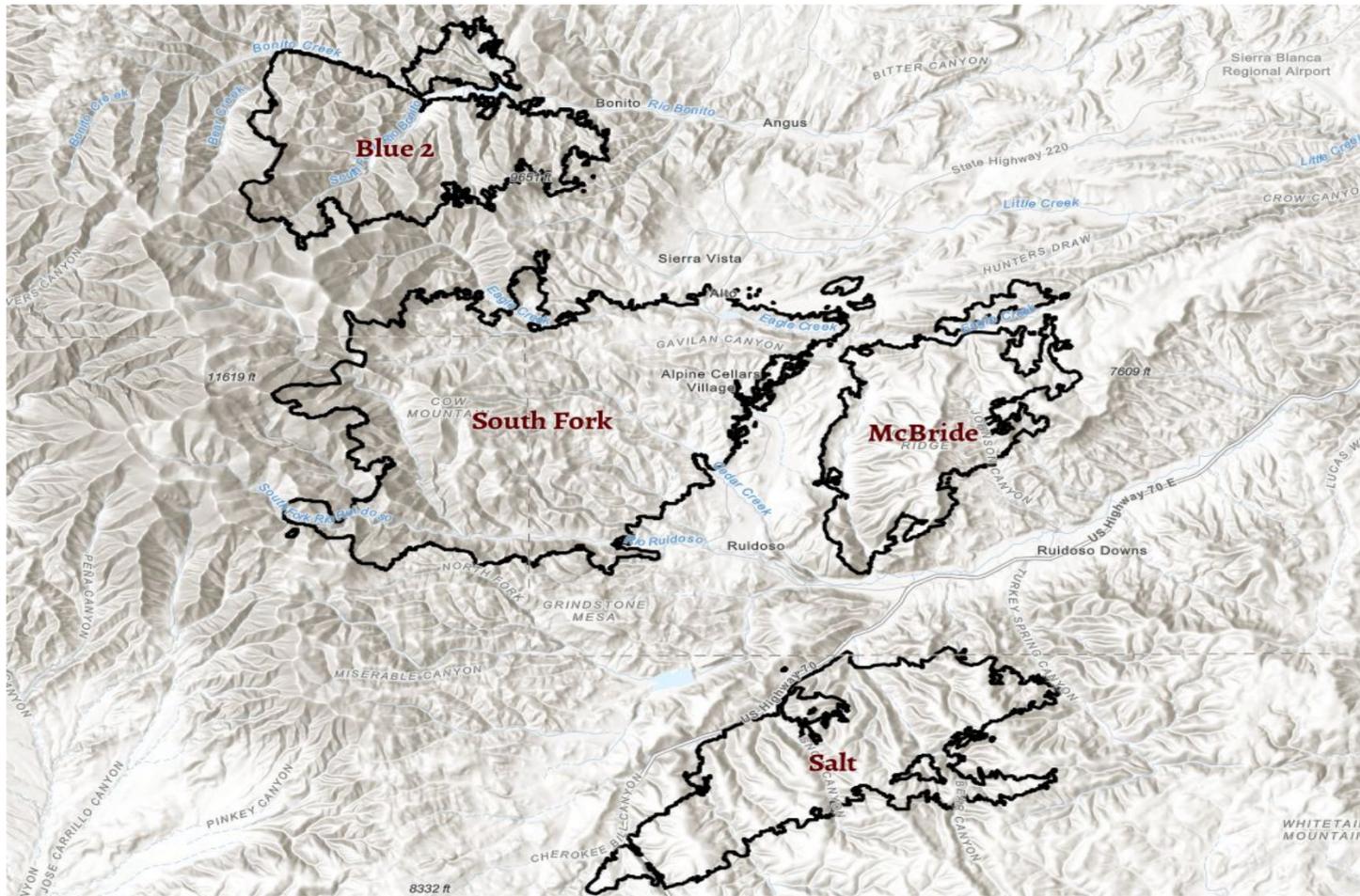




Burn Scar Debris Flow Risk - Ruidoso, New Mexico

Sacramento Complex

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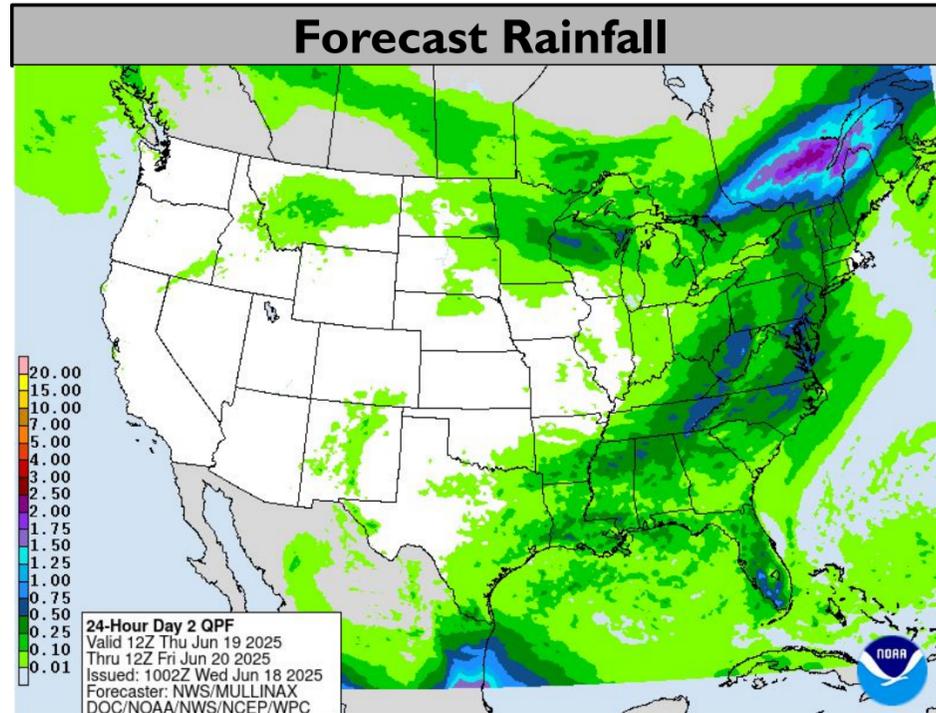
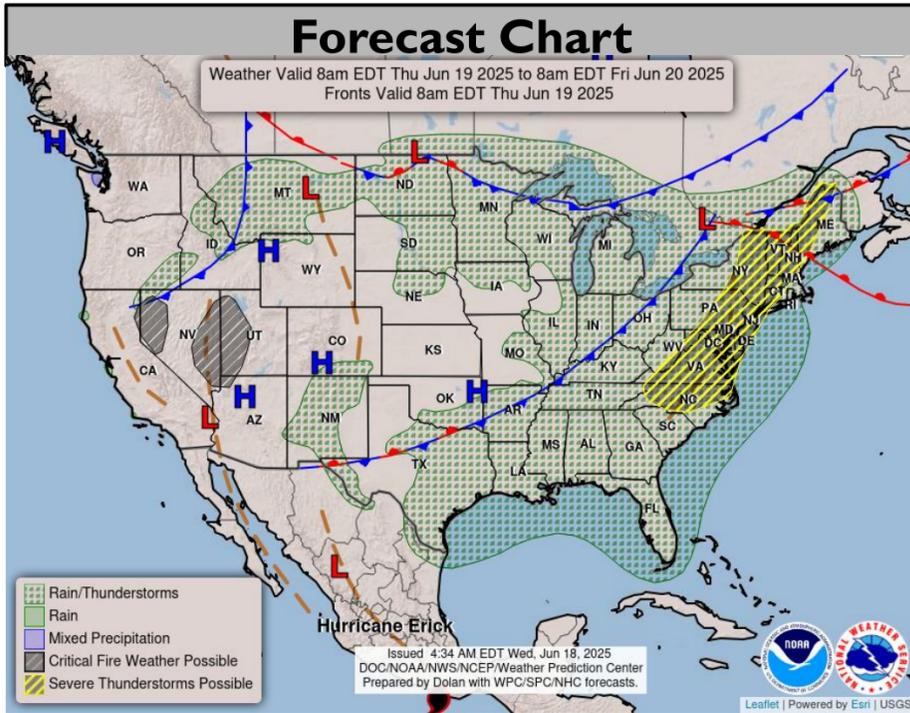


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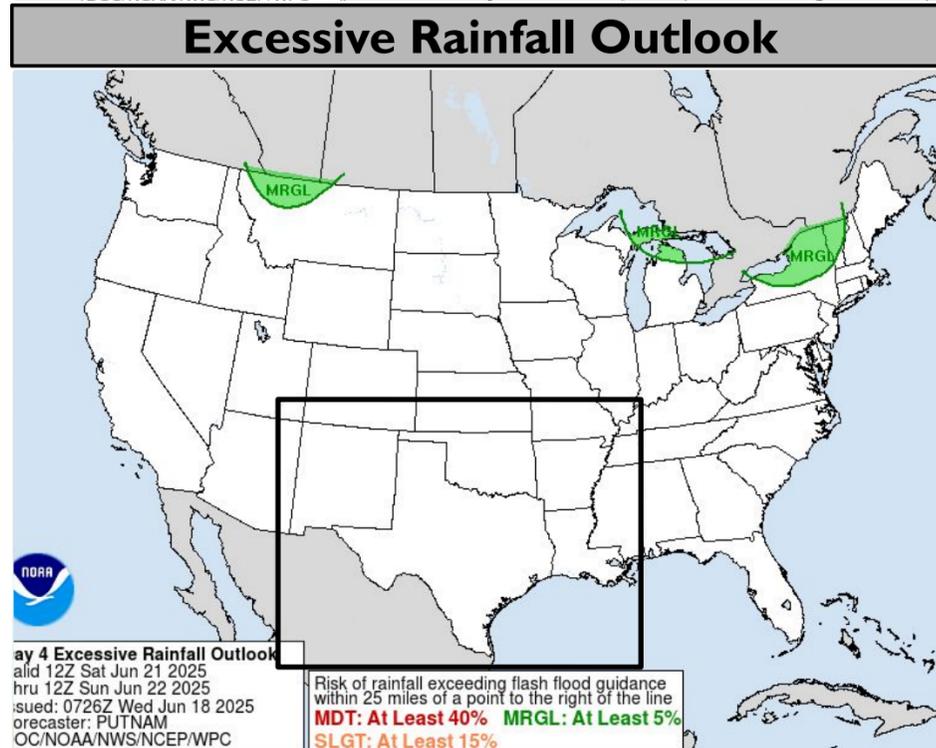
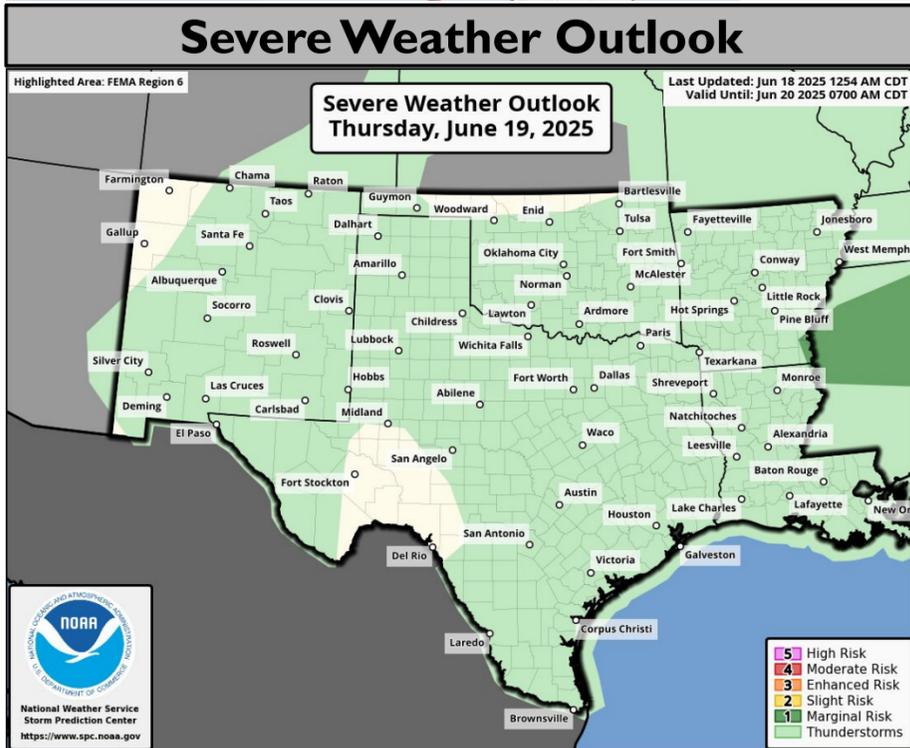




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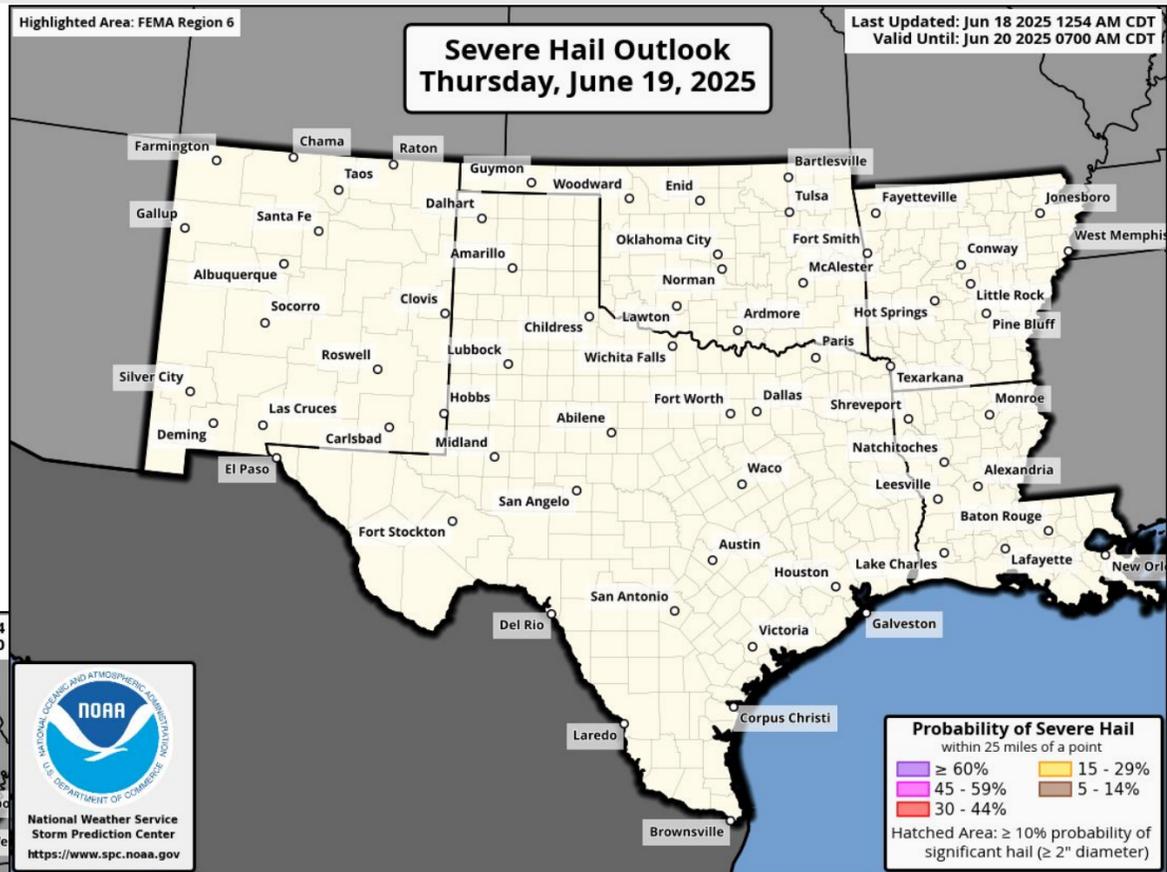
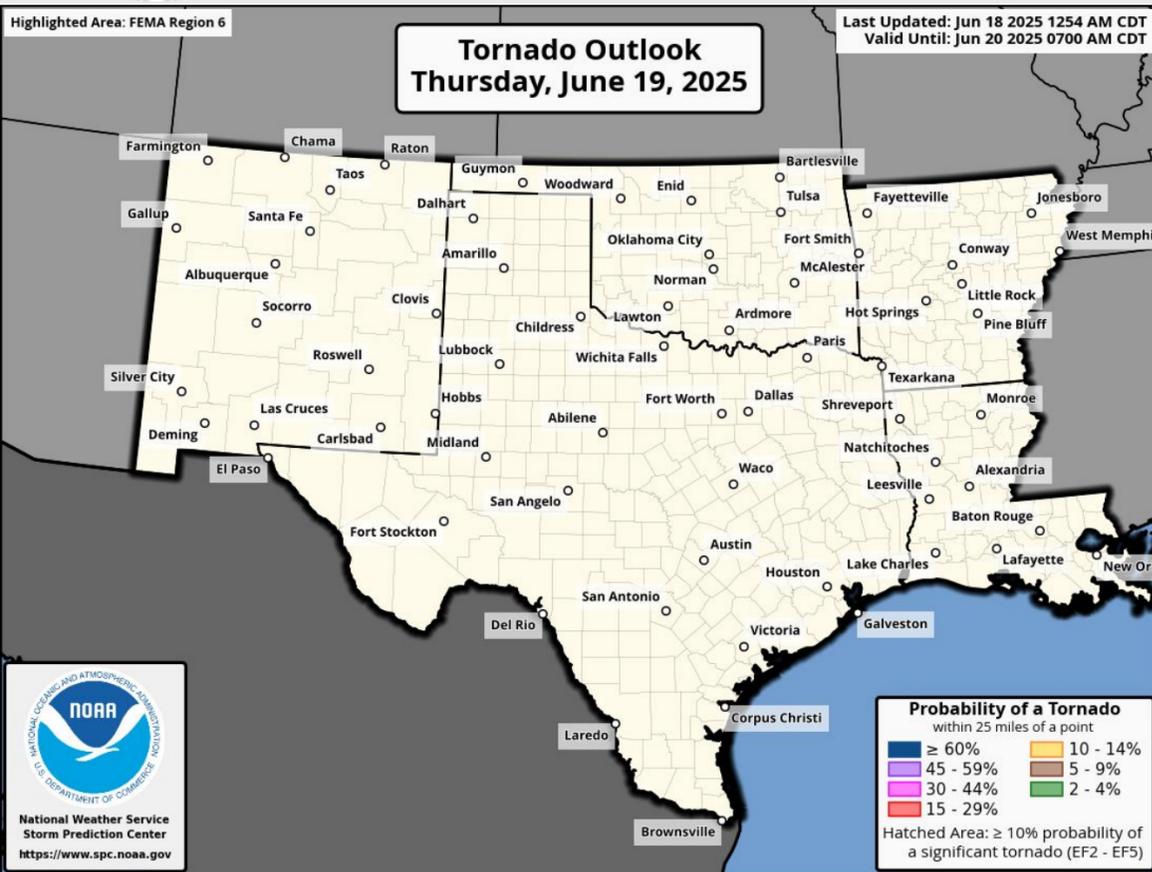


No significant impacts





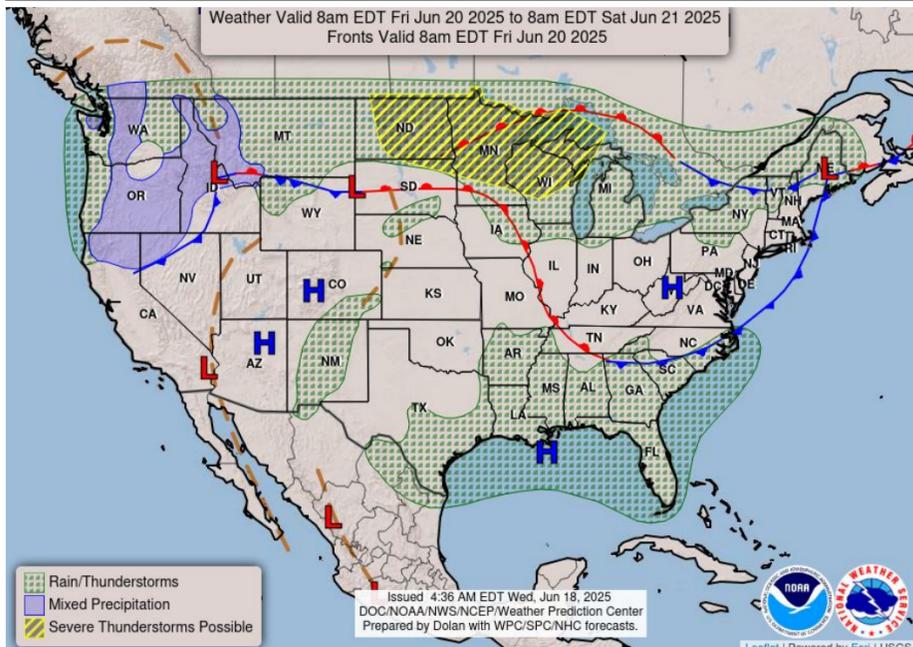
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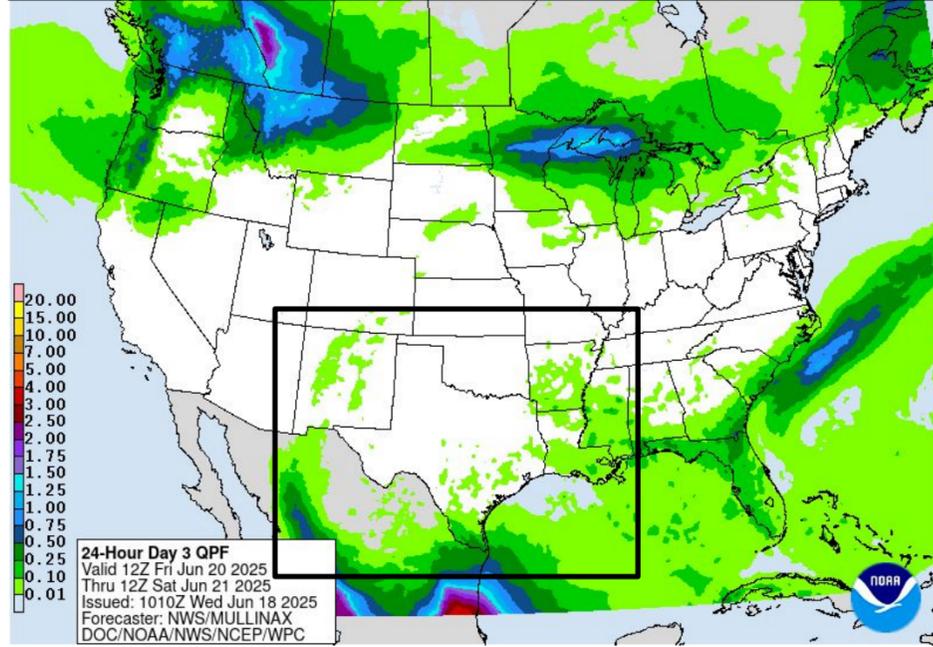


Friday's Weather

Forecast Chart

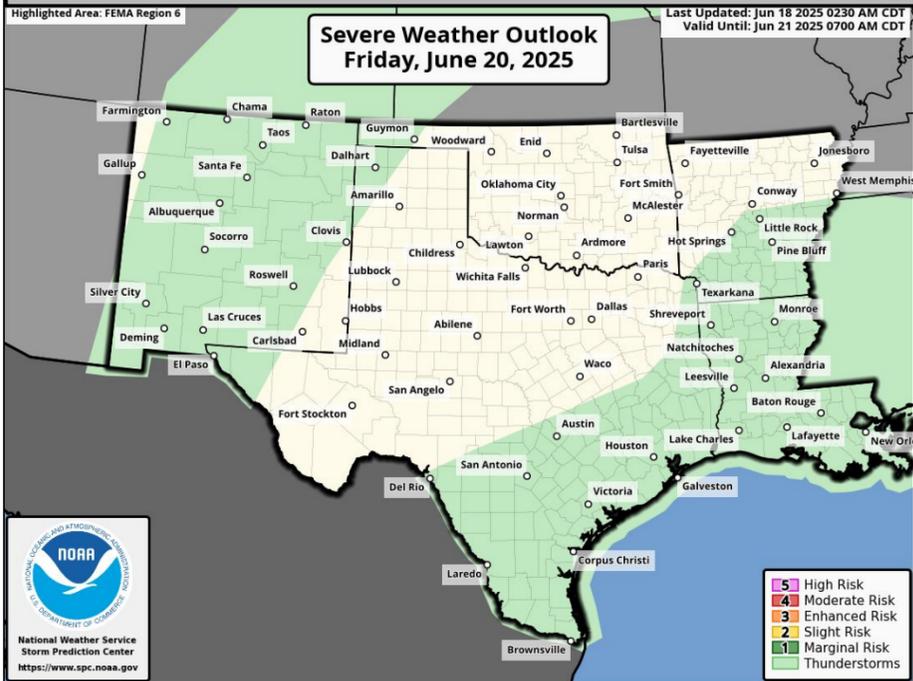


Forecast Rainfall

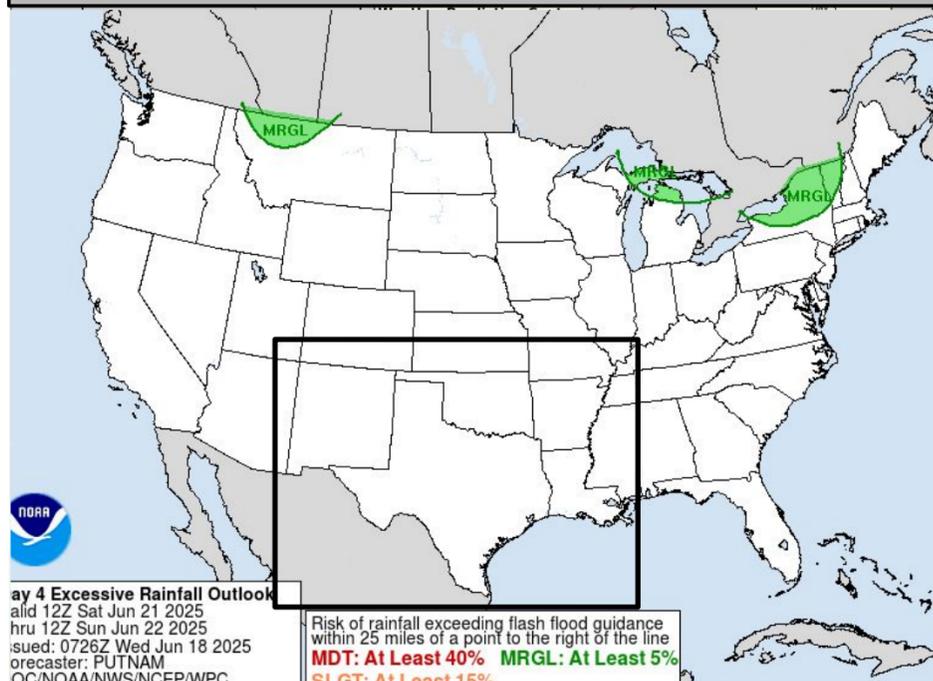


Elevated fire weather (level 1 of 3) in NW NM.

Severe Weather Outlook



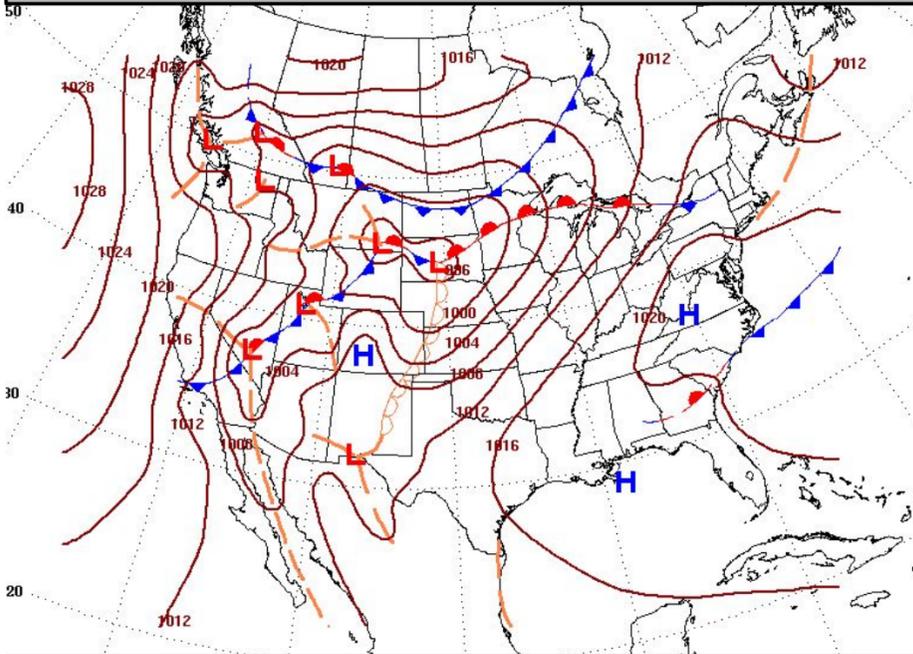
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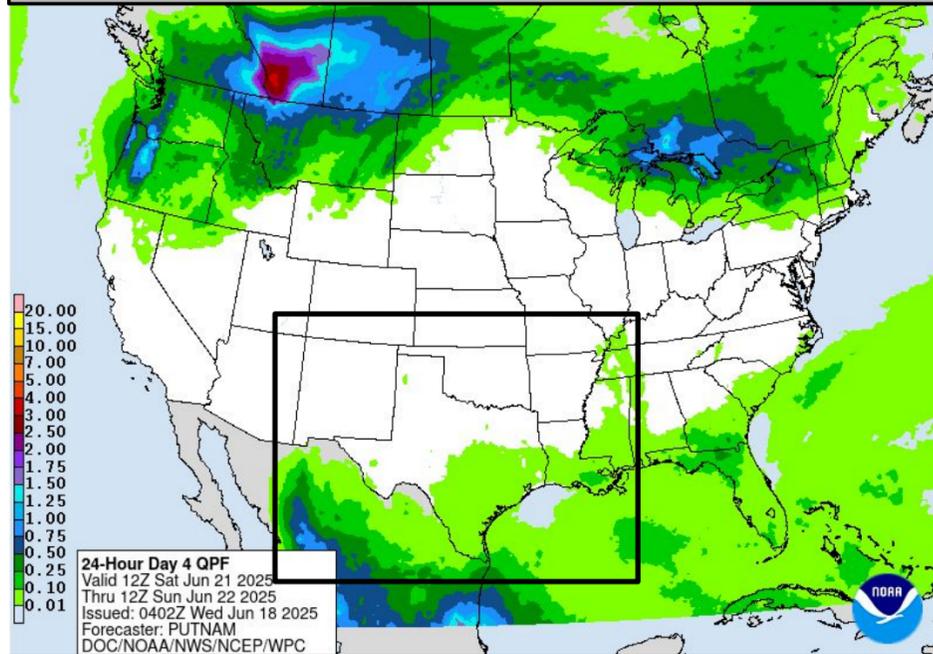


Saturday's Weather

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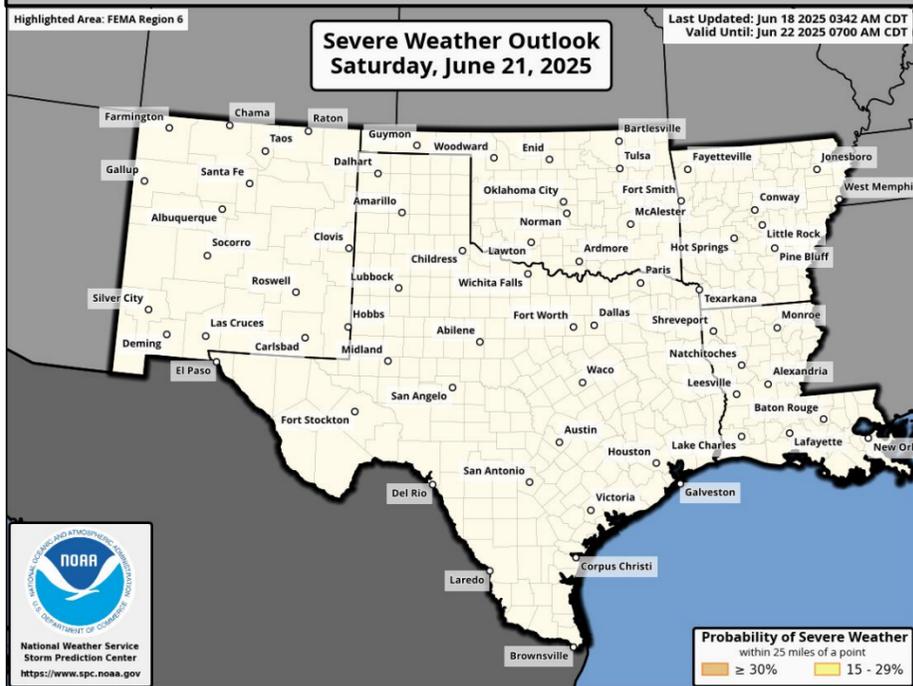


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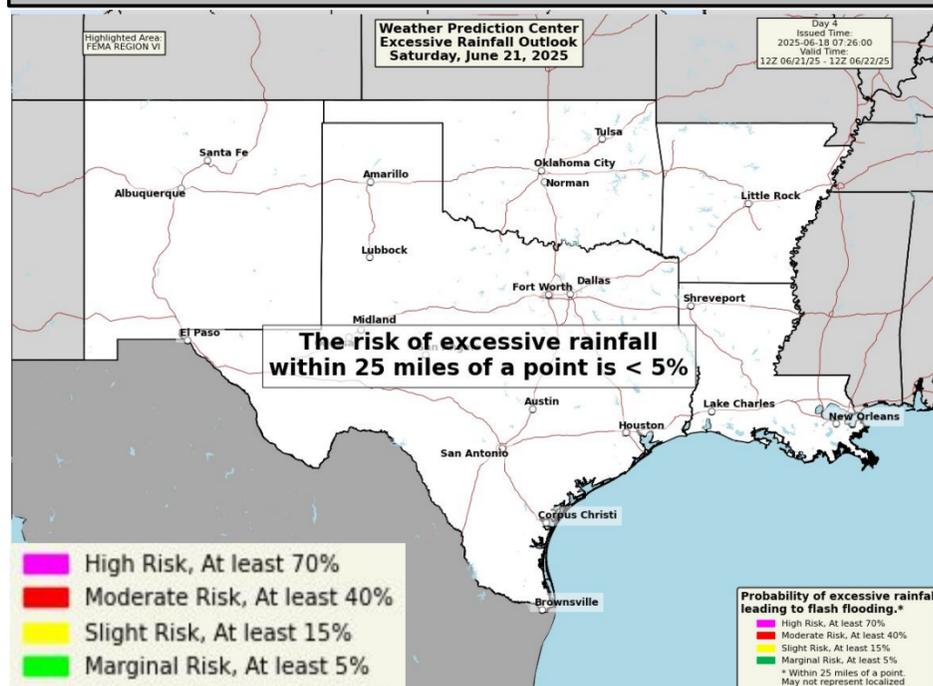


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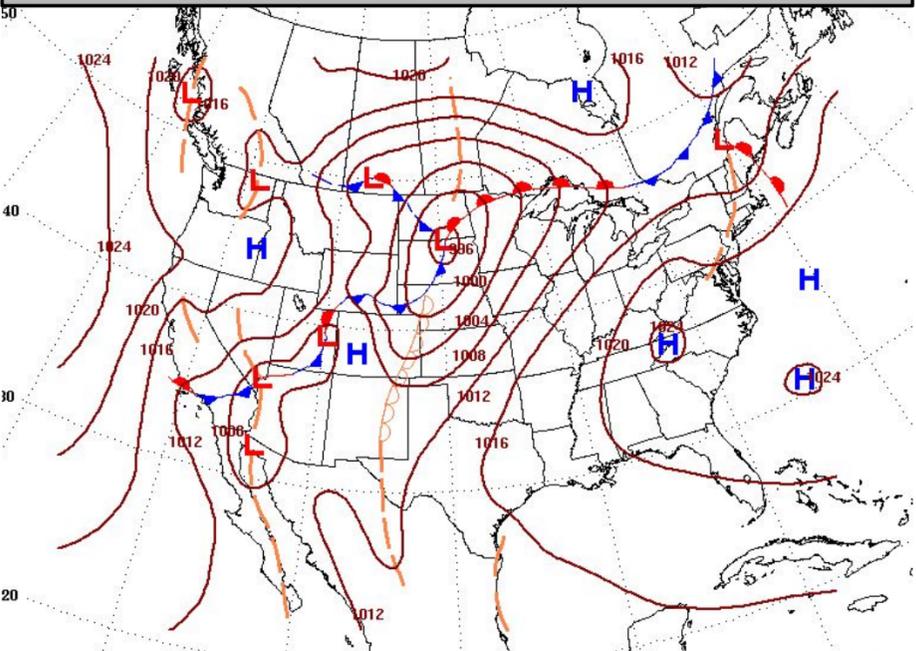
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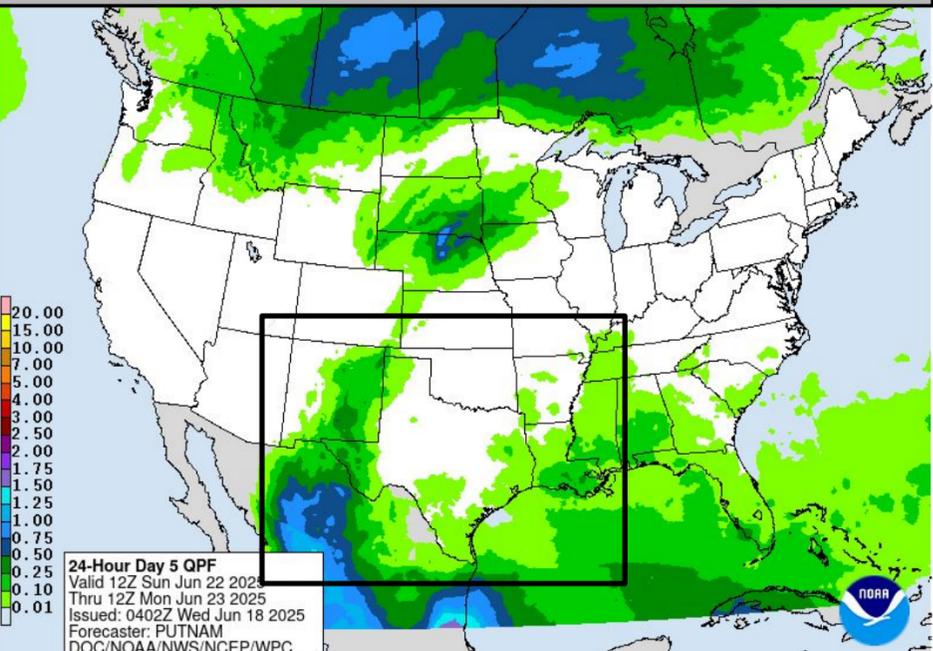


Sunday's Weather

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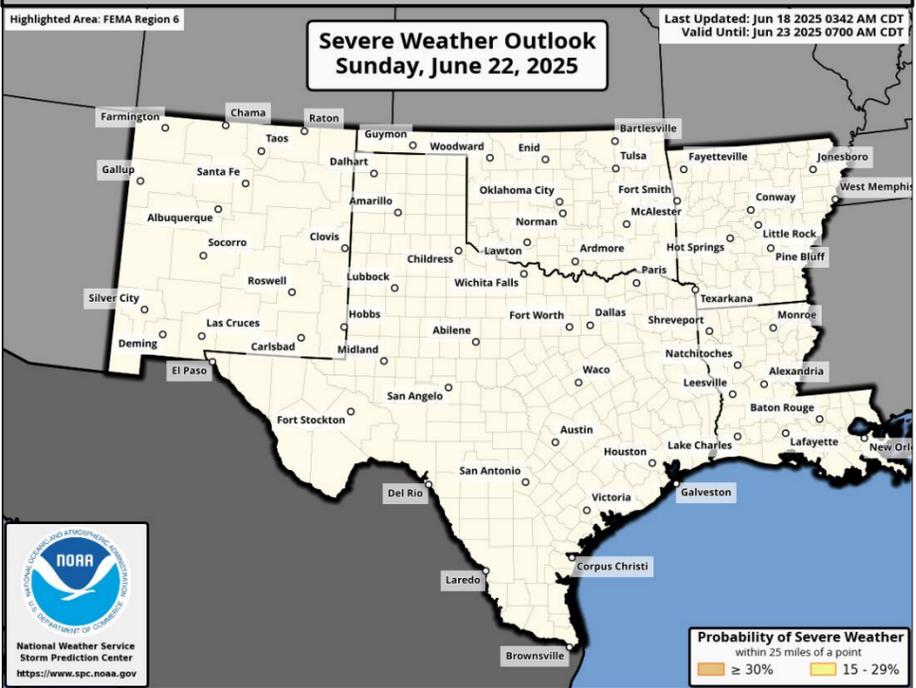


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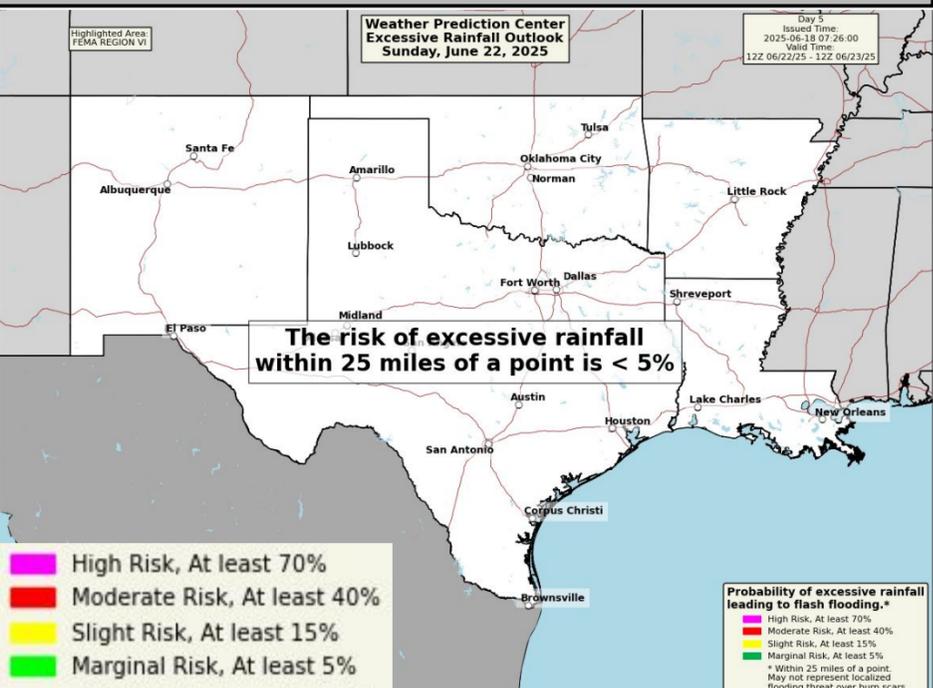


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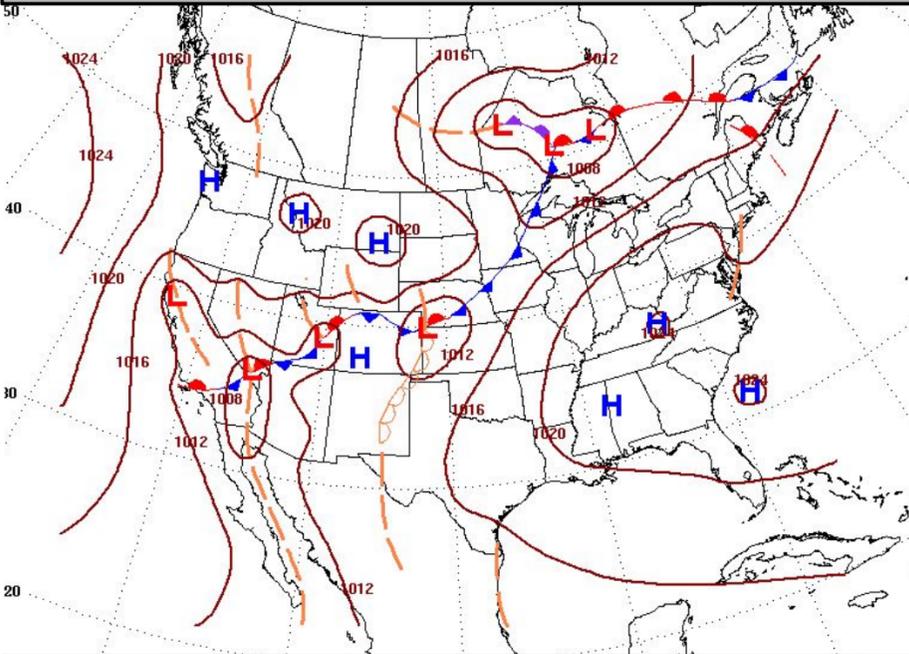
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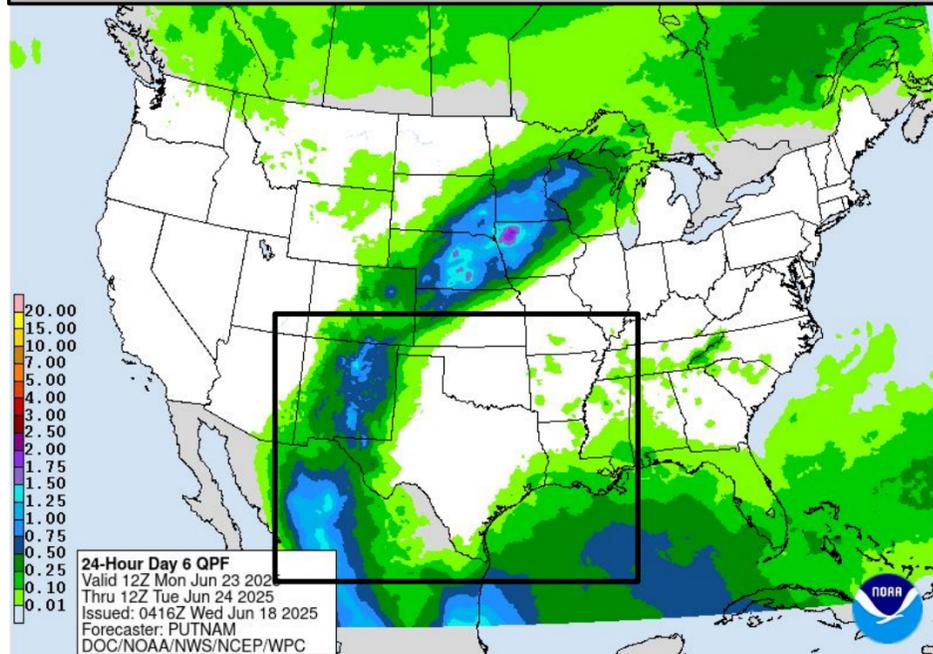


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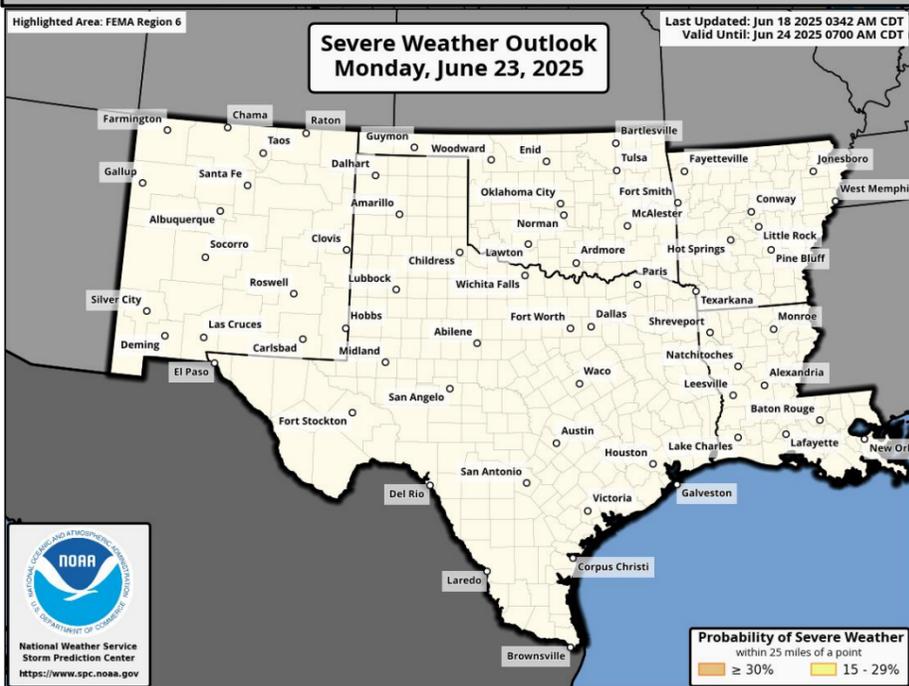


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Severe Weather Outlook

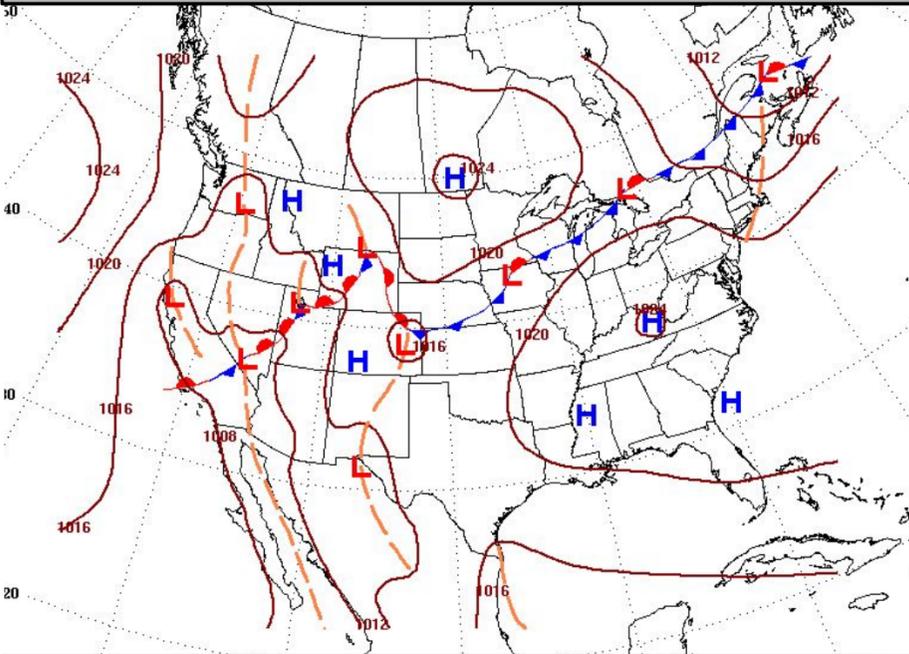


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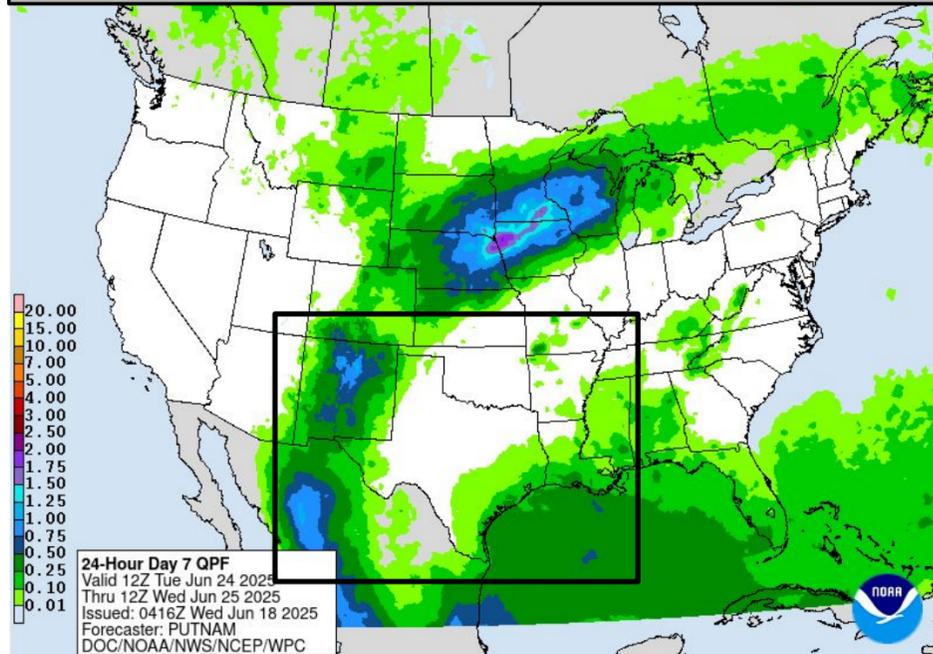


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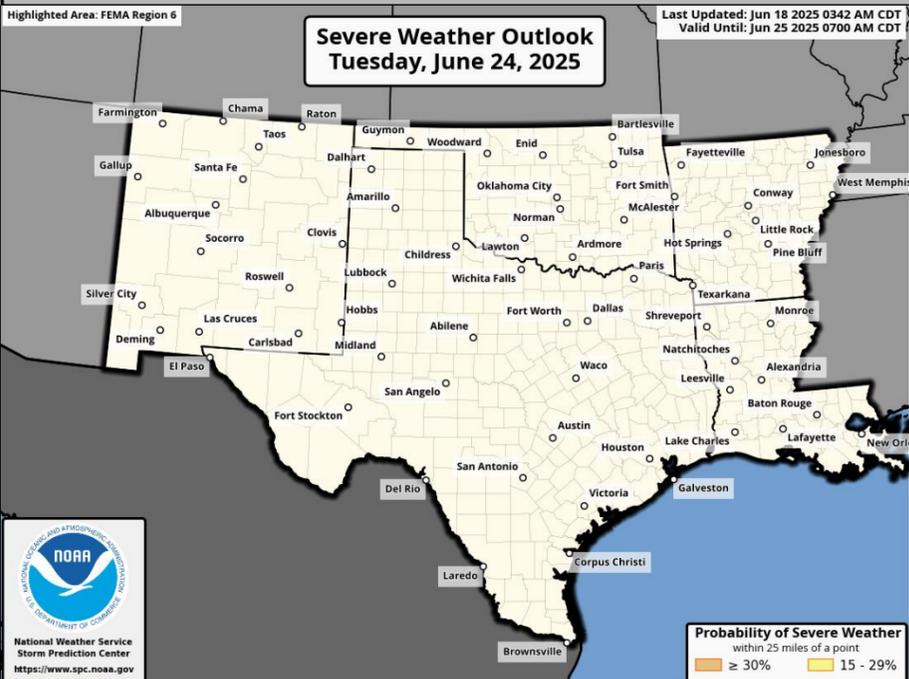


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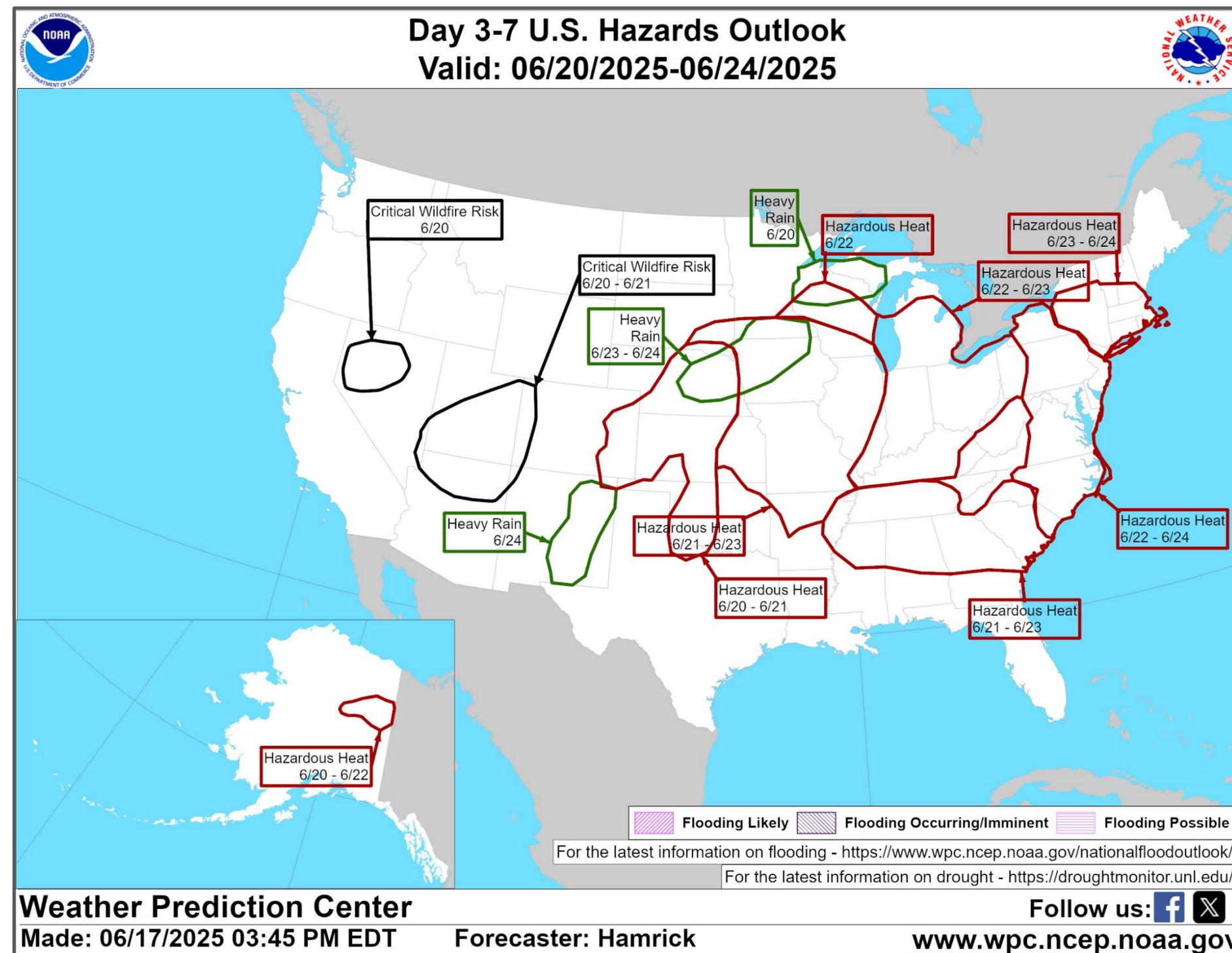
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“Day 3-7” Hazards Outlook



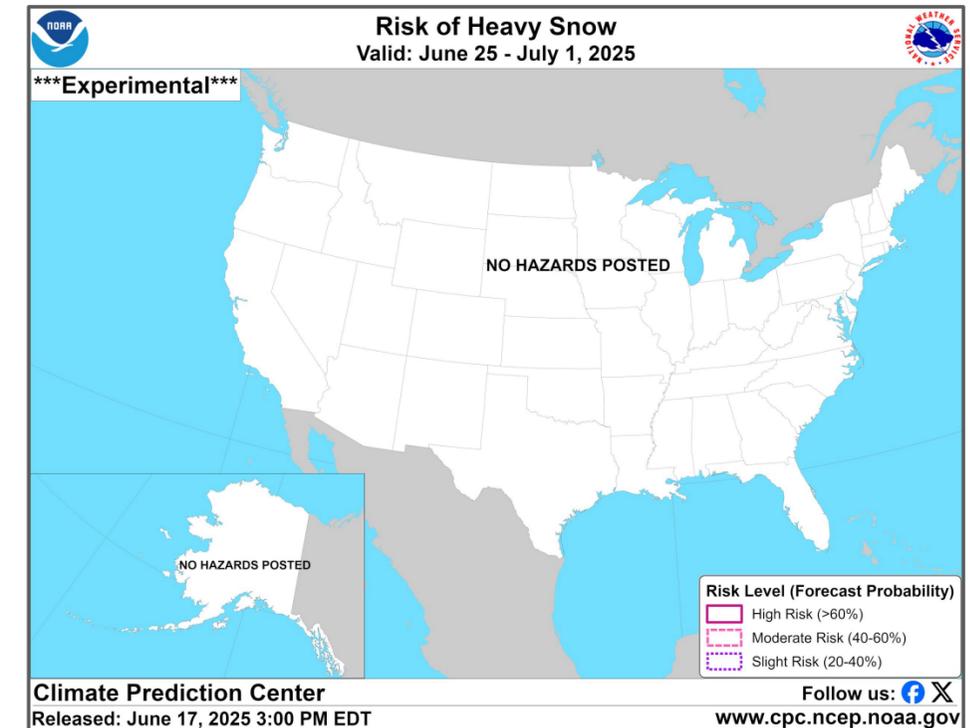
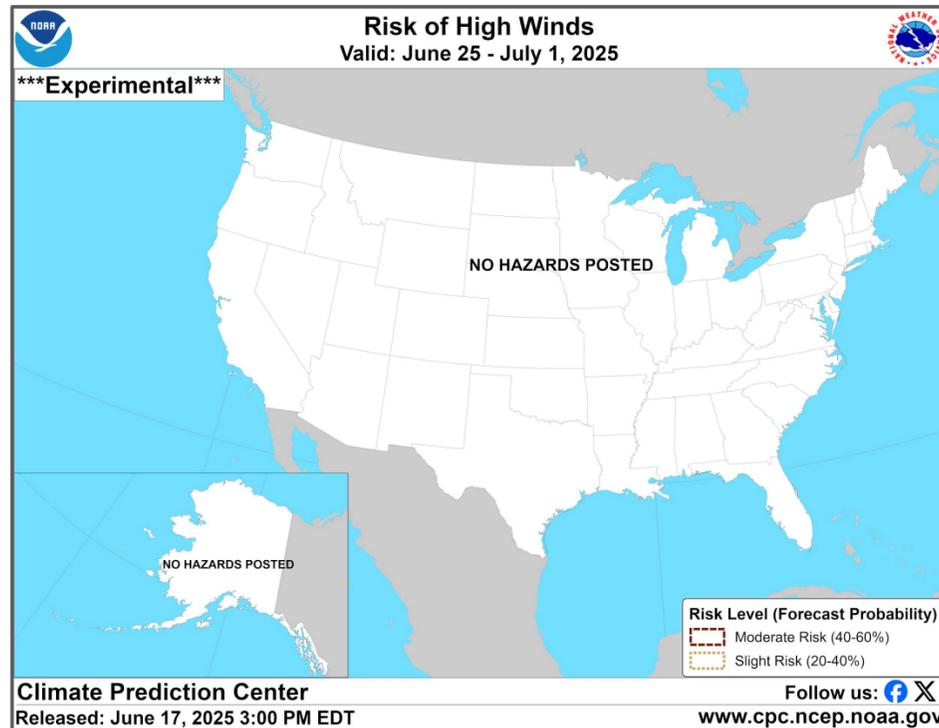
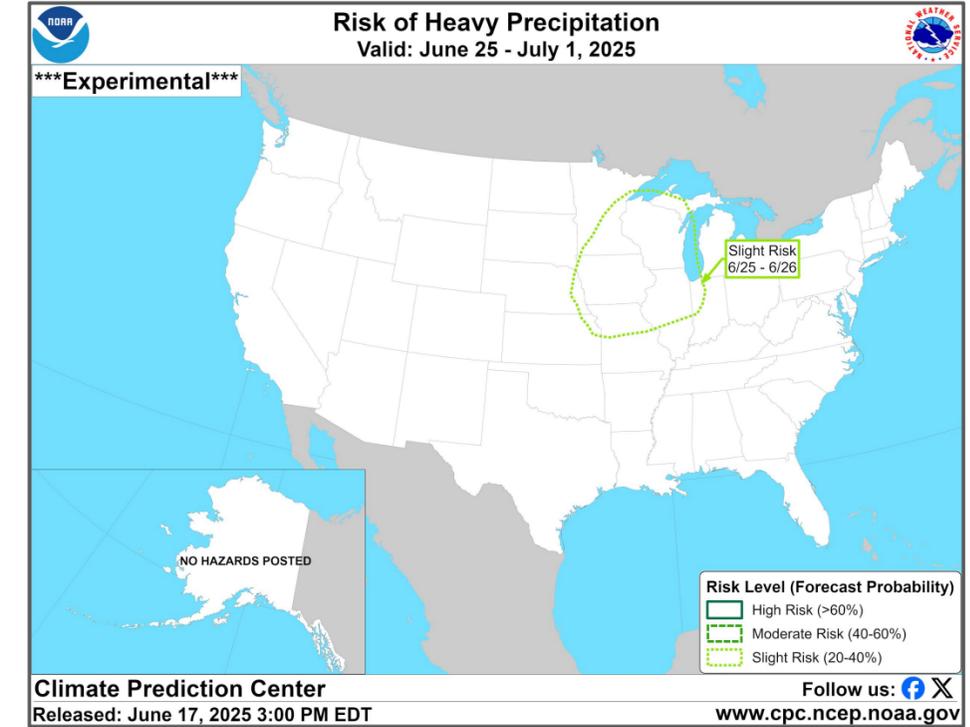
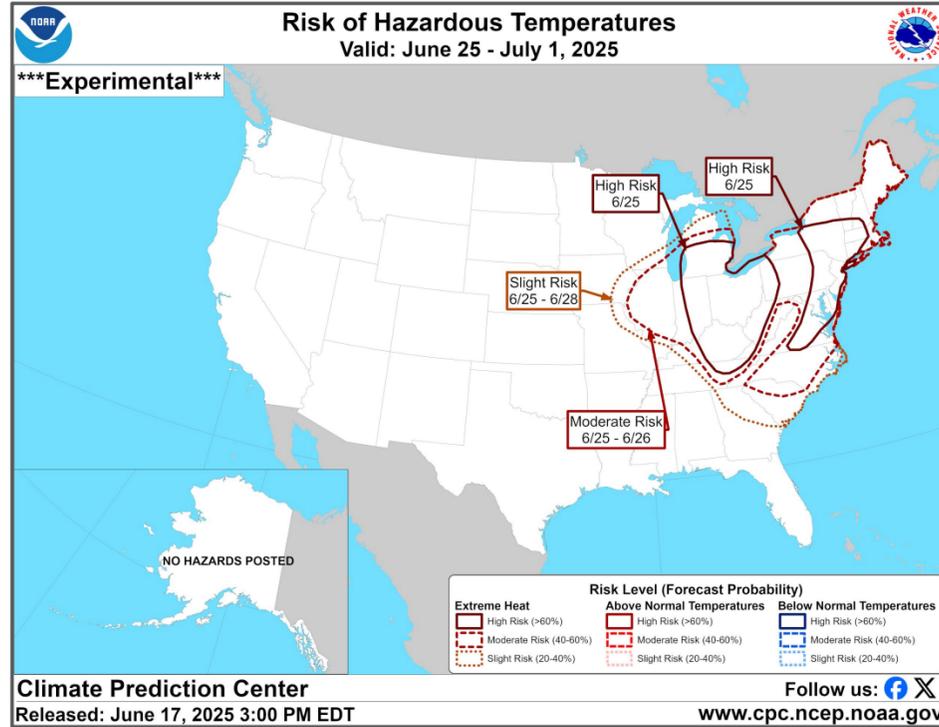
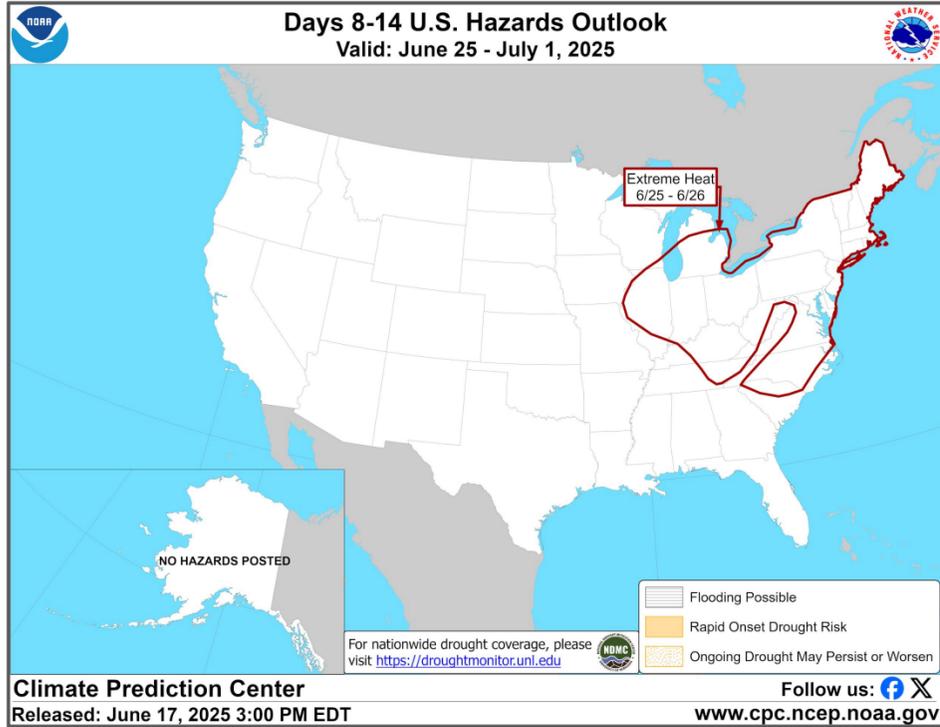
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2. This slide will be hidden on Mondays and Sundays so the data/information is not too old

For additional information on this outlook go to <https://www.wpc.ncep.noaa.gov/threats/threats.php>



“Day 8-14” Hazards Outlook



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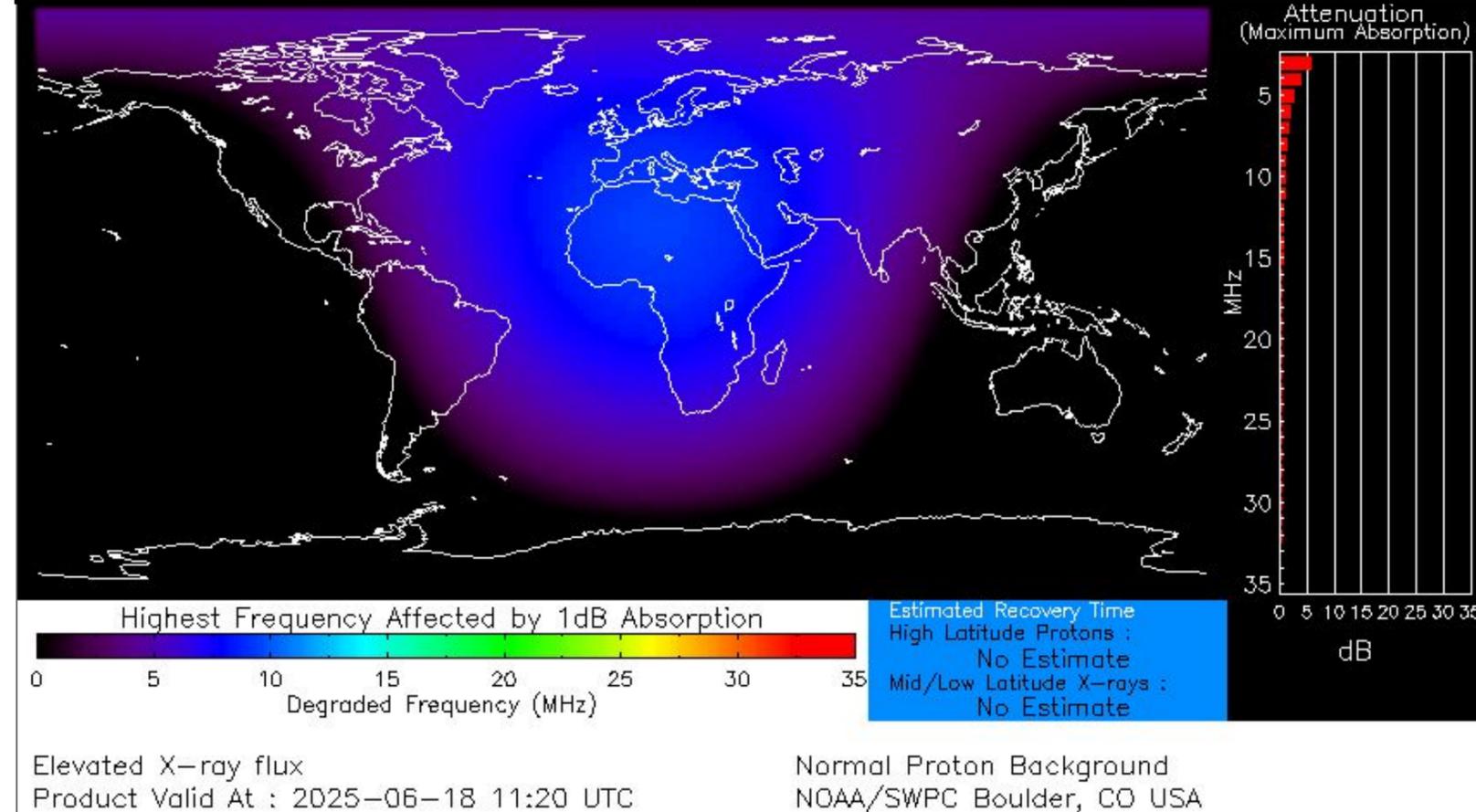
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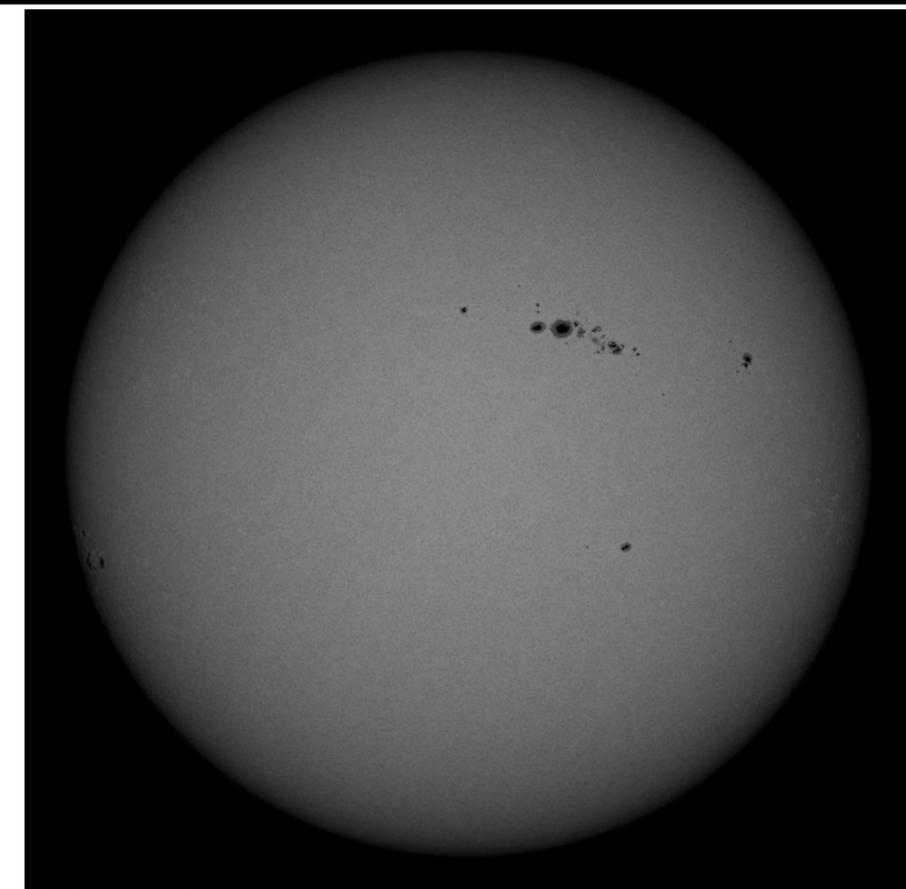
Space Weather 3-Day Forecast

	Wednesday, Jun 18	Thursday, Jun 19	Friday, Jun 20
Geomagnetic Storms	Active (Max Kp = 4)	Minor Storm (G1) (Max Kp = 5)	Active (Max Kp = 4)
Solar Radiation Storm (S1-S5)	10%	10%	10%
Radio Blackout (R1-R2)	75%	75%	75%
Radio Blackout (R3-R5)	25%	25%	25%



[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>	<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 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>	<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;">Moderate</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;">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>	<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;">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>	<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



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