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# FEMA Region 6 Weather Threat Briefing

## Sunday, July 27, 2025

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# Summary

- **Heat:** Eastern portions of FEMA 6 will be experiencing dangerous heat through the week, with the highest risk for heat-related impacts in N/E AR and NE LA. Heat eases by the end of the week.
- **Flash Flooding:**
  - Burn Scar flash flooding ramps up in NM Monday into Tuesday.
  - Marginal risk (level 1 of 4) for flash flooding for NM/Far W TX through most of the week. Slight risk (level 2 of 4) for N OK on Thursday. Precip in S LA starting Tuesday has a marginal risk, but may rise to slight.
- **Tropical:** No tropical impacts expected in FEMA 6 over the next 7 days.





# FEMA Region 6 Threat Matrix

Next 7 days

	Sunday, Jul 27	Monday, Jul 28	Tuesday, Jul 29	Wednesday, Jul 30	Thursday, Jul 31	Friday, Aug 1	Saturday, Aug 2
Severe Storms							
Heavy Rain / Flash Flooding	NM, Far W TX	NM, Far W TX	NM, Far SE LA	NM, TX/OK Panhandles, LA	N OK	N OK, S LA	S LA
Burn Scars	S NM	NM	NM	N NM			
				S NM			
Tropical							
Heat	OK, NE TX, AR, LA	OK, NE TX, AR, LA	NE AR	E AR, NE LA	SE OK, NE TX, S/E AR, N LA	N LA	
			E OK, E TX, AR, LA	SE OK, NE TX, AR, N LA			
River Flooding							

*\*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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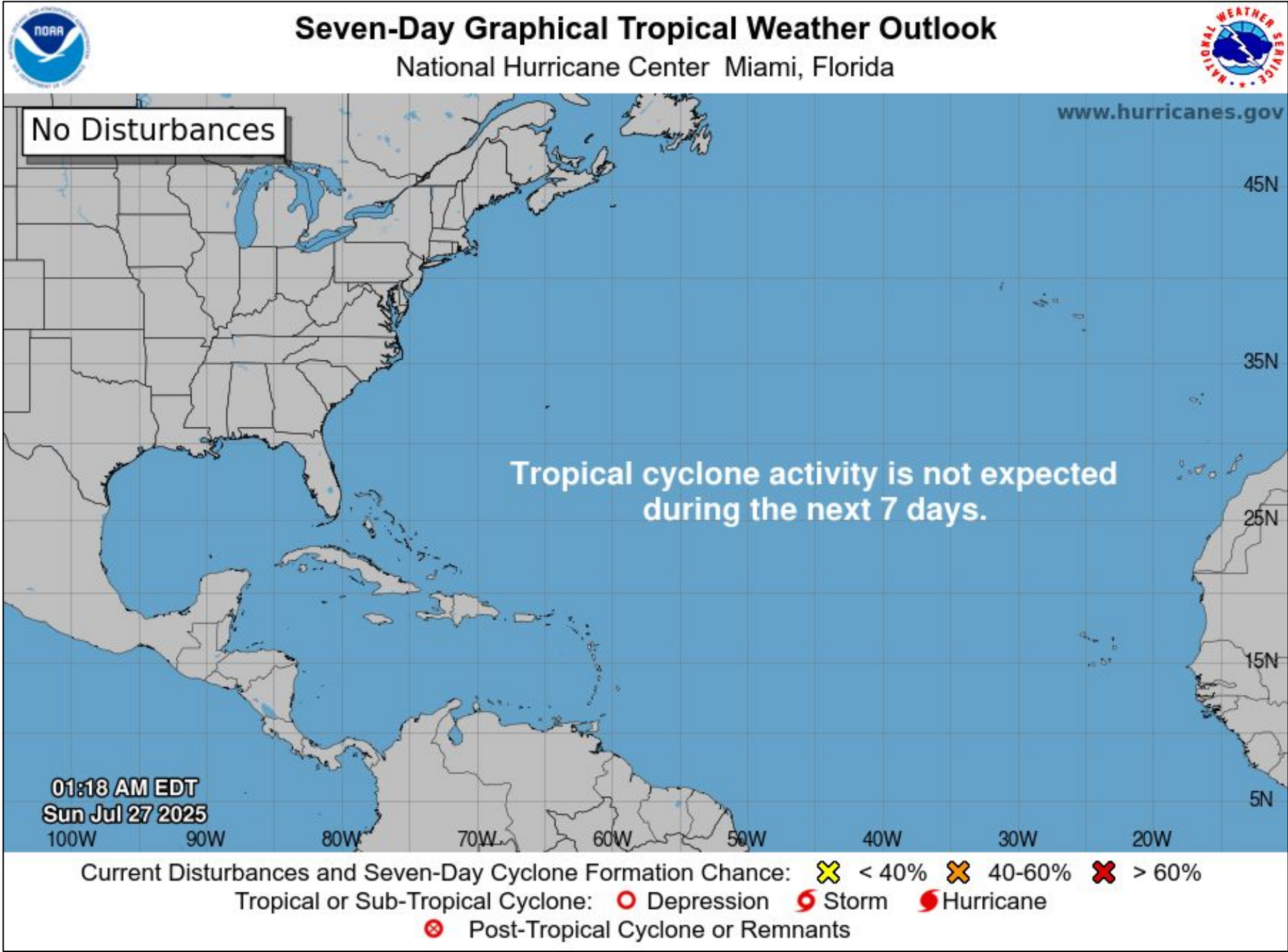
# Tropical Weather Outlook – Atlantic/Gulf

## 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

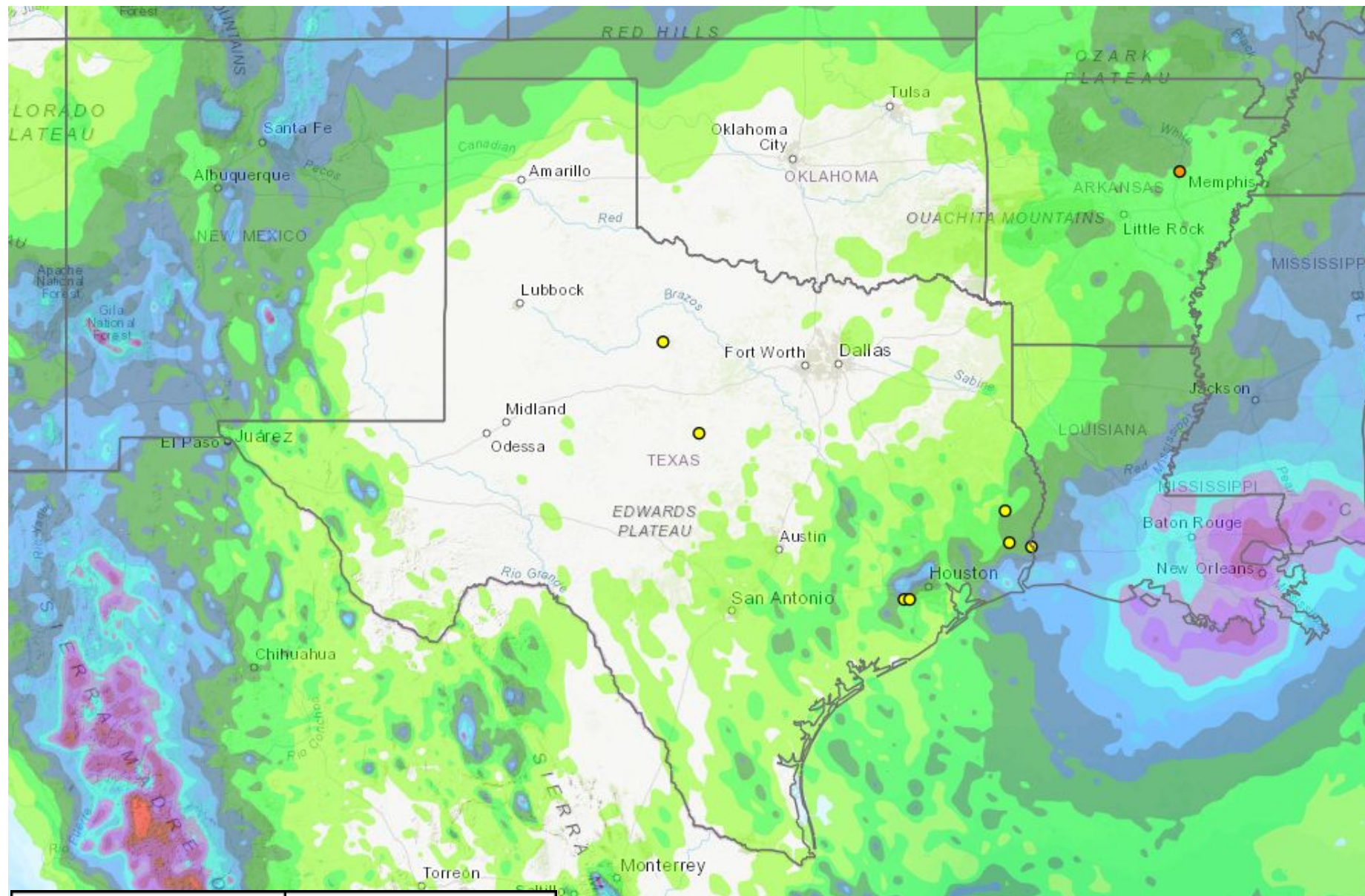






# 5-Day Precipitation Forecast & River Flood Status

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



Observed River Flood Status	Forecast River Flood Status
Major Flooding	Major Flooding
Moderate Flooding	Moderate Flooding
Minor Flooding	Minor Flooding
Near	Near Flood
action	No Flooding

**Isolated minor river flooding in E AR is forecast to recede by Wednesday. Rural secondary crossings, roadways, and croplands will be flooded.**

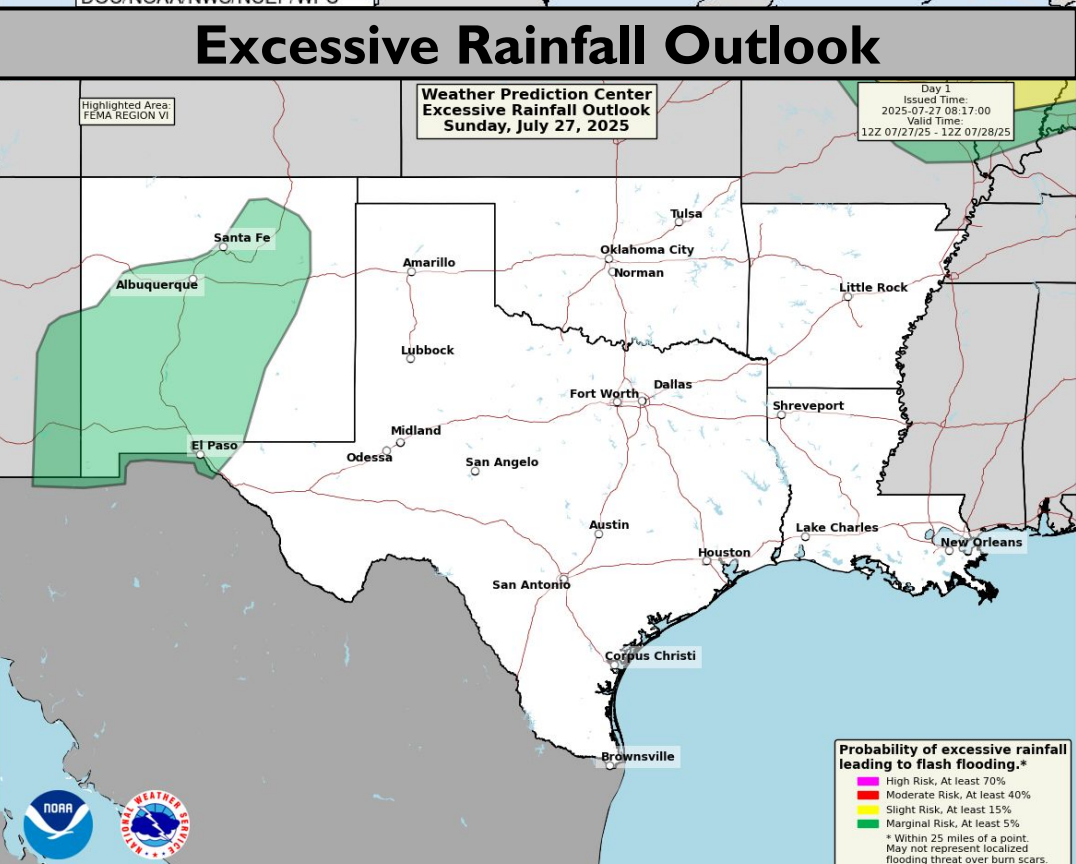
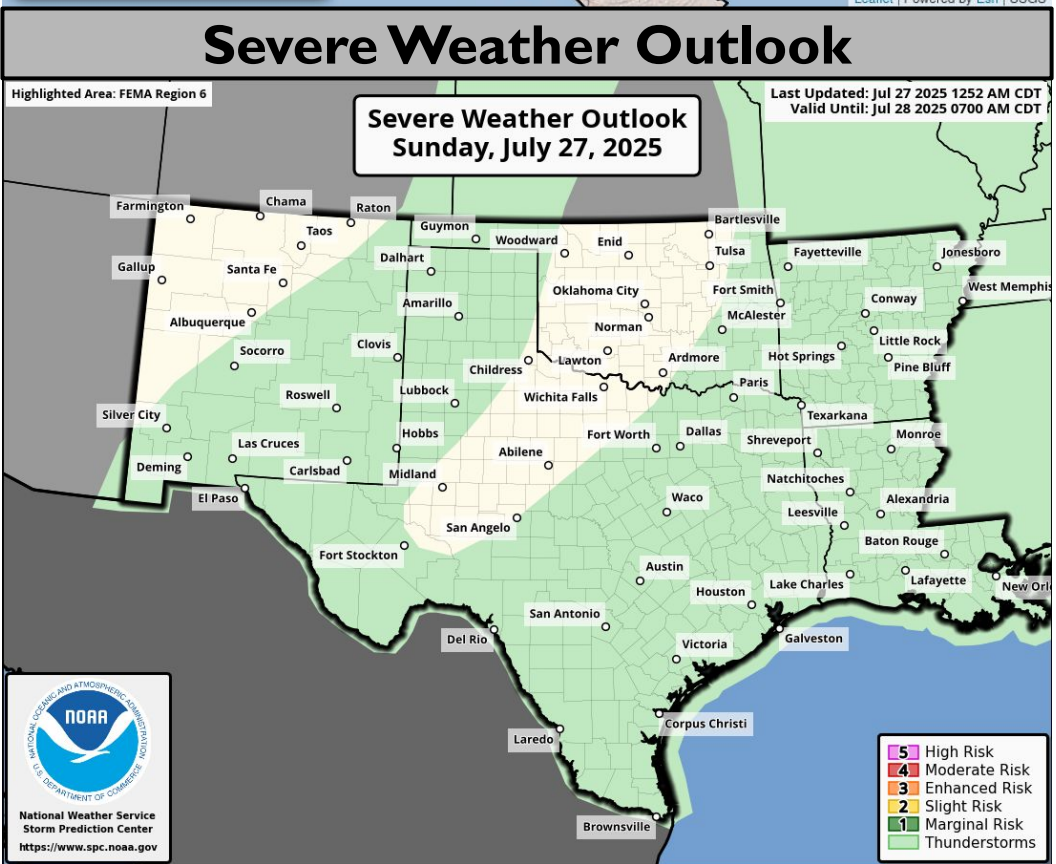
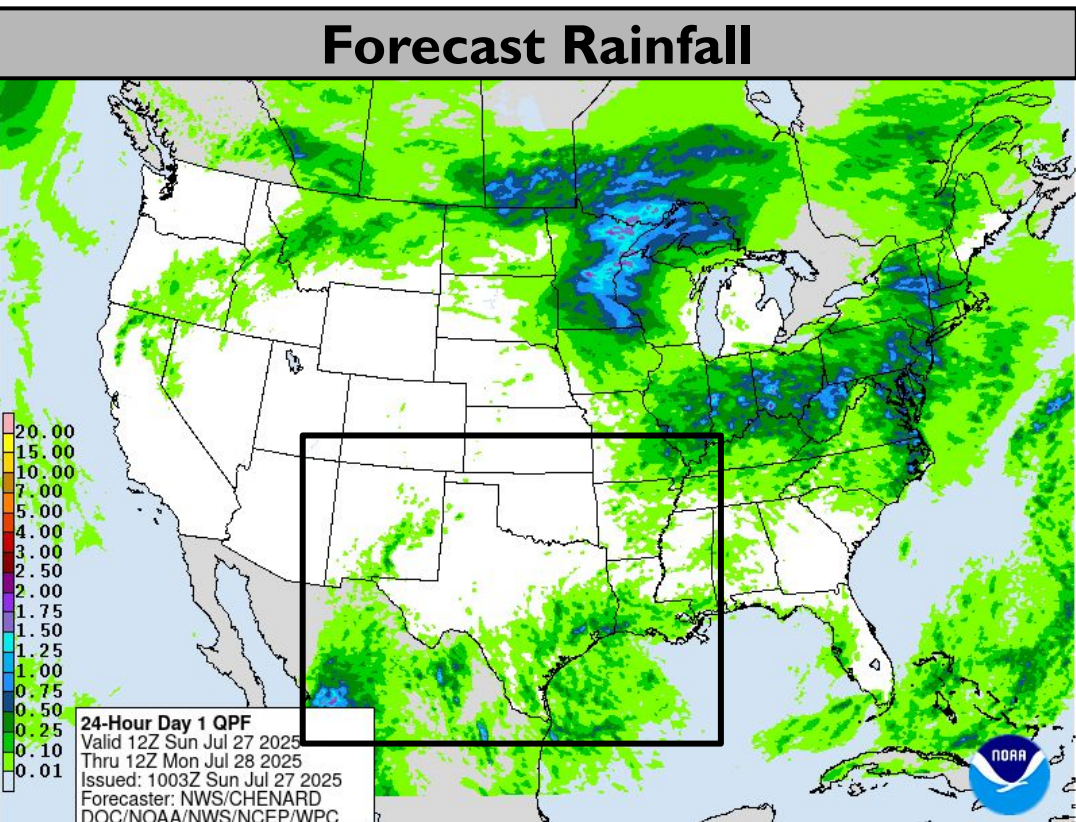
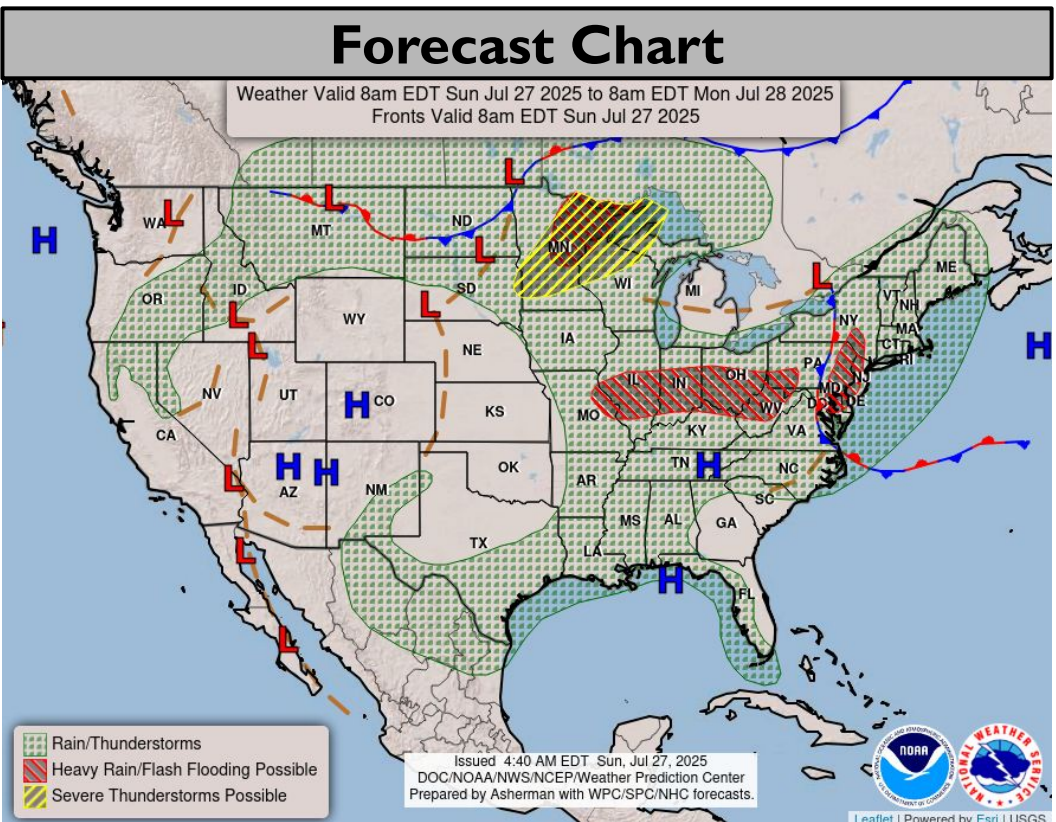
*Note: Numerical levels (e.g. level 1 of 4) will not be assigned to riverine flooding due to the varying levels of impacts across flood categories.*







# Today's Weather



**Heat Risk across OK, E TX, AR, LA.**

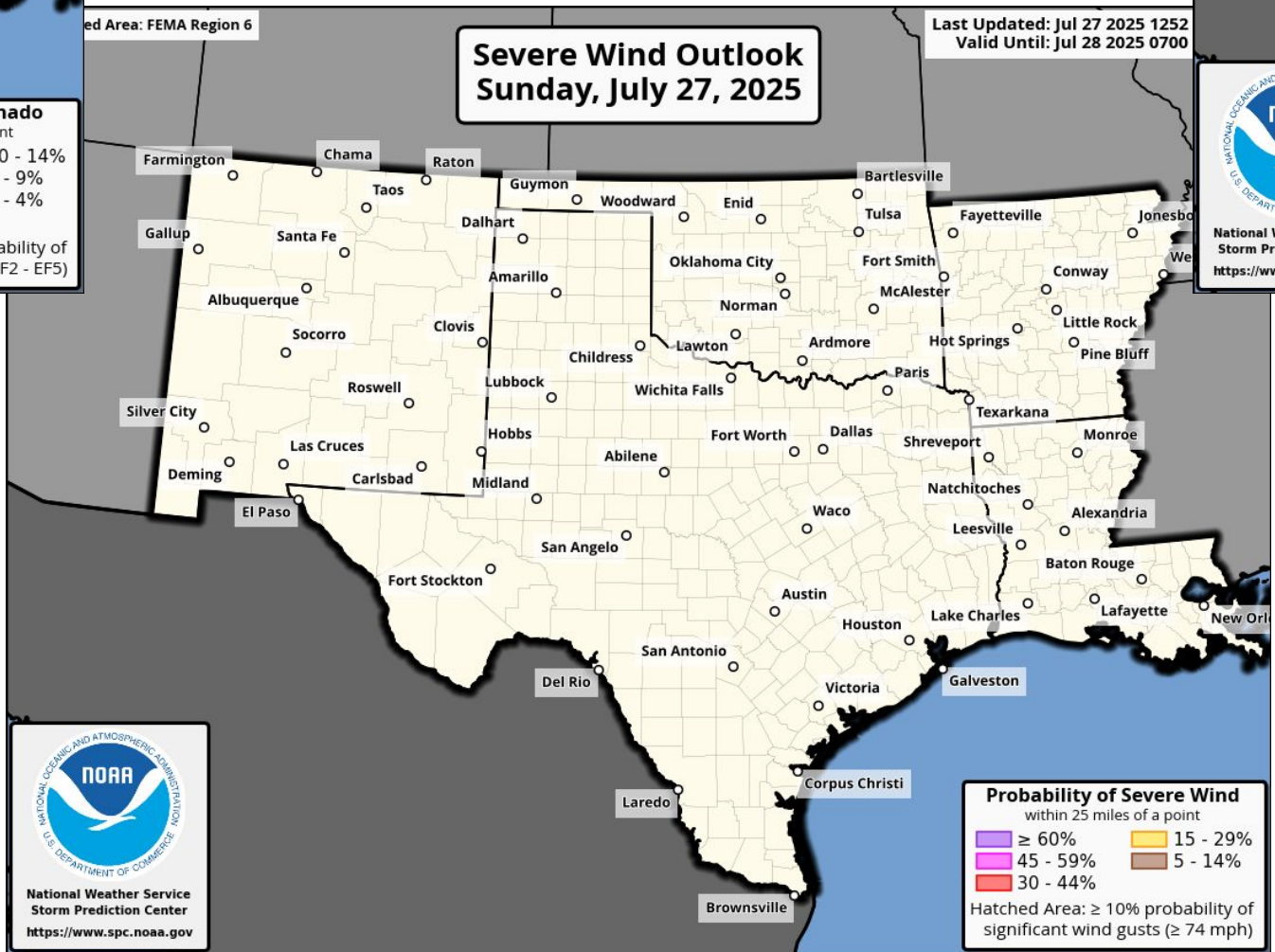
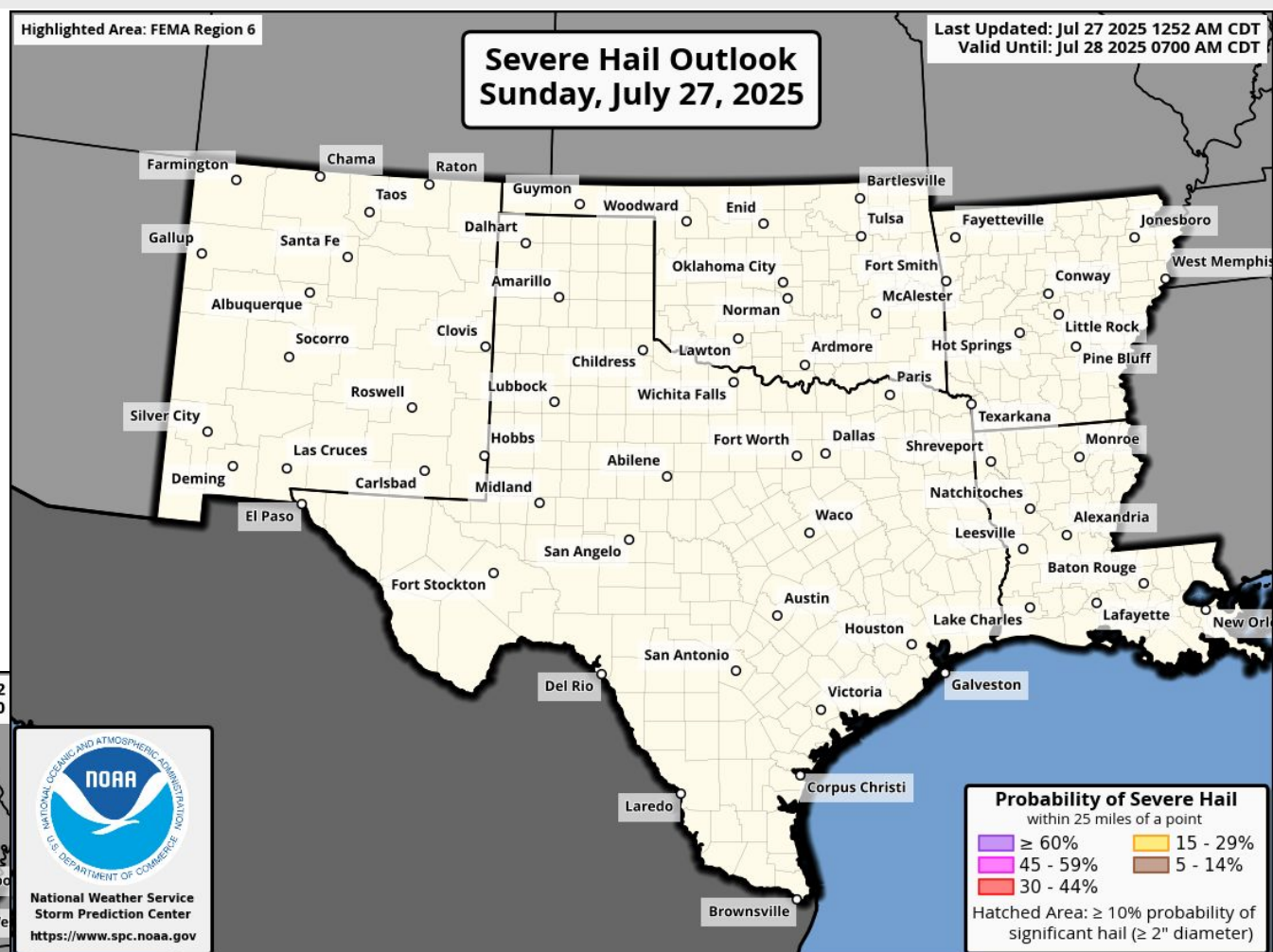
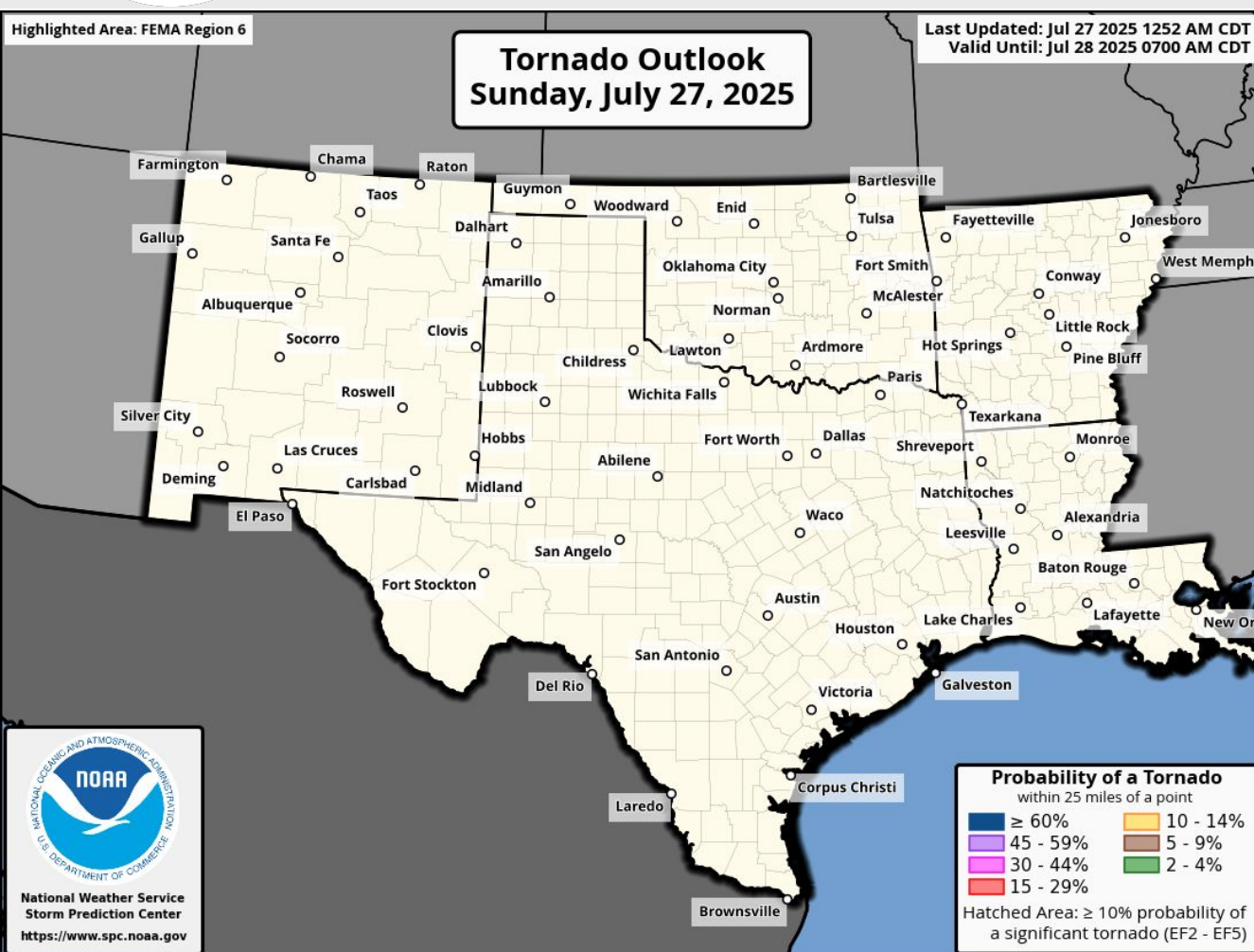
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# Today's Tornado & Severe Wind / Hail Probabilities

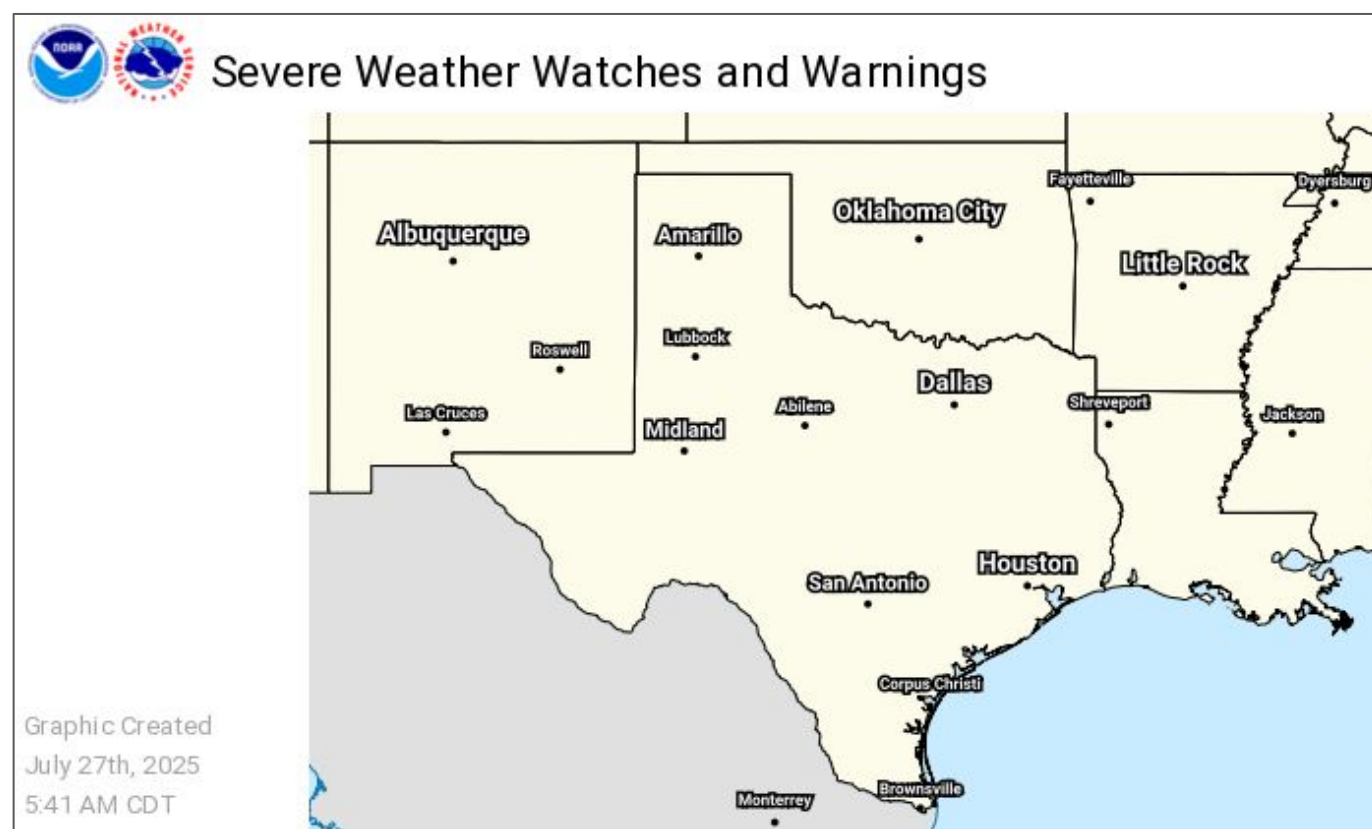




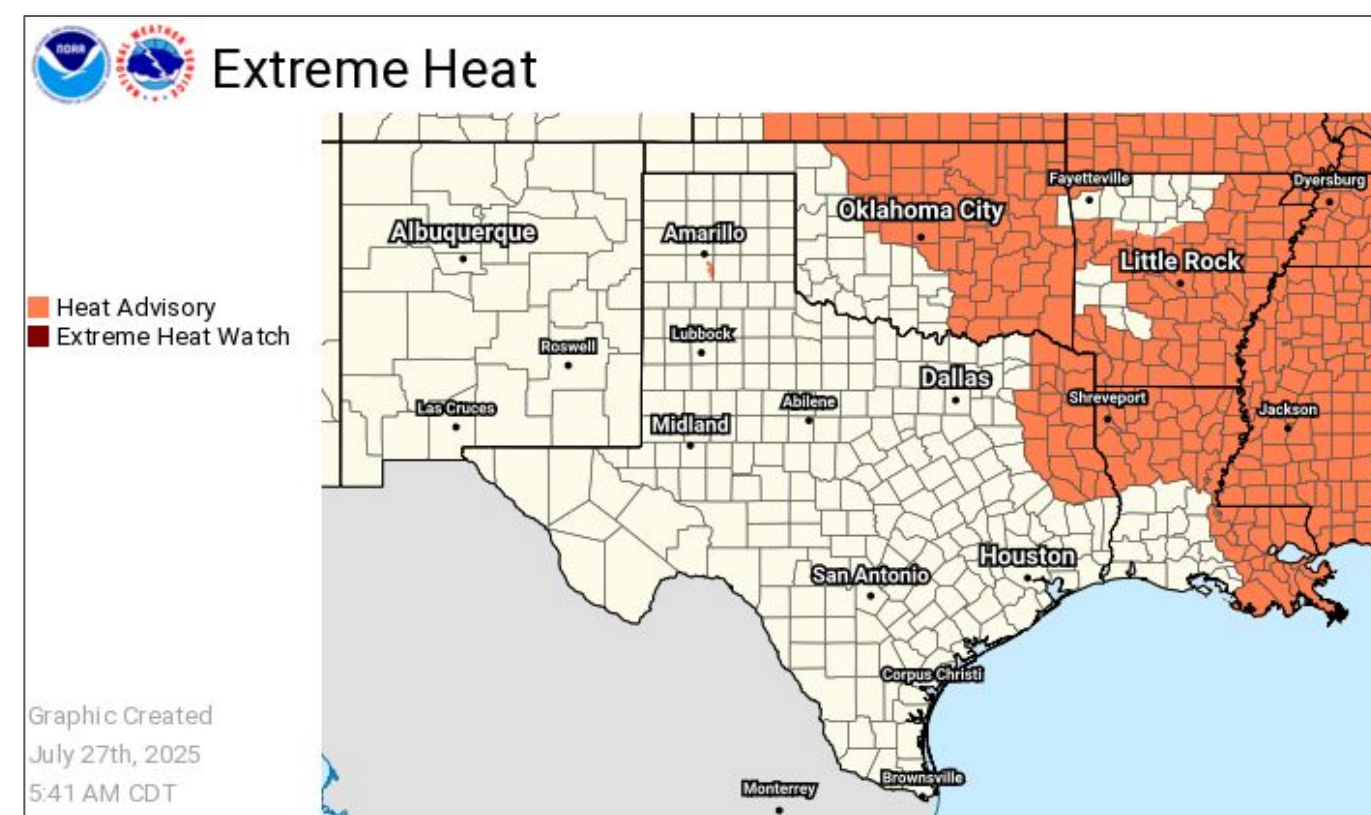


# Watches, Warnings, and Advisories

Wind, Severe, Heat, and Flood Hazards



**Heat Advisories for OK,  
NE TX, AR, and LA.**



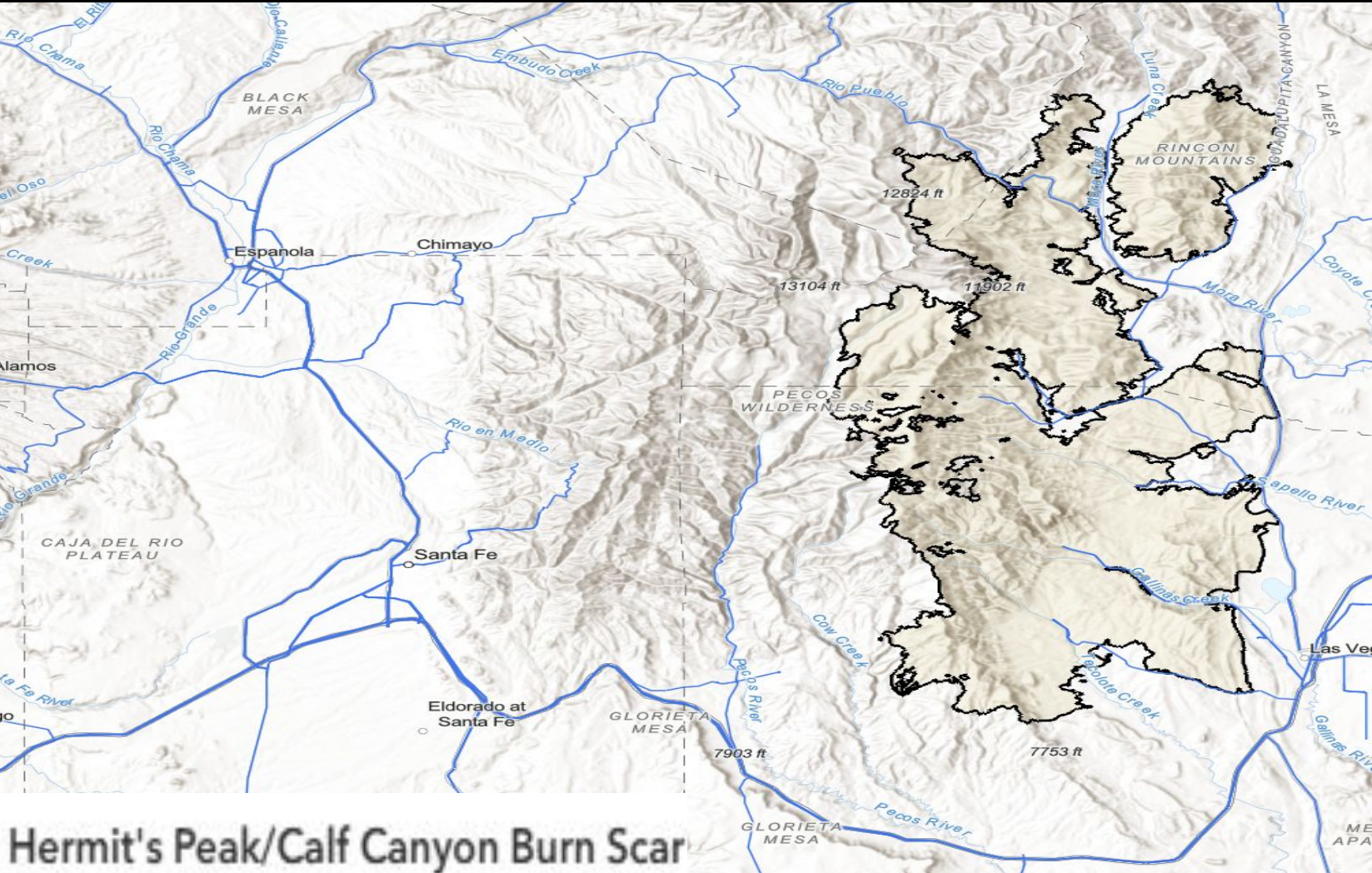




# Burn Scar Debris Flow Risk - HPCC Scars New Mexico

## Hermit's Peak/Calf Canyon Burn Scar

	Sunday, Jul 27	Monday, Jul 28	Tuesday, Jul 29	Wednesday, Jul 30
Flash Flooding	Little to None	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate
Timing - CDT		Afternoon/Evening	Afternoon/Evening	Afternoon/Evening



Hermit's Peak/Calf Canyon Burn Scar

Little to None	No Flash Flood Threat
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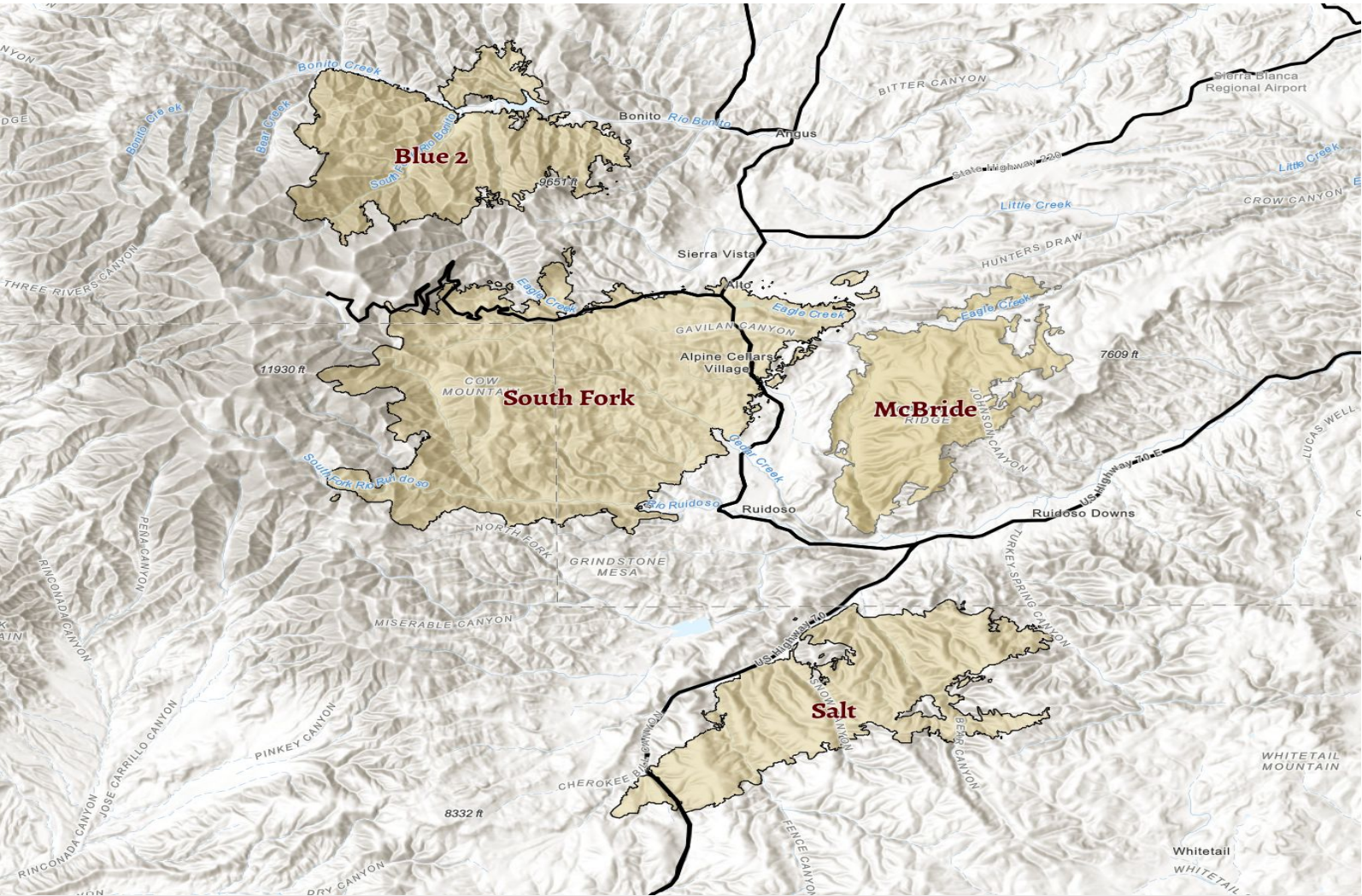




# Burn Scar Debris Flow Risk - Ruidoso, New Mexico

## Sacramento Complex

	Sunday, Jul 27	Monday, Jul 28	Tuesday, Jul 29	Wednesday, Jul 30
Flash Flooding	Minor	Moderate	Moderate	Minor
Timing - CDT	noon-10pm	Afternoon/Evening	Afternoon/Evening	Afternoon/Evening



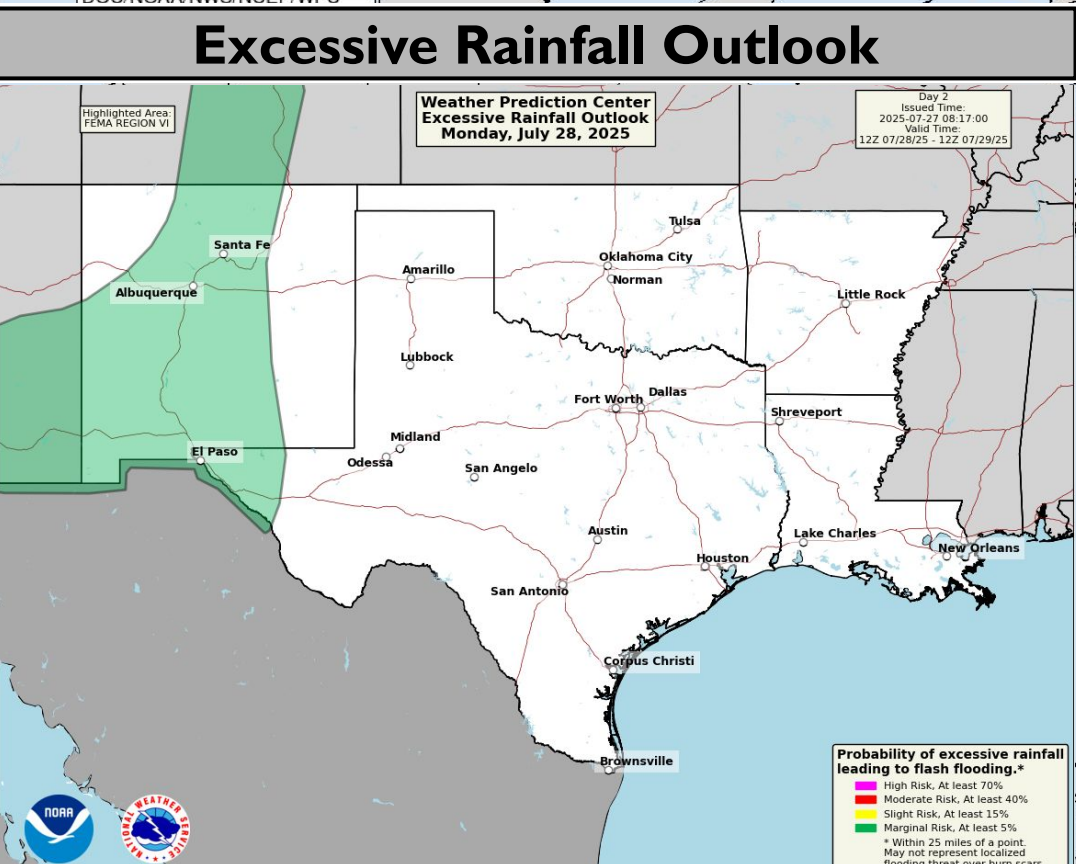
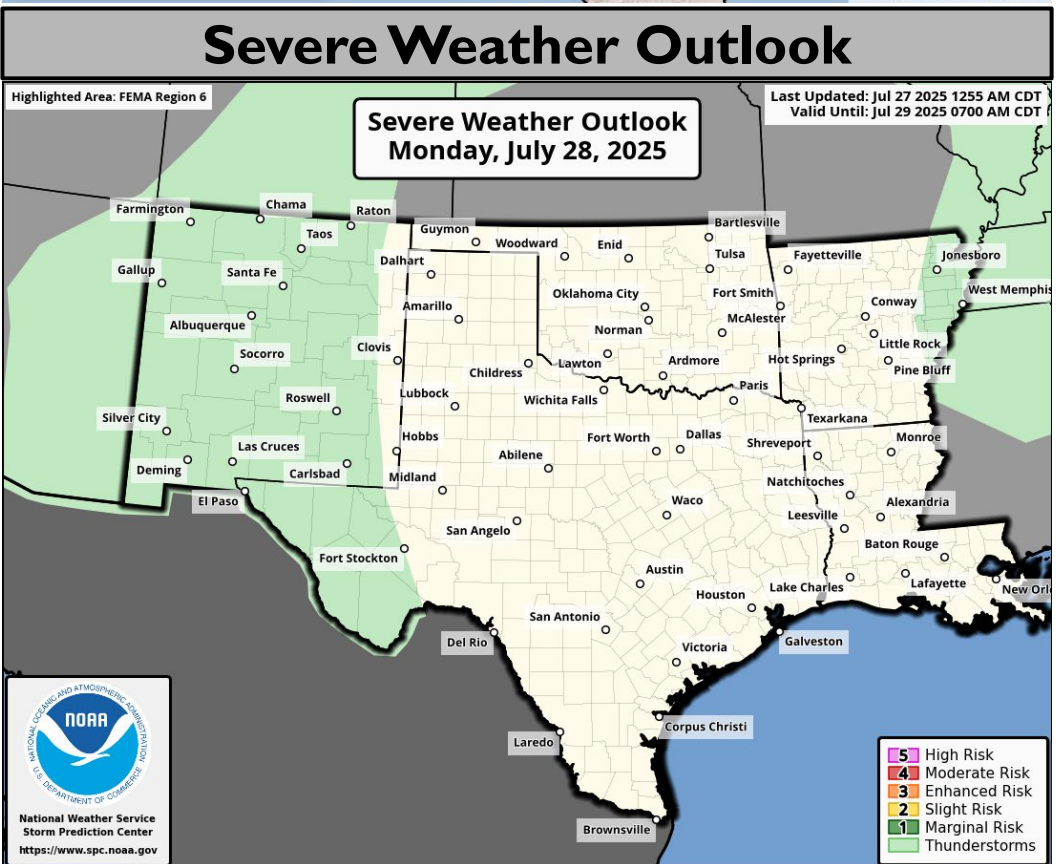
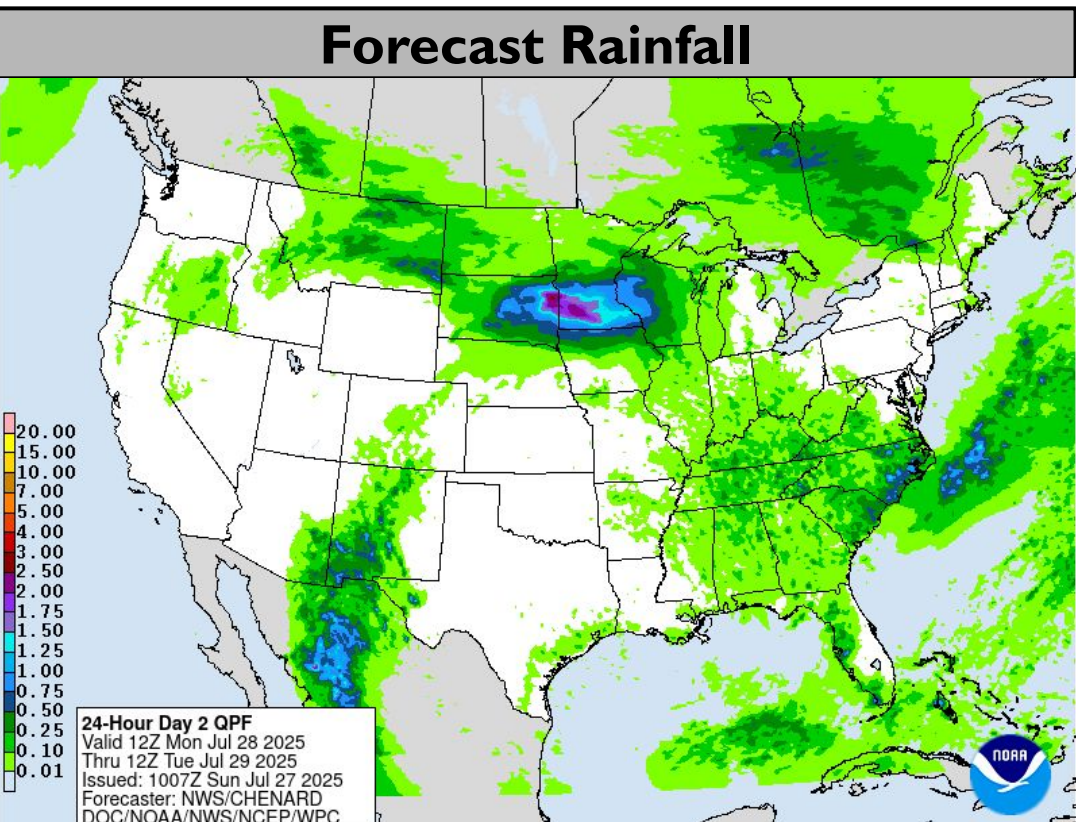
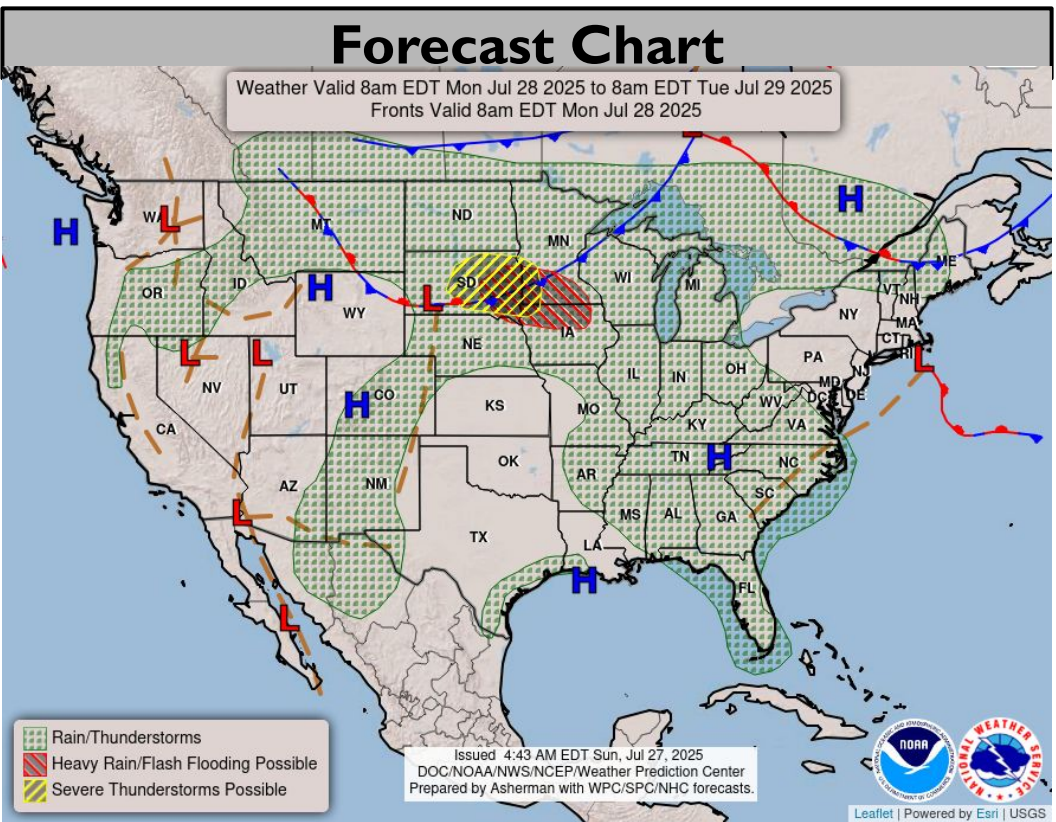
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# Tomorrow's Weather



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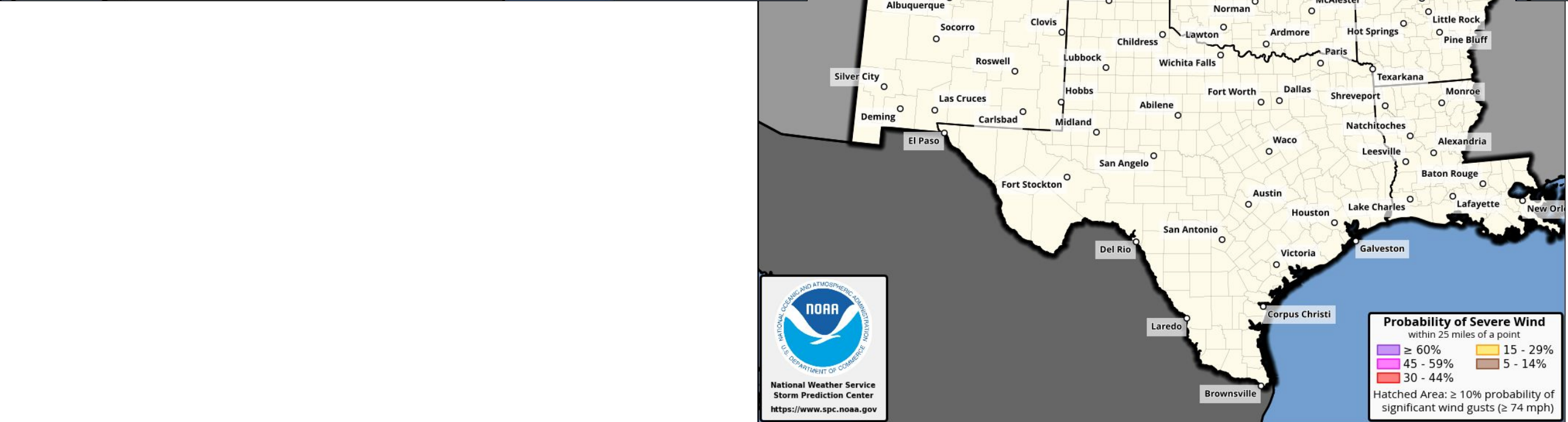
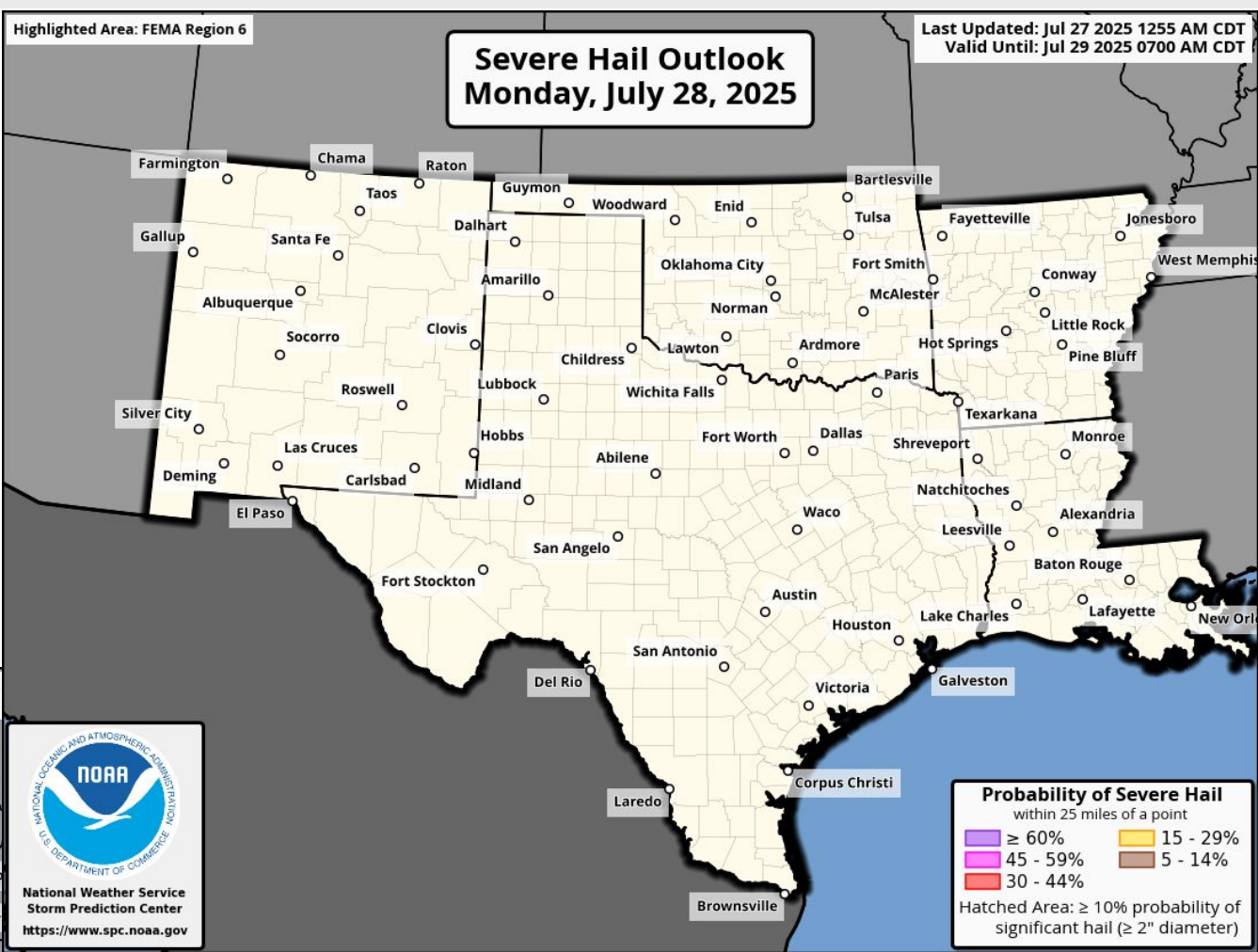
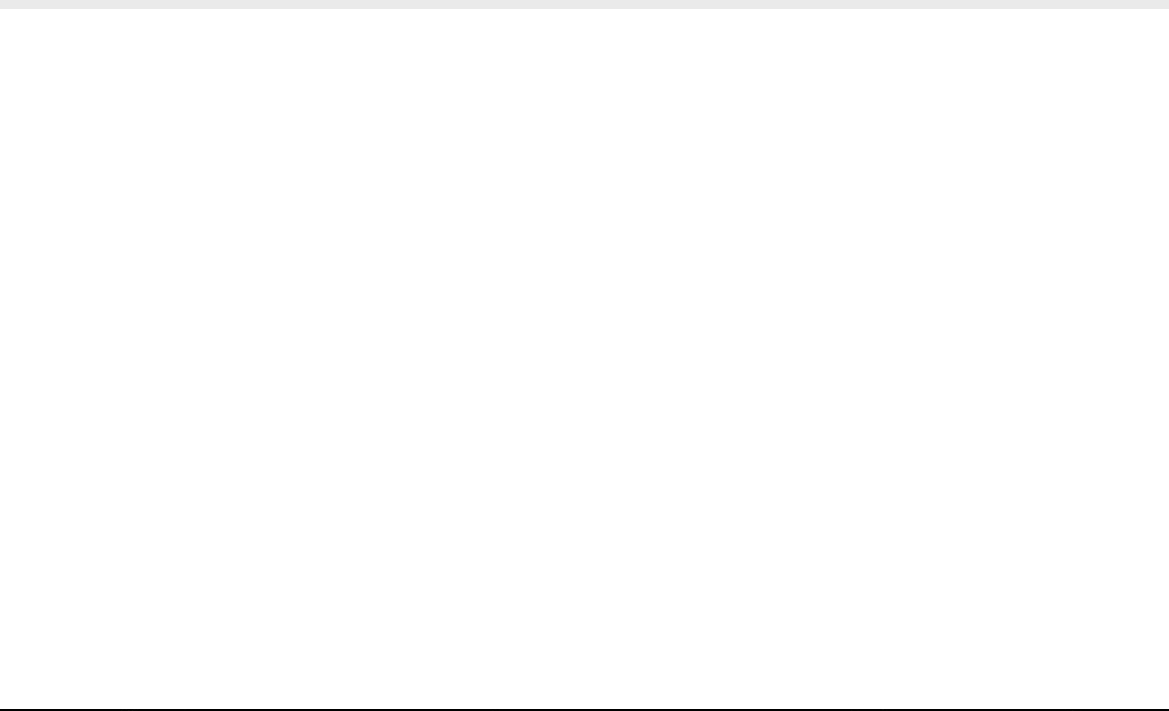
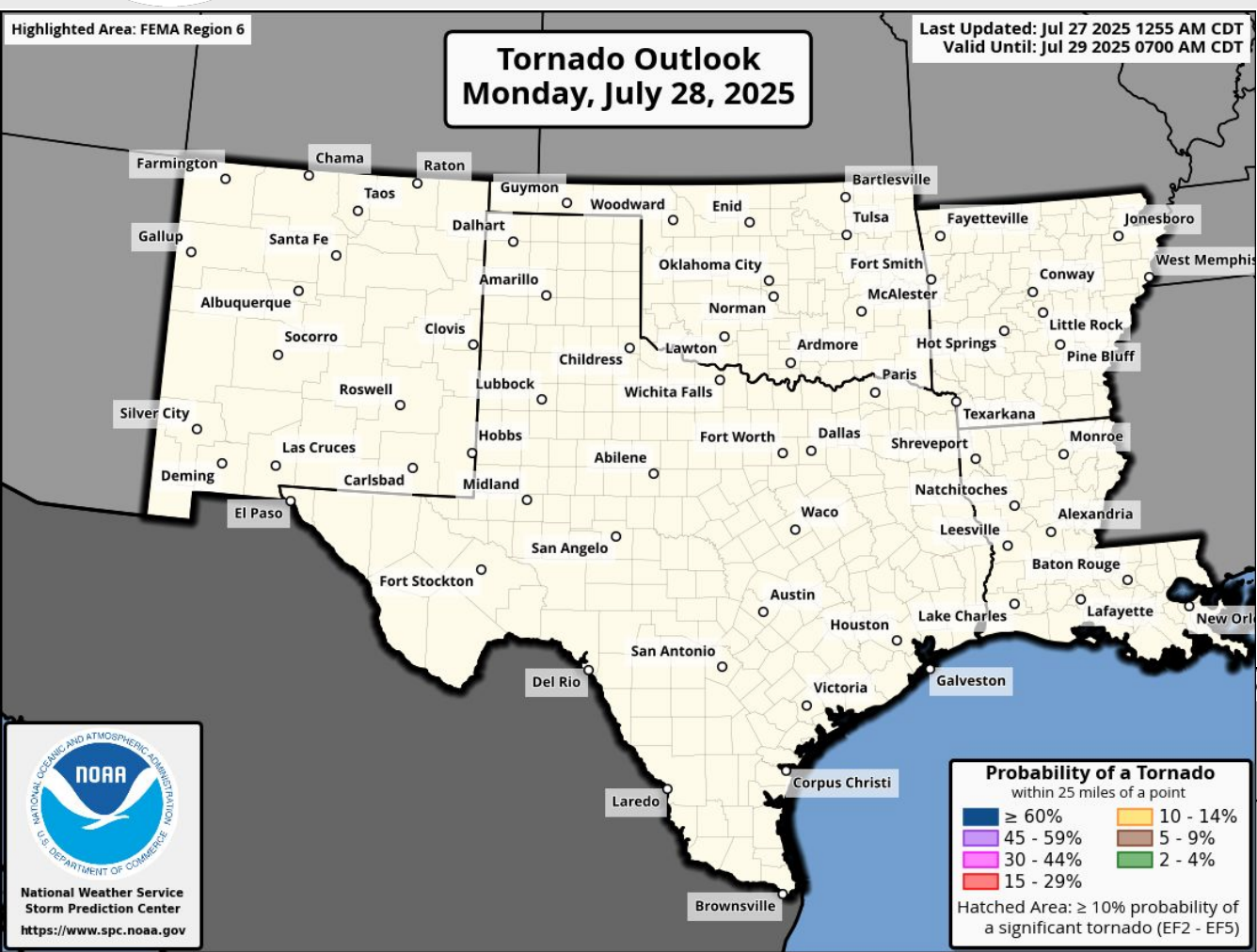
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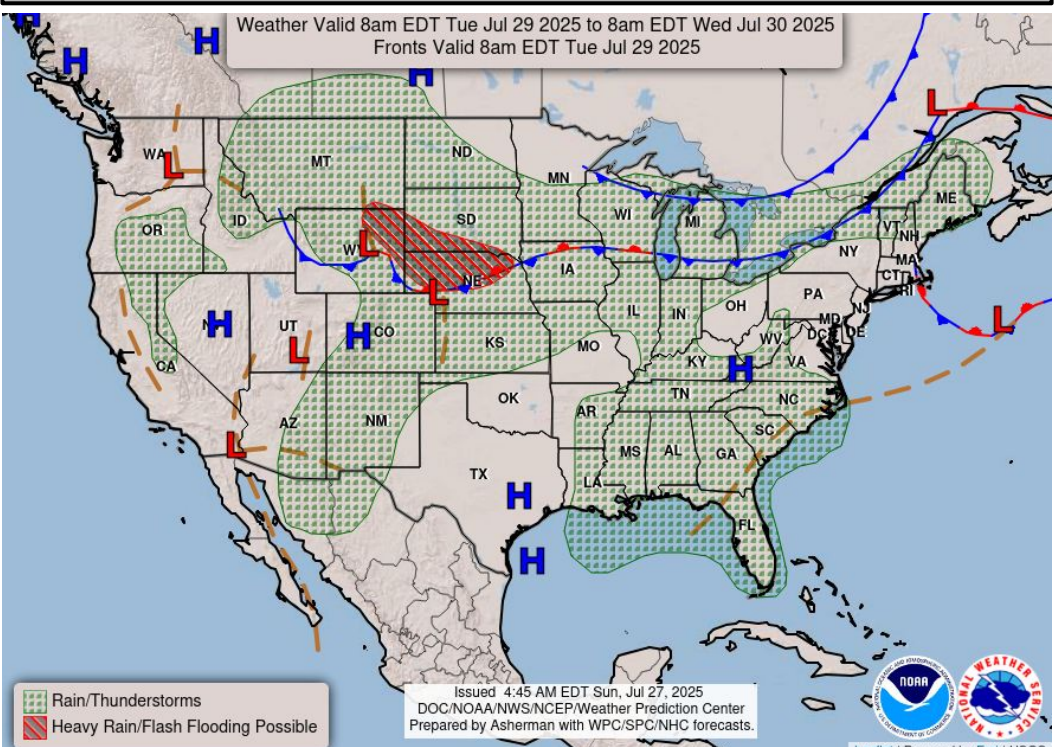




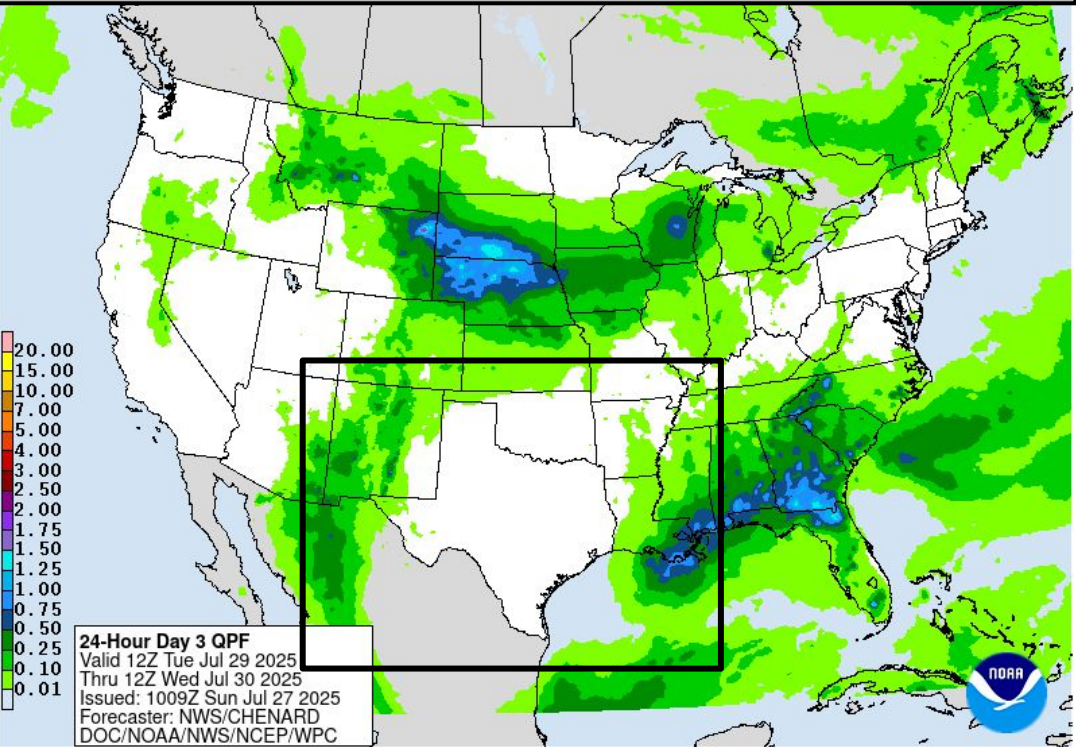


# Tuesday's Weather

## Forecast Chart



## Forecast Rainfall

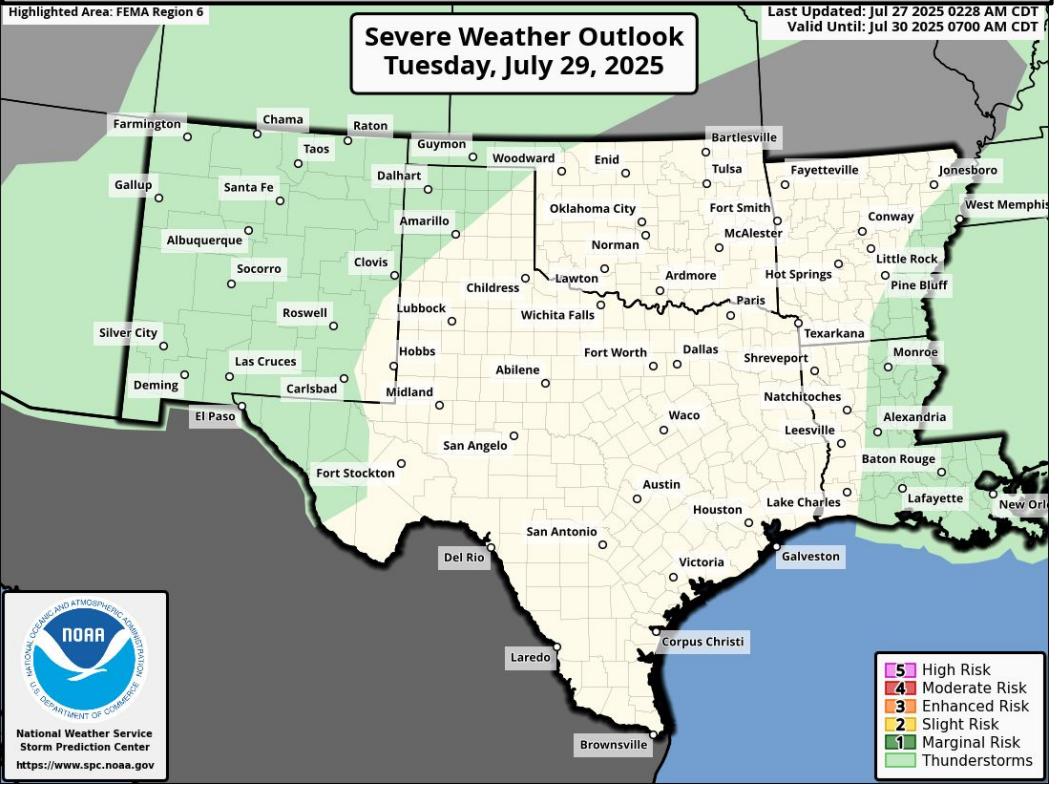


**Extreme heat risk for NE AR with temps feeling like 110-115.**

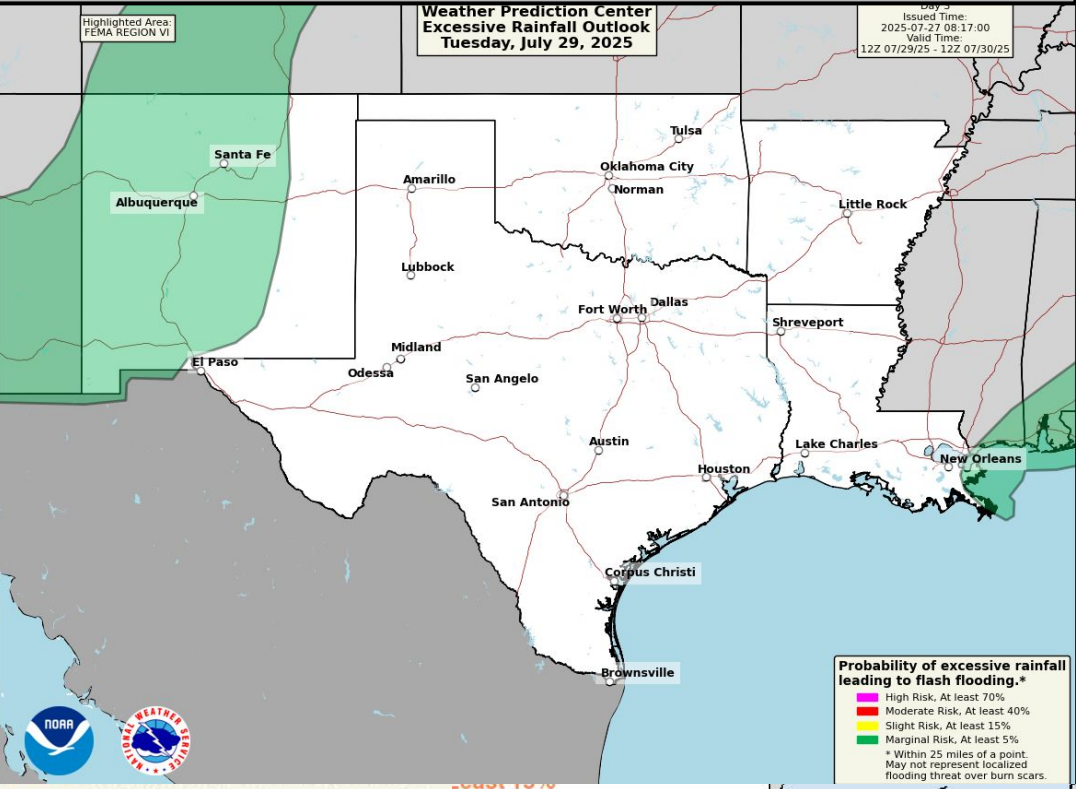
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## Severe Weather Outlook



## Excessive Rainfall Outlook



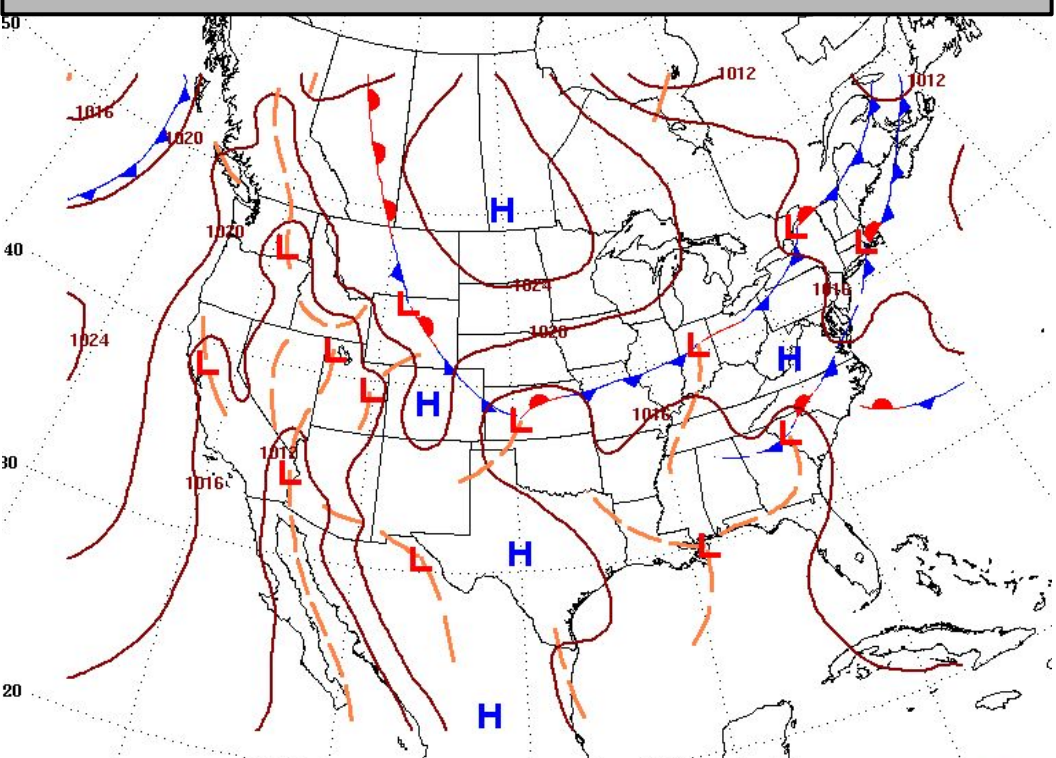
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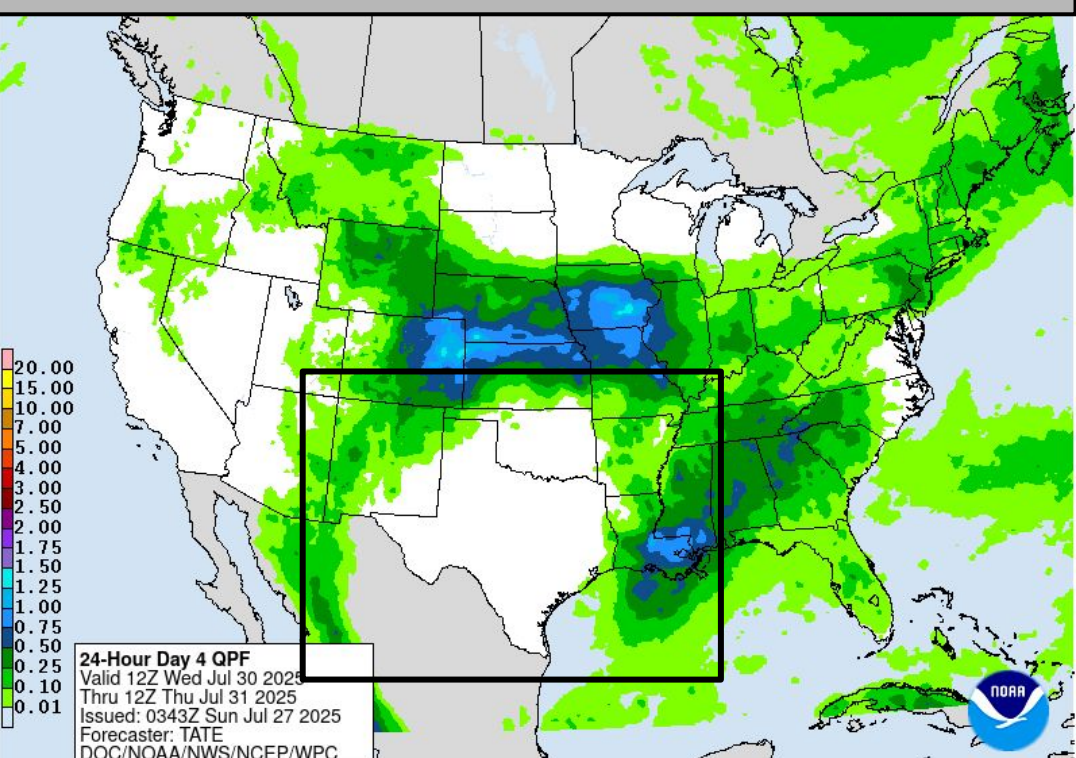


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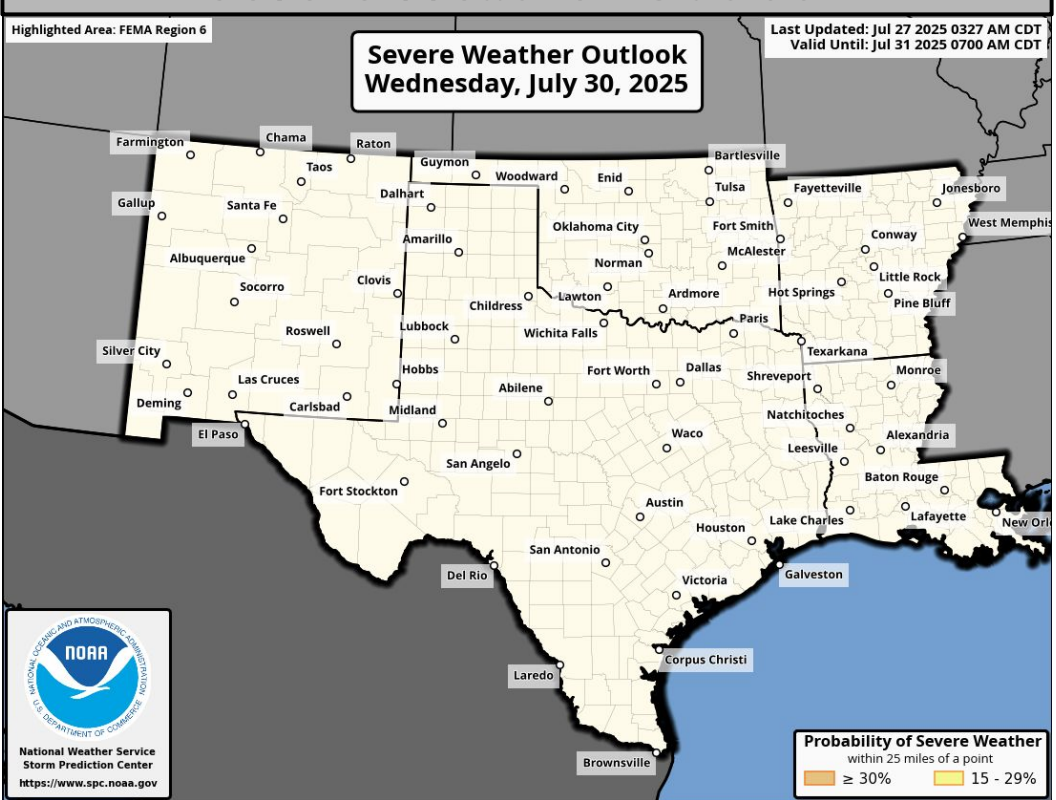
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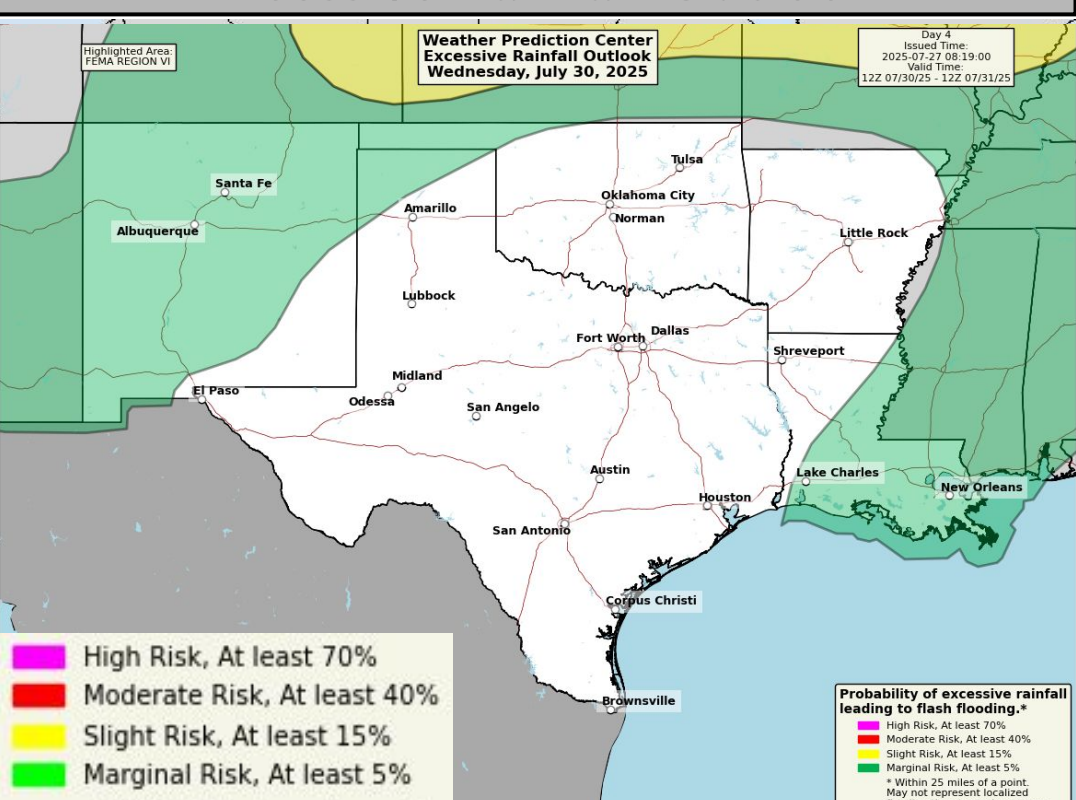
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Severe Weather Outlook



Excessive Rainfall Outlook



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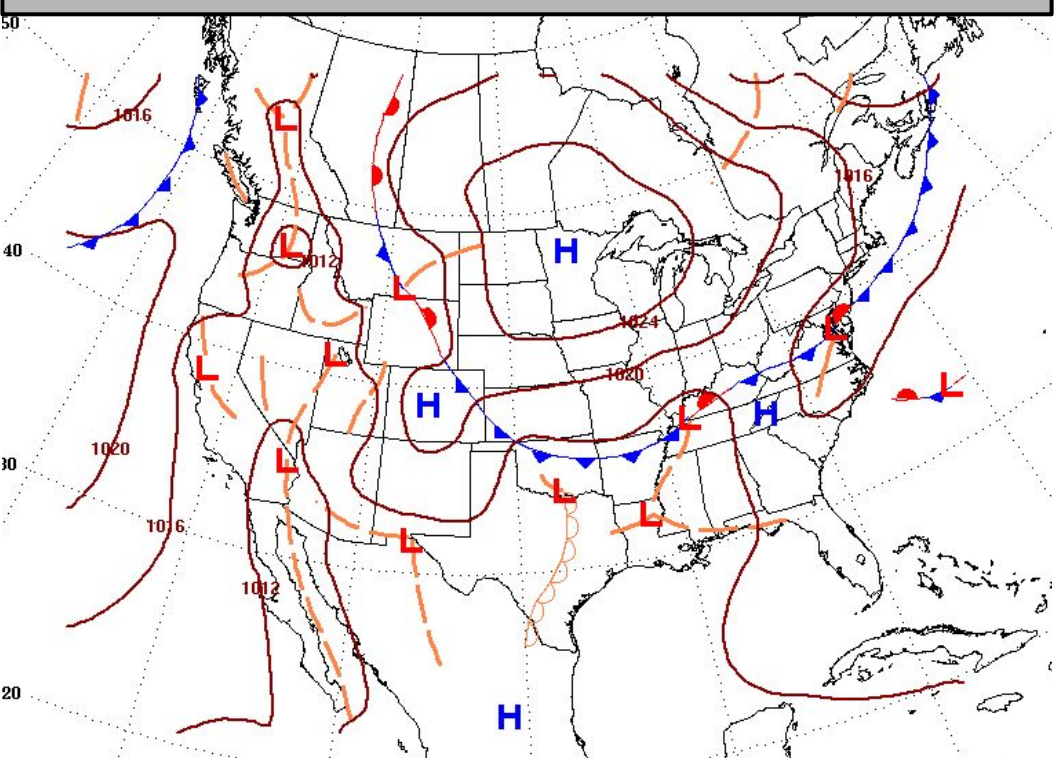
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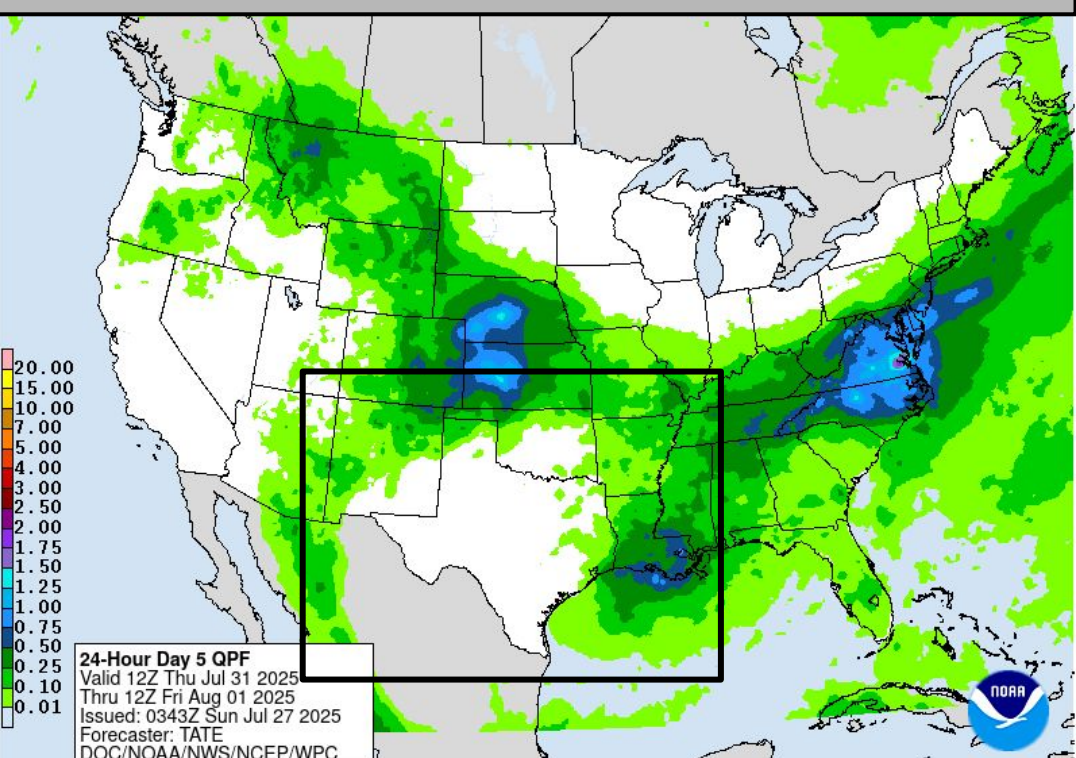


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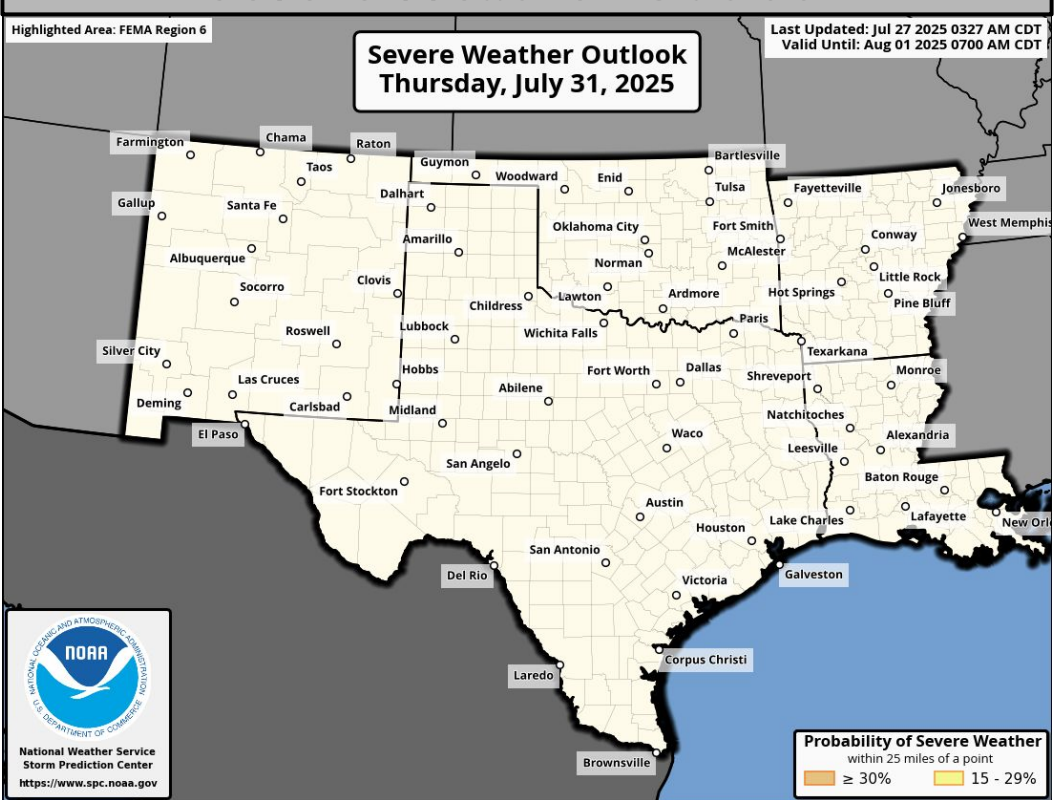
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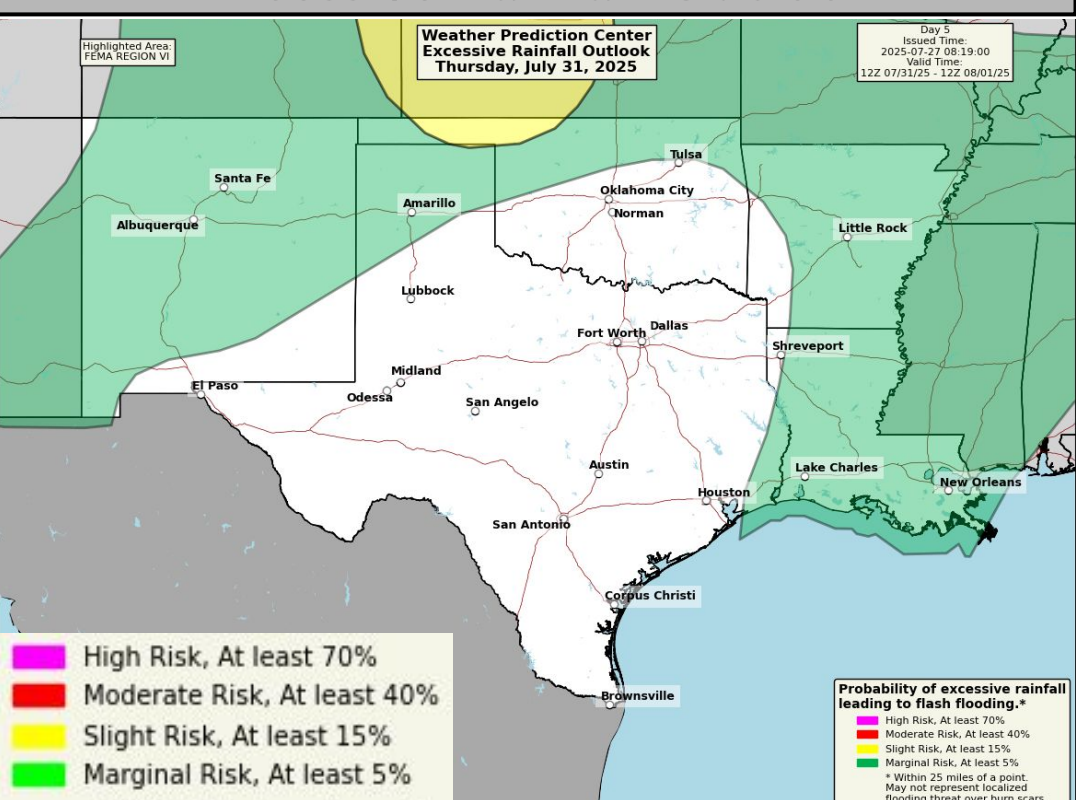
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Severe Weather Outlook



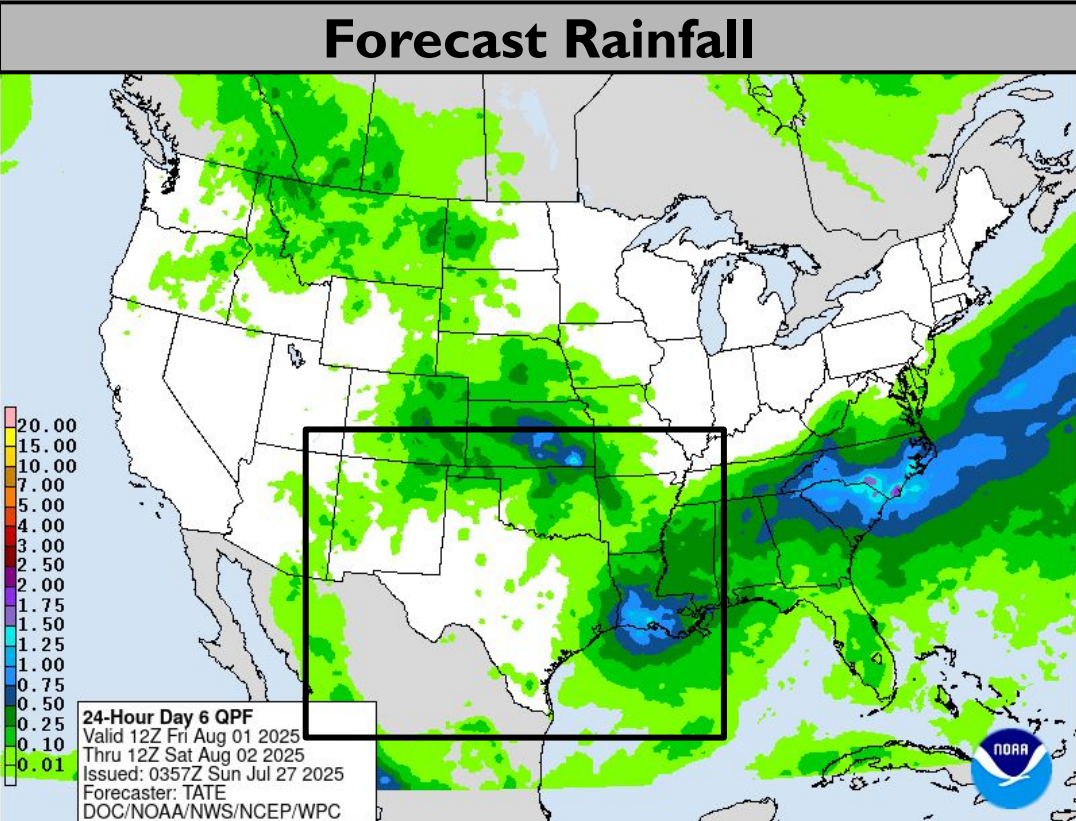
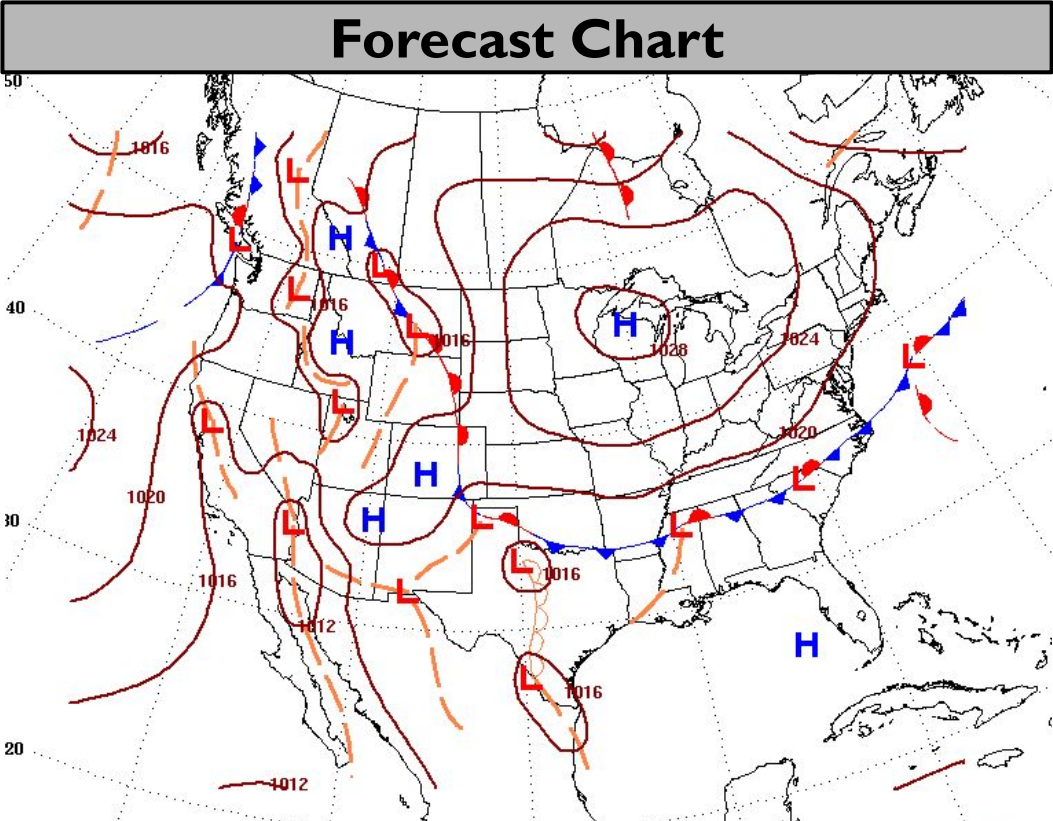
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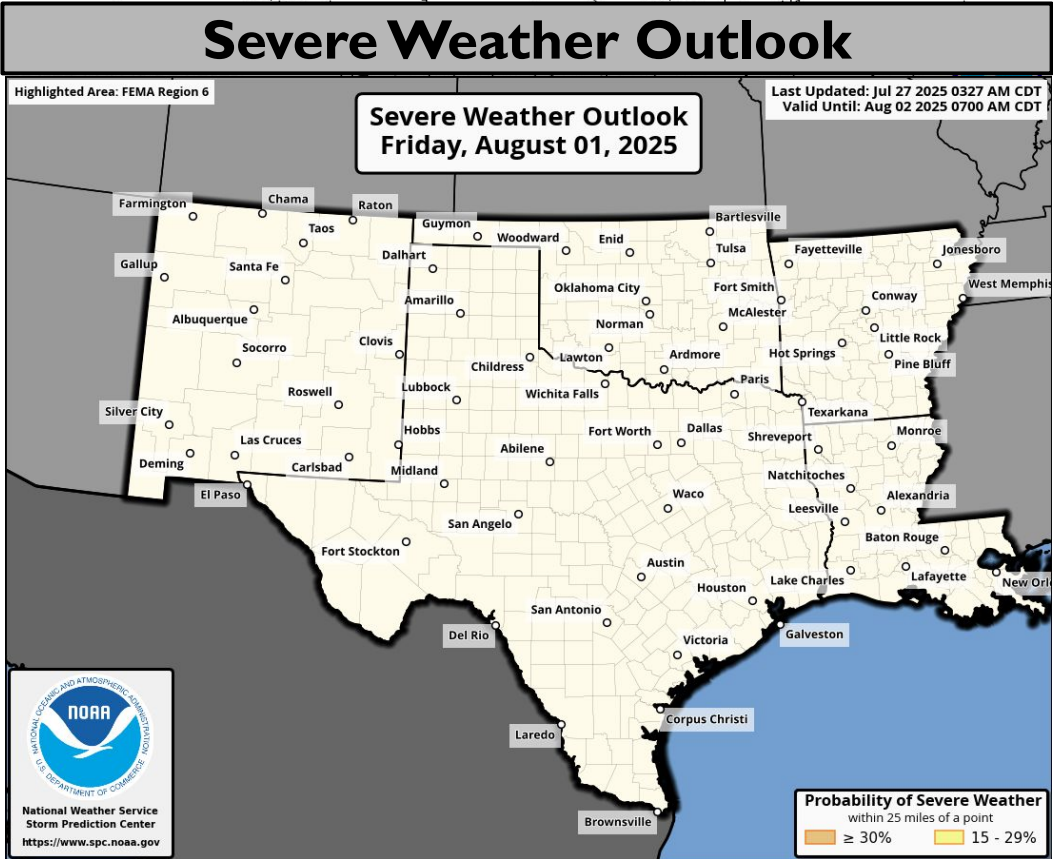


# Friday's Weather



**Heat Risk across N LA.**

**Marginal risk (level I of 4) for flash flooding in N OK, S LA.**



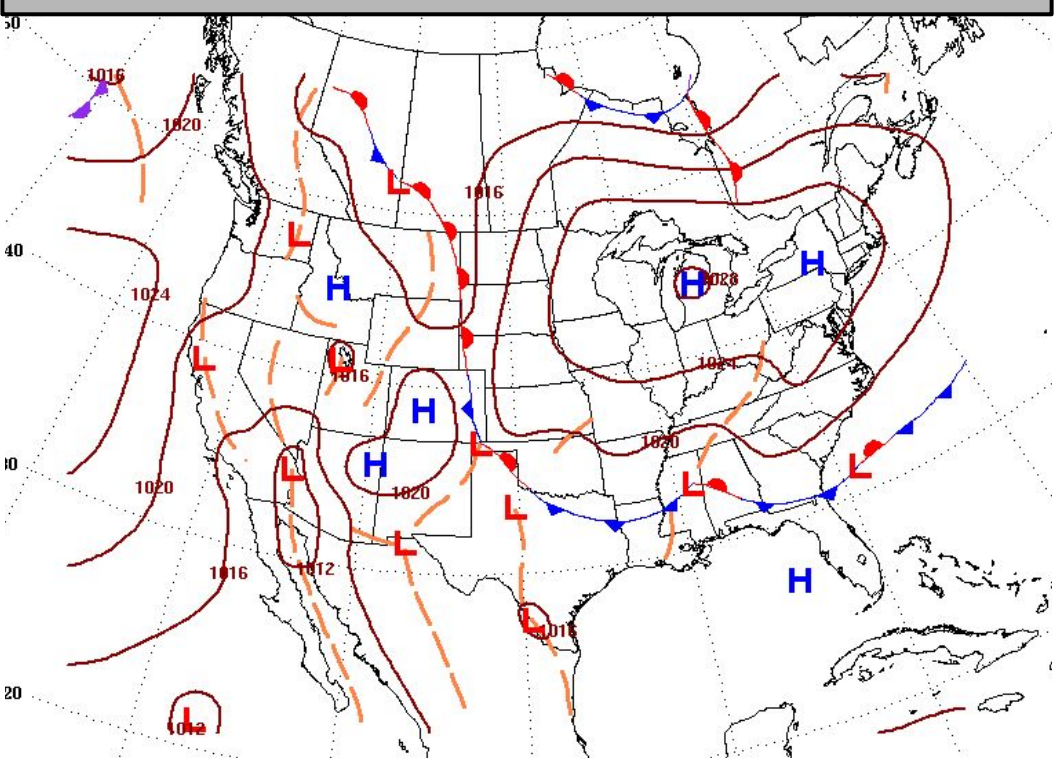
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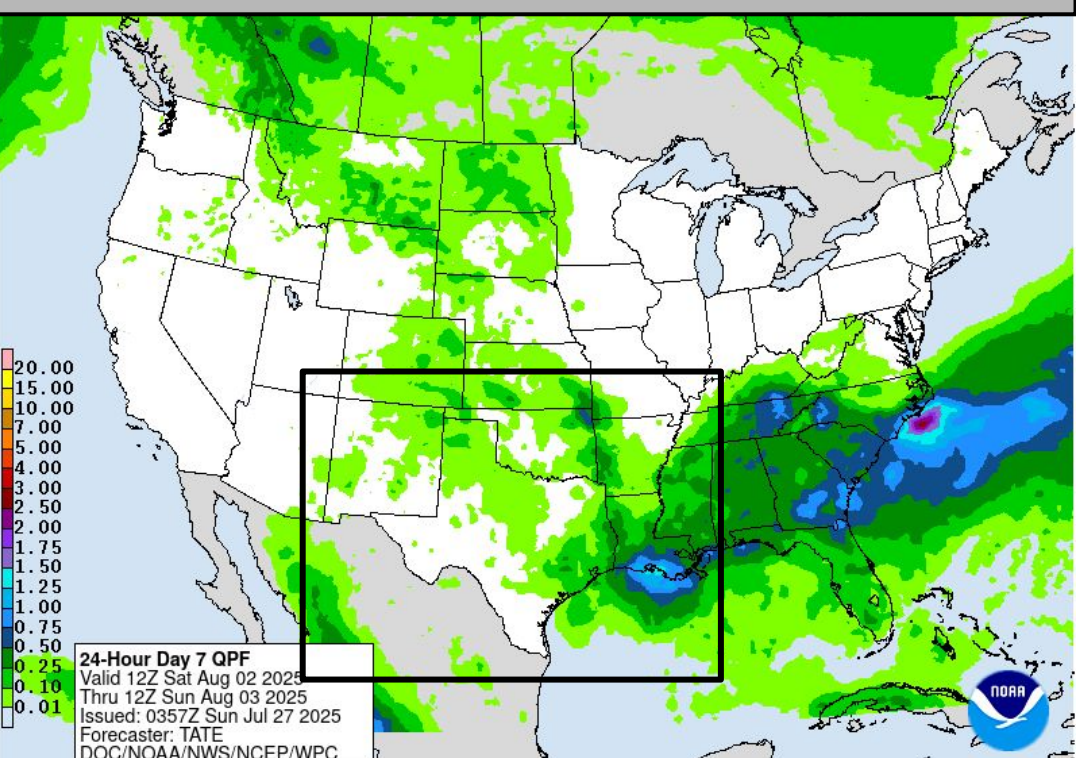


# Saturday's Weather

Forecast Chart

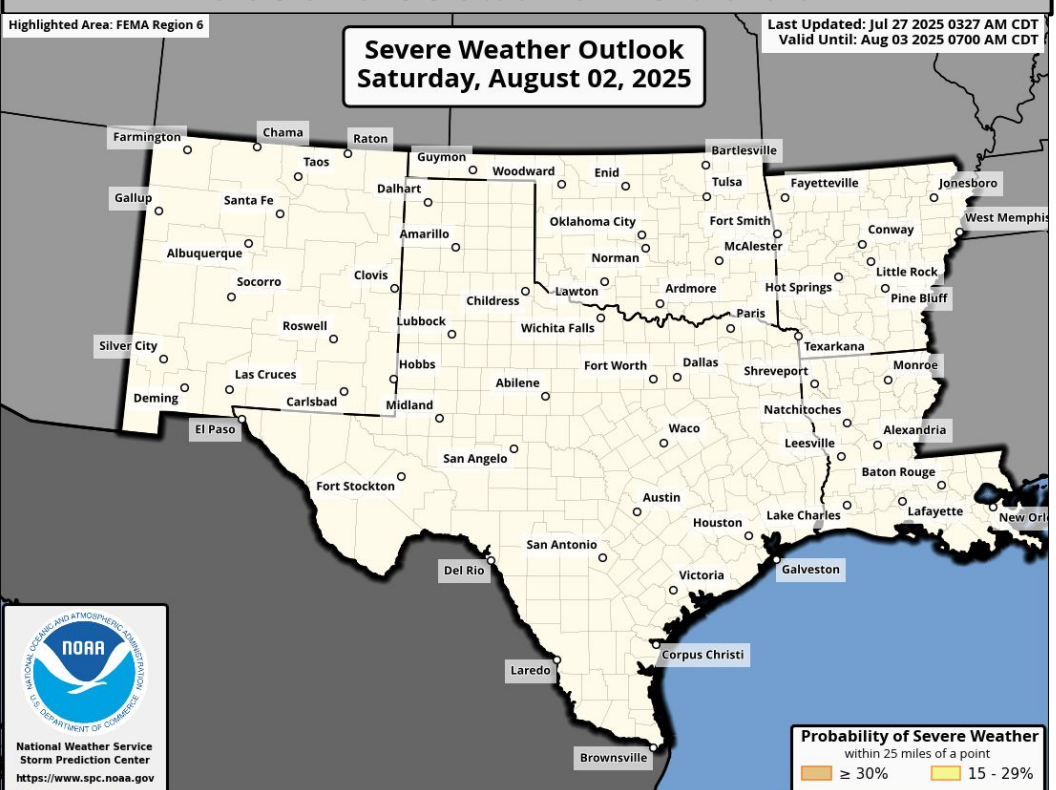


Forecast Rainfall



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

Severe Weather Outlook



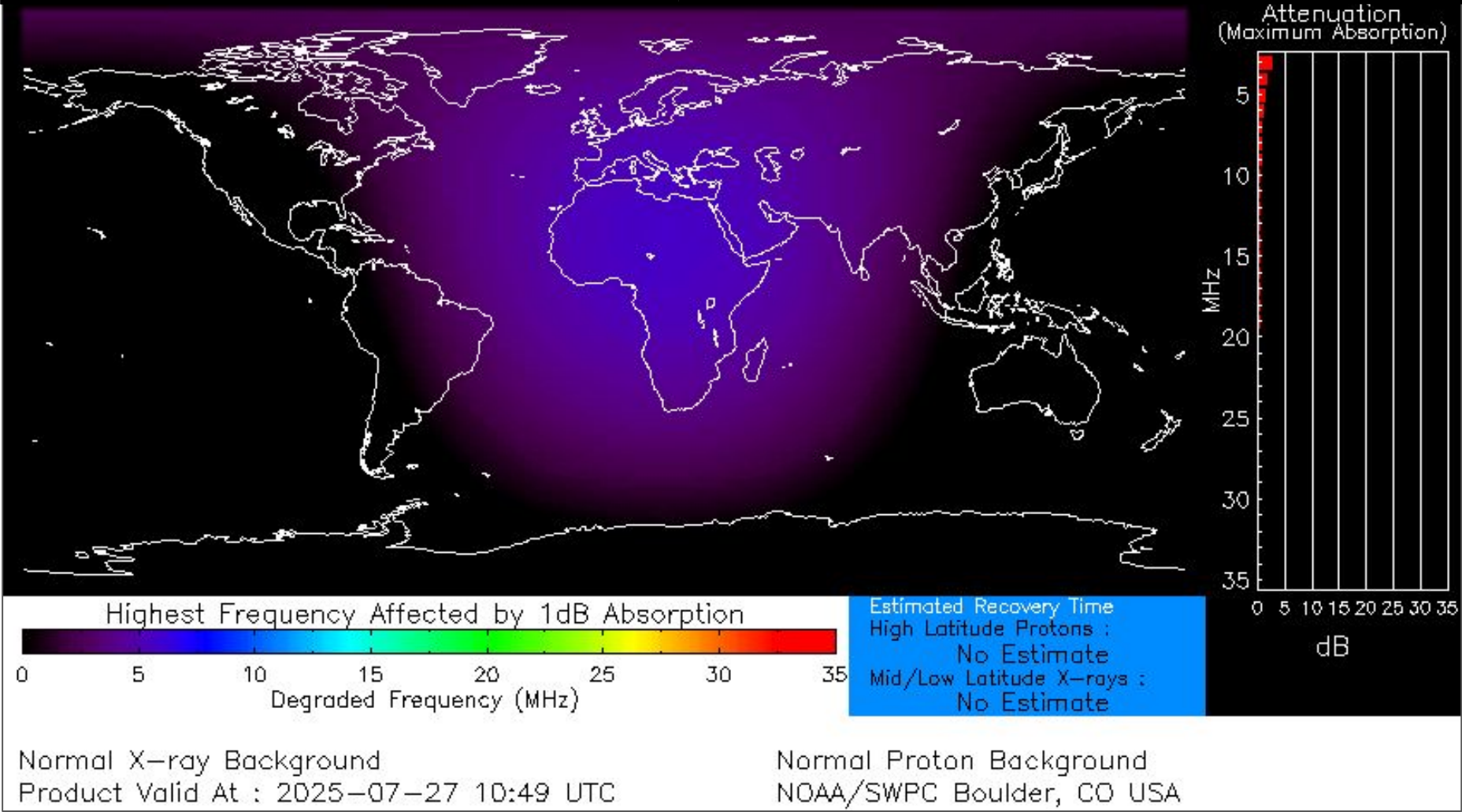
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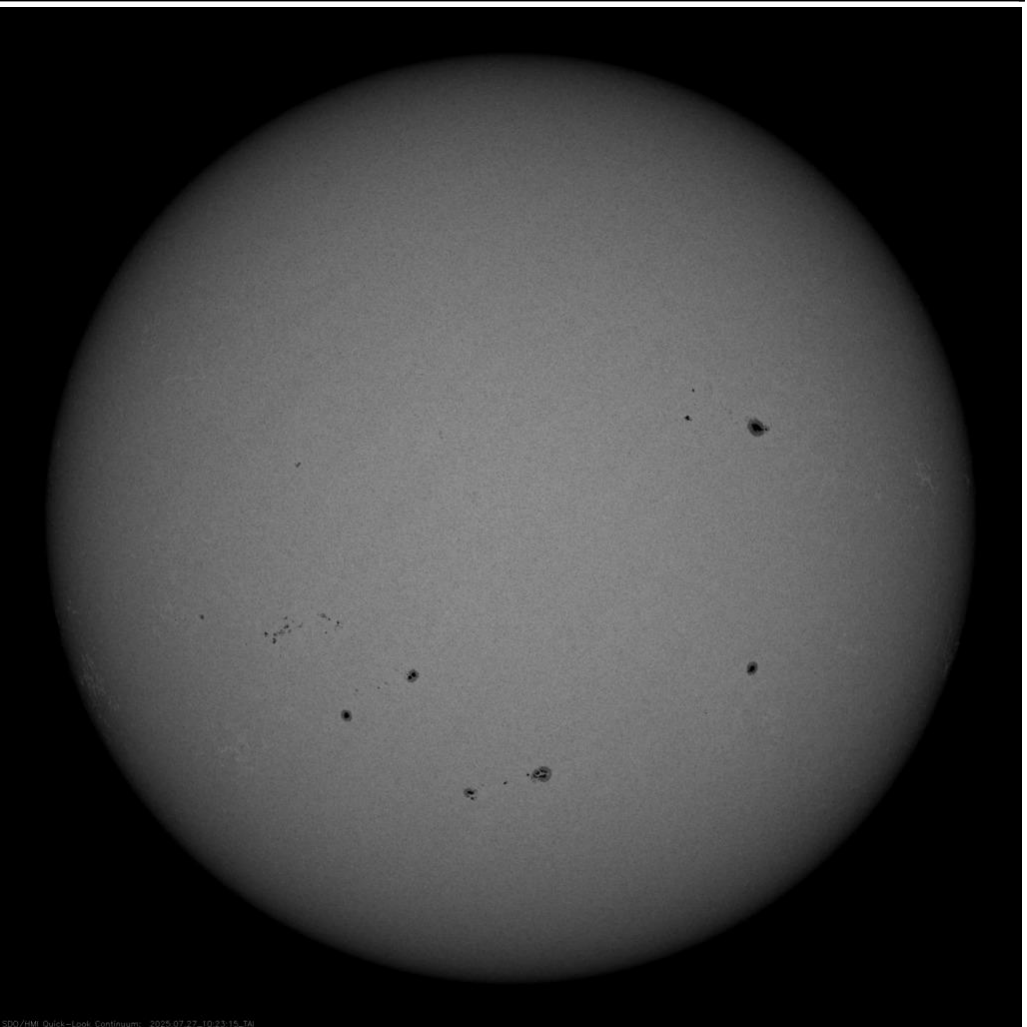
# Space Weather 3-Day Forecast

	Sunday, Jul 27	Monday, Jul 28	Tuesday, Jul 29
Geomagnetic Storms	Active (Max Kp = 4)	Unsettled (Max Kp = 3)	Quiet (Max Kp = 2)
Solar Radiation Storm (S1-S5)	1%	1%	1%
Radio Blackout (R1-R2)	40%	40%	40%
Radio Blackout (R3-R5)	5%	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	<b>Little to None</b> Safety: Rarely a Direct Threat to Life and Property Impact Potential: Typically Results in Little Inconvenience to Daily Routines	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"> <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	<b>Minor</b> Safety: Rarely a Direct Threat to Life and Property Impact Potential: Typically Results in Some Inconvenience to Daily Life	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"> <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	<b>Moderate</b> Safety: Often Threatening to Life and Property, Some Damage Unavoidable Impact Potential: Typically Results in Minor Disruption to Daily Life	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"> <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	<b>Major</b> Safety: Extensive Property Damage Likely, Life Saving Actions Also will be Needed Impact Potential: Will likely result in Large Disruption to Daily Life	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"> <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	<b>Extreme</b> 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	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"> <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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