



## Prepared by Mark Wiley

# FEMA Region 6 Weather Threat Briefing

Tuesday, September 30, 2025

**Disclaimer:** The purpose of this briefing is to provide a <u>Regional</u> 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 <u>www.weather.gov/srh</u>.





#### • Tropical Weather:

- Hurricane Humberto is expected to remain out in the Atlantic Ocean and not impact FEMA 6.
- Hurricane Imelda is moving northeastward into the Atlantic Ocean. No impacts to FEMA 6.



## FEMA Region 6 Threat Matrix

#### Next 7 days

|                                | Tuesday, Sep 30 | Wednesday,<br>Oct I | Thursday, Oct 2 | Friday, Oct 3 | Saturday, Oct 4 | Sunday, Oct 5 | Monday, Oct 6 |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|---------------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|---------------|
| Severe Storms                  |                 |                     |                 |               |                 |               |               |
| Heavy Rain /<br>Flash Flooding |                 |                     |                 |               |                 |               |               |
| Burn Scars                     |                 |                     |                 |               |                 |               |               |
| Tropical                       |                 |                     |                 |               |                 |               |               |
| Heat                           |                 |                     |                 |               |                 |               |               |
| 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

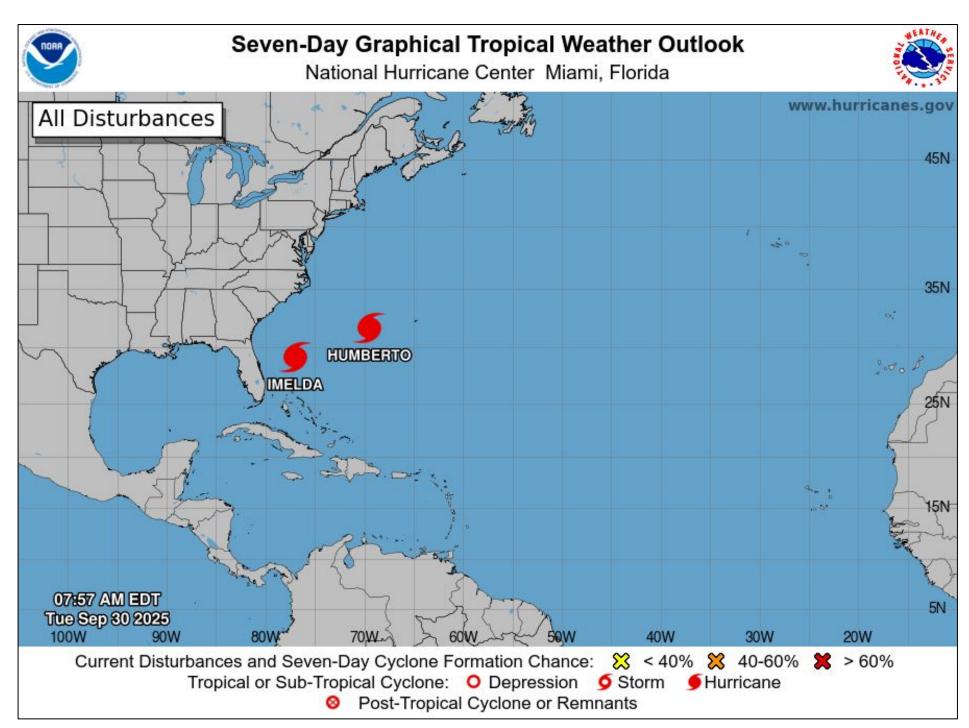




## Tropical Weather Outlook – Atlantic/Gulf

| Areas of Possible Development         |  |  |  |  |
|---------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Area Chance of Potential Impacts to F |  |  |  |  |
|                                       |  |  |  |  |

| Active Tropical Cyclones          |      |  |  |  |
|-----------------------------------|------|--|--|--|
| Storm Potential Impacts to FEMA 6 |      |  |  |  |
| Humberto                          | None |  |  |  |
| lmelda                            | None |  |  |  |



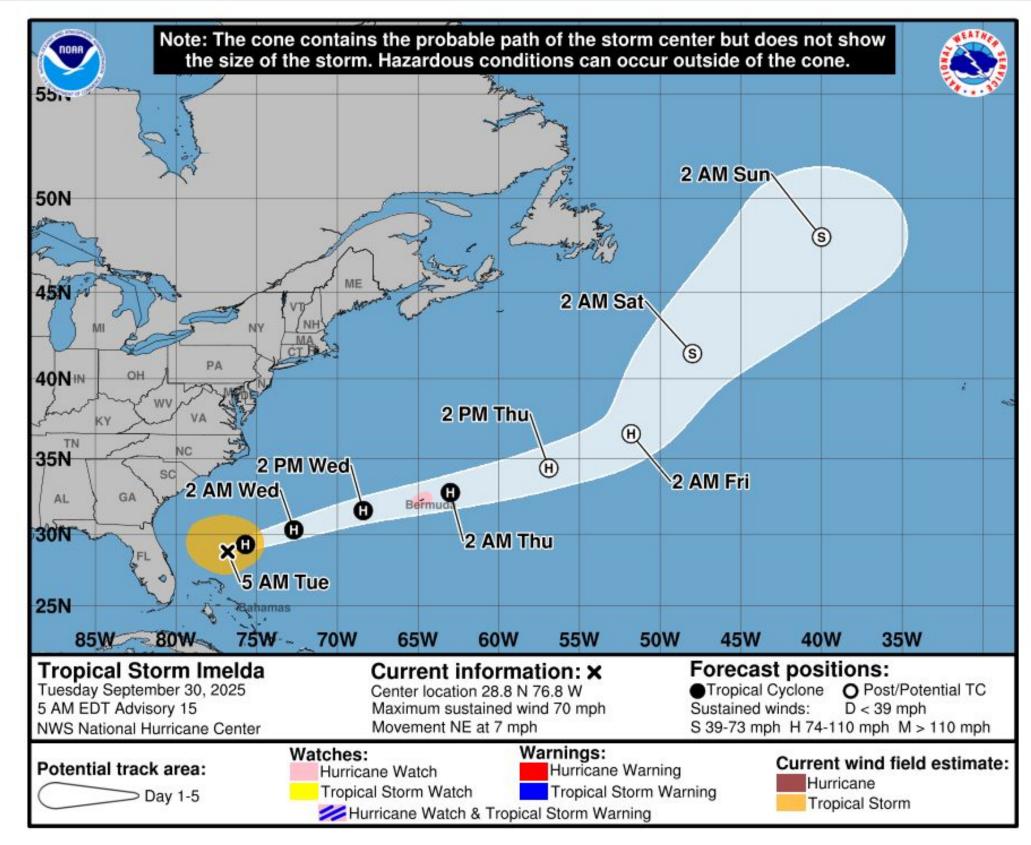
See <a href="http://www.hurricanes.gov">http://www.hurricanes.gov</a> for the latest on the tropics or any active storms





#### Hurricane Imelda

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



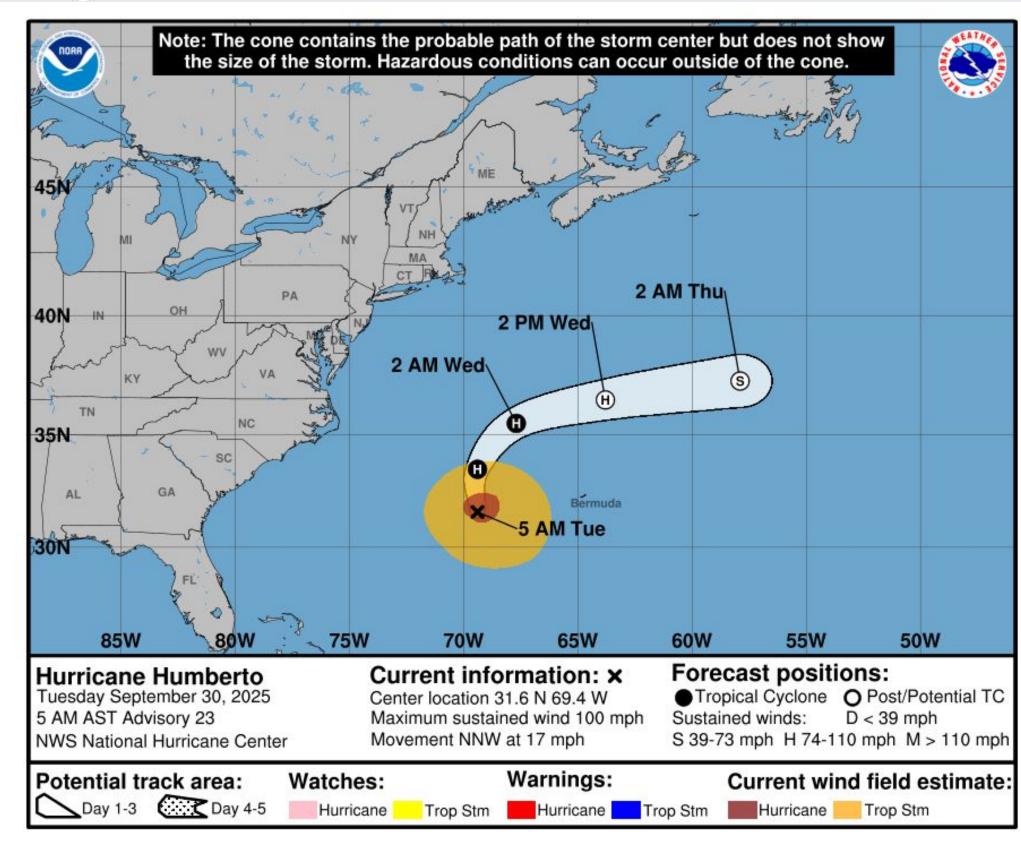
No impacts to FEMA 6.





#### Hurricane Humberto

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



No impacts to FEMA 6.





#### 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



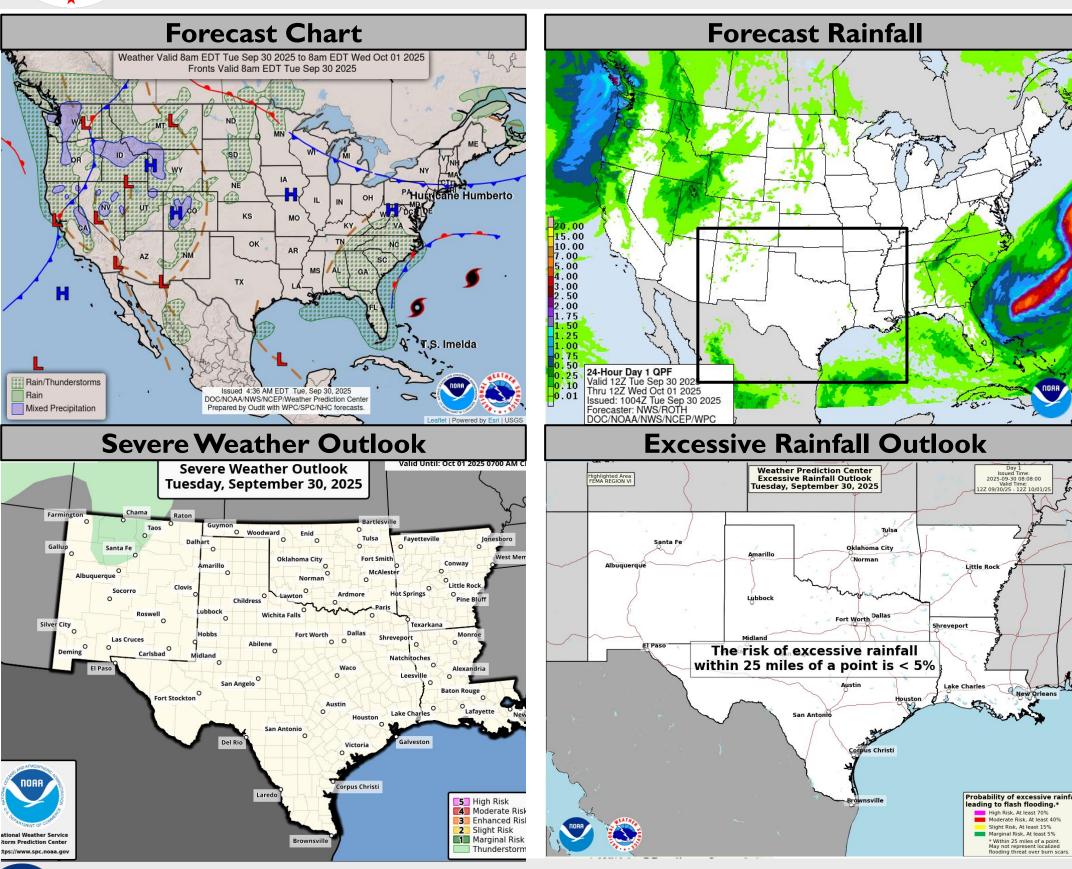
The Cache River at Patterson in AR is forecast to reach minor flood on Wednesday with flooding along the swampy timberland near the river.

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



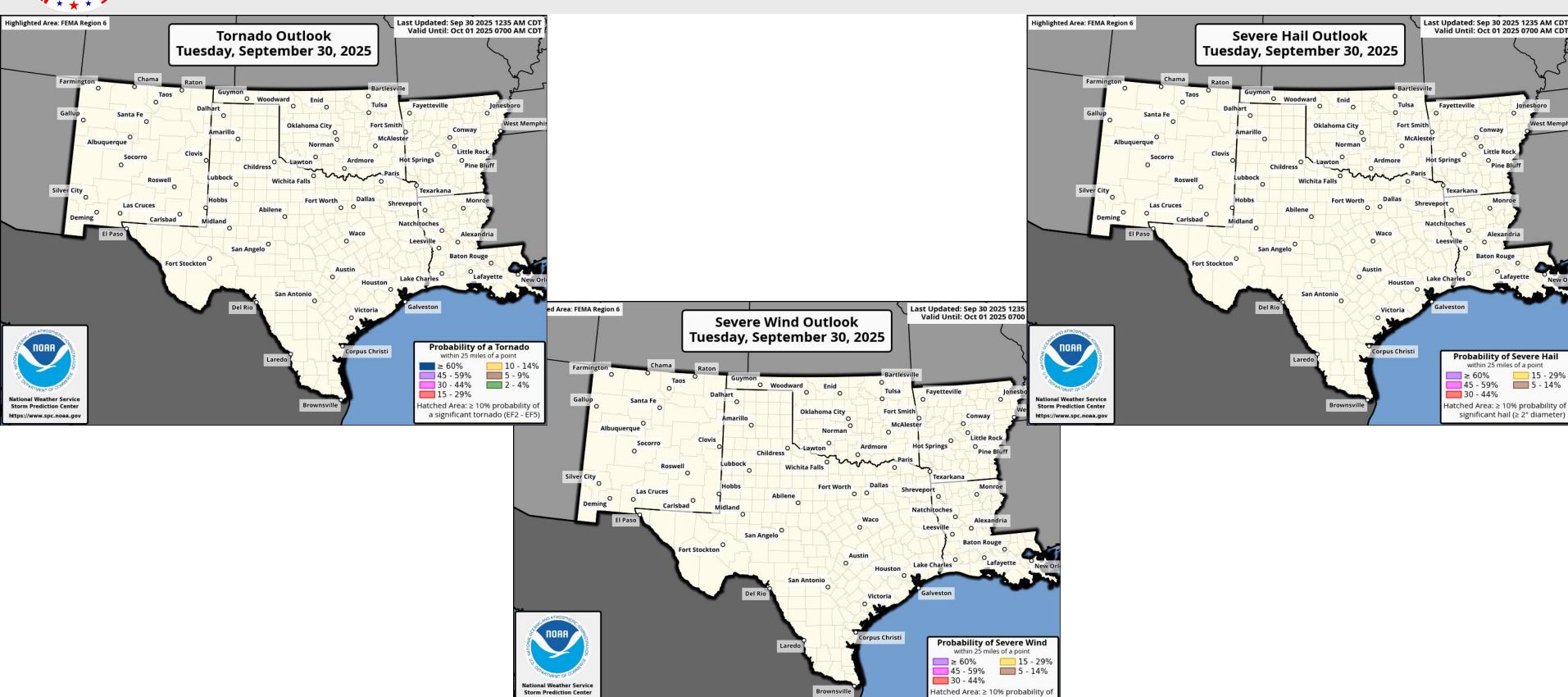
No significant impacts.

\*Burn Scar Flash Flooding information on Burn Scar Matrix slides\*





#### Today's Tornado & Severe Wind / Hail Probabilities



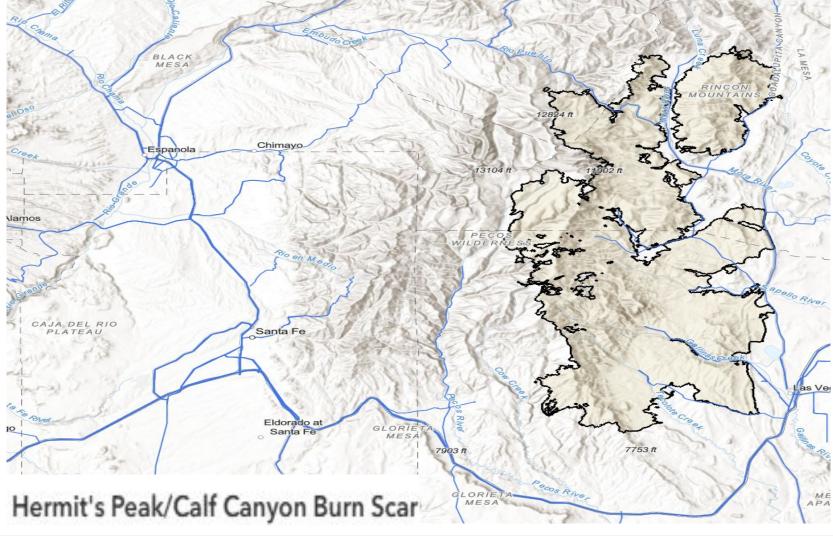




## Burn Scar Debris Flow Risk - HPCC Scar New Mexico

#### Hermit's Peak/Calf Canyon Burn Scar

|                | Tuesday, Sep 30 | Wednesday, Oct 1 | Thursday, Oct 2 | Friday, Oct 3 |
|----------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Flash Flooding |                 |                  |                 |               |
| Timing - CDT   |                 |                  |                 |               |



| Little to None          | No Flash Flood Threat                                      |
|-------------------------|--|
| Minor (level   of 4)    | Slight Risk of Flash Flooding                              |
| Moderate (level 2 of 4) | Probability of Flash Flooding Issuance 40% to 60%          |
| Major (level 3 of 4)    | Flood Watch Issued OR Debris Flow Probability > 50%        |
| Extreme (level 4 of 4)  | Life Threatening Flash Flooding Likely - Historic Type Day |
|                         |  |

 WPC's Excessive Rainfall Outlook is Not Applicable to burn scars.

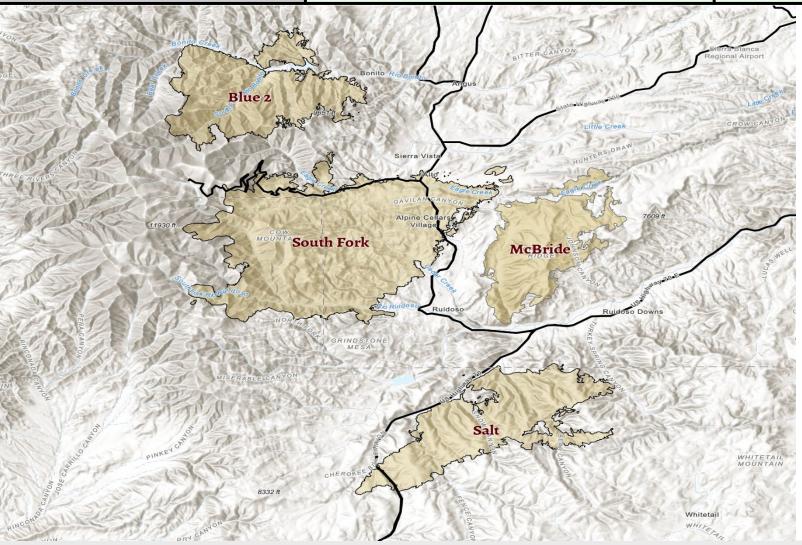




### Burn Scar Debris Flow Risk - Ruidoso, New Mexico

#### **Sacramento Complex**

|                | Tuesday, Sep 30 | Wednesday, Oct I | Thursday, Oct 2 | Friday, Oct 3 |
|----------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Flash Flooding |                 |                  |                 |               |
| Timing - CDT   |                 |                  |                 |               |



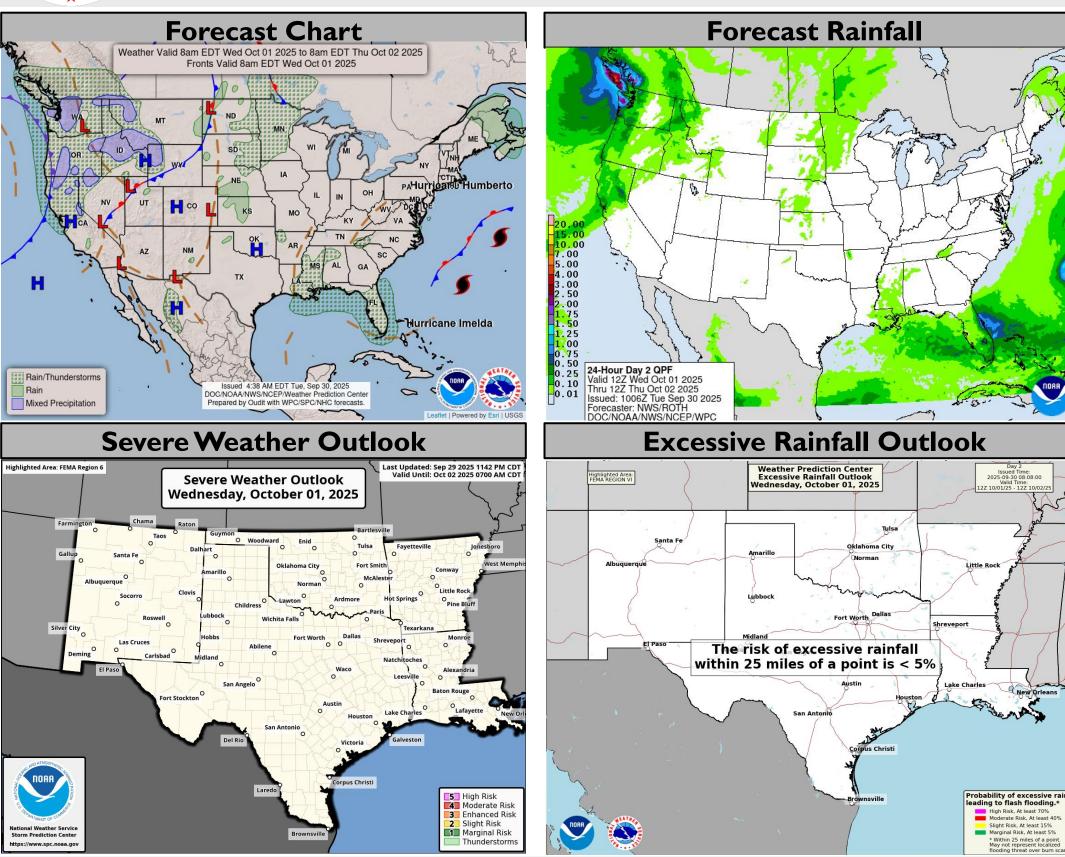
| Little to None          | No Flash Flood Threat                                      |
|-------------------------|--|
| Minor (level I of 4)    | Slight Risk of Flash Flooding                              |
| Moderate (level 2 of 4) | Probability of Flash Flooding Issuance 40% to 60%          |
| Major (level 3 of 4)    | Flood Watch Issued OR Debris Flow Probability > 50%        |
| Extreme (level 4 of 4)  | Life Threatening Flash Flooding Likely - Historic Type Day |

- WPC's Excessive Rainfall Outlook is Not Applicable to burn scars.
- \*Note\* 2nd year burn scars can be more dangerous than year 1.





## Tomorrow's Weather



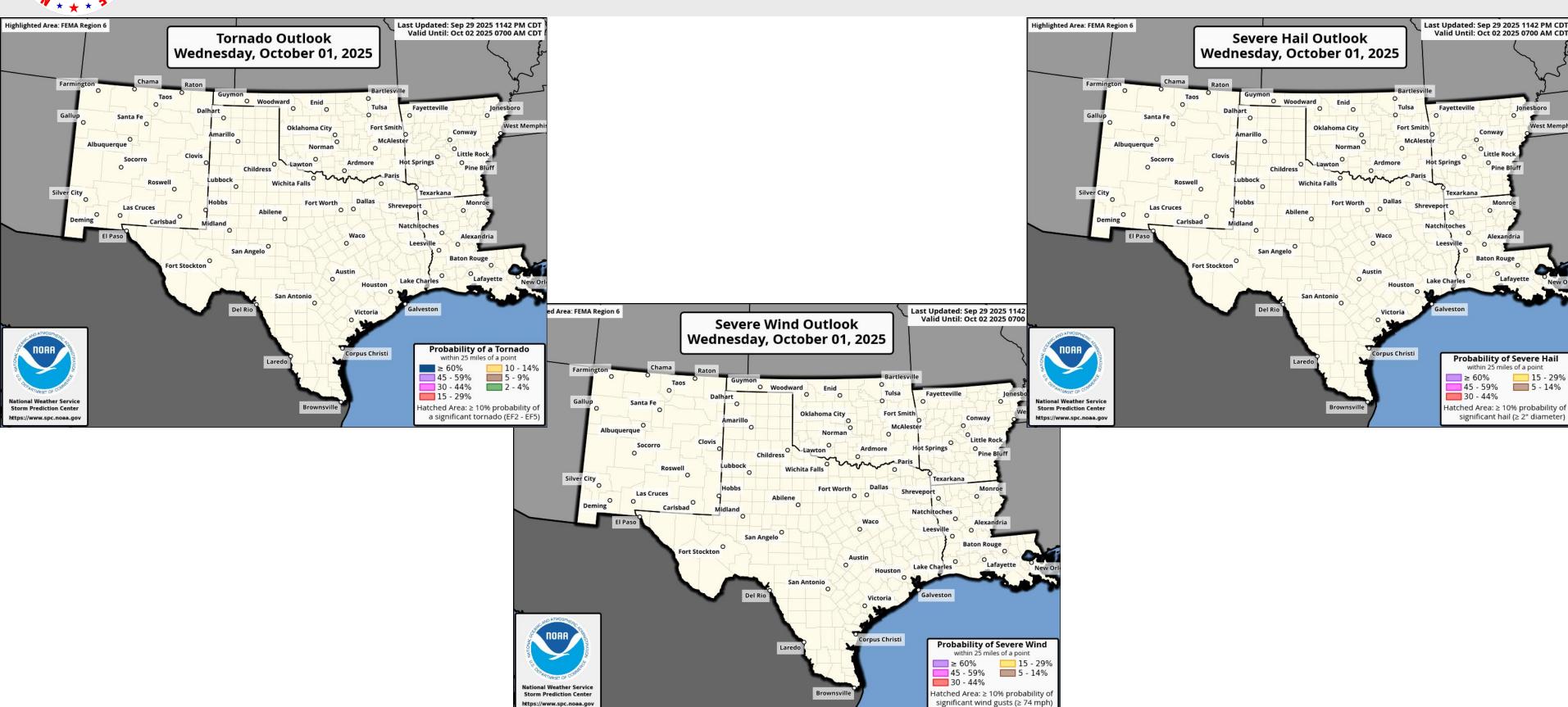
No significant weather expected.

\*Burn Scar Flash Flooding information on Burn Scar Matrix slides\*



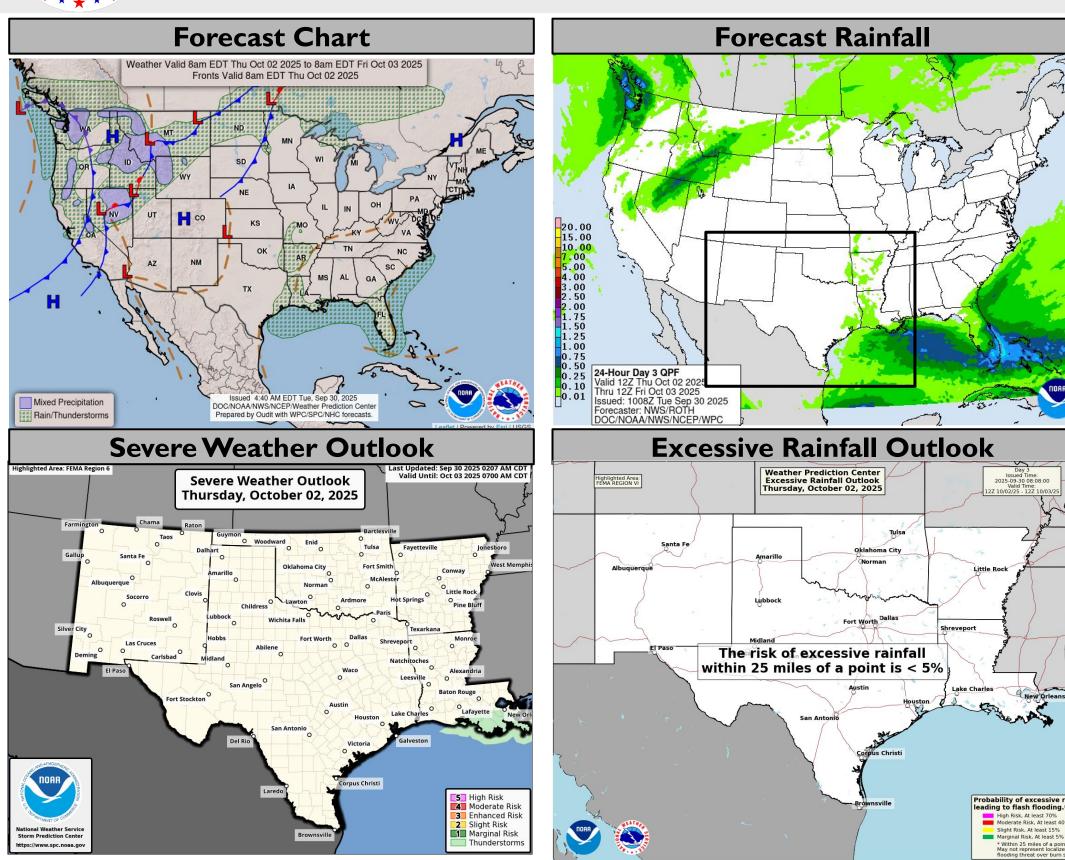


#### Tomorrow's Tornado & Severe Wind / Hail Probabilities





## Wednesday's Weather



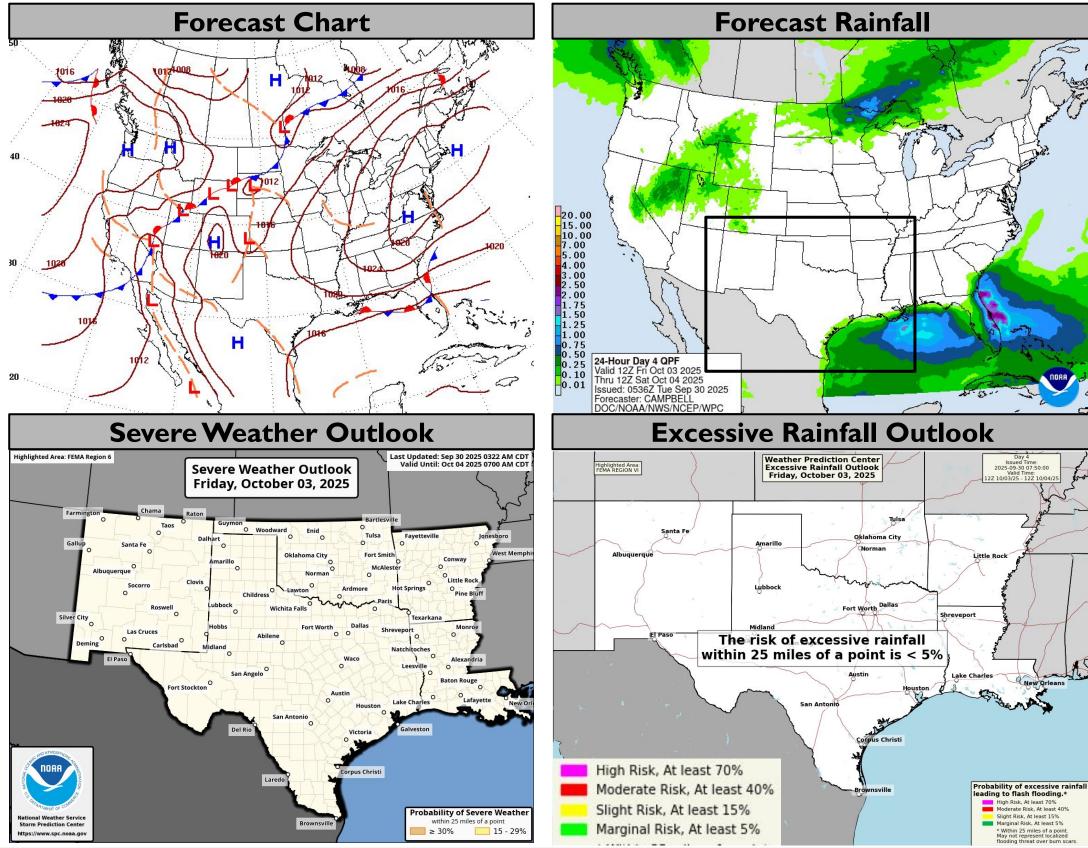
No significant weather expected.

\*Burn Scar Flash Flooding information on Burn Scar Matrix slides\*





## Thursday's Weather



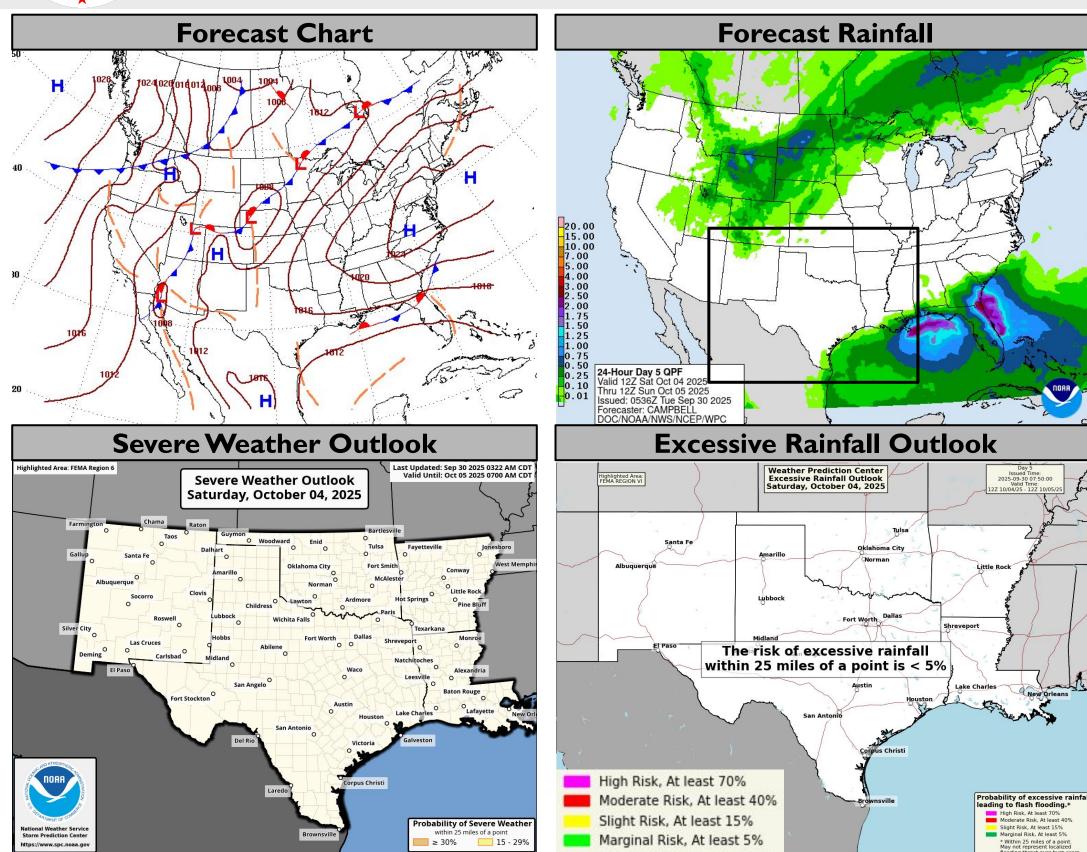
No significant weather expected.

\*Burn Scar Flash Flooding information on Burn Scar Matrix slides\*





## Friday's Weather



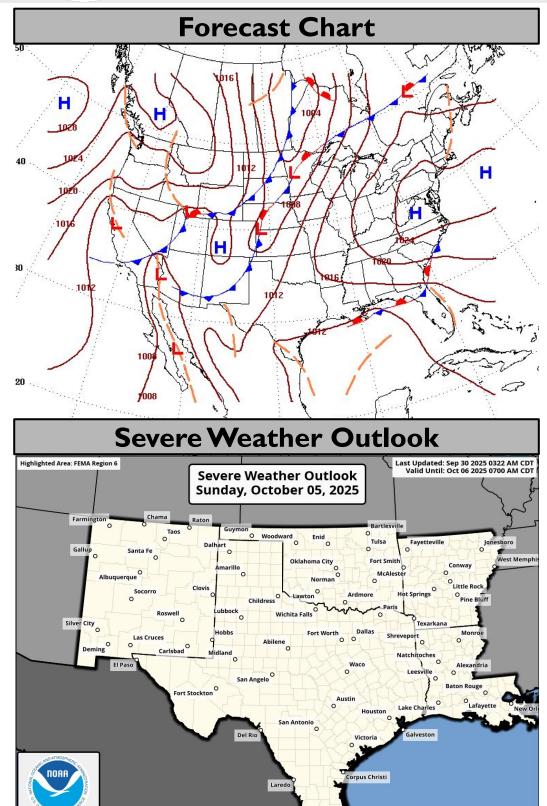
No significant weather expected.

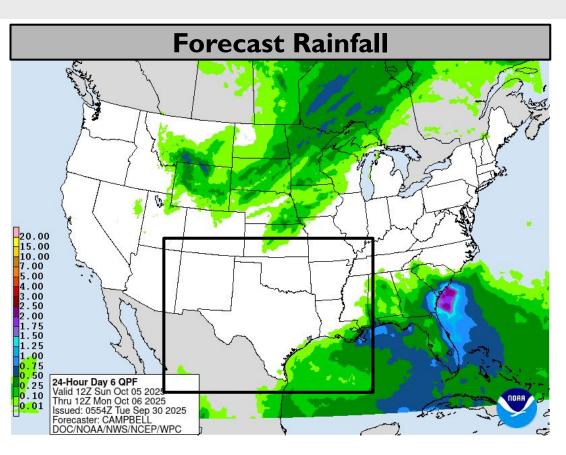




## Saturday's Weather

obability of Severe Weather



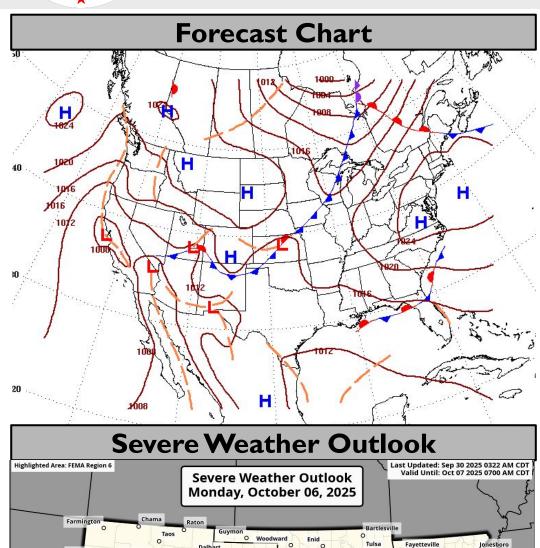


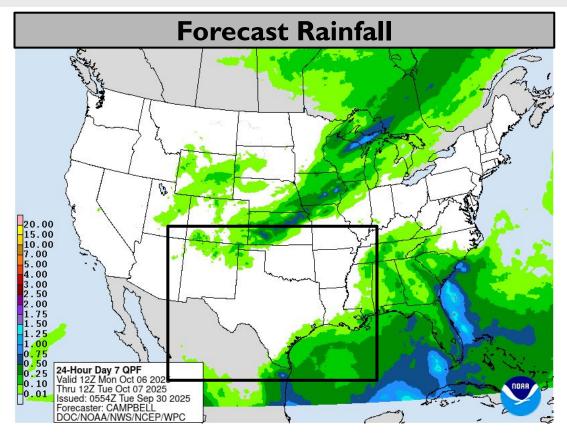
**Excessive Rainfall Outlooks** not available beyond Day 5

No significant weather expected.



## Sunday's Weather





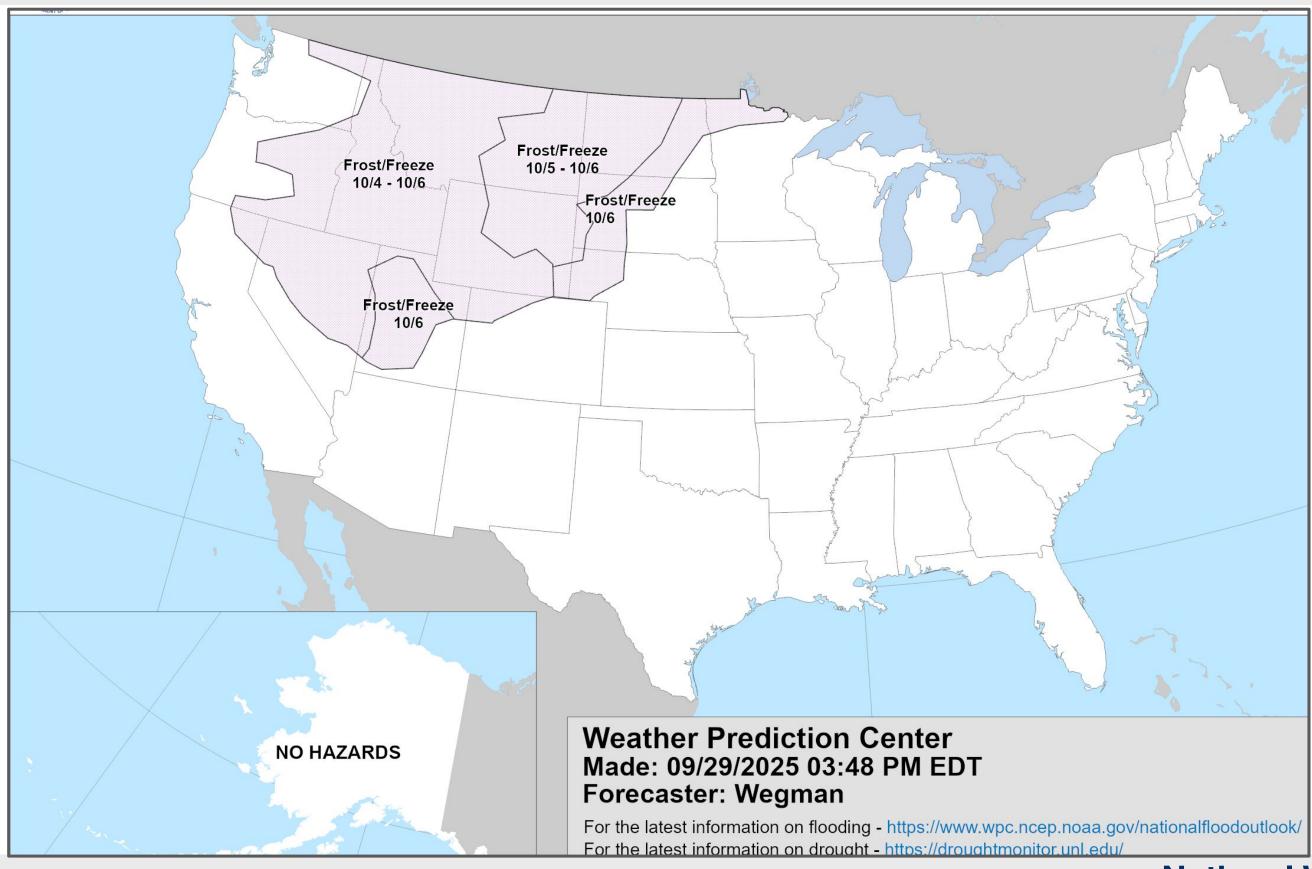
Excessive Rainfall Outlooks not available beyond Day 5

No significant weather expected.



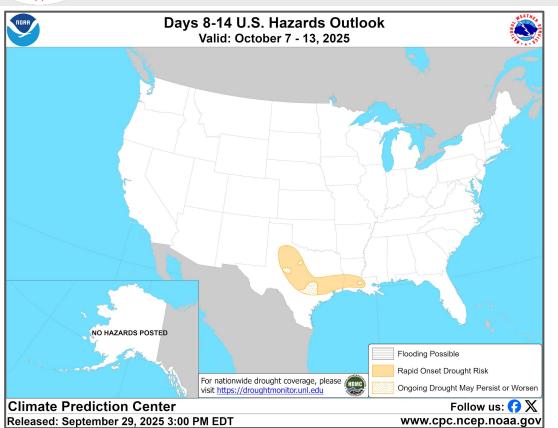


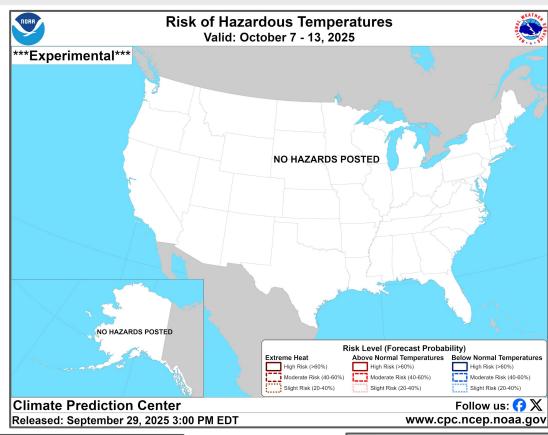
## "Day 3-7" Hazards Outlook

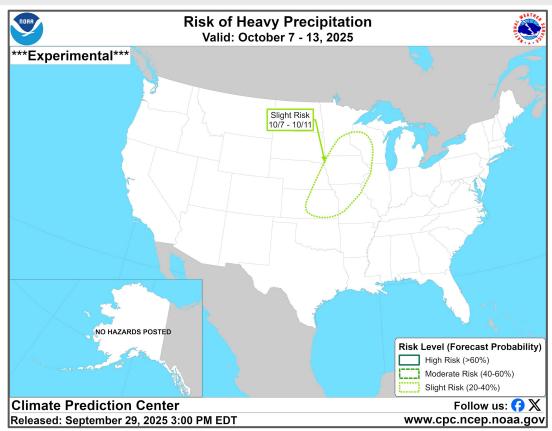


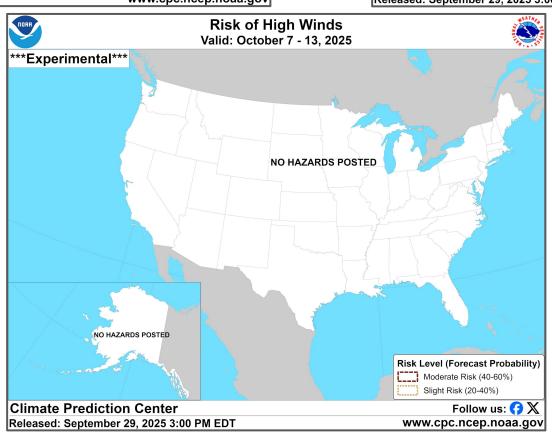


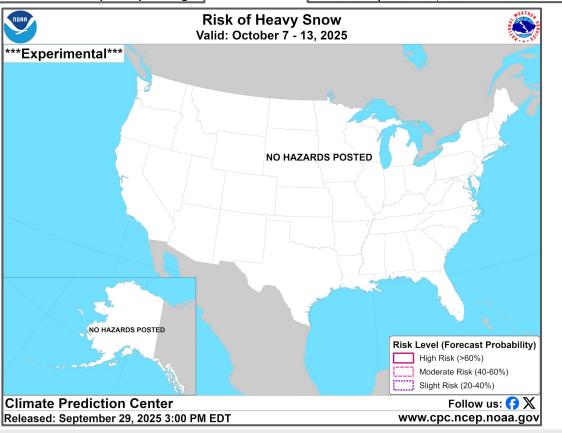
## "Day 8-14" Hazards Outlook









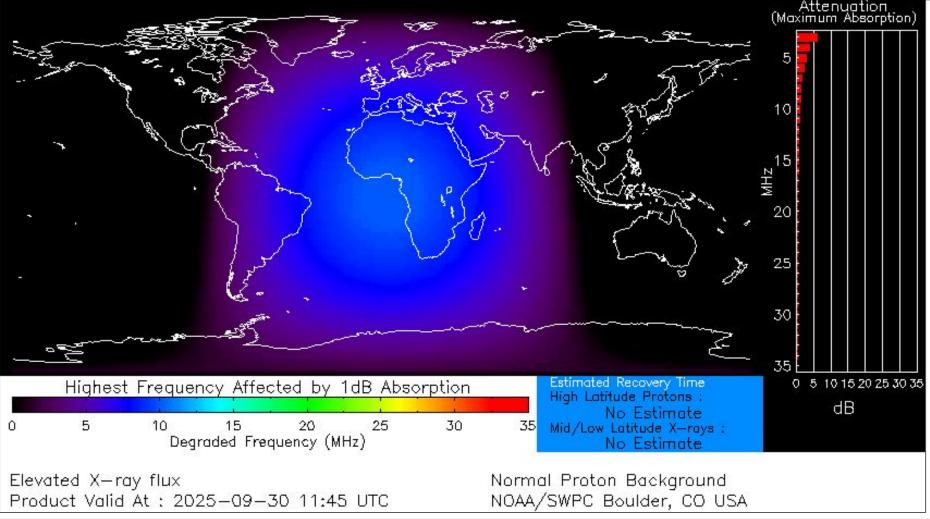






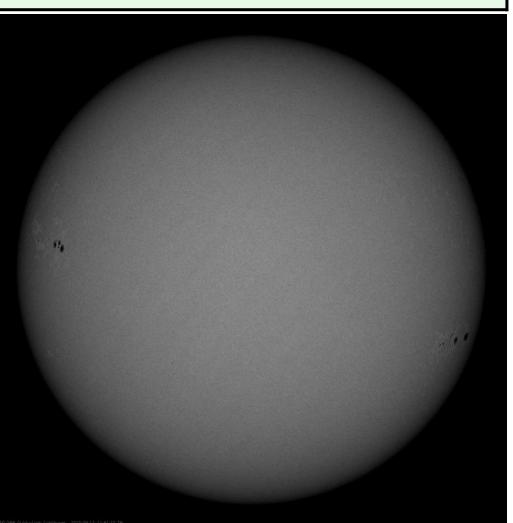
## Space Weather 3-Day Forecast

|                               | Tuesday, Sep 30         | Wednesday, Oct 1        | Thursday, Oct 2     |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|
| Geomagnetic Storms            | Unsettled<br>(Max Kp=3) | Unsettled<br>(Max Kp=3) | Quiet<br>(Max Kp=2) |
| Solar Radiation Storm (S1-S5) | 5%                      | 5%                      | 5%                  |
| Radio Blackout (R1-R2)        | 55%                     | 55%                     | 55%                 |
| Radio Blackout (R3-R5)        | 10%                     | 10%                     | 10%                 |



**Space Weather Storm Scales** 

**Latest 3-Day Space Weather Forecast** 





National Weather Service Southern Region

| Weather "Threat" Matrix for FEMA Region VI |   |  |  |  |  |
|--|---|--|--|--|--|
| Color                                      | Definition  | Criteria   | Example(s)   |  |  |
| Green                                      | Little to None 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   | 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                                     | Minor 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> <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                                     | Moderate 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> <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  | Major 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> <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                                     | Extreme 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> <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



#### **National Weather Service**

Southern Region Headquarters Regional Operations Center Fort Worth, TX



Phone: (682) 703-3747



Facebook: NWSSouthern



E-mail: sr-srh.roc@noaa.gov



X: NWSSouthern



Web: www.weather.gov/srh