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FEMA Region 6 Weather Threat Briefing

Saturday, March 07, 2026

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 Weather:**

- Slight risk (level 2 of 5) over AR, LA and TX today.
- Marginal risk (level 1 of 5) over NETX, SAR and N LA on Monday.
- Slight risk for OK, WAR, N/C TX Tuesday; SAR, ETX, N LA Wednesday.

- **Flash Flooding:**

- Slight risk (level 2 of 4) over SAR, NE/E/SE TX and LA today.
- Marginal risk (level 1 of 4) over S/C-ETX, LA on Sunday; SAR, NETX, N LA on Monday; OK, WAR, S/W-N/C TX on Tuesday and AR, N LA and NETX on Wednesday.

- **Fire Weather:**

- Elevated (level 1 of 3) over E/NE NM and the TX/OK Panhandles on Sunday.

- **River Flooding:**

- Monitoring for minor to isolated moderate river flooding to develop over N/C TX, E OK and AR starting today.





FEMA Region 6 Threat Matrix

Next 7 days

	Saturday, Mar 7	Sunday, Mar 8	Monday, Mar 9	Tuesday, Mar 10	Wednesday, Mar 11	Thursday, Mar 12	Friday, Mar 13
Severe Storms	AR, LA, TX		NETX, SAR, N LA	OK, W AR, N/CTX	SAR, ETX, N LA		
Heavy Rain / Flash Flooding	SAR, NE/E/SE TX, LA	S/C-ETX, LA	SAR, NETX, N LA	OK, W AR, S/W-N/CTX	AR, N LA, NETX		
Winter Weather							
Fire Weather		E/NE NM, TX/OK Panhandles					
River Flooding	N/CTX, E OK, W AR	N/CTX, E OK, W AR	N/CTX, E OK, W AR	N/CTX, E OK, W AR	N/CTX, E OK, W AR	N/CTX, E OK, W AR	

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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Current Radar/Hazards



Current Watches, Warnings, and Advisories

- Flood Warning Pop: 148,357
- Tornado Watch Pop: 1,981,430
- Flood Advisory Pop: 8,200
- Dense Fog Advisory Pop: 1,362,698
- Marine Dense Fog Advisory Pop: 67,873
- Rip Current Statement Pop: 787,649
- Fire Weather Watch Pop: 119,358



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Tornado Watch through 8am AR, NE TX, NW LA
Fire Weather Watch NE/E NM on Sunday.



Radar Reflectivity

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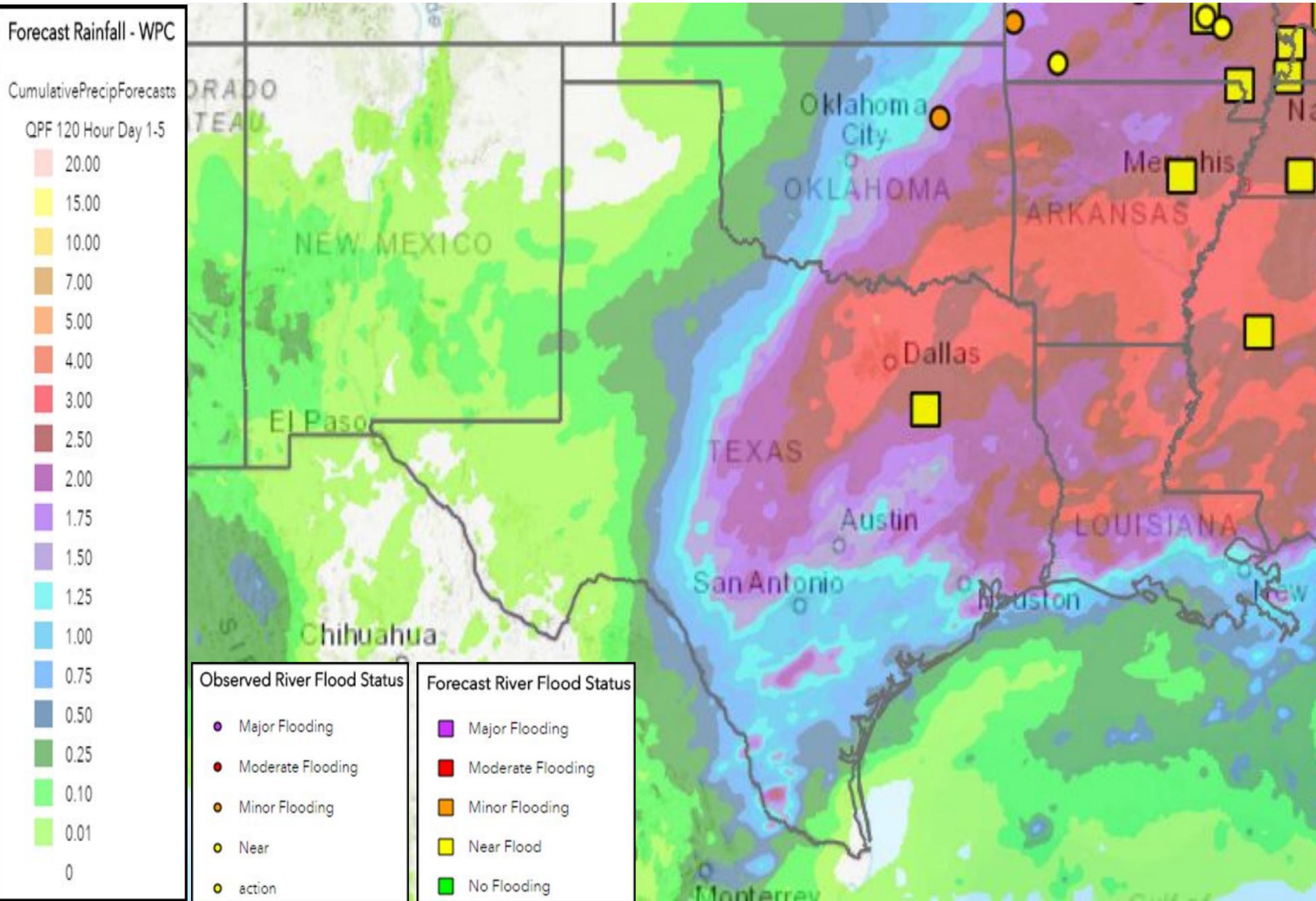
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5-Day Precipitation Forecast & River Flood Status

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



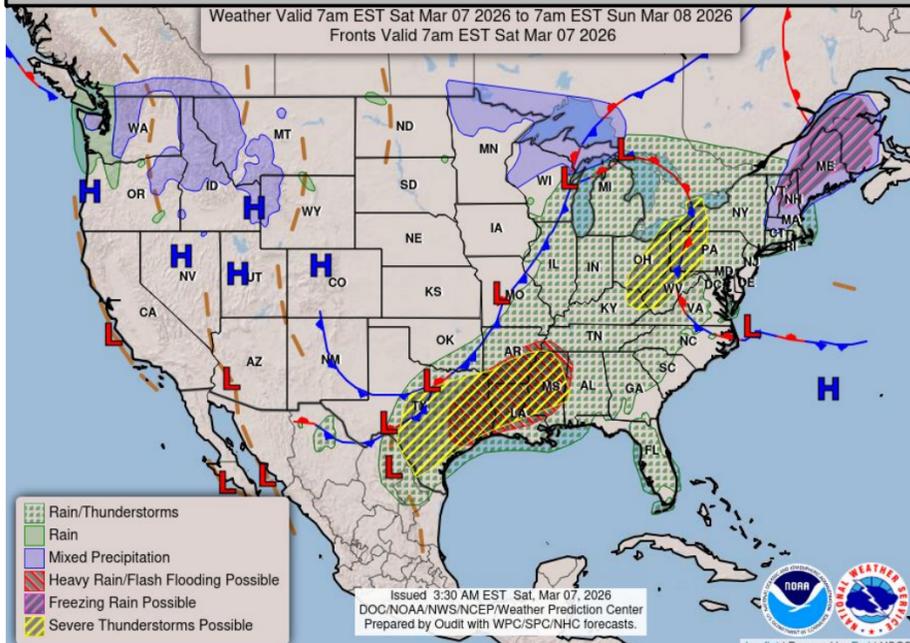
Monitoring for the development of minor to isolated moderate river flooding over N/C TX, E OK and W AR.

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.

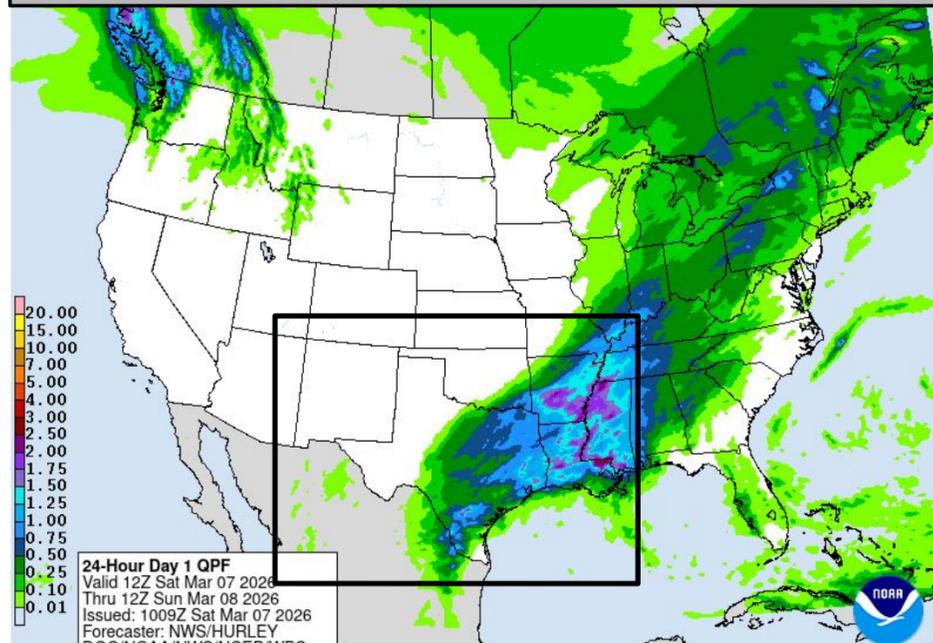


Today's Weather

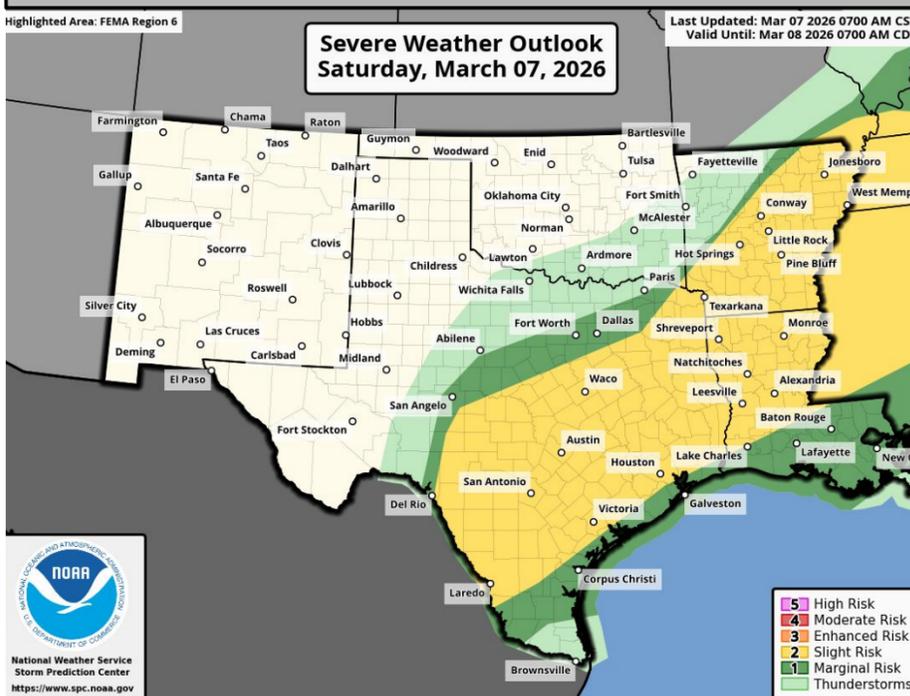
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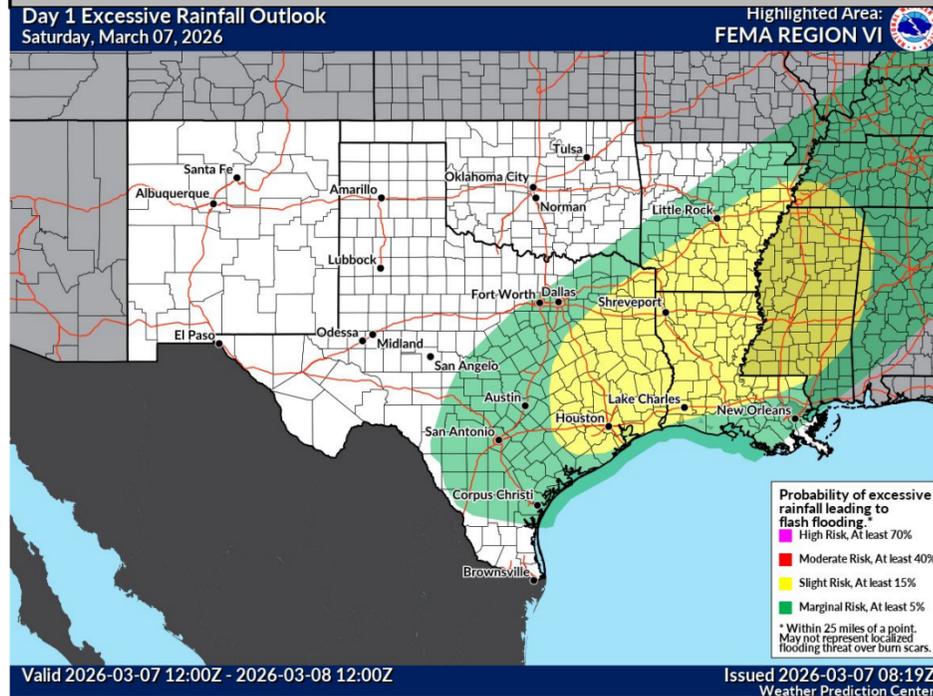
Forecast Rainfall



Severe Weather Outlook



Excessive Rainfall Outlook

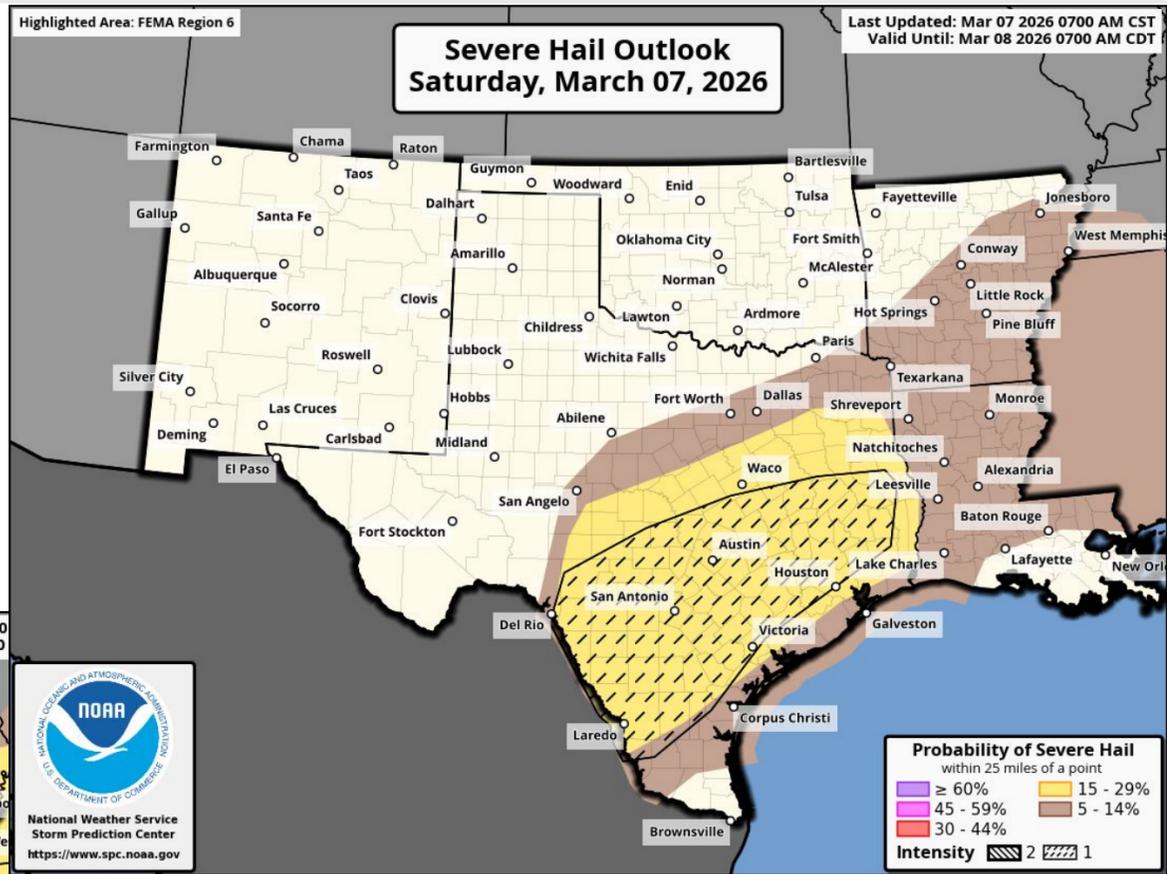
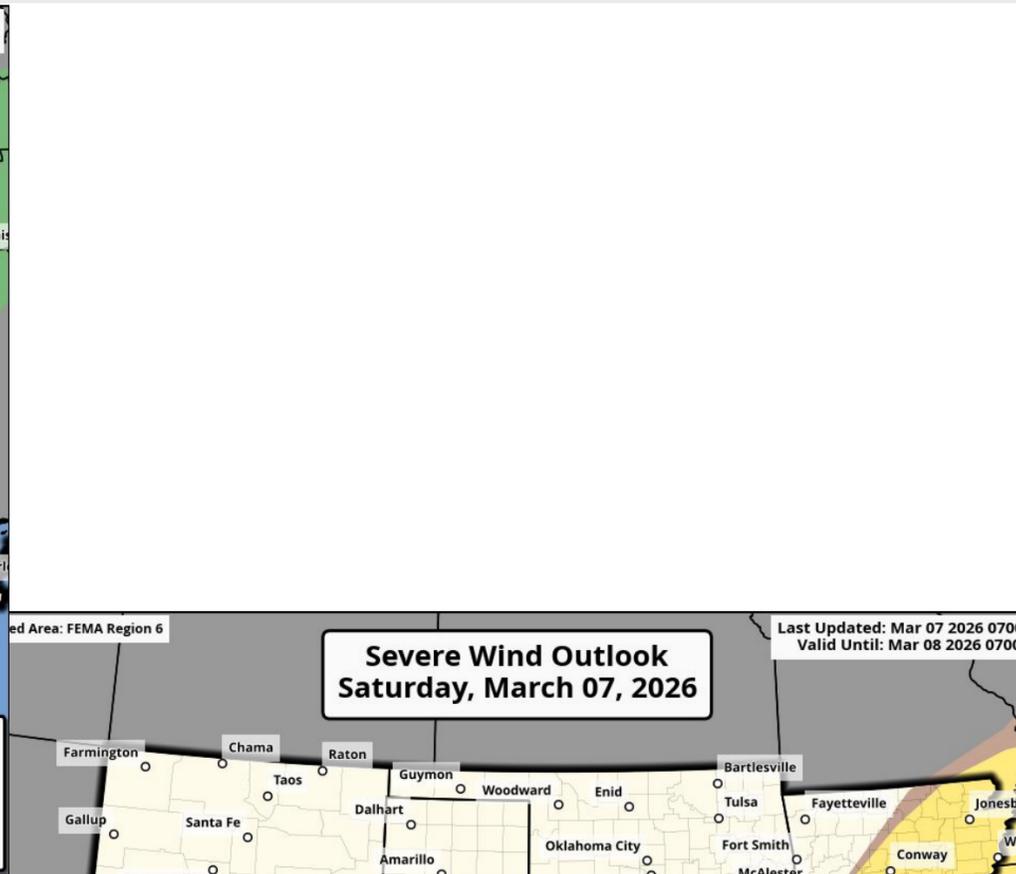
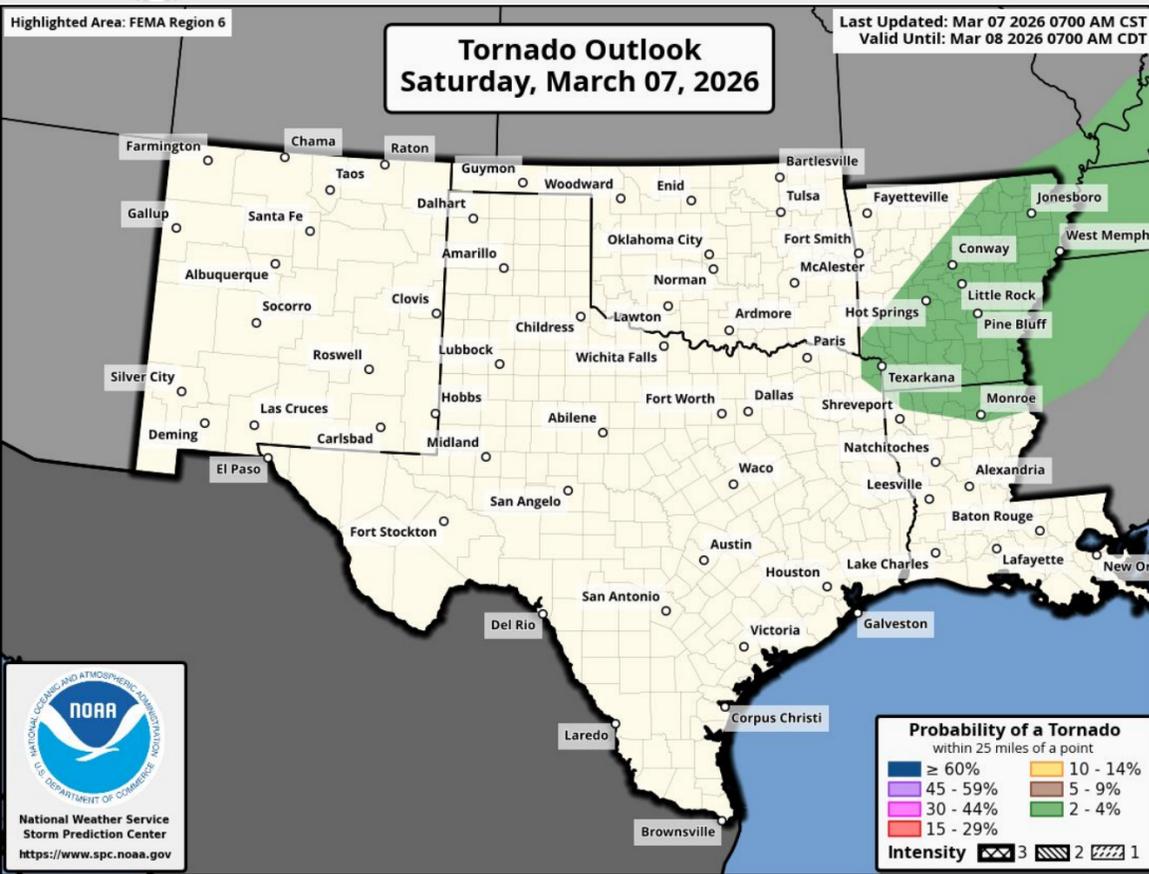


Slight risk (level 2 of 5) for severe storms in AR, LA and TX. Hail up to 2" in diameter is the main threat in severe storms.

Slight risk (level 2 of 4) for flash flooding in S AR,C-NETX, N LA. Local amounts of 3-5".

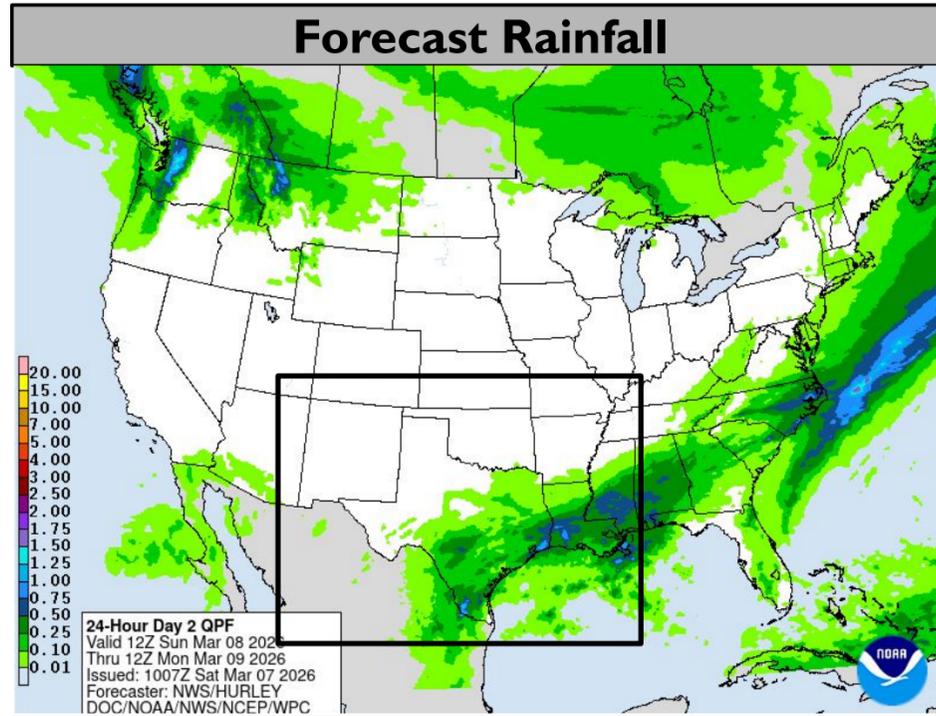
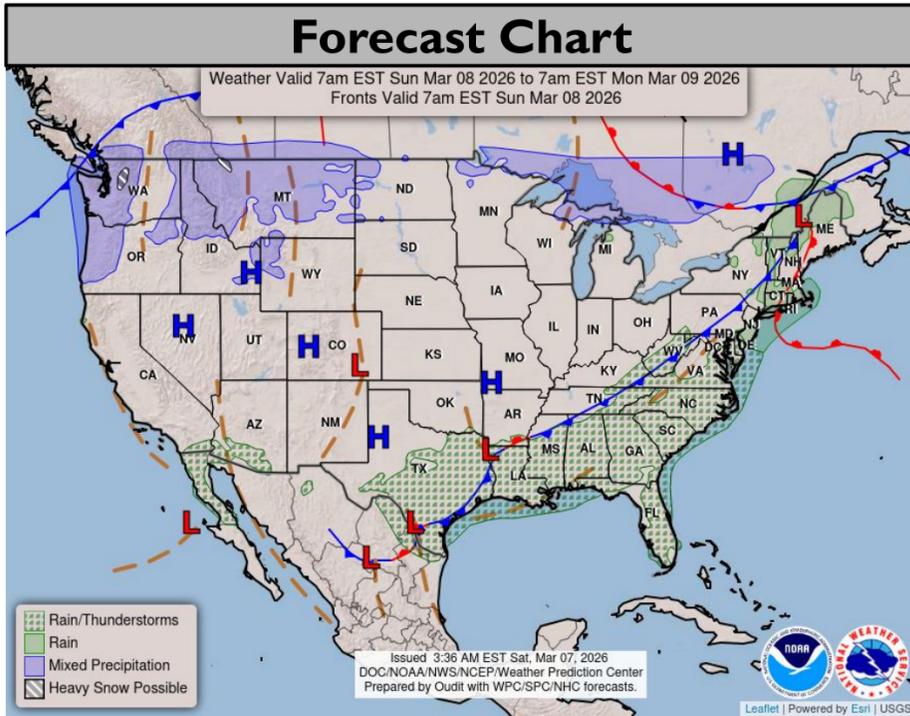


Today's Tornado & Severe Wind / Hail Probabilities

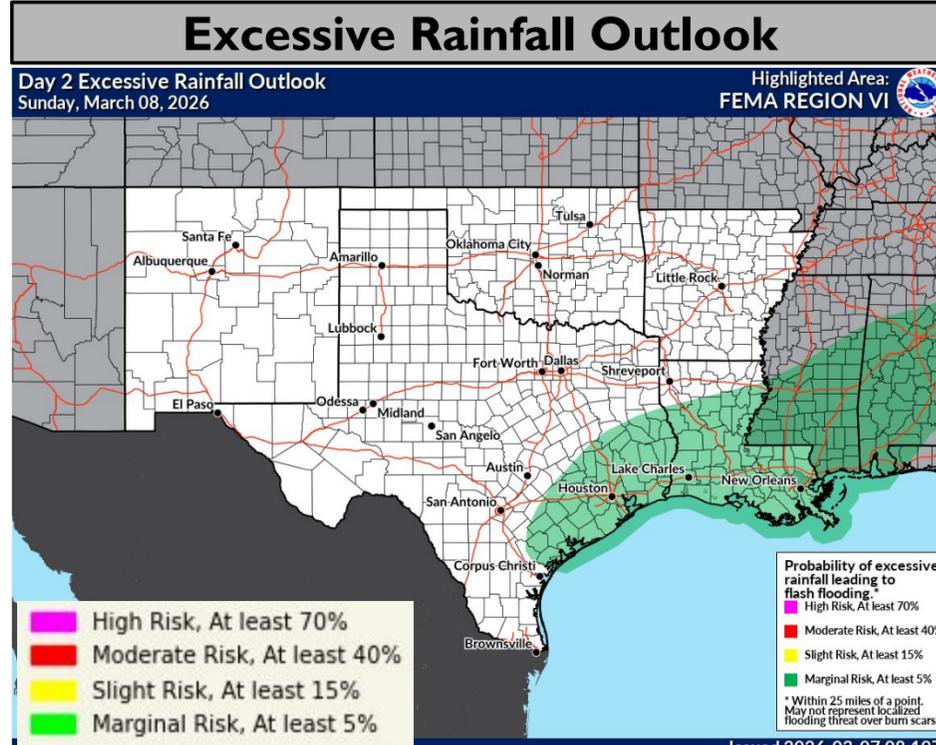
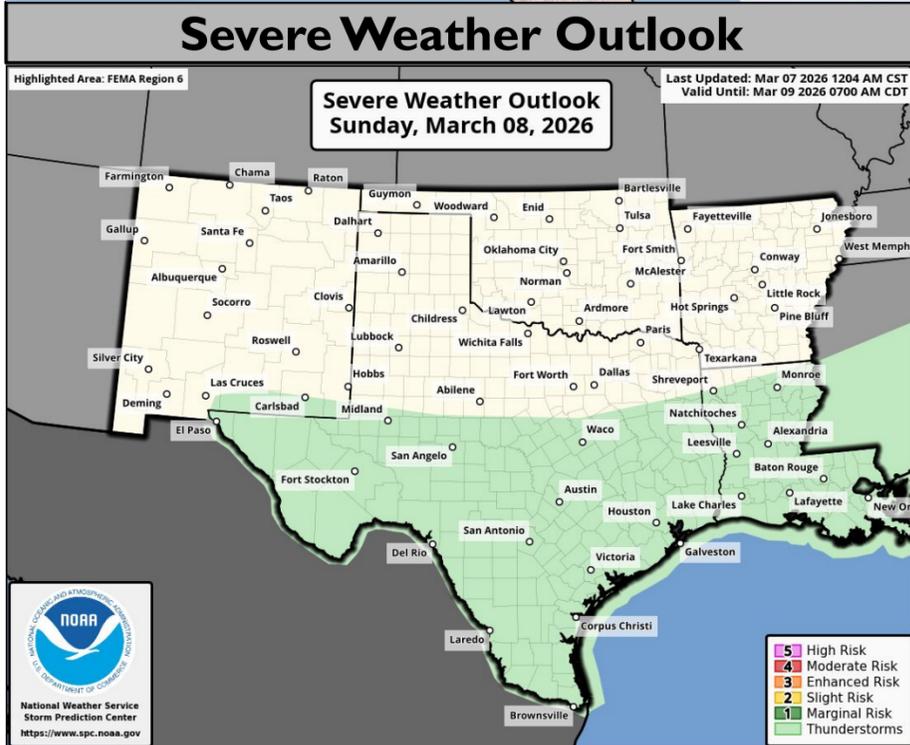




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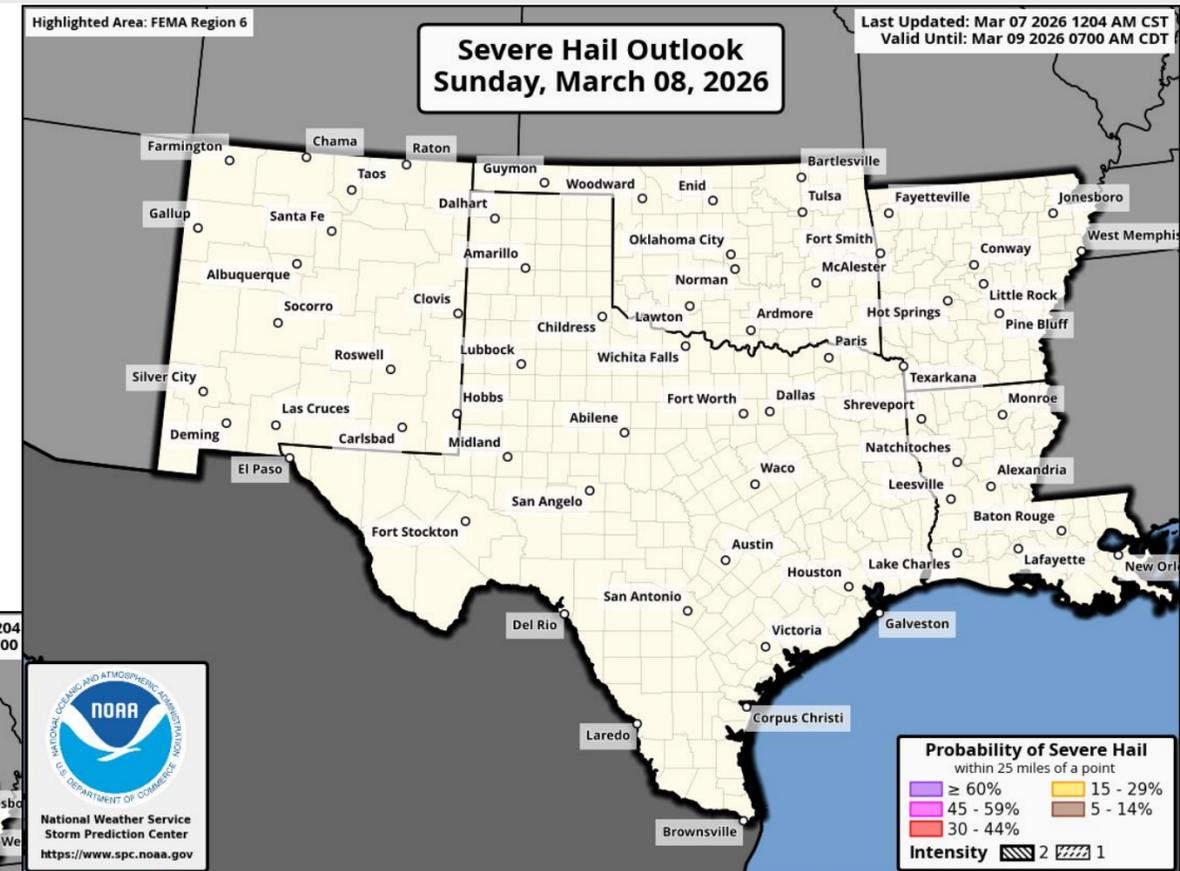
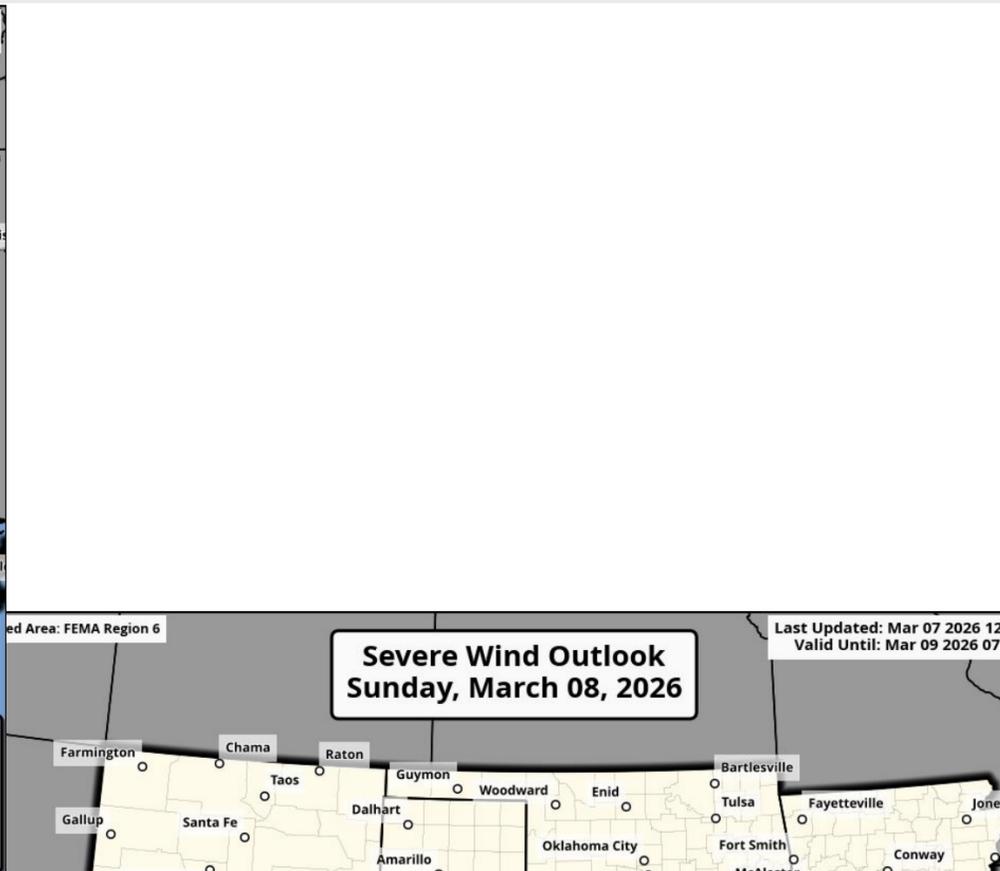
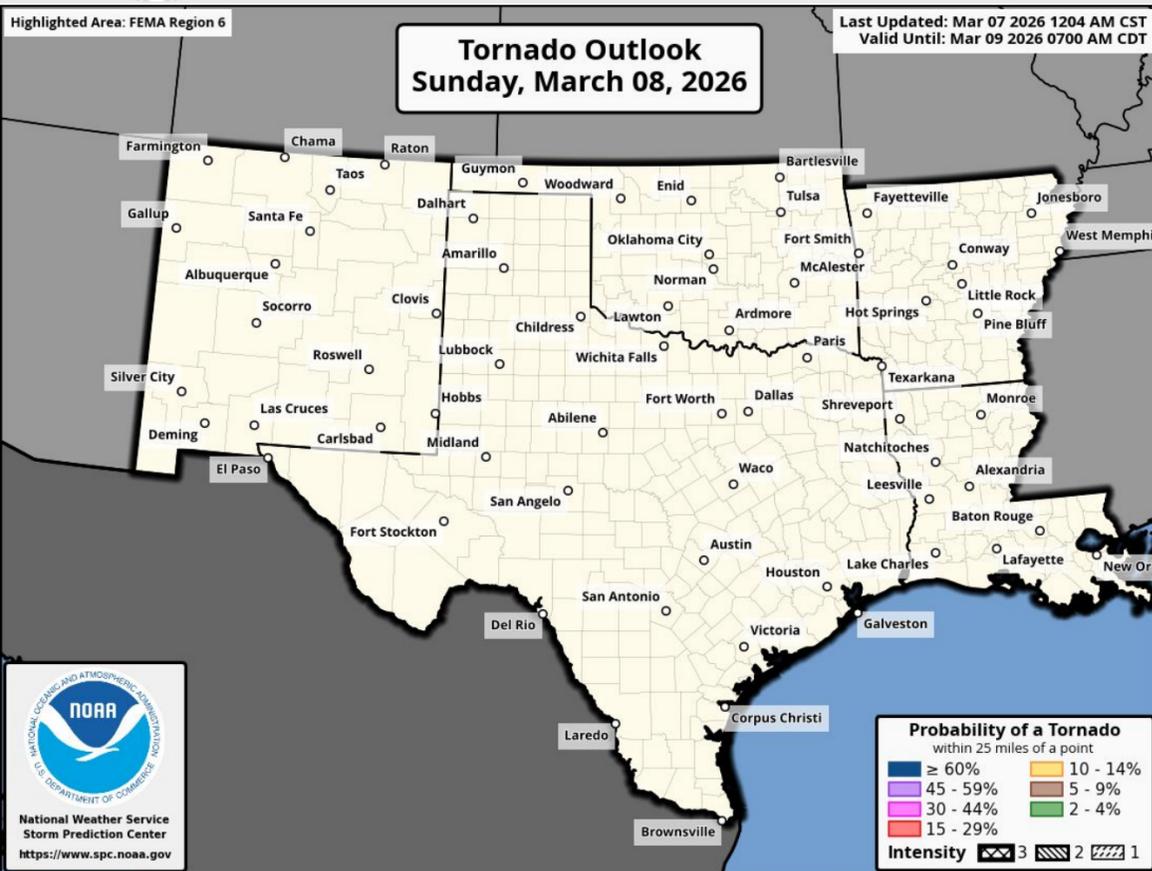


Marginal risk (level 1 of 4) for flash flooding in S/C-ETX, LA.



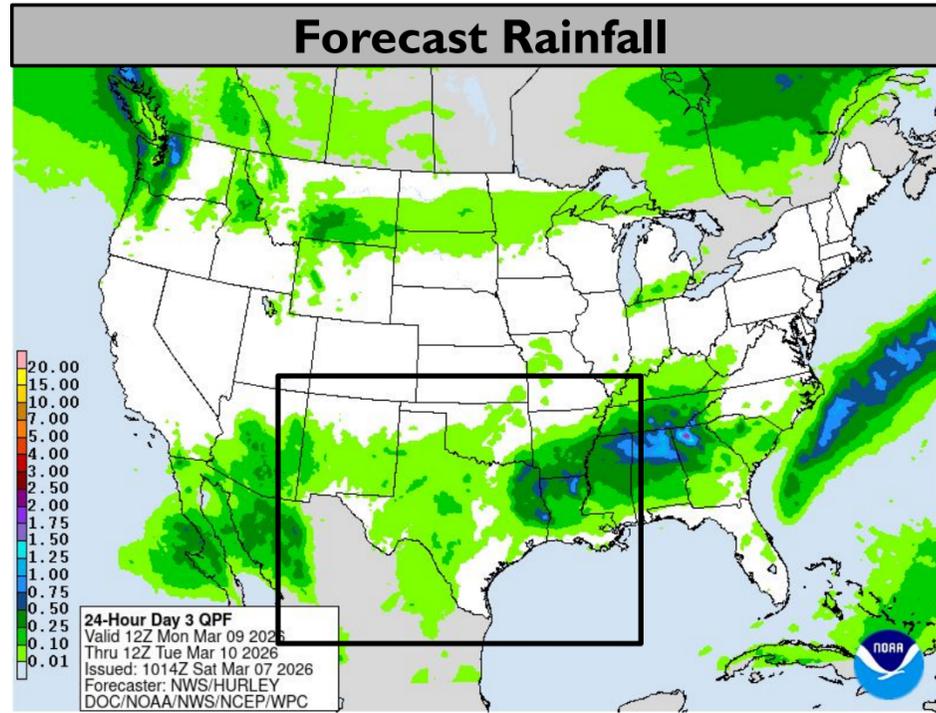
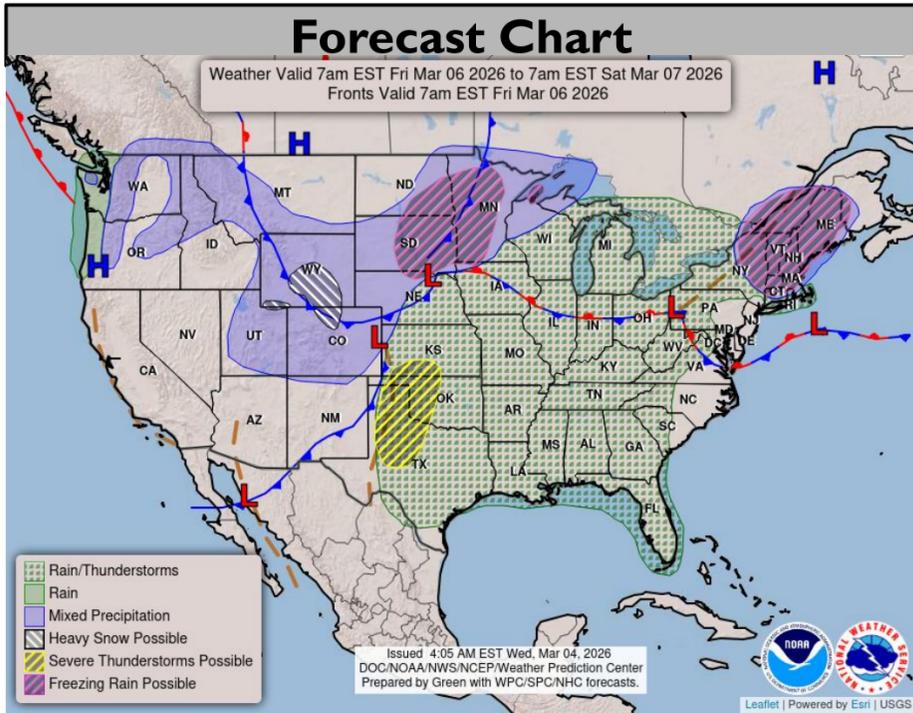


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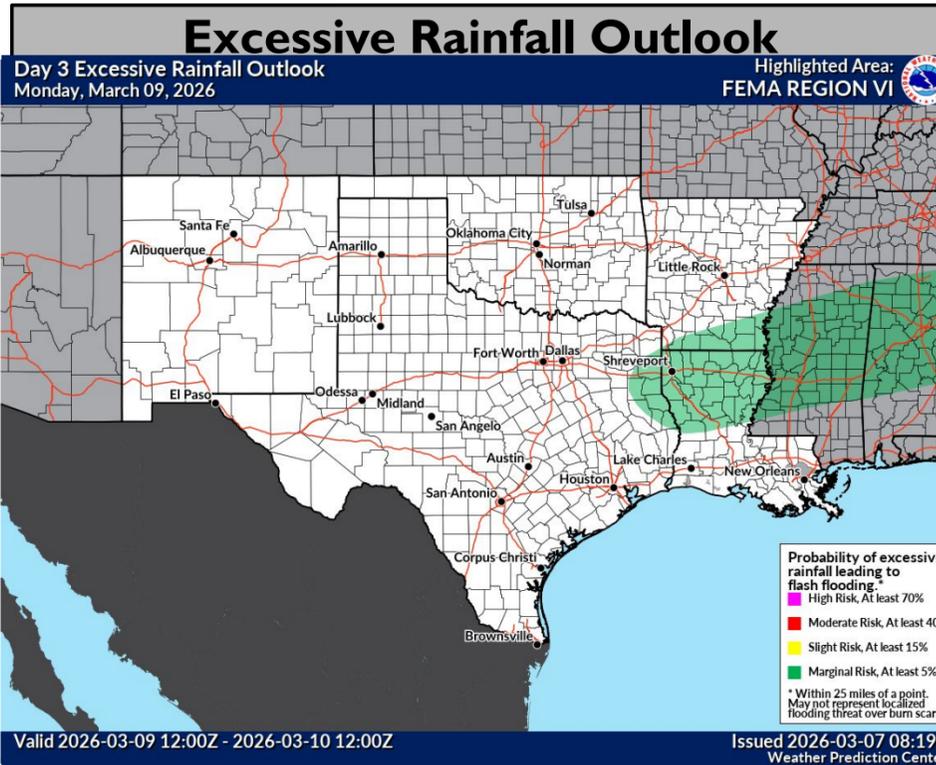
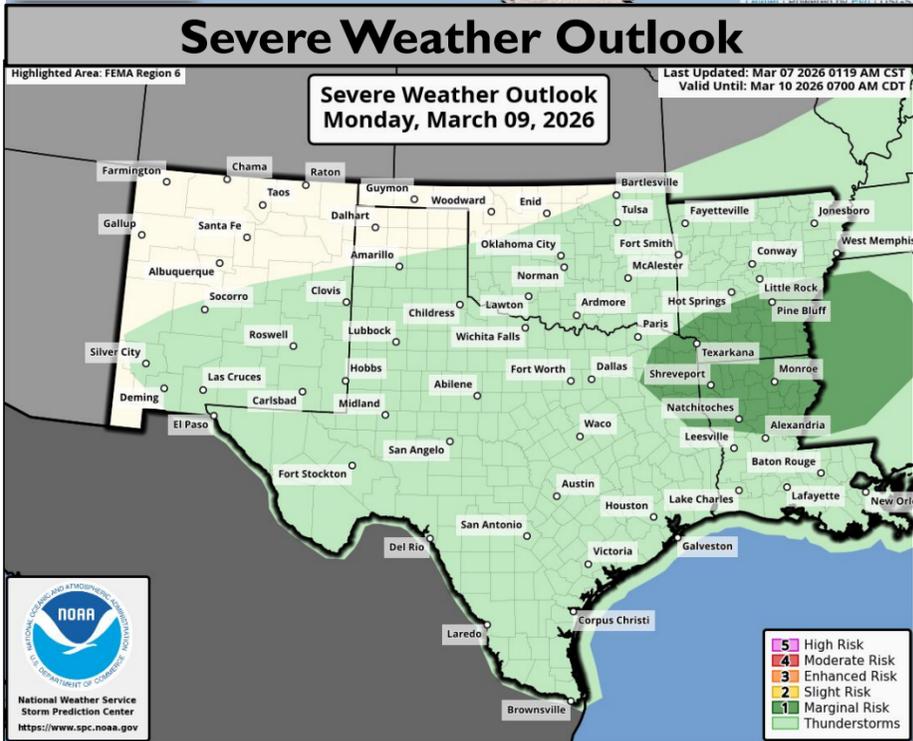


Monday's Weather



Marginal risk (level 1 of 4) for flash flooding in SAR, NETX, N LA.

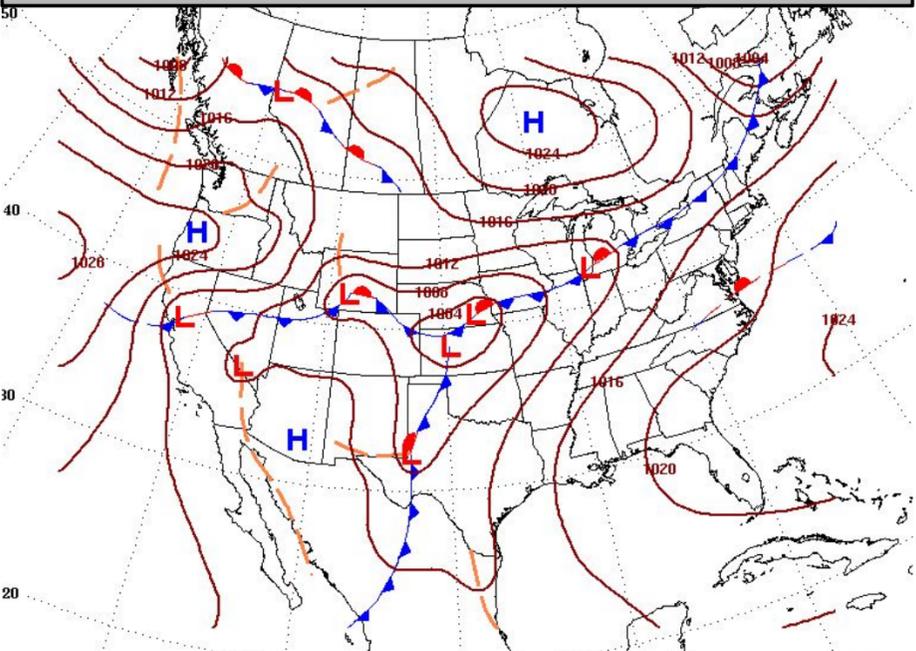
Marginal risk (level 1 of 5) for severe storms over NETX, SAR and N LA.



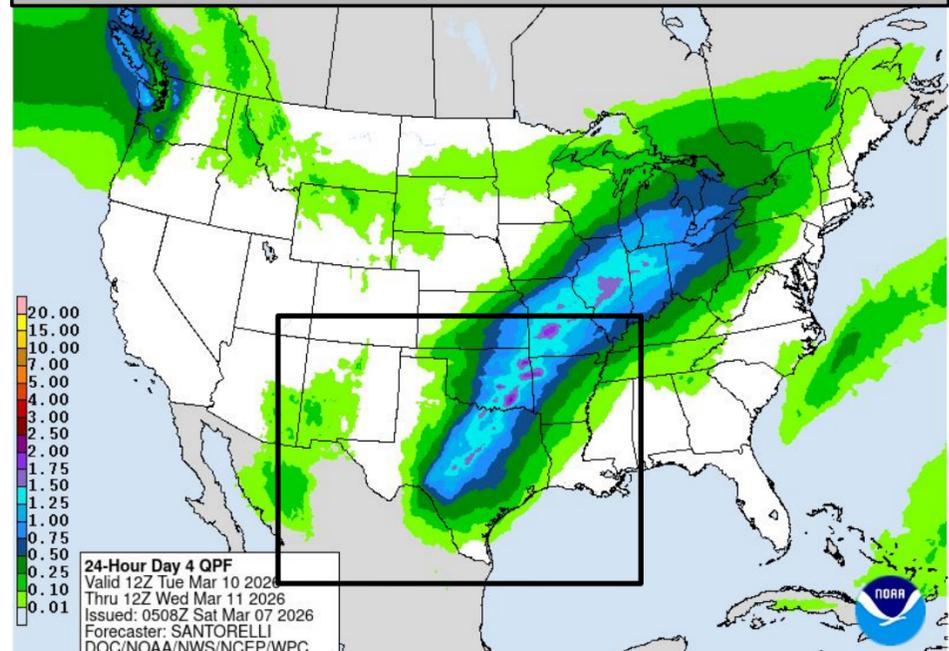


Tuesday's Weather

Forecast Chart



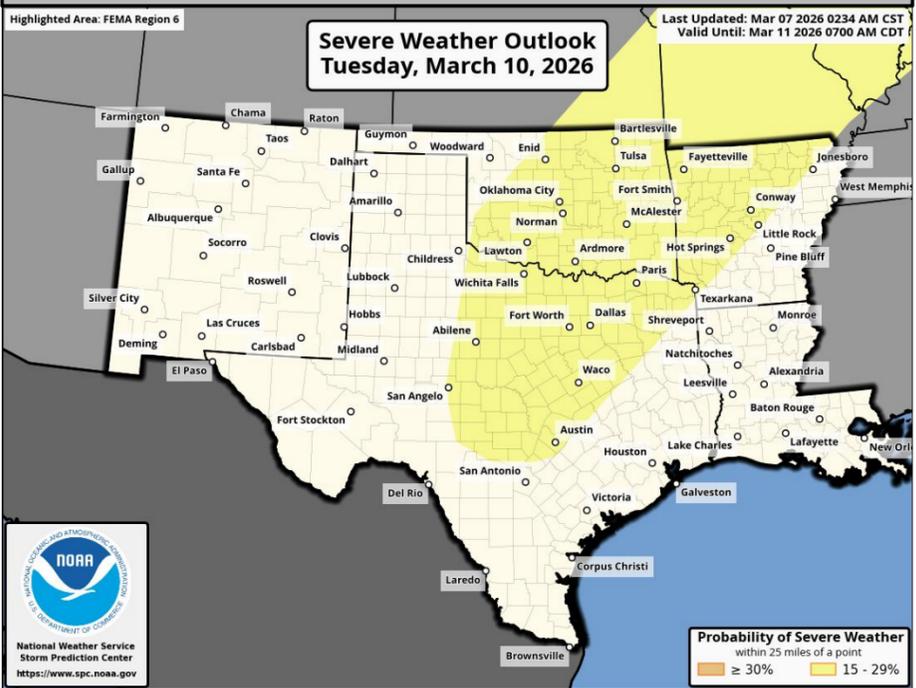
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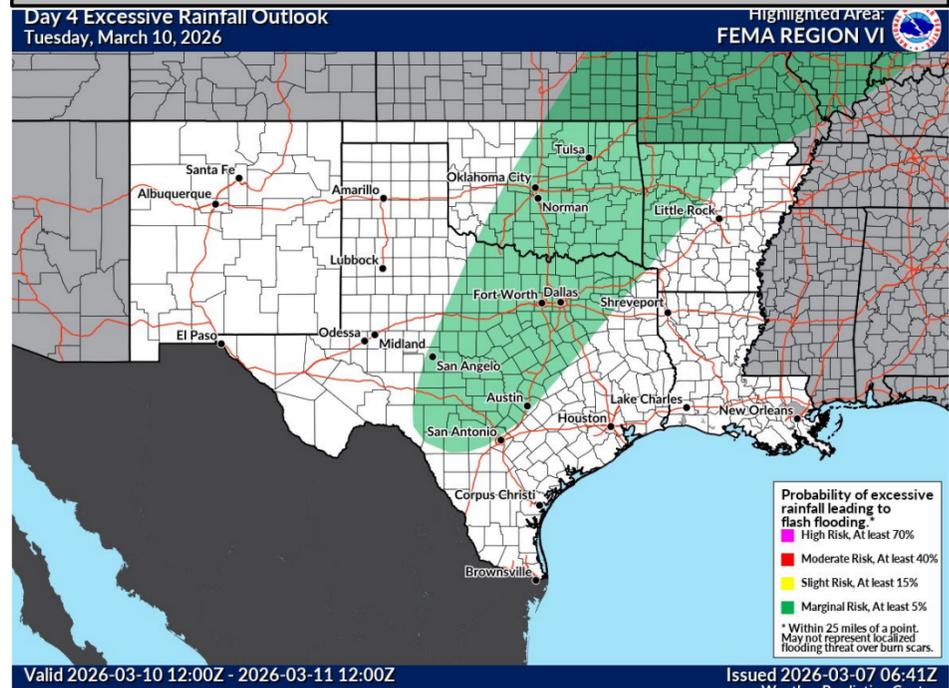
Slight risk (level 2 of 5) for severe thunderstorms across OK, W AR, N/C TX.

Marginal risk (level 1 of 4) for flash flooding in OK, W AR, S/W-N/C TX.

Severe Weather Outlook



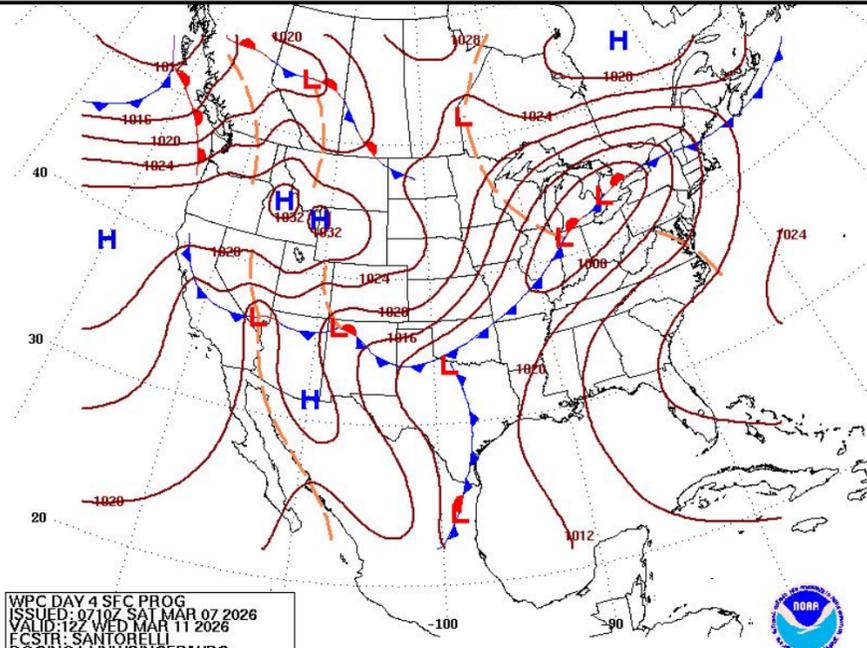
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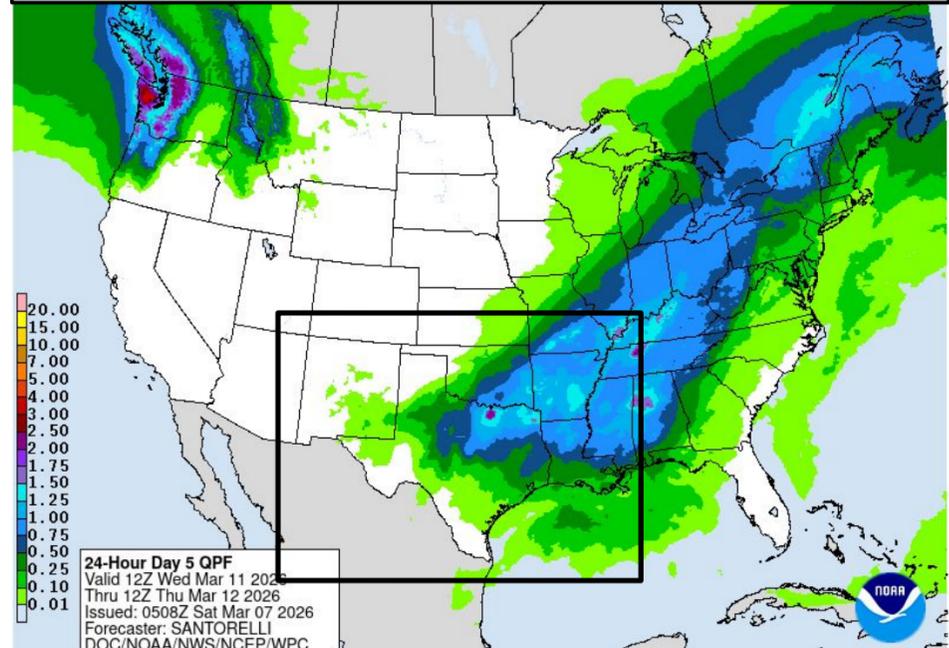
Wednesday's Weather

Forecast Chart



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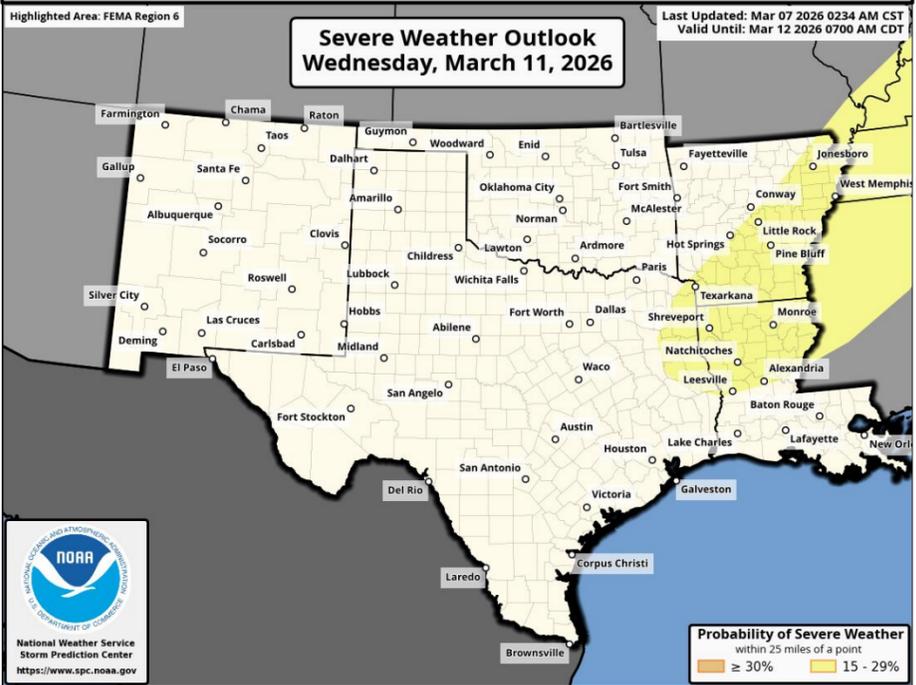


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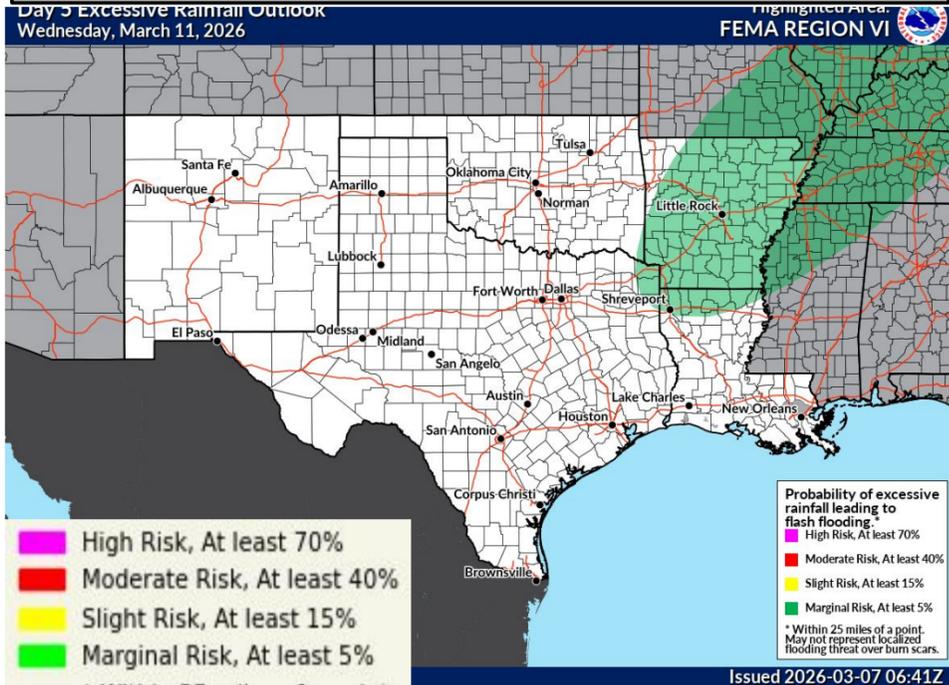
Slight risk (level 2 of 5) for severe storms in S AR, ETX, N LA.

Marginal risk (level 1 of 4) for flash flooding in AR, NETX, N LA.

Severe Weather Outlook



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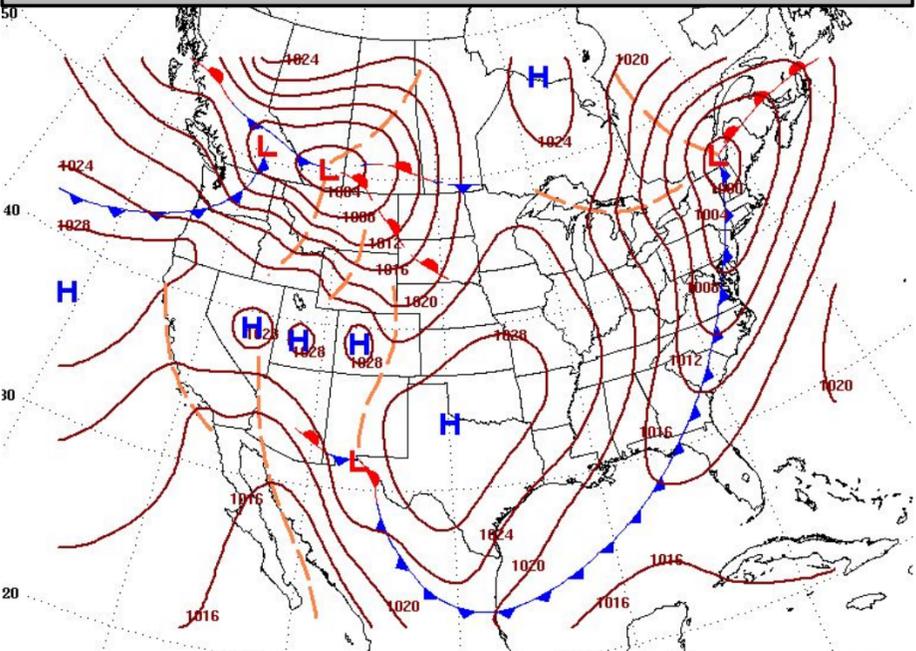


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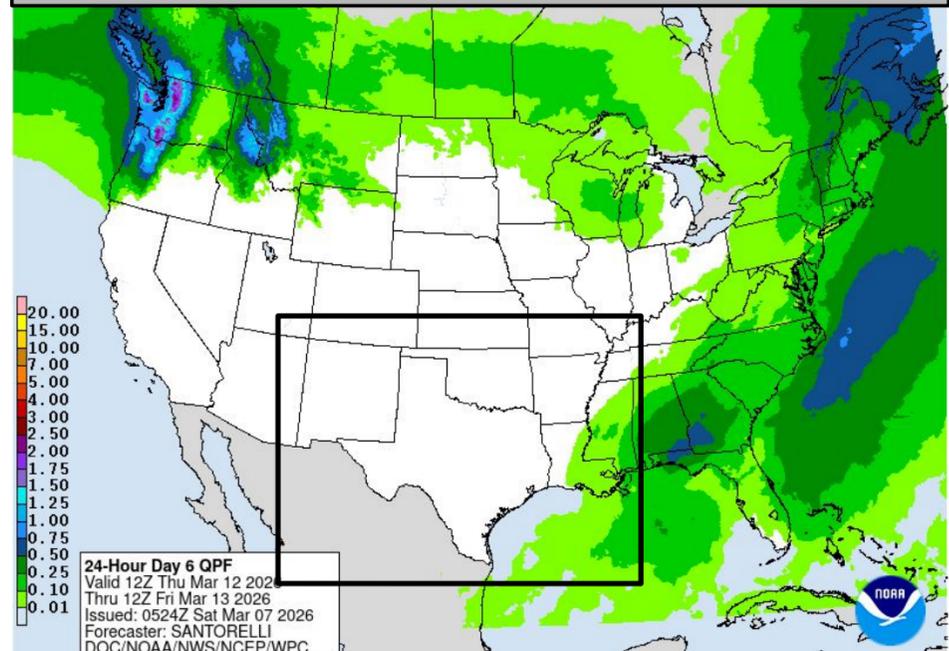


Thursday's Weather

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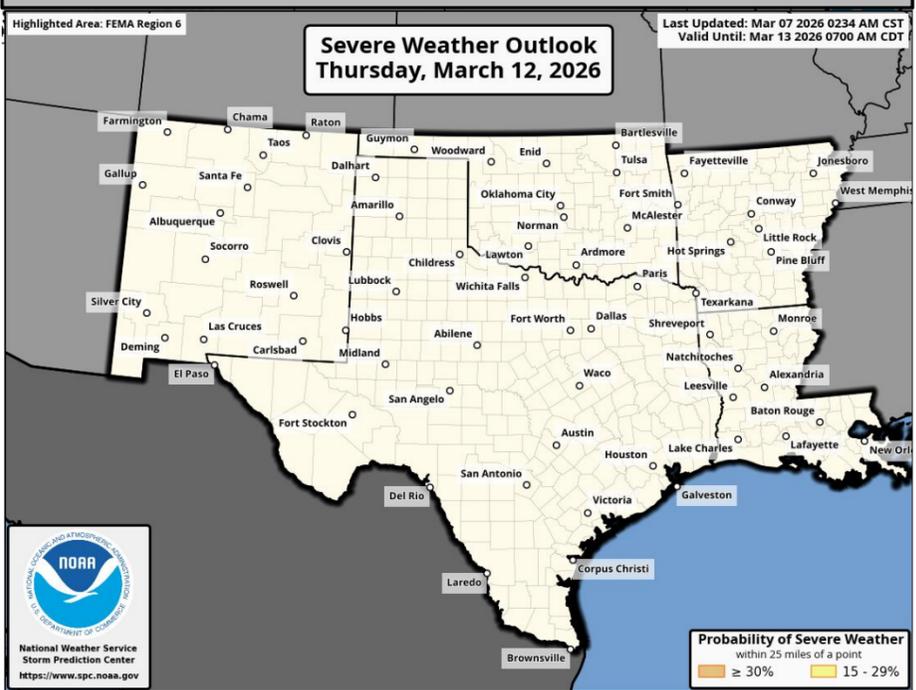


Forecast Rainfall



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Severe Weather Outlook

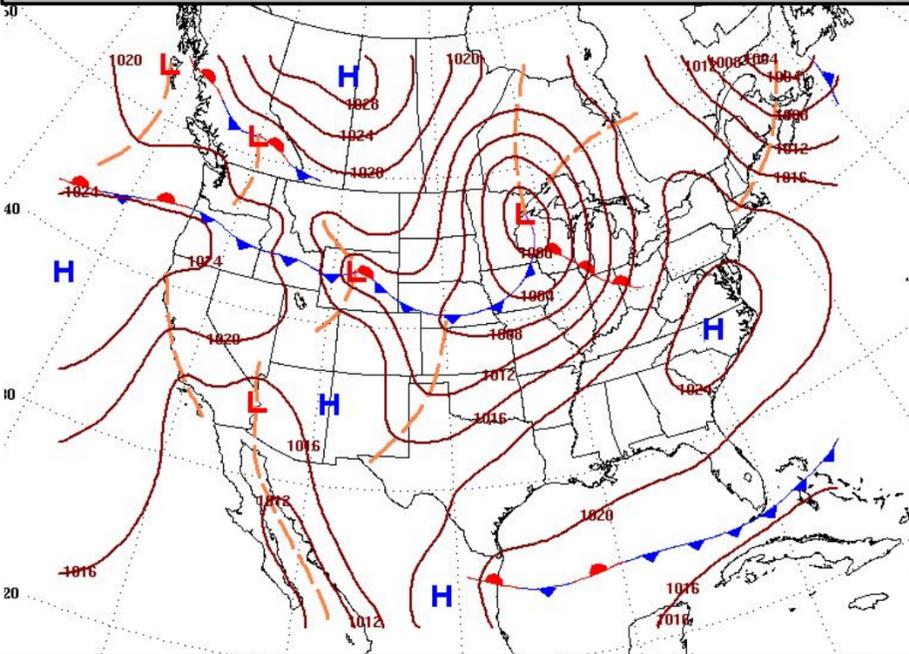


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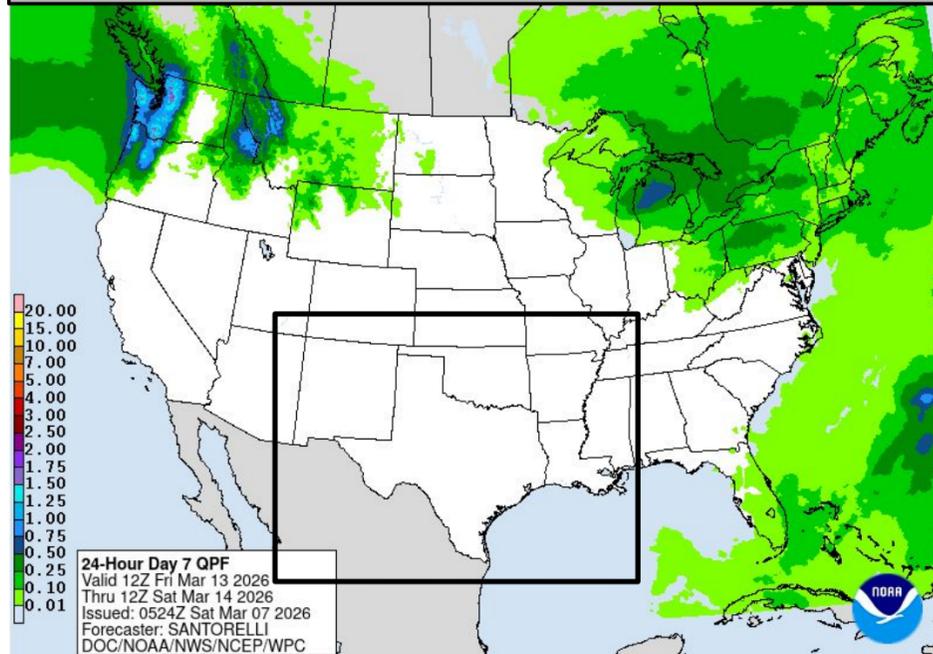


Friday's Weather

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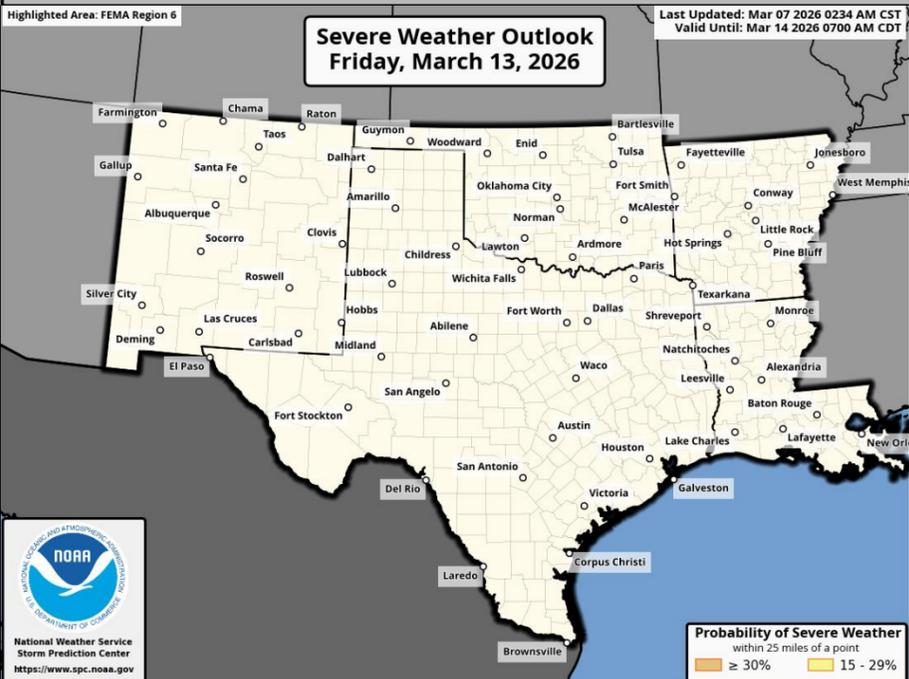


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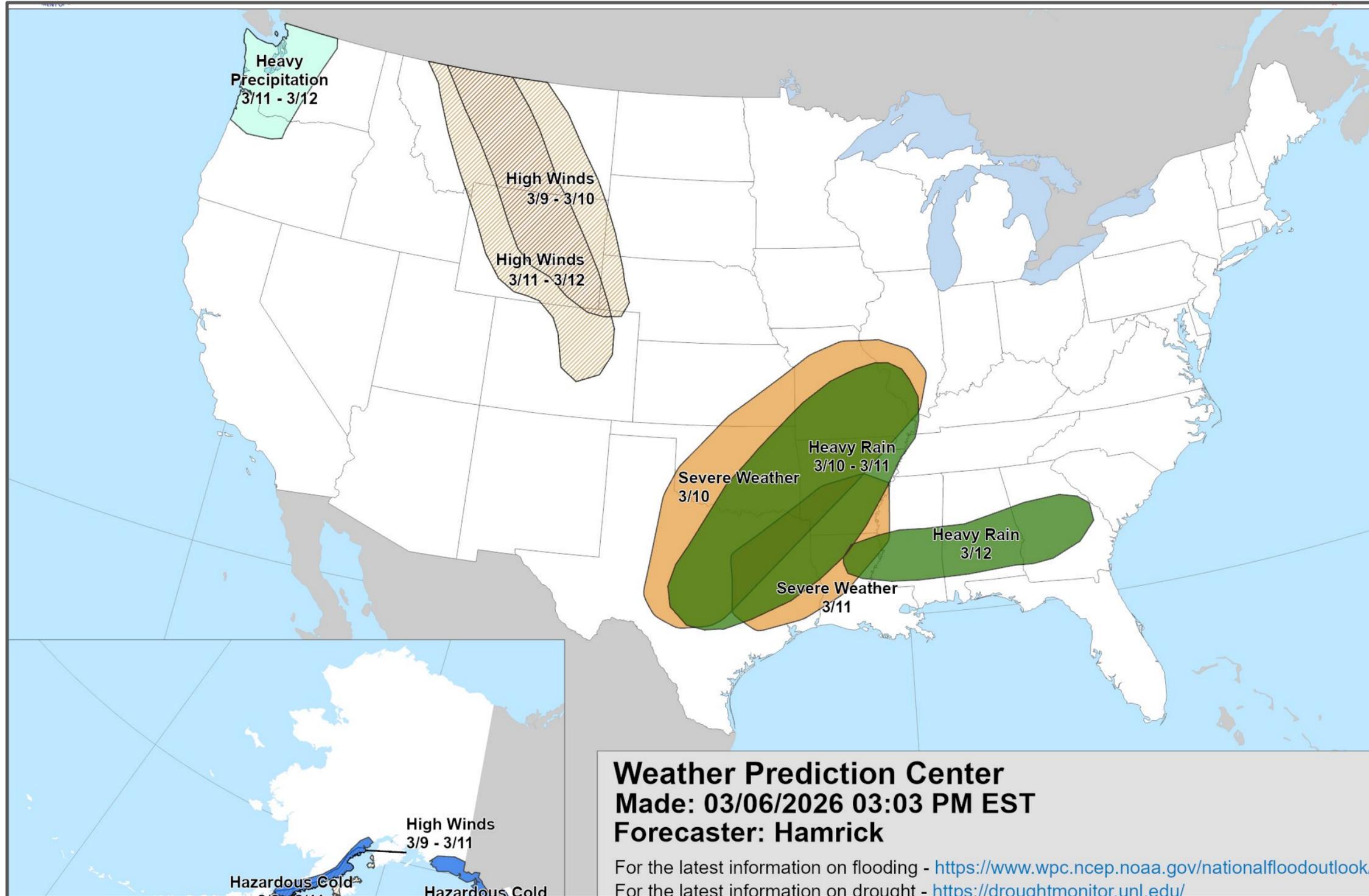
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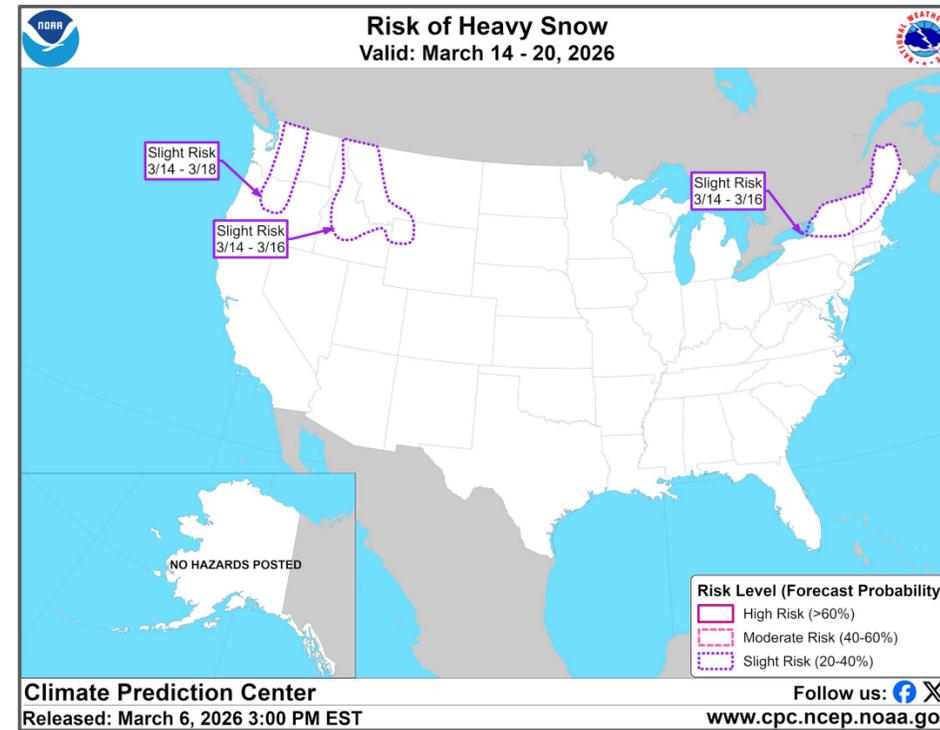
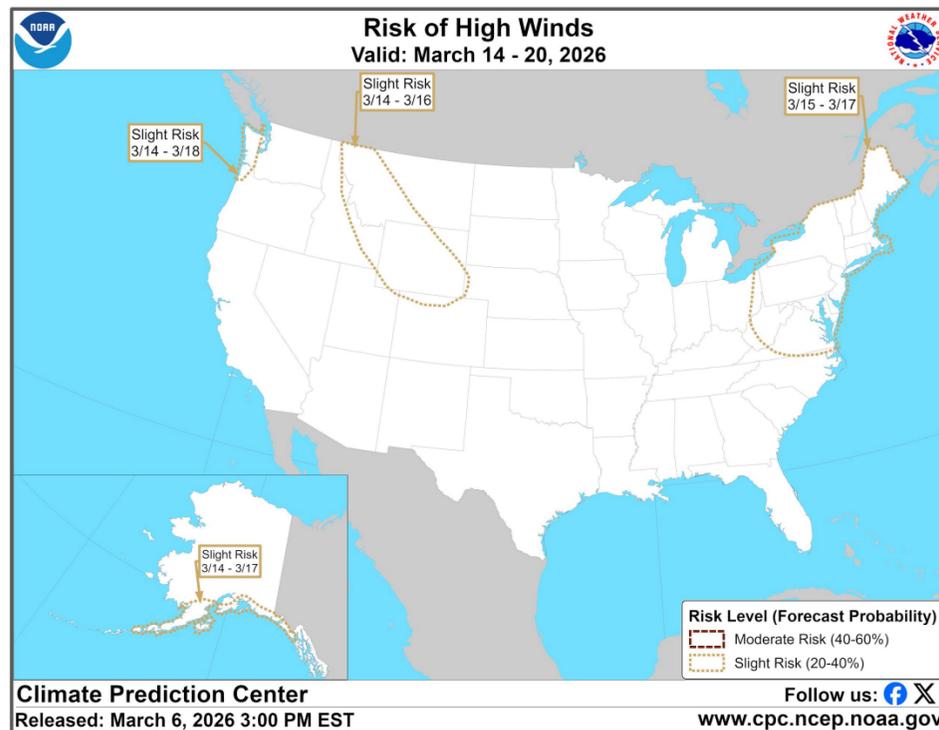
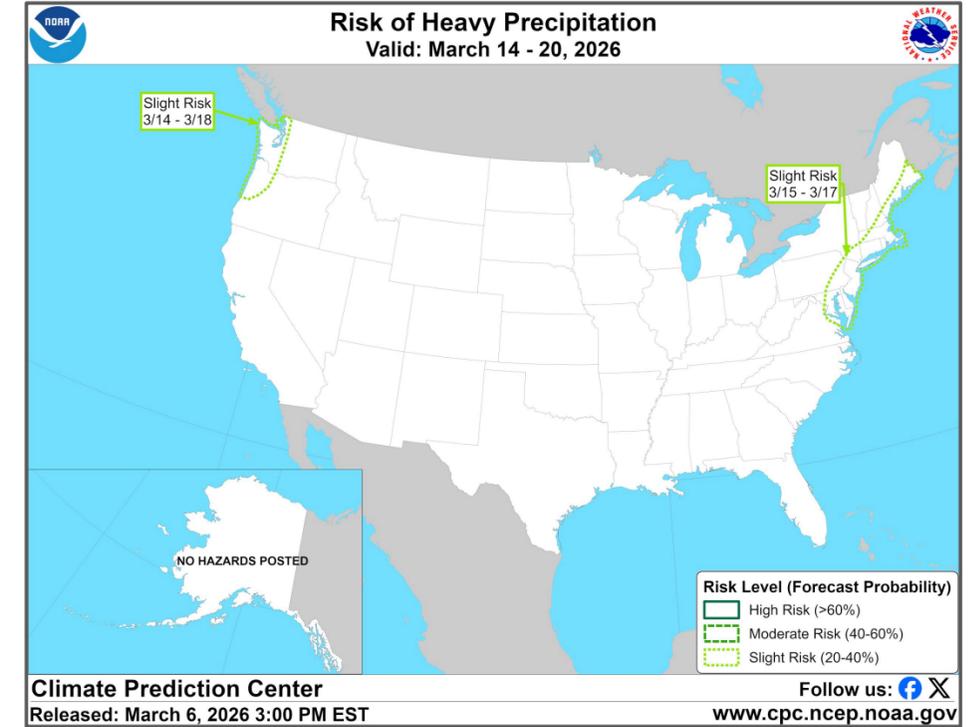
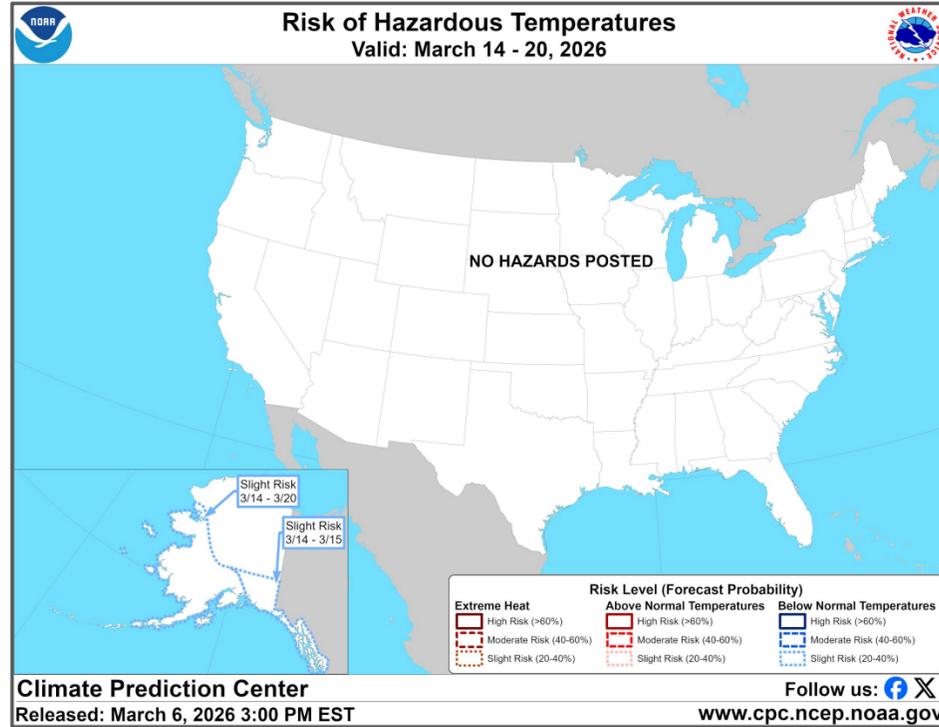
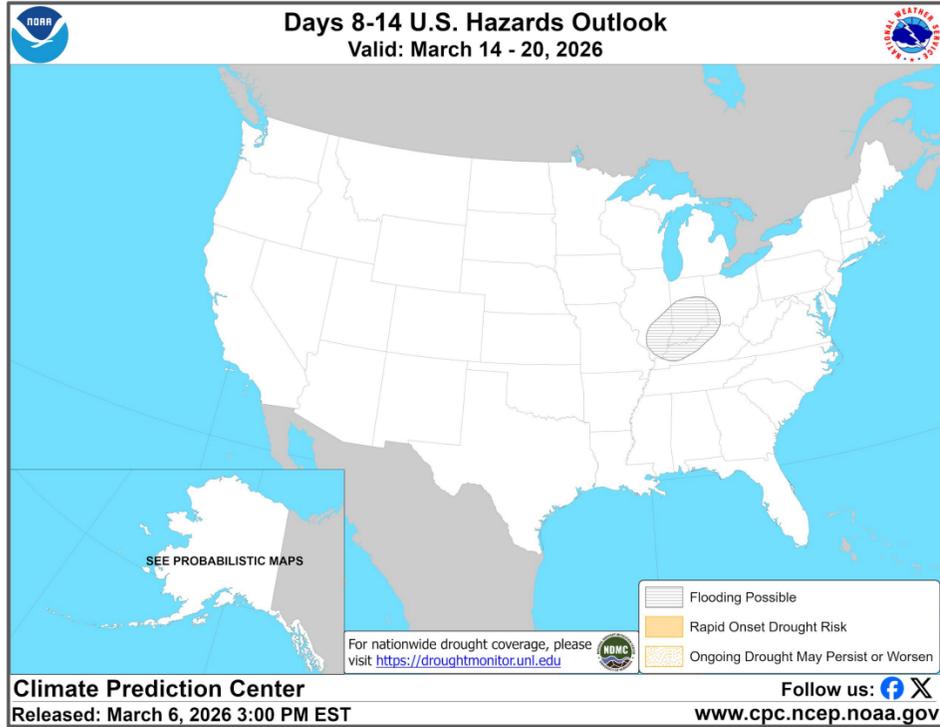


“Day 3-7” Hazards Outlook





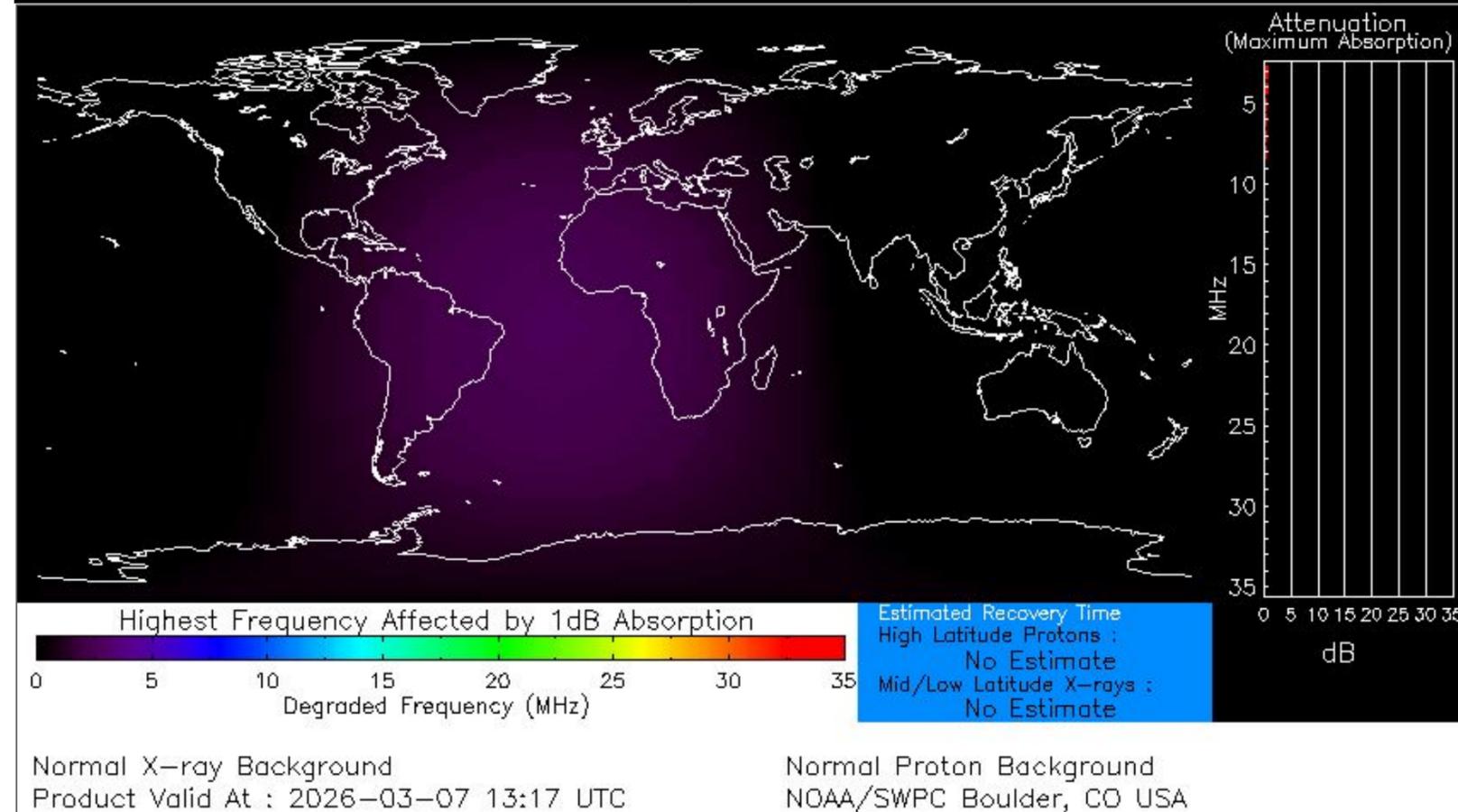
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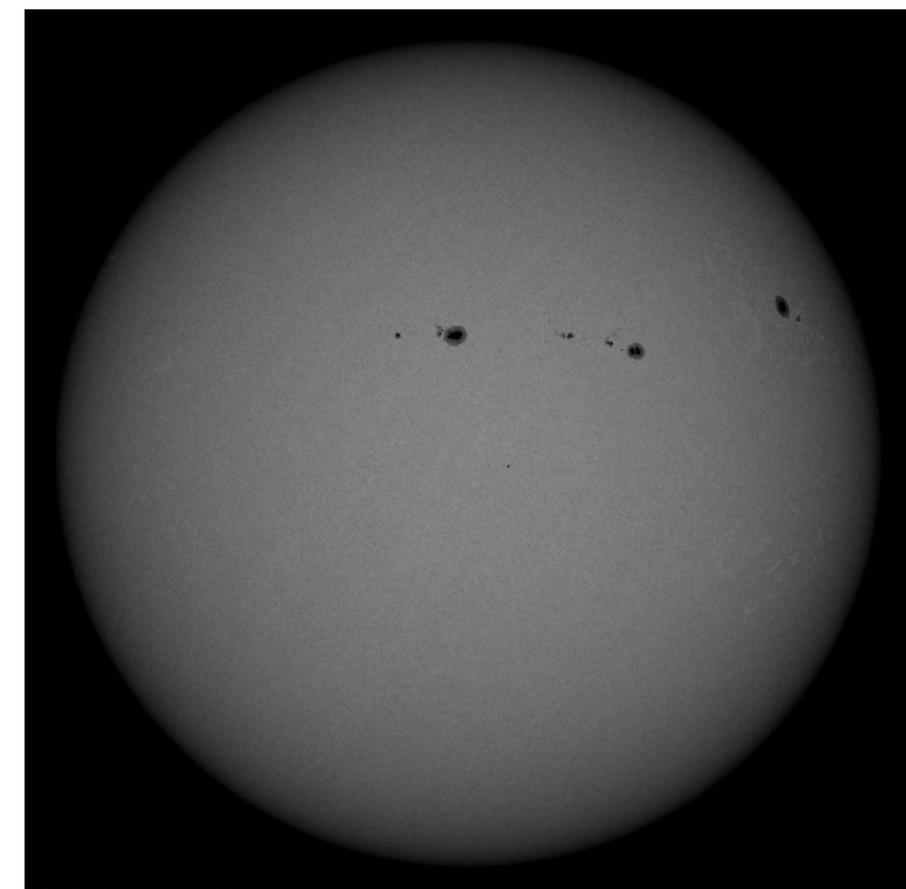
Space Weather 3-Day Forecast

	Saturday, Mar 7	Sunday, Mar 8	Monday, Mar 9
Geomagnetic Storms	Active (Max Kp=4)	Unsettled (Max Kp=3)	Unsettled (Max Kp=3)
Solar Radiation Storm (S1-S5)	1%	1%	1%
Radio Blackout (R1-R2)	20%	20%	20%
Radio Blackout (R3-R5)	1%	1%	1%



[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

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