

Incidents Reported to the State Operations Center (last 24 hours)

DATE	SUBJECT	LOCATION
03/16/26	Final Report of the Hidalgo 2447 Fire	Hidalgo County
03/16/26	Initial and Final Report of the Titus 2536 Fire	Titus County
03/16/26	Initial and Final Report of the Tyler 2525 Fire	Tyler County
03/16/26	Initial Report of the Patton Fire	Victoria County
03/16/26	Update Report #3 of the Whirling Pines Fire	Fayette County
03/16/26	Initial Report of the Twins Fire	Jim Hogg County
03/16/26	Initial and Final Report of the Row 327 Fire	Leon County
03/16/26	Initial and Final Report of the Cass 2542 Fire	Cass County
03/16/26	Update Report #4 of the Neon Beige	Oldham County
03/16/26	Initial and Final Report of the Walker 2554 Fire	Walker County
03/16/26	Final Report of the Winnie Fire	Johnson County
03/16/26	Update Report of the Patton Fire	Victoria County
03/16/26	Update Report of the Twins Fire	Jim Hogg County
03/16/26	Initial Report of a Wildfire	Guadalupe County
03/16/26	Final Report of the Banjo Fire	Real County

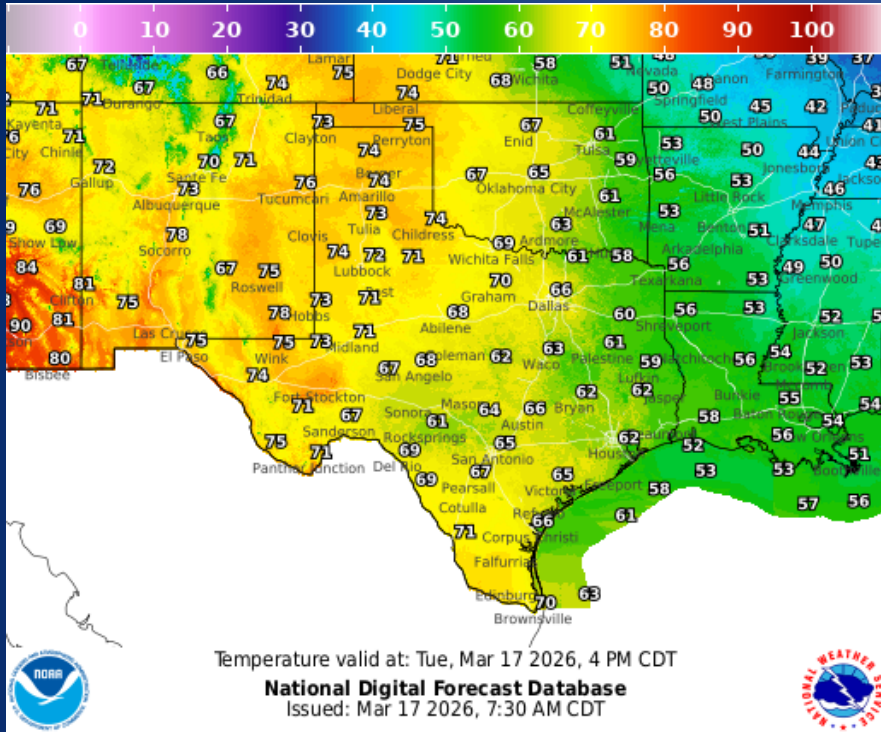
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03/16/26	Initial and Final Report of the Bowie 2512 Fire	Bowie County
03/16/26	Initial Report of the Harris 2562 Wildfire	Harris County
03/16/26	Update Report #2 of the Patton Fire	Victoria County
03/16/26	Final Report of the Neon Beige Fire	Oldham County
03/16/26	Final Report of a Wildfire	Guadalupe County
03/16/26	Initial Report of the San Francisco Banco Fire	Starr County
03/16/26	Initial Report of the Freestone 2564 Fire	Freestone County
03/16/26	Final Report of the Corner Pocket Fire	Donley County
03/16/26	Update Report #4 of the Whirling Pines Fire	Fayette County
03/16/26	Final Report of the Harris 2562 Fire	Harris County
03/16/26	Update Report of the San Francisco Banco Fire	Starr County
03/16/26	Update Report of the Freestone 2564 Fire	Freestone County
03/16/26	Final Report of the Badger Lane Fire	Jim Wells County
03/17/26	Final Report of the Freestone 2564 Fire	Freestone County

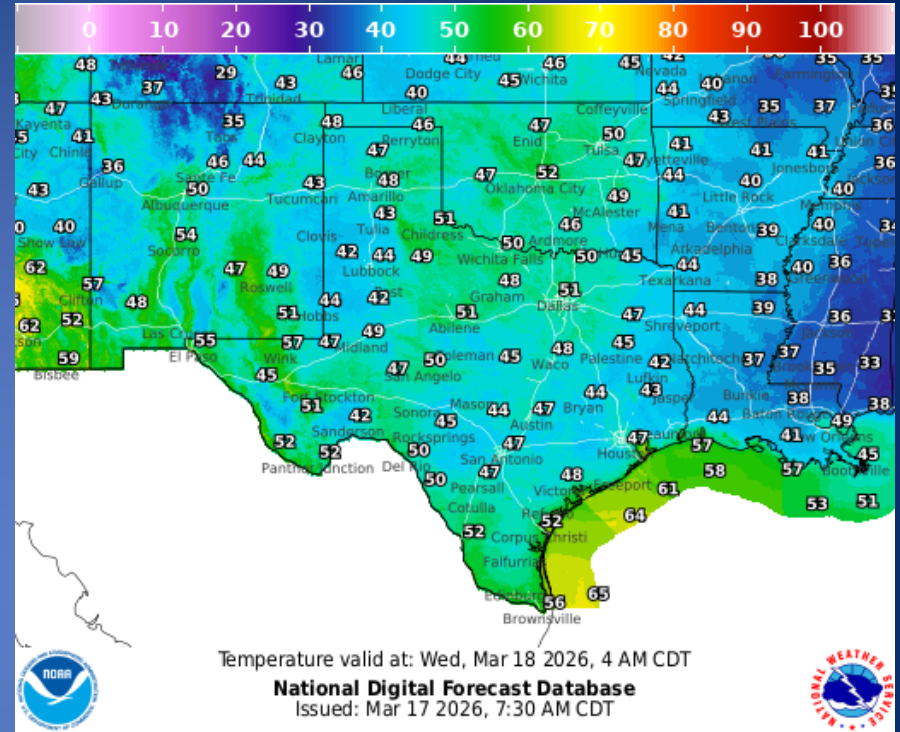
Informational Products Distributed by the State Operations Center

DATE	SUBJECT
03/16/26	NWS Midland/Odessa: Weekly Weather Hazards Briefing March 16 - 22
03/16/26	Texas A&M Forest Service: Texas Fire Potential Update
03/16/26	NWS Brownsville: Coastal Flood Statement Issued Multiple Hazards
03/16/26	Daily Situation Report [25-0026 02JUL Severe Weather]
03/16/26	Daily Situation Report [26-0001 Wildfire Season 2026]
03/16/26	Daily Situation Report [26-0006 01MAR Severe Weather]
03/17/26	Daily NWS Threat Brief

Weather Forecast

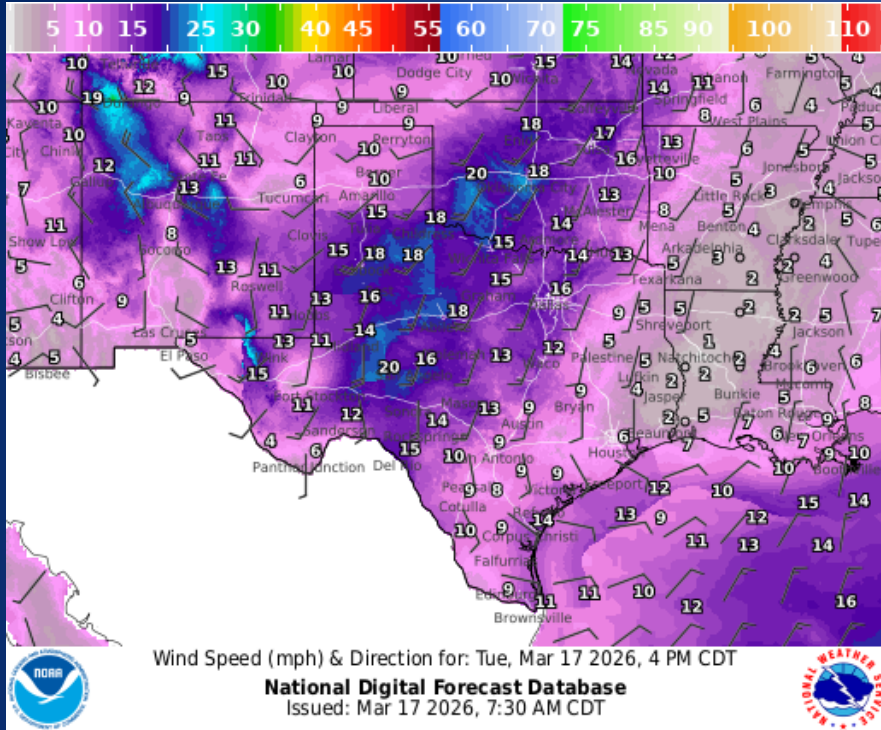


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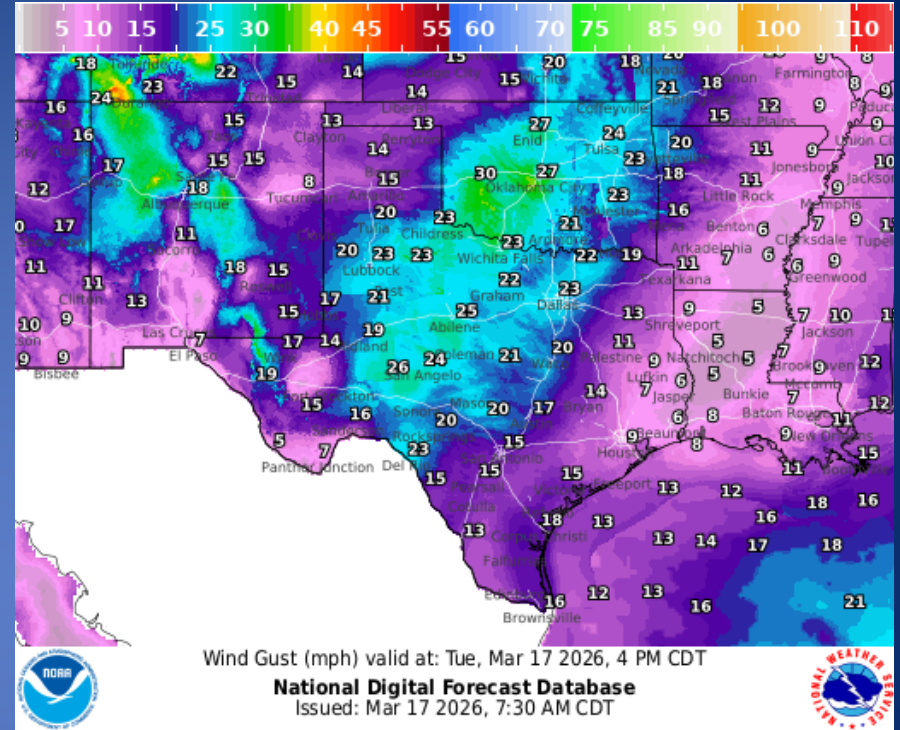


Lows

Weather Forecast



Wind Speed



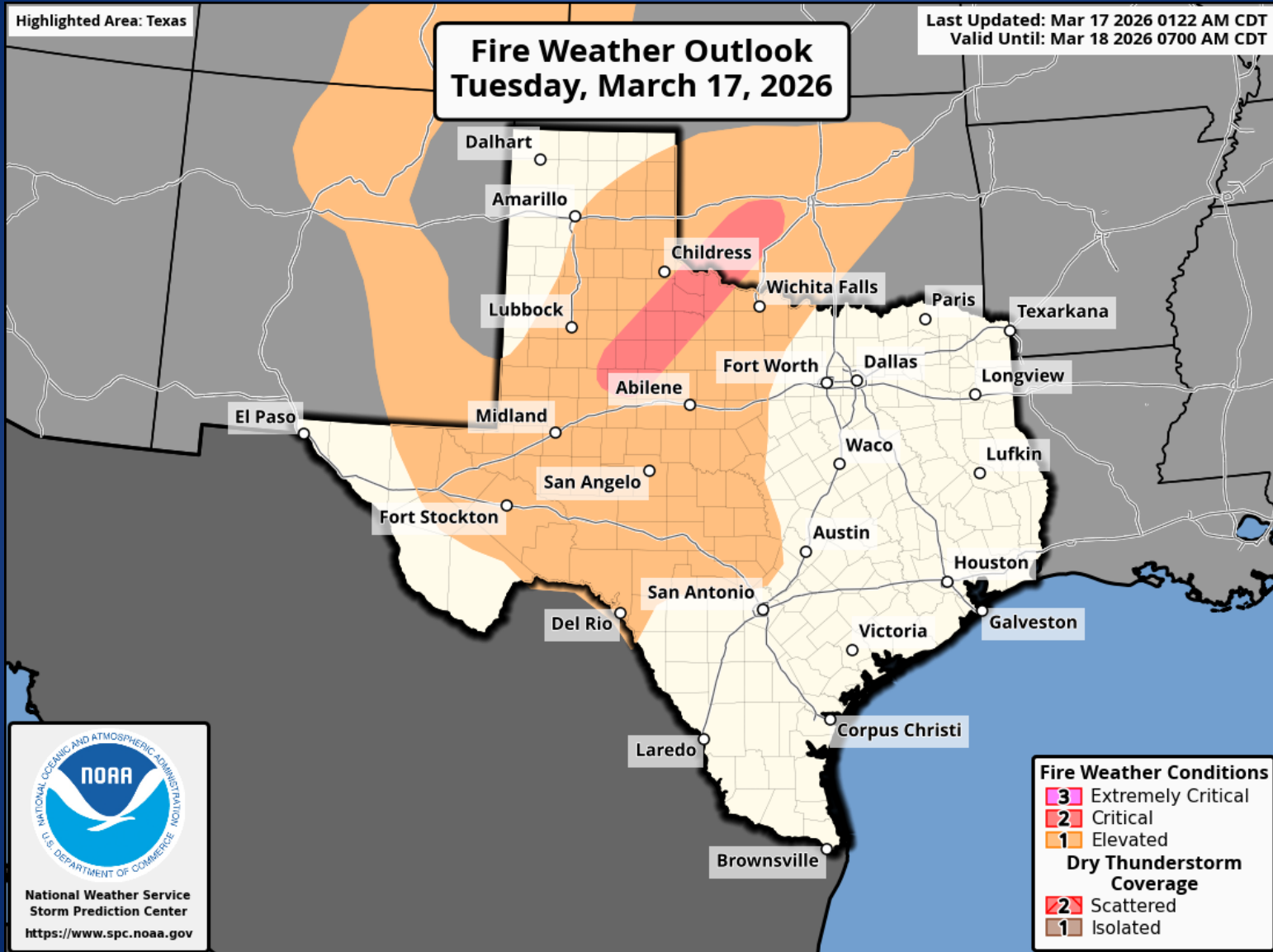
Wind Gust

Hazardous Weather

Highlighted Area: Texas

Last Updated: Mar 17 2026 0122 AM CDT
Valid Until: Mar 18 2026 0700 AM CDT

Fire Weather Outlook Tuesday, March 17, 2026



National Weather Service
Storm Prediction Center
<https://www.spc.noaa.gov>

Fire Weather Conditions	
	Extremely Critical
	Critical
	Elevated
Dry Thunderstorm Coverage	
	Scattered
	Isolated

Hazardous Weather

Near Critical Fire Weather Today

Fire Danger Statement - 10 AM to 8 PM



Along and west of I-35



- Winds: Southeast 10 to 20 mph with gusts up to 30 mph
- Fuels: Dry to critically dry
- Relative Humidity: 10 to 18%

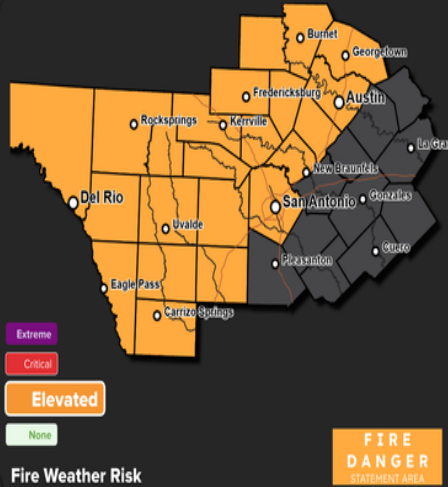


- Avoid outdoor burning
- Keep vehicles off dry grass
- Properly discard cigarettes



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Fire Weather Risk

FIRE DANGER
STATEMENT AREA

Updated: March 17, 2026

Near critical fire weather conditions continue today due to breezy southerly wind, low relative humidity and dry to critically dry fuels. Continue to practice fire safety

Elevated Fire Threat Continues Midweek

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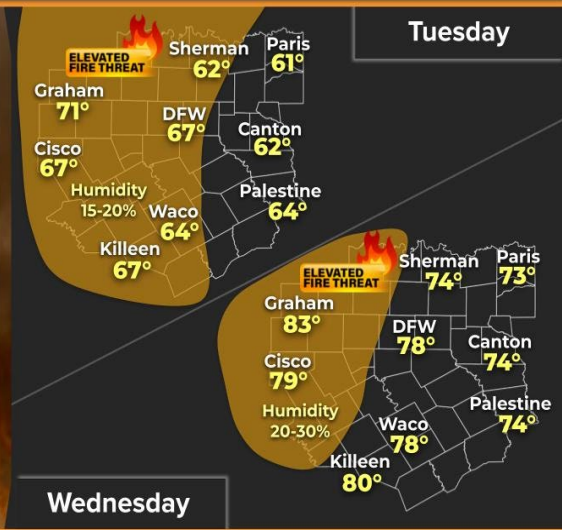
An elevated fire threat is expected for areas near/west of I-35 both Tuesday and Wednesday. Wind gusts will be near 25-30 mph Tuesday and 15-25 mph Wednesday.

Vegetation Dryness
Normal **Dry** Very Dry Extremely Dry

Max Wind Gusts
<20 **20s** 30s 40s 50s 60s

Wildfire Prevention

- AVOID outdoor burning!
- Secure tow chains. NEVER park/drive over tall grass!
- NEVER toss lit cigarettes!



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An elevated fire threat is expected for areas near/west of I-35 both Tuesday and Wednesday. Wind gusts will be near 25-30 mph on Tuesday with humidity around 15-20%. On Wednesday, lower gusts of 15-25 mph are expected with slightly higher humidity of 20-30% west of I-35.

Hazardous Weather

Rangeland Fire Danger

12 PM - 8 PM Today

Avoid activities that may cause a spark
Check out [weather.gov/midland](https://www.weather.gov/midland) for more information.



The Rolling Plains, much of the South Plains, and far southern TX Panhandle



Southwest at 15 to 20 mph



Gusts up to 30 mph



Relative humidity as low as 10 percent



AVOID OUTDOOR BURNING

Fire Danger

Low Elevated Critical Extreme



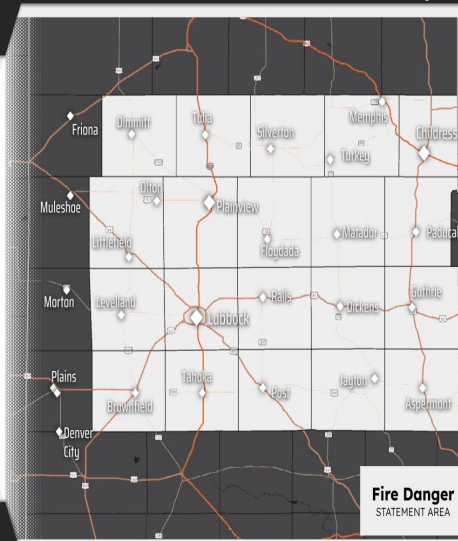
REPORT FIRES TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES



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Fire Danger
STATEMENT AREA

Elevated Fire Danger

12 PM MT/1 PM CT through 9 PM MT/10 PM CT Today

Avoid activities that may cause a spark
Latest info at [weather.gov/midland](https://www.weather.gov/midland)



Central and Eastern Permian Basin, Lower Trans Pecos, Guadalupe Mountains, and Culberson County Plains

→ South to southwest 15-25 mph, with gusts up to 35 mph. Stronger sustained winds and gusts across the Guadalupe Mountains)

→ Relative Humidity as low as 8%

→ Dry Fuels



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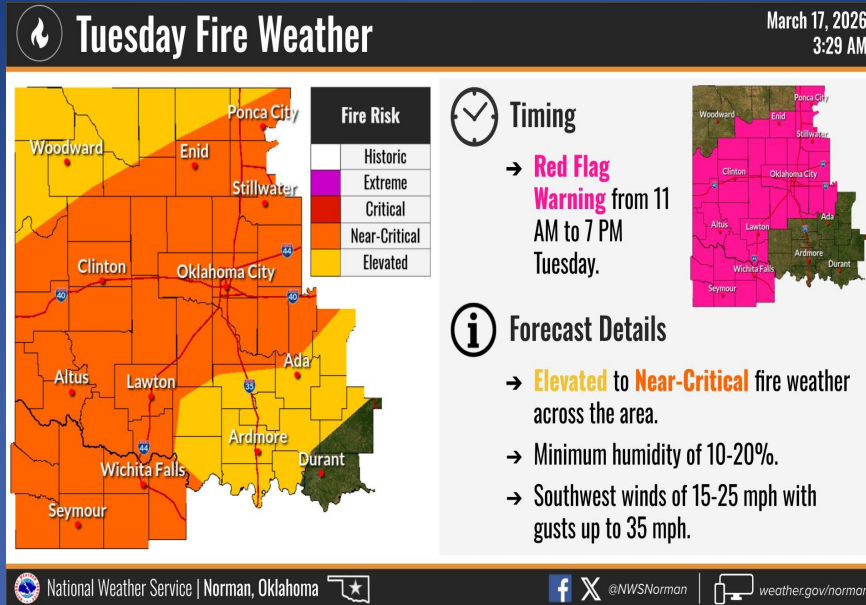
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A Rangeland Fire Danger Statement is in effect for much of the area today with breezy SW winds and low humidity.

Rangeland Fire Danger (RFD) conditions are expected this afternoon through this evening for central and eastern portions of the Permian Basin, Lower Trans Pecos, Guadalupe Mountains, and Culberson County Plains. Outdoor burning and activities that cause open sparks or flames are discouraged. With breezy south/southwest winds 15 to 25 mph with gusts up to 35 mph and higher for the Guadalupe Mountains, fire and emergency officials should be aware that weather conditions will be favorable for the development of wind-driven grass fires.

Hazardous Weather



Elevated to near-critical fire weather conditions will occur Tuesday afternoon with warming temperatures, extremely dry air, and gusty winds. A Red Flag Warning is in effect for parts of OK and western-north TX.

Weather Advisory/Statement/Watch/Warning Issued

DATE	WARNING TYPE	LOCATION
03/16/26	Airport Weather Warning	Cameron and Nueces Counties
03/16/26	Freeze Warning	Atascosa, Austin, Bandera, Bastrop, Bexar, Blanco, Brazos, Brown, Burleson, Burnet, Caldwell, Callahan, Coke, Coleman, Comal, Colorado, Concho, Crockett, DeWitt, Dimmit, Edwards, Fisher, Frio, Gillespie, Grimes, Gonzales, Guadalupe, Haskell, Hays, Houston, Irion, Jefferson, Jones, Karnes, Kendall, Kerr, Kimble, Kinney, Lavaca, Lee, Liberty, Llano, Madison, Mason, Maverick, McCulloch, Medina, Menard, Montgomery, Nolan, Orange, Polk, Real, Runnels, San Jacinto, San Saba, Schleicher, Shackelford, Sterling, Sutton, Taylor, Throckmorton, Tom Green, Travis, Trinity, Uvalde, Val Verde, Walker, Waller, Washington, Williamson, Wilson, and Zavala Counties
03/16/26	Wind Advisory	Hardin, Jasper, Jefferson, Newton, Tyler, and Orange Counties
03/16/26	Small Craft Advisory	Brazoria, Cameron, Chambers, Galveston, Harris, Kenedy, Kleberg, and Willacy Counties

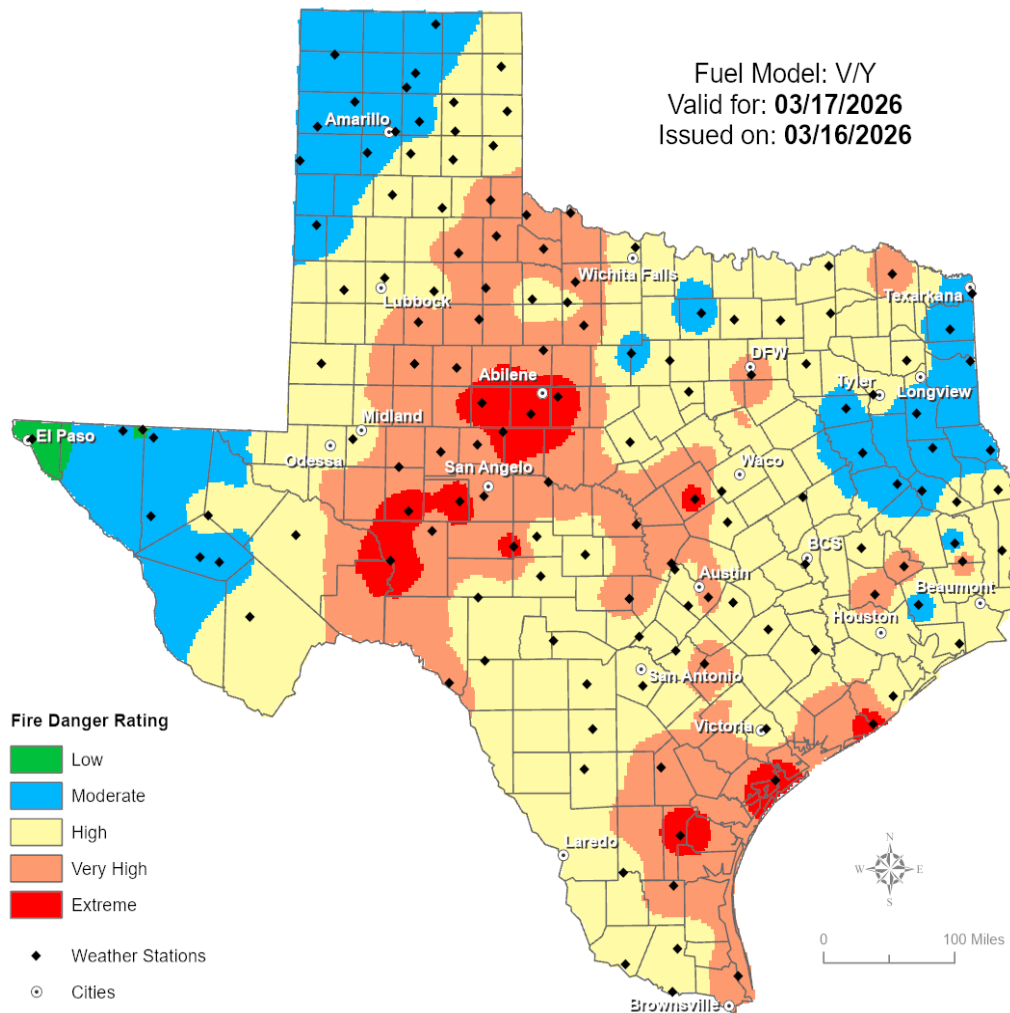
Weather Advisory/Statement/Watch/Warning Issued

DATE	WARNING TYPE	LOCATION
03/16/26	Special Weather Statement	Atascosa, Bandera, Bastrop, Bexar, Blanco, Burnet, Caldwell, Comal, DeWitt, Dimmit, Edwards, Fayette, Frio, Gillespie, Gonzales, Guadalupe, Hays, Karnes, Kendall, Kerr, Kinney, Lavaca, Lee, Llano, Maverick, Medina, Real, Travis, Uvalde, Val Verde, Williamson, Wilson, and Zavala Counties
03/16/26	Low Water Advisory	Calhoun, Jackson, Matagorda, and Victoria Counties
03/17/26	Low Water Advisory	Chambers, Galveston, and Harris Counties

Fire Danger Forecast

Forecast Fire Danger

Fuel Model: V/Y
Valid for: **03/17/2026**
Issued on: **03/16/2026**



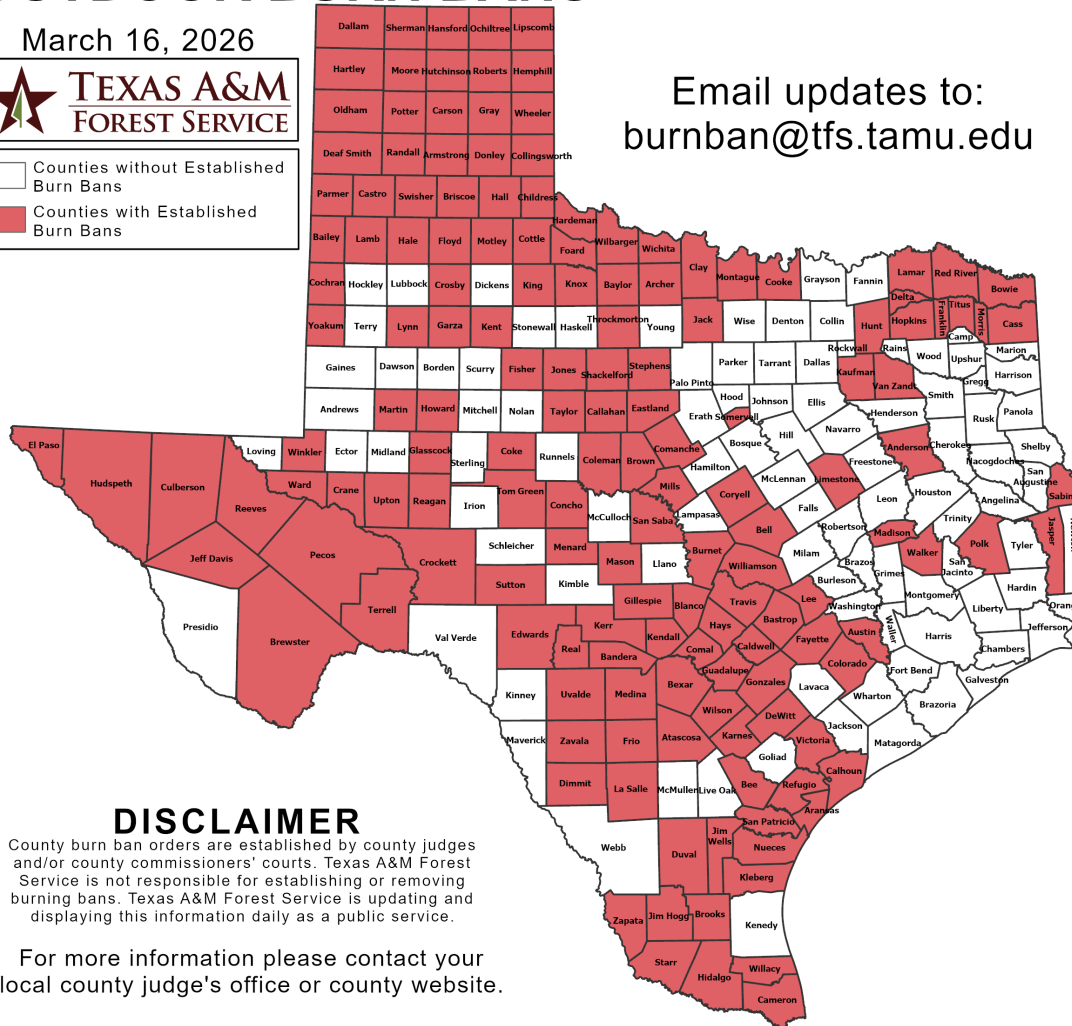
Burn Ban

OUTDOOR BURN BANS

March 16, 2026



Counties without Established Burn Bans
 Counties with Established Burn Bans



Email updates to:
burnban@tfs.tamu.edu

Counties with Burn Bans: 156

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| Anderson | Edwards | Menard |
| Aransas | El Paso | Mills |
| Archer | Fayette | Montague |
| Armstrong | Fisher | Moore |
| Atascosa | Floyd | Morris |
| Austin | Foard | Motley |
| Bailey | Franklin | Nueces |
| Bandera | Frio | Ochiltree |
| Bastrop | Garza | Oldham |
| Baylor | Gillespie | Parmer |
| Bee | Glasscock | Pecos |
| Bell | Gonzales | Polk |
| Bexar | Gray | Potter |
| Blanco | Guadalupe | Randall |
| Bowie | Hale | Reagan |
| Brewster | Hall | Real |
| Briscoe | Hansford | Red River |
| Brooks | Hardeman | Reeves |
| Brown | Hartley | Refugio |
| Burnet | Hays | Roberts |
| Caldwell | Hemphill | Sabine |
| Calhoun | Hidalgo | San Patricio |
| Callahan | Hopkins | San Saba |
| Cameron | Howard | Shackelford |
| Carson | Hudspeth | Sherman |
| Cass | Hunt | Somervell |
| Castro | Hutchinson | Starr |
| Childress | Jack | Stephens |
| Clay | Jasper | Sutton |
| Cochran | Jeff Davis | Swisher |
| Coke | Jim Hogg | Taylor |
| Coleman | Jim Wells | Terrell |
| Collingsworth | Jones | Throckmorton |
| Colorado | Karnes | Titus |
| Comal | Kaufman | Tom Green |
| Comanche | Kendall | Travis |
| Concho | Kent | Upton |
| Cooke | Kerr | Uvalde |
| Coryell | King | Van Zandt |
| Cottle | Kleberg | Victoria |
| Crane | Knox | Walker |
| Crockett | Lamar | Ward |
| Crosby | Lamb | Wheeler |
| Culberson | La Salle | Wichita |
| Dallam | Lee | Wilbarger |
| Deaf Smith | Limestone | Willacy |
| Delta | Lipscomb | Williamson |
| DeWitt | Lynn | Wilson |
| Dimmit | Madison | Winkler |
| Donley | Martin | Yoakum |
| Duval | Mason | Zapata |
| Eastland | Medina | Zavala |

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County burn ban orders are established by county judges and/or county commissioners' courts. Texas A&M Forest Service is not responsible for establishing or removing burning bans. Texas A&M Forest Service is updating and displaying this information daily as a public service.

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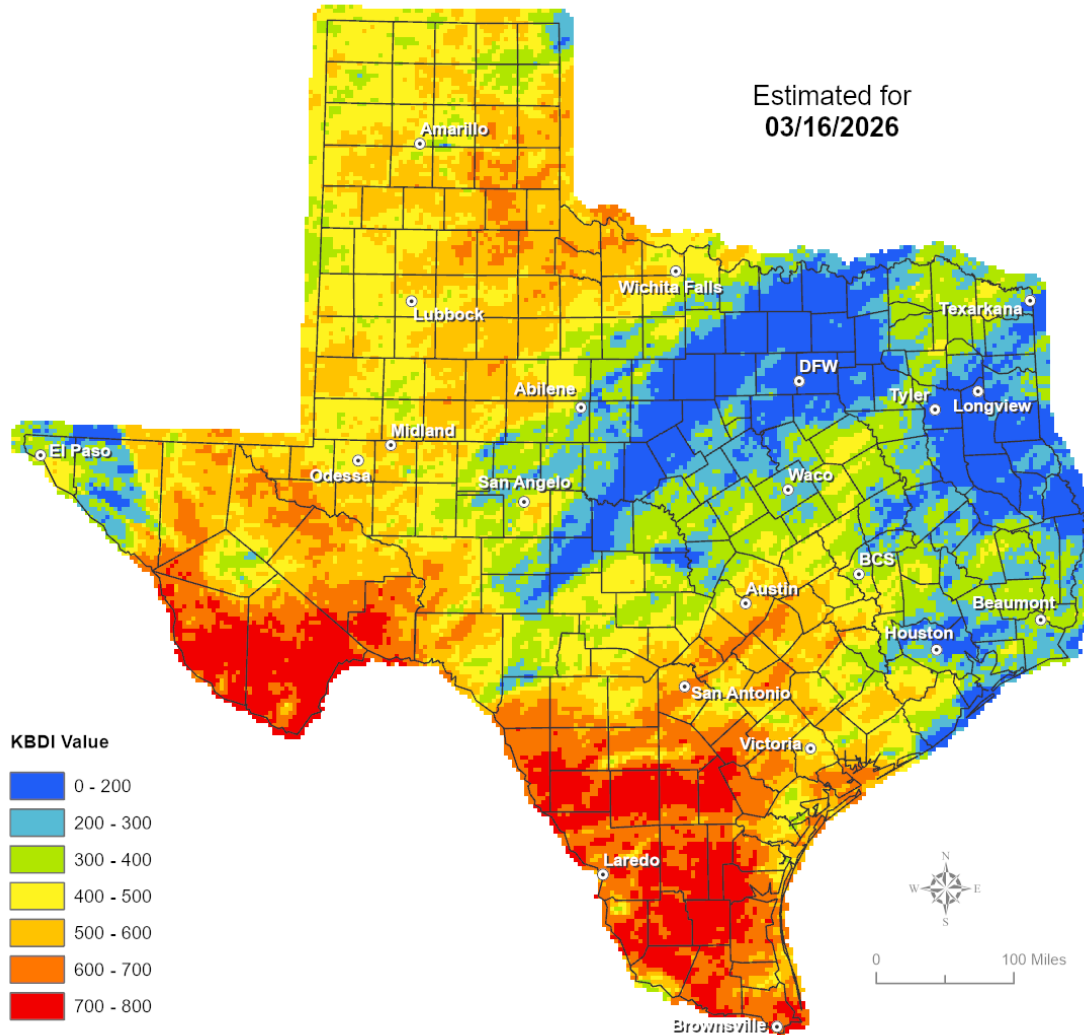
RED FLAG WARNINGS: www.weather.gov
 Additional map formats available at <https://tfsweb.tamu.edu/Burnbans/>

Keetch-Byram Drought

Keetch-Byram Drought Index

(4 km x 4 km resolution)

Estimated for
03/16/2026



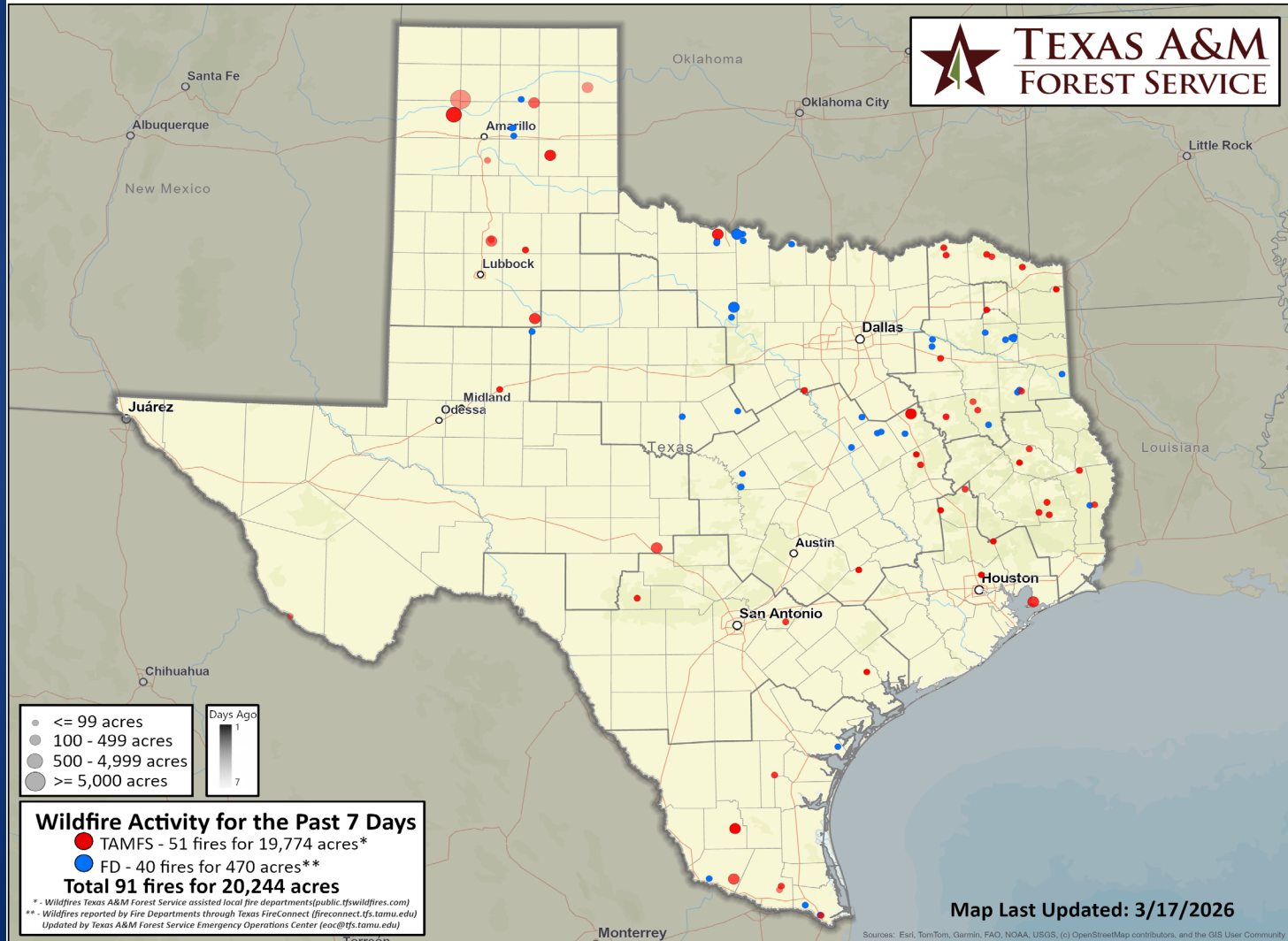
Fire Weather

Warnings/Watches/Statements

DATE	WARNING TYPE	LOCATION
03/17/26	Fire Weather Warning	Archer, Baylor, Clay, Foard, Hardeman, Knox, Wichita, and Wilbarger Counties
03/17/26	Fire Danger Statement	Bandera, Bexar, Blanco, Briscoe, Burnet, Carson, Castro, Childress, Collingsworth, Comal, Cottle, Crosby, Dallam, Deaf Smith, Dimmit, Donley, Edwards, Floyd, Frio, Garza, Gillespie, Gray, Hale, Hall, Hansford, Hartley, Hays, Hemphill, Hockley, Hutchinson, Kendall, Kent, Kerr, King, Kinney, Lamb, Lipscomb, Llano, Lubbock, Lynn, Maverick, Medina, Moore, Motley, Ochiltree, Oldham, Potter, Randall, Real, Roberts, Sherman, Stonewall, Swisher, Terry, Travis, Uvalde, Val Verde, Wheeler, Williamson, and Zavala Counties
03/17/26	Grass Fire Danger Statement	Bell, Bosque, Comanche, Cooke, Coryell, Dallas, Denton, Eastland, Ellis, Erath, Falls, Hamilton, Hemphill, Hood, Jack, Johnson, Lampasas, McLennan, Milam, Mills, Montague, Palo Pinto, Parker, Somervell, Stephens, Tarrant, Wise, and Young Counties

Fire Activity (*Last 24 Hours)

Report of 472 (+30) fires and 51,205 (+2,872) acres have been burned this year. There are 156 (+4) counties with burn bans. The Keetch–Byram Drought Index list contains 140 (+1) counties with an average over 400.



Training

DATES		TITLE	COURSE	LOCATION
03/16/26	03/20/26	All-Hazards Incident Management Team	O-305	Fort Worth
03/16/26	03/20/26	All-Hazards Incident Management Team	O-305	San Antonio
03/16/26	03/18/26	Intermediate Incident Command System for Expanding Incidents	G-300	The Woodlands
03/16/26	03/20/26	HazMat Technician (NFPA Certification Course)	H-501	Frisco
03/16/26	03/20/26	Trench Rescue Technician (Certification Course)	H-517	Willis
03/16/26	03/19/26	NIMS ICS All-Hazards Communications Unit Leader Course	L-969	Houston
03/17/26	03/19/26	Intermediate Emergency Operations Center Functions	G-2300	El Paso
03/17/26	03/18/26	Advanced Incident Command System for Complex Incidents	G-400	Mission
03/17/26	03/17/26	Executive Guide Public Officials Workshop	T-PUB200	Kerrville

Statewide Significant Events

DATES		LOCATION	EVENT
03/02/26	03/19/26	Houston	Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo
03/12/26	03/18/26	Austin	SXSW Conference and Festival
03/14/26	03/22/26	Fort Worth	Spring Break at the Zoo
03/15/26	03/30/26	Port Aransas	Spring Break