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# FEMA Region 6 Weather Threat Briefing

Saturday, April 11, 2026

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# Summary

- **Severe Storms:**

- Slight risk (level 2 of 5) over the E NM, TX Panhandle, W/SW TX today shifting eastward into much of OK and portions of TX on Sunday.
- Slight risk for additional severe storms over portions of OK, AR, TX, Monday-Tuesday
  - An increased risk of tornadoes will develop on Monday with Tuesday likely seeing the most significant severe weather (including tornadoes) during this event.
- Slight risk over OK, NW AR, N/C TX on Wednesday.

- **Flash Flooding:**

- Slight risk (level 2 of 4) today over SW OK, NW-SW TX.
- Slight risk (level 2 of 4) over C-NE TX Sunday.
- Marginal risk (level 1 of 3) for portions of TX, OK, and NW AR Tue-Wed.

- **River Flooding:**

- Monitoring for rises in portions of OK, TX, and AR Sun-Wed.

- **Fire Weather:**

- Elevated (level 1 of 3) over NE AR, W NM Sunday, then back to E NM, TX/OK Panhandles down through W TX Monday into Tuesday.
- Fire Weather concerns may persist into Wed-Thu in E NM, TX/OK Panhandles, W TX.





# FEMA Region 6 Threat Matrix

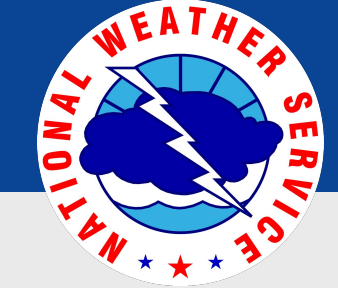
Next 7 days

	Saturday, Apr 11	Sunday, Apr 12	Monday, Apr 13	Tuesday, Apr 14	Wednesday, Apr 15	Thursday, Apr 16	Friday, Apr 17
Severe Storms	E NM, TX Panhandle, W/SW TX	S/SW-NCTX, C/W OK	S/SW-NCTX, SW OK	OK, NW AR, N/C TX	OK, NW AR, N/C TX	OK	OK
Heavy Rain / Flash Flooding	SW OK, NW-SW TX	C-NETX		TX, OK, NW AR	TX, OK, NW AR		
Heat							
Fire Weather		NE AR, W NM	E NM, TX/OK Panhandles, W TX	E NM, TX/OK Panhandles, W TX	E NM, TX/OK Panhandles, W TX	E NM, TX/OK Panhandles, W TX	
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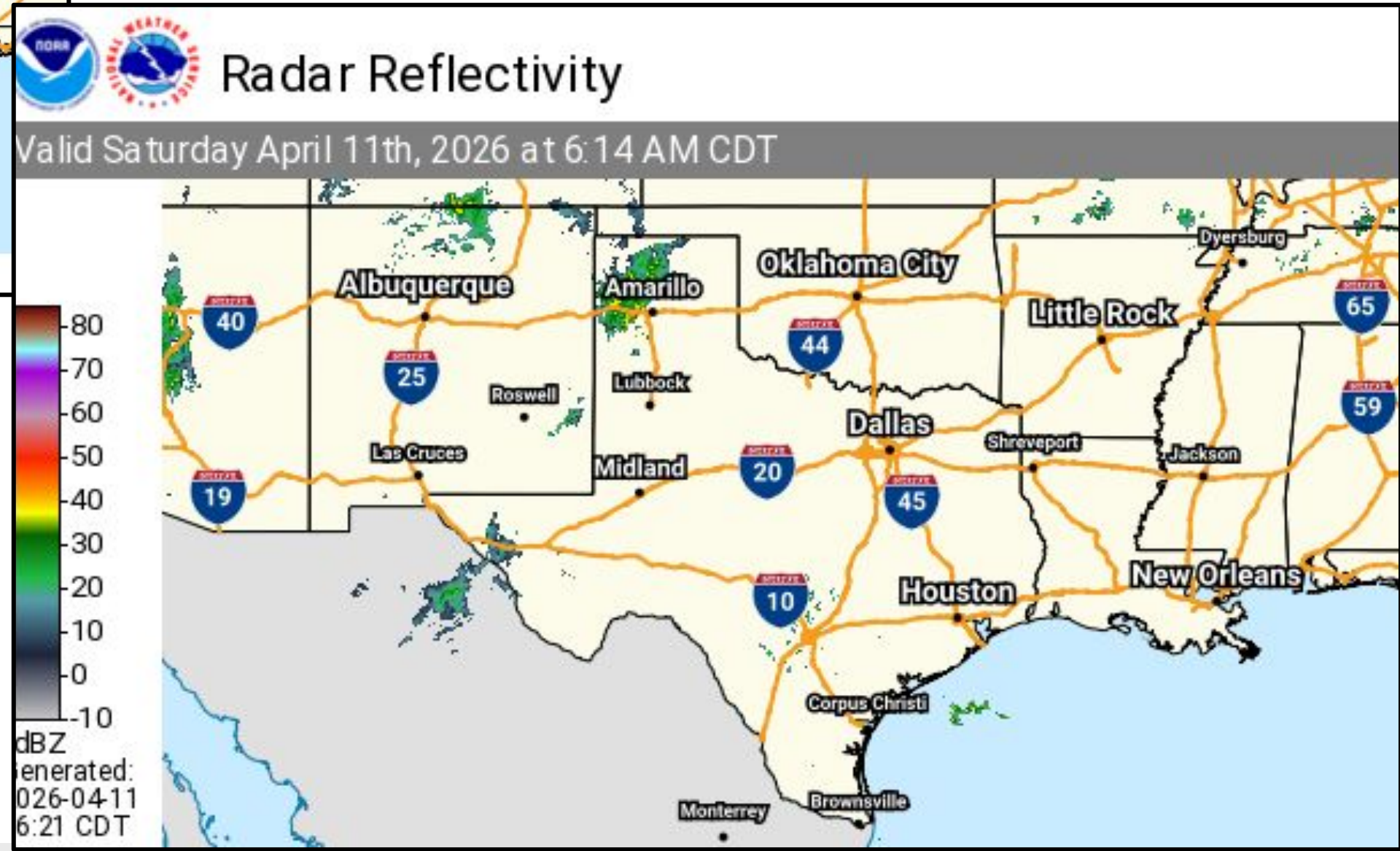
*\*Threat levels are based on FEMA Region 6 criteria. State or local threat level criteria may differ.\**

*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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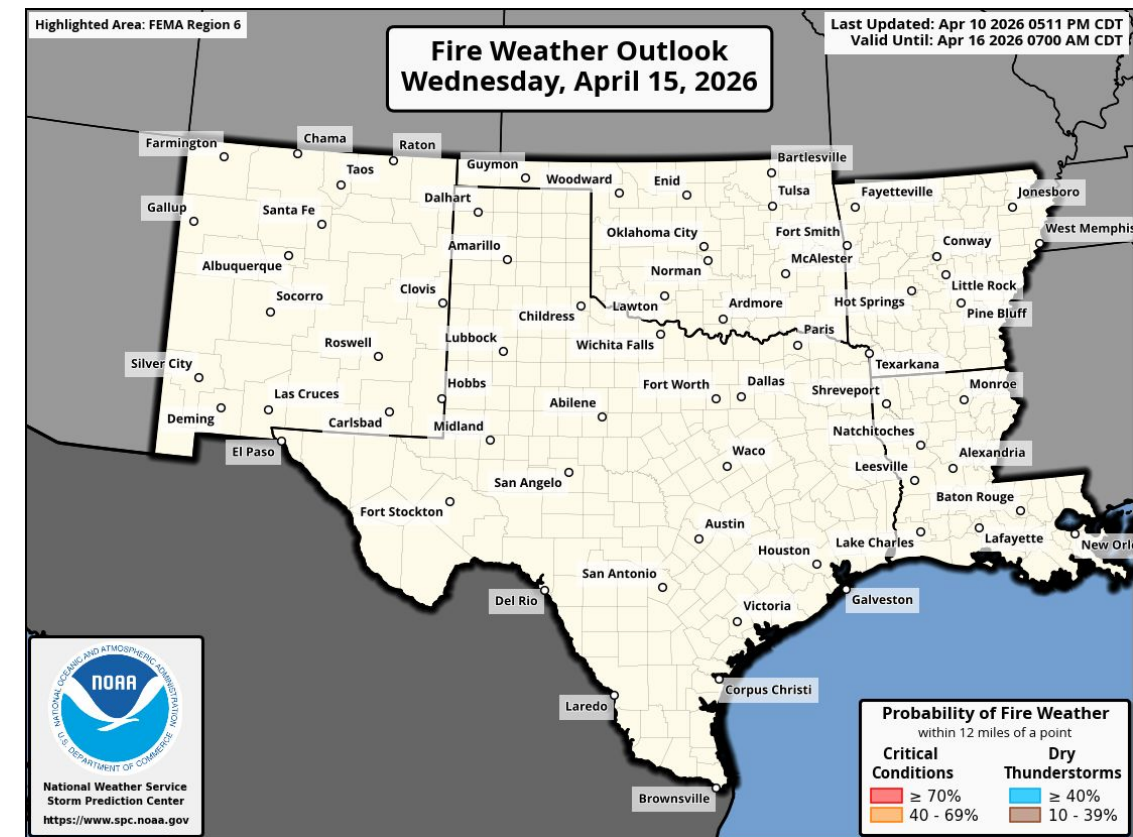
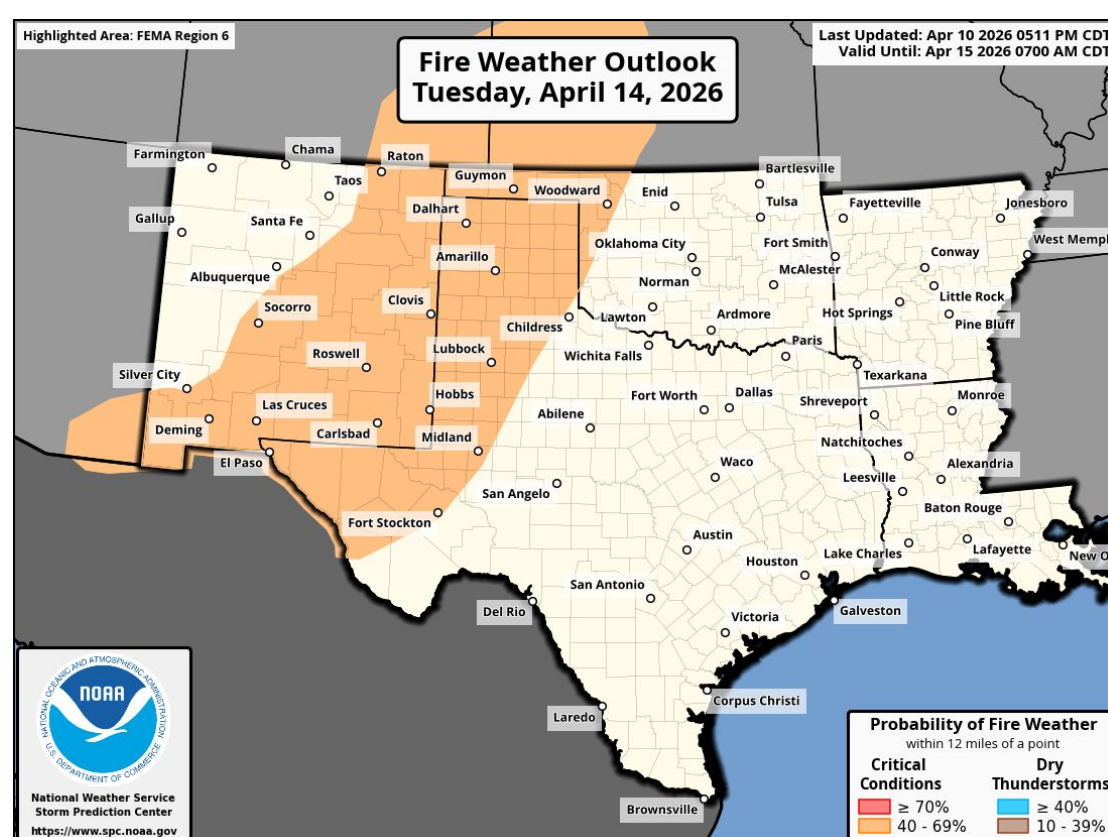
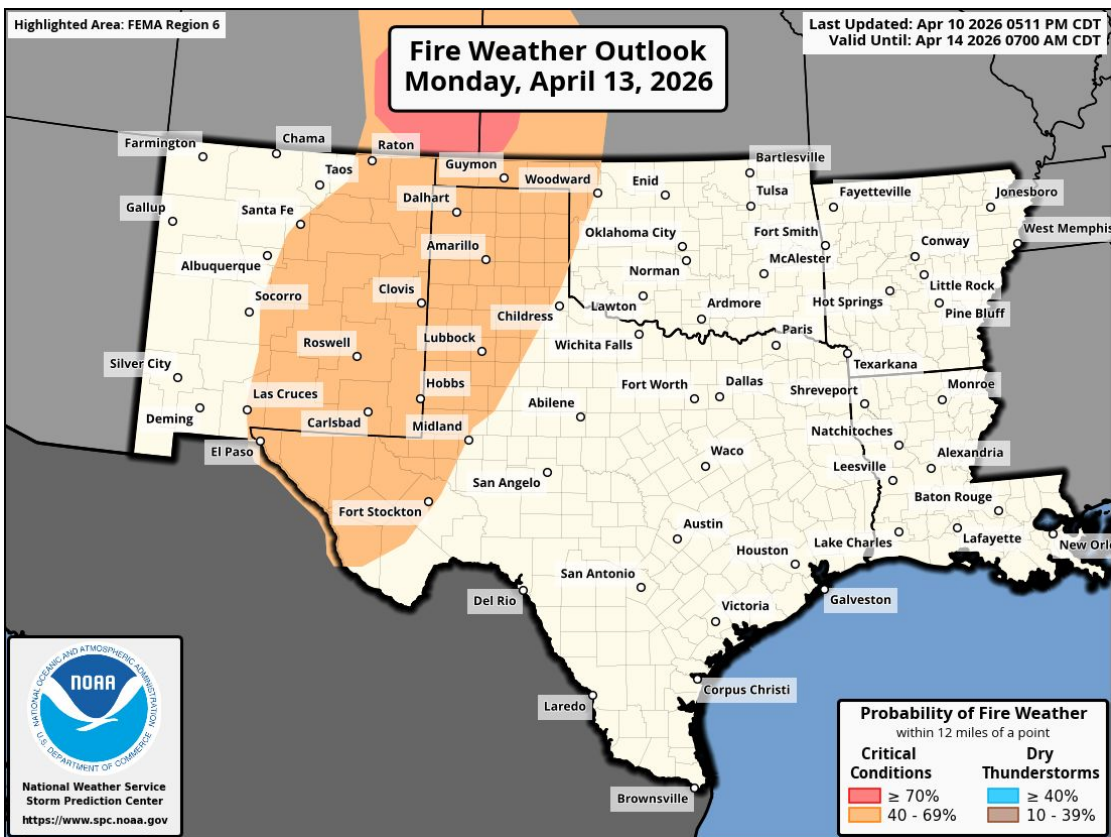
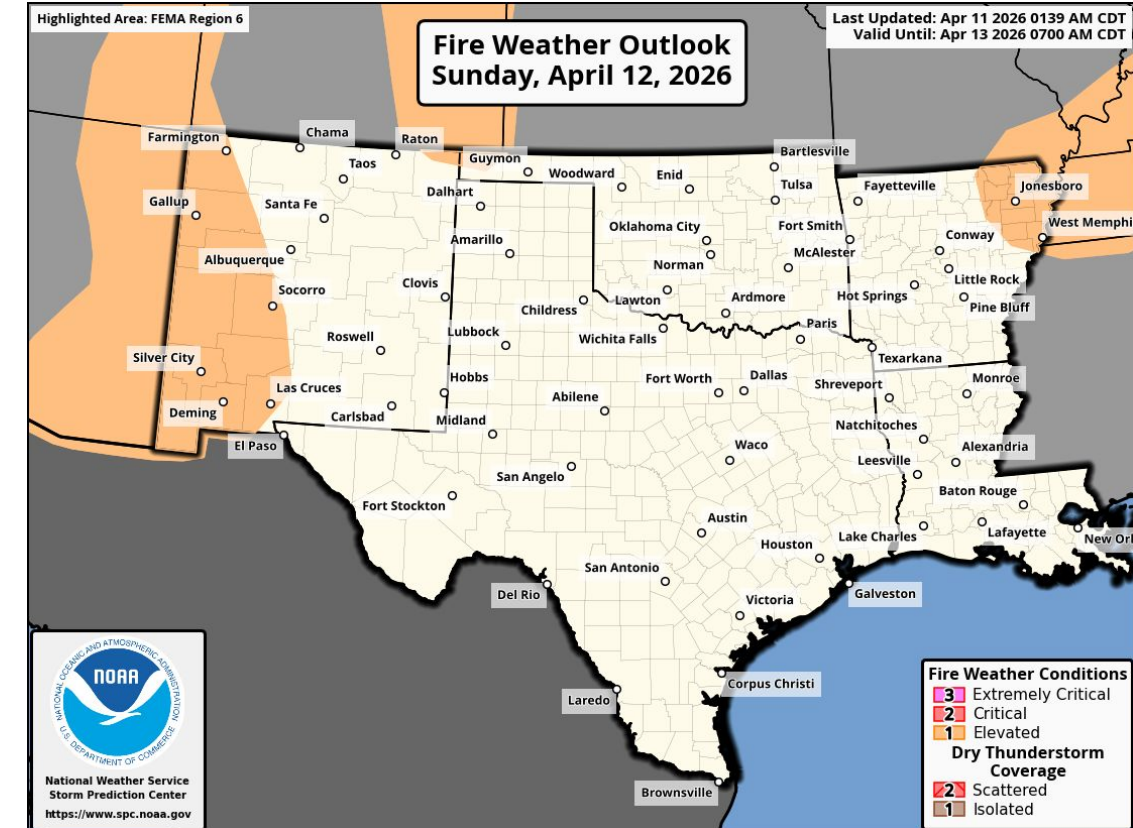
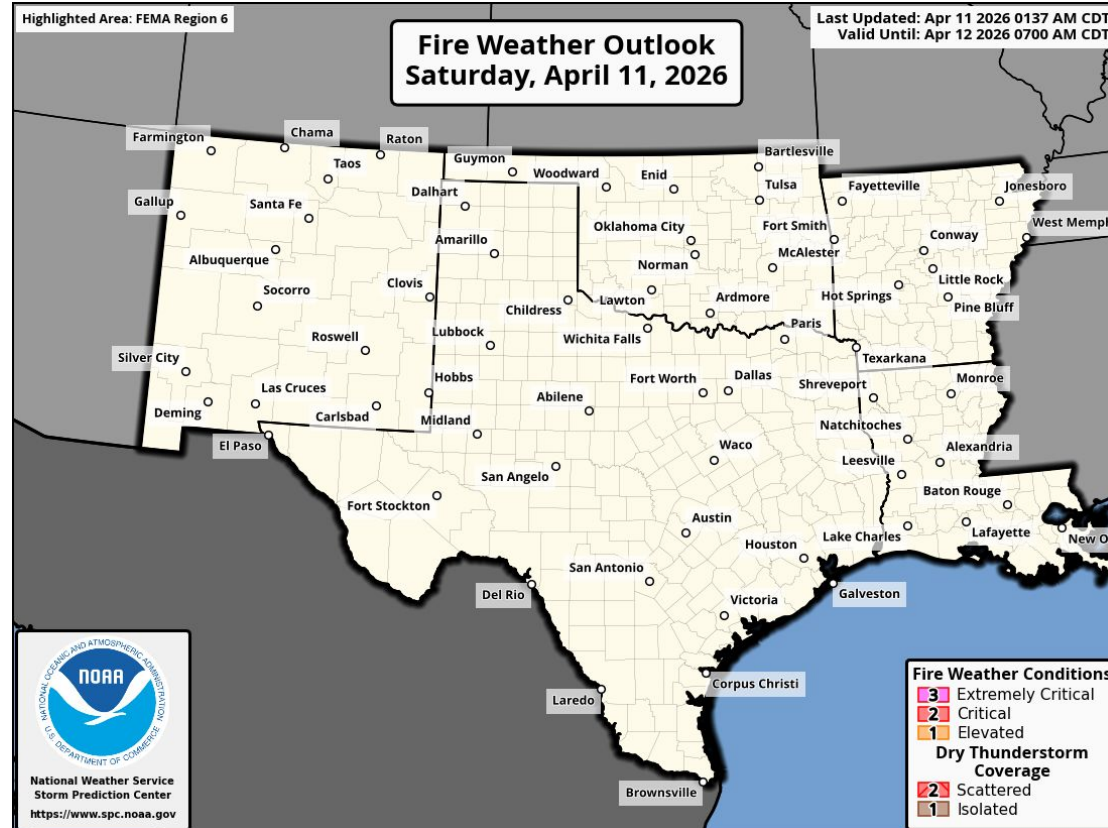
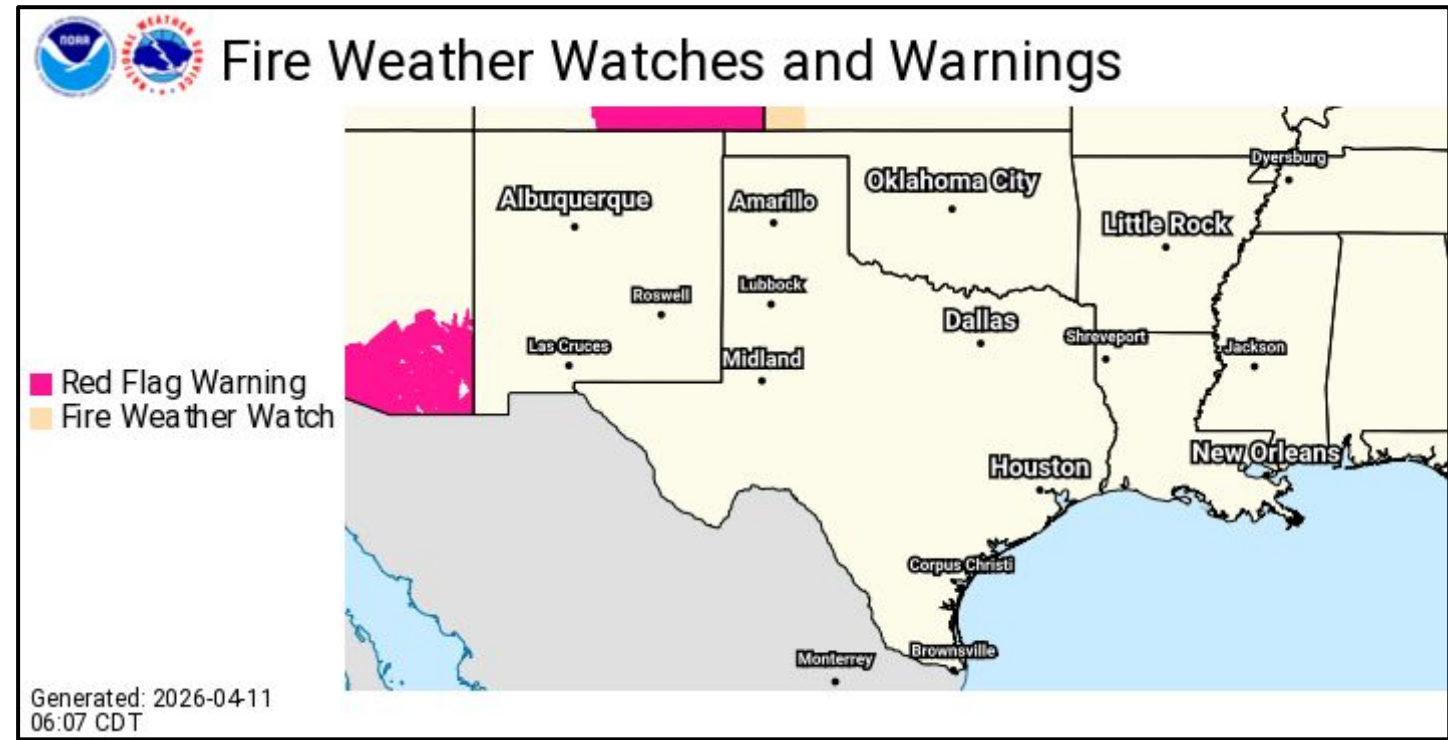


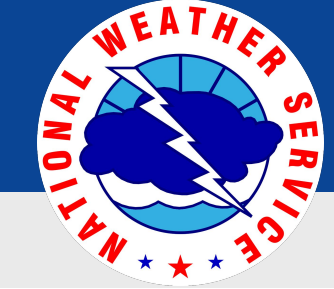
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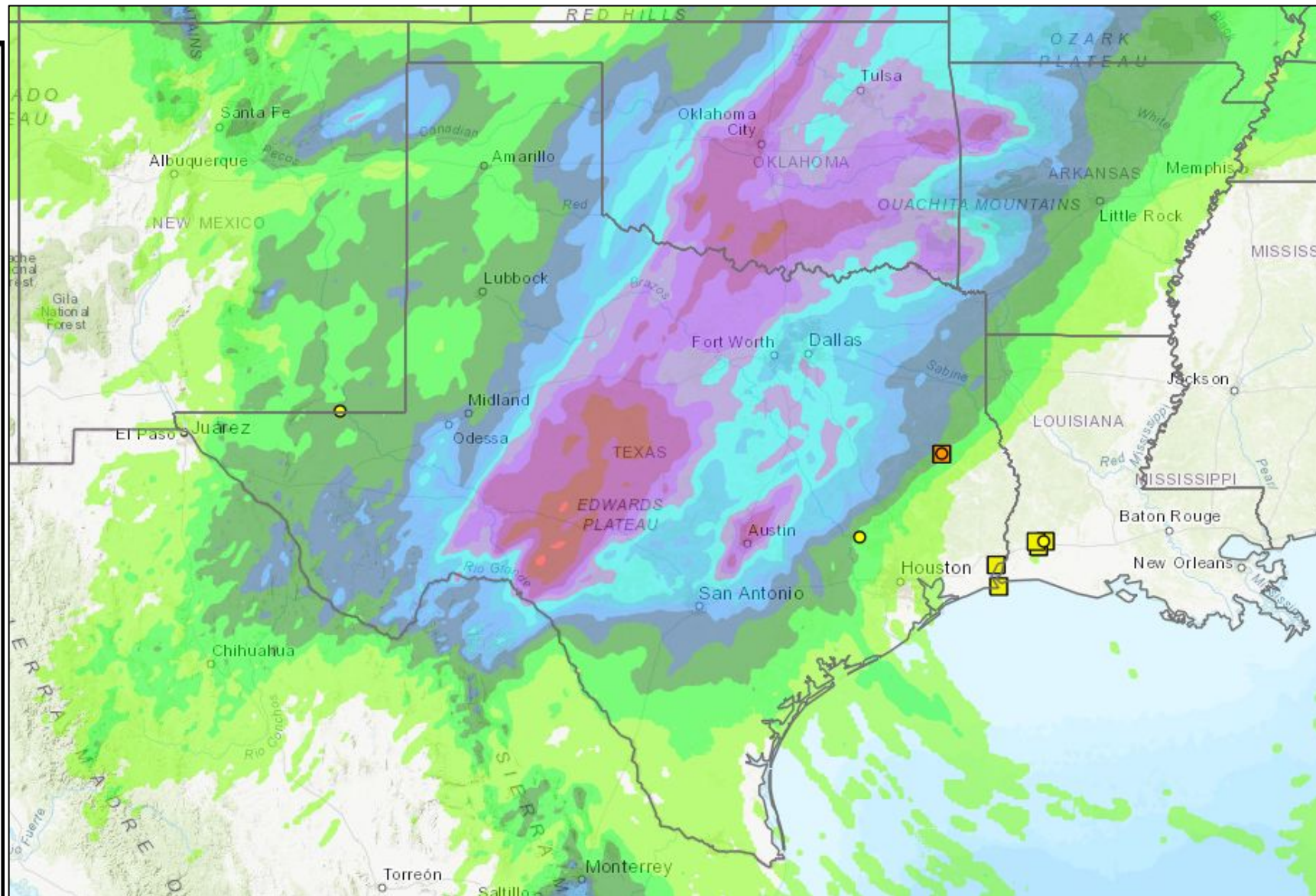
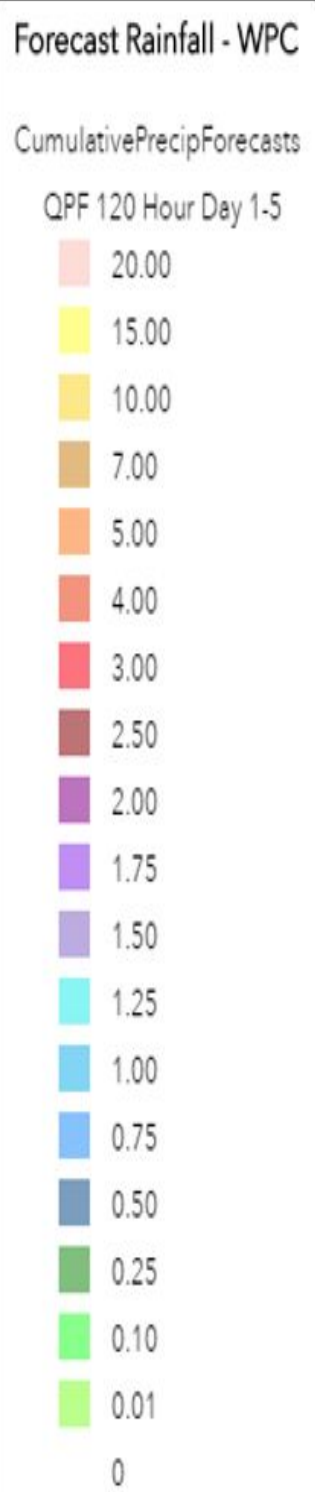
# Fire Weather Outlooks





# 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

**Minor flooding on the Angelina near Lufkin through this evening. No major impacts.**

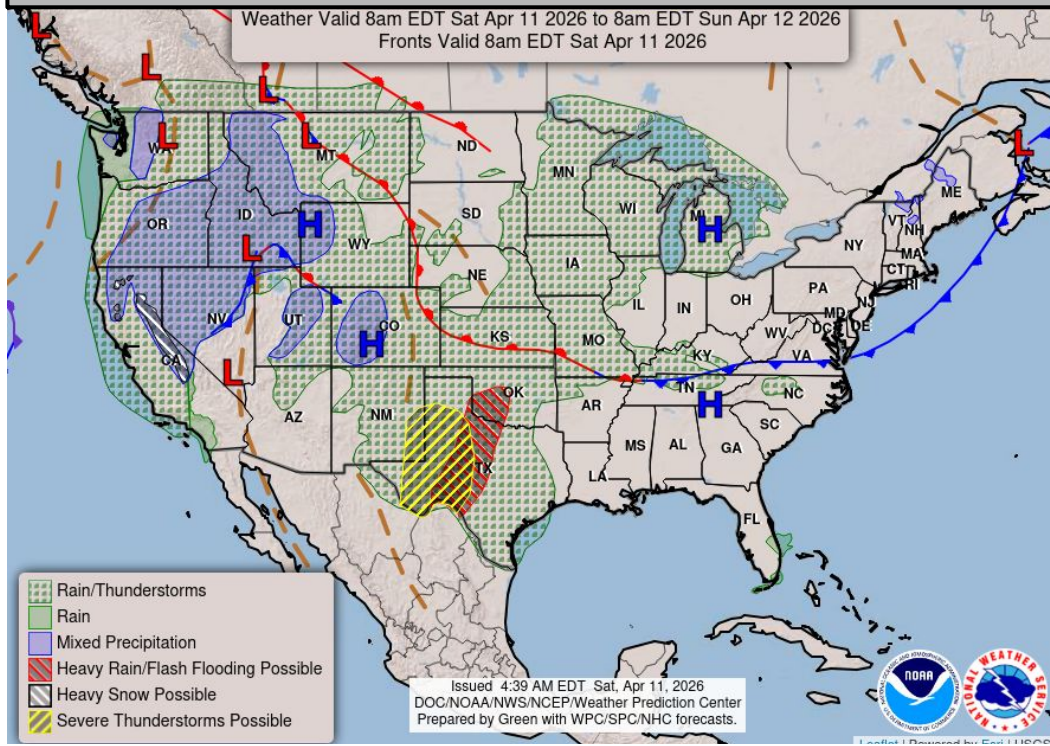
**Monitoring for increased threat of river flooding this weekend into next week over areas of OK, AR and TX.**

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.

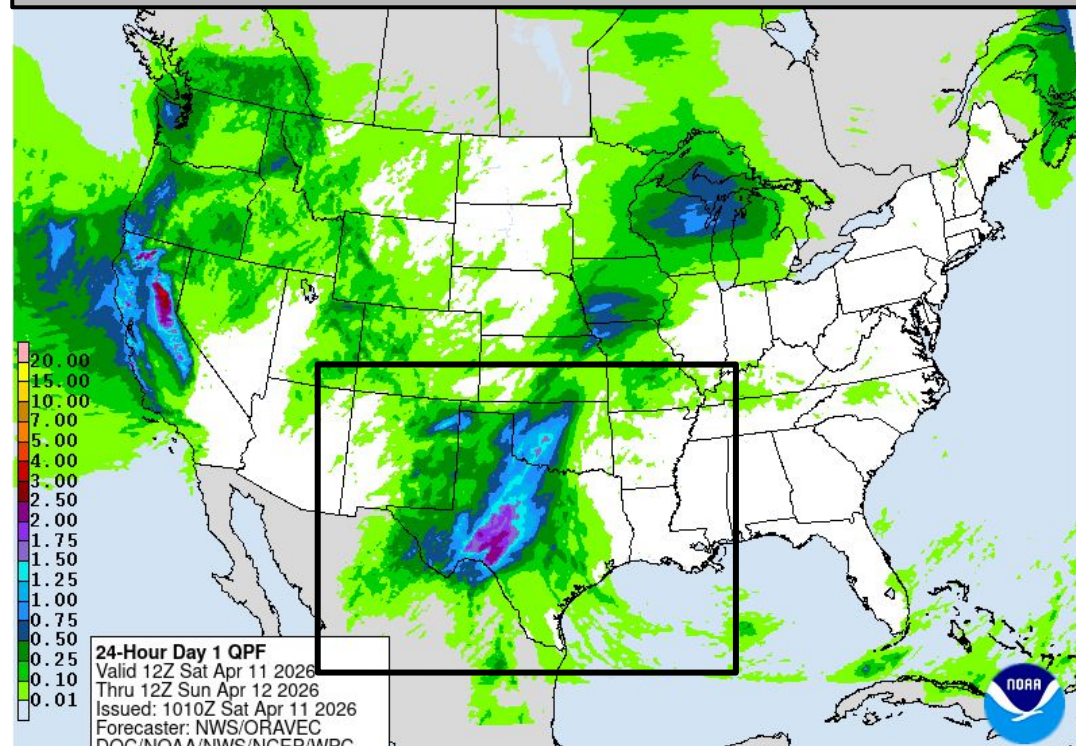


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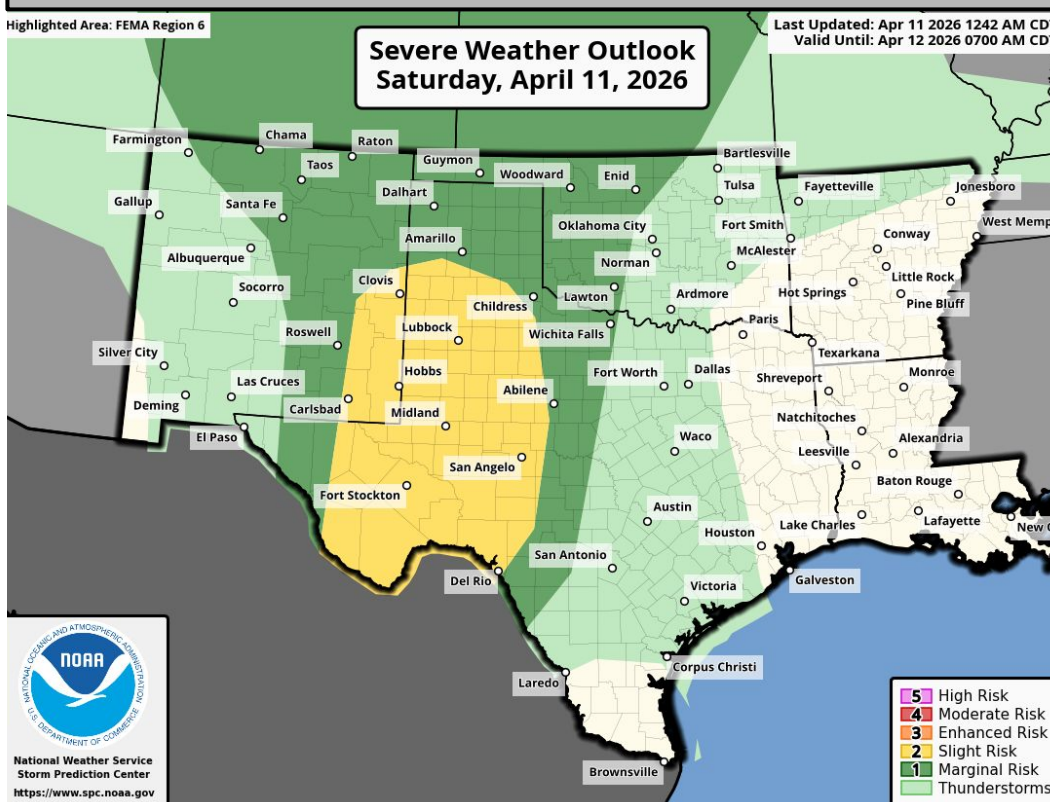
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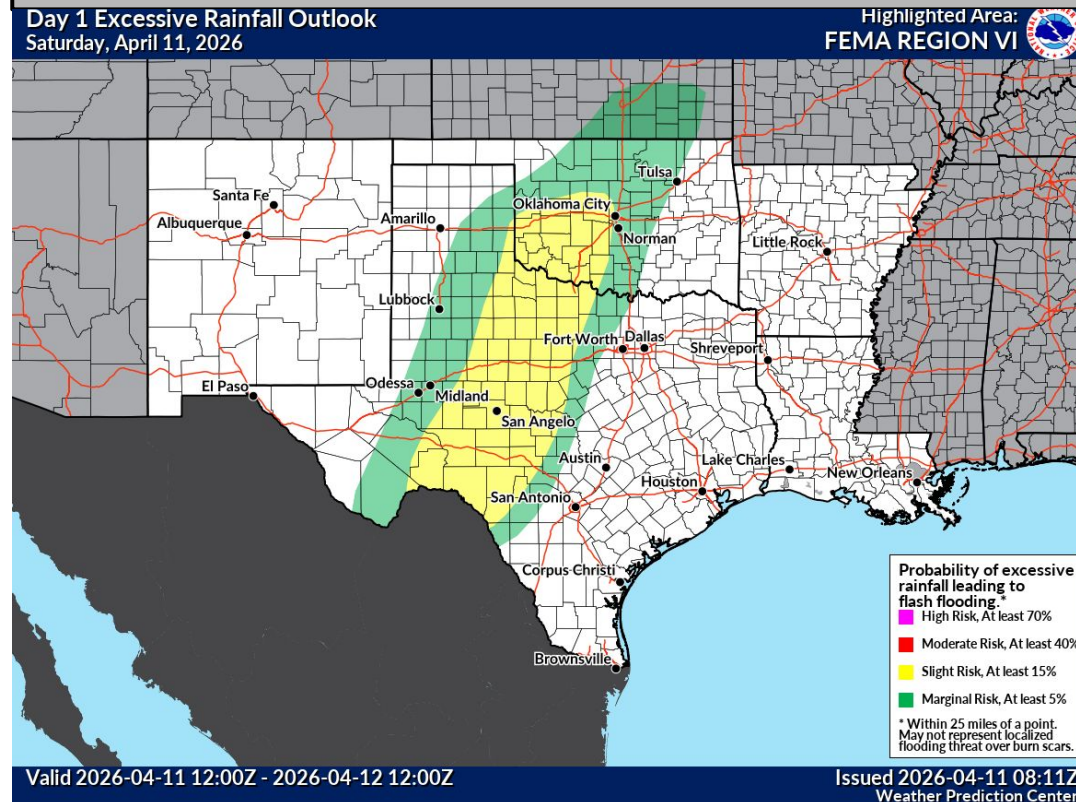
## Forecast Rainfall



## Severe Weather Outlook

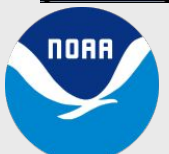


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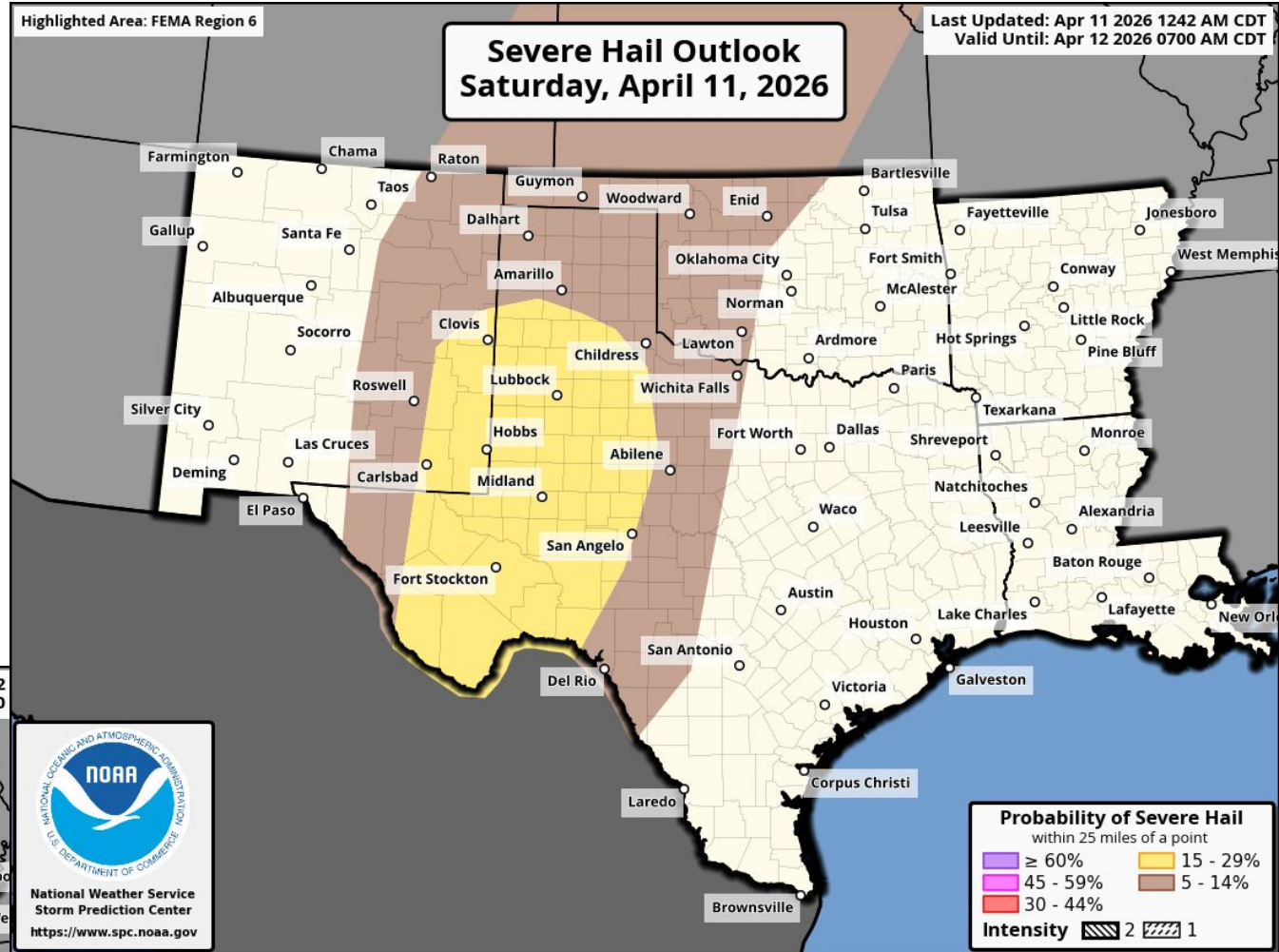
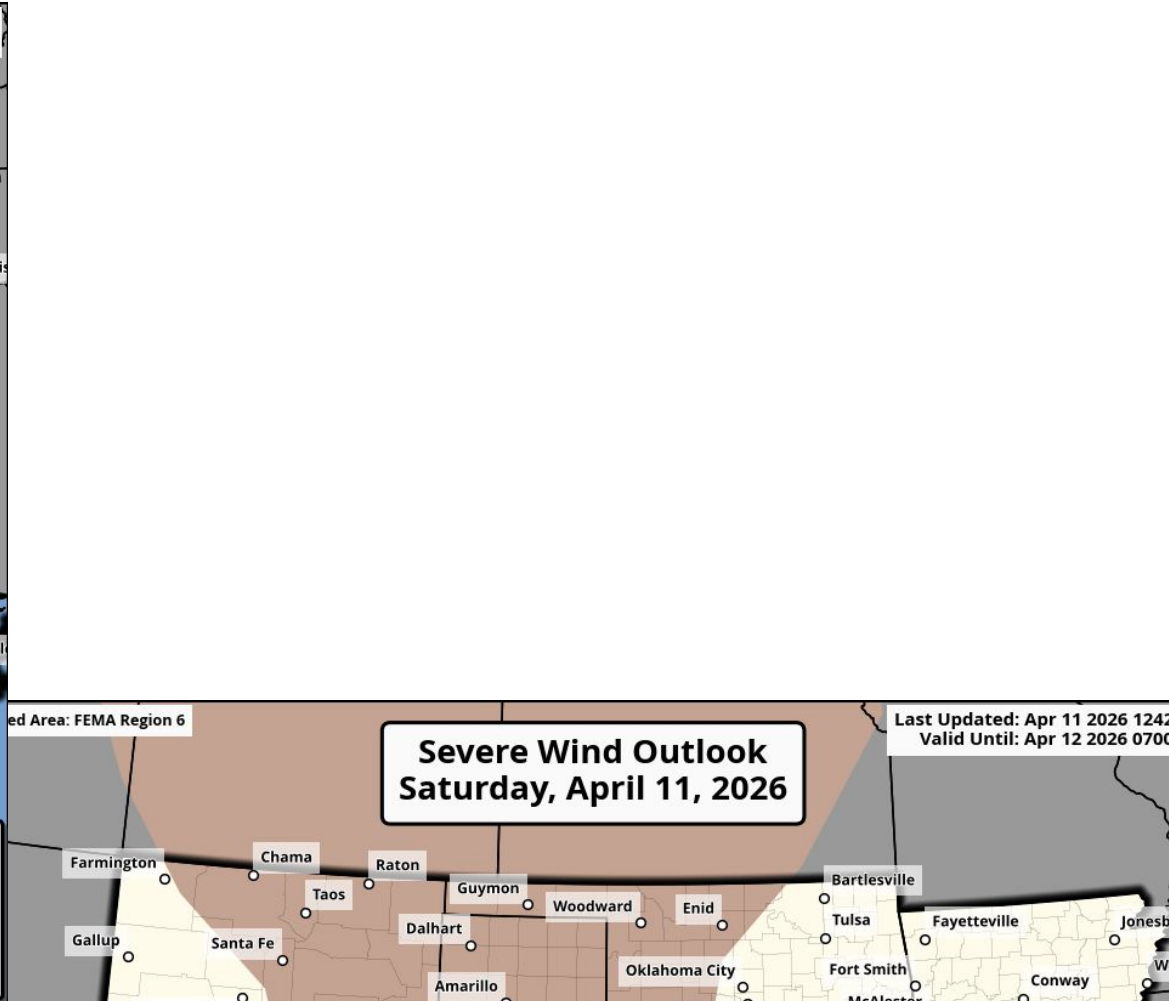
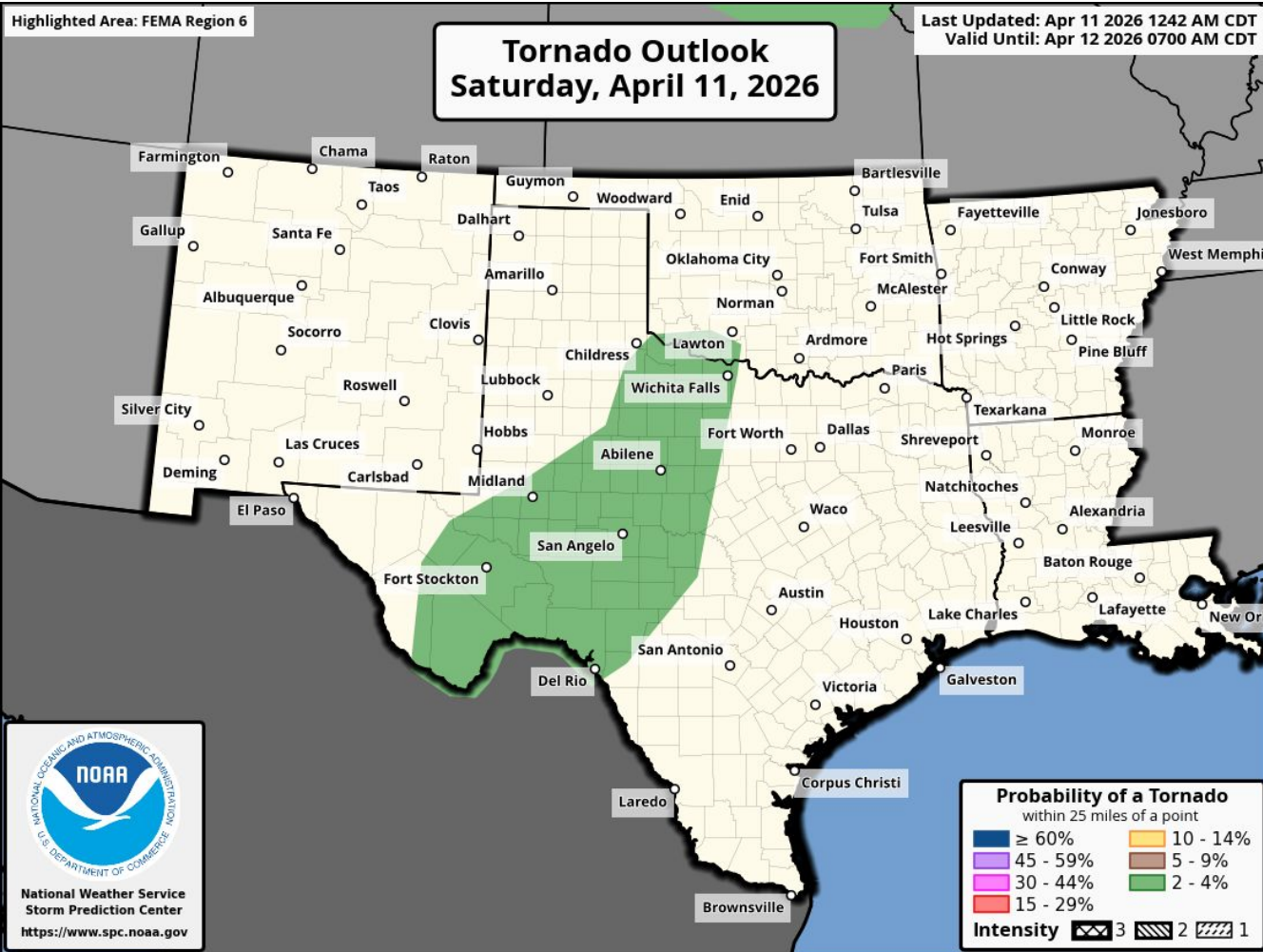
**Slight risk (level 2 of 5) for severe storms in E NM, TX/OK Panhandles, W/SW TX. Timing: 4 PM-4 AM CT.**

**Slight risk (level 2 of 4) for flash flooding over SW OK, NW-SW TX. Locally up to 5-7" of rain may fall.**





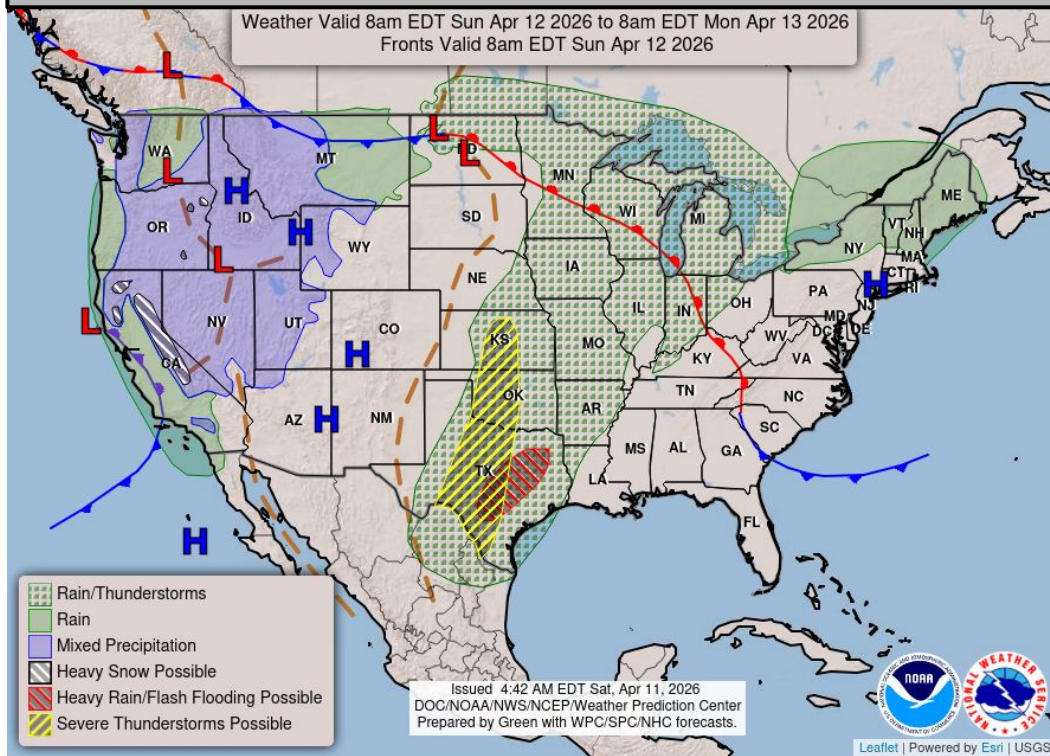
# Today's Tornado & Severe Wind / Hail Probabilities



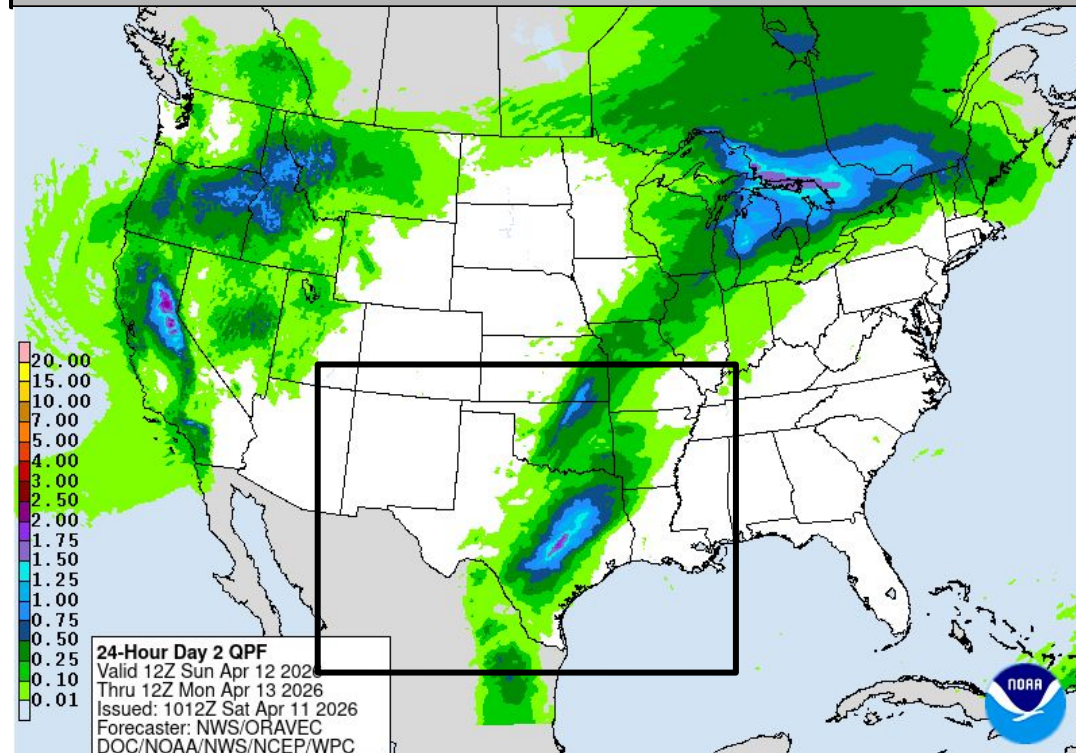


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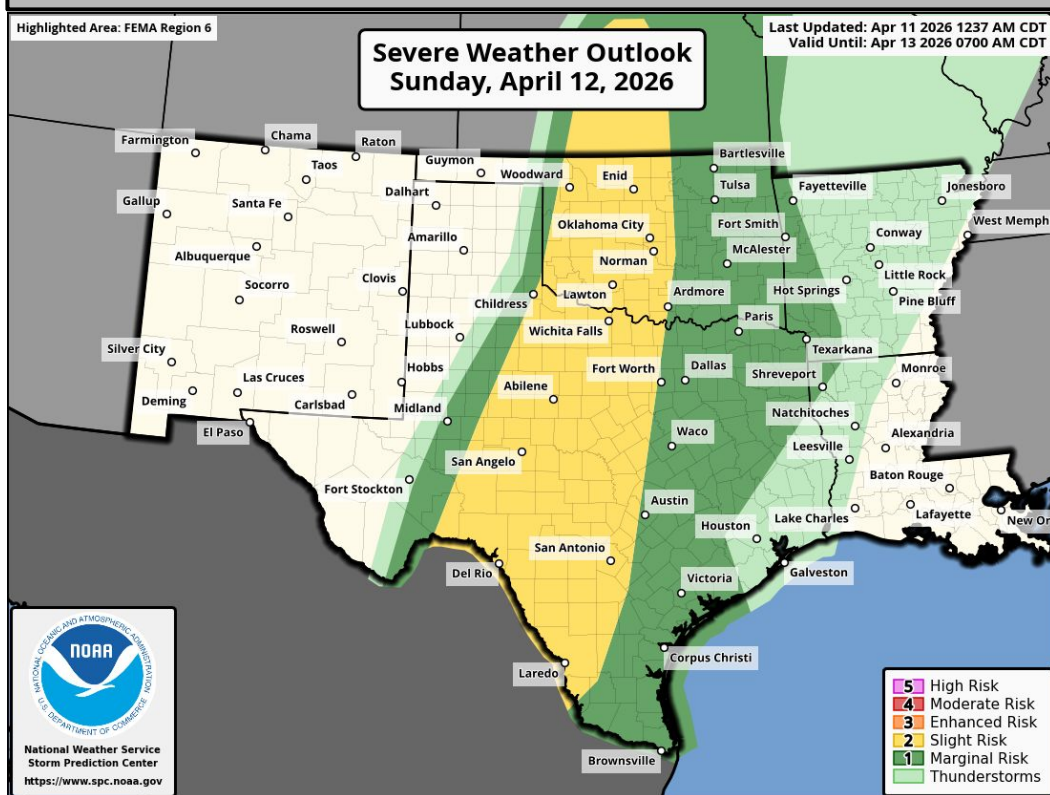
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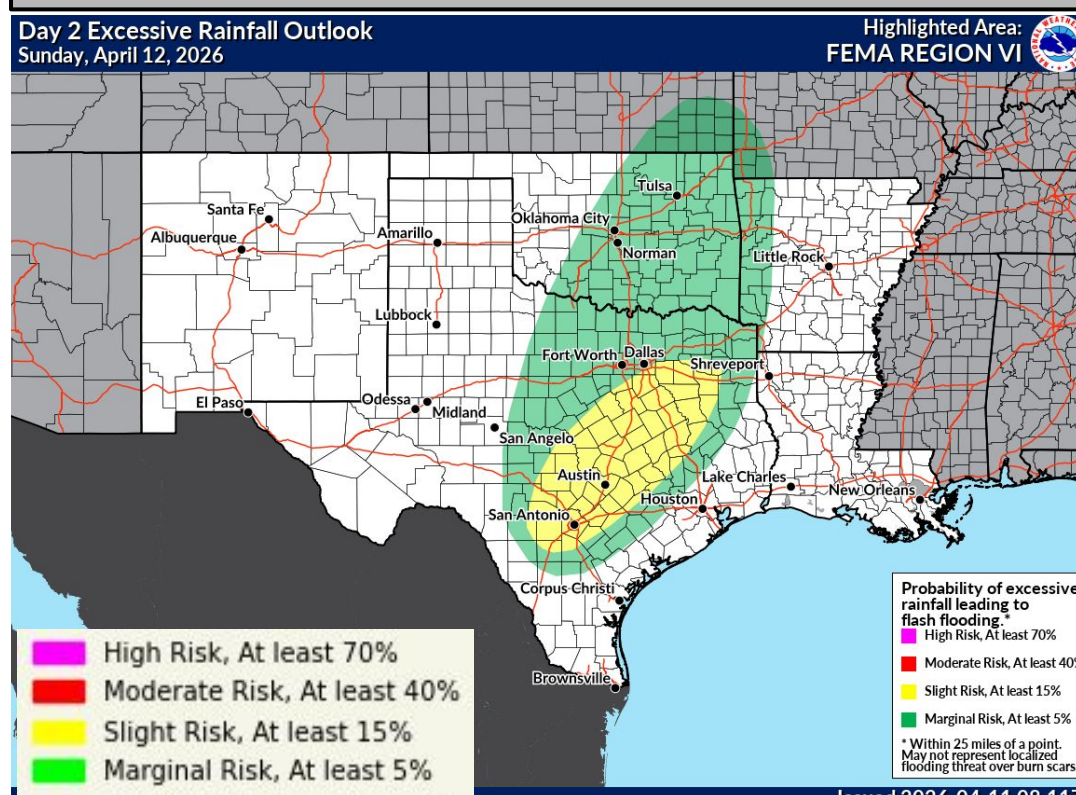
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## Severe Weather Outlook



## Excessive Rainfall Outlook



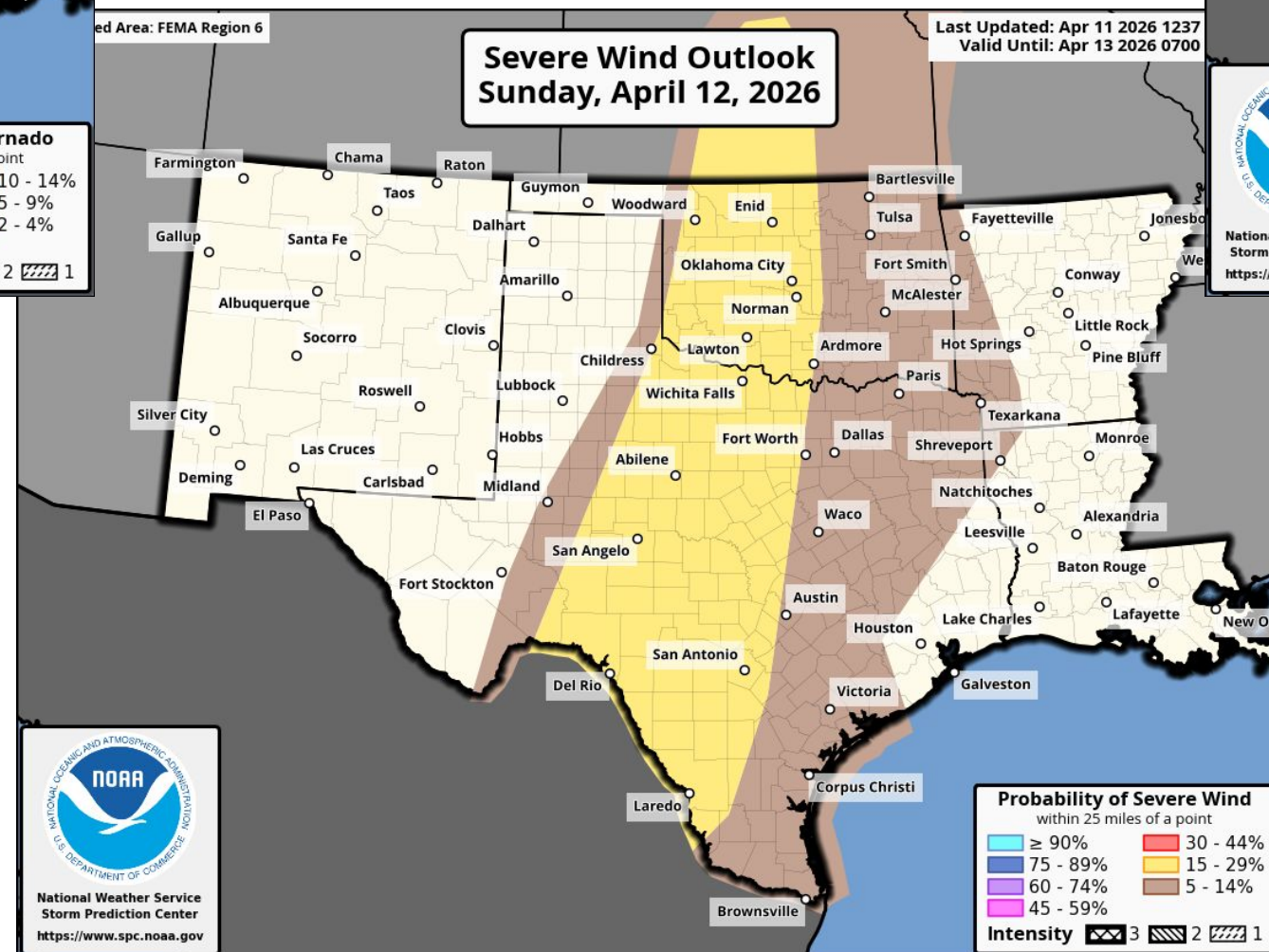
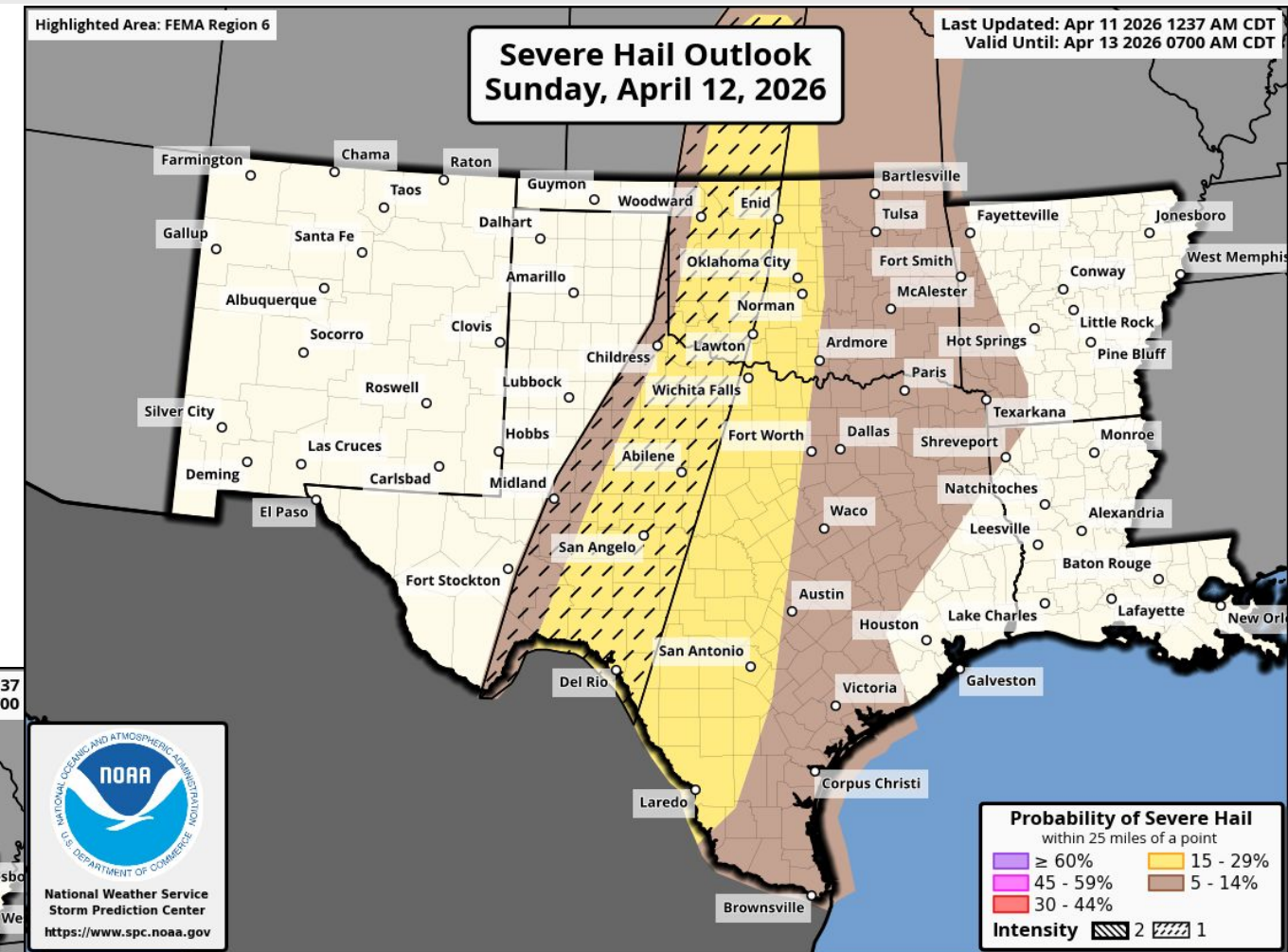
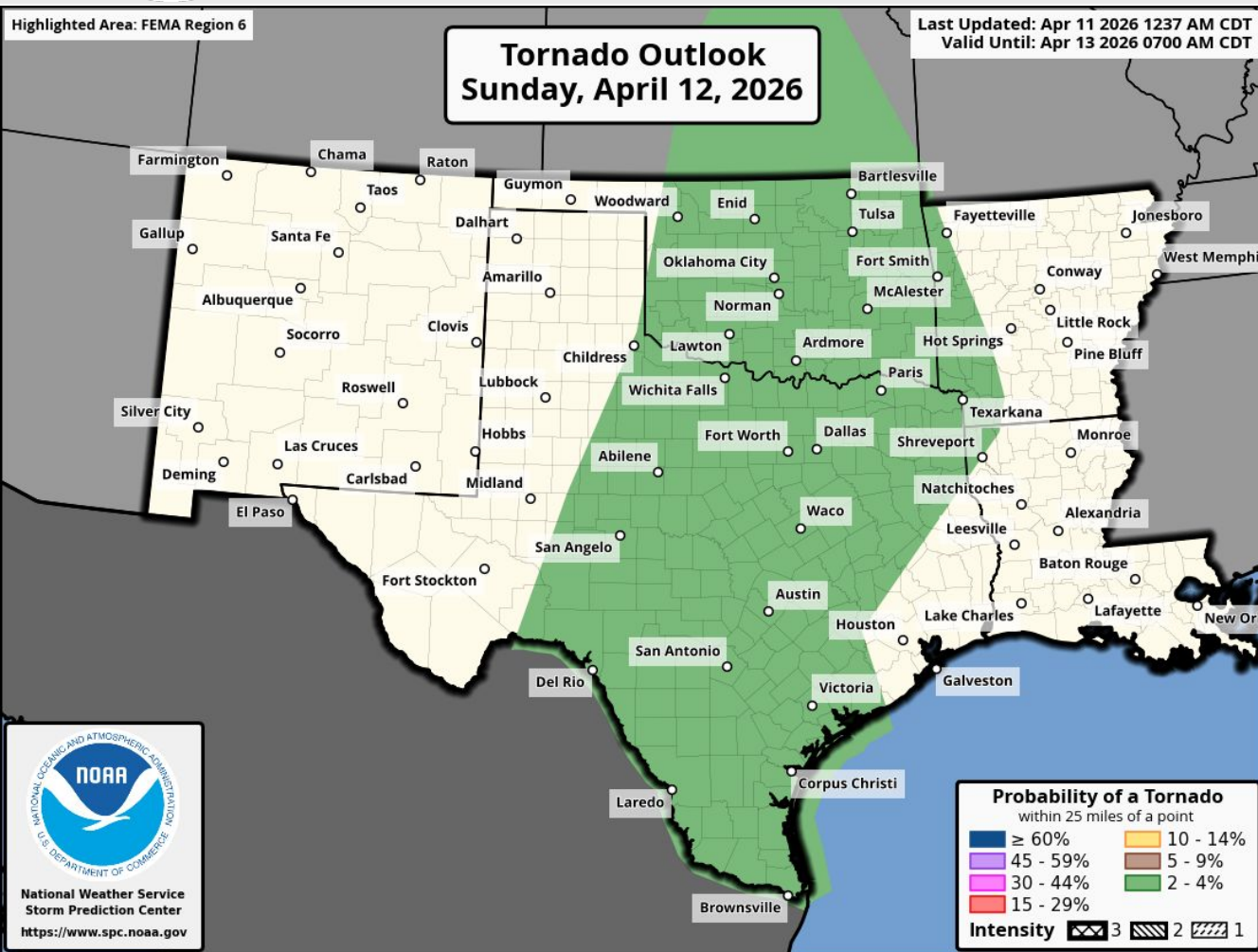
**Slight risk (level 2 of 5) for severe storms over S/SW-NCTX, C/W OK. Hail up to 2" in diameter. Adjustments to locations impacted may be needed in upcoming outlooks due to early morning storms.**

**Slight risk (level 2 of 4) for flash flooding in C-NETX.**

**Elevated (level 1 of 3) fire weather over NE AR, W NM.**



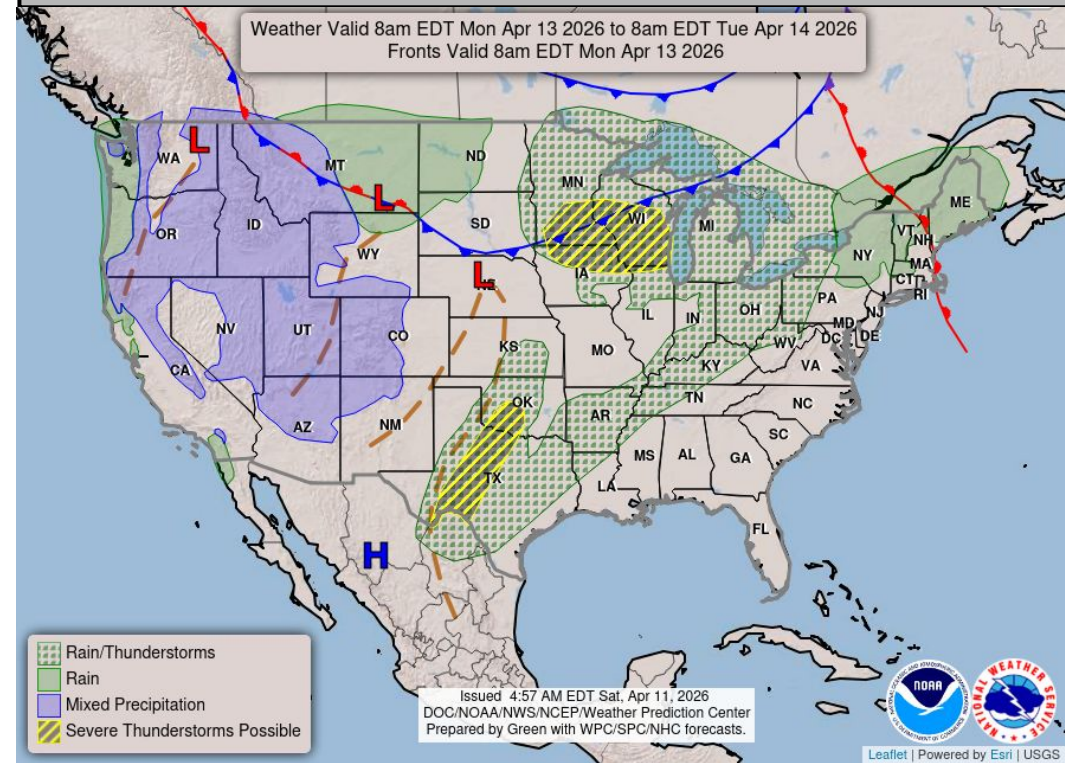
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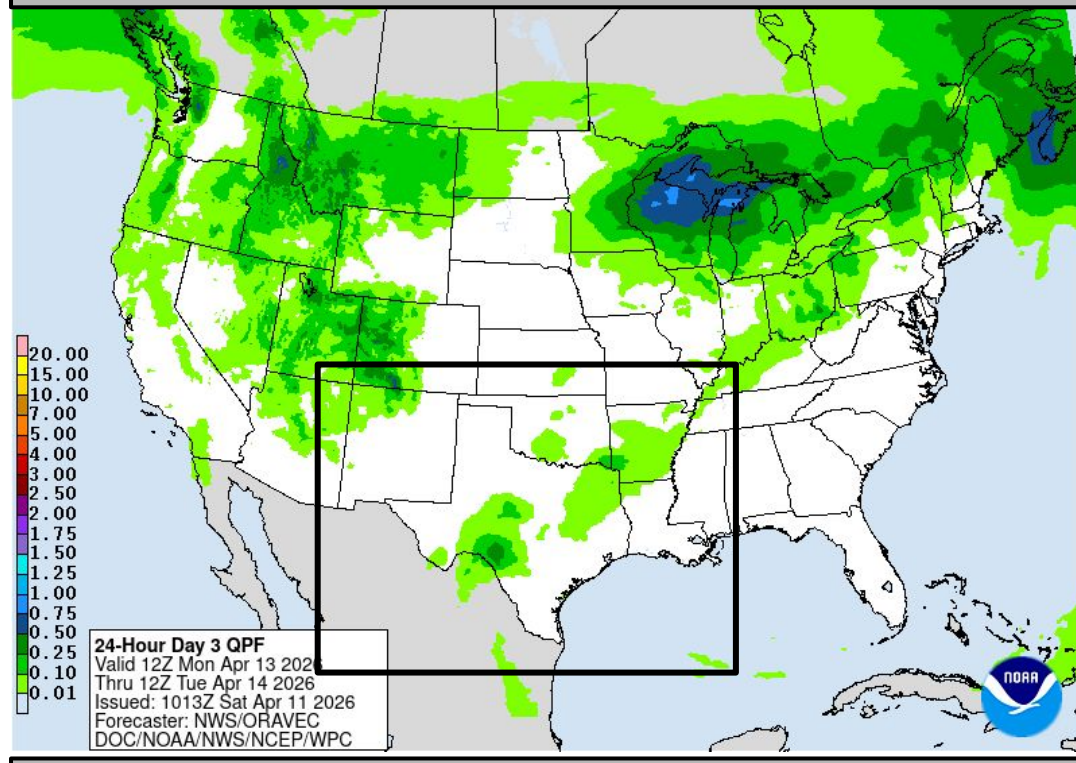


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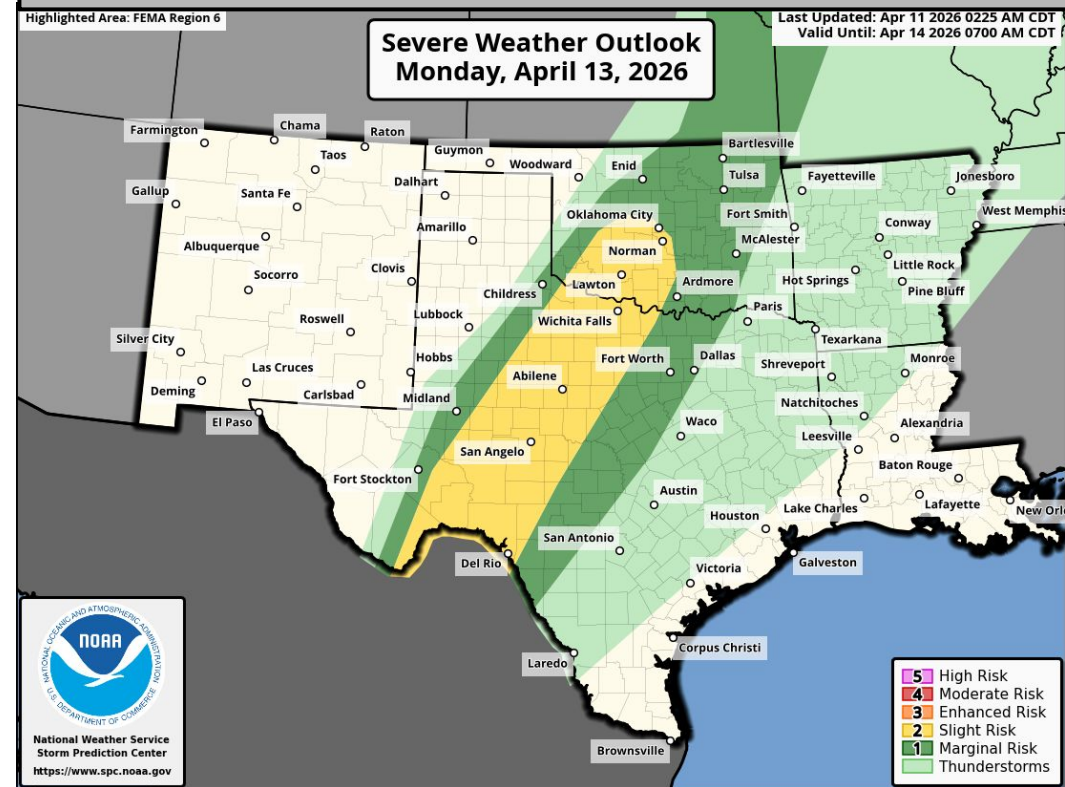
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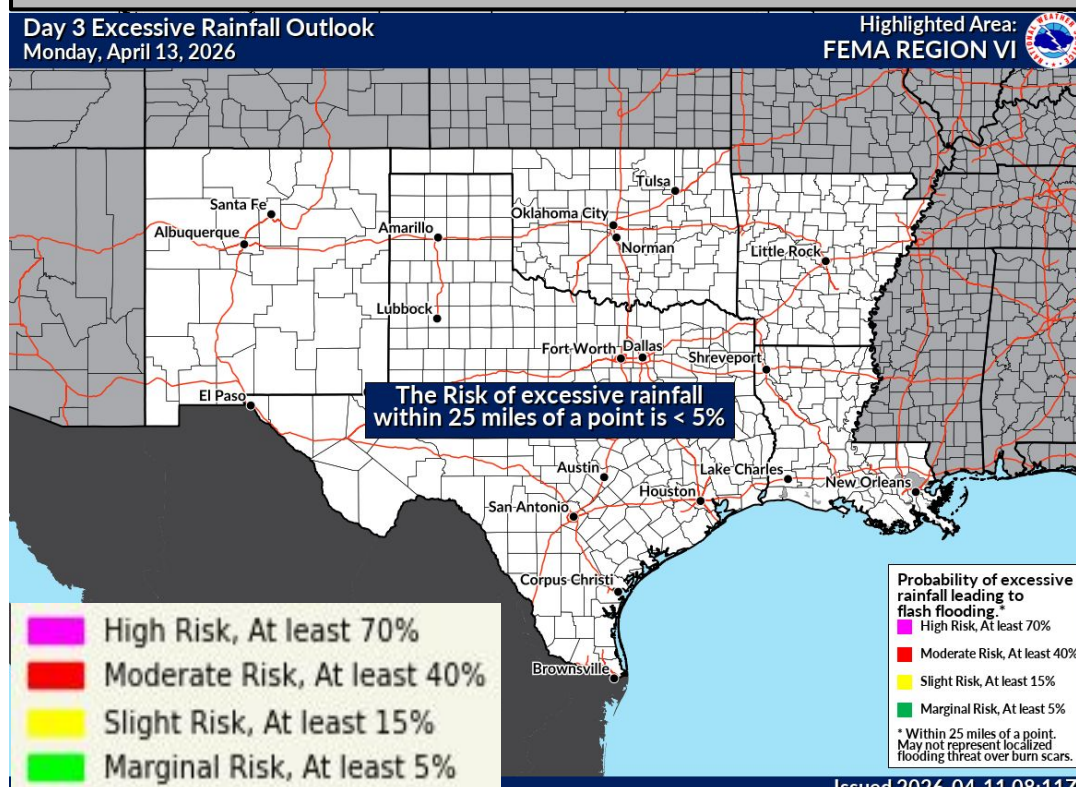
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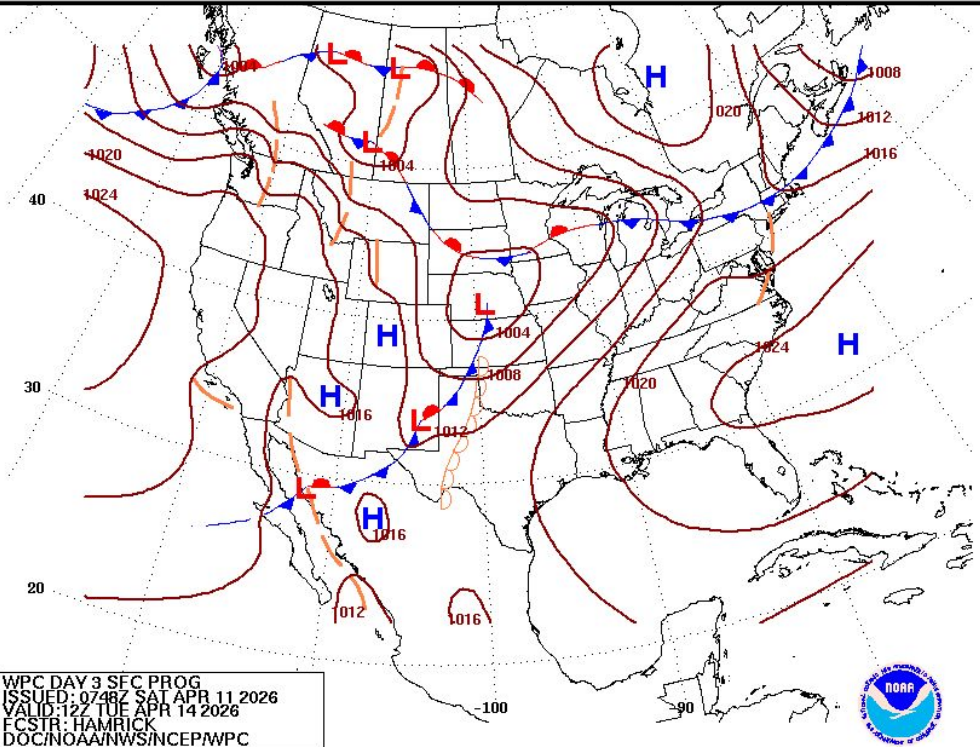
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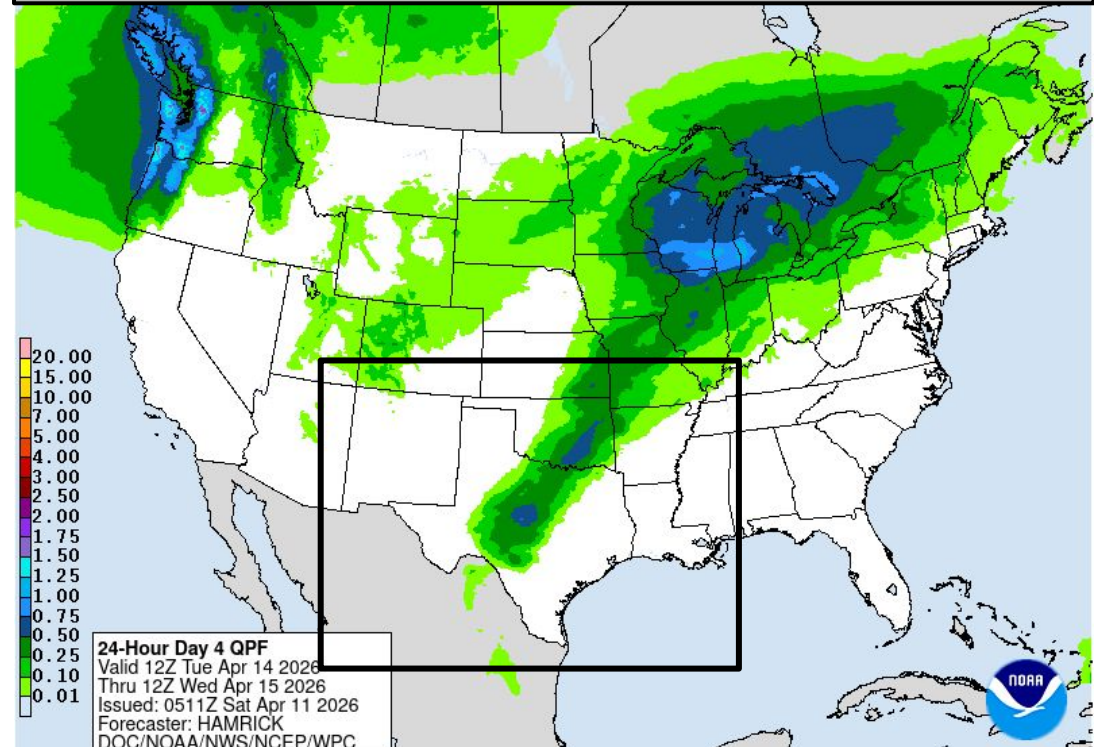


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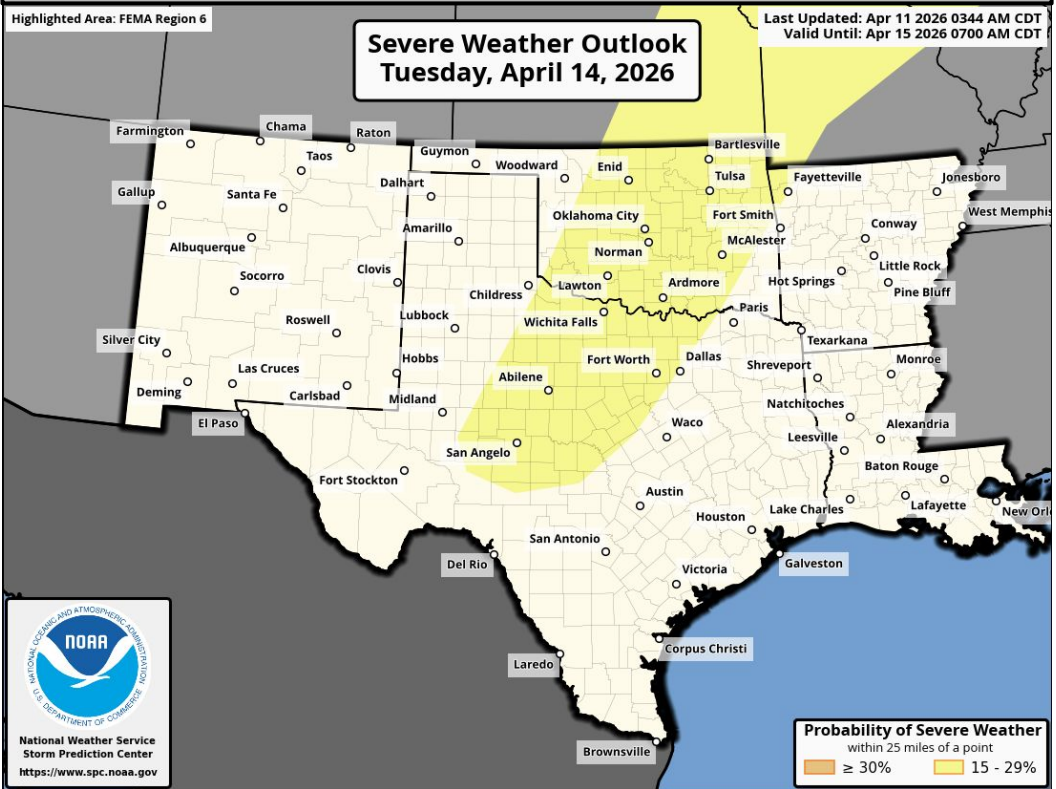


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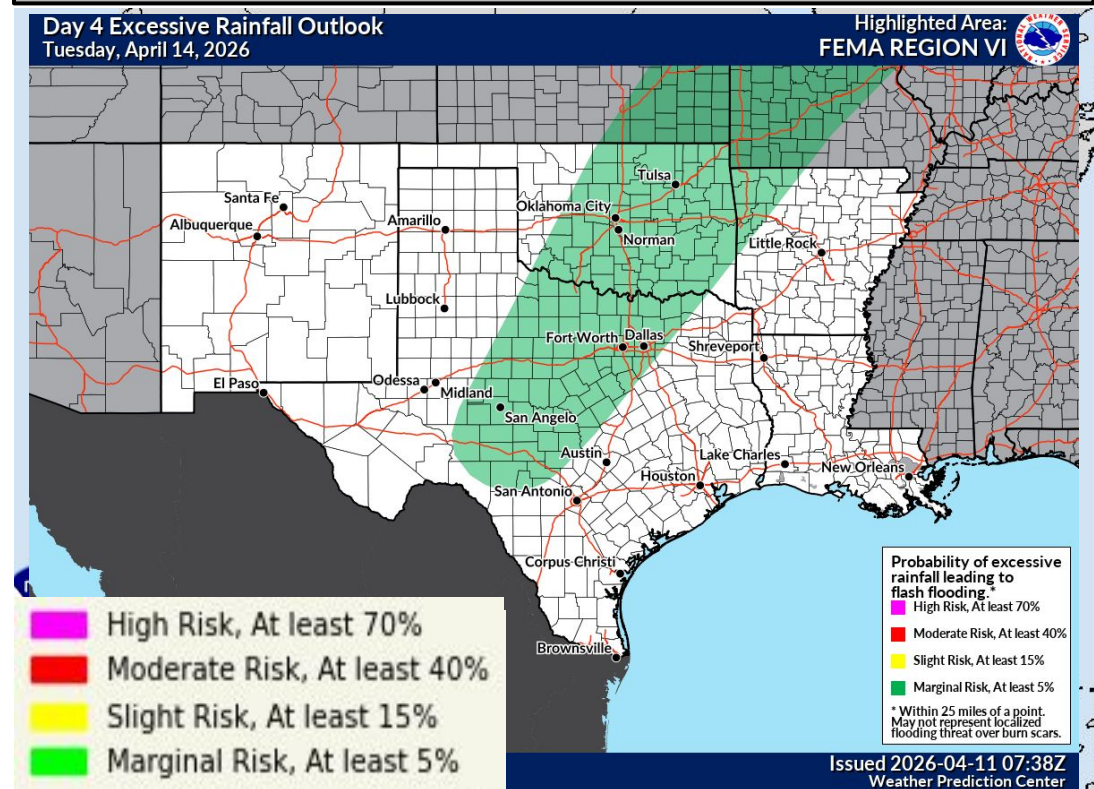
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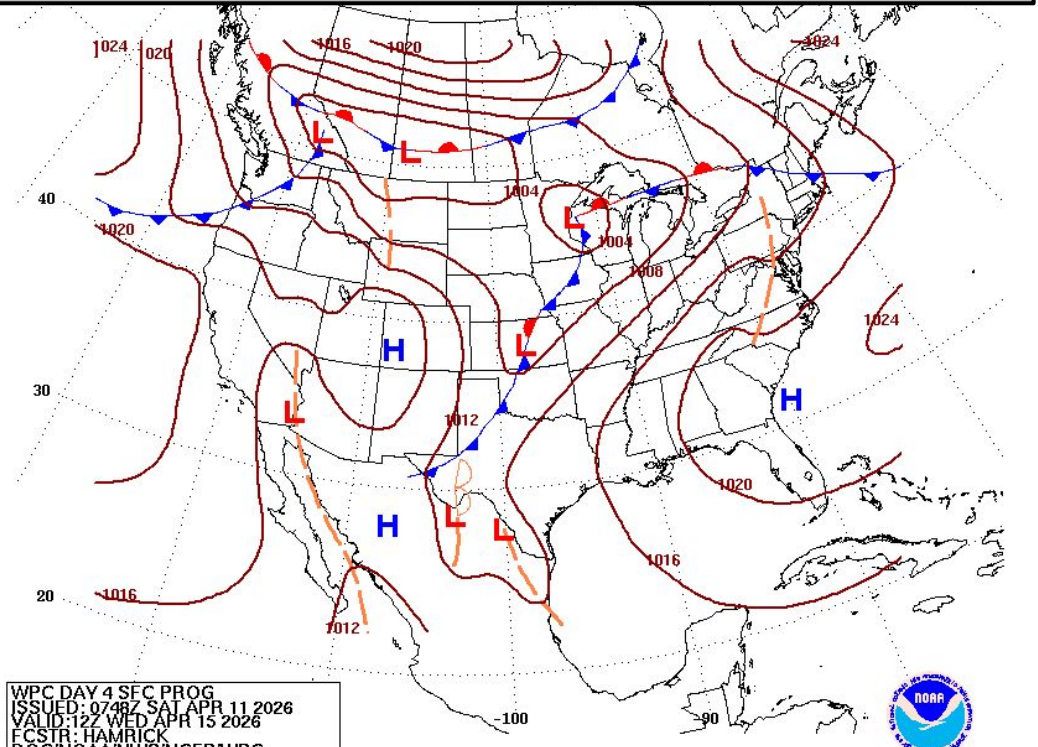
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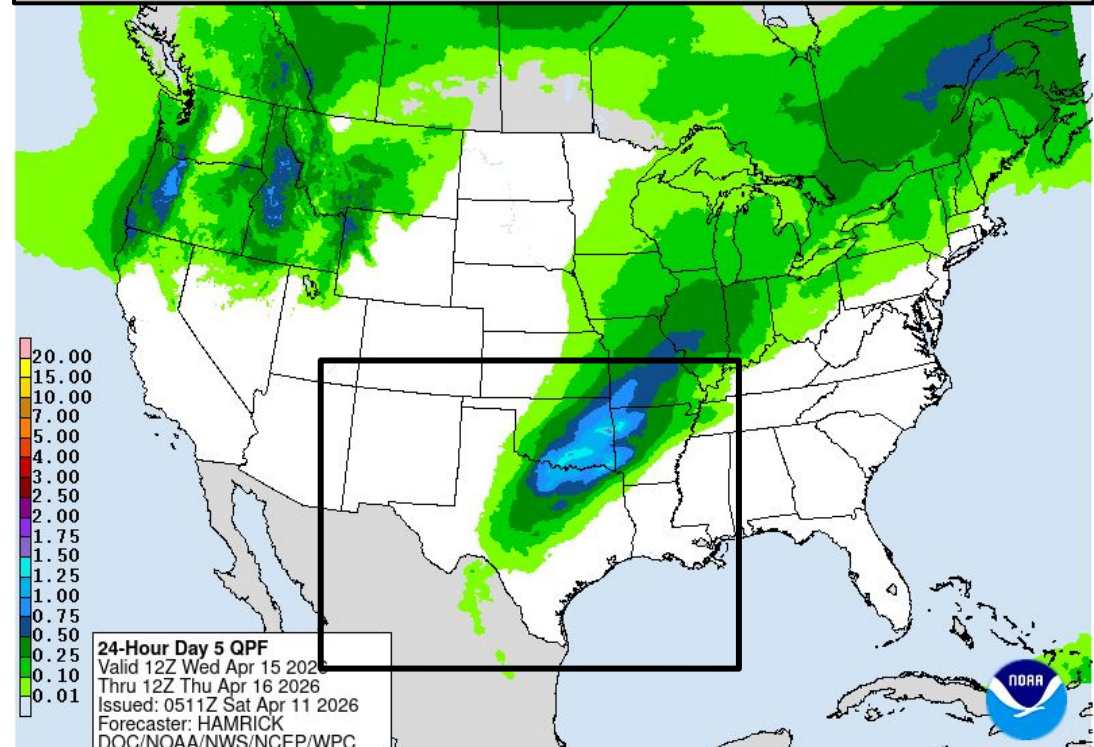
# Wednesday's Weather

### Forecast Chart



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VALID: 12Z WED APR 15 2026  
FCSTR: HAMRICK  
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/WPC

### Forecast Rainfall



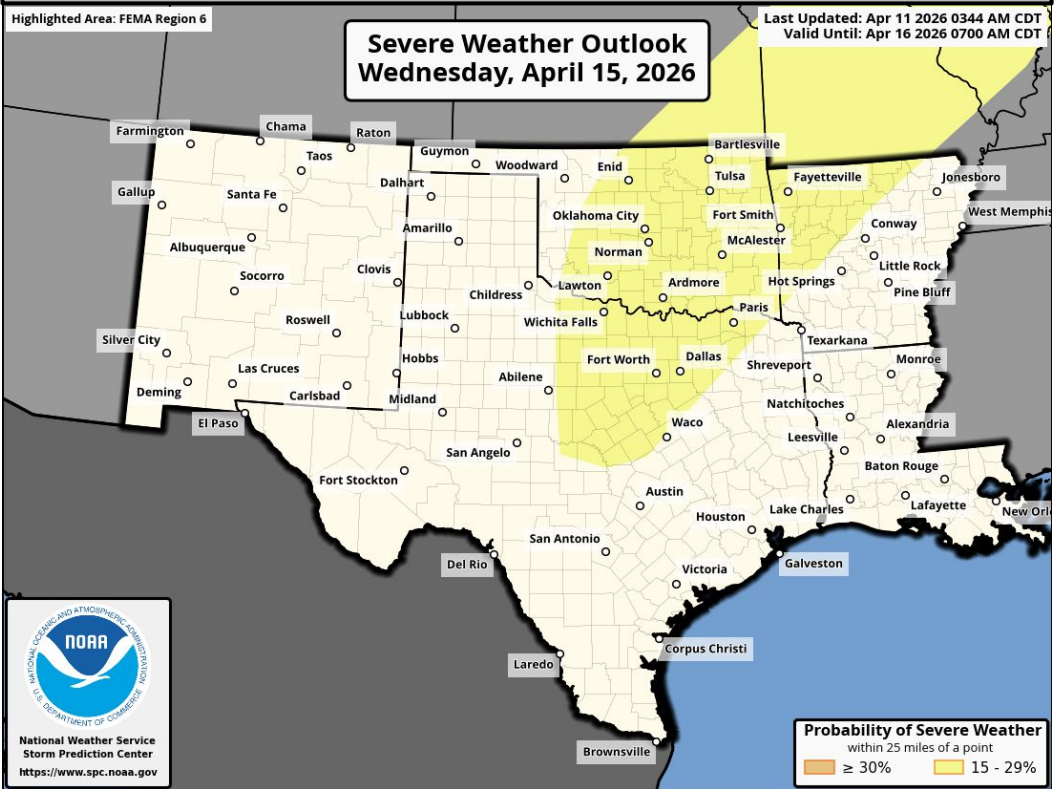
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Valid 12Z Wed Apr 15 2026  
Thru 12Z Thu Apr 16 2026  
Issued: 0511Z Sat Apr 11 2026  
Forecaster: HAMRICK  
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/WPC

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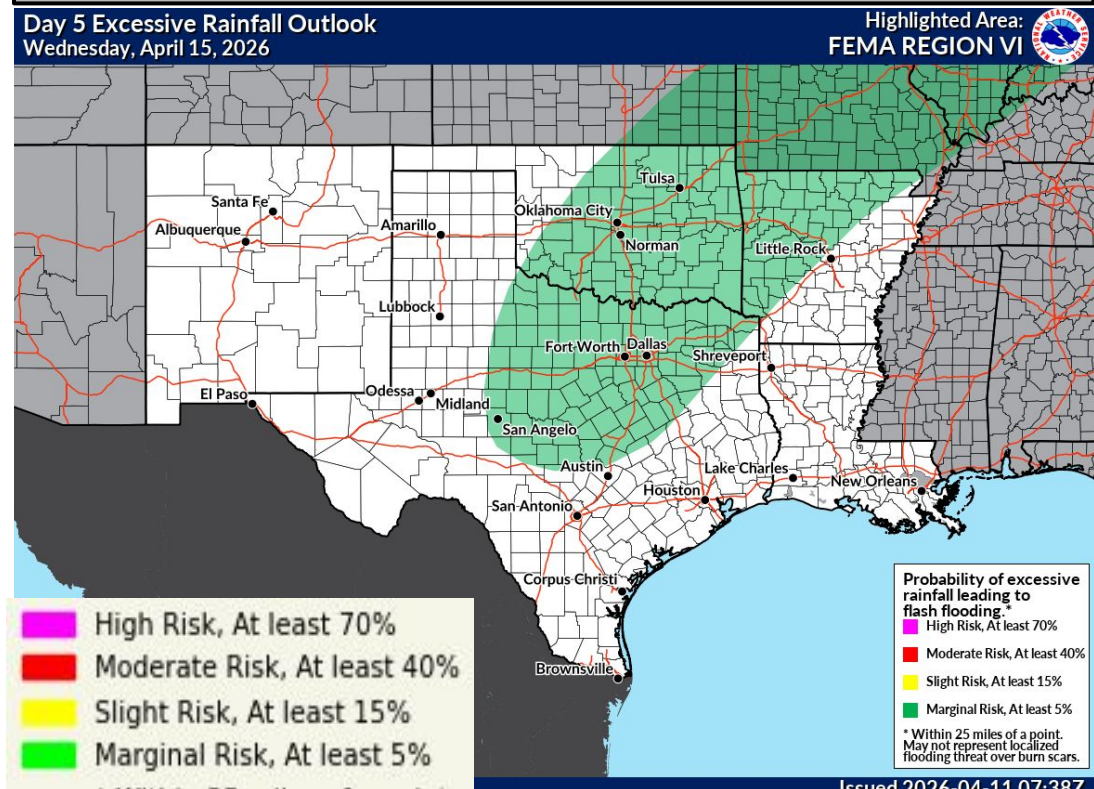
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### Severe Weather Outlook



### Excessive Rainfall Outlook

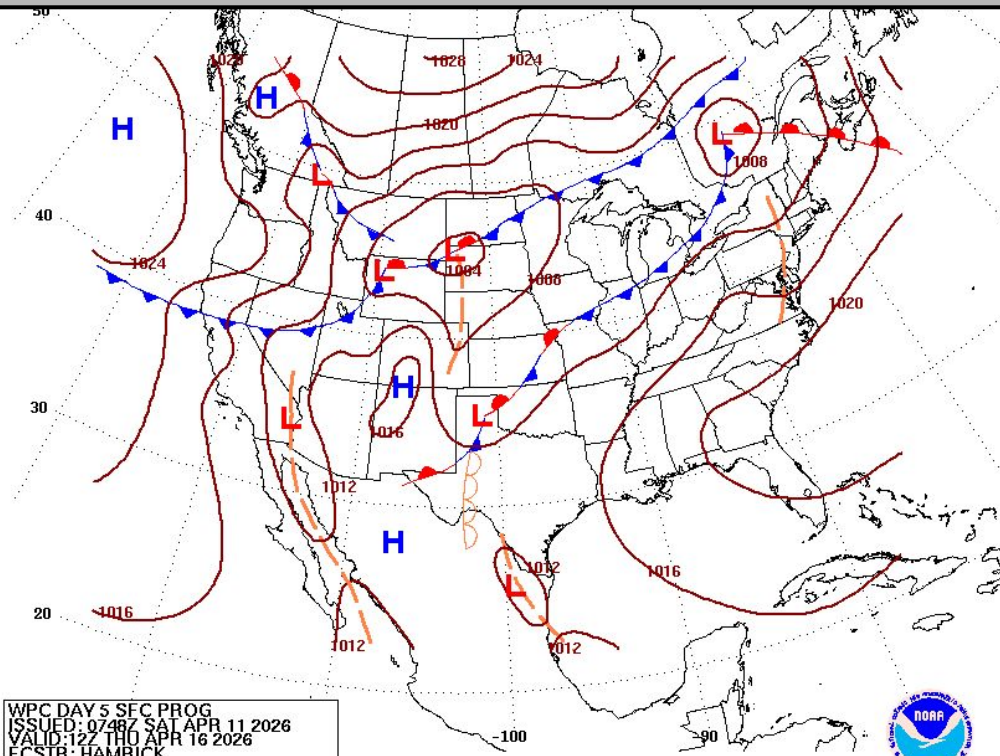


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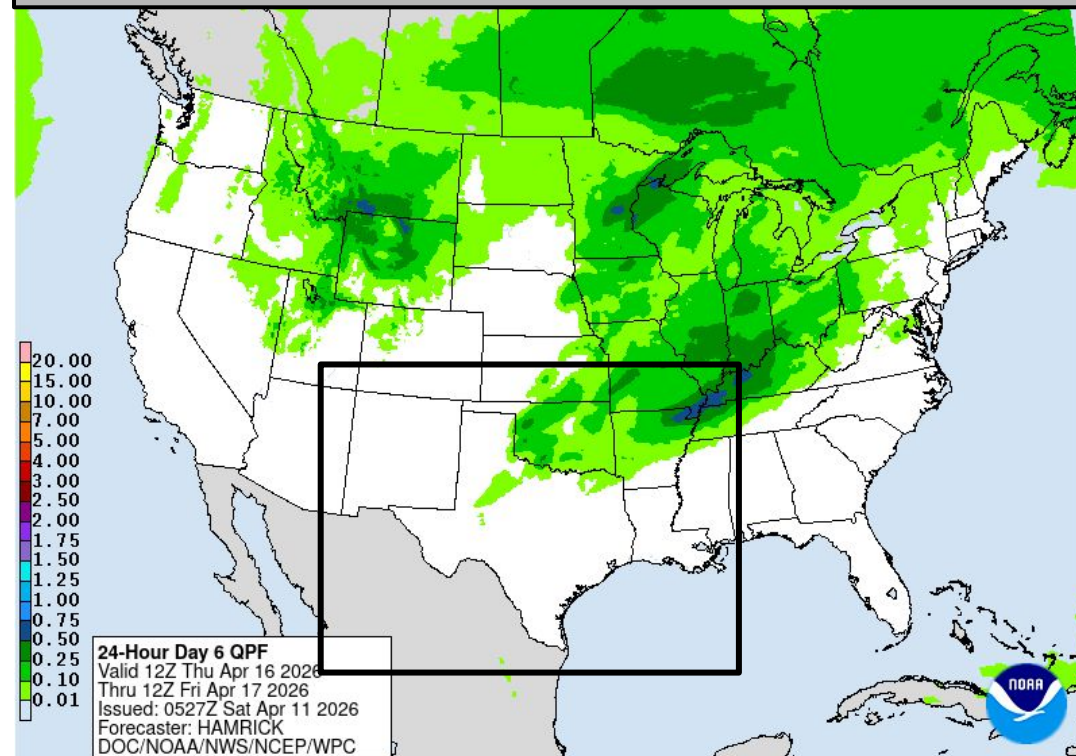
# Thursday's Weather

### Forecast Chart



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FCSTB - HAMRICK

### Forecast Rainfall

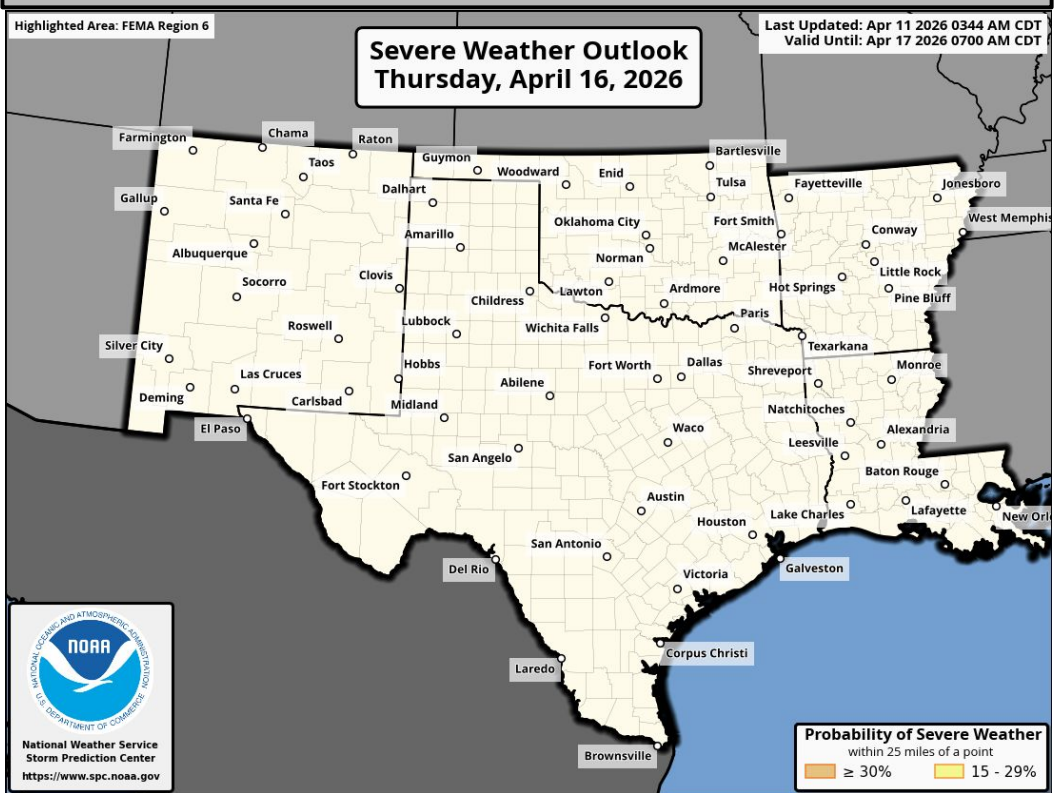


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**Monitoring for severe storms in OK.**

**Monitoring E NM, TX/OK Panhandles, W TX for fire weather concerns.**

### Severe Weather Outlook



**Severe Weather Outlook**  
Thursday, April 16, 2026

Last Updated: Apr 11 2026 0344 AM CDT  
Valid Until: Apr 17 2026 0700 AM CDT



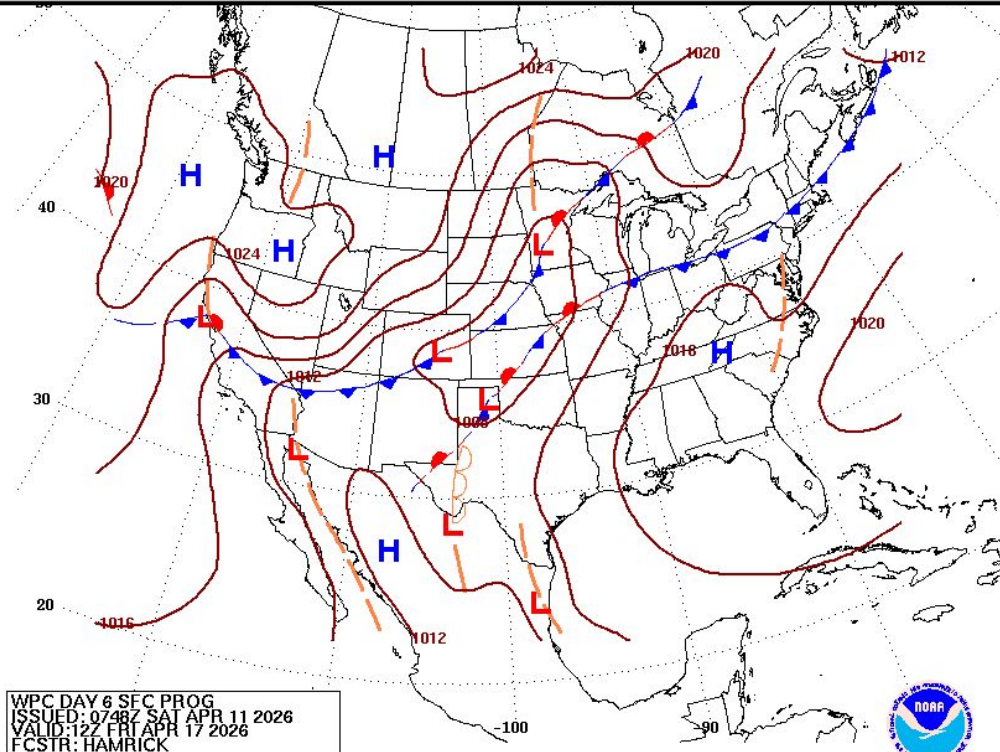
Probability of Severe Weather  
within 25 miles of a point  
≥ 30% 15 - 29%

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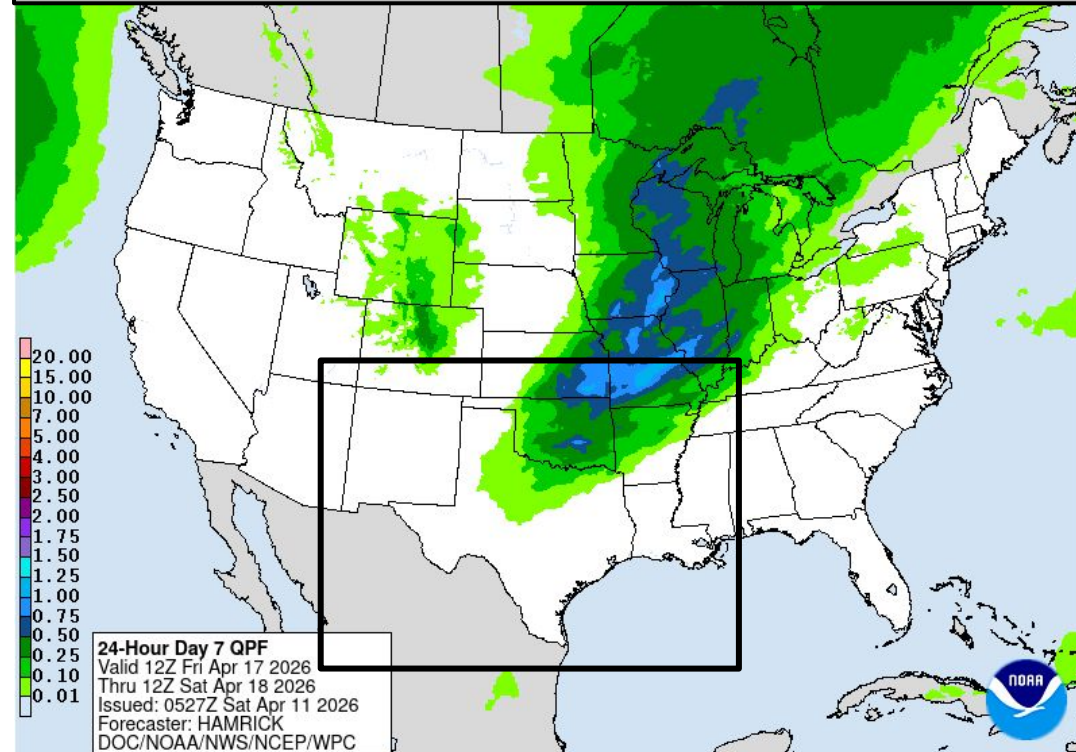


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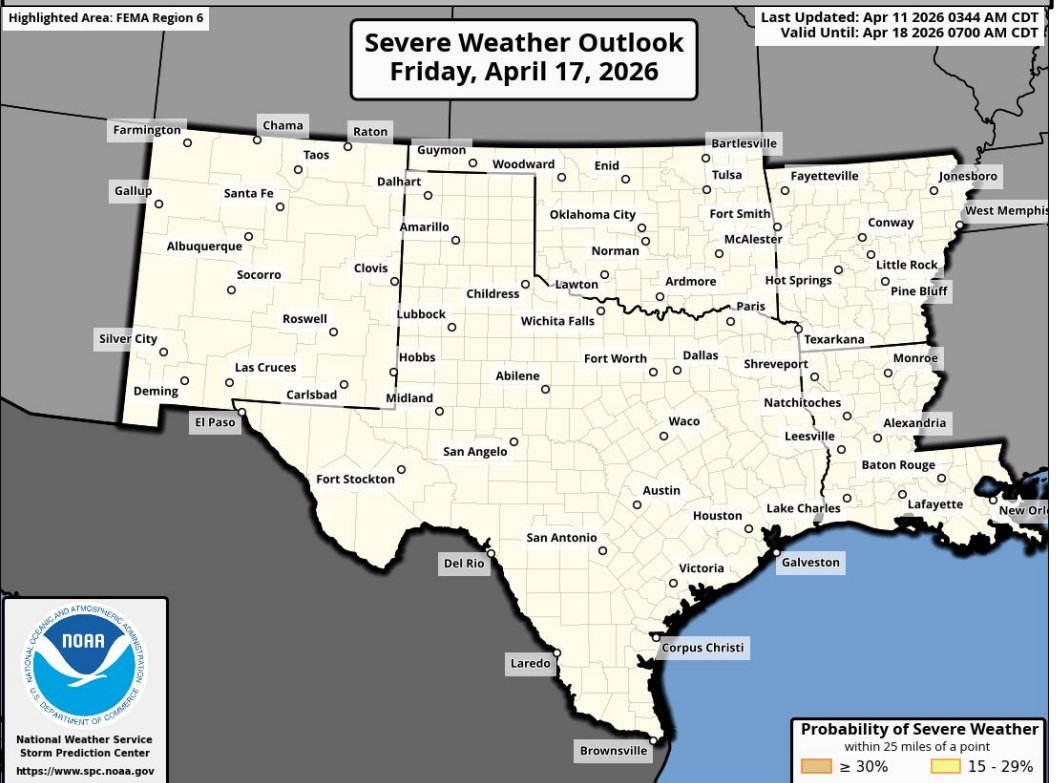


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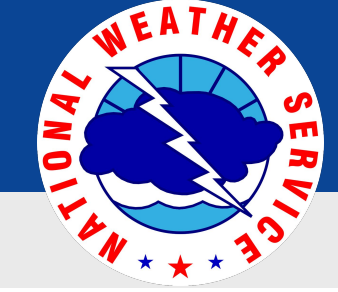


**Monitoring for severe storms and heavy rain in OK.**

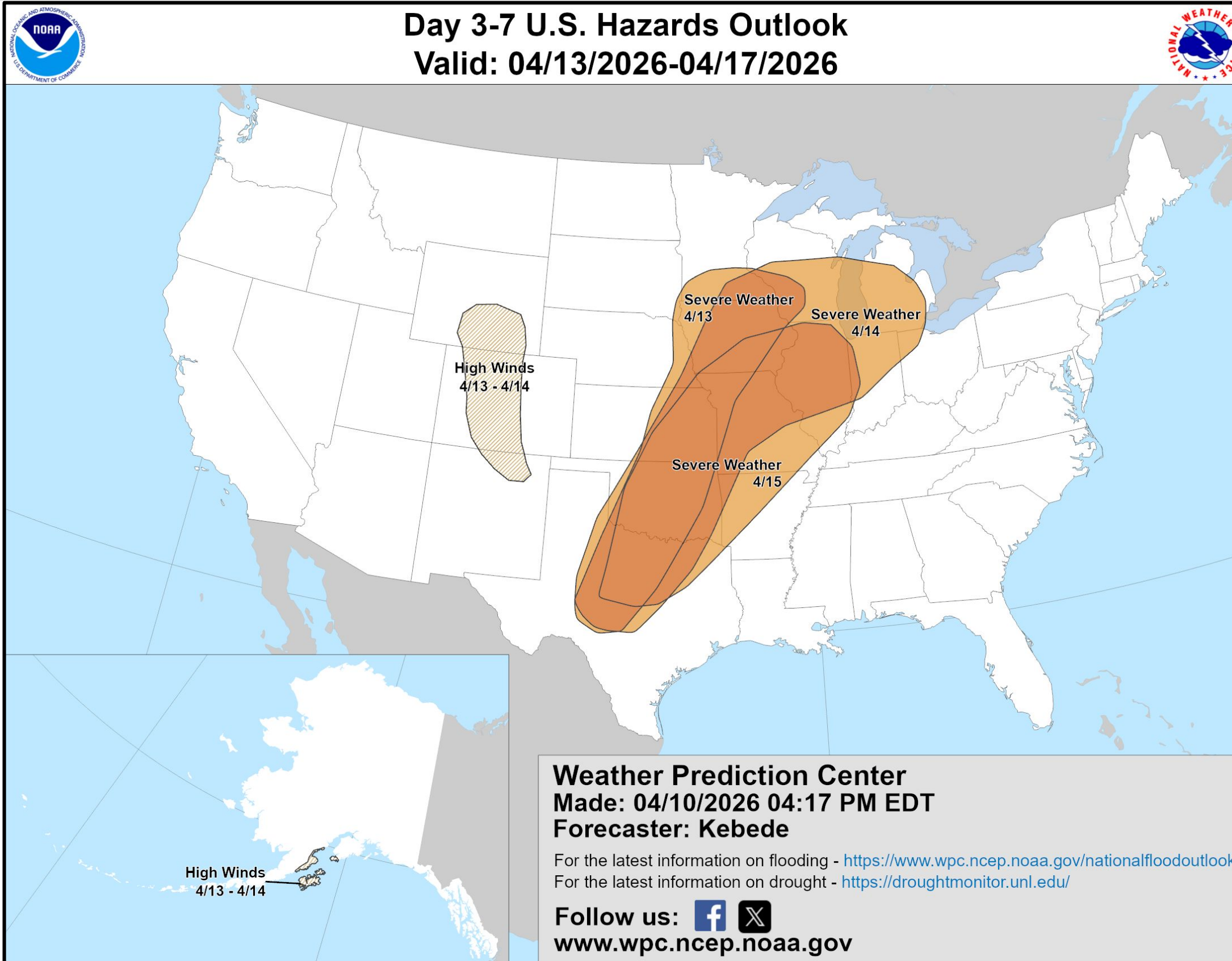
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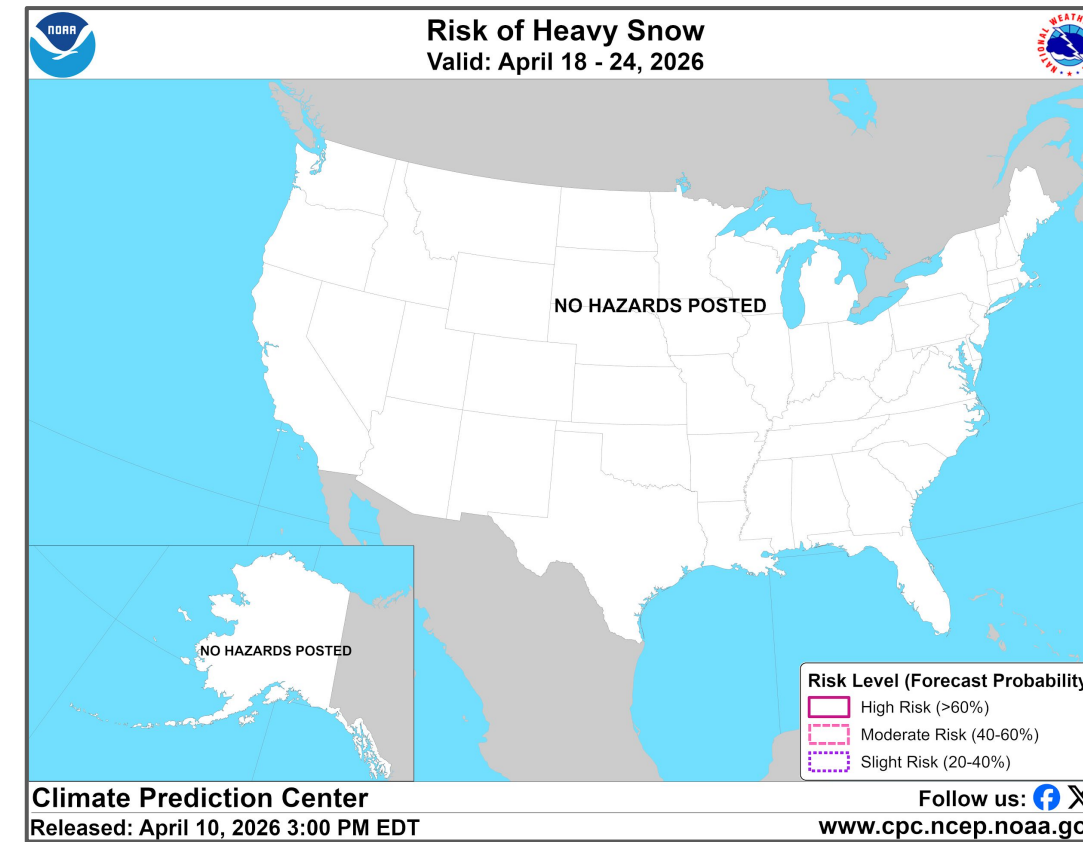
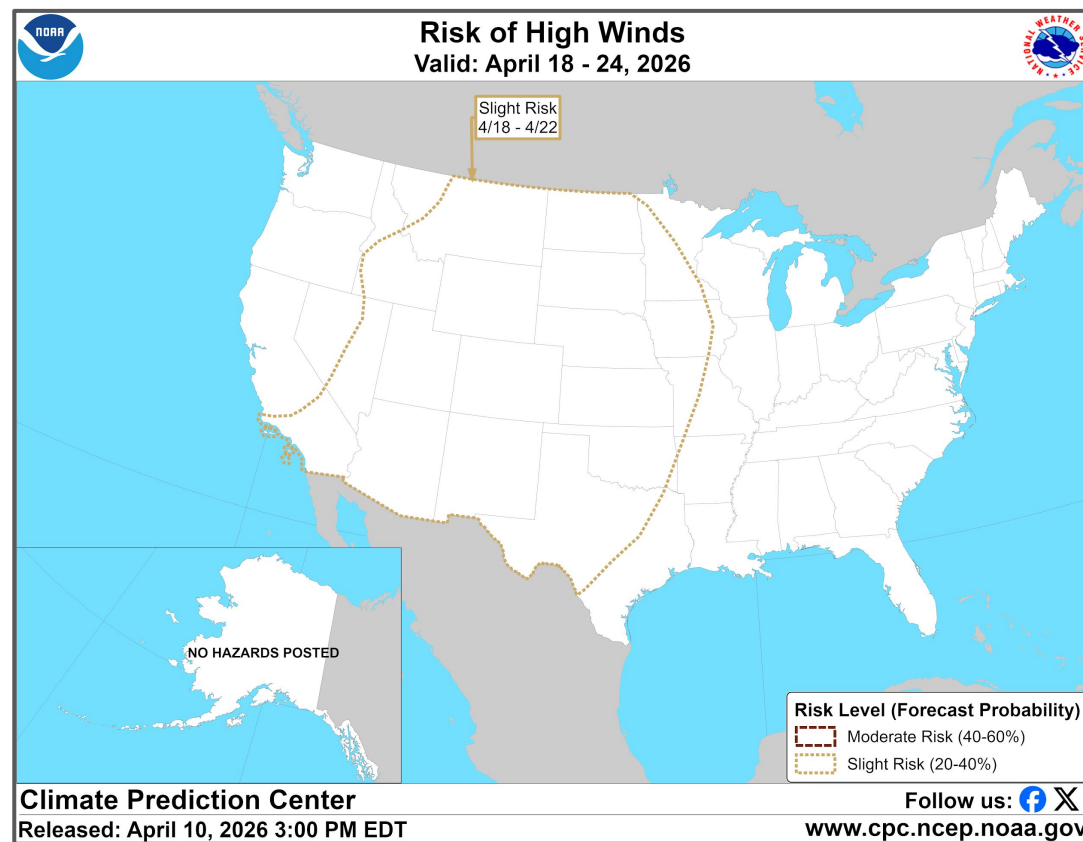
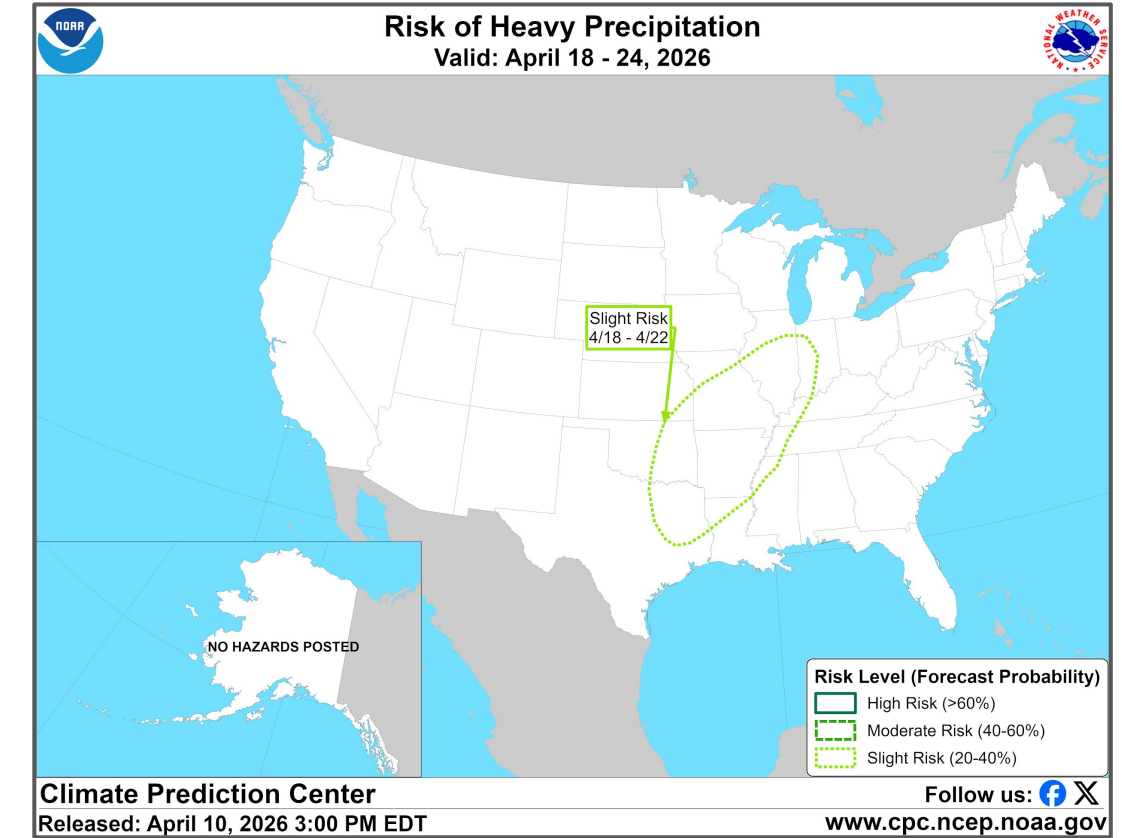
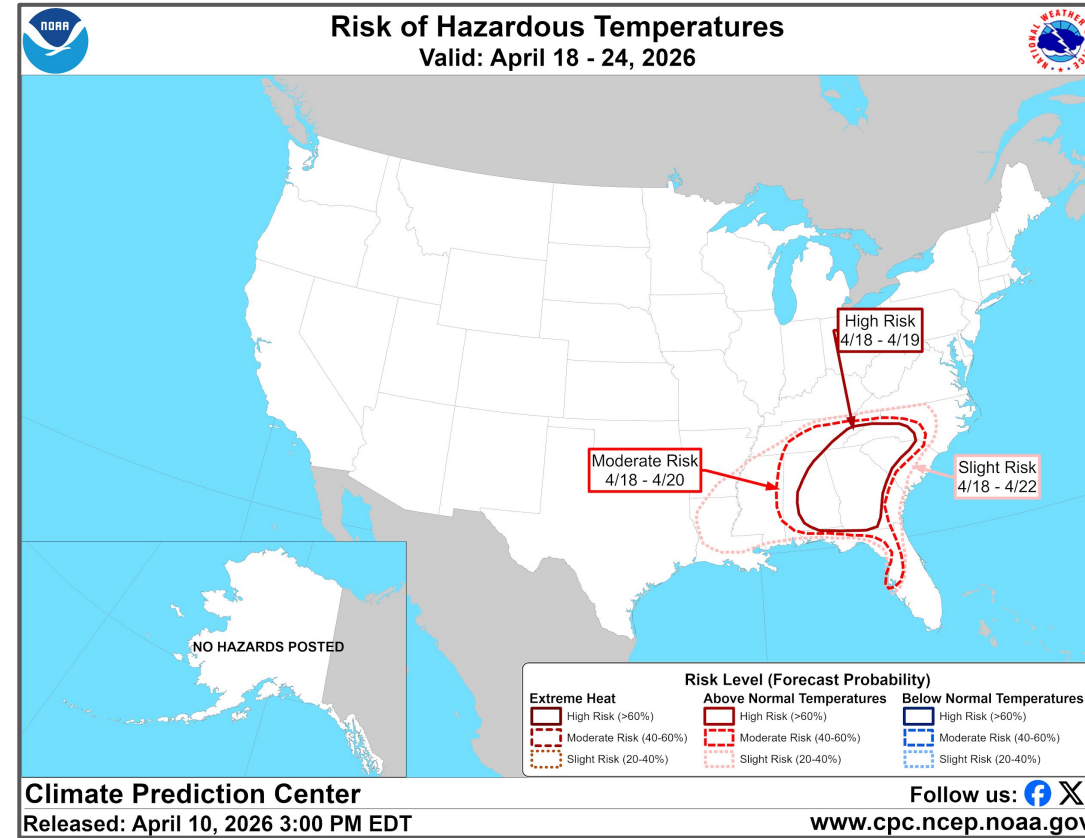
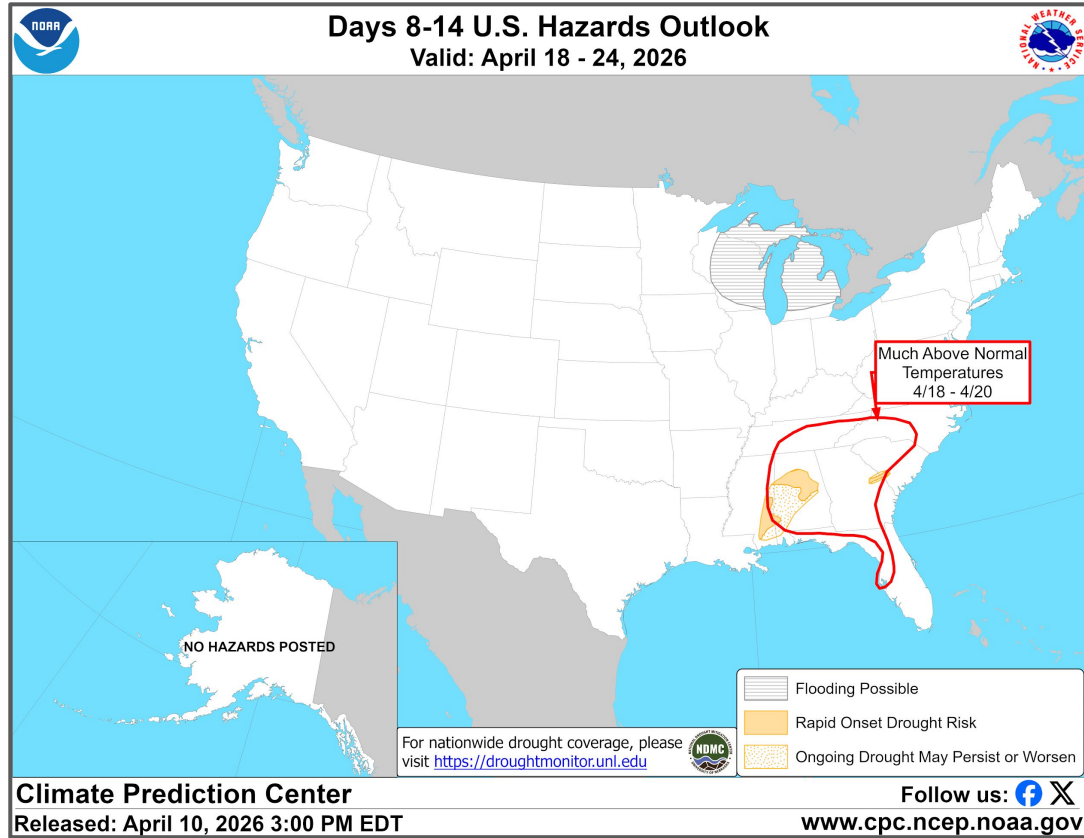


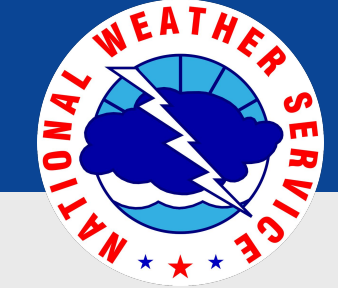
# “Day 3-7” Hazards Outlook





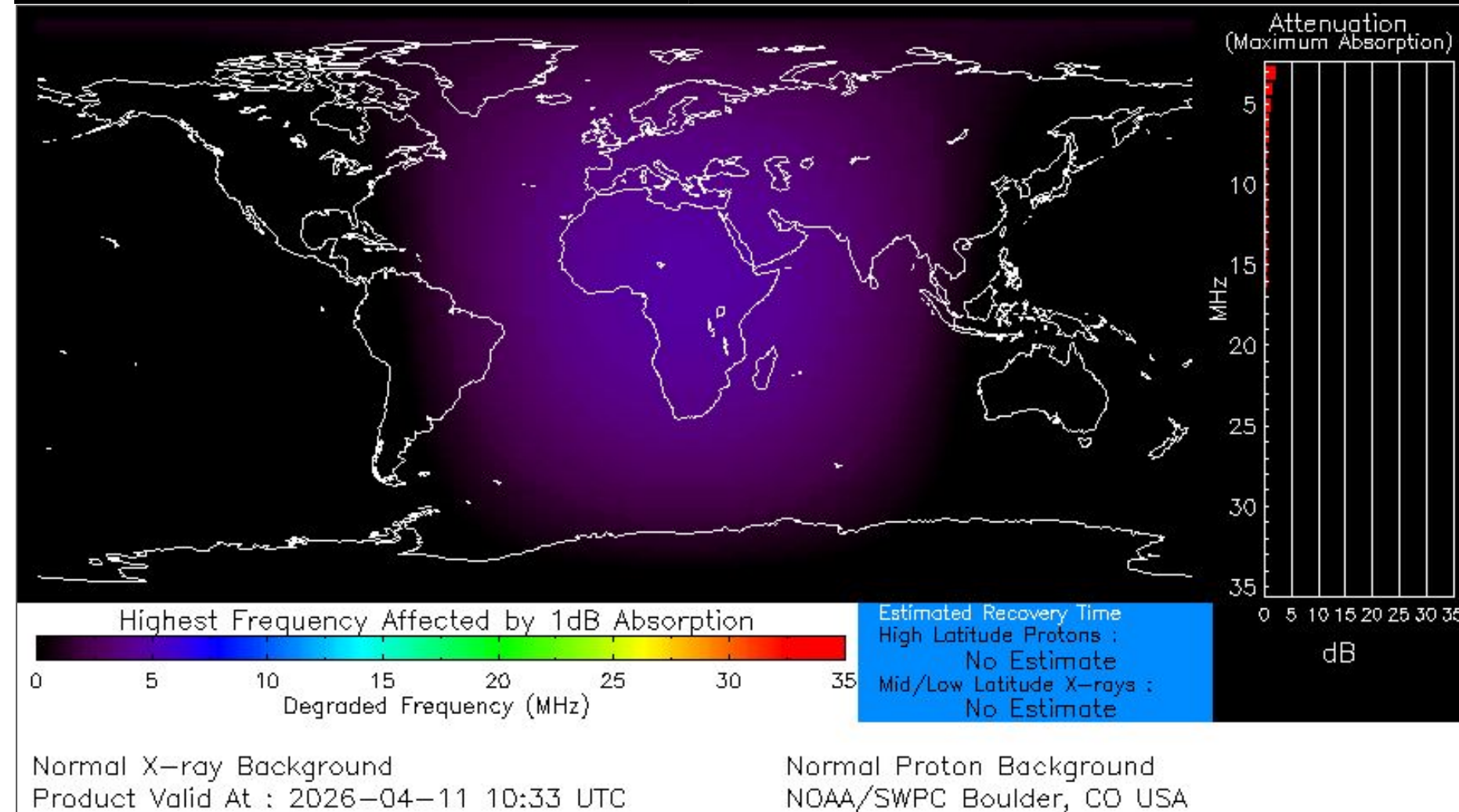
# "Day 8-14" Hazards Outlook





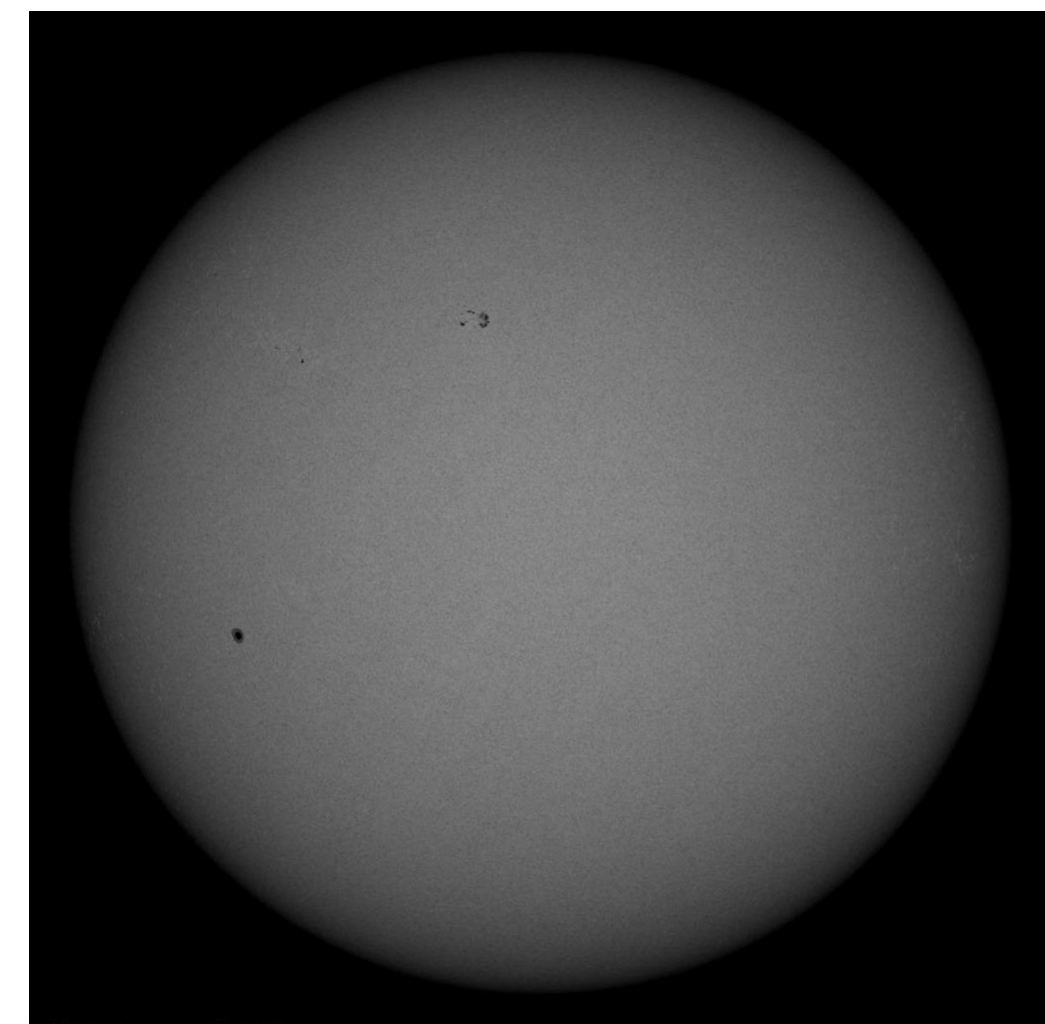
# Space Weather 3-Day Forecast

	Saturday, Apr 11	Sunday, Apr 12	Monday, Apr 13
<b>Geomagnetic Storms</b>	<b>Minor Storm (G1) (Max Kp=5)</b>	<b>Unsettled (Max Kp=3)</b>	<b>Unsettled (Max Kp=3)</b>
<b>Solar Radiation Storm (S1-S5)</b>	1%	1%	1%
<b>Radio Blackout (R1-R2)</b>	5%	5%	5%
<b>Radio Blackout (R3-R5)</b>	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;"><b>Little to None</b></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"> <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	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Minor</b></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"> <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	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Moderate</b></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"> <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	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Major</b></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"> <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	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Extreme</b></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"> <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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