

# Texas Division of Emergency Management Texas State Operations Center



## Situation Awareness Brief

Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2026  
As of 0900 CDT



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

<b>DATE</b>	<b>SUBJECT</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>
04/24/26	Final Report of the Boil Water Notice	Hidalgo County
04/24/26	Initial Report of a Road Closure (IH-610 E Loop)	Harris County
04/24/26	Initial Report of a Potential Dam Failure	El Paso County
04/24/26	Initial Report of a Road Closure (IH-10 EB)	Chambers County
04/24/26	Final Report of a Road Closure (IH-610 E Loop)	Harris County
04/24/26	Final Report of the Storm Damage	Jackson County
04/24/26	Final Report of a Road Closure (IH-10 EB)	Chambers County
04/24/26	Initial Report of a Road Closure	Fannin County
04/24/26	Initial Report of a Road Closure Due to HazMat Spill	San Patricio County
04/24/26	Final Report of a Road Closure	Fannin County

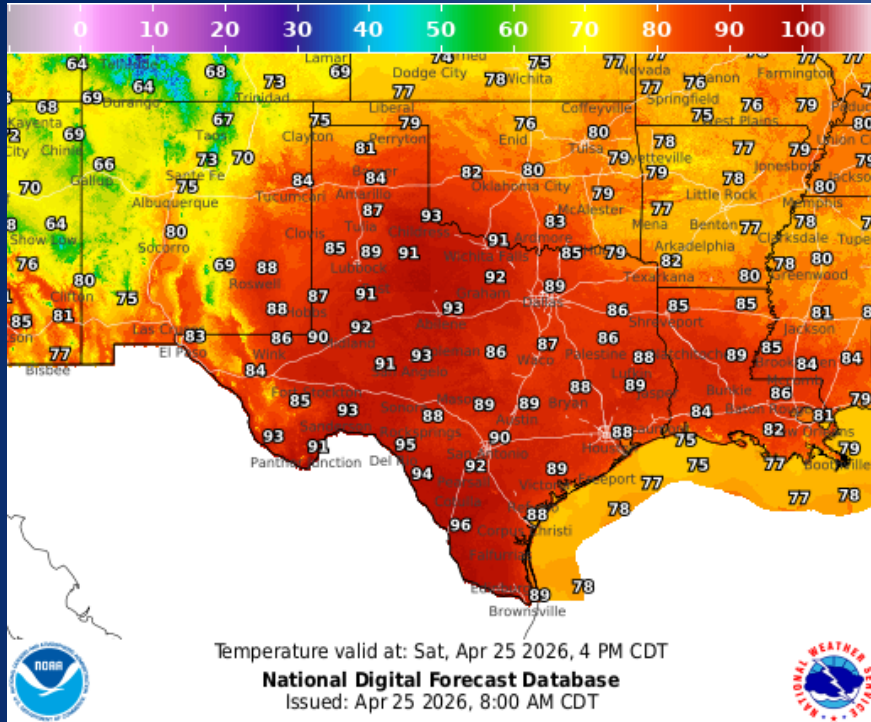
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DATE	SUBJECT
04/24/26	Daily Situation Report [25-0026 02JUL Severe Weather]
04/24/26	Daily Situation Report [26-0001 Wildfire Season 2026]
04/24/26	NWS Fort Worth: Severe Storm Potential Today through Sunday
04/24/26	NWS Amarillo: Fire Weather Conditions Expected Sunday
04/24/26	NWS Houston/Galveston Weather Update: Isolated Strong to Severe Storm
04/24/26	NWS Shreveport, LA: Severe Weather Threat Increasing This Afternoon/Tonight
04/24/26	NWS Austin/San Antonio: Increased Heat Risk Today - Wed / Isolated Severe Storm Risk continues
04/24/26	NWS Southern Region ROC: State of Texas NWS Weather Update
04/24/26	NWS Shreveport, LA: Severe Weather Update
04/24/26	NWS El Paso, TX/Santa Teresa, NM: Situational Awareness Briefing for Strong Wind and Fire Weather
04/24/26	NWS Amarillo: Daily River Forecasts Coming for the Canadian River at Amarillo River Gauge

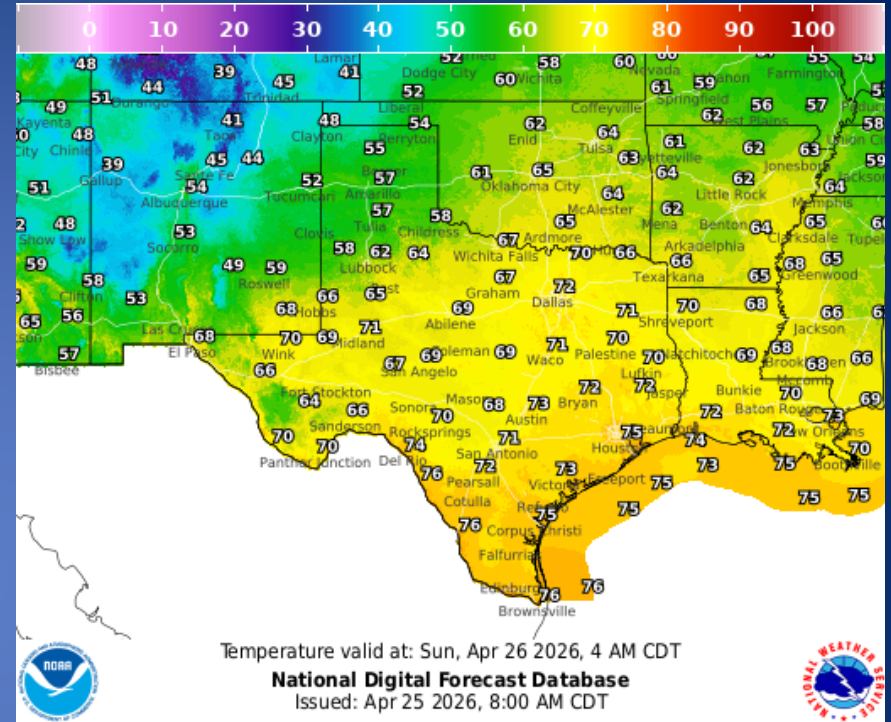
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DATE	SUBJECT
04/24/26	NWS Brownsville: Isolated Damaging Large Hail Possible Across the Upper RGV Tonight
04/25/26	NWS Shreveport, LA: Severe Thunderstorms Likely across much of the Four State Region This Evening and Overnight
04/25/26	Daily NWS Threat Brief

# Weather Forecast

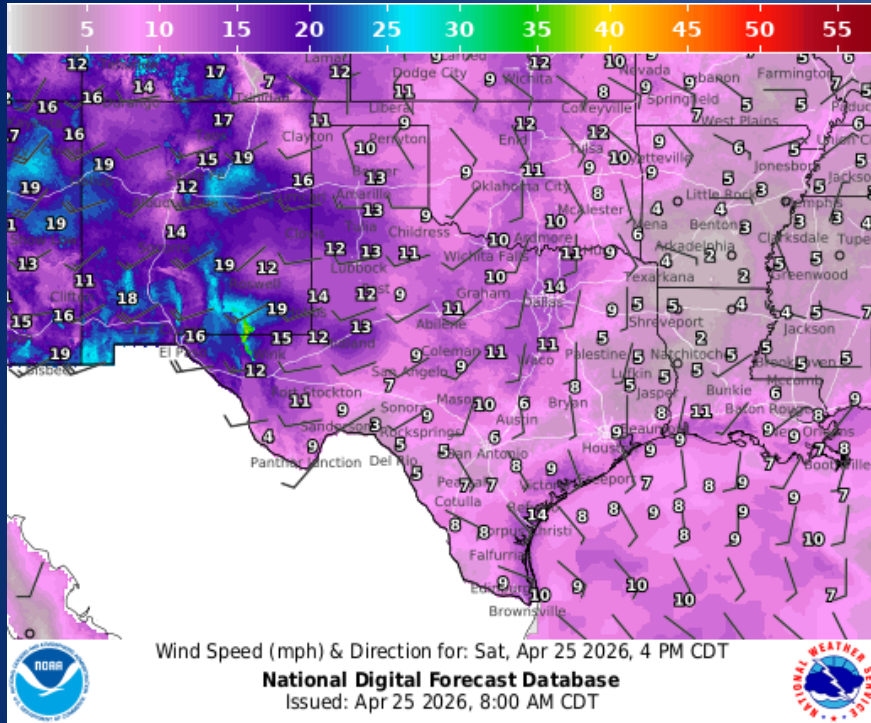


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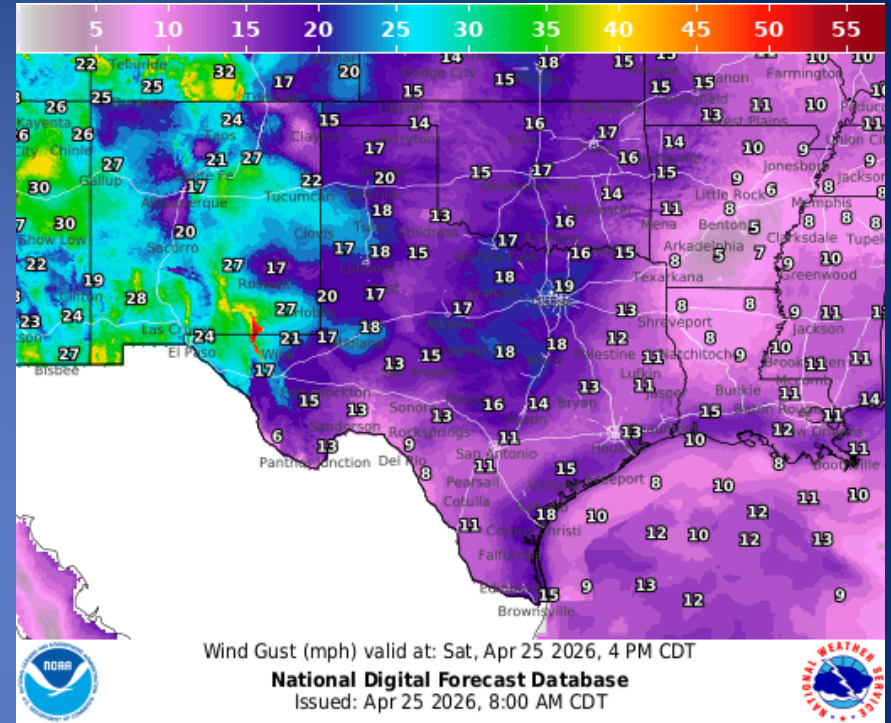


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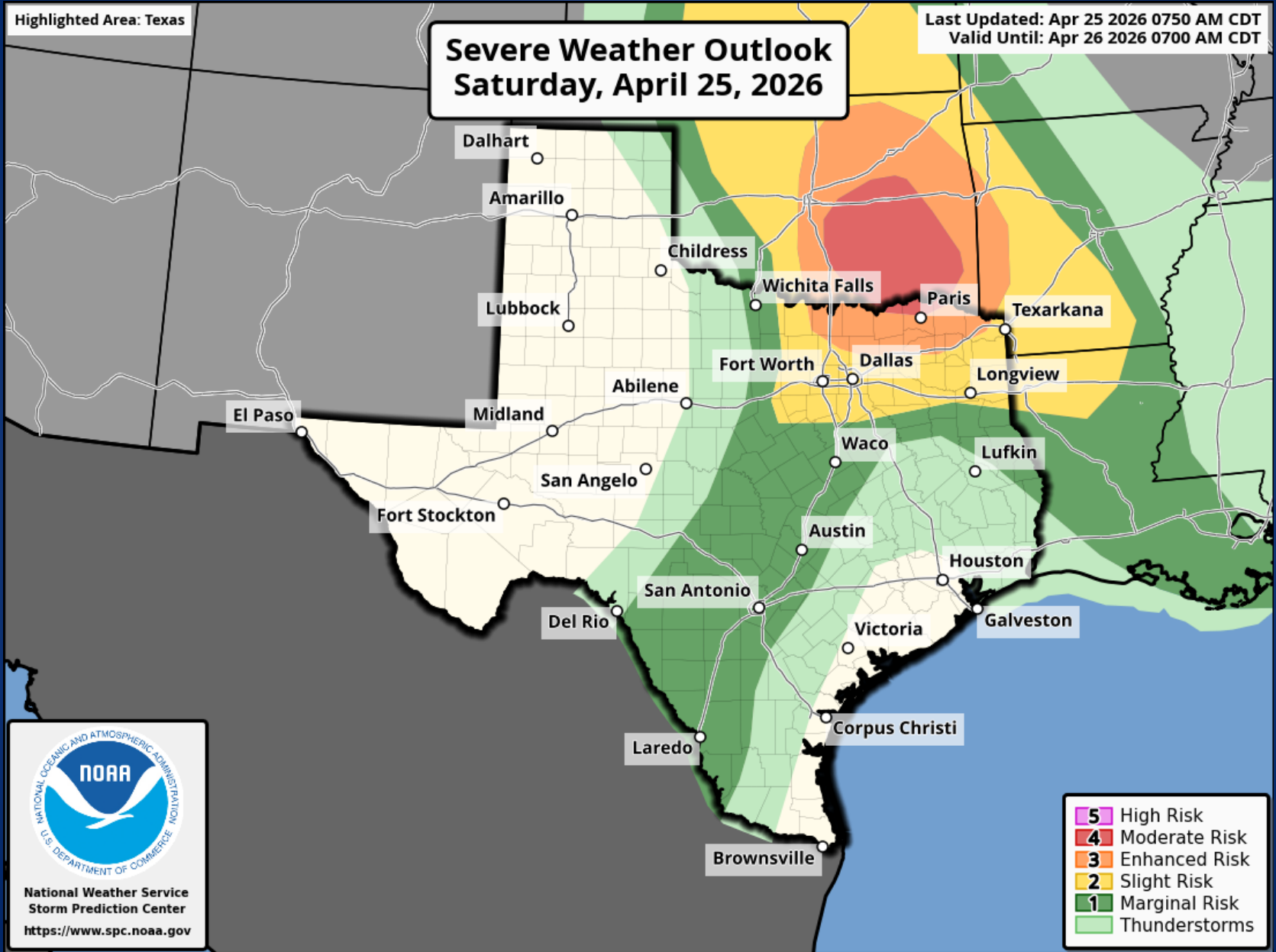


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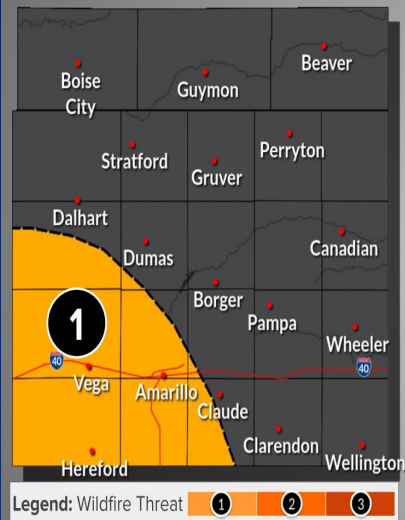
# Hazardous Weather



# Hazardous Weather

## Critical Fire Weather Conditions Today

Updated:  
Sat Apr 25, 2026 12:27 AM



### What to Expect



West winds 15 to 20 mph gusting up to 30 mph with **very dry conditions**



Increased potential for **wildfire starts** and fires may **spread quickly**



### Timing

Critical Fire Weather:  
**12 - 7 PM**  
**This afternoon - evening**



### Safety Info

Take extra precautions to prevent fire starts!  
Contact **local law/fire officials** if you smell smoke or see fire!

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Due to breezy and very dry conditions, critical fire weather conditions are expected for the southwestern TX Panhandle. Please avoid any activities that may cause sparks, as fires can ignite very quickly due to dry grasses.

## Red Flag Warning

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



12 PM Saturday - 8 PM Saturday



The South Plains and the far southern Texas Panhandle.



West at 15 to 20 mph



Gusts to 30 mph



Relative humidity as low as 7 percent



### Fire Danger

Low Elevated **Critical** Extreme

AVOID OUTDOOR BURNING

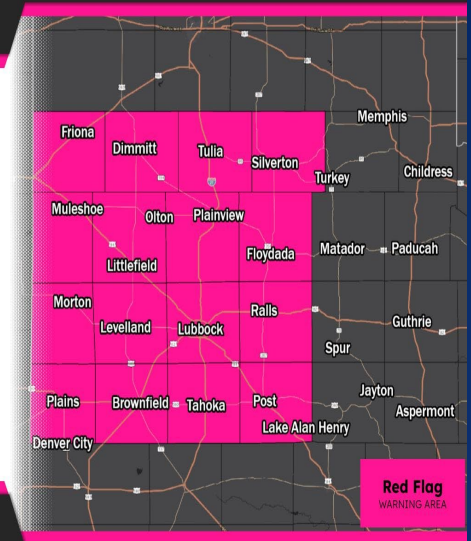


REPORT FIRES TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES



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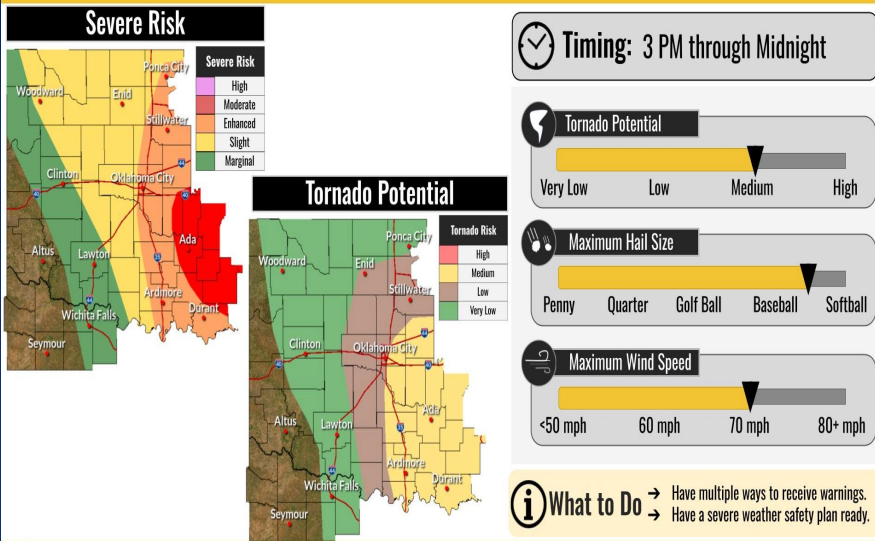
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A Red Flag Warning is in effect for much of the area today from noon to 8 PM. Avoid outdoor burning!

# Hazardous Weather

## Saturday Severe Potential

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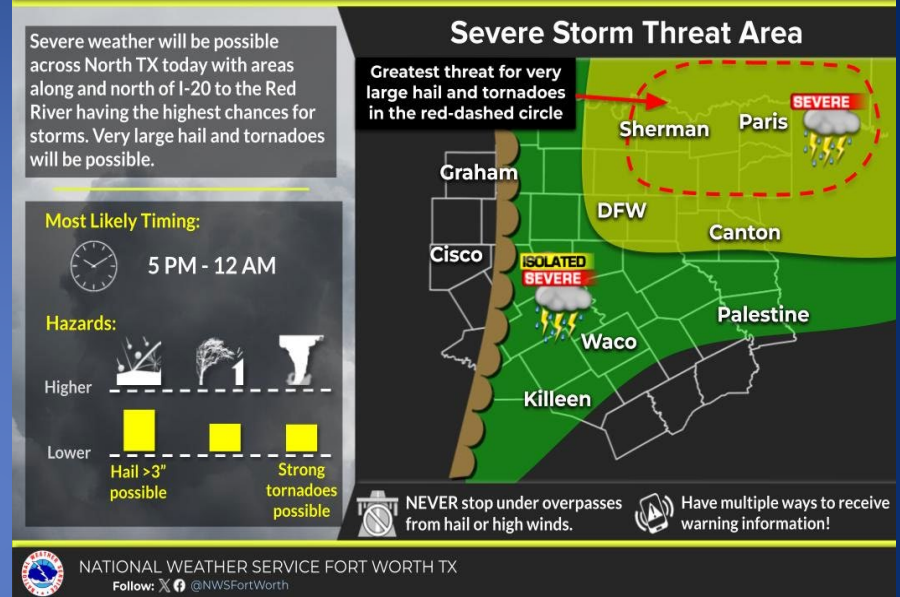
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Strong to severe thunderstorms are expected to develop this afternoon and this evening. All hazards will be possible: large hail, damaging winds and tornadoes.

## Saturday Severe Storm Potential

weather.gov/FWD  
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Isolated to scattered severe storms are expected to develop this evening across parts of North Texas, primarily along and north of I-20 to the Red River. Not everyone will see storms today, but those that do may experience very large hail, damaging wind gusts, and even tornadoes. Remain weather aware today and make sure you have multiple ways to get warnings!

# Hazardous Weather

## Severe Weather Risk: Four State Region

Have Multiple Ways to Get Severe Weather Warnings  
Latest info at [weather.gov/shv](http://weather.gov/shv)



This Evening through the Overnight Hours

### Tornado Threat



### Large Hail Threat



### Damaging Wind Threat



Greatest threat area is near and north of the I-20 Corridor but especially the I-30 Corridor of NE TX, SE OK and SW AR.

- Have multiple ways to get severe weather warnings.
- Monitor the latest forecasts.
- Know your severe weather safety plan.

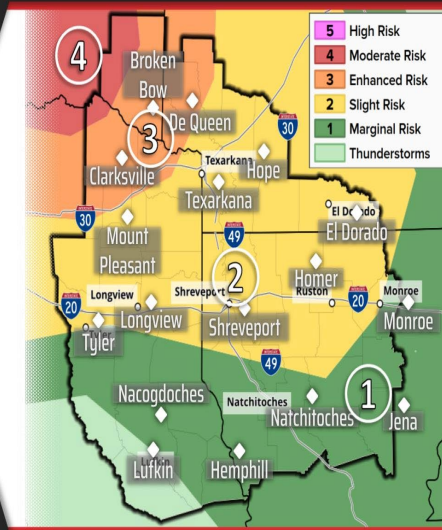


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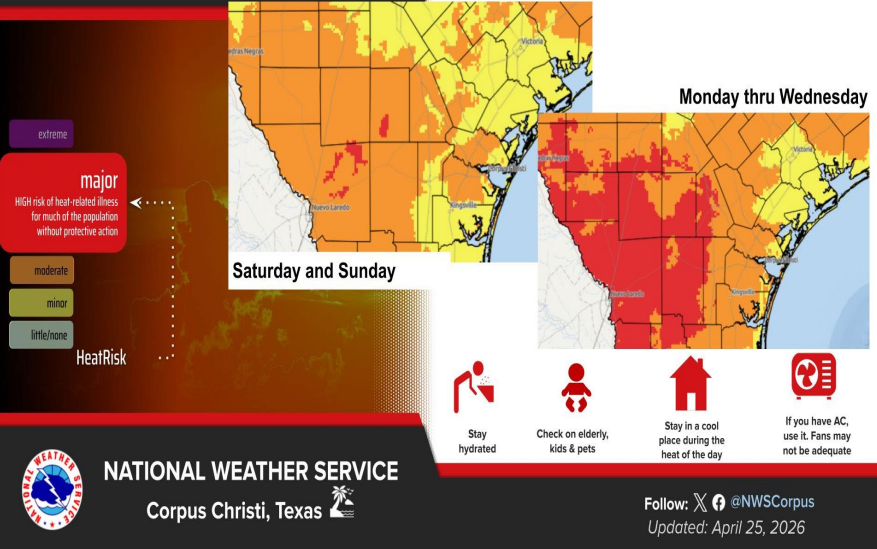
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## Moderate to Major Heat Risk

More info: [www.wpc.ncep.noaa.gov/heatrisk](http://www.wpc.ncep.noaa.gov/heatrisk)

Through Wednesday



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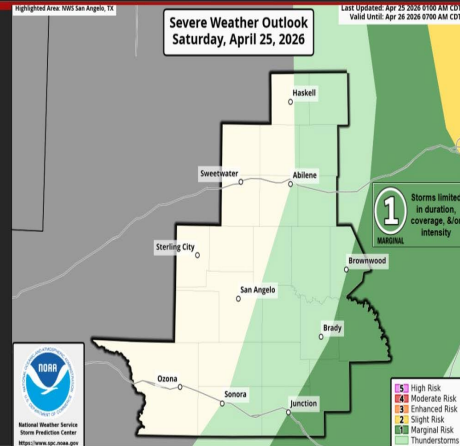
There will be a continued threat for severe thunderstorms, mainly this evening through the overnight hours across much of the Four State Region. Large hail, damaging thunderstorm wind gusts and isolated tornadoes will be possible.

Temperatures will continue to increase through the weekend and into the early part of next week. Temperatures will be as much as 15 degrees above normal and there is a high probability that we have heat related concerns especially Monday through Wednesday. Plan ahead to adjust outdoor activities as necessary. Heat index values as high as 110 are possible which are especially impactful early in the season when we are not adapted to it.

# Hazardous Weather

## Severe Thunderstorm Outlook for Today

Highest Local Risk: **Marginal** (Level 1 out of 5)



An isolated thunderstorm is possible late this afternoon across the Heartland and northwest Hill Country, mainly southeast of a Brownwood to Junction line. If a storm can develop, it will likely become severe. The main hazards will be large hail and damaging winds.



Late afternoon through early evening.

### Main Potential Hazards:



Large Hail (up to golf ball+ size)



Damaging winds (60+ MPH)



Cloud to Ground Lightning

## Elevated Fire Danger

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



12 PM MDT/1 PM CDT to 9 PM MDT/10 PM CDT



Guadalupe and Delaware Mountains, Sacramento Foothills, Eddy and Culberson Counties



- Southwest wind 15-25 mph with gusts up to 35 mph...higher in the mountains.
- Relative Humidity as low as 7%.
- Dry fuels.



AVOID OUTDOOR BURNING

### Fire Danger

Low Elevated Critical Extreme



REPORT FIRES TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES



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An isolated thunderstorm or two is possible across the Heartland and Hill Country late this afternoon and early evening. If a storm can develop, then it will likely become severe. Very large hail would be the main concern, although damaging winds are also possible.

Elevated to near critical fire weather conditions are again forecast for the Guadalupe and Delaware Mountains, Sacramento Foothills, and Eddy and Culberson Counties this afternoon through this evening. Outdoor burning and activities that cause open sparks or flames are discouraged.

# Hazardous Weather

## Red Flag Warning

Saturday and Sunday, April 25-26



Southern New Mexico and Far West Texas including Lincoln and Gila NF



→ Wind: Southwest 20 to 30 mph with gusts up to 45 mph

→ Relative Humidity: 8 to 15 percent



→ Avoid creating open flames or sparks

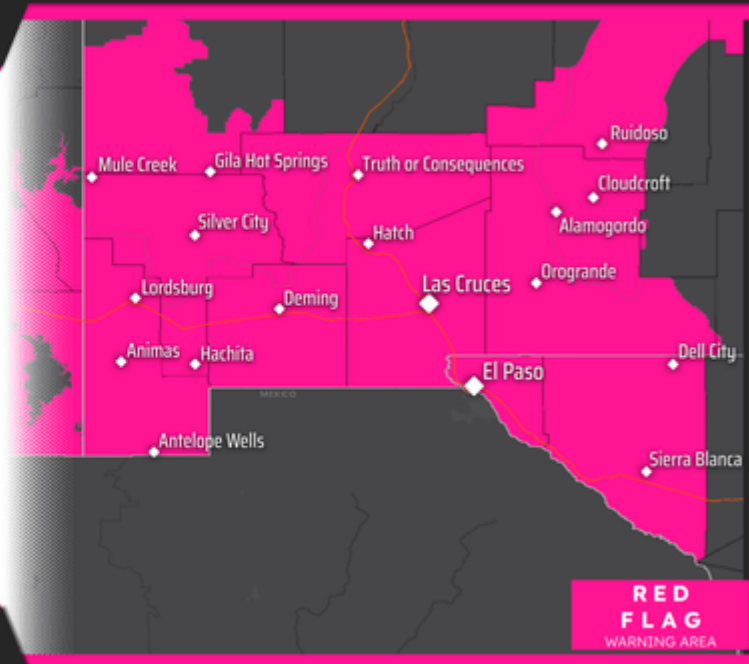
→ Keep vehicles off of dry grass

→ Report wildfires to authorities



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Red Flag Warning for Saturday and Sunday April 25-26

# Weather Advisory/Statement/Watch/Warning Issued

DATE	WARNING TYPE	LOCATION
04/24/26	Coastal Flood Advisory	Aransas, Calhoun, Kleberg, Nueces, Refugio, and San Patricio Counties
04/24/26	Flood Warning	Calhoun, Refugio, and Victoria Counties
04/24/26	High Wind Watch	Culberson County
04/24/26	Tornado Watch	Bowie, Camp, Cass, Collin, Cooke, Fannin, Franklin, Grayson, Hopkins, Hunt, Lamar, Morris, Rains, Red River, Rockwall, Titus, and Wood Counties
04/24/26	Severe Thunderstorm Warning	Bowie, Camp, Cass, Delta, Franklin, Gregg, Harrison, Hopkins, Hunt, Kaufman, Lamar, Marion, Morris, Panola, Rains, Red River, Rusk, Smith, Titus, Upshur, Van Zandt, and Wood Counties
04/24/26	Tornado Warning	Camp, Delta, Franklin, Hopkins, Lamar, Red River, Titus, and Upshur Counties
04/24/26	Severe Thunderstorm Watch	Anderson, Bowie, Camp, Cass, Cherokee, Delta, Fannin, Franklin, Gregg, Harrison, Henderson, Hopkins, Hunt, Lamar, Marion, Morris, Rains, Red River, Rusk, Shelby, Smith, Titus, Upshur, Wood, and Van Zandt Counties

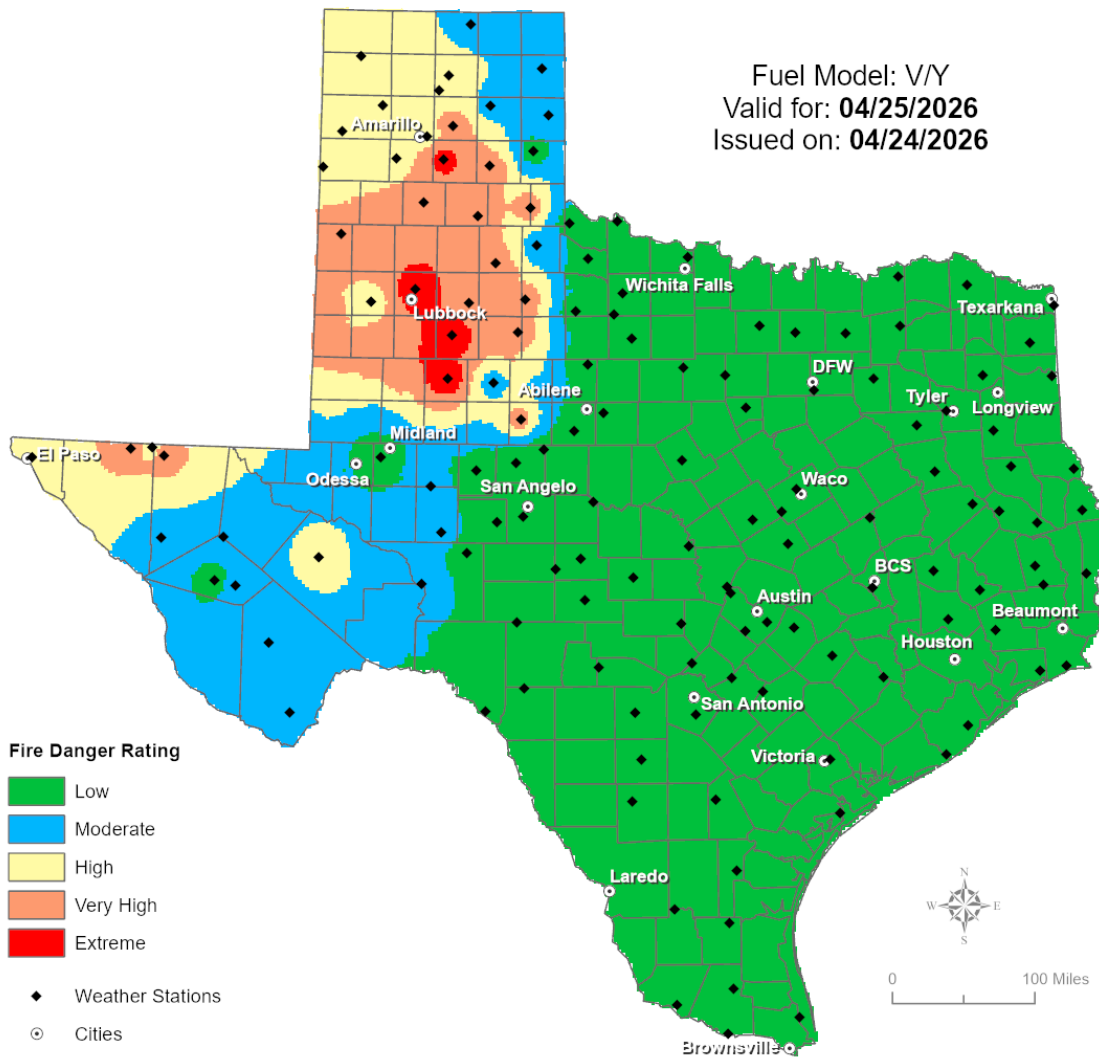
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<b>DATE</b>	<b>WARNING TYPE</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>
04/24/26	Flash Flood Warning	Rains County
04/24/26	Special Weather Statement	Harrison and Panola Counties
04/24/26	Flood Advisory	Rains County
04/24/26	Wind Advisory	El Paso and Hudspeth Counties
04/25/26	Special Weather Statement	Cherokee, Gregg, Houston, Nacogdoches, Newton, Panola, Rusk, Sabine, San Augustine, Shelby, and Smith Counties
04/25/26	Severe Thunderstorm Warning	Anderson, Gregg, Houston, Rusk, Smith, and Van Zandt Counties
04/25/26	Flash Flood Watch	El Paso County

# Fire Danger Forecast

## Forecast Fire Danger

Fuel Model: V/Y  
Valid for: **04/25/2026**  
Issued on: **04/24/2026**



# Burn Ban

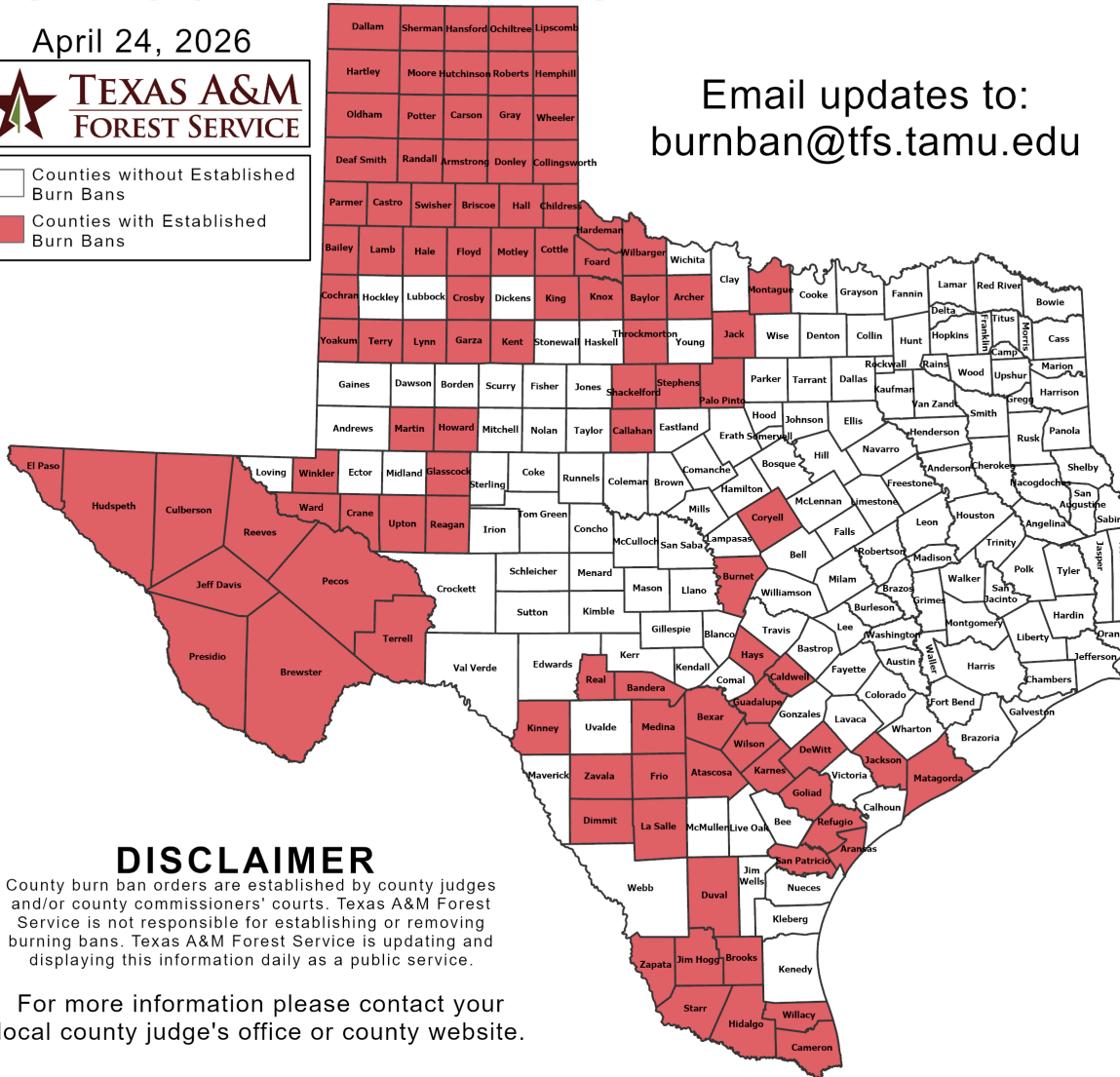
## OUTDOOR BURN BANS

April 24, 2026



Counties without Established Burn Bans  
 Counties with Established Burn Bans

Email updates to:  
[burnban@tfs.tamu.edu](mailto:burnban@tfs.tamu.edu)



### Counties with Burn Bans: 102

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|---------------|------------|--------------|
| Aransas       | Frio       | Moore        |
| Archer        | Garza      | Motley       |
| Armstrong     | Glasscock  | Ochiltree    |
| Atascosa      | Goliad     | Oldham       |
| Bailey        | Gray       | Palo Pinto   |
| Bandera       | Guadalupe  | Parmer       |
| Baylor        | Hale       | Pecos        |
| Bexar         | Hall       | Potter       |
| Brewster      | Hansford   | Presidio     |
| Briscoe       | Hardeman   | Randall      |
| Brooks        | Hartley    | Reagan       |
| Burnet        | Hays       | Real         |
| Caldwell      | Hemphill   | Reeves       |
| Callahan      | Hidalgo    | Refugio      |
| Cameron       | Howard     | Roberts      |
| Carson        | Hudspeth   | San Antonio  |
| Castro        | Hutchinson | Shackelford  |
| Childress     | Jack       | Sherman      |
| Cochran       | Jackson    | Starr        |
| Collingsworth | Jeff Davis | Stephens     |
| Coryell       | Jim Hogg   | Swisher      |
| Cottle        | Karnes     | Terrell      |
| Crane         | Kent       | Terry        |
| Crosby        | King       | Throckmorton |
| Culberson     | Kinney     | Upton        |
| Dallam        | Knox       | Ward         |
| Deaf Smith    | Lamb       | Wheeler      |
| DeWitt        | La Salle   | Wilbarger    |
| Dimmit        | Lipscomb   | Willacy      |
| Donley        | Lynn       | Wilson       |
| Duval         | Martin     | Winkler      |
| El Paso       | Matagorda  | Yoakum       |
| Floyd         | Medina     | Zapata       |
| Foard         | Montague   | 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.

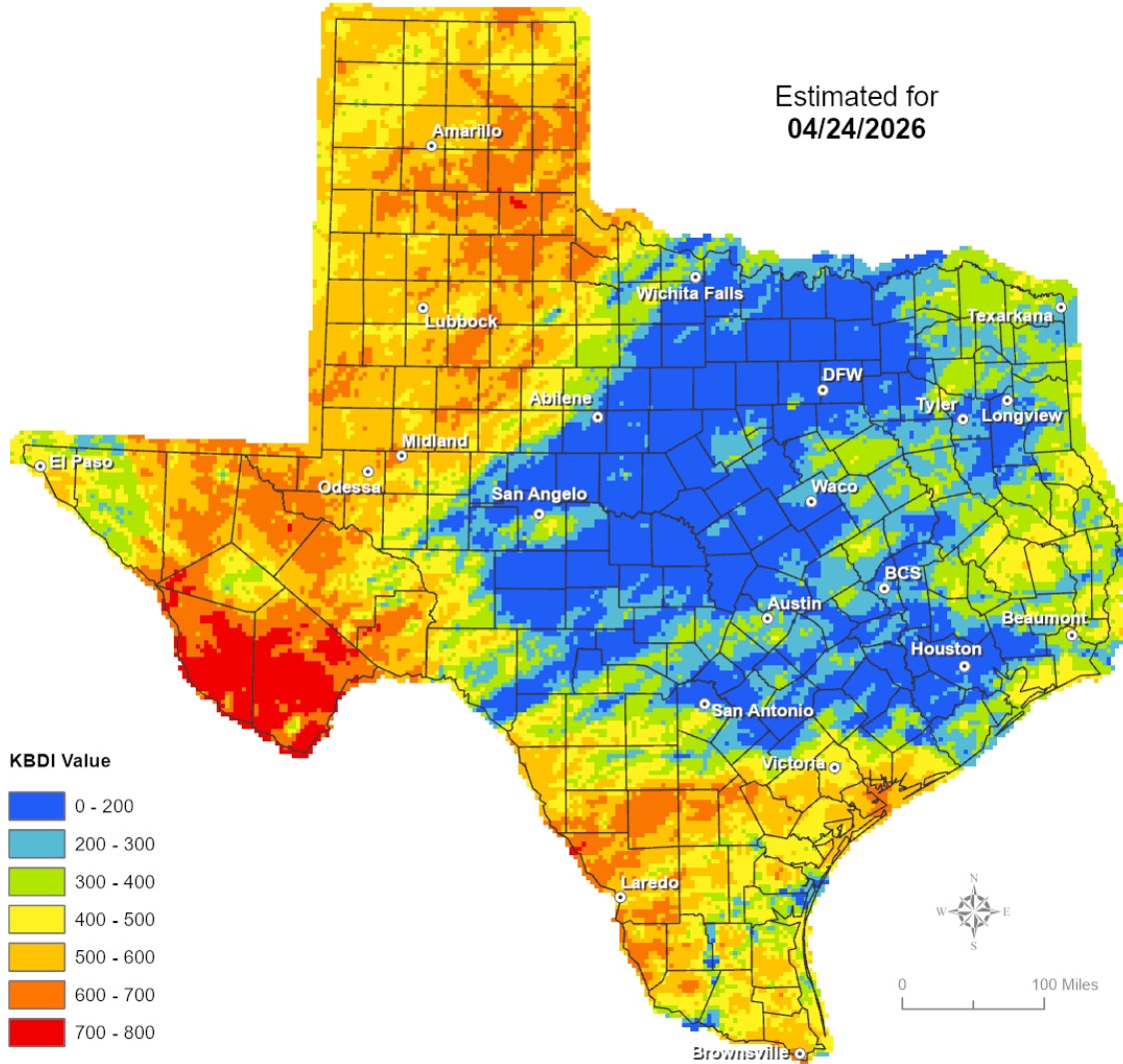
For more information please contact your local county judge's office or county website.

# Keetch-Byram Drought

## Keetch-Byram Drought Index

(4 km x 4 km resolution)

Estimated for  
04/24/2026

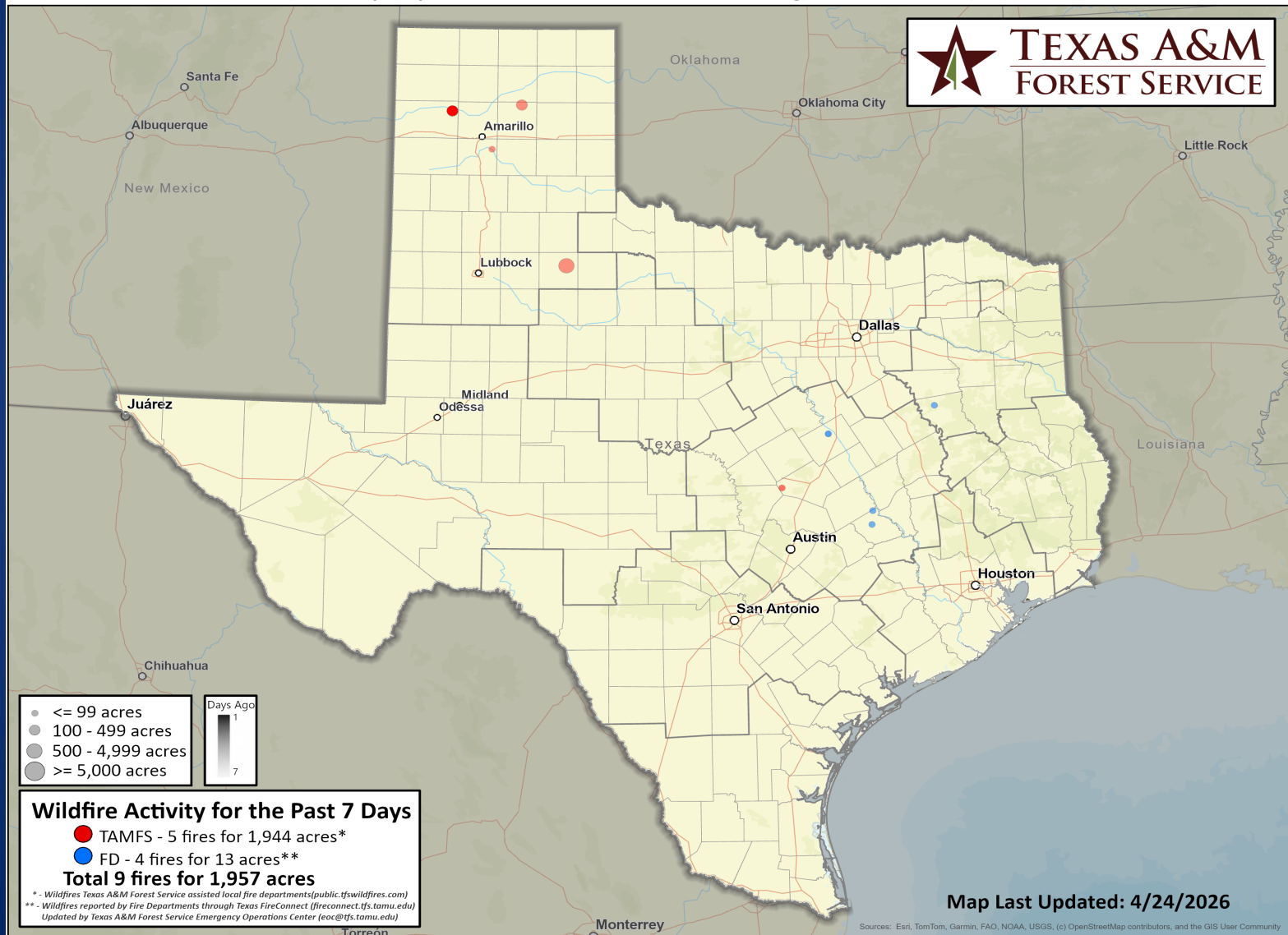


# Fire Weather Warnings/Watches/Statements

DATE	WARNING TYPE	LOCATION
04/24/26	Red Flag Warning	Armstrong, Bailey, Briscoe, Castro, Cochran, Crosby, Deaf Smith, El Paso, Floyd, Garza, Hale, Hartley, Hockley, Hudspeth, Lamb, Lubbock, Lynn, Oldham, Parmer, Potter, Randall, Swisher, Terry, and Yoakum Counties
04/24/26	Fire Weather Watch	Armstrong, Bailey, Briscoe, Carson, Castro, Childress, Cochran, Collingsworth, Cottle, Crosby, Dallam, Deaf Smith, Dickens, Donley, Floyd, Garza, Gray, Hale, Hall, Hansford, Hartley, Hemphill, Hockley, Hutchinson, Kent, King, Lamb, Lipscomb, Lubbock, Lynn, Moore, Motley, Ochiltree, Oldham, Parmer, Potter, Randall, Roberts, Sherman, Stonewall, Swisher, Terry, Wheeler, and Yoakum Counties
04/25/26	Fire Weather Watch	Culberson County

# Fire Activity (\*Last 24 Hours)

Report of 658 (+2) fires and 67,542 (+391) acres have been burned this year. There are 102 (No Change) counties with burn bans. The Keetch–Byram Drought Index list contains 105 (+3) counties with an average over 400.



# Training

DATES		TITLE	COURSE	LOCATION
04/06/26	04/25/26	Community Emergency Response Team Basic Training	G-317	Weatherford
04/23/26	04/25/26	Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Train-the-Trainer	G-428	El Paso
04/23/26	04/25/26	Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Train-the-Trainer	G-428	Richmond
05/25/26	05/25/26	HazMat Awareness (Certification Course)	H-511	Edgecliff Village

# Statewide Significant Events

DATES		LOCATION	EVENT
04/16/26	05/03/26	San Antonio	Fiesta San Antonio 2026
04/24/26	04/26/26	Addison	Taste Addison
04/25/26	04/29/26	Arlington	MLB: 2026 Texas Rangers Game
04/25/26	04/26/26	Houston	MLB: 2026 Houston Astros Game
04/25/26	04/25/26	Austin	MLS: 2026 Austin FC Game