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FEMA Region 6 Weather Threat Briefing

Monday, June 15, 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 Storms:**

- Marginal risk (level 1 of 5) over E NM, TX/OK Panhandles Today.
- Monitoring NE OK for Wednesday.

- **Flash Flooding:**

- Slight to moderate risk (levels 2-3 of 4) in S/E TX, E LA today and tomorrow. Slight to moderate risk shifts Wednesday to SE TX/SW LA; and to E TX, LA, AR, Thursday. Back to a Slight risk for S/E TX, LA Friday.
- Multiple days of heavy rain in portions of S/C-SE TX, LA will likely cause significant flash flooding this week.

- **River Flooding:**

- Locally moderate river flooding in NE OK today and Tuesday flooding parks and fairgrounds. Otherwise, monitoring for rises early-middle next week in portions of TX and LA.

- **Heat:**

- Minor risk returns in S OK, N/C TX Wednesday - Friday.

- **Fire Weather:**

- Elevated concerns Tue-Thu in NW-C NM.

- **Tropical:**

- A trough of low pressure is located over northeast Mexico. System could reemerge into the Gulf of America by Tues/Wed. Conditions marginal for development. Formation chance is 20% in the next 48 hours, and 30% over the next 5 days. Heavy rain from tropical moisture along Gulf Coast for FEMA 6 is the main impact. Gusty winds along gulf coast will be conceivable.





FEMA Region 6 Threat Matrix

Next 7 days

	Monday, Jun 15	Tuesday, Jun 16	Wednesday, Jun 17	Thursday, Jun 18	Friday, Jun 19	Saturday, Jun 20	Sunday, Jun 21
Severe Storms	E NM, TX/OK Panhandles		NE OK				
Heavy Rain / Flash Flooding	S/SETX, E LA	S/SETX, SW LA, E LA	SETX, SW LA	ETX, LA	SC-ETX, S AR, LA	OK, AR, NETX	OK, AR
	C-S/ETX, LA	S/SE/ETX, LA	S/SETX, SW LA	SETX, AR, E LA			
Fire Weather		NW/C NM	NW/C NM		NW NM		
Heat			S OK, N/CTX	S OK, N/CTX			NW TX
Tropical							
River Flooding	NE OK, TX, LA	NE OK, TX, LA	TX, LA	TX, LA	TX, LA	TX, LA	TX, LA

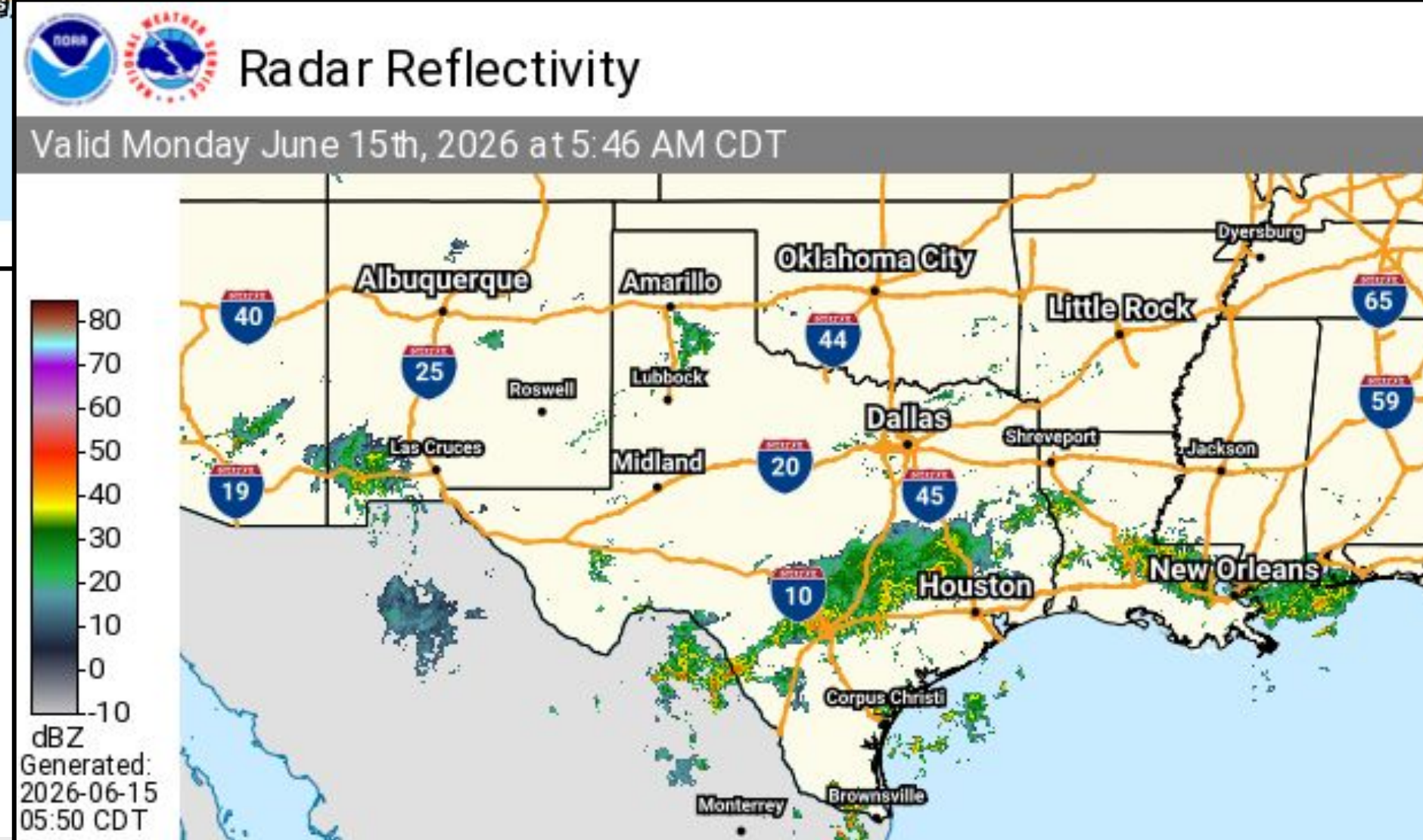
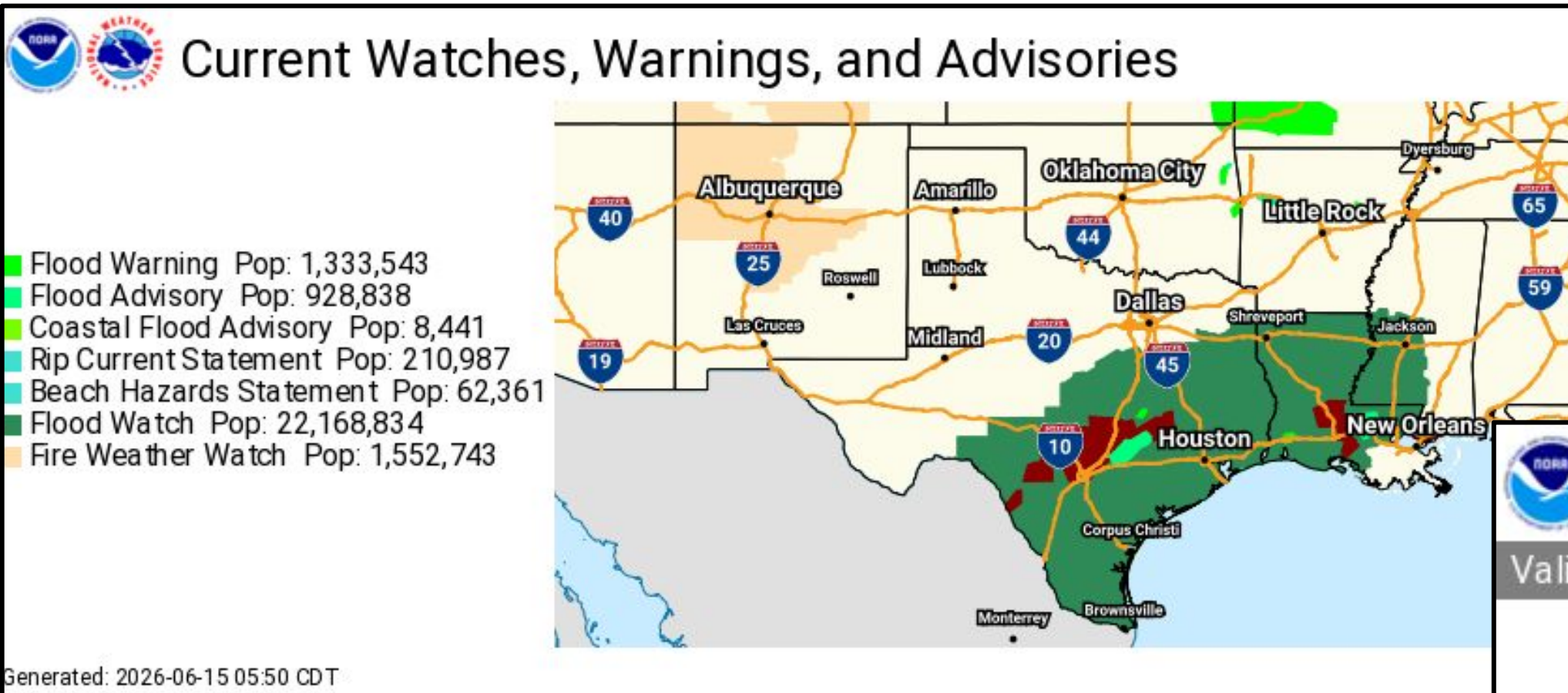
Threat levels are based on FEMA Region 6 criteria. State or local threat level criteria may differ.

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

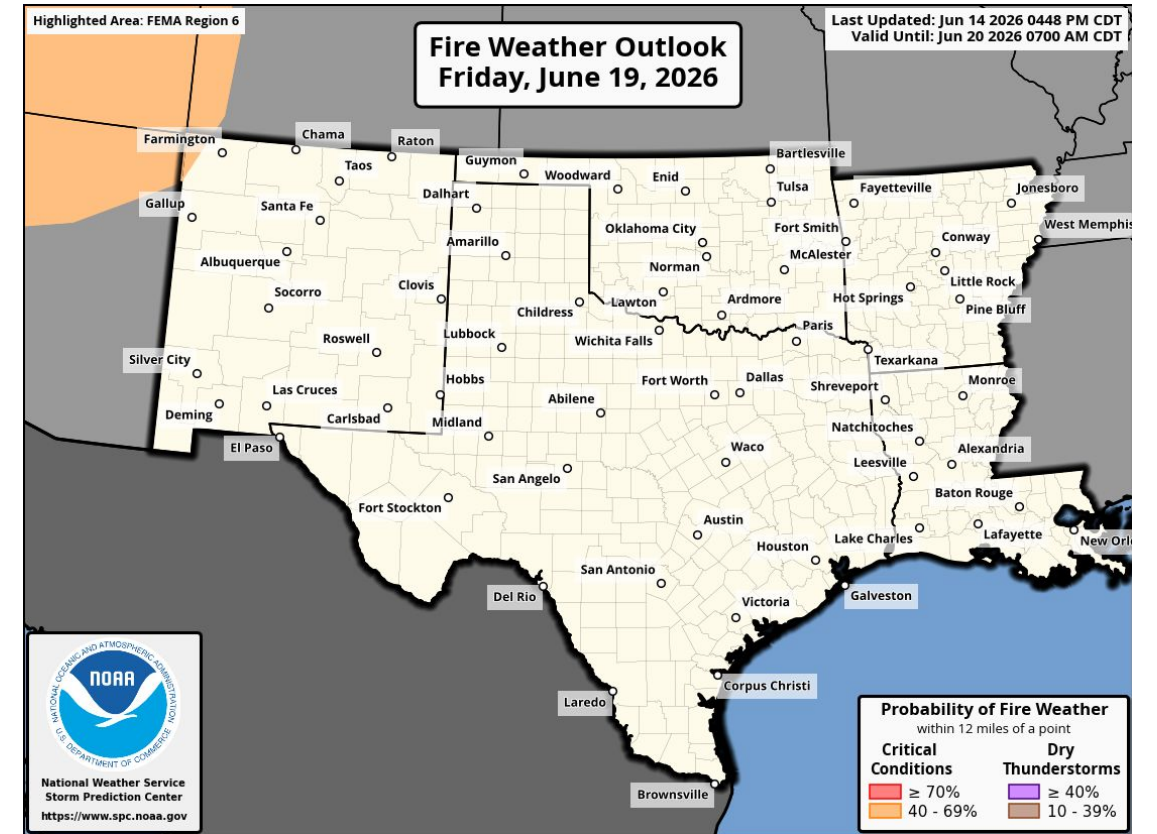
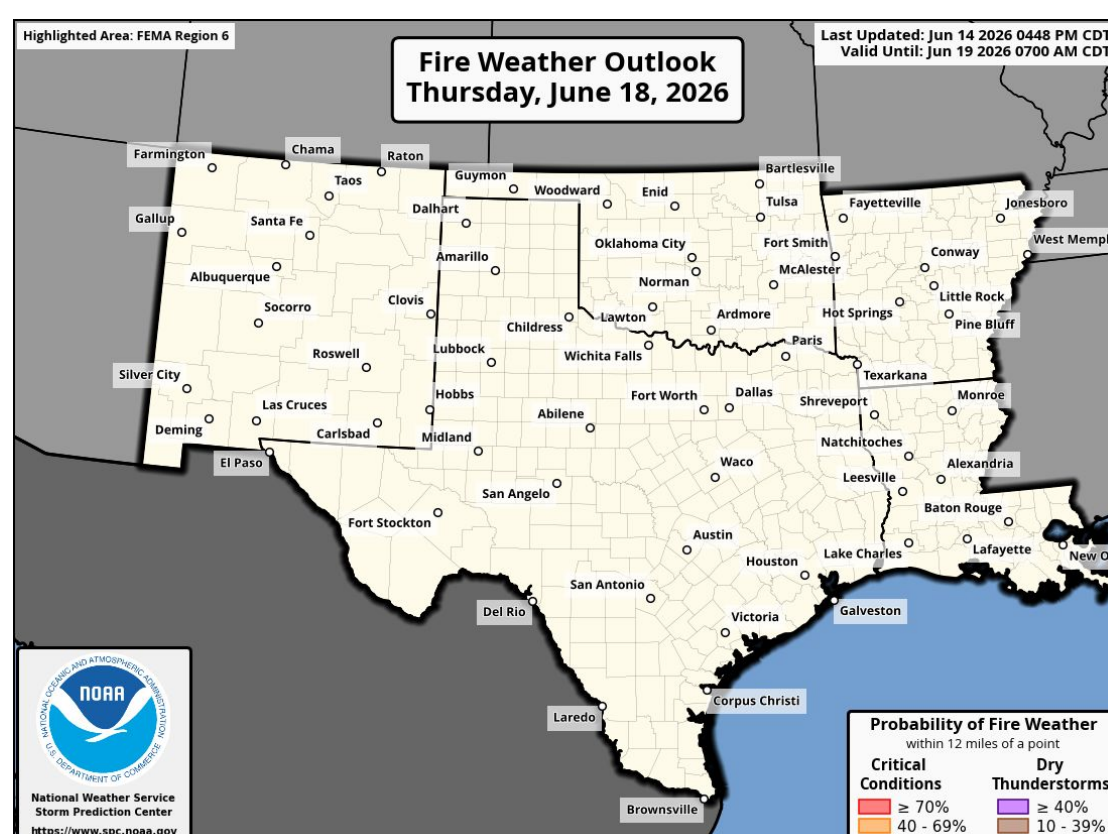
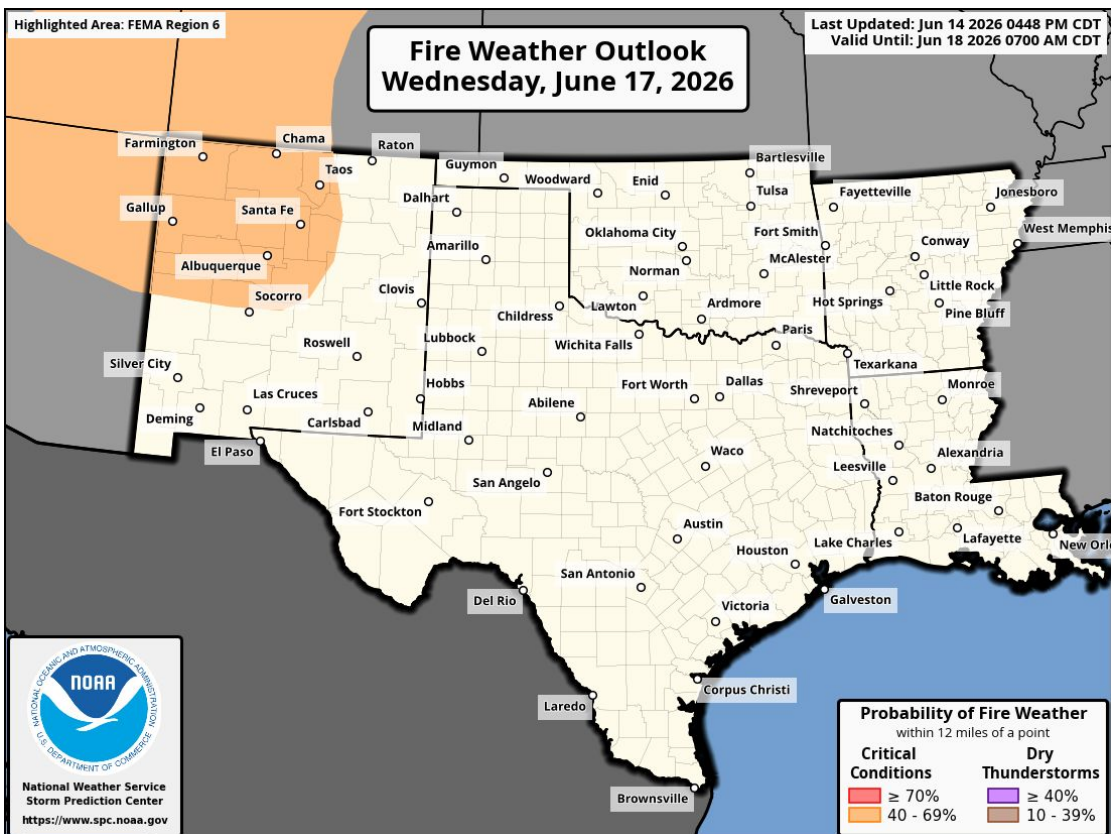
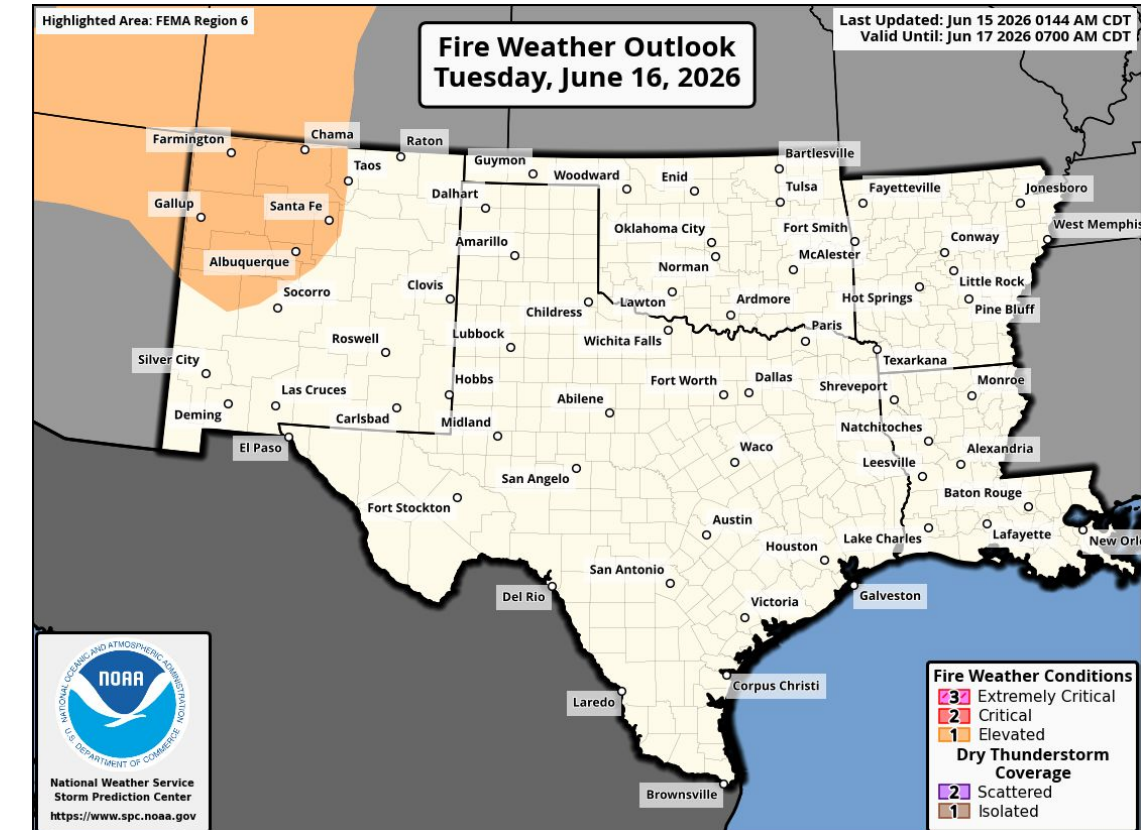
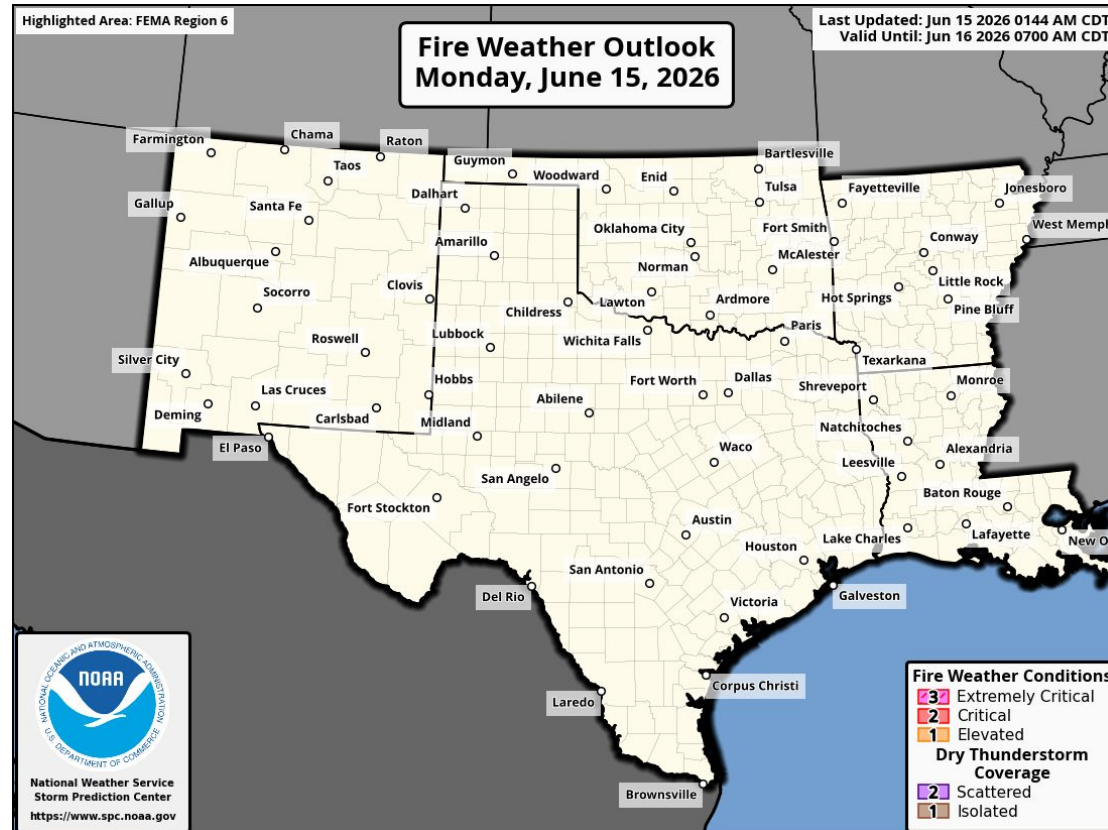
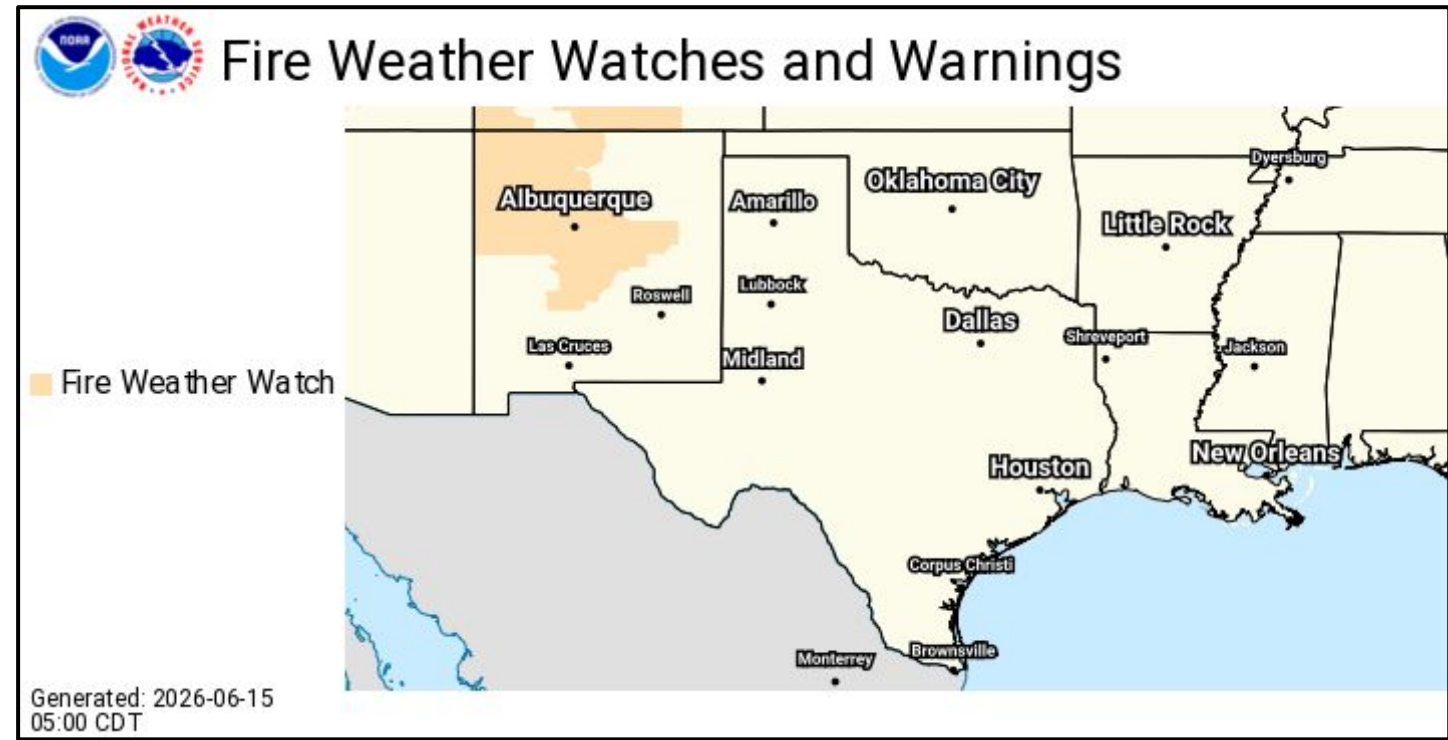


Widespread flood watches for STX, LA through at least Wednesday morning.

Fire weather watches across NM Tue-Wed.



Fire Weather Outlooks





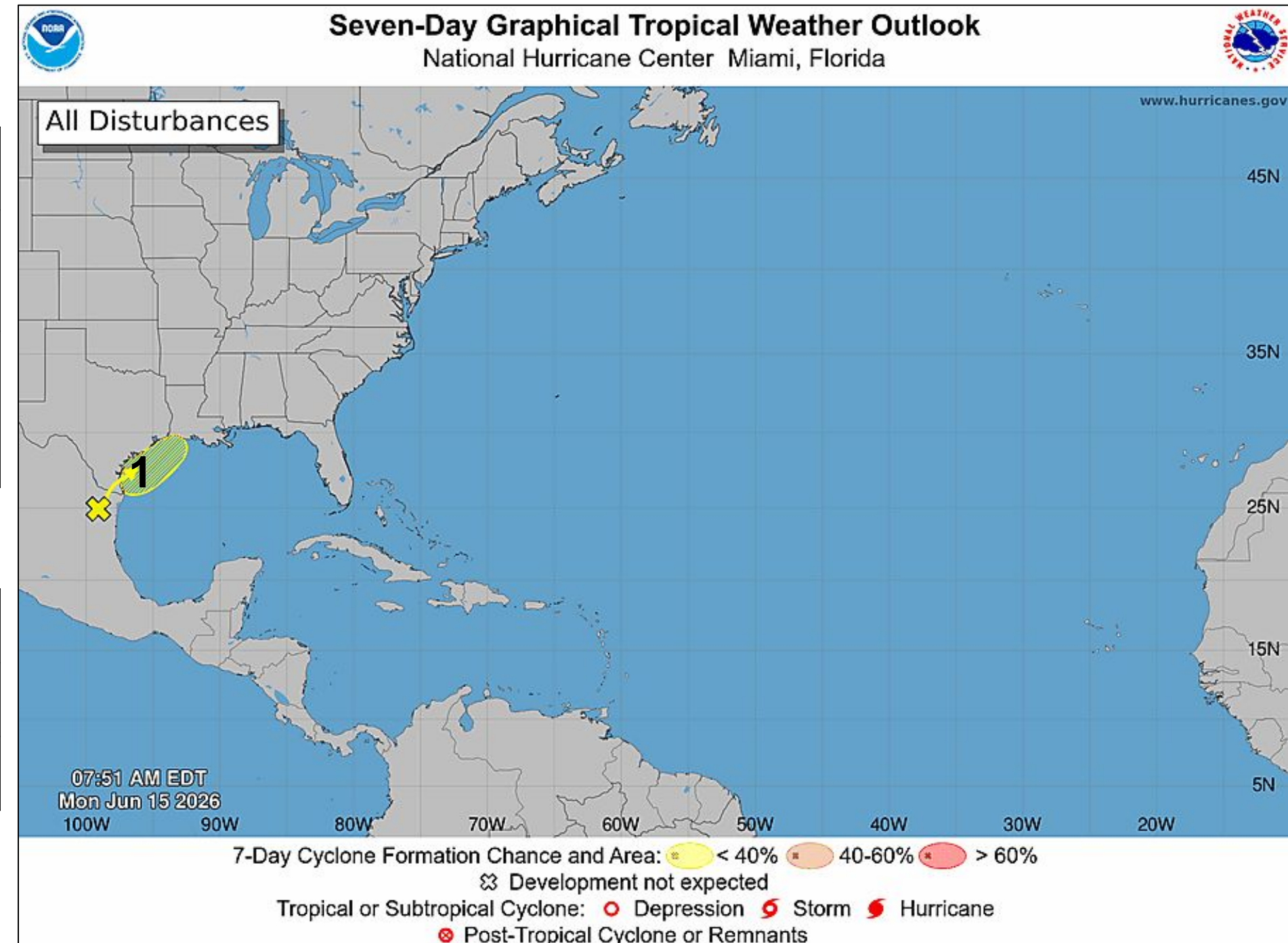
Tropical Weather Outlook – Atlantic/Gulf

Areas of Possible Development

Area	Chance of Development	Potential Impacts to FEMA 6
I	Low (30%)	Potential for showers and storms Tuesday-Wednesday. Potential for gusty winds along gulf coast.

Active Tropical Cyclones

Storm	Potential Impacts to FEMA 6
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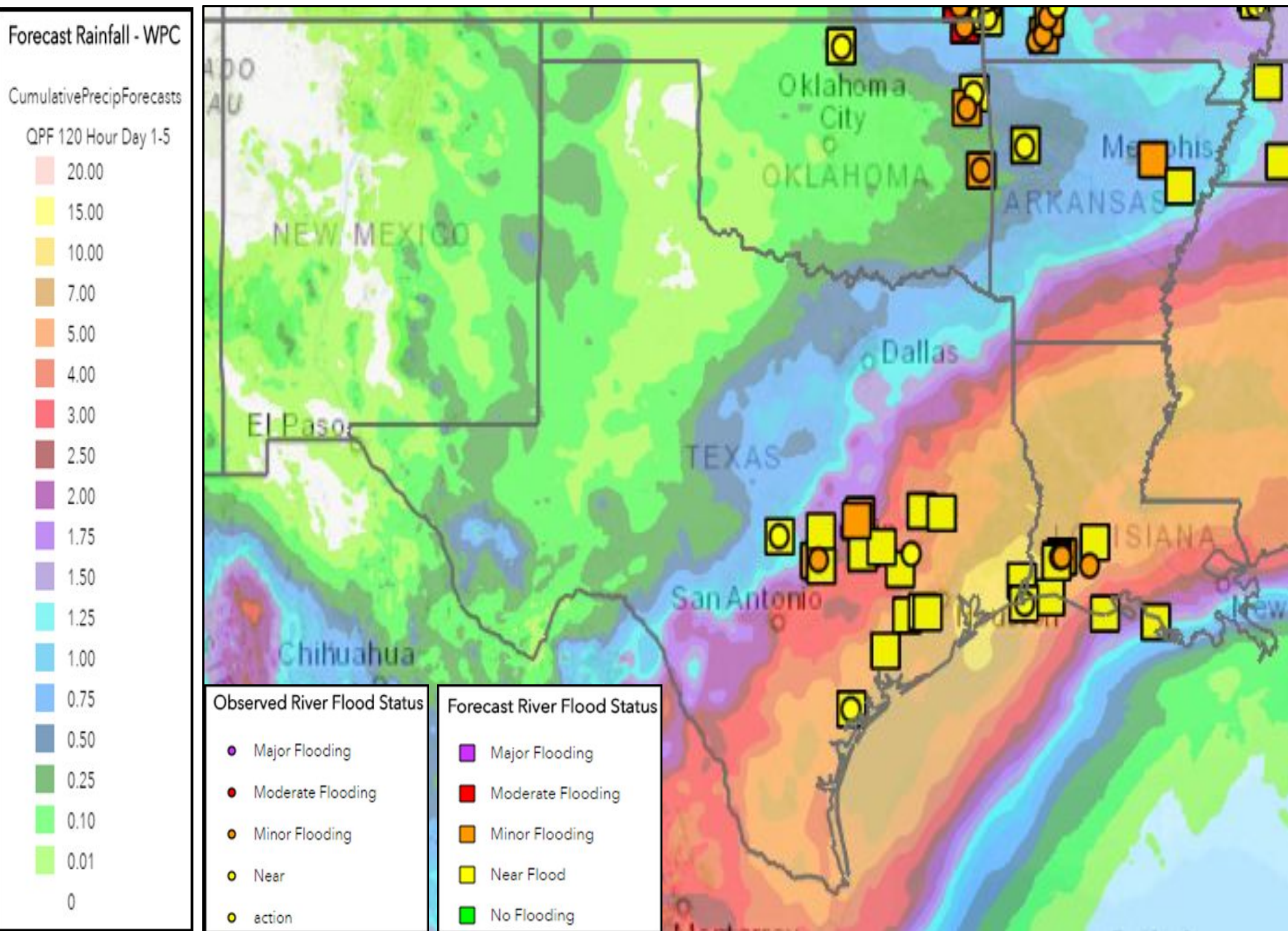


See <http://www.hurricanes.gov> for the latest on the tropics or any active storms



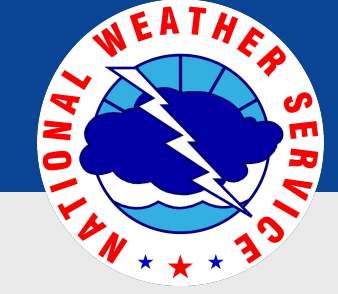
5-Day Precipitation Forecast & River Flood Status

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



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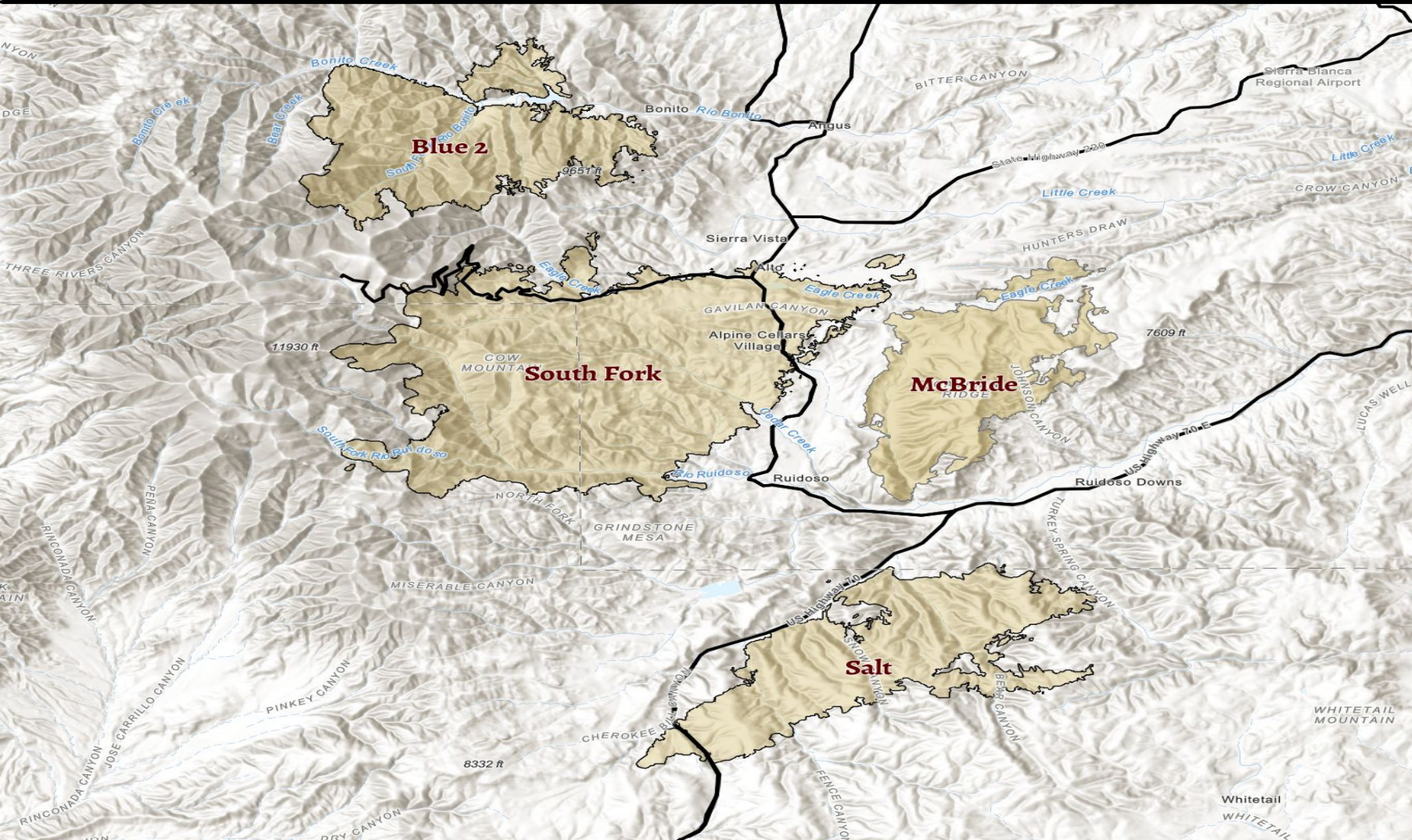
Note: Numerical levels (e.g. level 1 of 4) will not be assigned to riverine flooding due to the varying levels of impacts across flood categories.



Burn Scar Debris Flow Risk - Ruidoso, New Mexico

Sacramento Complex

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Flash Flooding					
Timing - CDT					

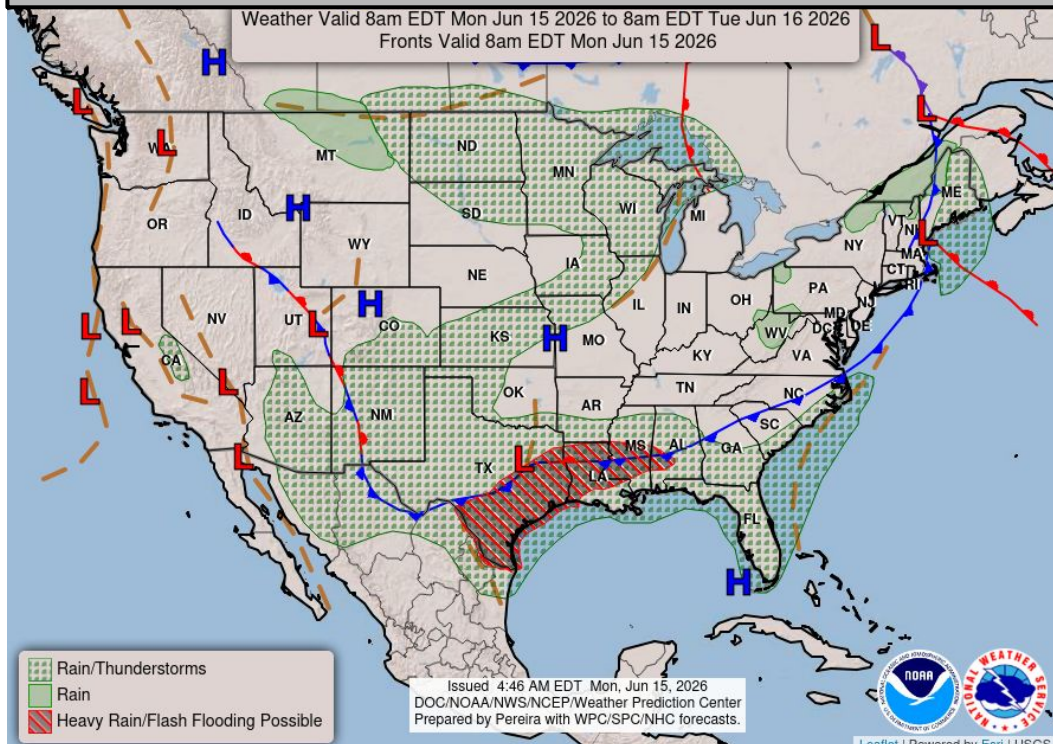


Low (level 1 of 3)	Less than 30% chance of flash flood warning.
Moderate (level 2 of 3)	30-70% chance of flash flood warning.
High (level 3 of 3)	Over 70% chance of flash flood warning.
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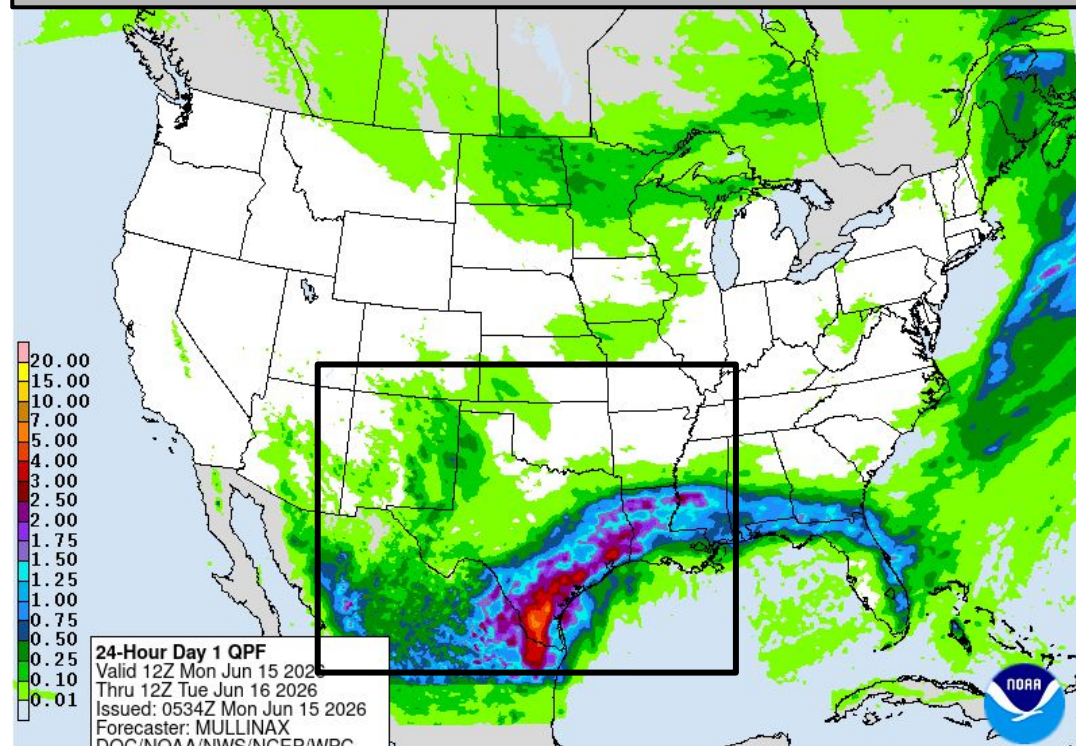


Today's Weather

Forecast Chart



Forecast Rainfall



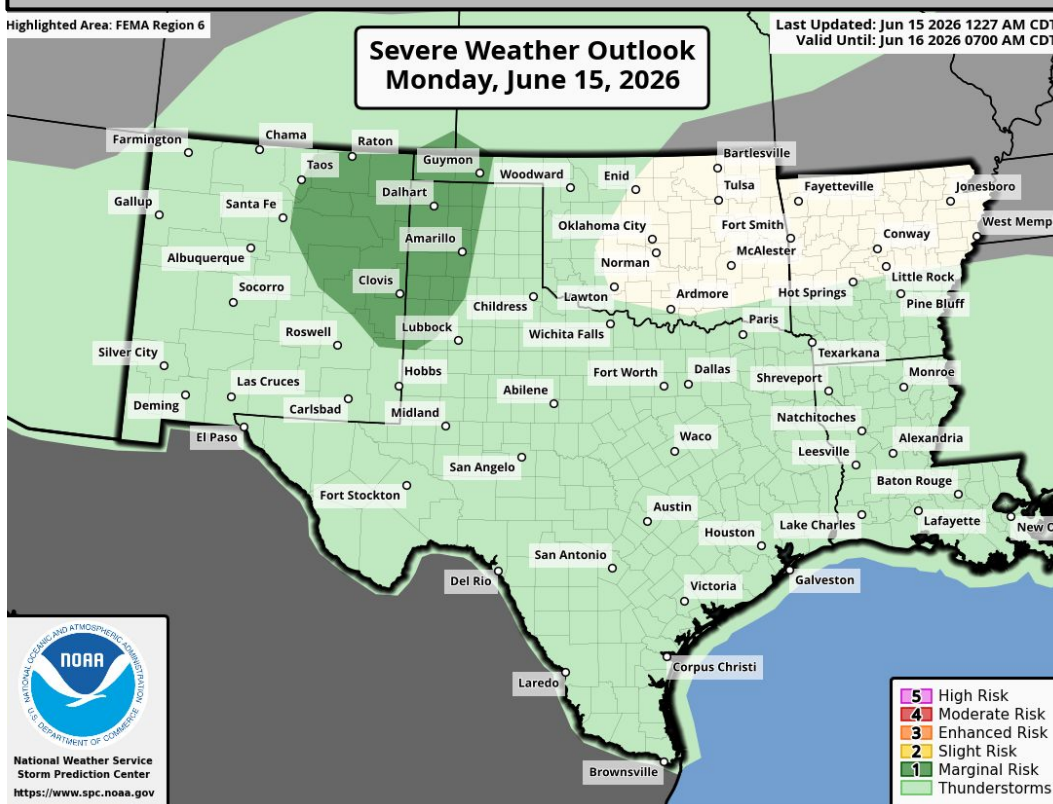
Moderate risk (level 3 of 4) for flash flooding in S/SE TX, and far E LA. In S/SE TX, high end rainfall amounts of 10-15" will likely cause significant flash flooding.

Slight risk (level 2 of 4) for flash flooding in C-S/E TX, LA. Rainfall amounts in Slight Risk areas still could be very high up to 6-10".

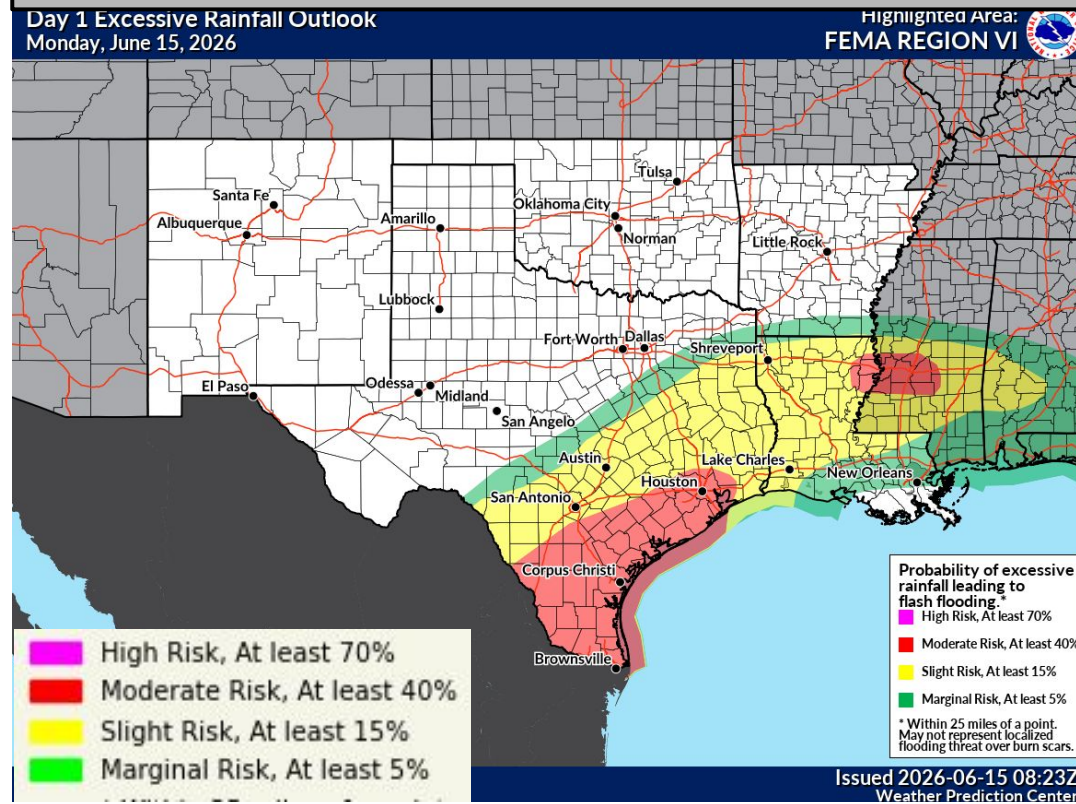
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Burn Scar Flash Flooding information on Burn Scar Matrix slides

Severe Weather Outlook

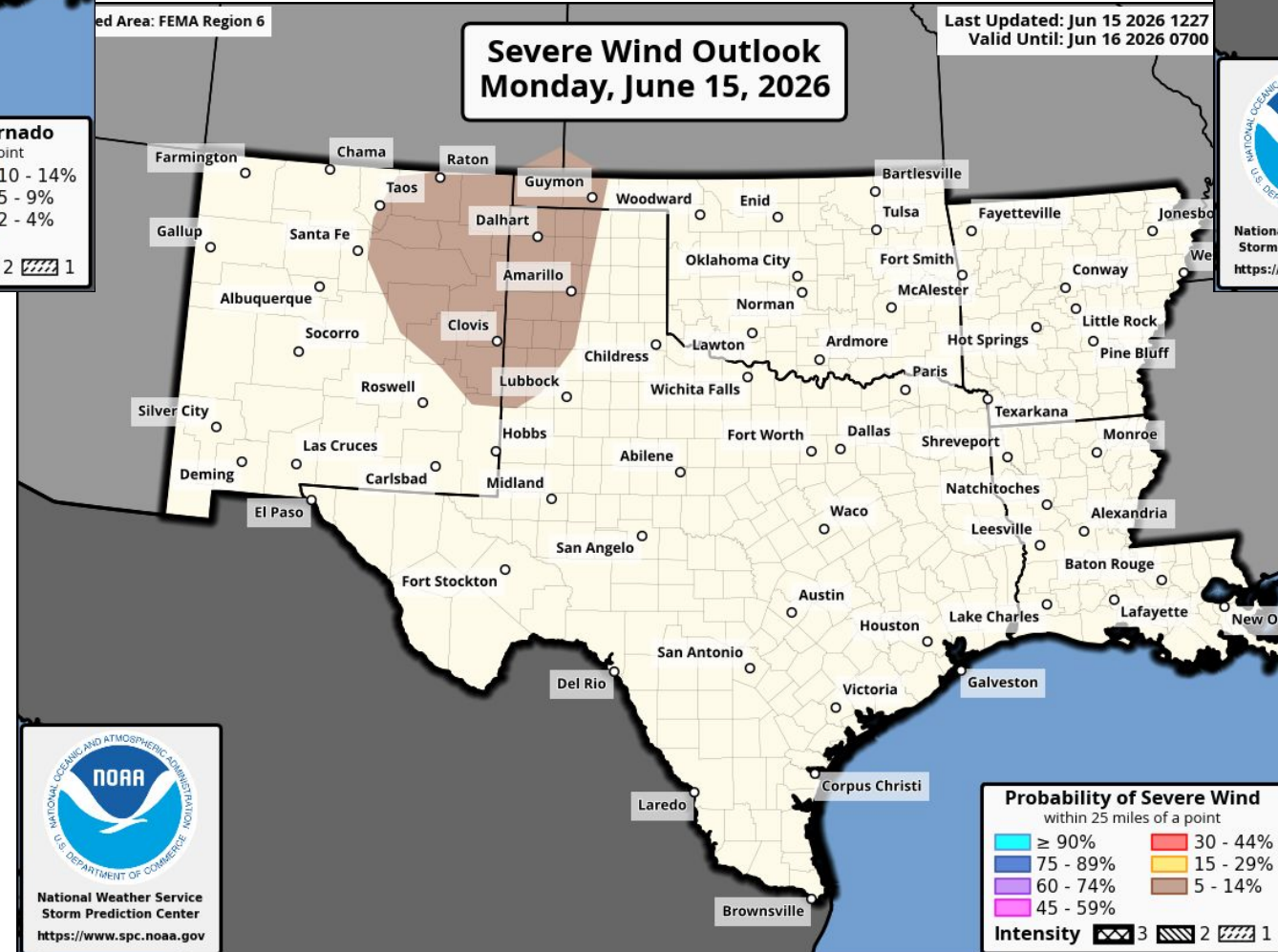
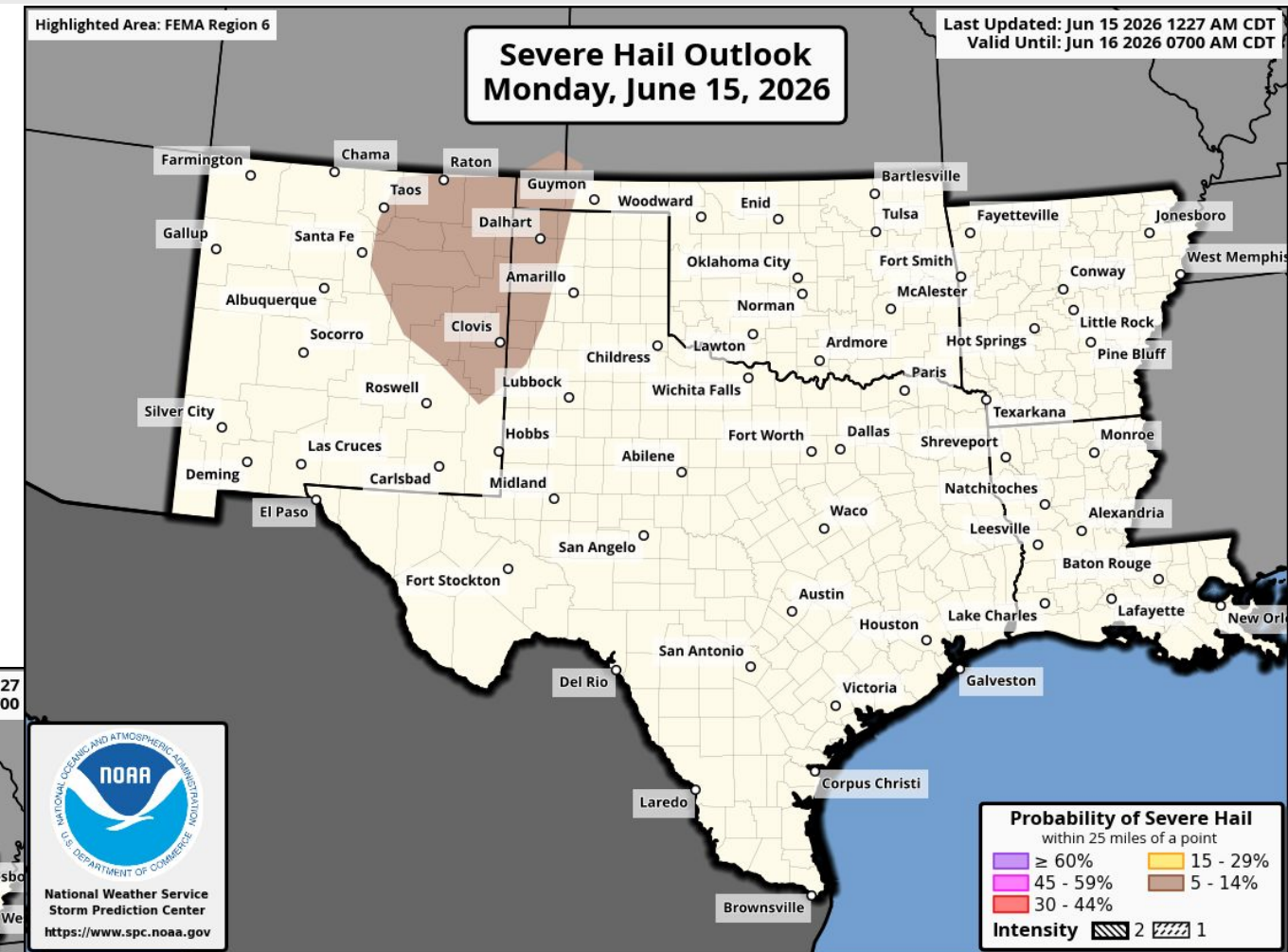
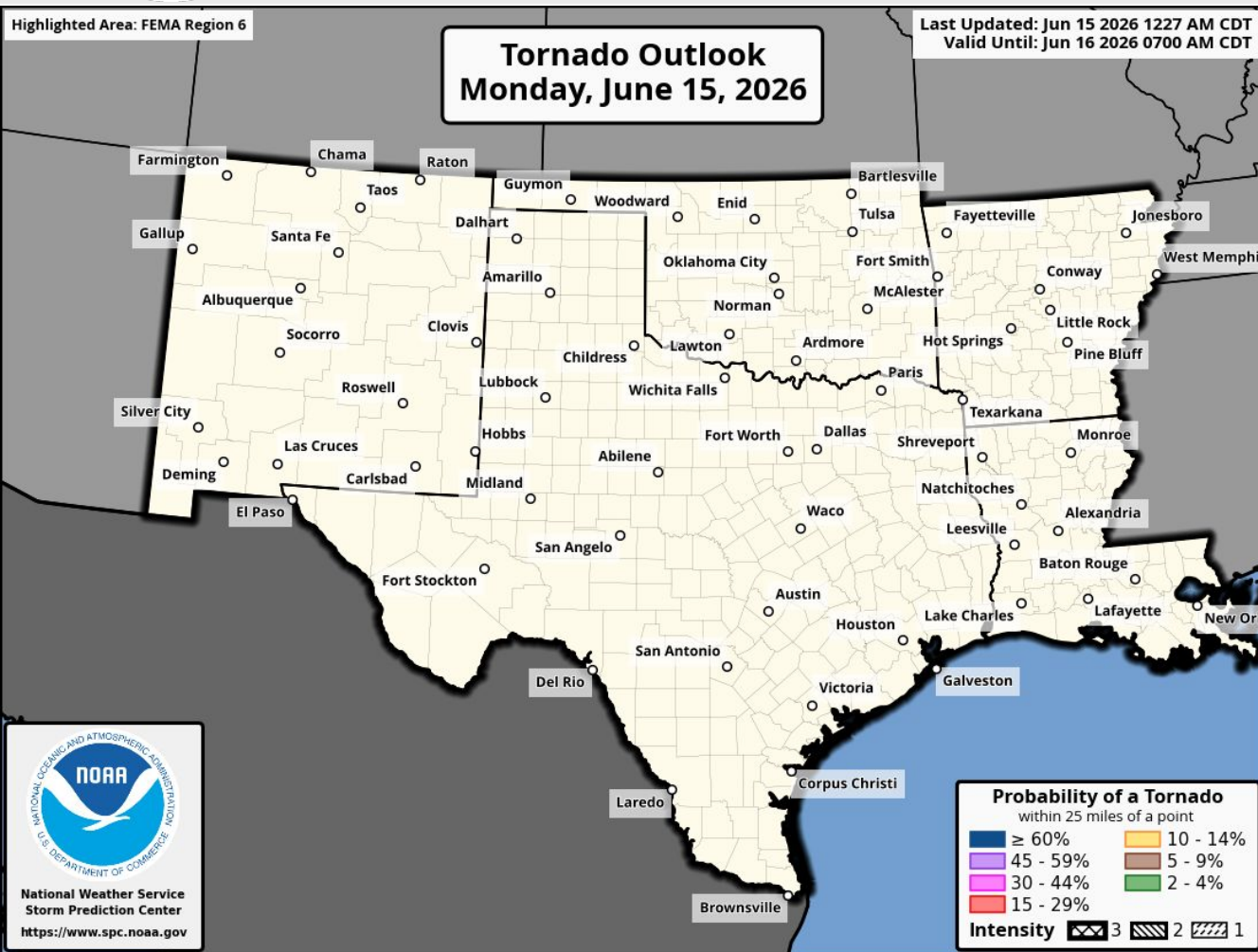


Excessive Rainfall Outlook



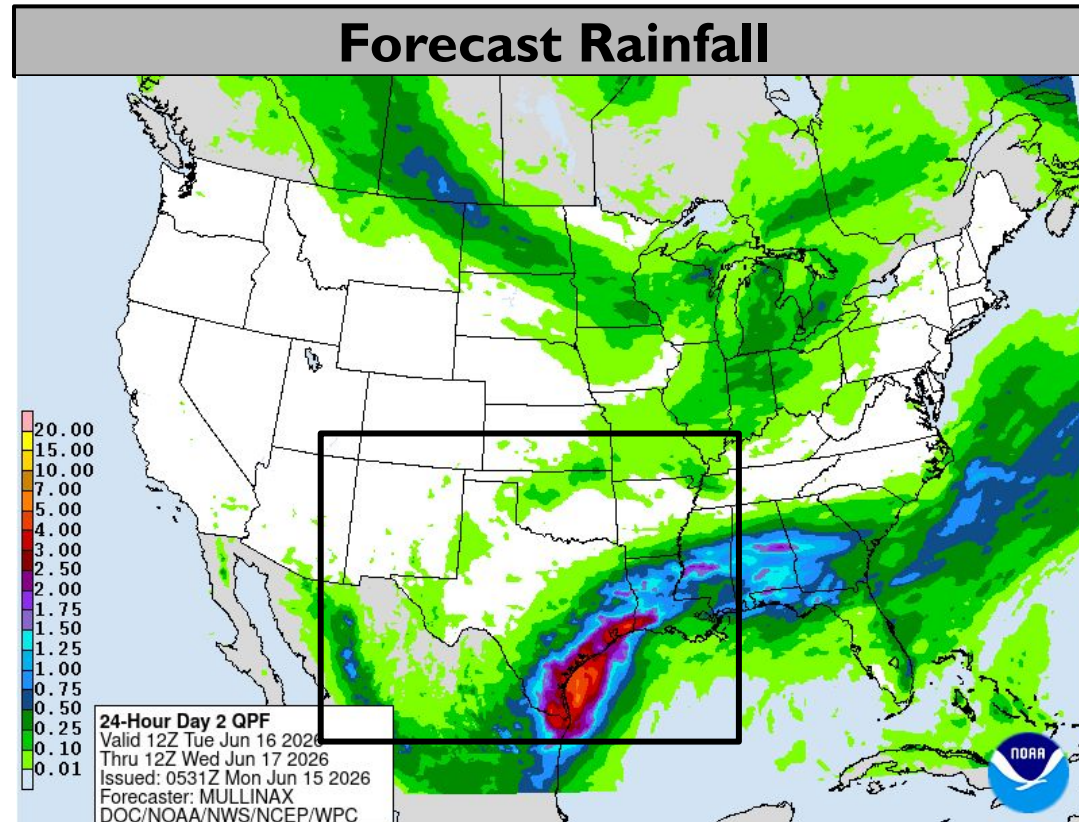
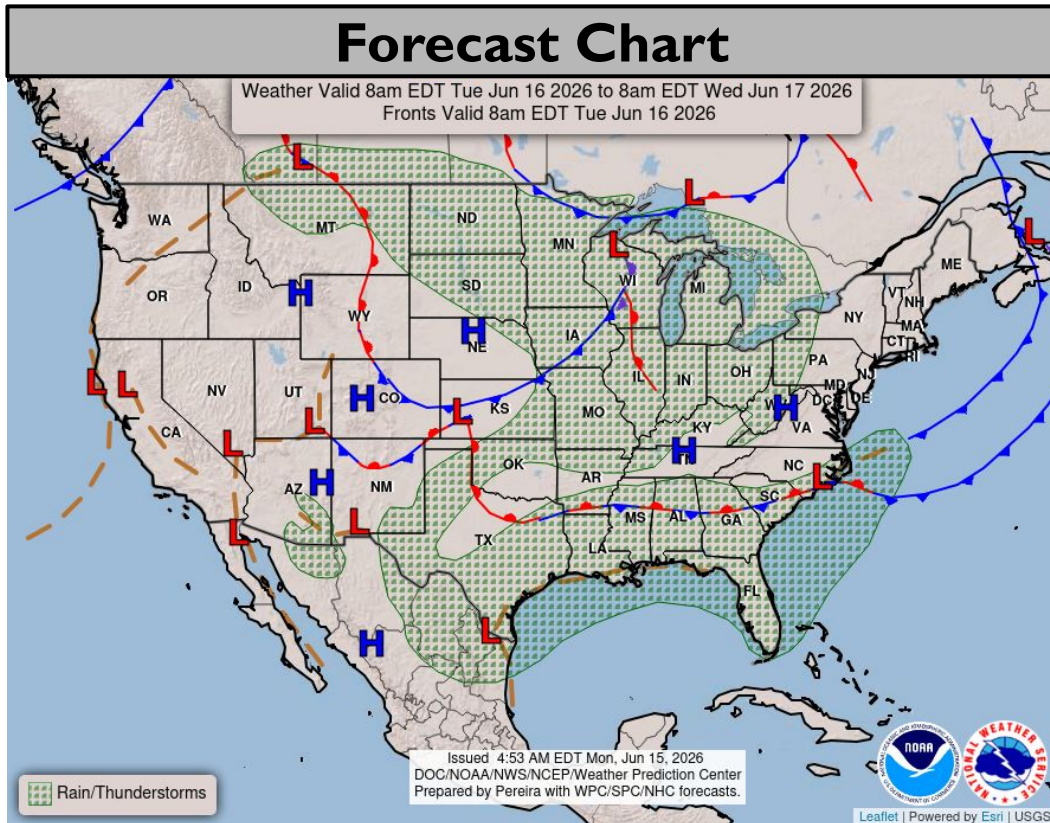


Today's Tornado & Severe Wind / Hail Probabilities

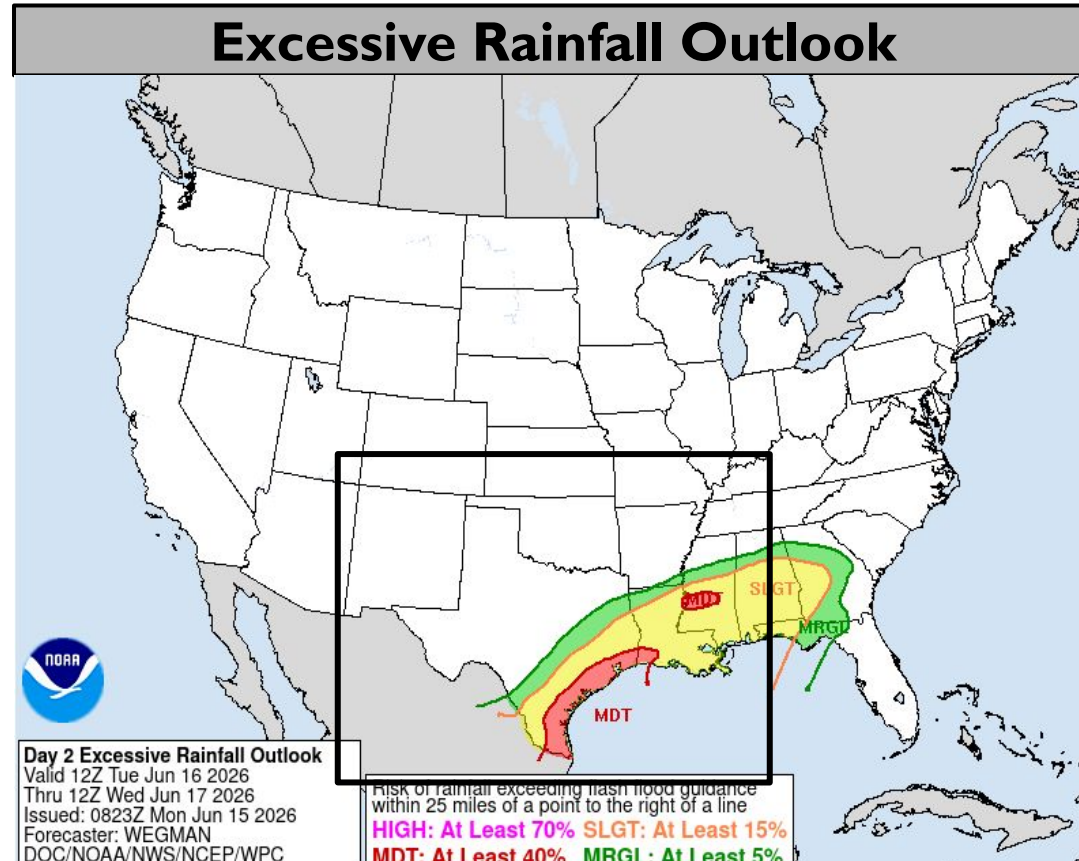
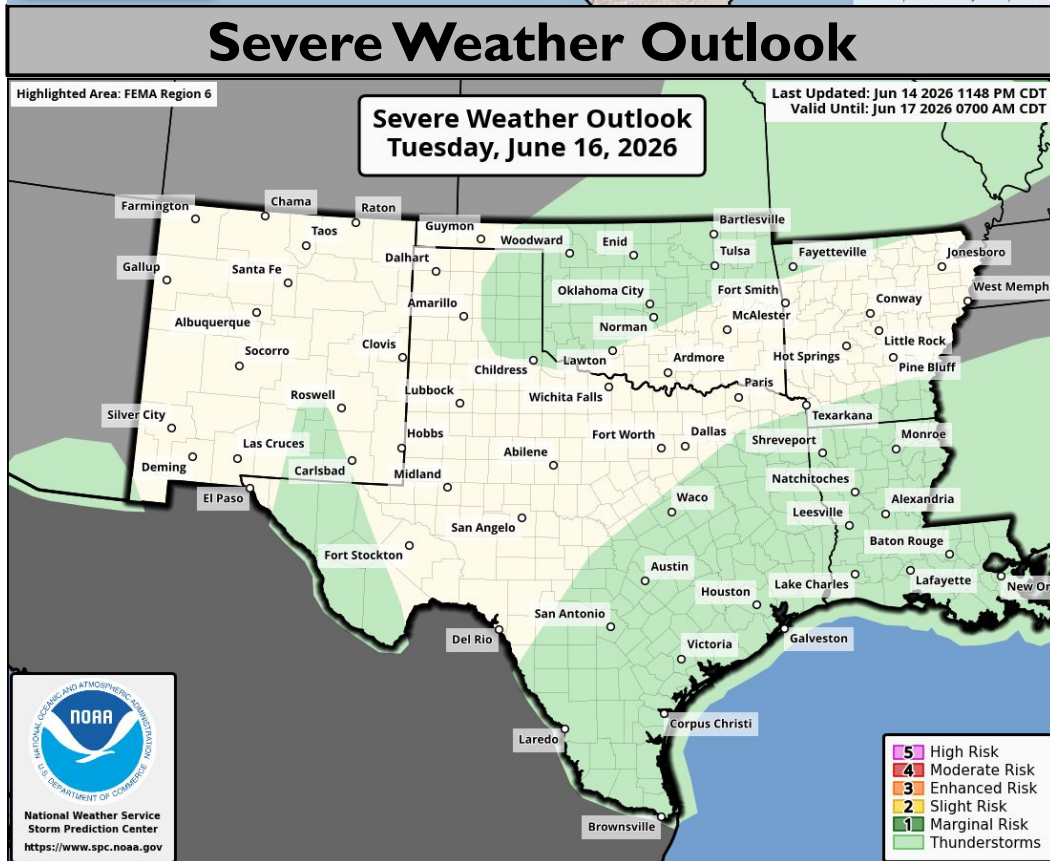




Tomorrow's Weather



Moderate risk (level 3 of 4) for flash flooding today in S/SE TX, SW LA, E LA. Another 8-12" of rain will be conceivable in downpours where storms stall out in S/SE TX and SW LA, leading to significant flash flooding.



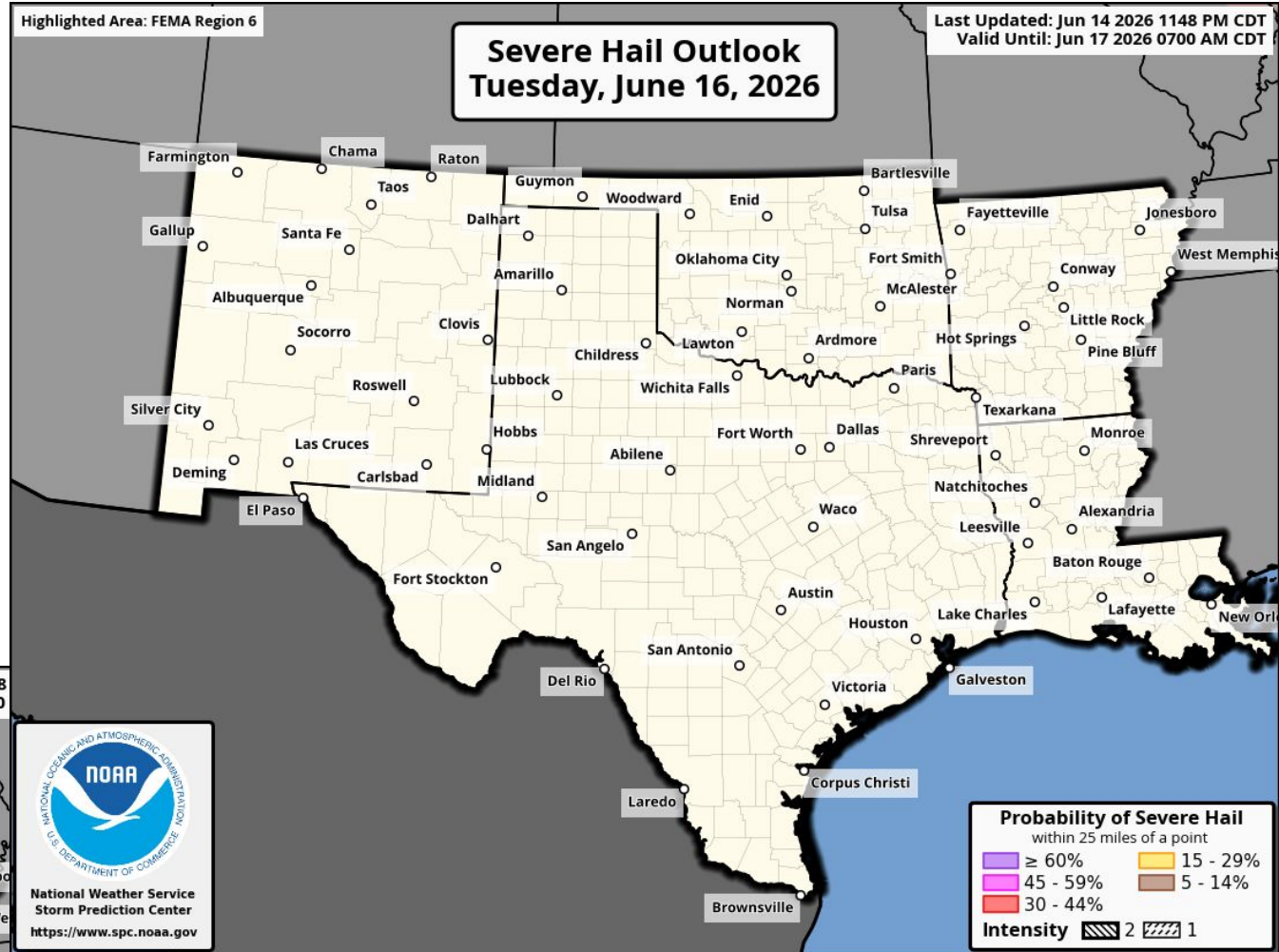
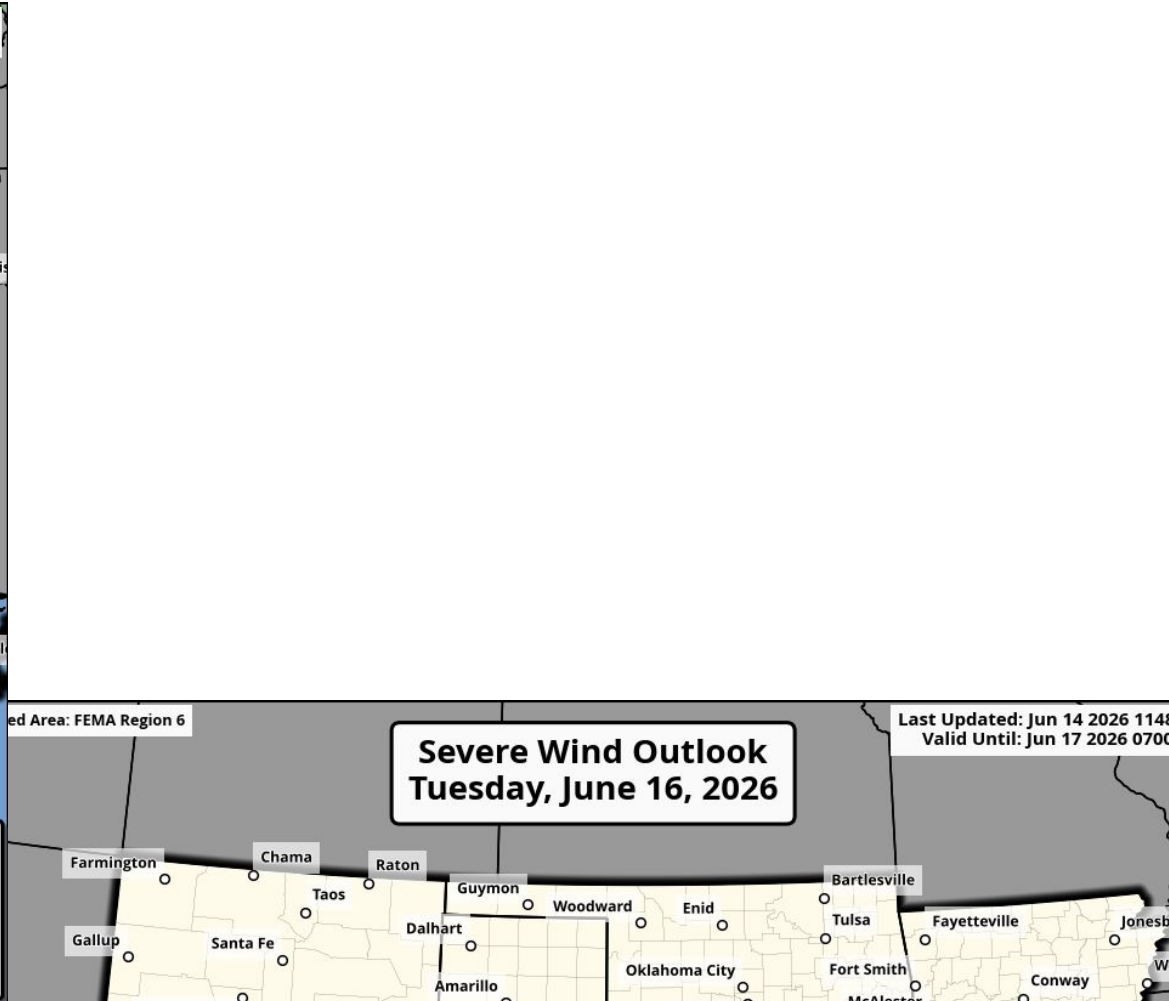
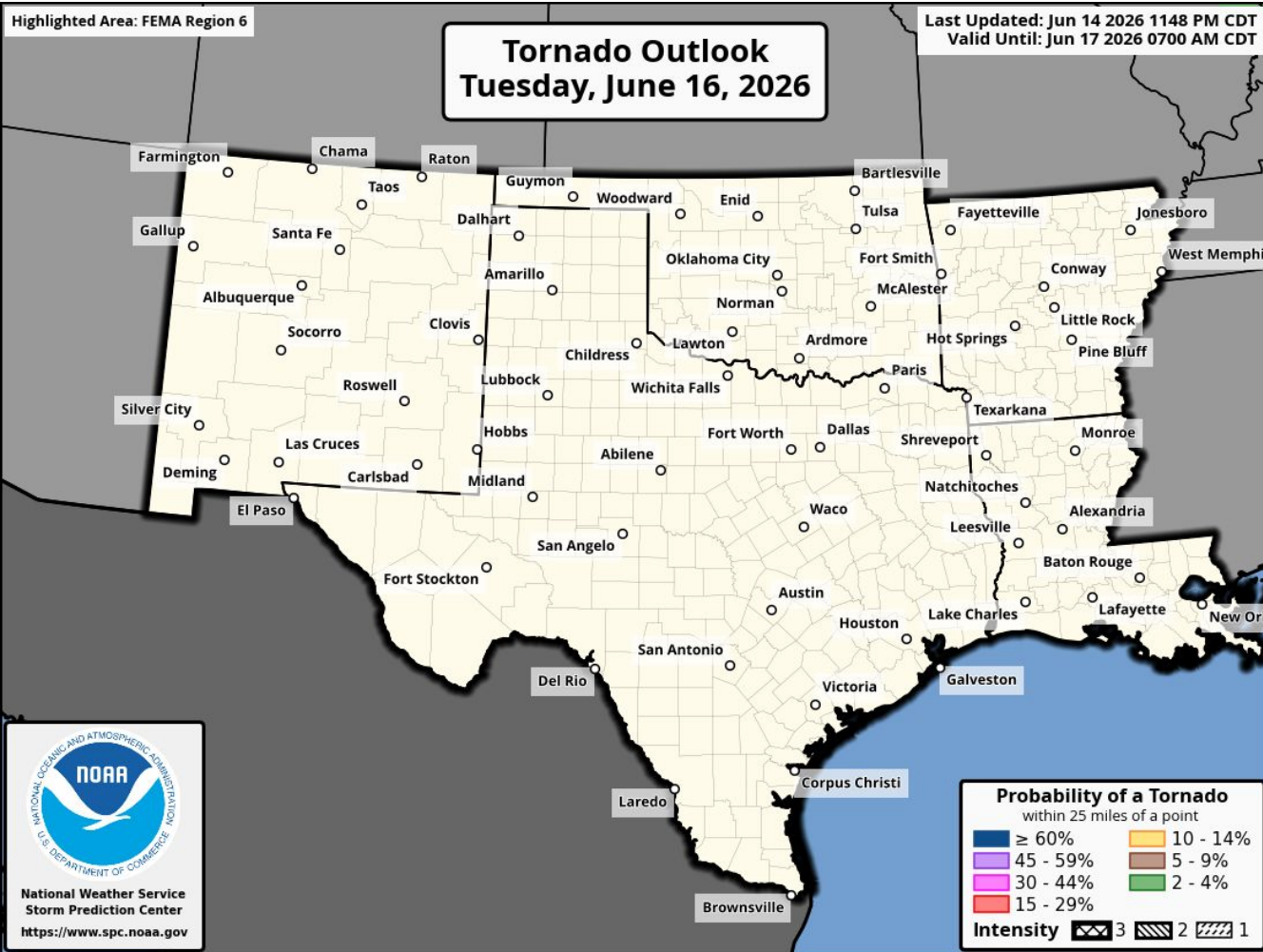
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Monitoring for elevated fire weather concerns in NW-C NM.

Burn Scar Flash Flooding information on Burn Scar Matrix slides

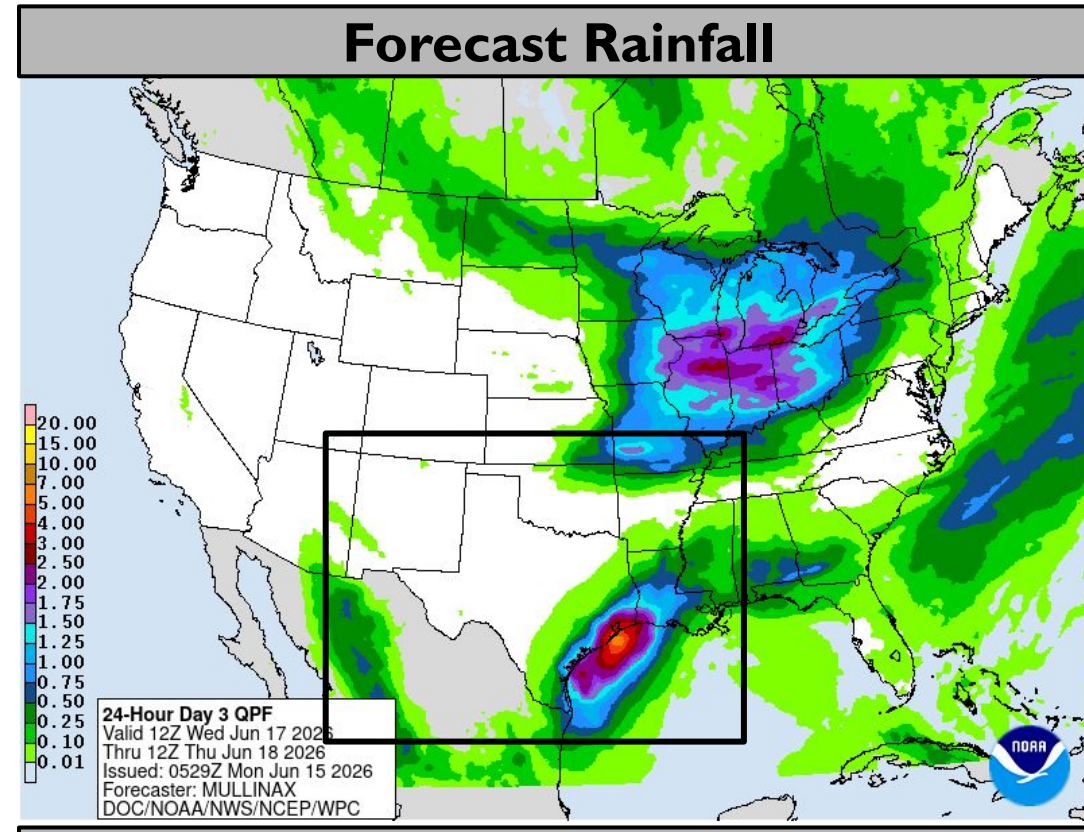
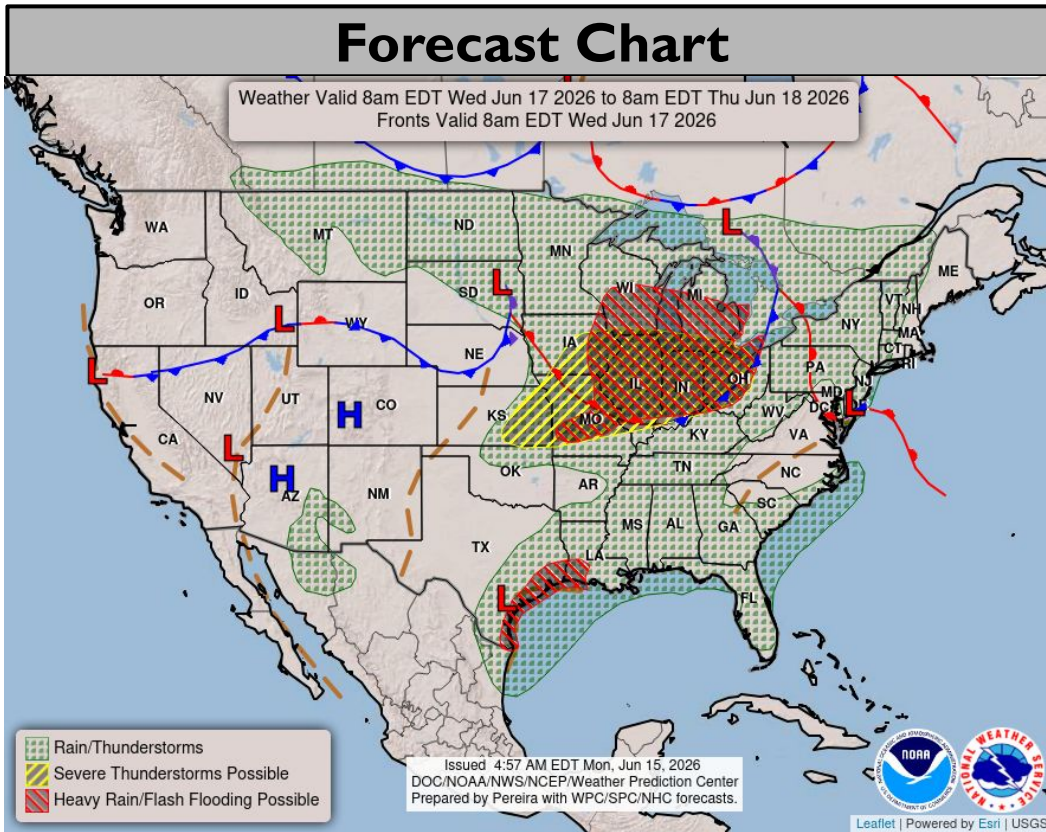


Tomorrow's Tornado & Severe Wind / Hail Probabilities



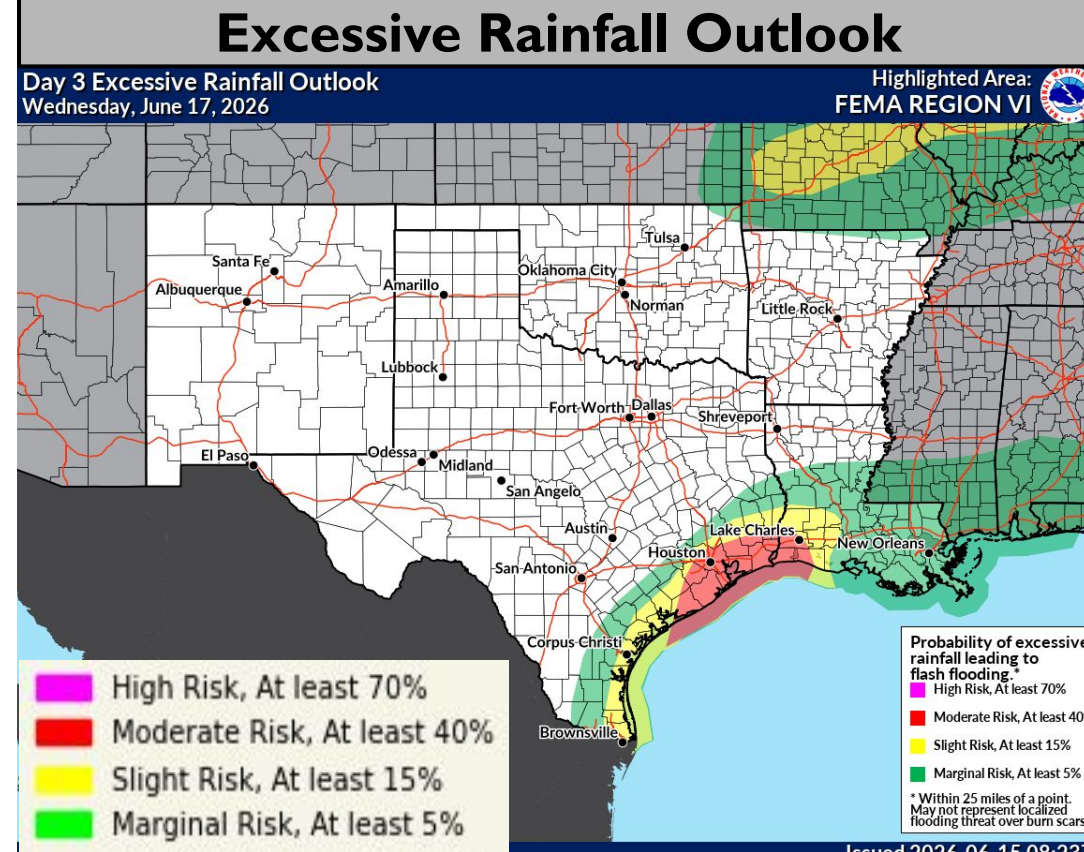
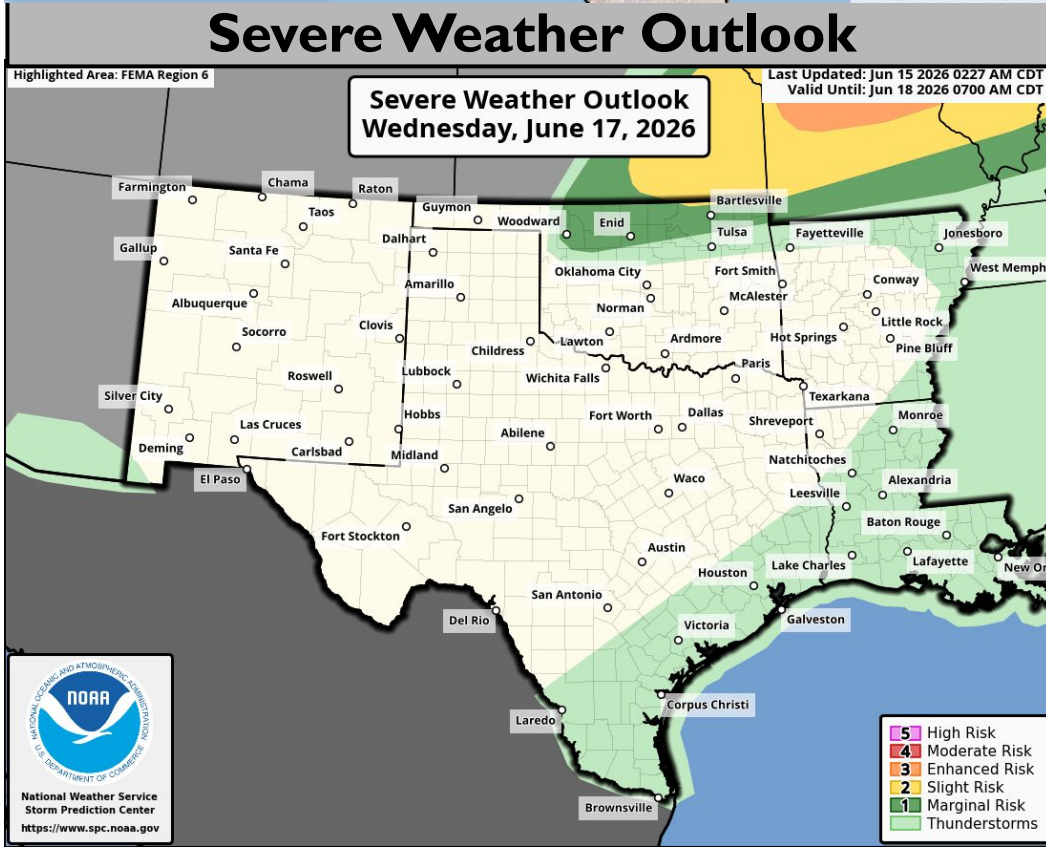


Wednesday's Weather



Moderate risk (level 3 of 4) for flash flooding in SE TX, SW LA. Urban flash flooding is conceivable along the coastal areas of SE TX, SW LA.

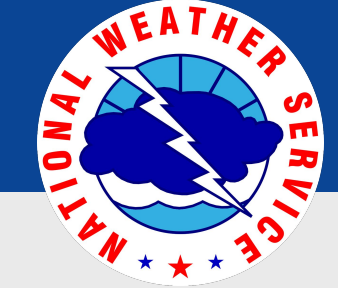
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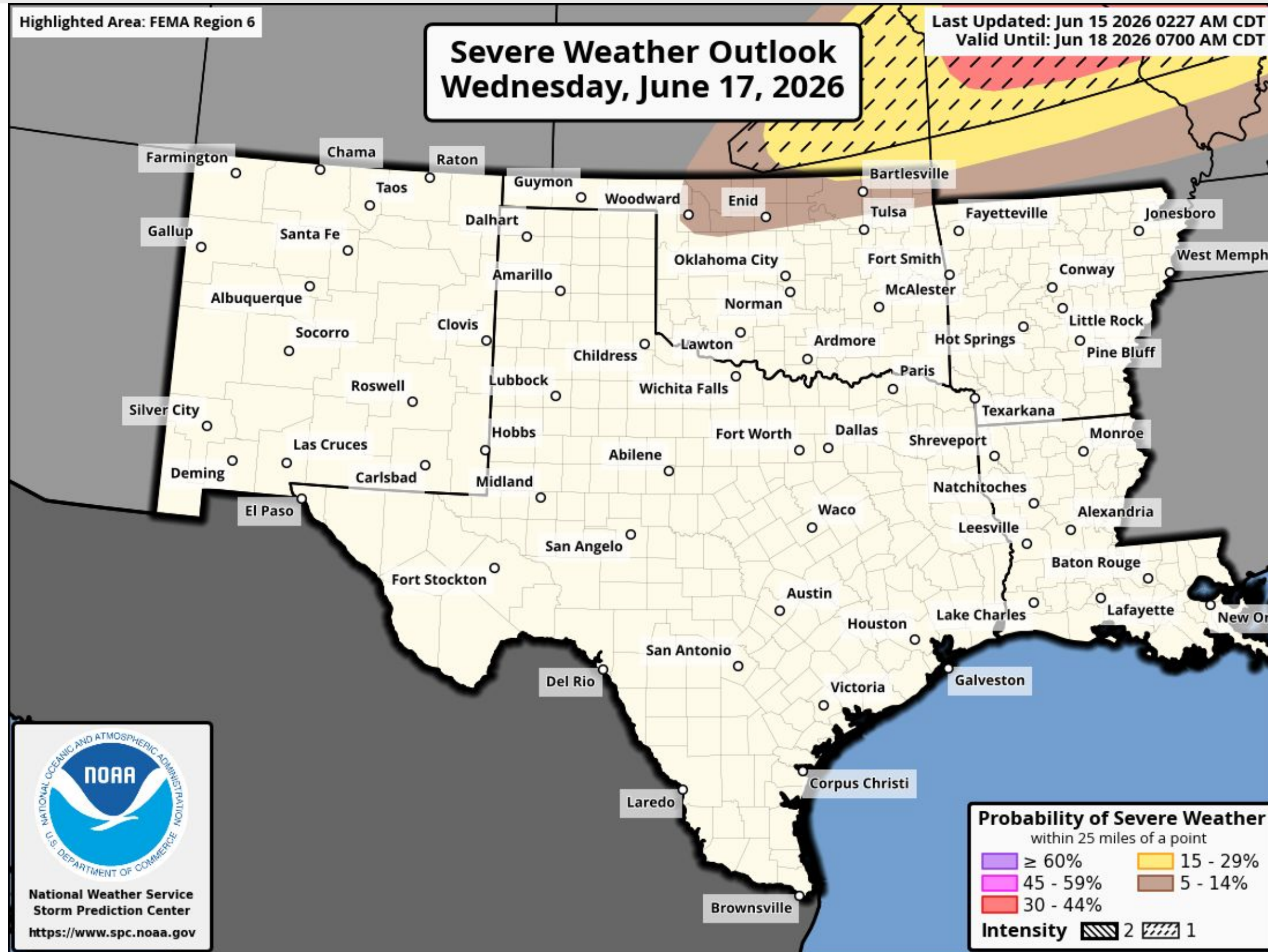
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Monitoring NE OK for severe storms.

Monitoring for elevated fire weather concerns in NW-C NM.



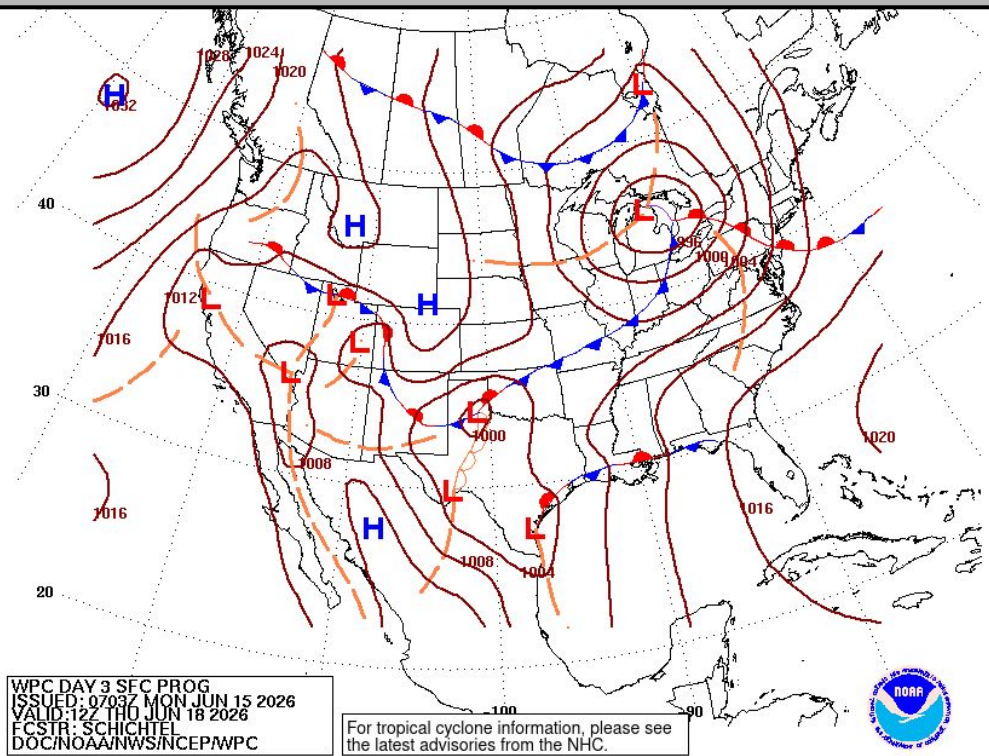
Wednesday's Severe Weather Probabilities/CIG Level



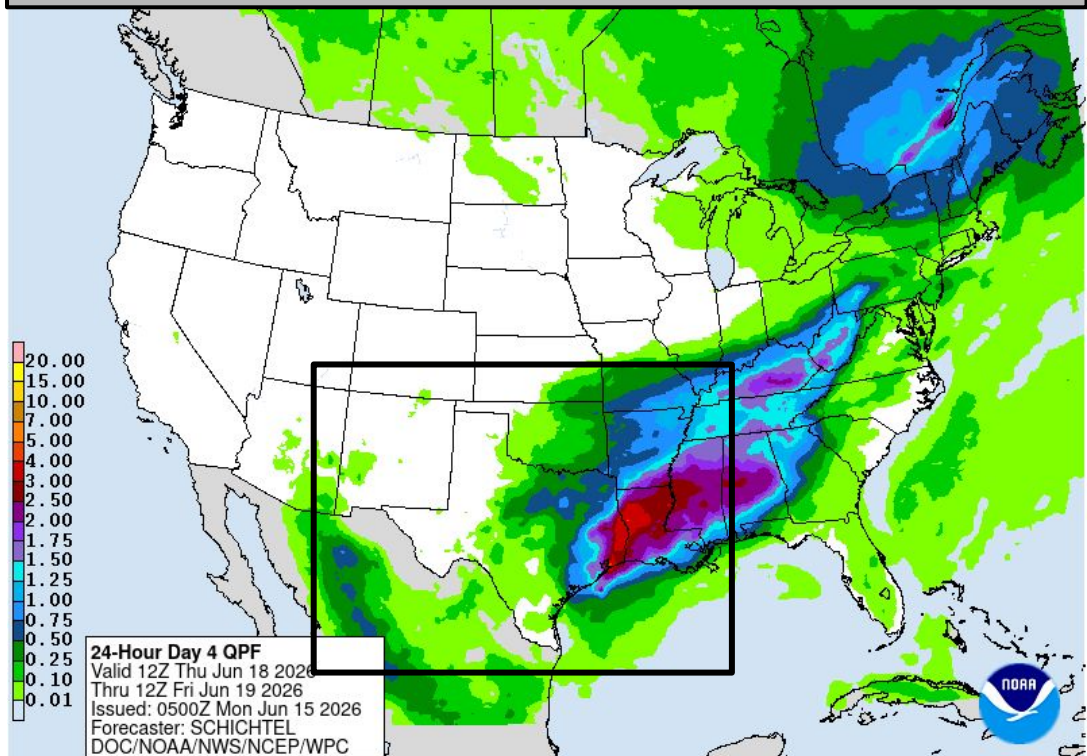


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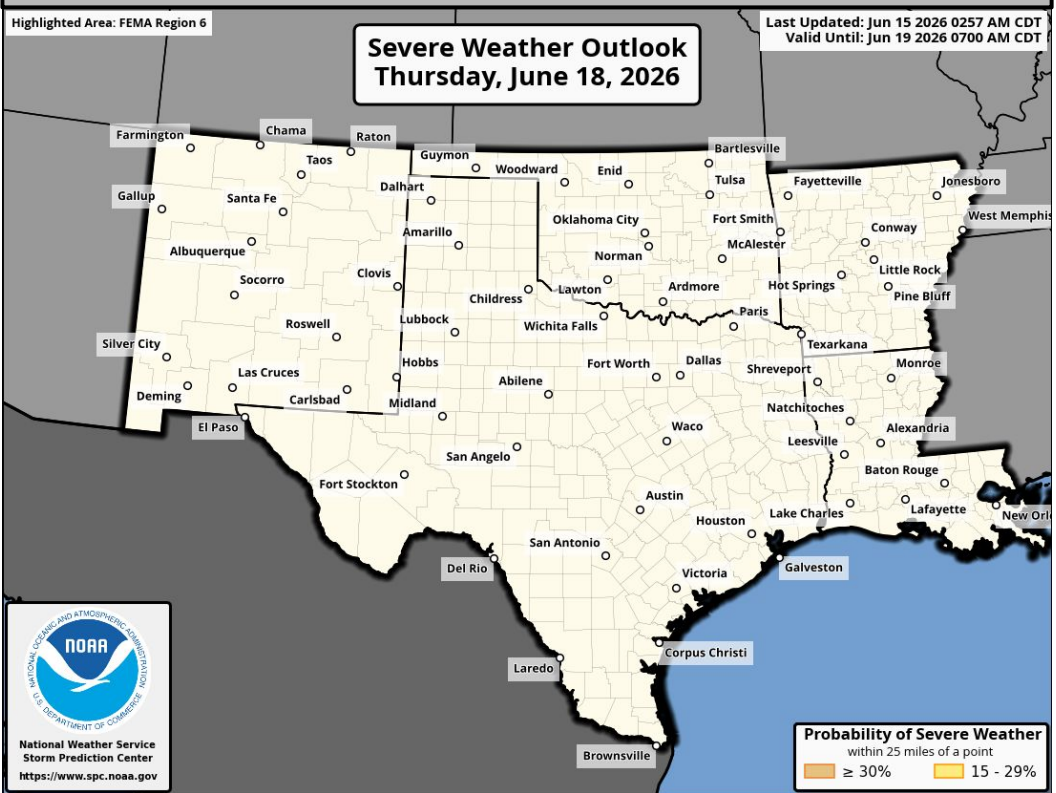
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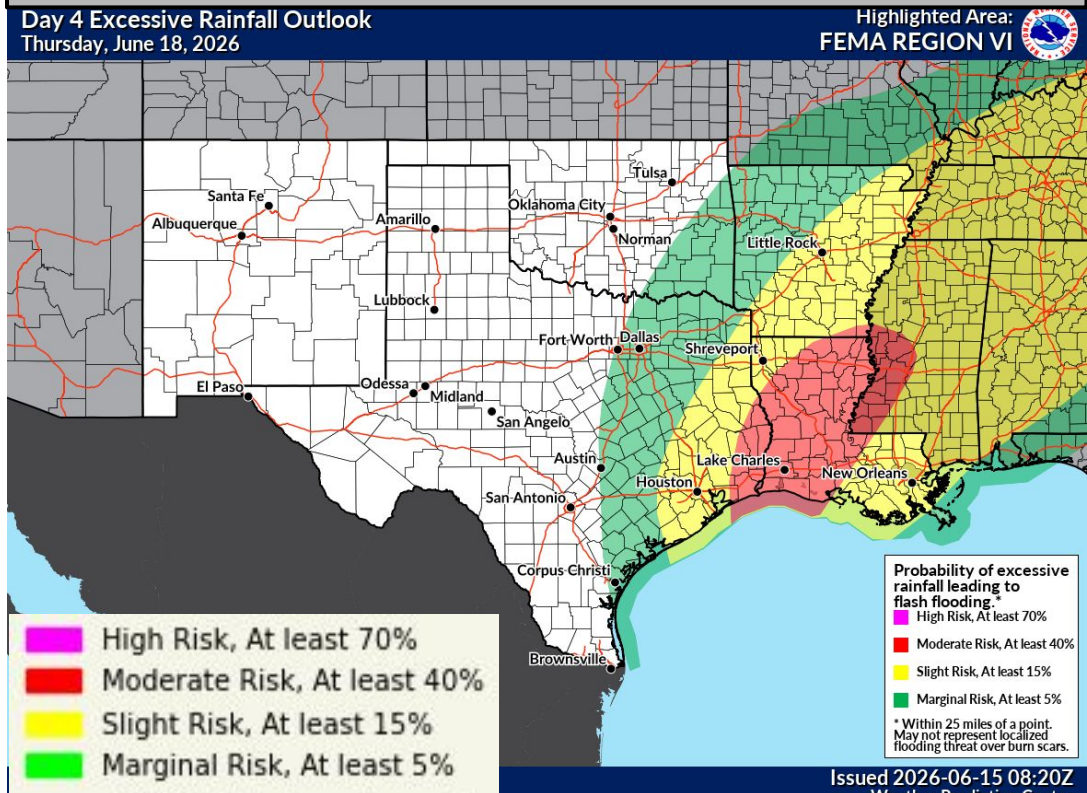
Forecast Rainfall



Severe Weather Outlook



Excessive Rainfall Outlook



Moderate risk (level 3 of 4) for flash flooding in E TX, LA. Significant flash flooding in rain-soaked areas will be a hazard.

Slight risk (level 2 of 4) for flash flooding in SETX, AR, E LA.

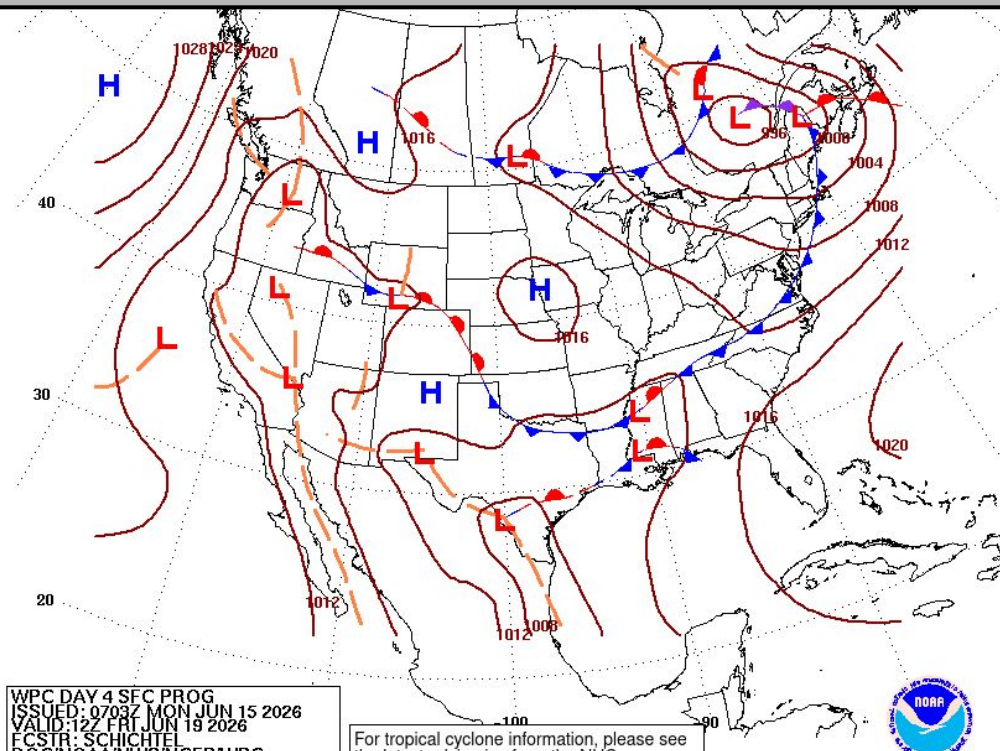
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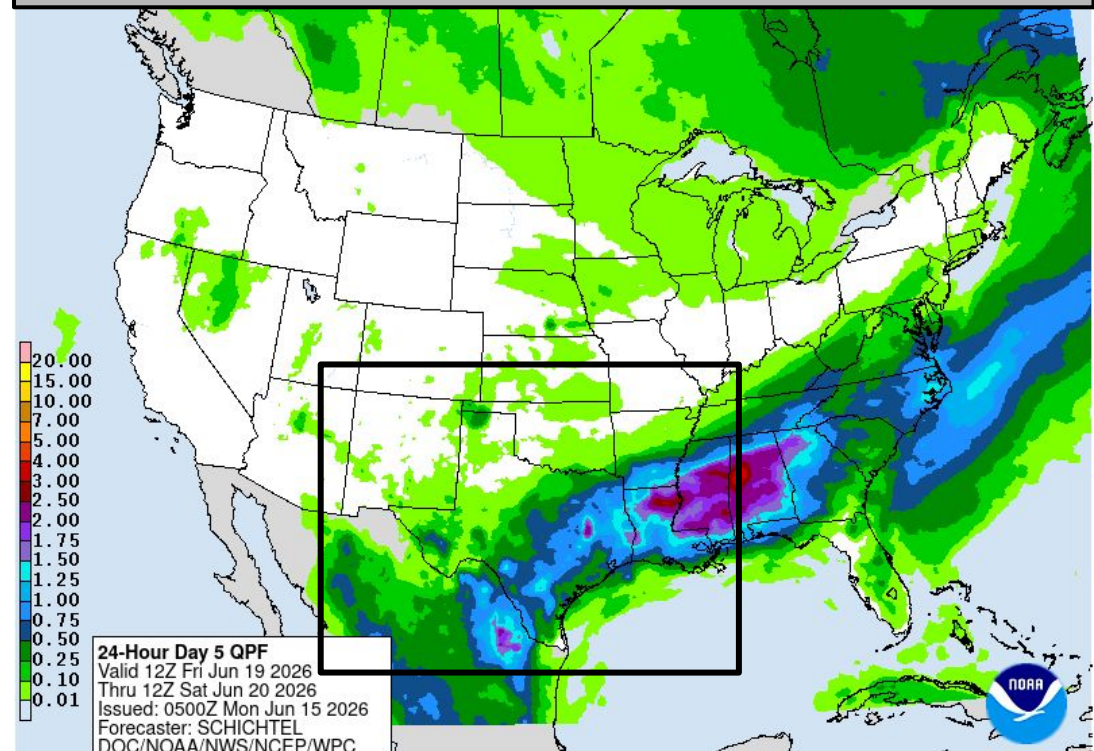
Friday's Weather

Forecast Chart



WPC DAY 4 SEC PROG
ISSUED: 0703Z MON JUN 15 2026
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DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/WPC

Forecast Rainfall

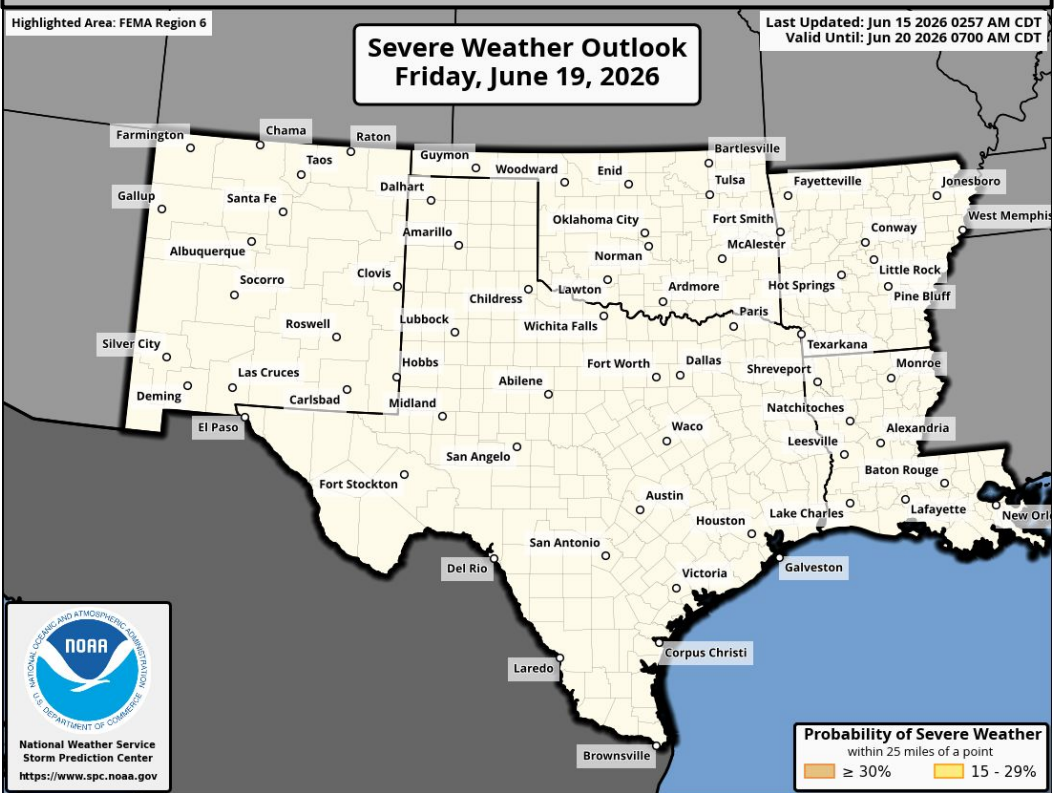


24-Hour Day 5 QPF
Valid 12Z Fri Jun 19 2026
Thru 12Z Sat Jun 20 2026
Issued: 0500Z Mon Jun 15 2026
Forecaster: SCHICHEL
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/WPC

Slight risk (level 2 of 4) for flash flooding SC-ETX, SAR, LA. Rain soaked areas susceptible to flash flooding.

Minor heat risk (level 2 of 5) in S OK, N/CTX.

Severe Weather Outlook



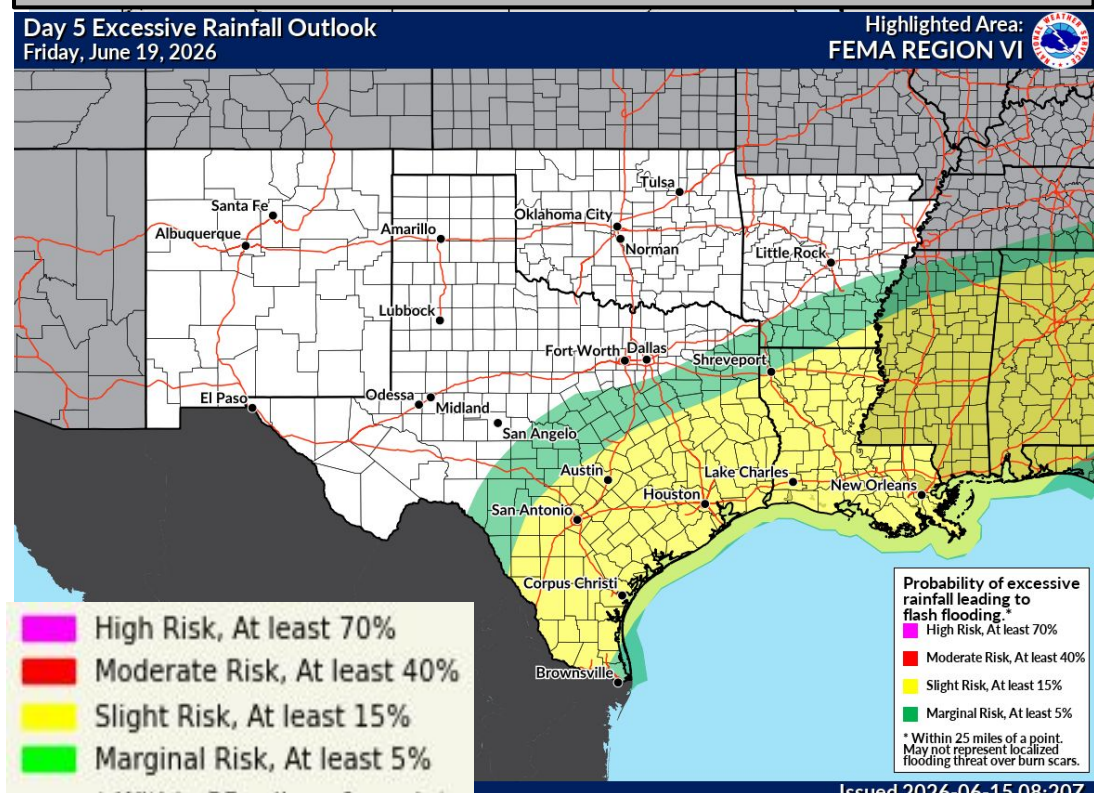
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Last Updated: Jun 15 2026 0257 AM CDT
Valid Until: Jun 20 2026 0700 AM CDT

**Severe Weather Outlook
Friday, June 19, 2026**

Probability of Severe Weather within 25 miles of a point

- ≥ 30%
- 15 - 29%

Excessive Rainfall Outlook



Highlighted Area: FEMA REGION VI
Day 5 Excessive Rainfall Outlook
Friday, June 19, 2026

Probability of excessive rainfall leading to flash flooding

- High Risk, At least 70%
- Moderate Risk, At least 40%
- Slight Risk, At least 15%
- Marginal Risk, At least 5%

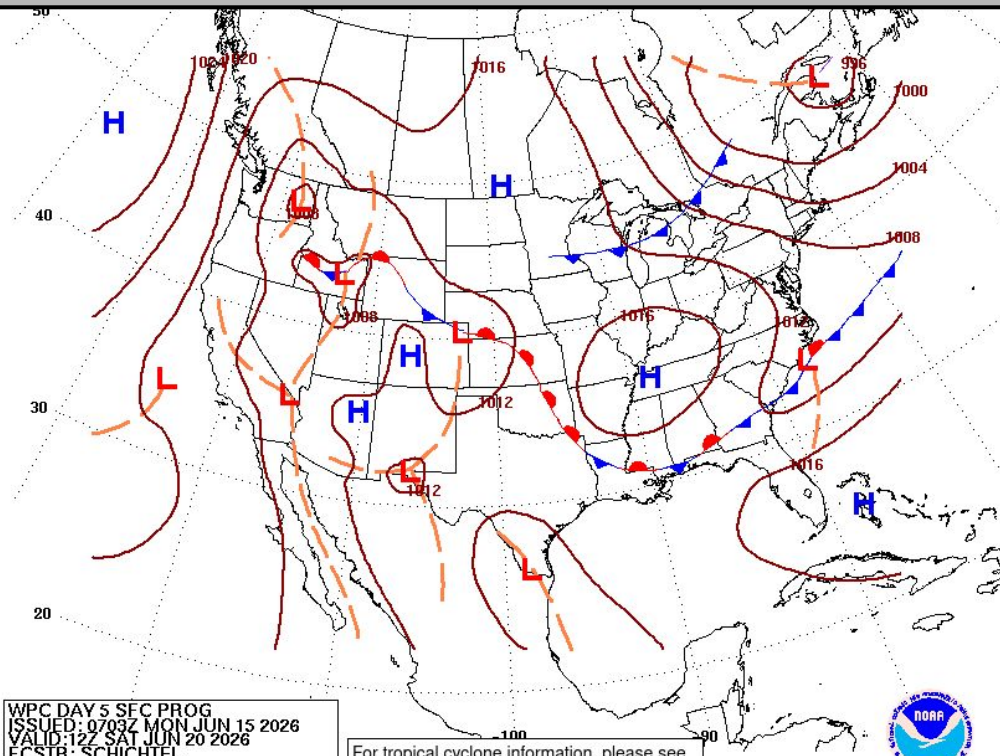
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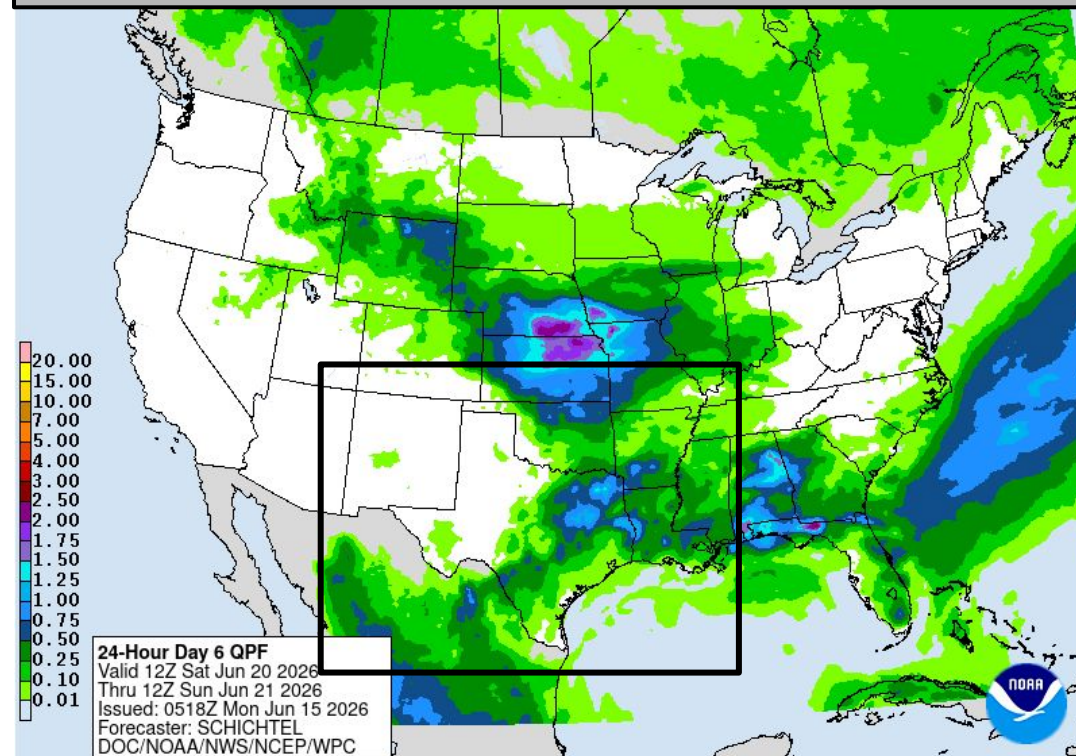
Saturday's Weather

Forecast Chart



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For tropical cyclone information, please see...

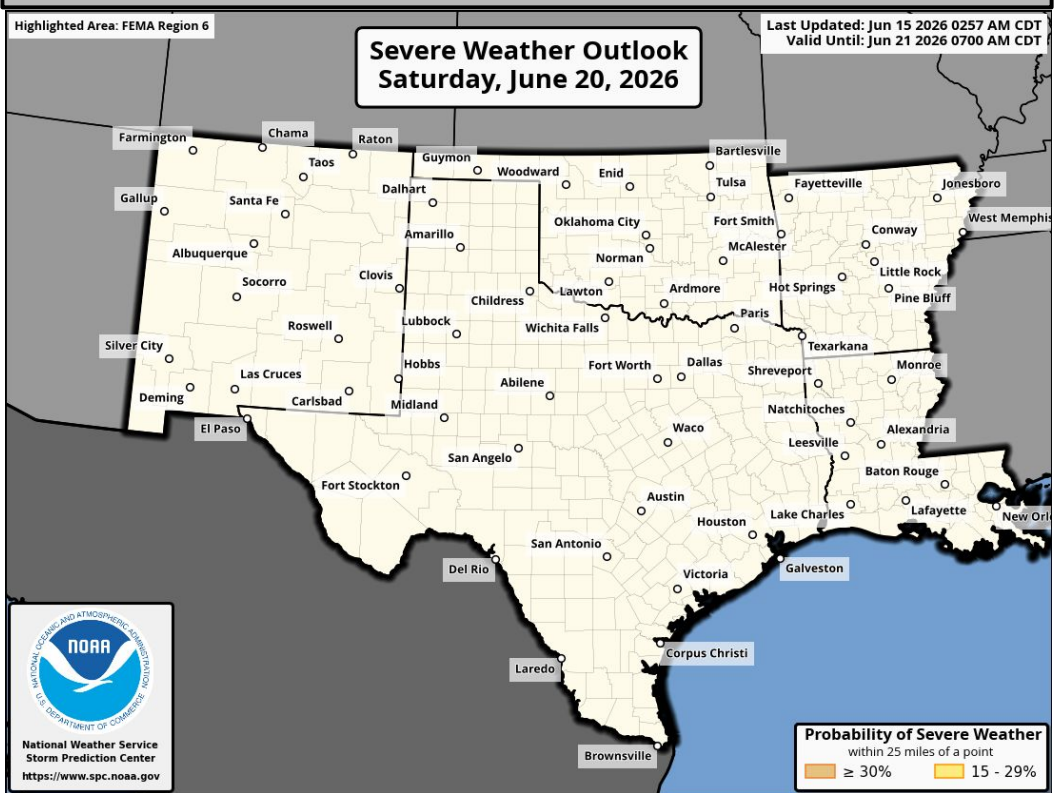
Forecast Rainfall



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**Monitoring OK, AR, NE TX
For heavy rainfall.**

Severe Weather Outlook



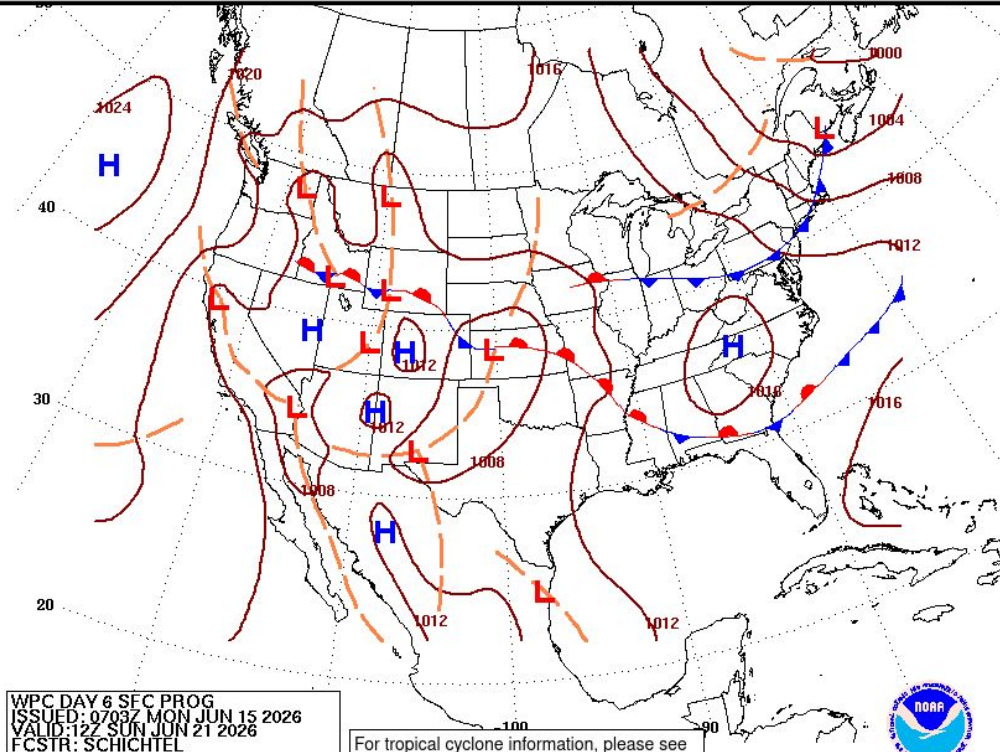
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**Excessive Rainfall Outlooks
not available beyond Day 5**



Sunday's Weather

Forecast Chart

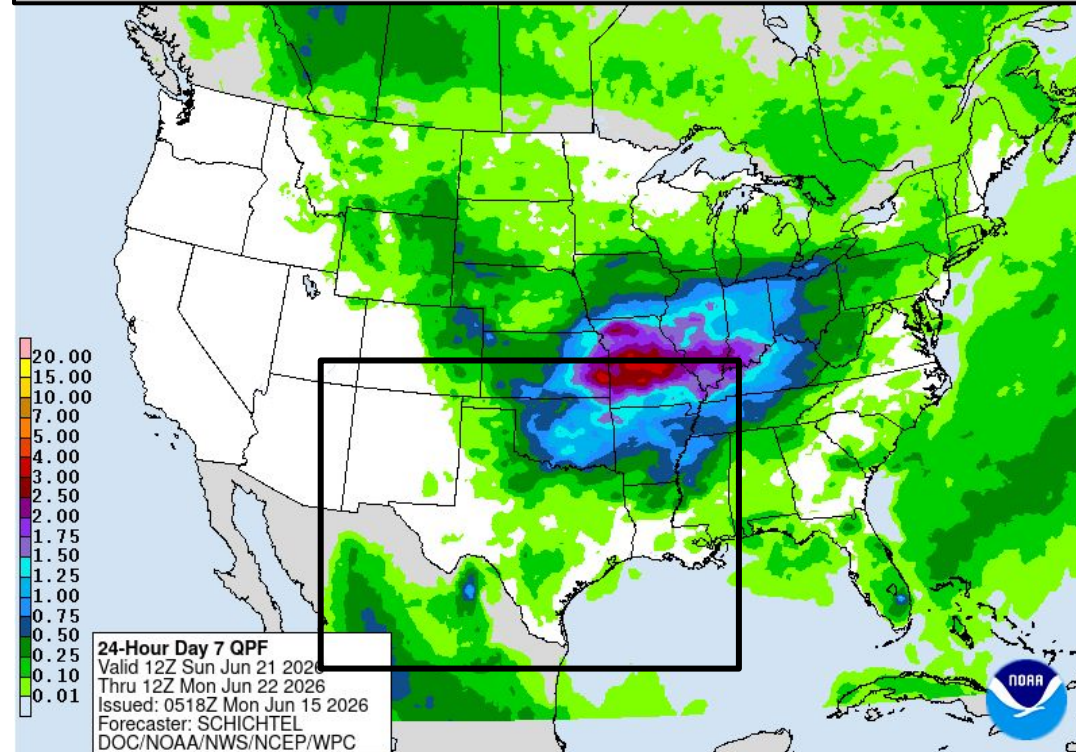


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FCSTR: SCHICHEL

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Forecast Rainfall



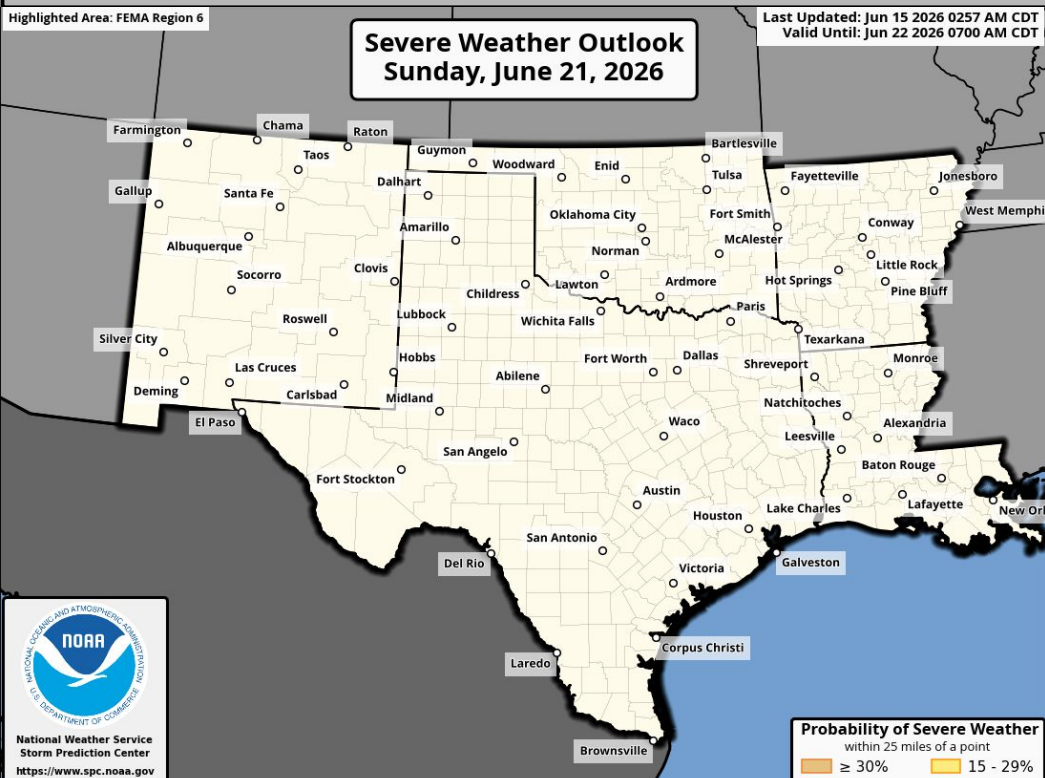
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Minor heat (level 2 of 5) risk in NWTX.

Monitoring OK,AR For heavy rainfall.

Severe Weather Outlook



Highlighted Area: FEMA Region 6

Severe Weather Outlook
Sunday, June 21, 2026

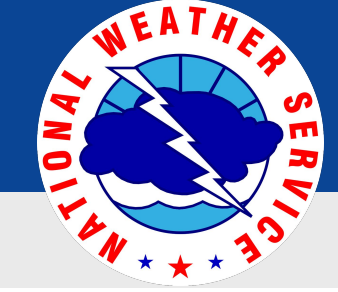
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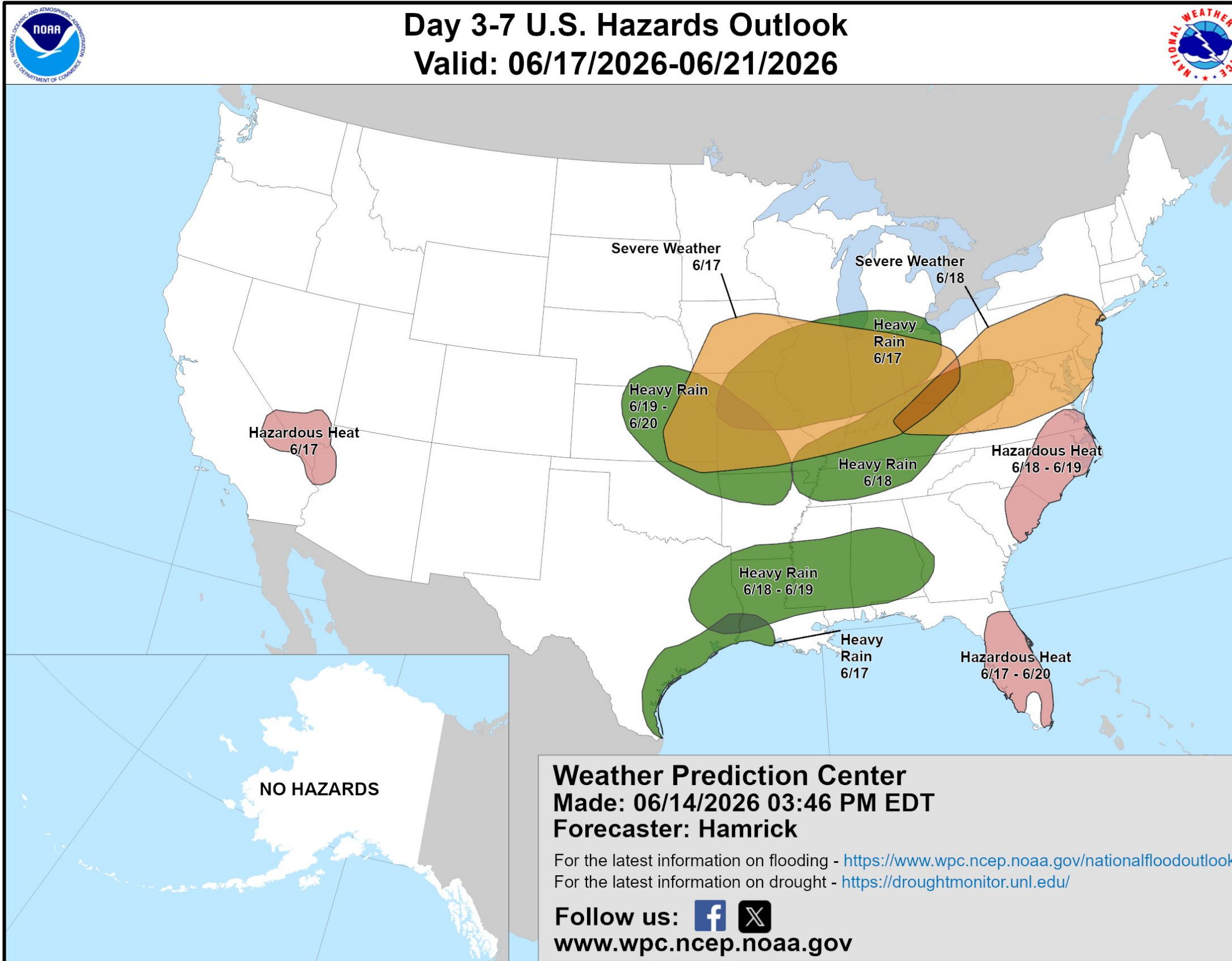
National Weather Service
Storm Prediction Center
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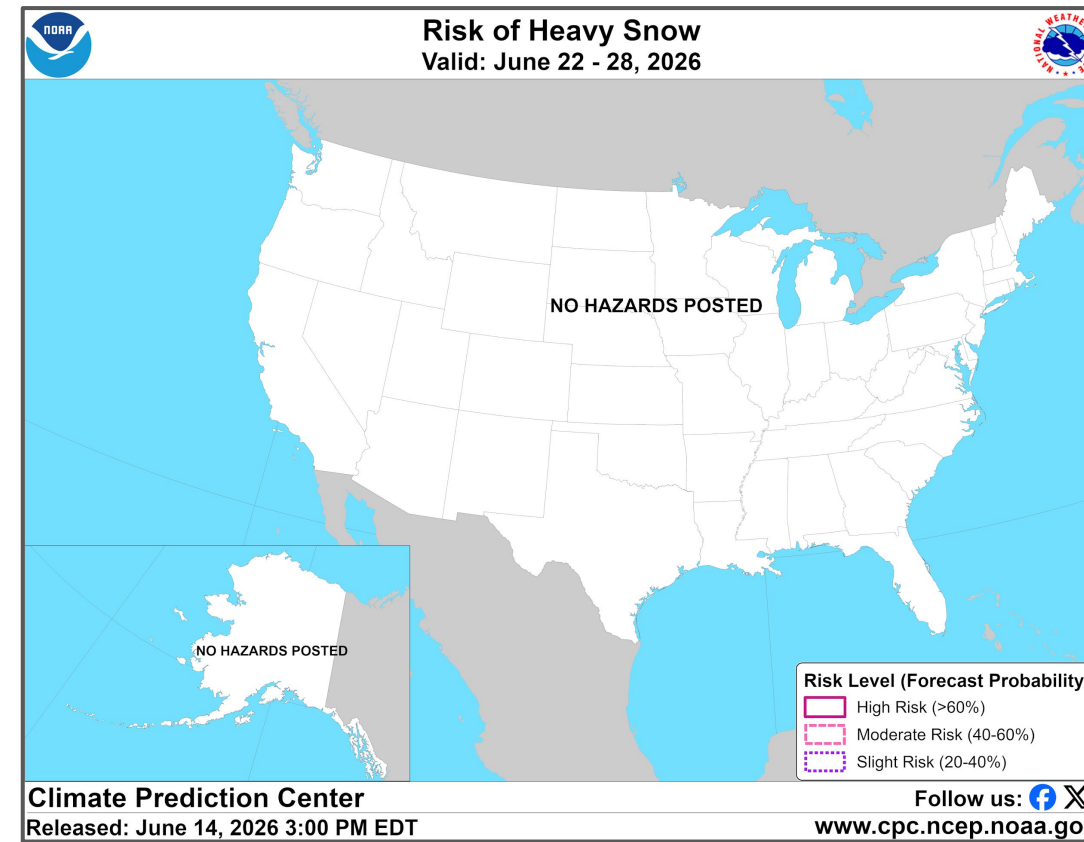
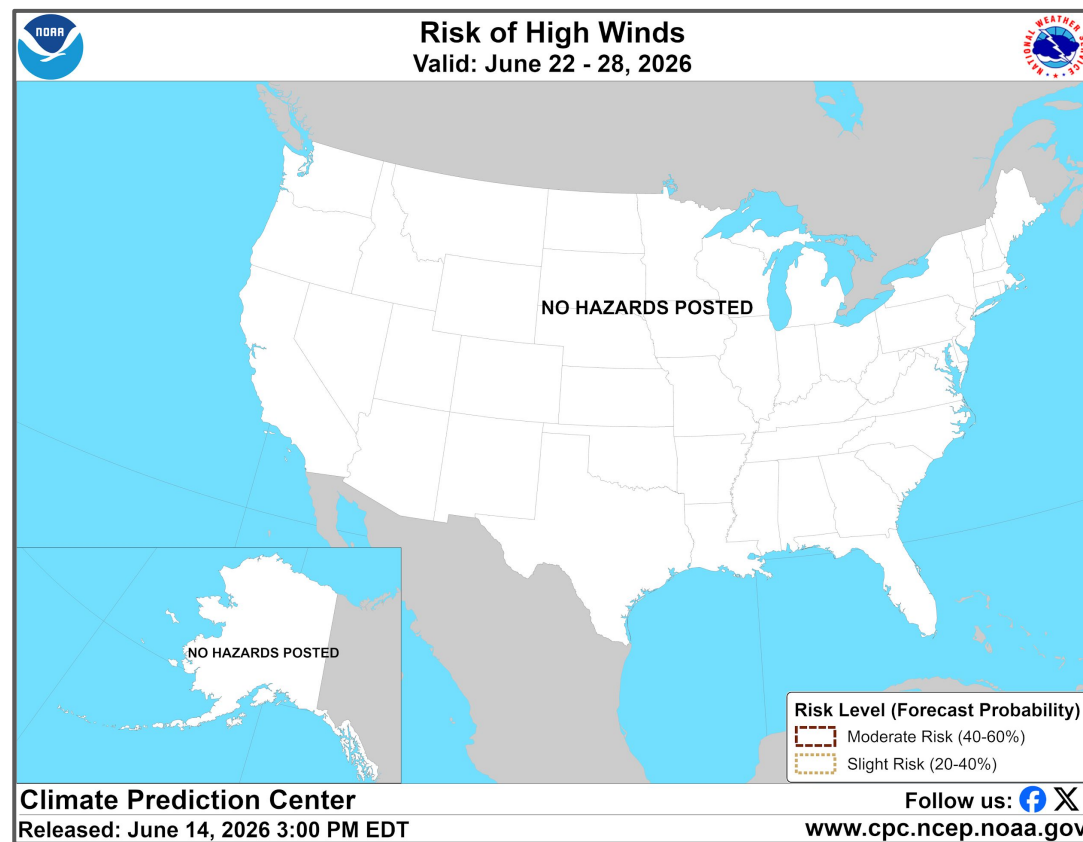
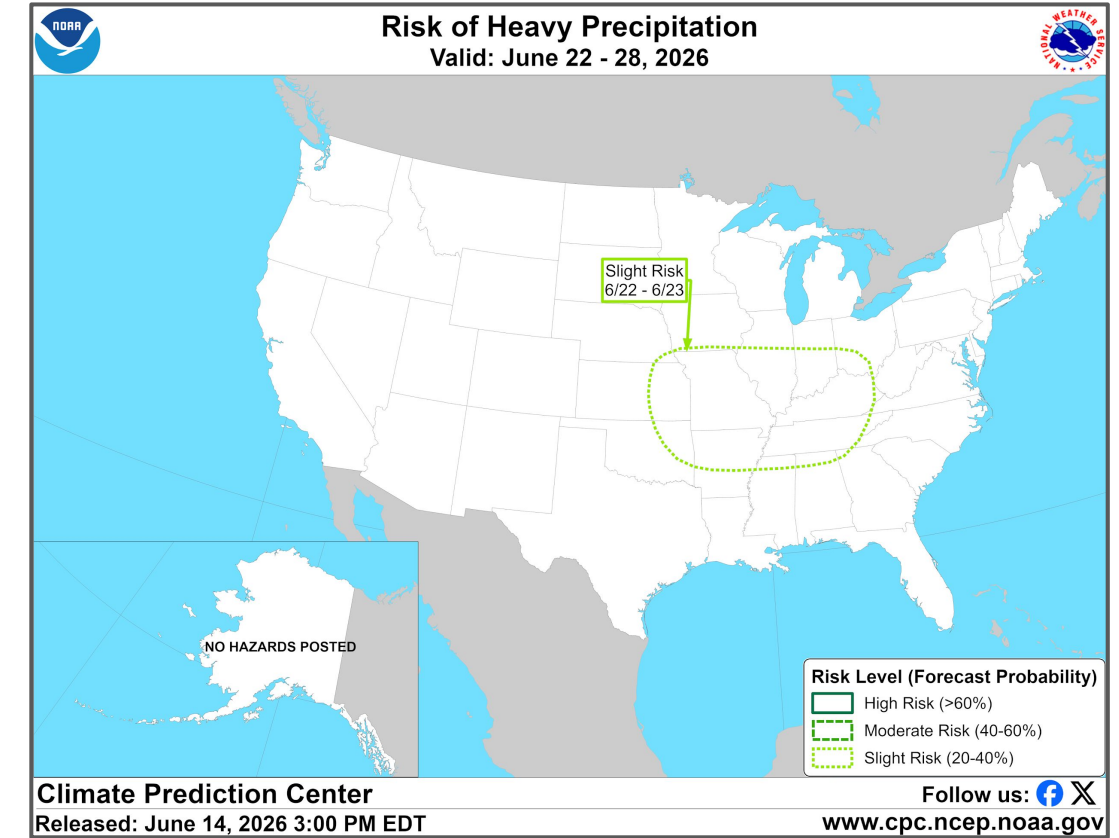
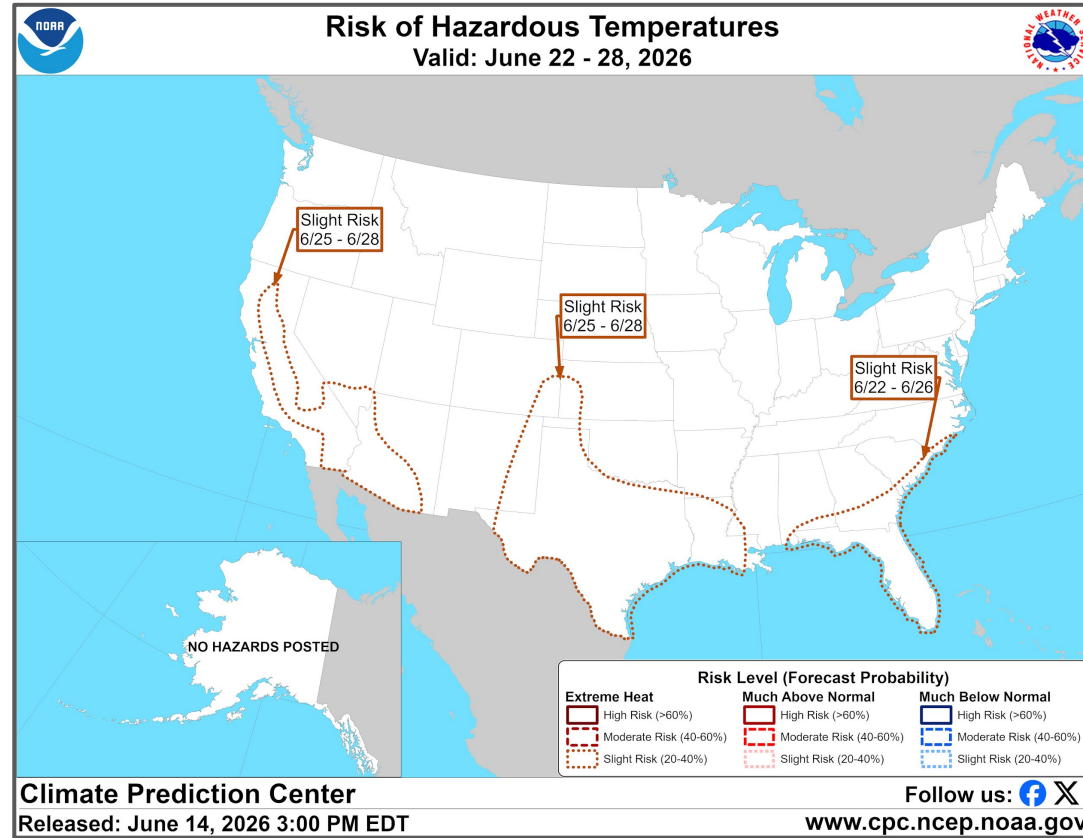
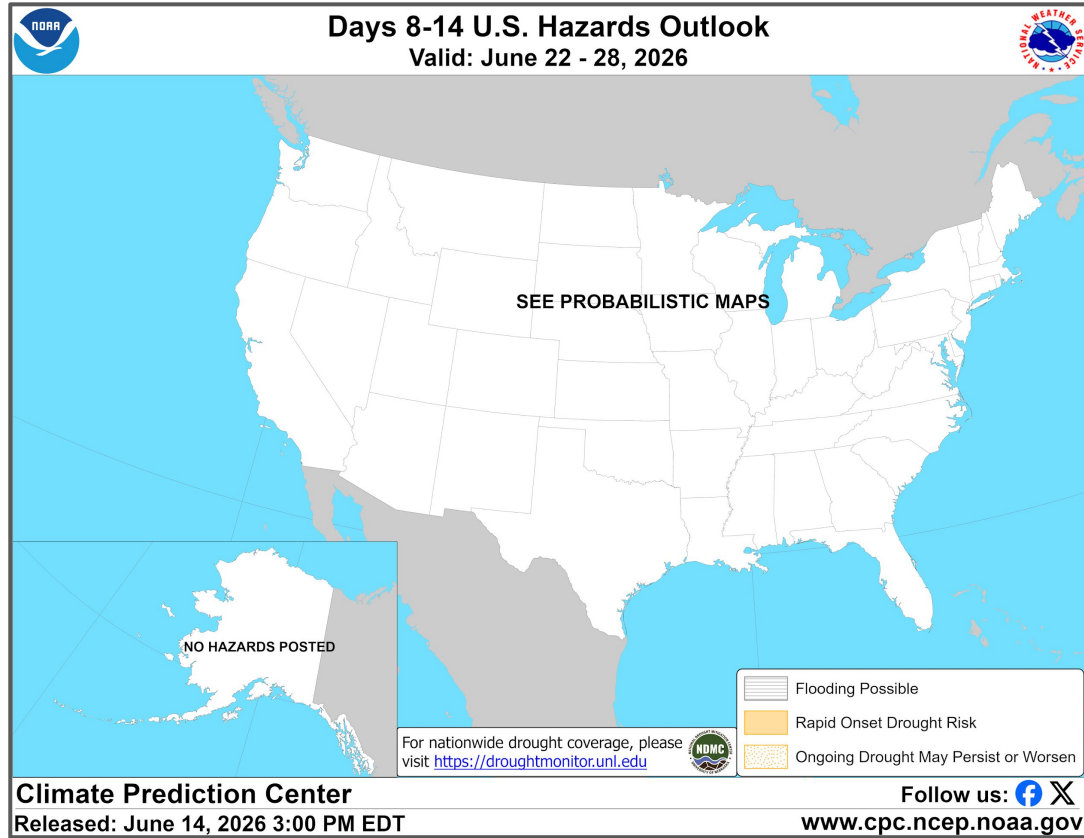


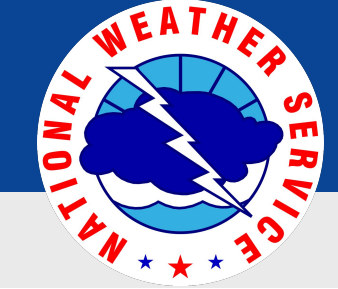
“Day 3-7” Hazards Outlook





"Day 8-14" Hazards Outlook

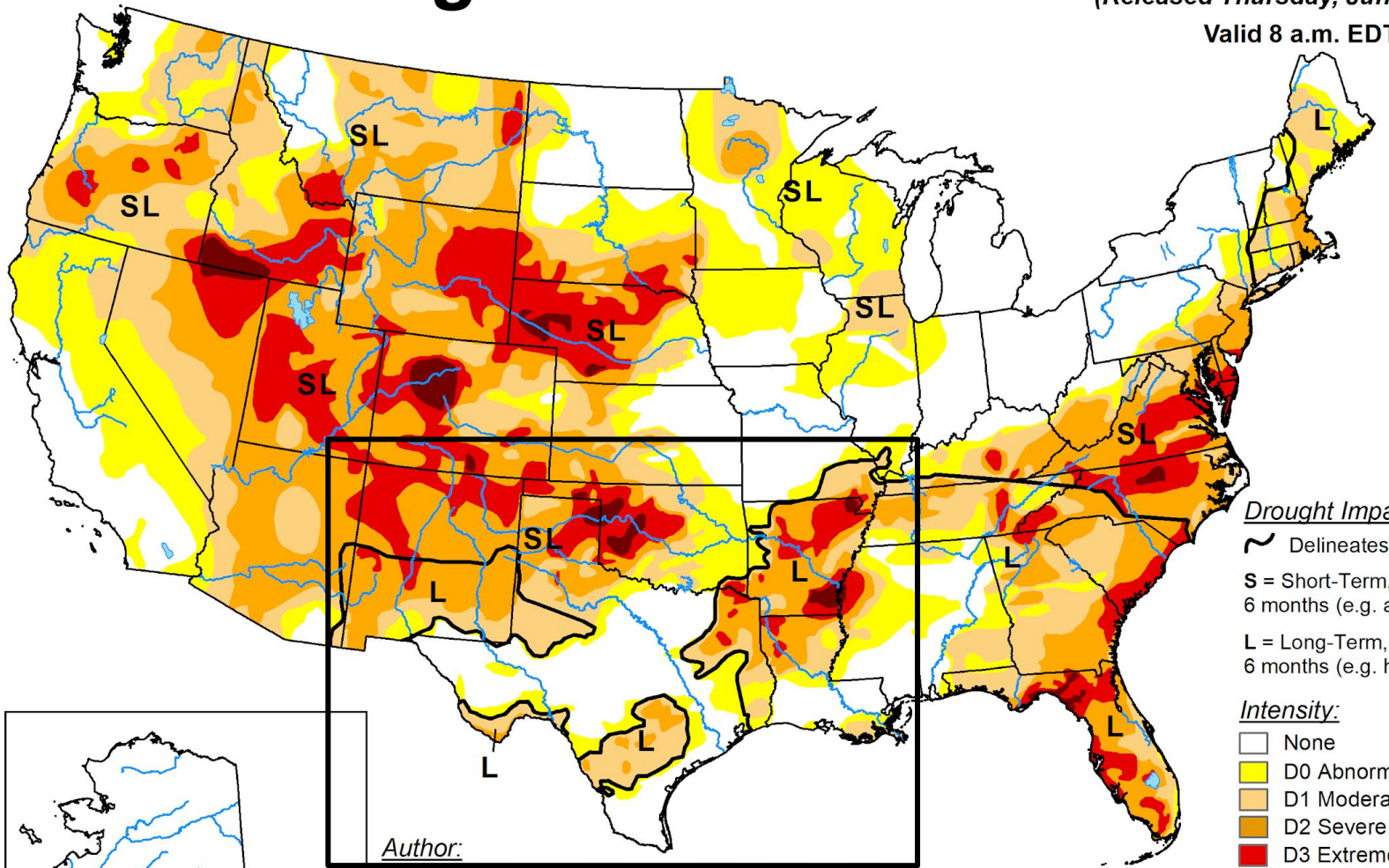




Drought Monitor

U.S. Drought Monitor

June 9, 2026
(Released Thursday, Jun. 11, 2026)
Valid 8 a.m. EDT



Drought Impact Types:
~ Delineates dominant impacts
S = Short-Term, typically less than 6 months (e.g. agriculture, grasslands)
L = Long-Term, typically greater than 6 months (e.g. hydrology, ecology)

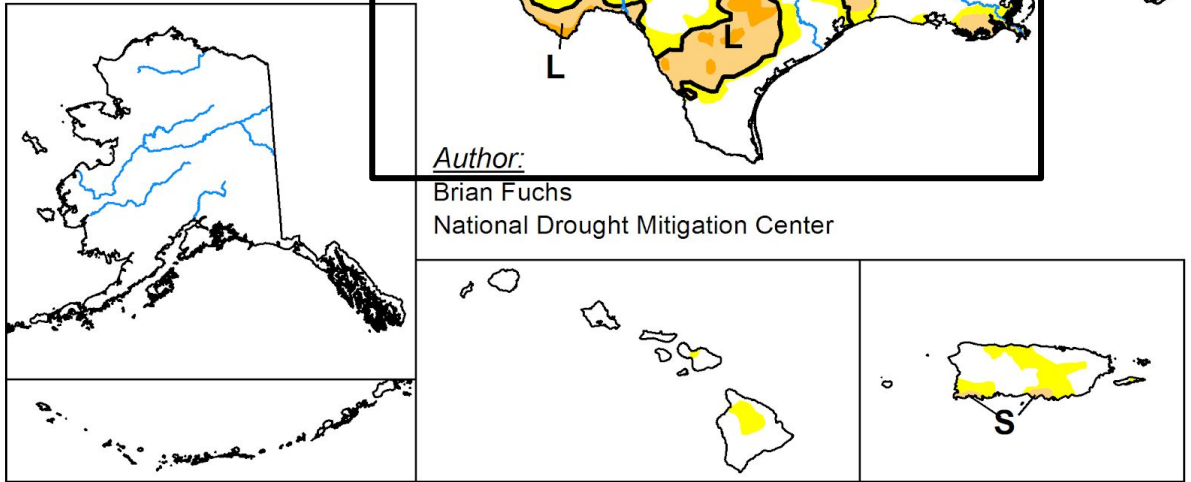
Intensity:
None
D0 Abnormally Dry
D1 Moderate Drought
D2 Severe Drought
D3 Extreme Drought
D4 Exceptional Drought

Author:
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National Drought Mitigation Center

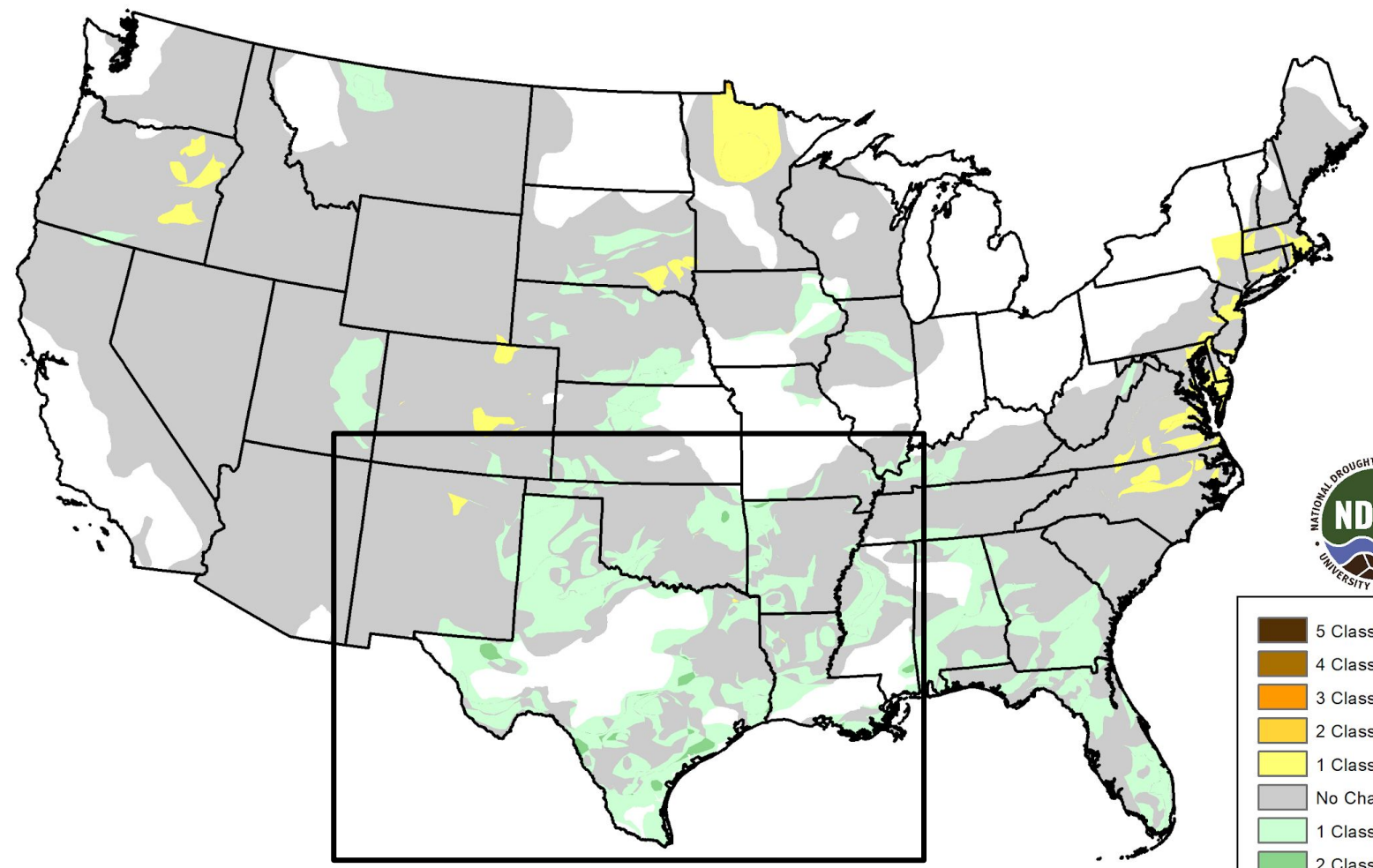
The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>



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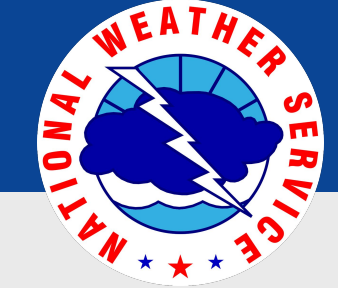
U.S. Drought Monitor Class Change - CONUS 1 Week



June 9, 2026
compared to
June 2, 2026

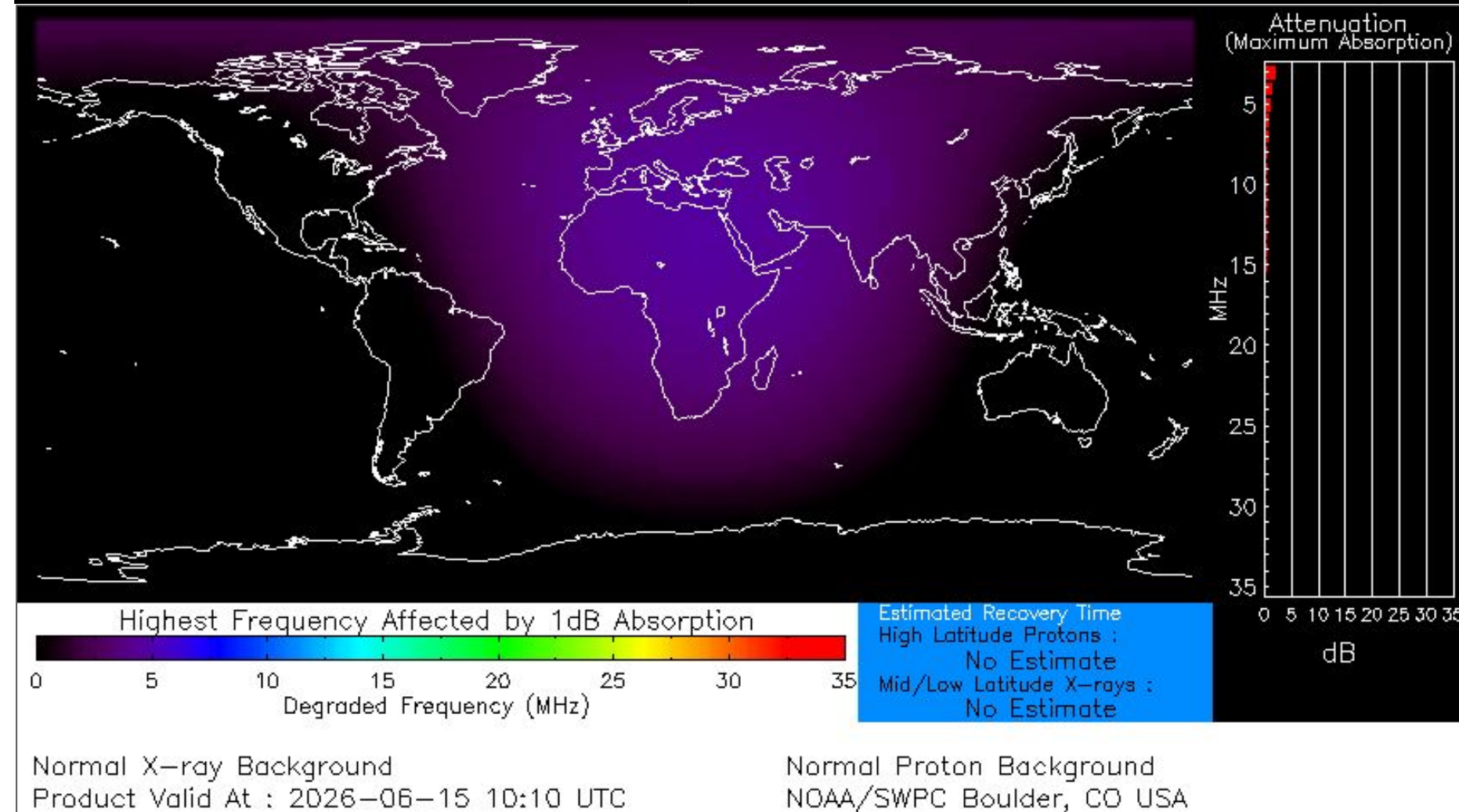
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Legend for Class Change:
5 Class Degradation (Dark Brown)
4 Class Degradation (Brown)
3 Class Degradation (Orange)
2 Class Degradation (Yellow-Orange)
1 Class Degradation (Yellow)
No Change (Grey)
1 Class Improvement (Light Green)
2 Class Improvement (Green)
3 Class Improvement (Dark Green)
4 Class Improvement (Teal)
5 Class Improvement (Dark Blue)



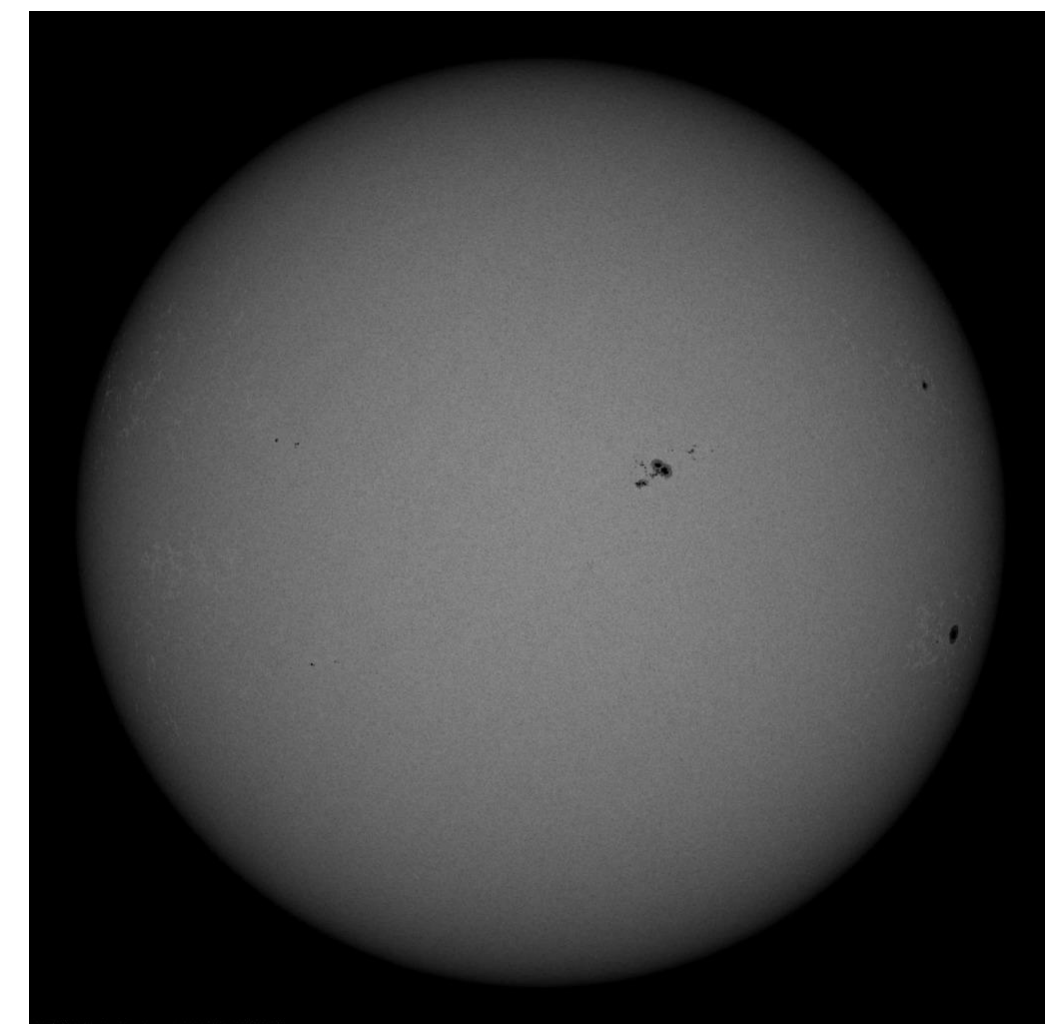
Space Weather 3-Day Forecast

	Monday, Jun 15	Tuesday, Jun 16	Wednesday, Jun 17
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)	15%	15%	15%
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

Criteria for the color codes in this briefing is to the left, please provide any feedback to

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