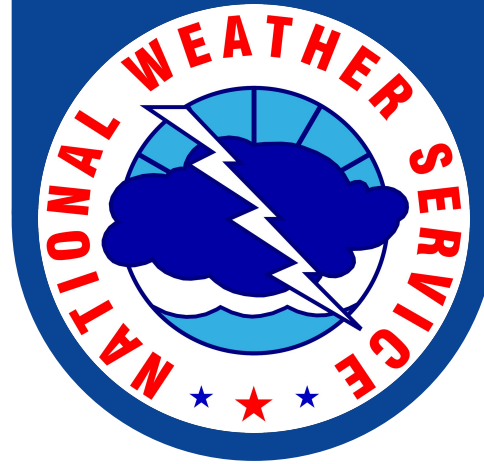




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FEMA Region 6 Weather Threat Briefing

Wednesday, July 08, 2026

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Summary

- **Flash Flooding:**

- **Marginal risk (level 1 of 4) over E TX, SE OK, AR, LA today; over OK Panhandle and NE AR Thursday; and over NE NM, TX Panhandle, N OK, N AR Friday**
- **Slight Risk (level 2 of 4) over N AR and a Marginal Risk (level 1 of 4) over E OK, AR, SW NM Saturday; over E OK and AR Sunday.**

- **Severe Storms:**

- **Slight risk (level 2 of 5) Thursday over TX/OK Panhandle and a Marginal risk (level 1 of 5) over SW and NE NM.**
- **Marginal risk (level 1 of 5) Friday over NE NM, TX/OK Panhandle, N OK, N AR.**

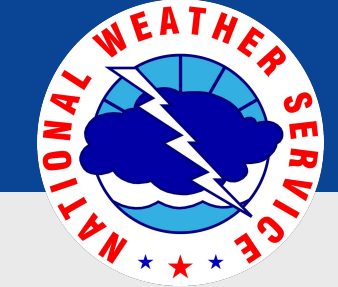
- **Fire Weather:**

- **Monitoring for dry lightning in NW NM today.**
- **Elevated risk (level 1 of 3) on Thursday over NW NM.**

- **Tropical:**

- **No development expected over the next 7 days.**





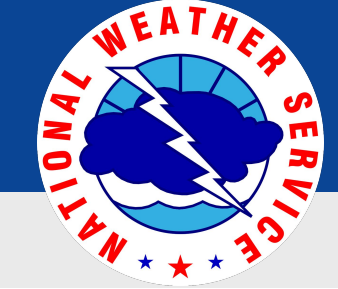
FEMA Region 6 Threat Matrix

Next 7 days

	Wednesday, Jul 8	Thursday, Jul 9	Friday, Jul 10	Saturday, Jul 11	Sunday, Jul 12	Monday, Jul 13	Tuesday, Jul 14
Severe Storms		TX/OK Panhandle SW and NE NM	NE NM, TX/OK Panhandle, N OK, N AR				
Heavy Rain / Flash Flooding	E TX, SE OK, AR, LA	OK Panhandle, NE AR	NE NM, TX Panhandle, N OK, N AR	N AR E OK, AR, SW NM	E OK, AR		
Fire Weather	NW NM	NW NM					
Tropical							
River Flooding							

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

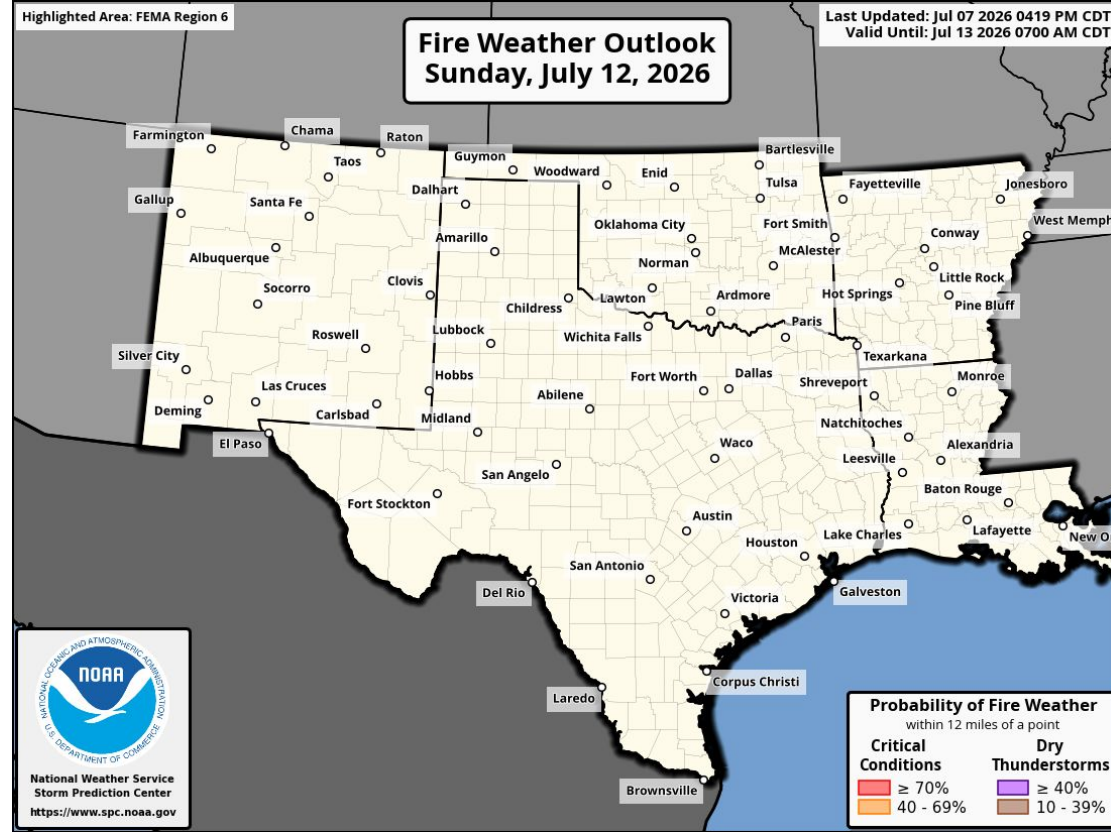
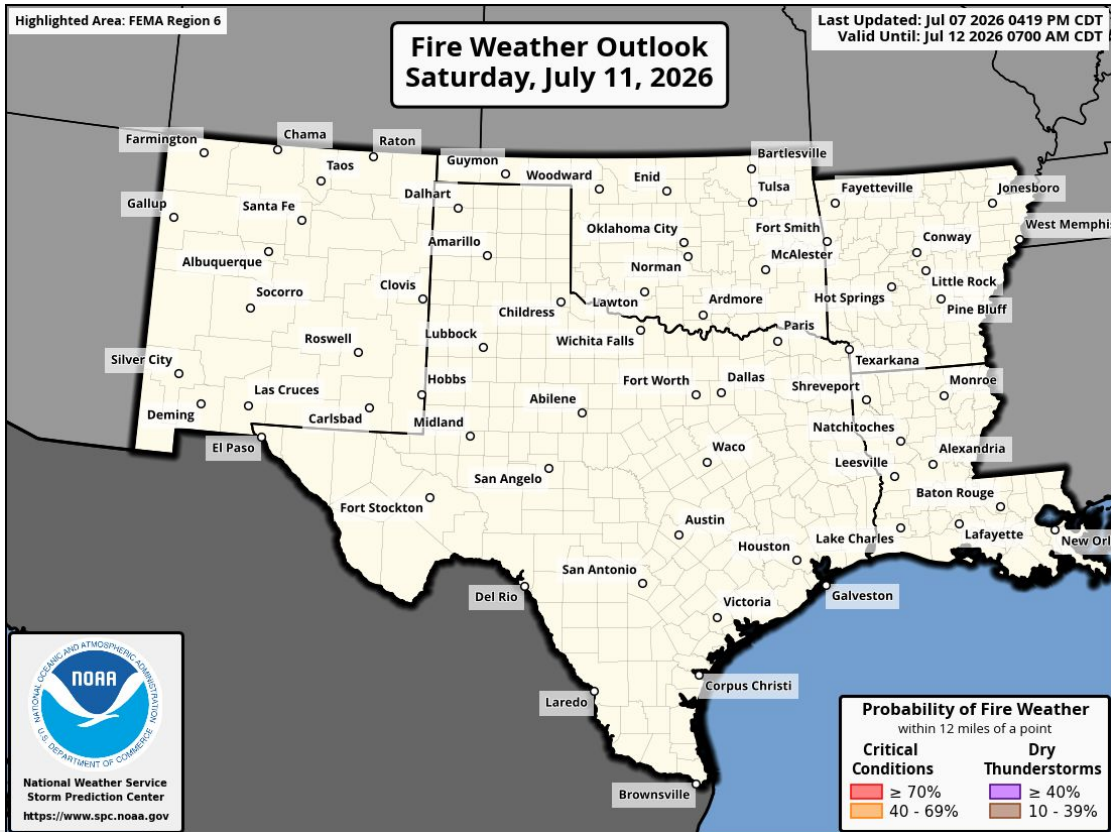
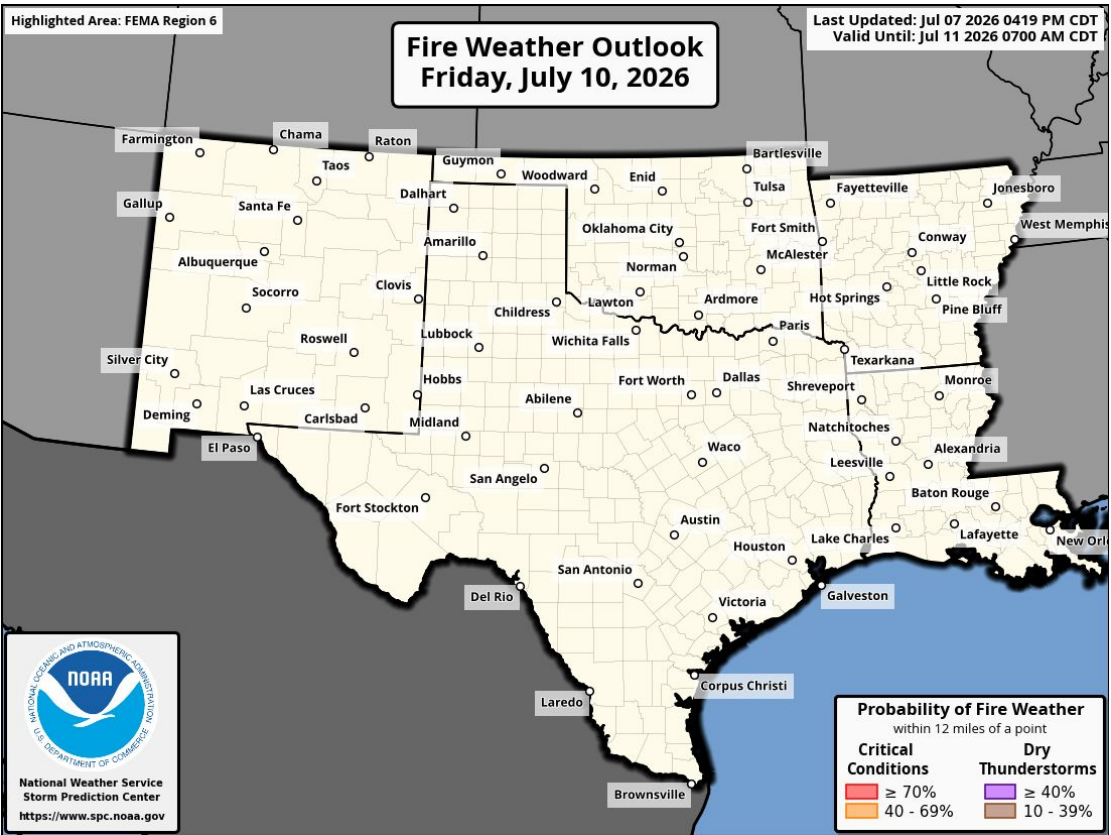
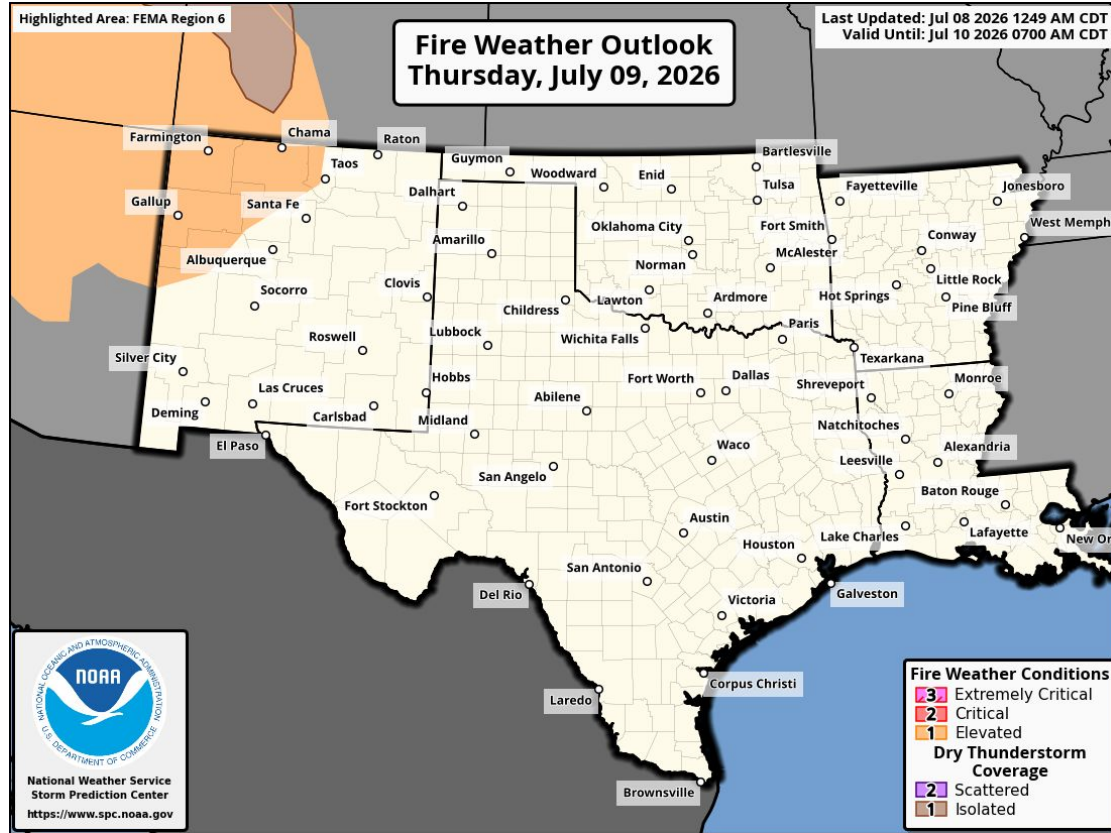
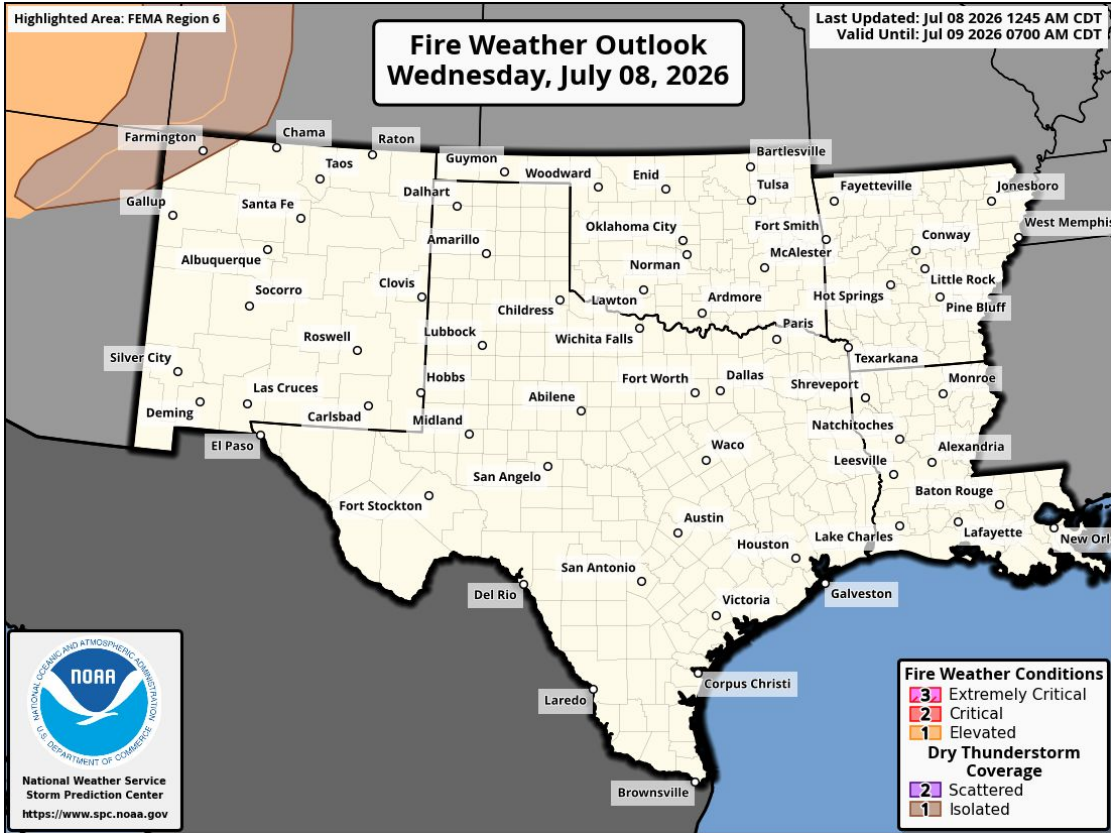
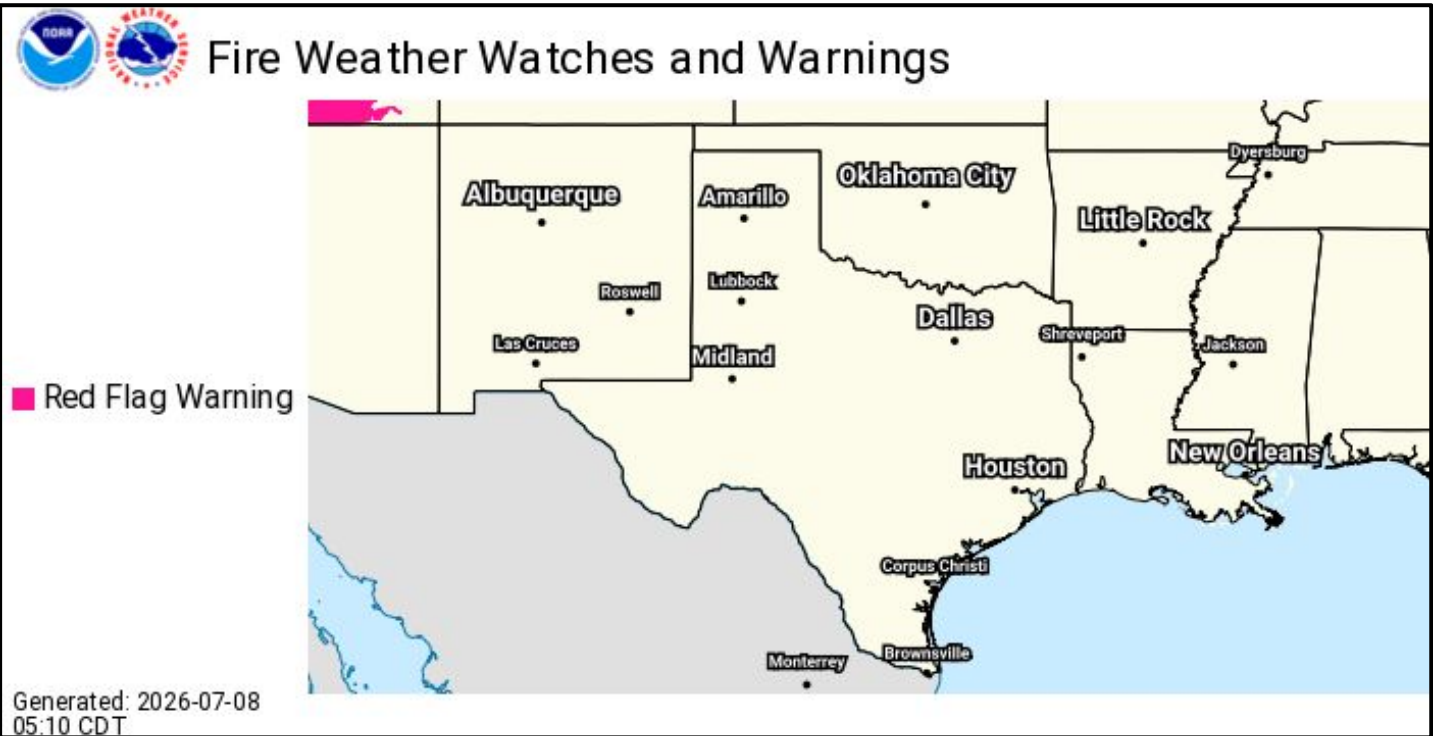


No significant Watches/Warnings in effect at this time in FEMA 6.





Fire Weather Outlooks

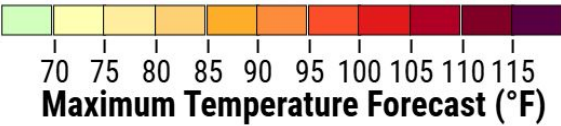




FEMA 6 Max Temps/Heat Index/Heat Risk Forecast

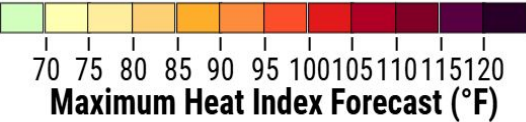
Maximum Temperature (°F) Forecast

	7/8	7/9	7/10	7/11	7/12	7/13	7/14	7/15	Temp Max
	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	
Abilene	99	100	100	100	96	95	96	98	100
Albuquerque	99	100	101	100	96	95	95	95	101
Amarillo	99	98	98	95	91	91	93	94	99
Austin	98	97	95	95	95	95	96	97	98
Brownsville	94	92	92	93	94	94	96	96	96
Dallas	98	101	100	99	97	95	94	94	101
El Paso	99	102	103	102	97	94	94	94	103
Enid	97	98	95	93	90	91	92	94	98
Fayetteville	91	94	92	89	88	89	91	92	94
Fort Davis	89	92	93	92	86	84	84	83	93
Houston, TX	97	96	95	94	93	94	94	95	97
Little Rock	92	96	95	93	89	92	91	93	96
Lubbock	97	98	98	97	93	91	93	93	98
Midland/Odessa	95	98	98	96	94	92	94	93	98
New Orleans, LA	93	93	92	92	91	88	90	90	93
Oklahoma City	100	101	98	96	91	91	93	95	101
San Antonio	95	95	93	93	93	93	94	94	95
Santa Fe	89	90	91	90	88	86	87	87	91
Shreveport	93	95	95	94	93	89	93	92	95
Tulsa	97	99	96	93	90	93	94	96	99



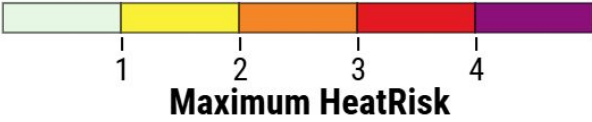
Maximum Heat Index (°F) Forecast

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	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	
Abilene	99	99	101	102	100	98	98	99	102
Albuquerque	94	96	95	95	93	92	91	91	96
Amarillo	96	95	96	95	90	90	91	92	96
Austin	104	103	104	104	105	104	104	104	105
Brownsville	102	100	102	105	106	105	104	104	106
Dallas	102	104	104	105	105	104	102	100	105
El Paso	95	98	100	98	94	92	92	91	100
Enid	99	100	99	100	96	97	96	97	100
Fayetteville	95	100	98	96	95	95	96	97	100
Fort Davis	86	89	90	90	85	83	83	82	90
Houston, TX	107	104	106	106	106	106	105	106	107
Little Rock	101	106	105	103	100	103	101	103	106
Lubbock	94	95	96	96	94	91	93	91	96
Midland/Odessa	94	97	98	97	95	93	94	92	98
New Orleans, LA	107	107	107	108	106	102	103	103	108
Oklahoma City	102	103	101	103	98	97	97	98	103
San Antonio	101	101	101	102	102	101	100	99	102
Santa Fe	86	86	87	86	85	83	84	84	87
Shreveport	103	103	102	103	103	99	103	101	103
Tulsa	106	107	105	103	99	102	102	104	107



Maximum HeatRisk Forecast

	7/8	7/9	7/10	7/11	7/12	7/13	7/14	7/15	HeatRisk Max
	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	
Abilene	3	3	3	3	2	2	2	2	3
Albuquerque	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Amarillo	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	2
Austin	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3
Brownsville	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3
Dallas	2	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	3
El Paso	2	2	3	2	2	2	1	1	3
Enid	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	2
Fayetteville	2	3	2	2	1	1	1	2	3
Fort Davis	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	2
Houston, TX	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Little Rock	1	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	3
Lubbock	2	3	3	2	2	1	2	2	3
Midland/Odessa	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	2
New Orleans, LA	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Oklahoma City	3	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	3
San Antonio	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
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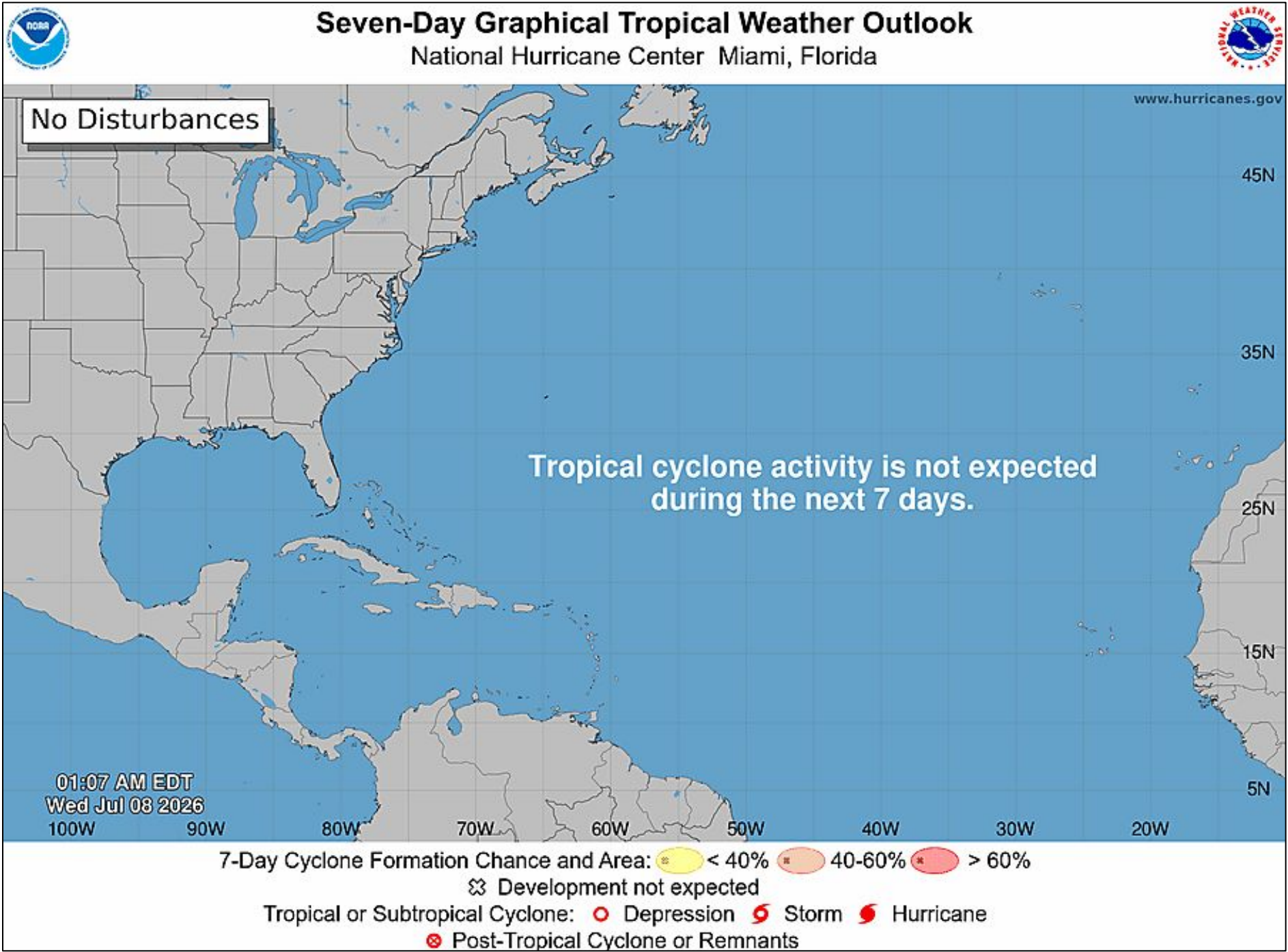
Tropical Weather Outlook – Atlantic/Gulf

Areas of Possible Development

Area	Chance of Development	Potential Impacts to FEMA 6

Active Tropical Cyclones

Storm	Potential Impacts to FEMA 6



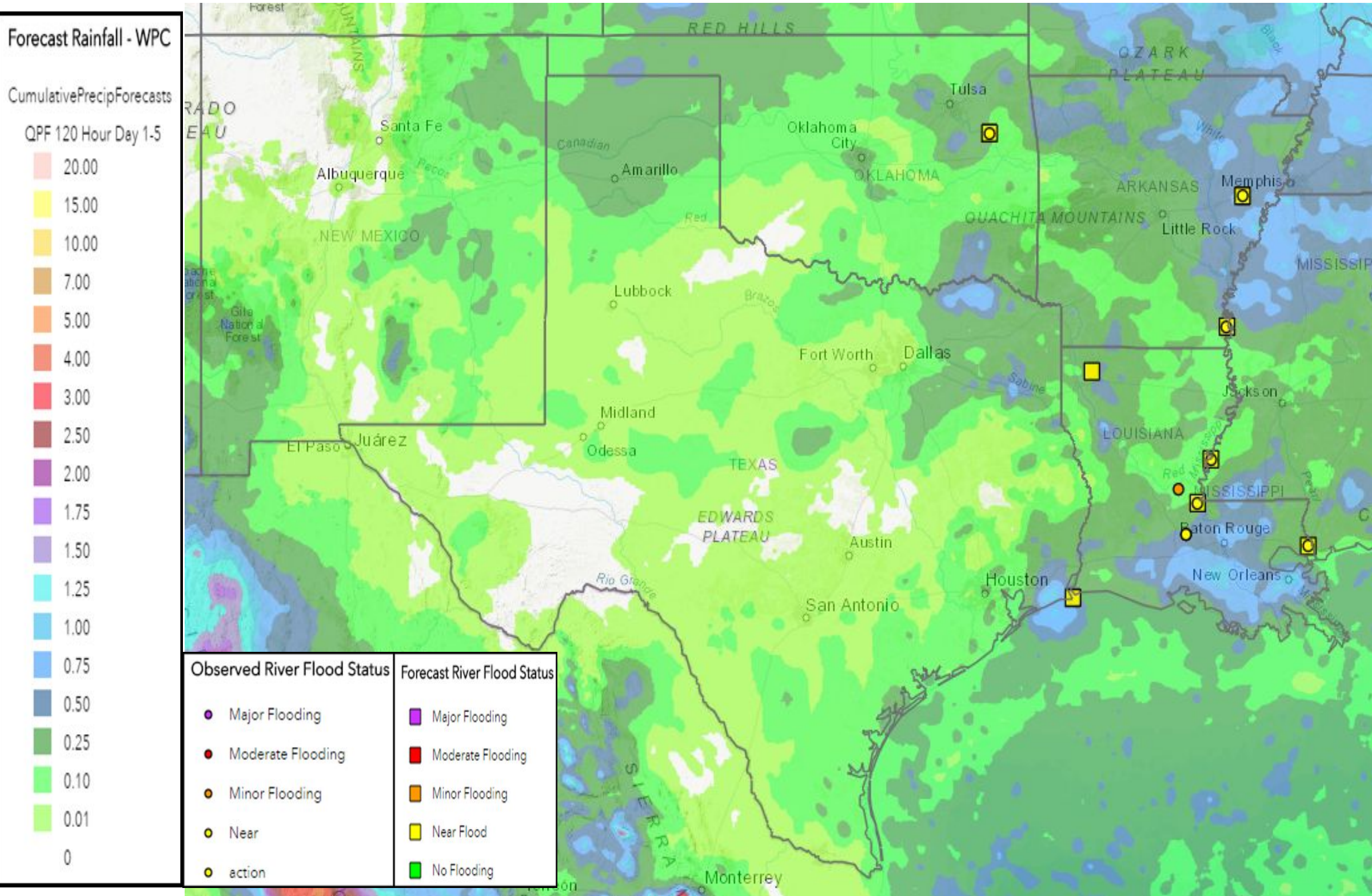
See <http://www.hurricanes.gov> for the latest on the tropics or any active storms





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



No significant river flooding is expected.

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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See <https://water.noaa.gov/> for latest river flooding

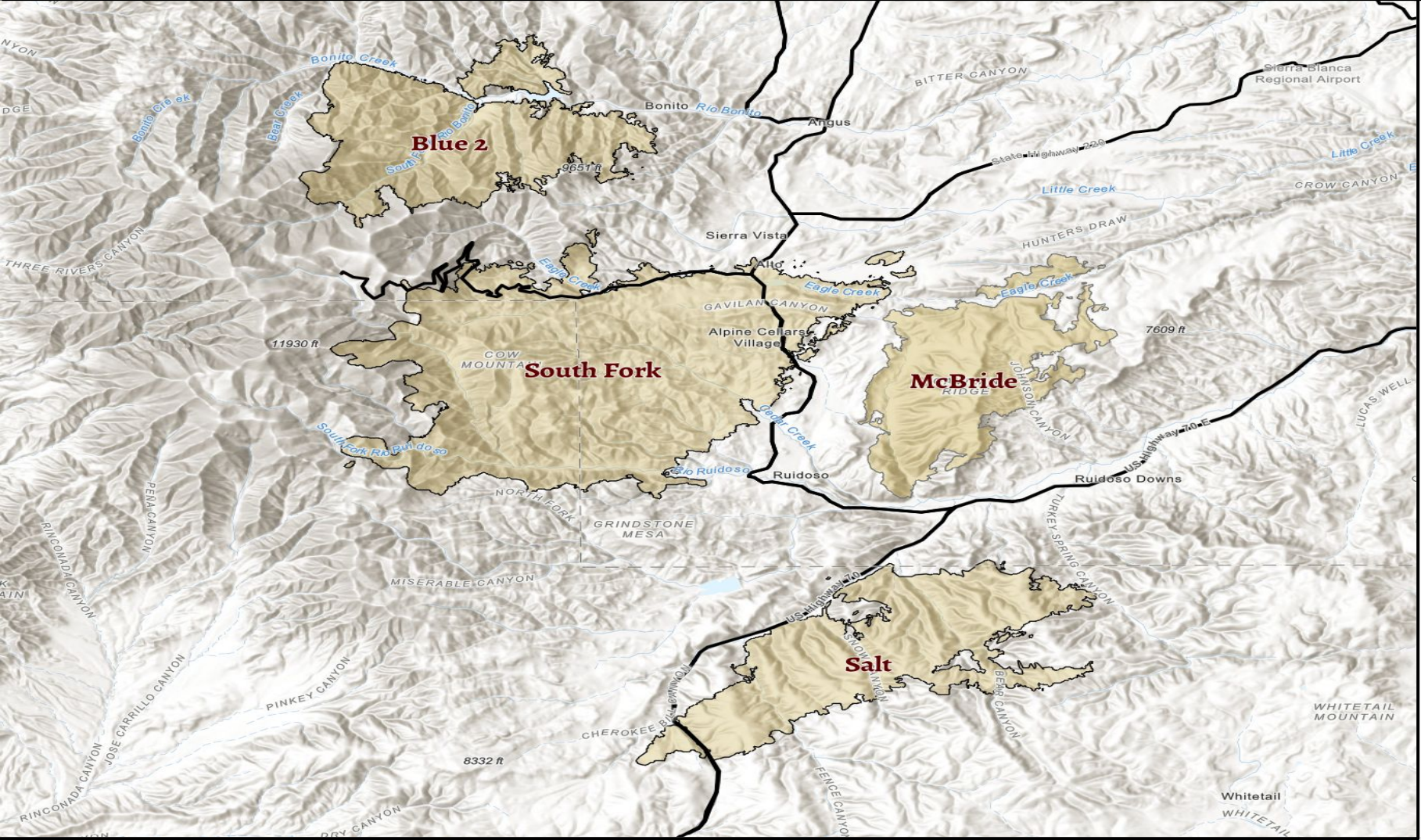
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Burn Scar Debris Flow Risk - Ruidoso, New Mexico

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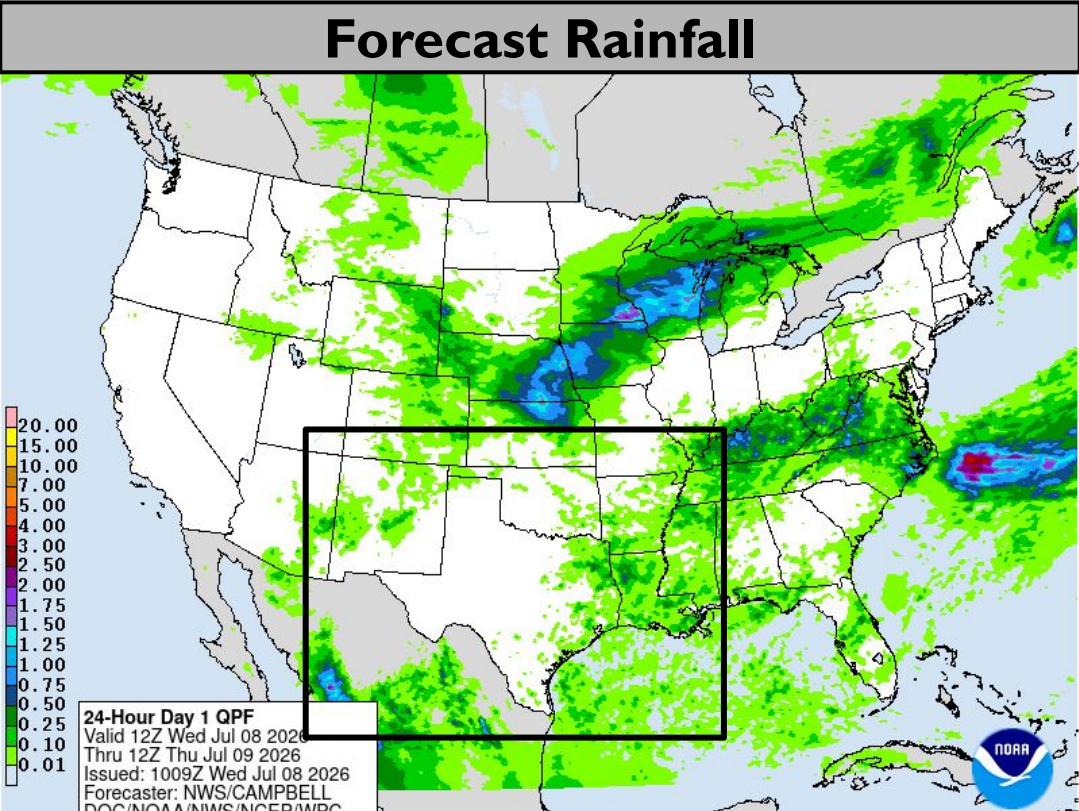
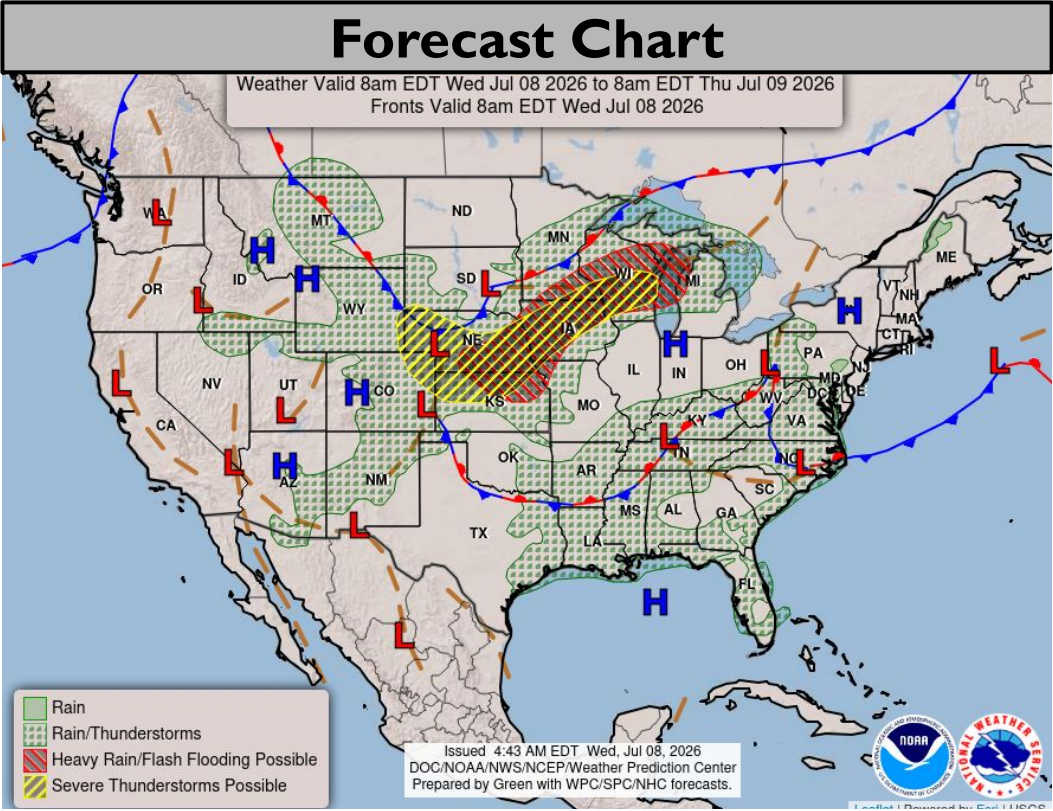
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Flash Flooding	Low	Moderate	Low	Moderate	Moderate
Timing - CDT		Afternoon/Evening		Afternoon/Evening	Afternoon/Evening



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.
WPC's Excessive Rainfall Outlook is <i>Not Applicable</i> to burn scars.	

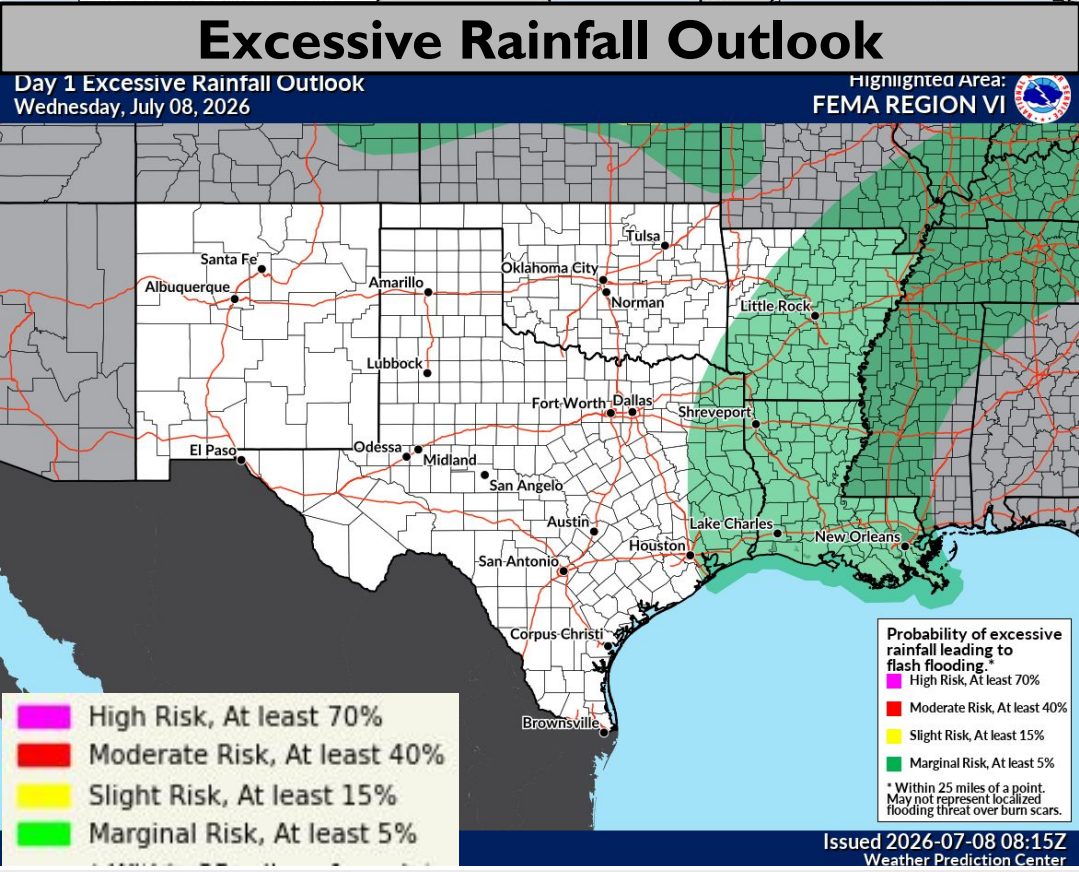
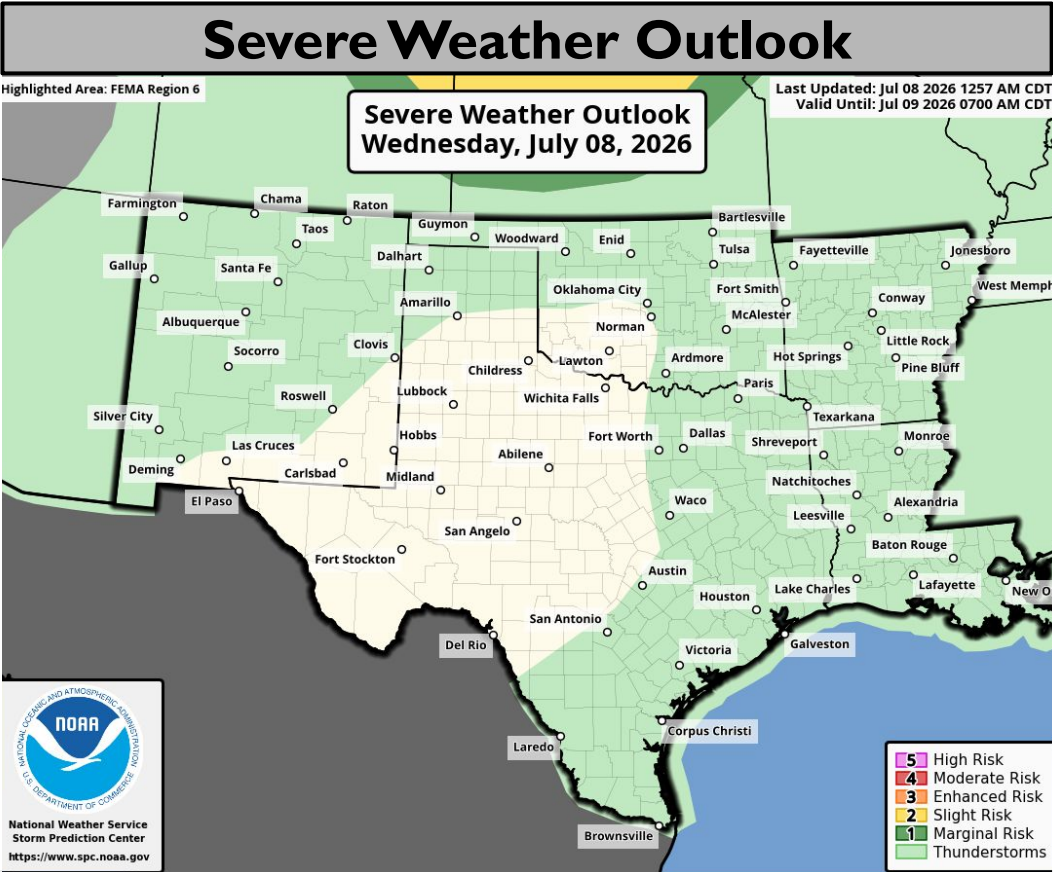


Today's Weather



Marginal risk (level 1 of 4) for flash flooding in E TX, SE OK, AR, LA.

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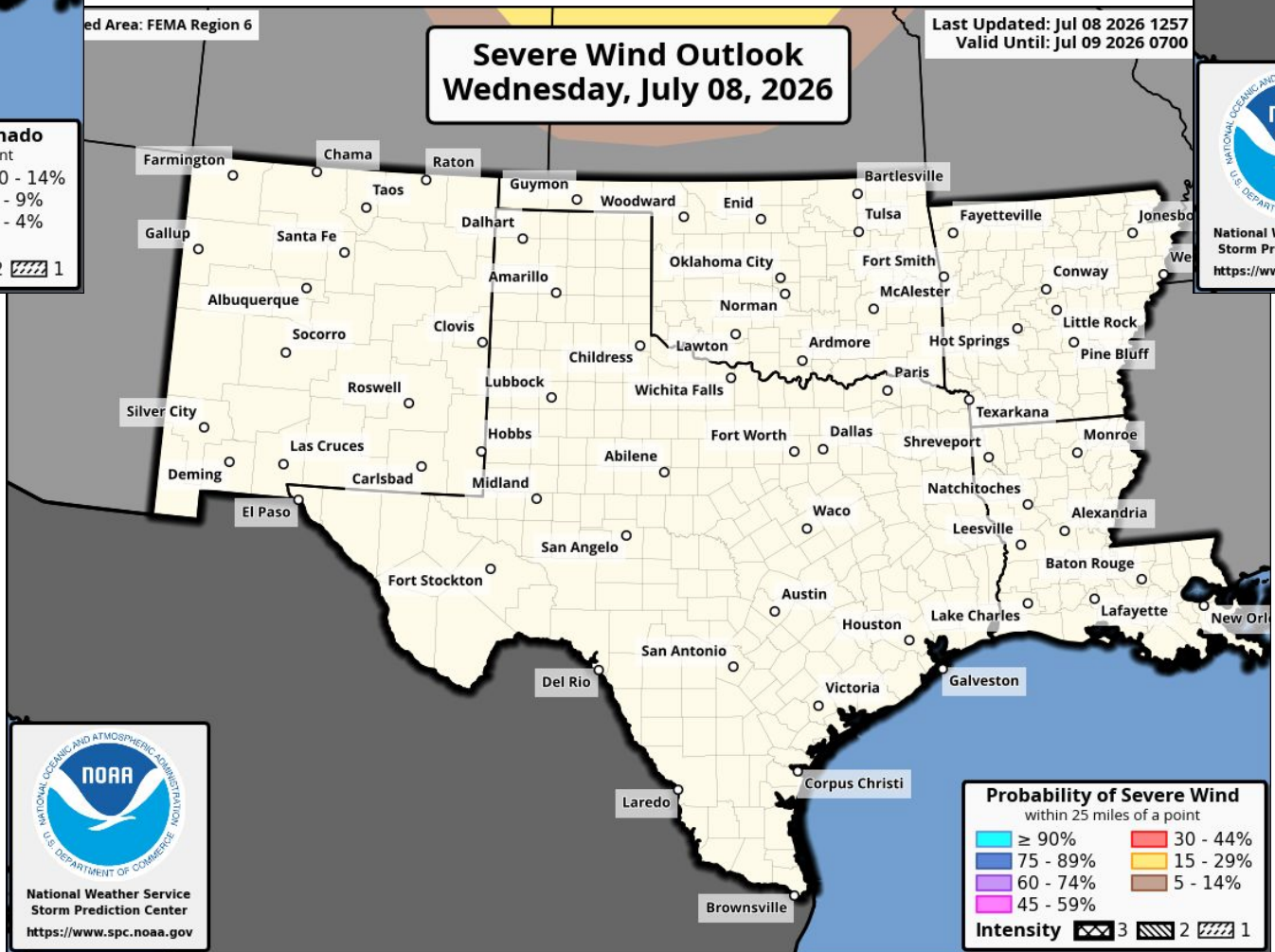
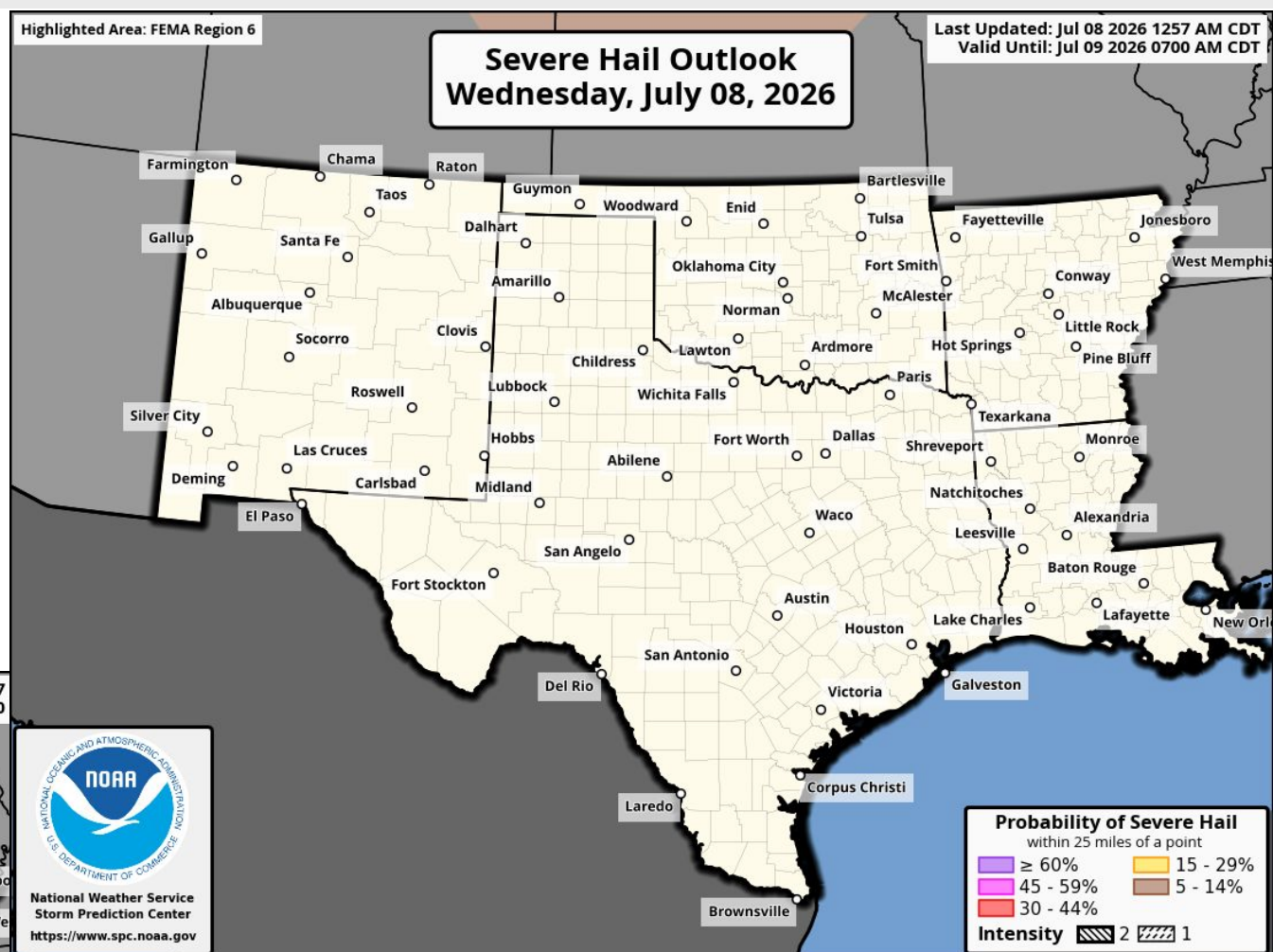
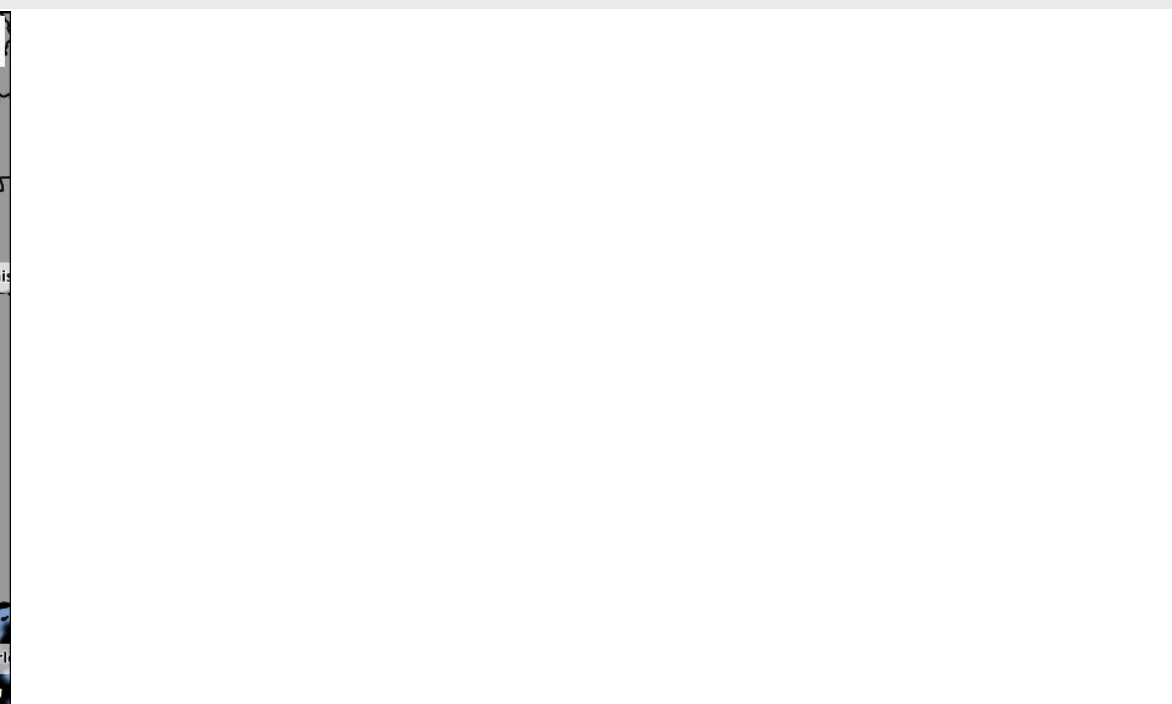
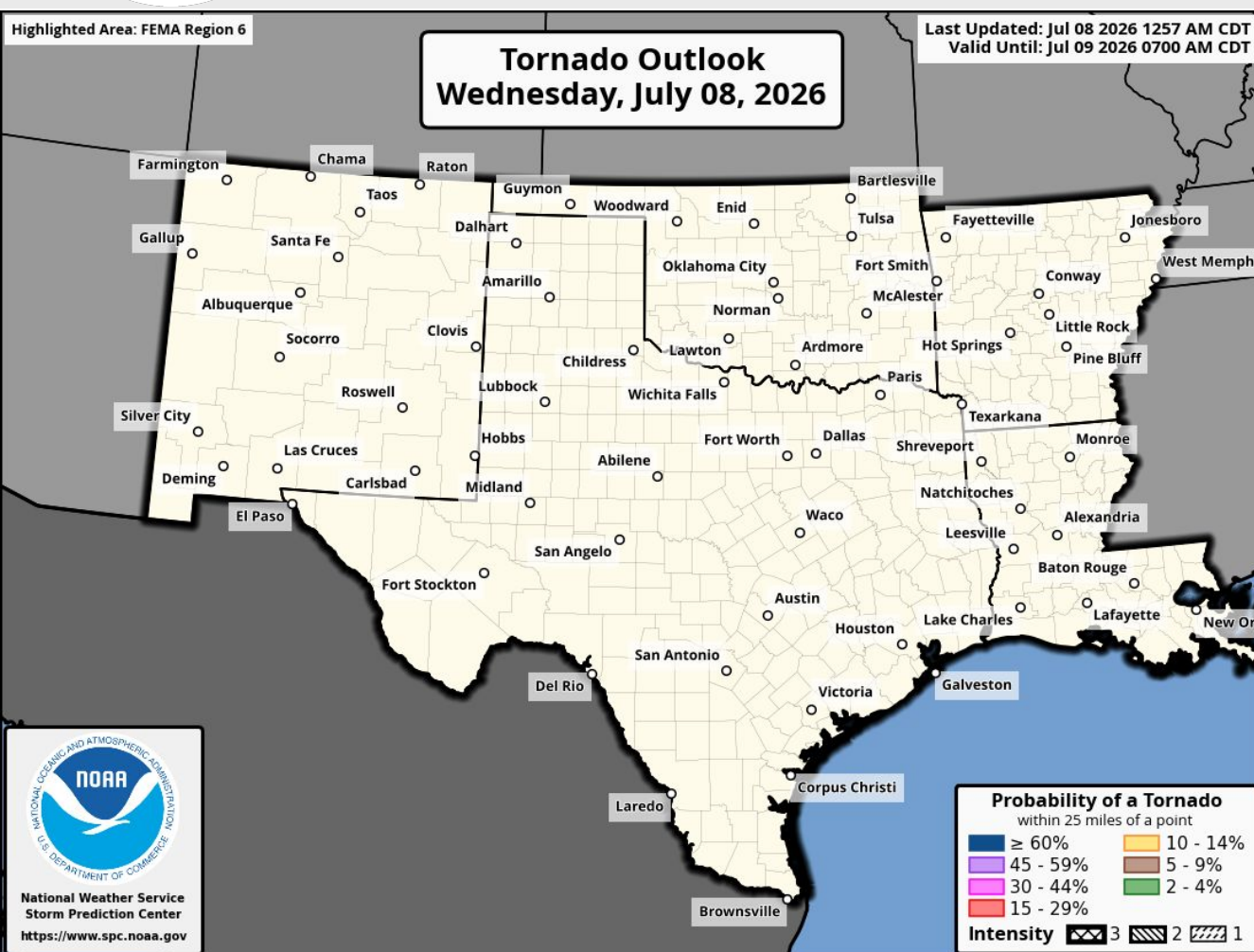


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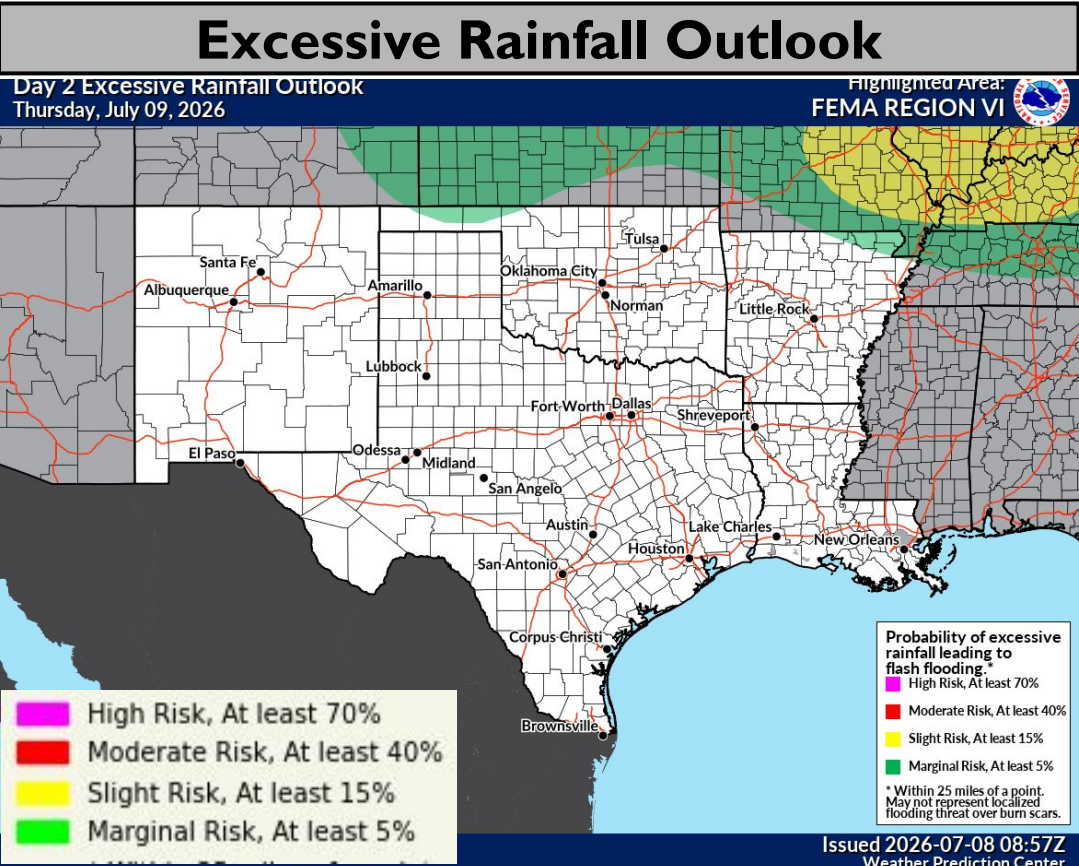
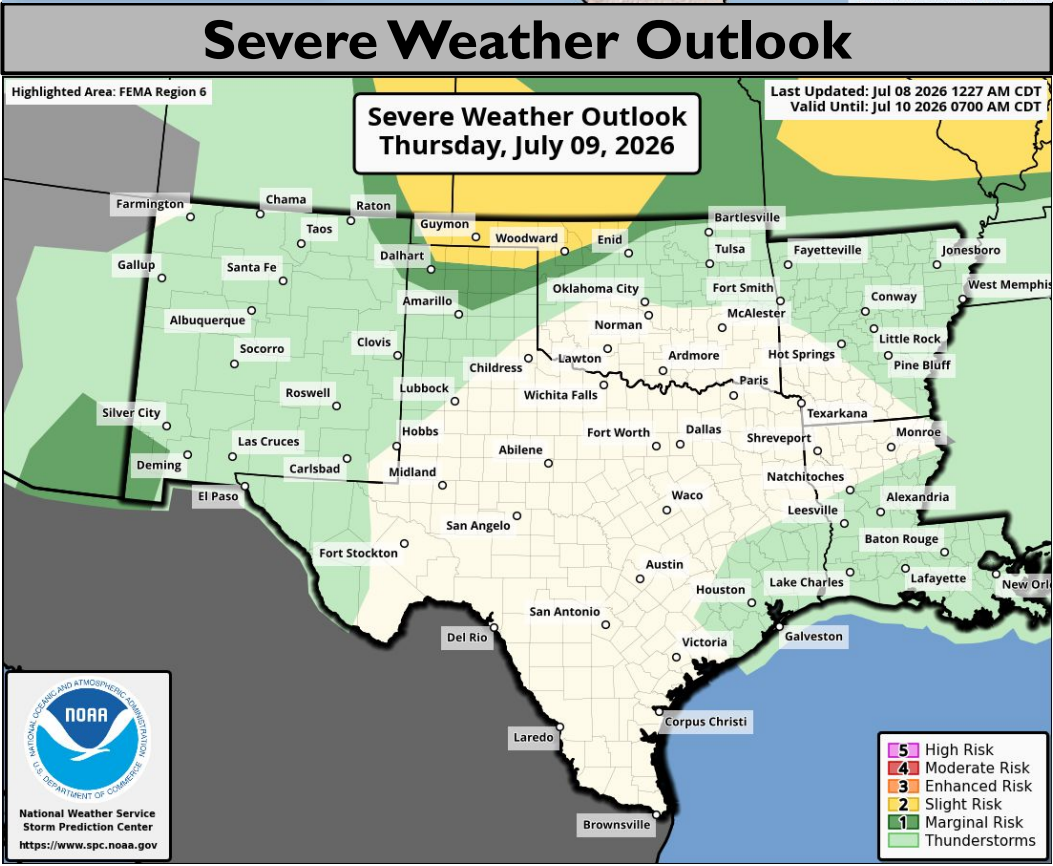
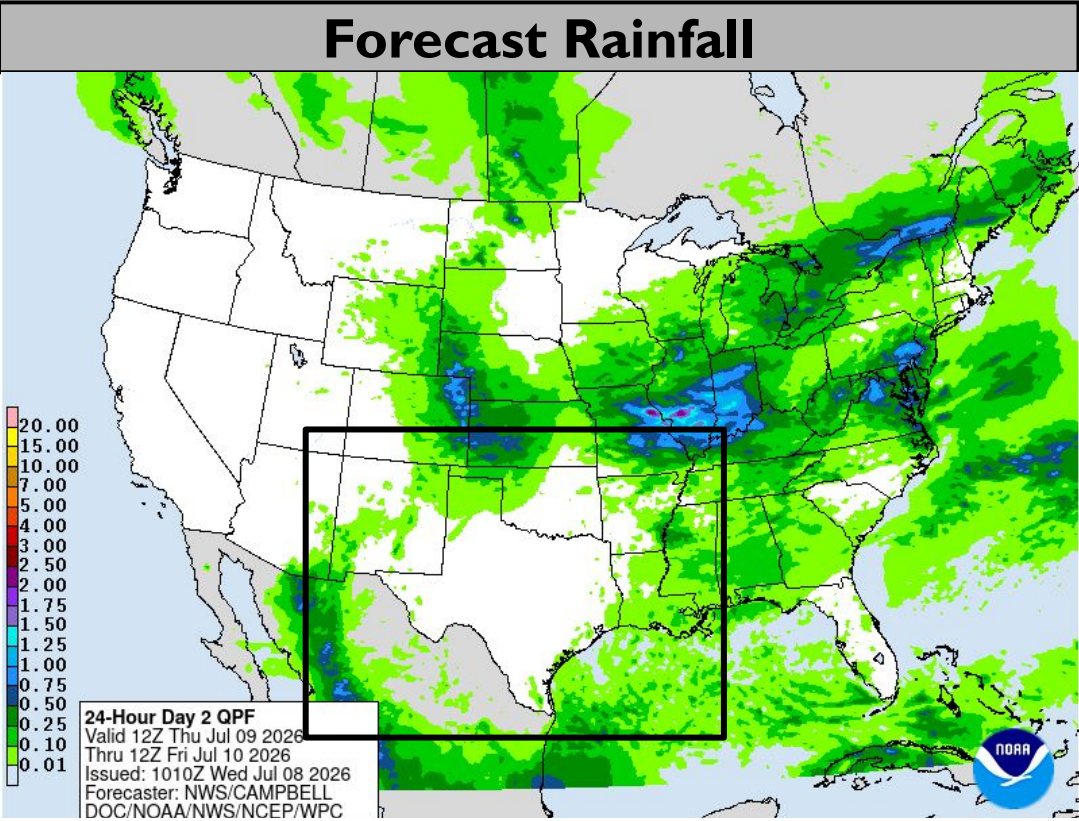
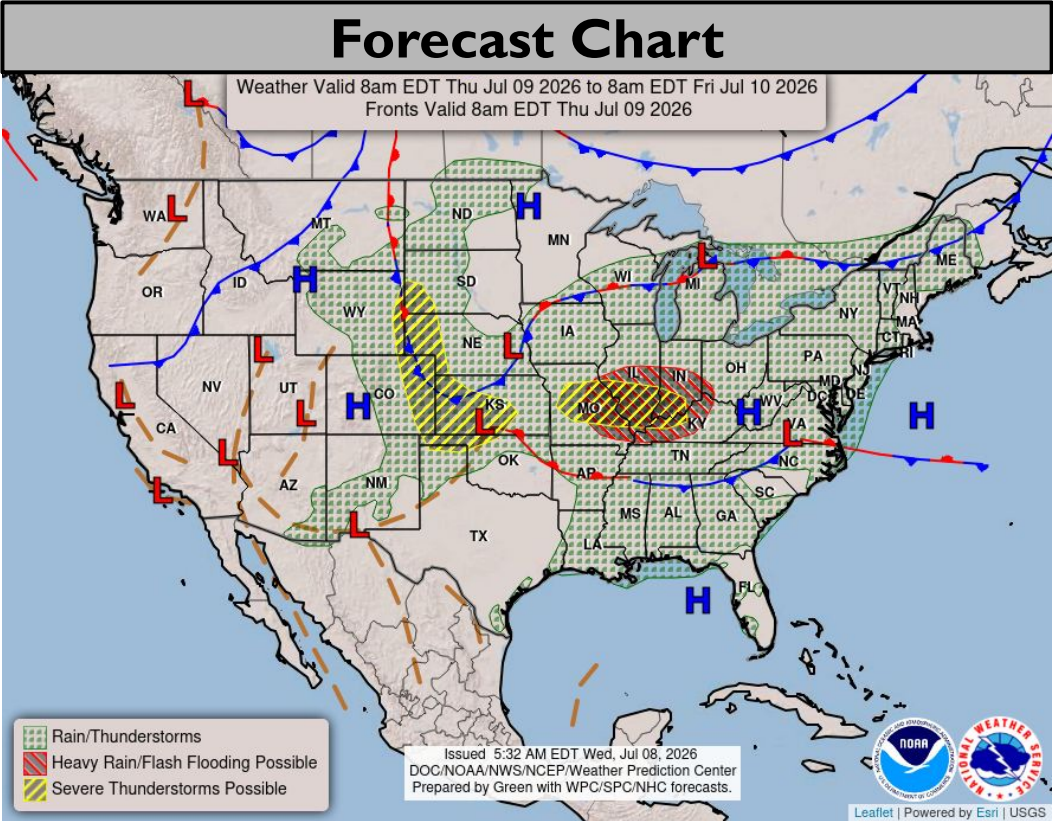


Today's Tornado & Severe Wind / Hail Probabilities





Tomorrow's Weather



Slight risk (level 2 of 5) for severe weather in TX/OK Panhandle

Marginal risk (level 1 of 5) for severe storms in SW and NE NM

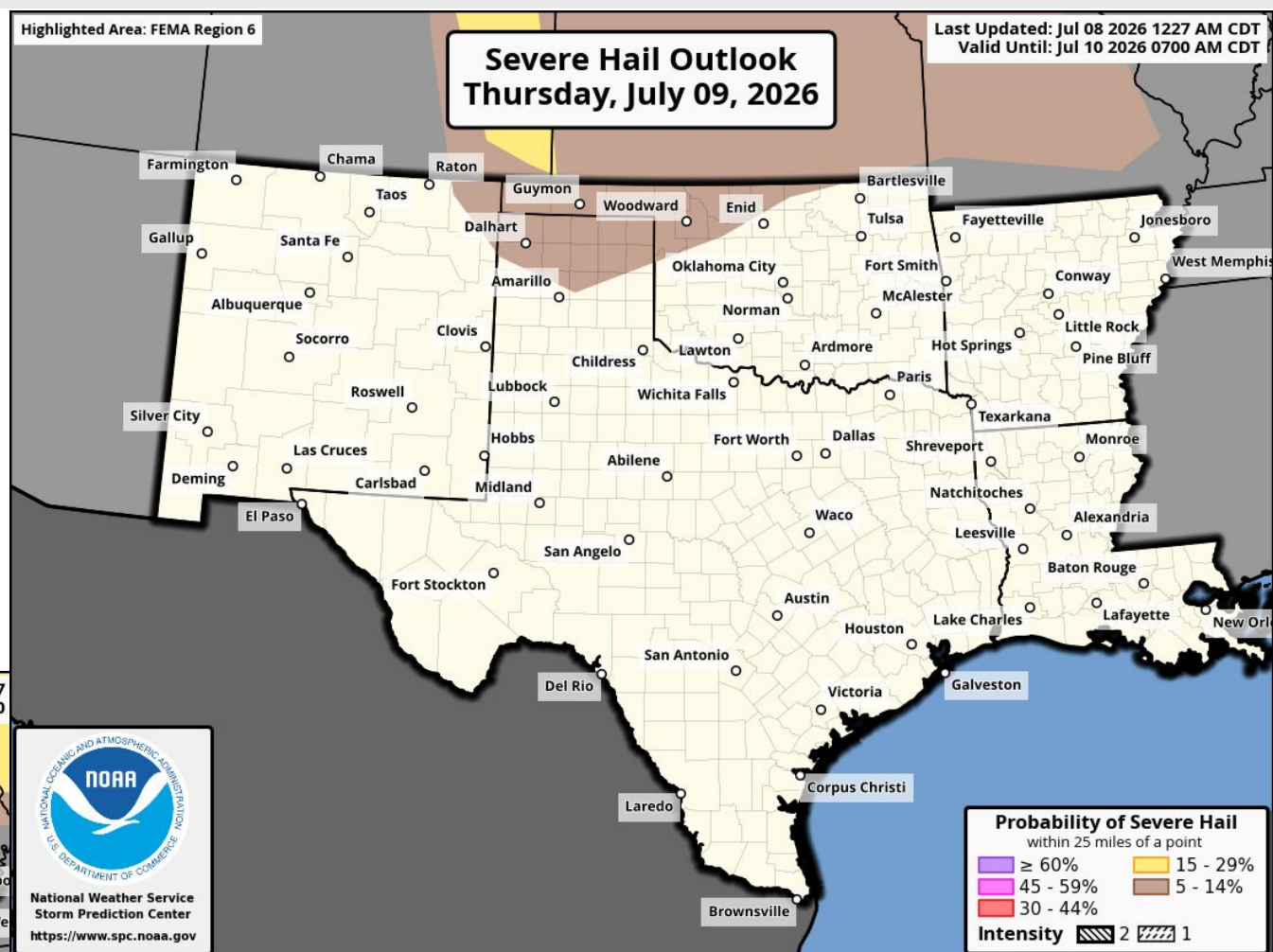
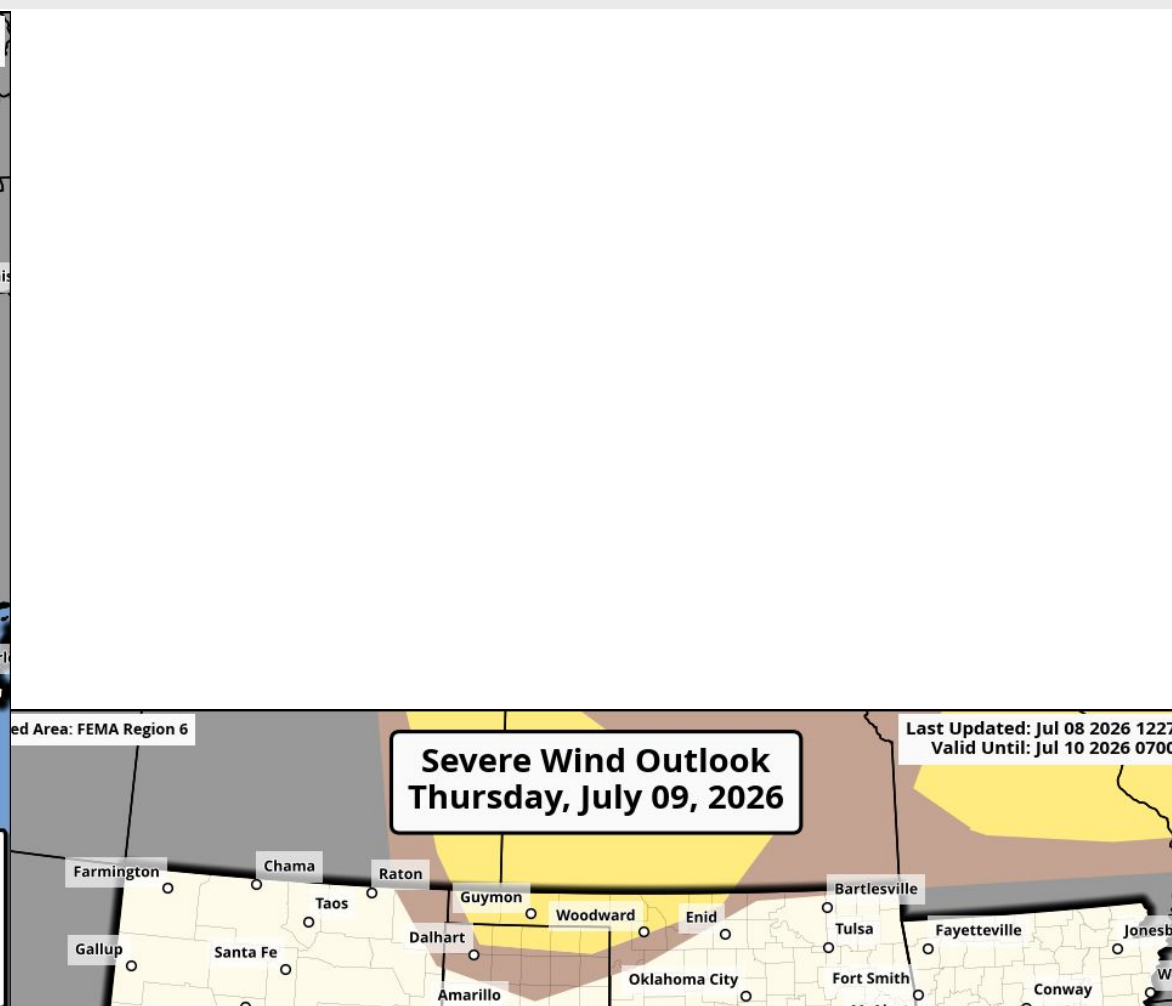
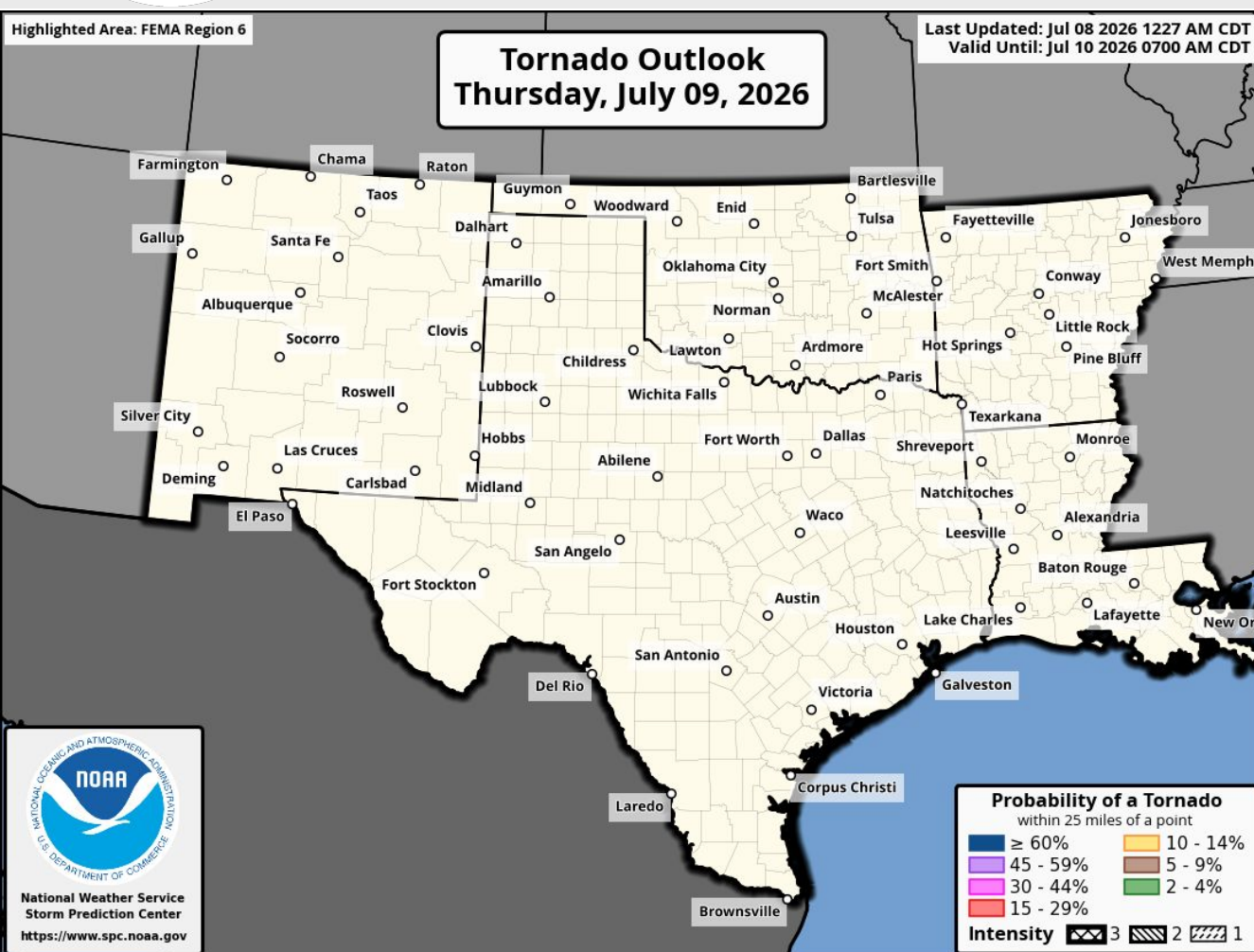
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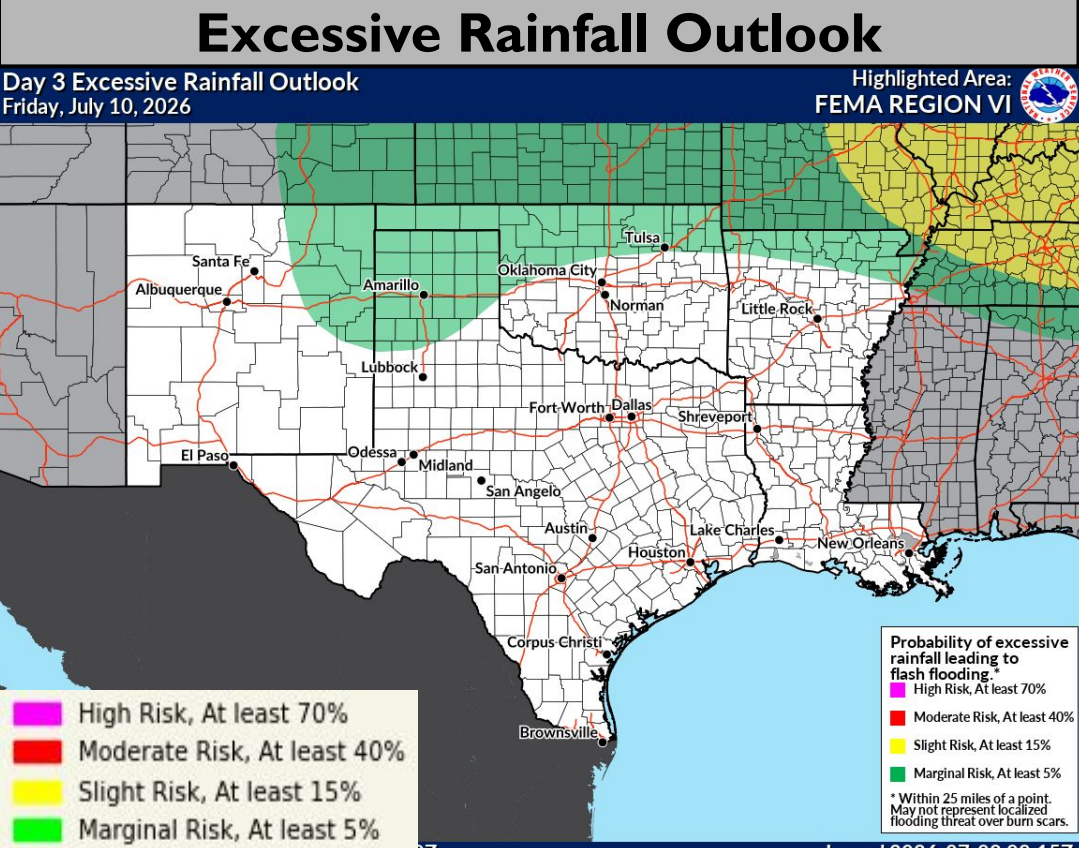
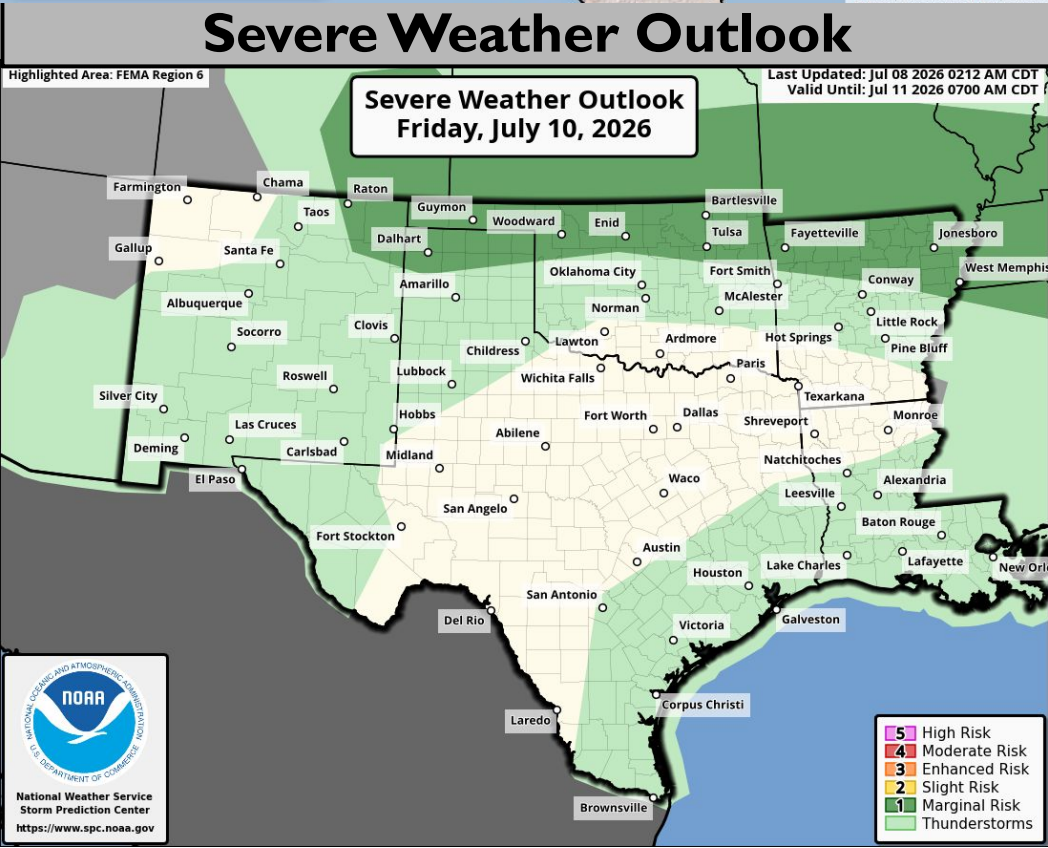
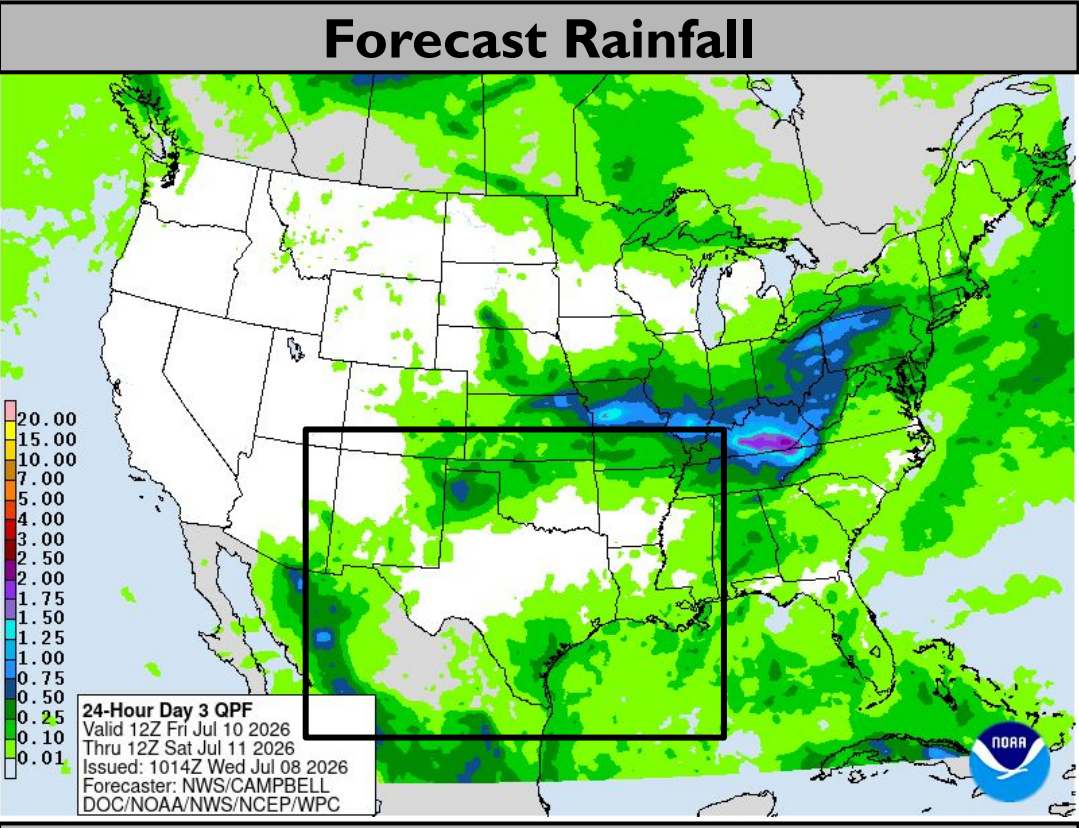
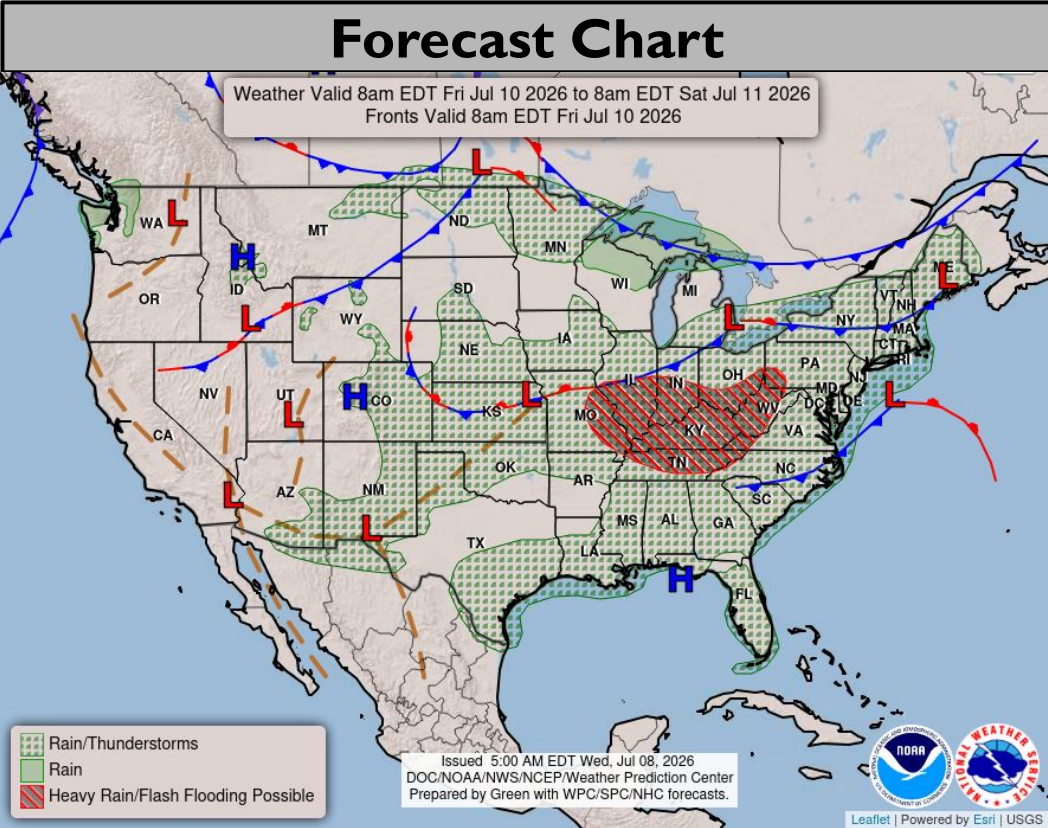


Tomorrow's Tornado & Severe Wind / Hail Probabilities





Friday's Weather



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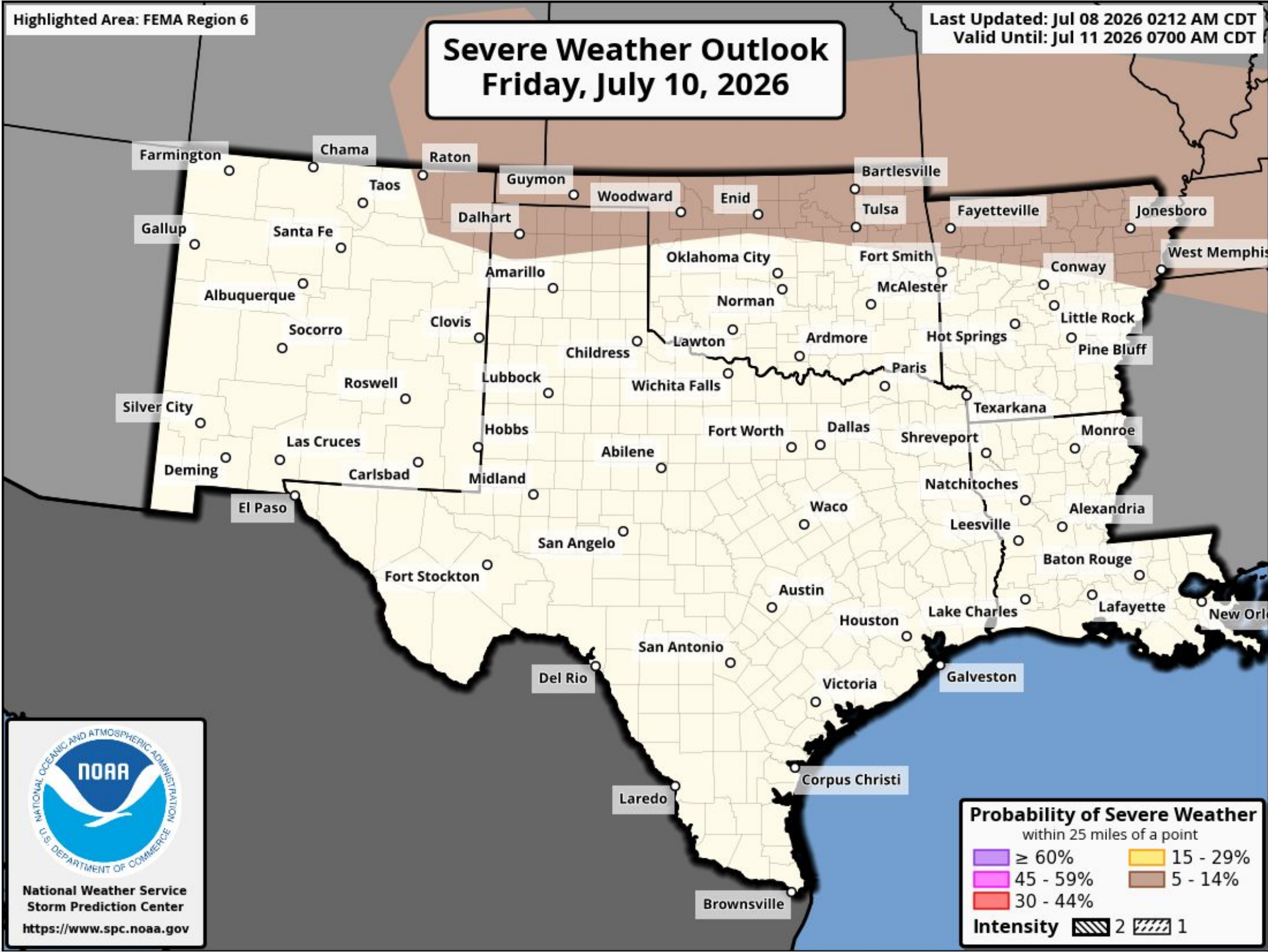
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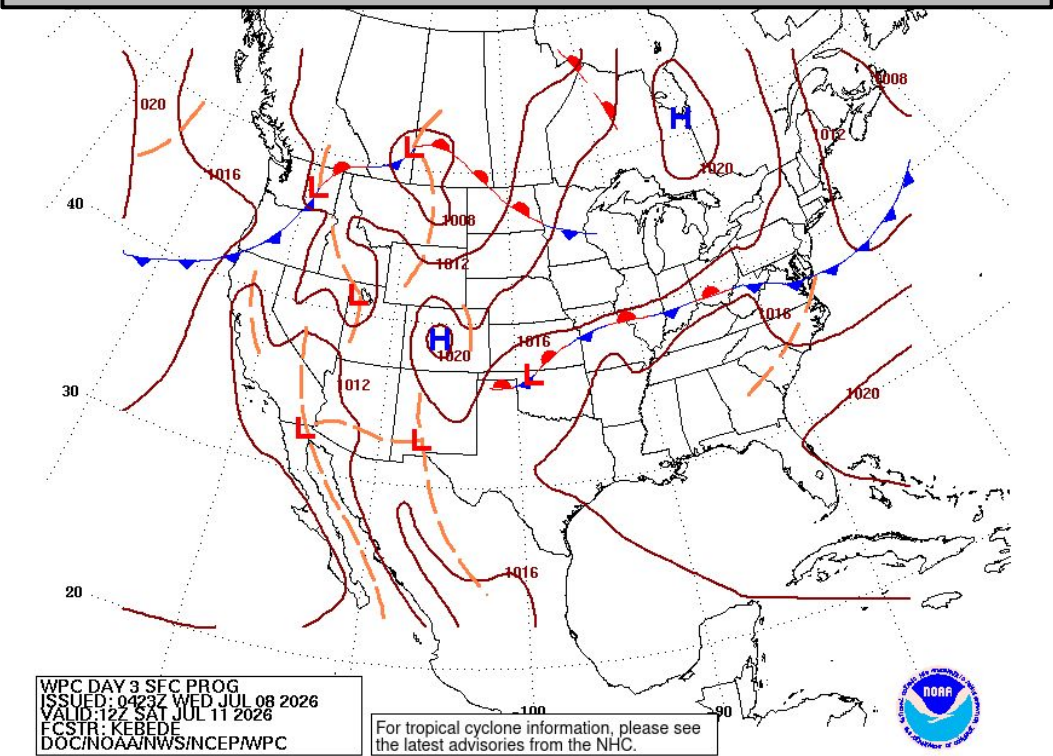
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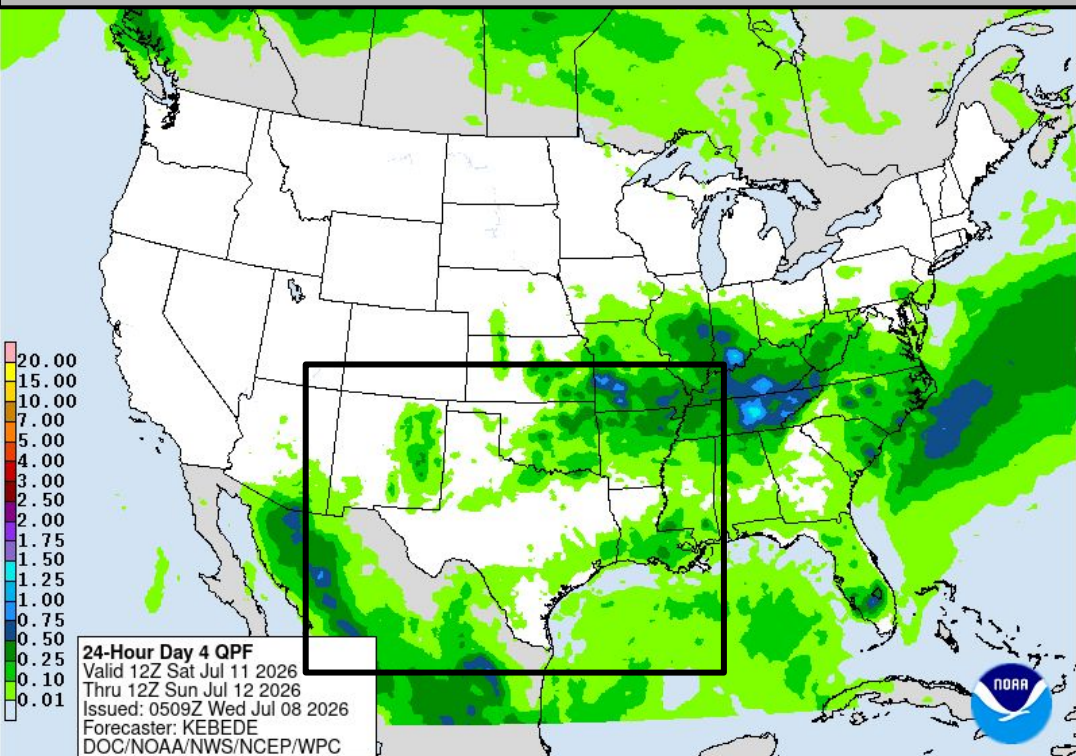


Saturday's Weather

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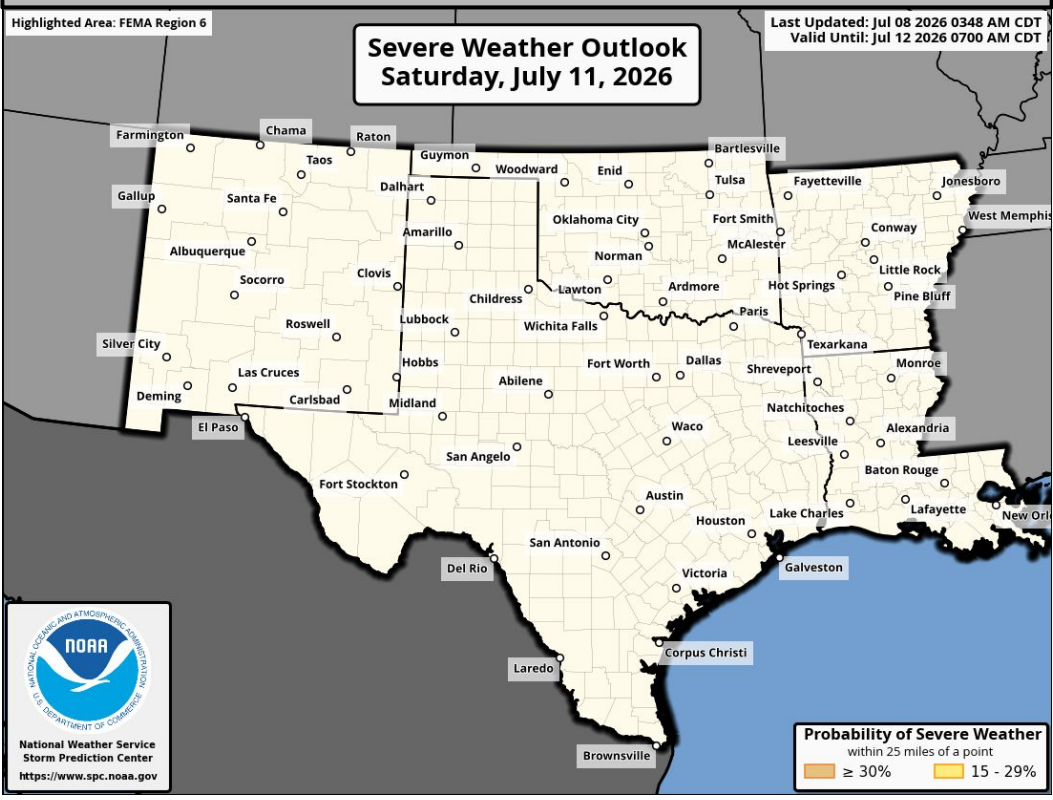
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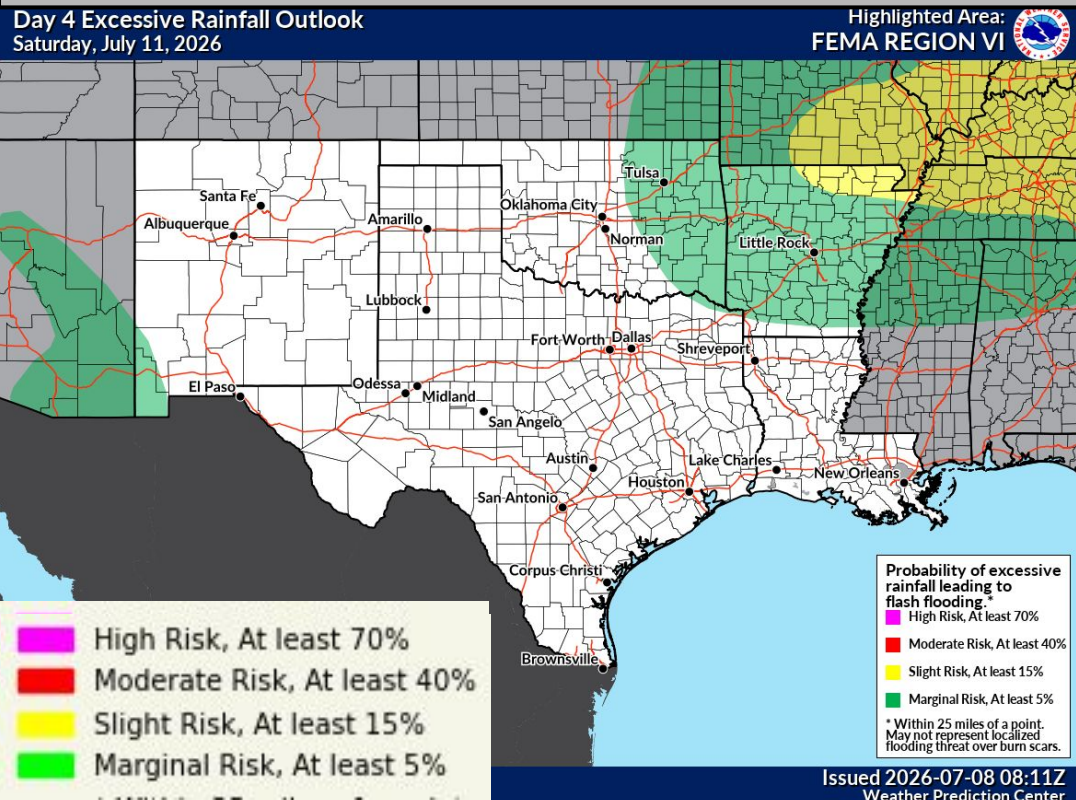
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Severe Weather Outlook



Excessive Rainfall Outlook



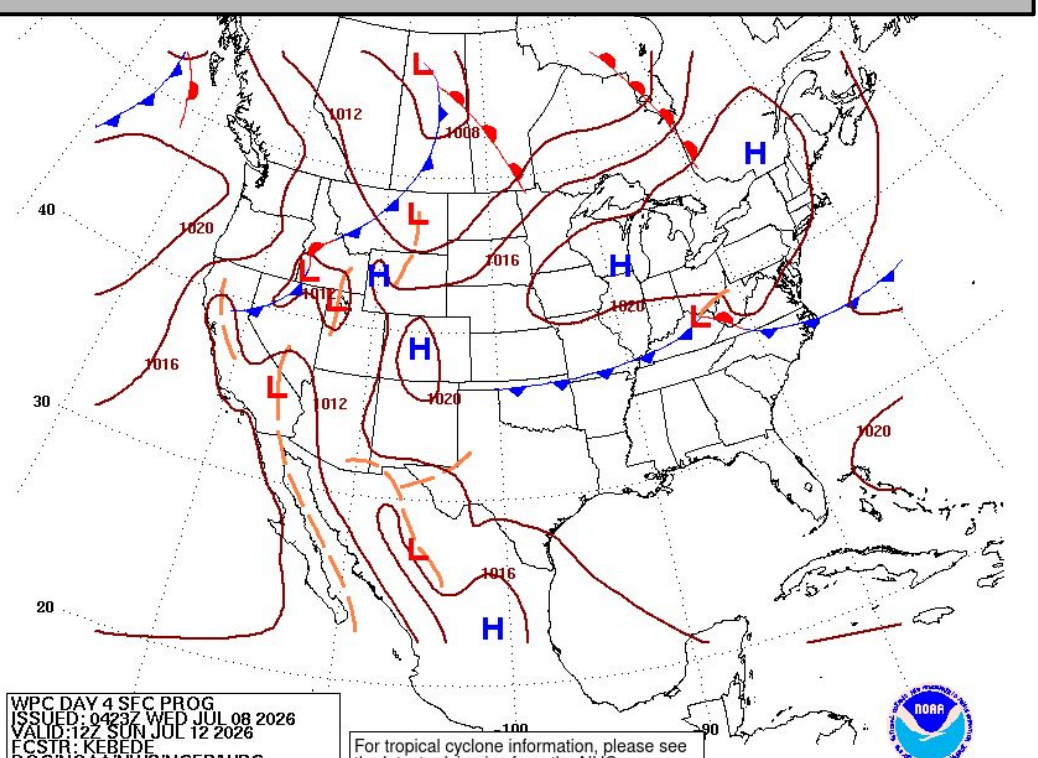
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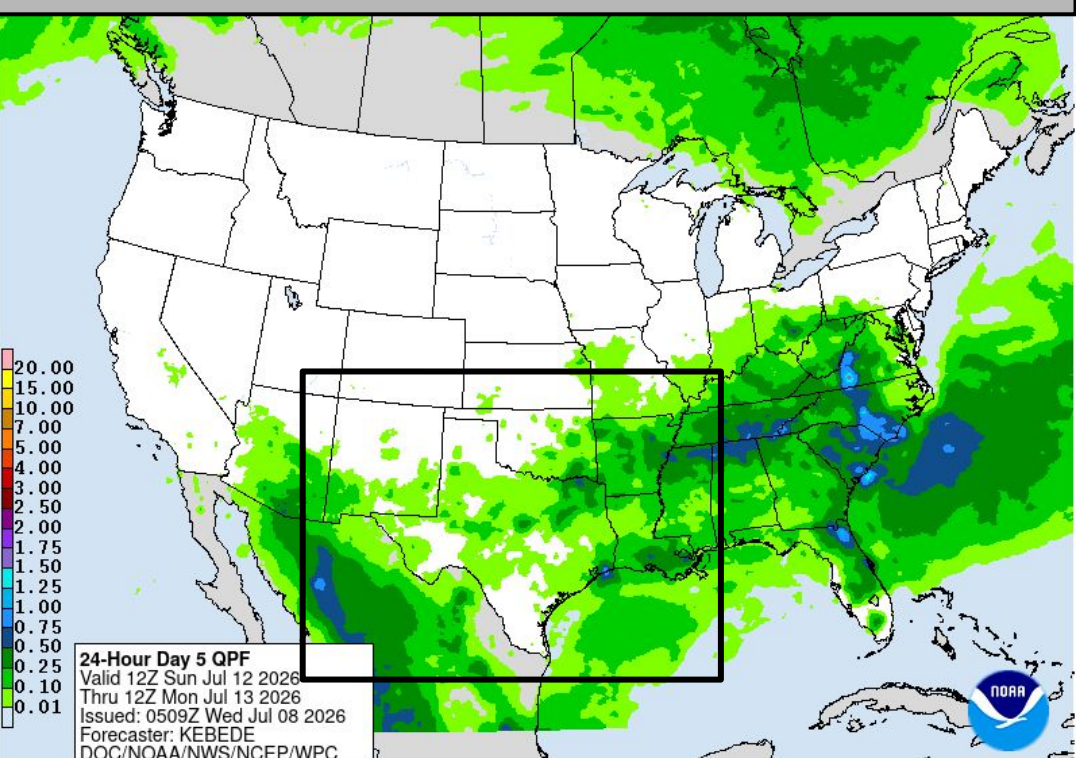


Sunday's Weather

Forecast Chart

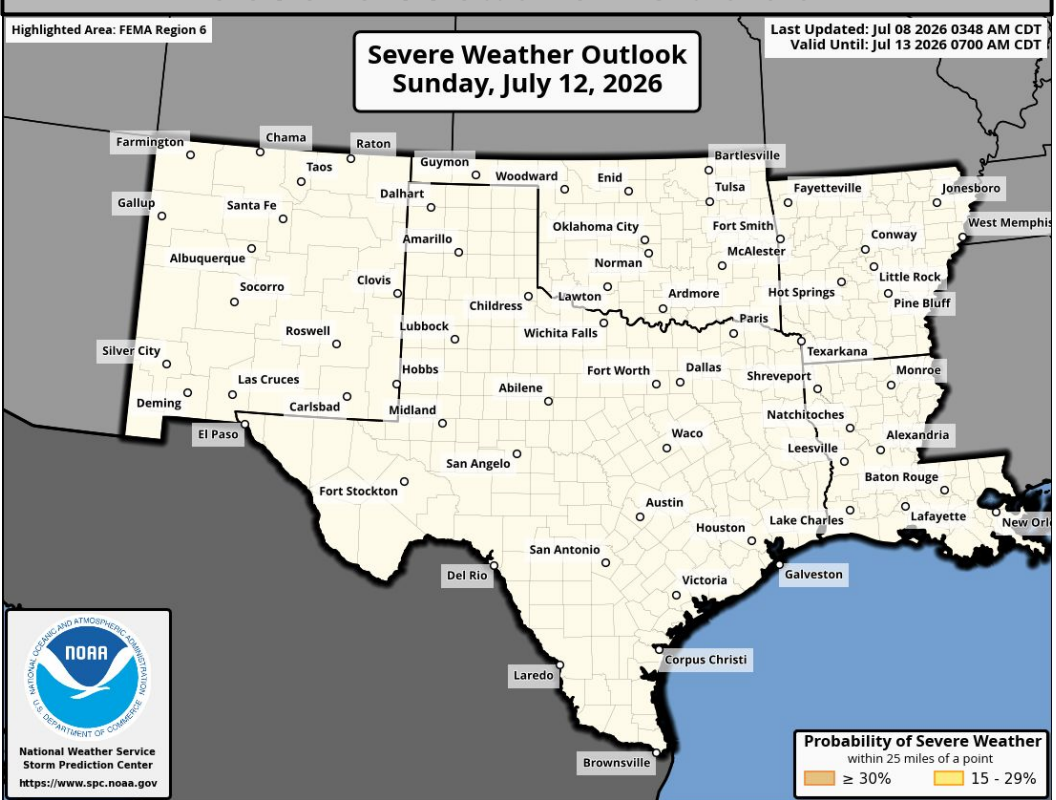


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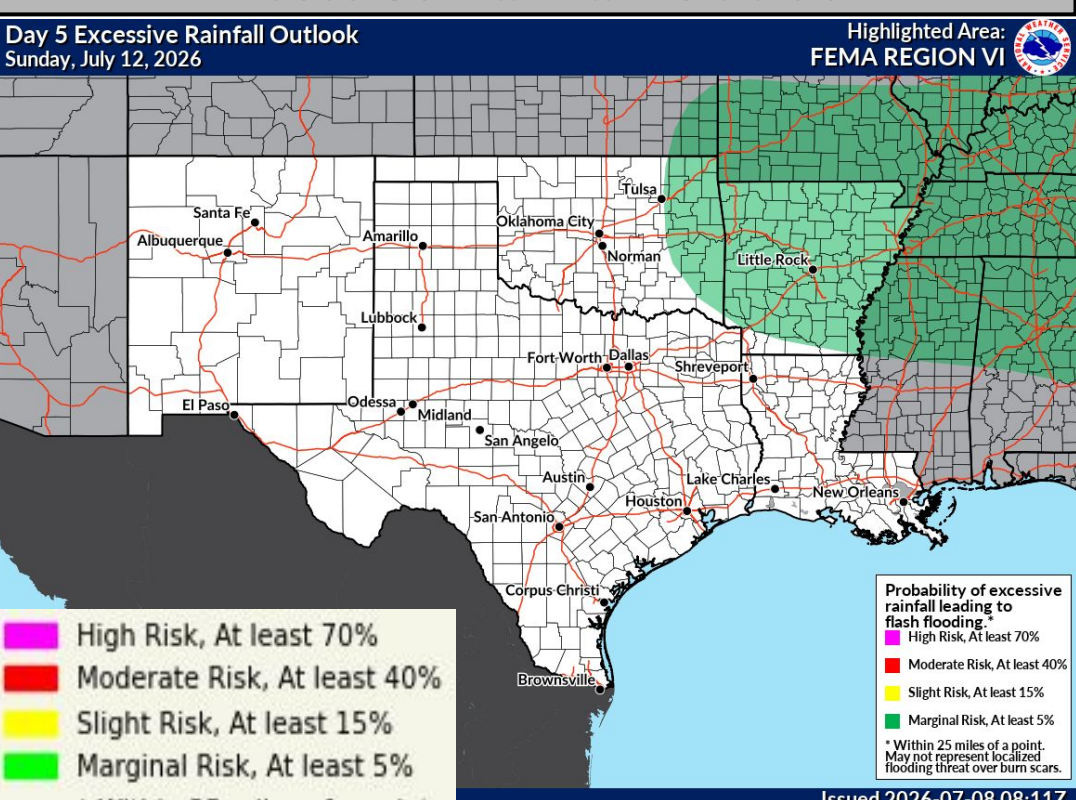


Marginal risk (level I of 4) of flash flooding over E OK, AR.

Severe Weather Outlook



Excessive Rainfall Outlook

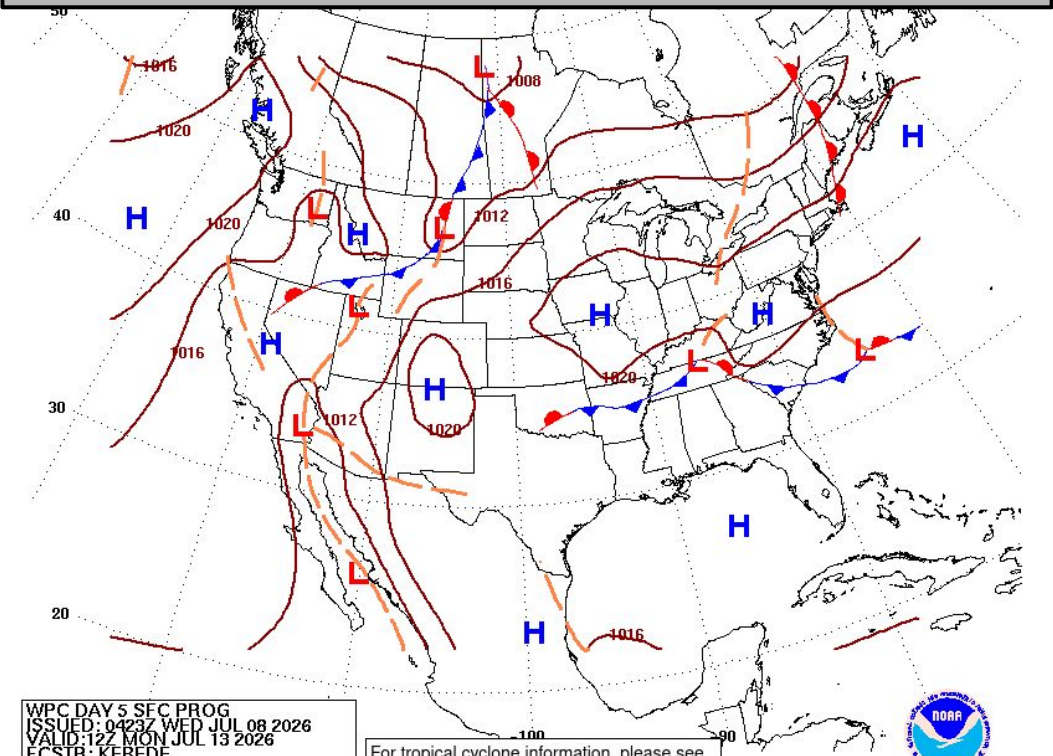


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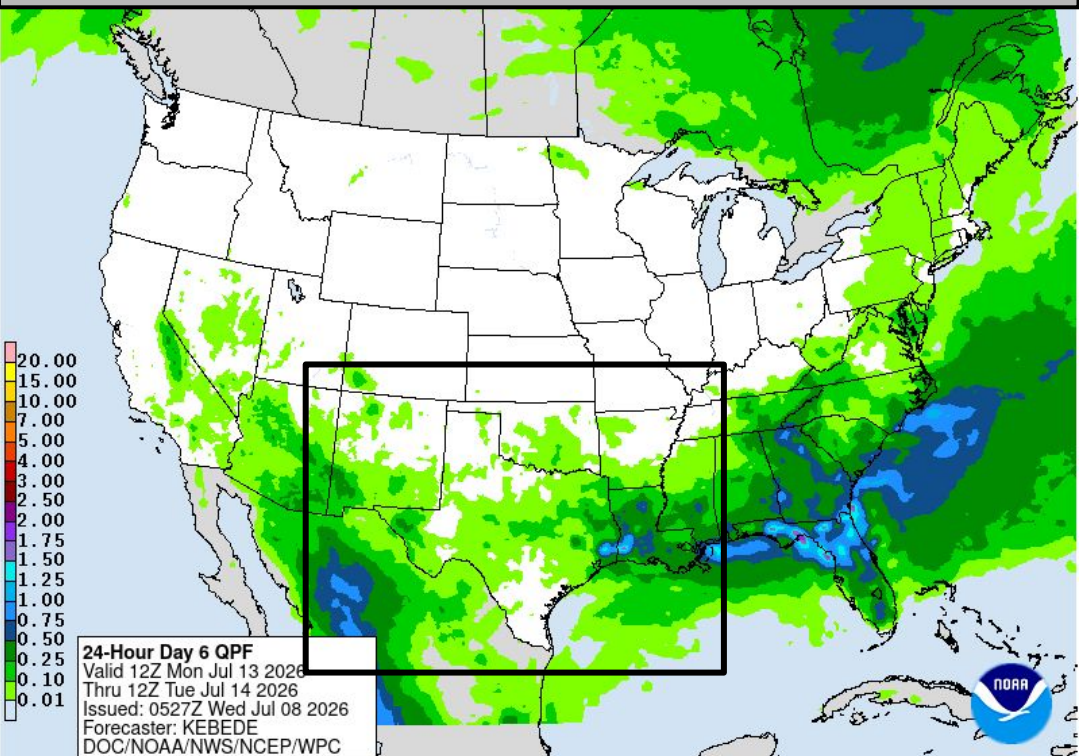


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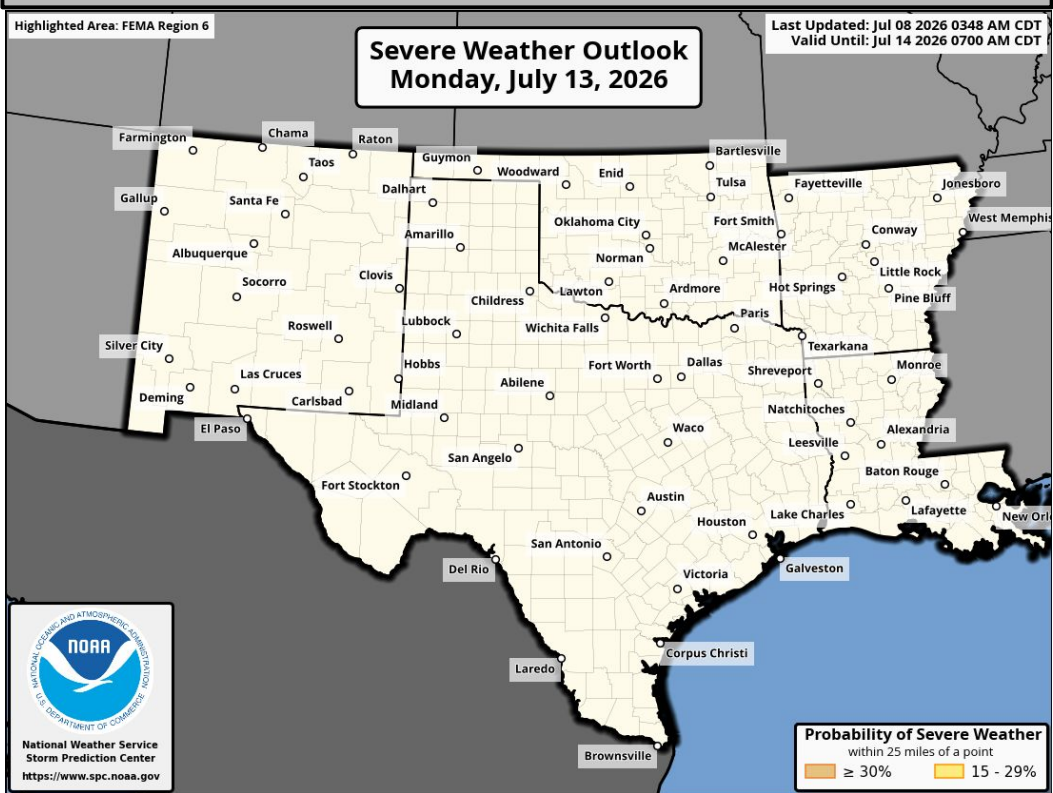


Forecast Rainfall



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Severe Weather Outlook



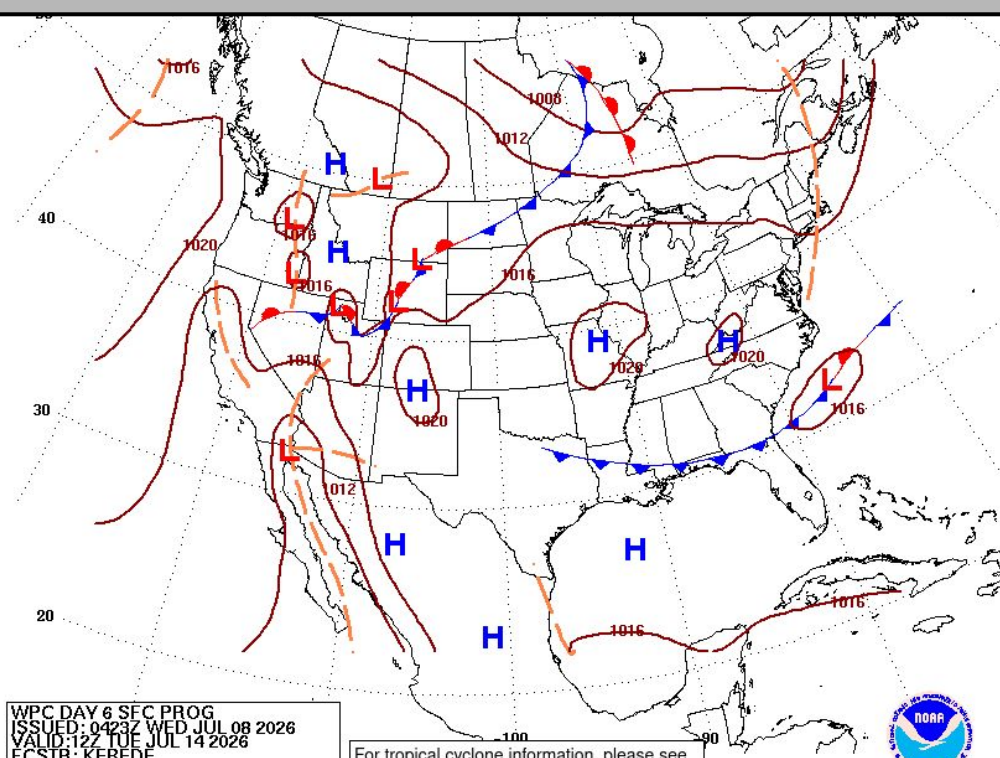
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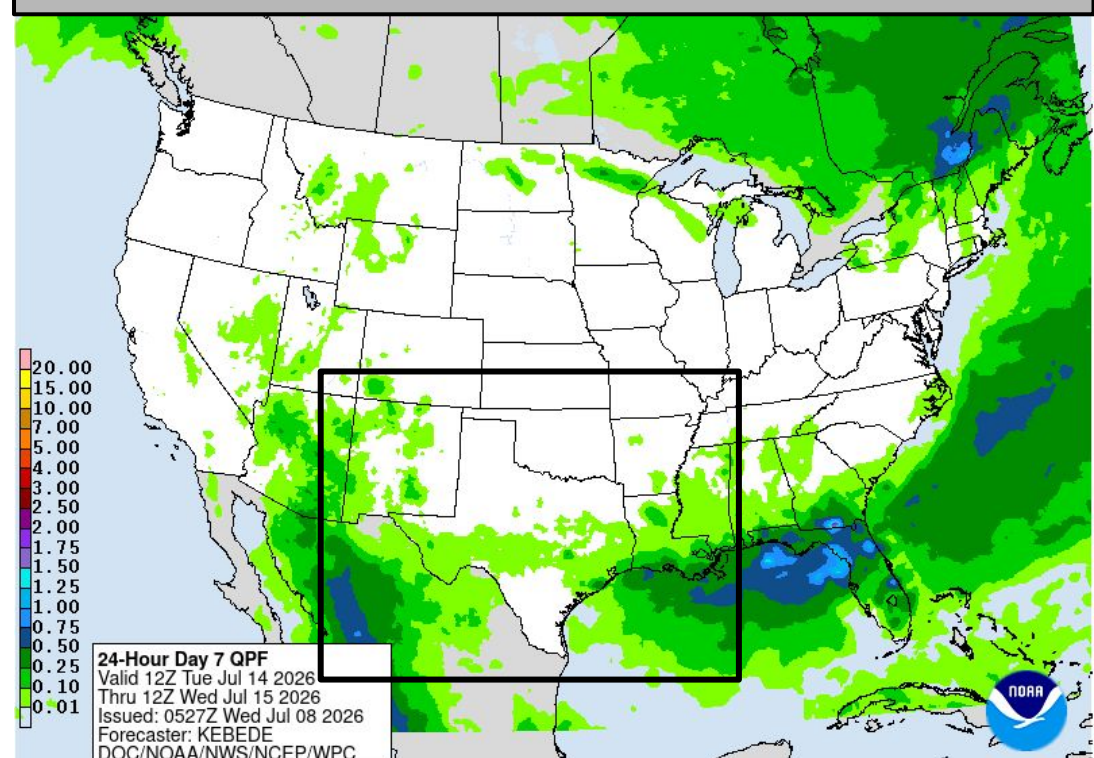


Tuesday's Weather

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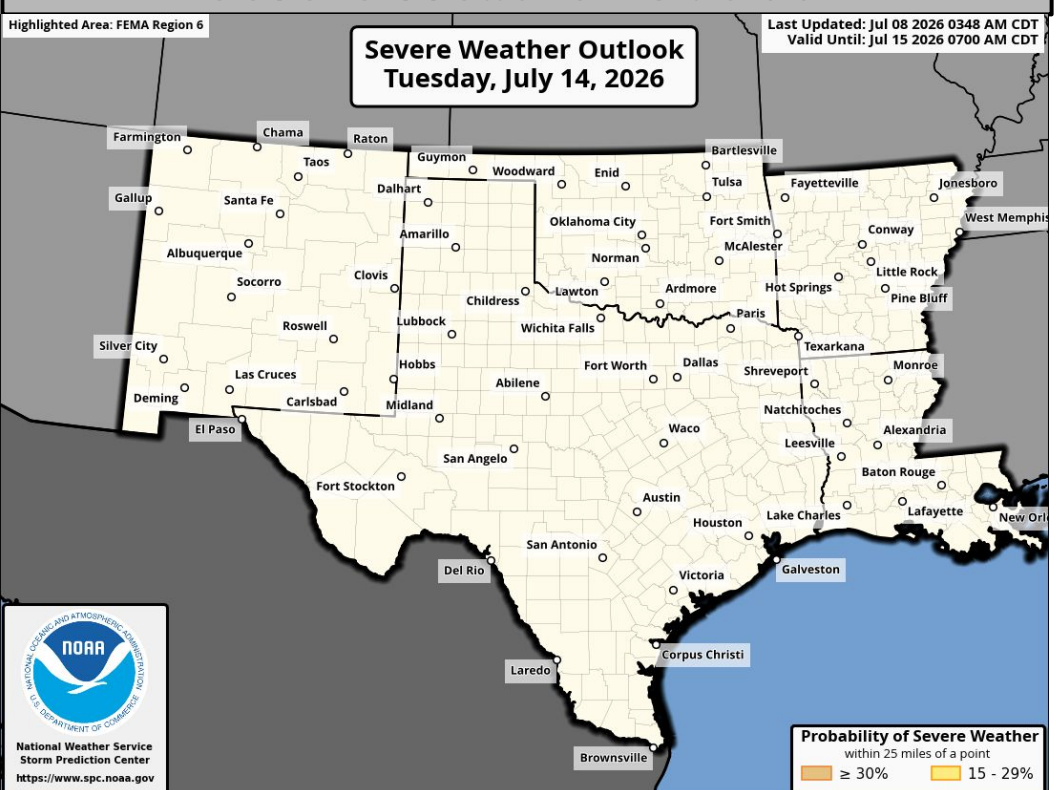


Forecast Rainfall



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Severe Weather Outlook

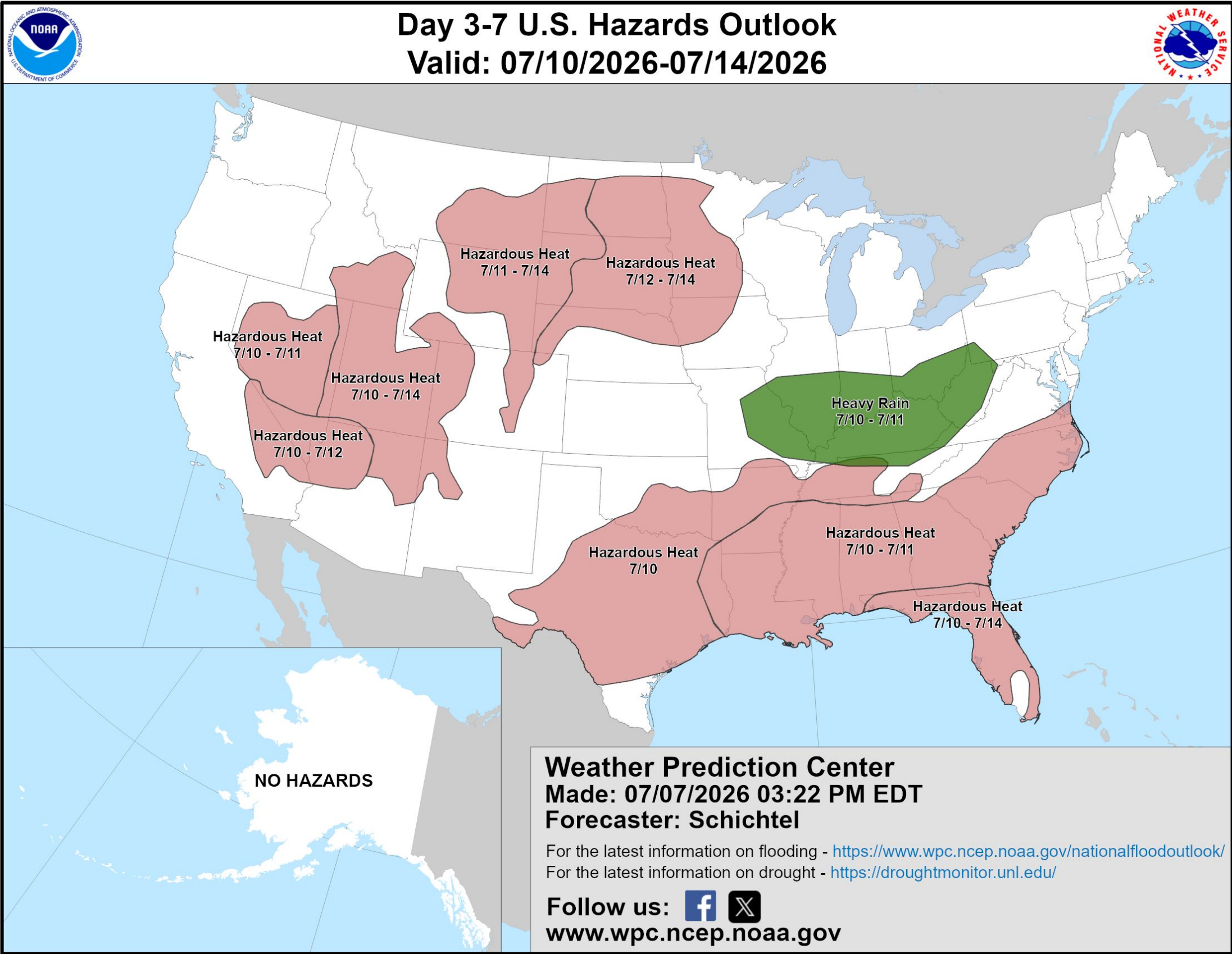


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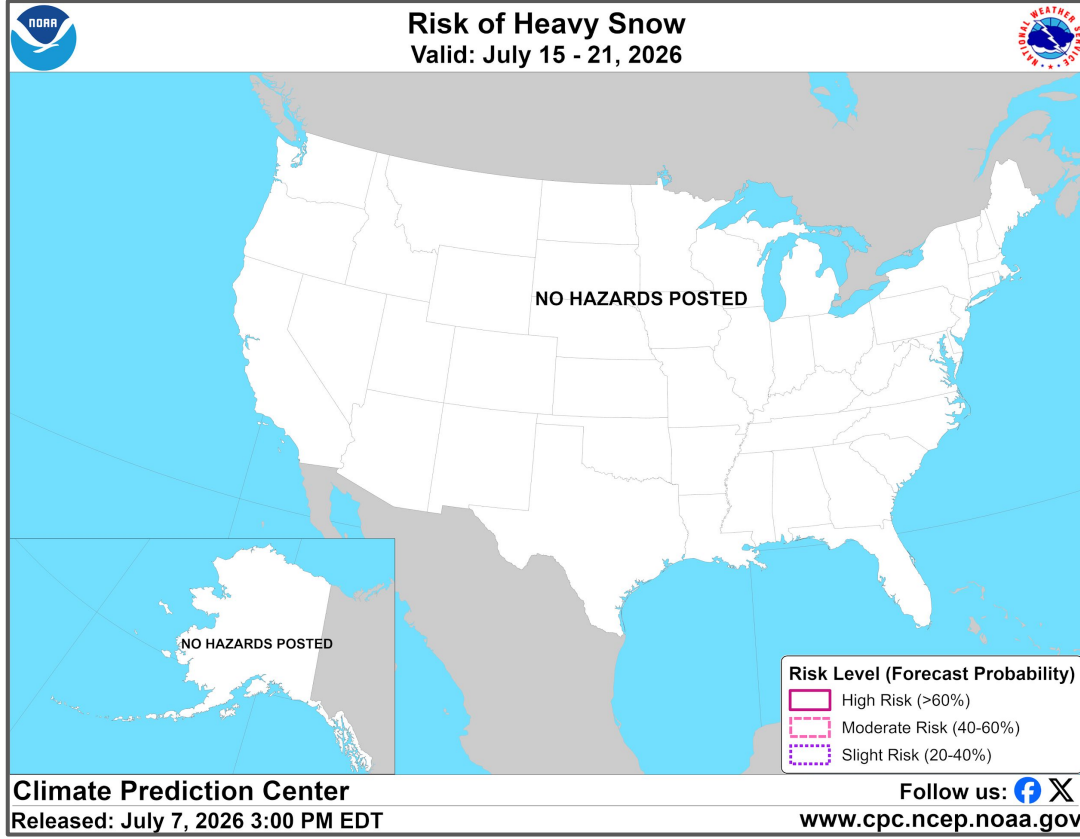
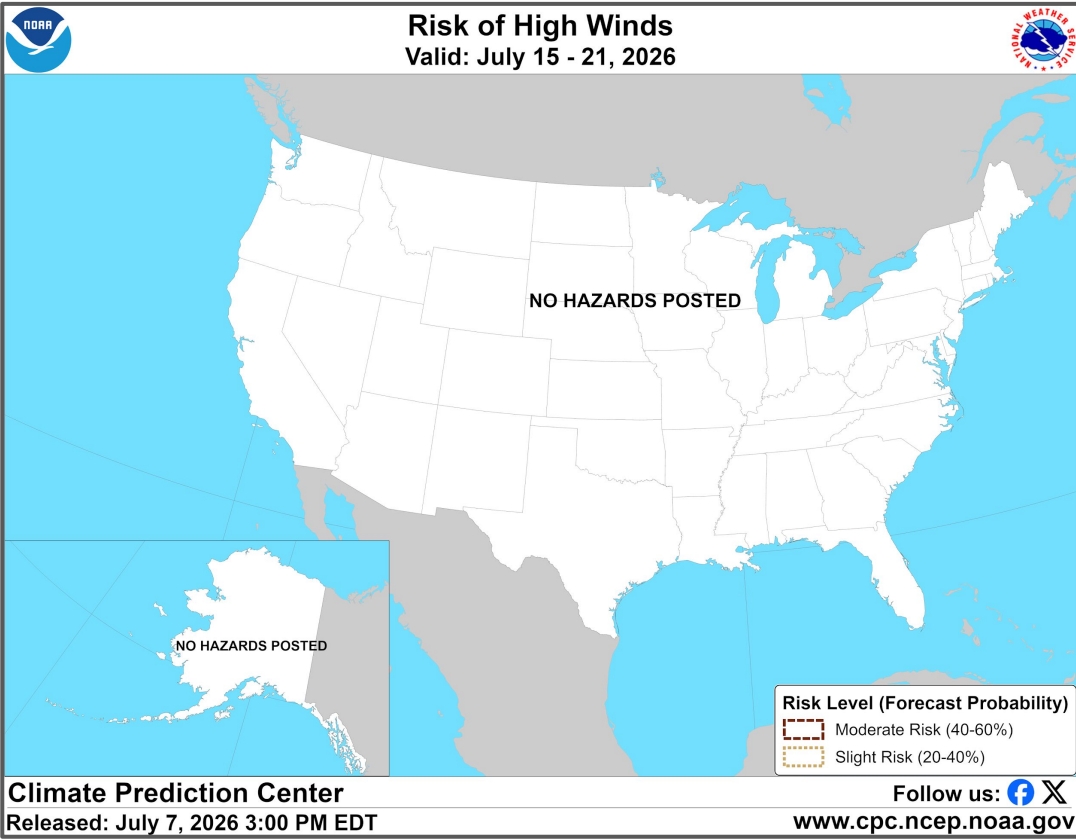
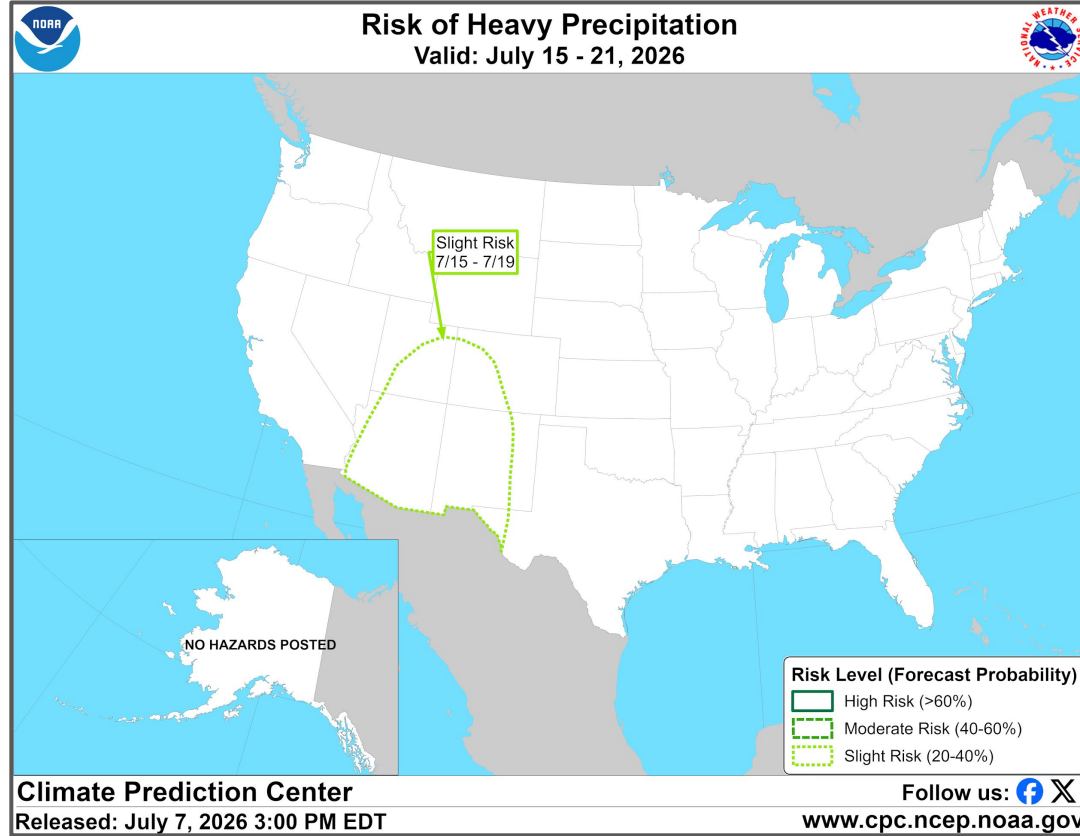
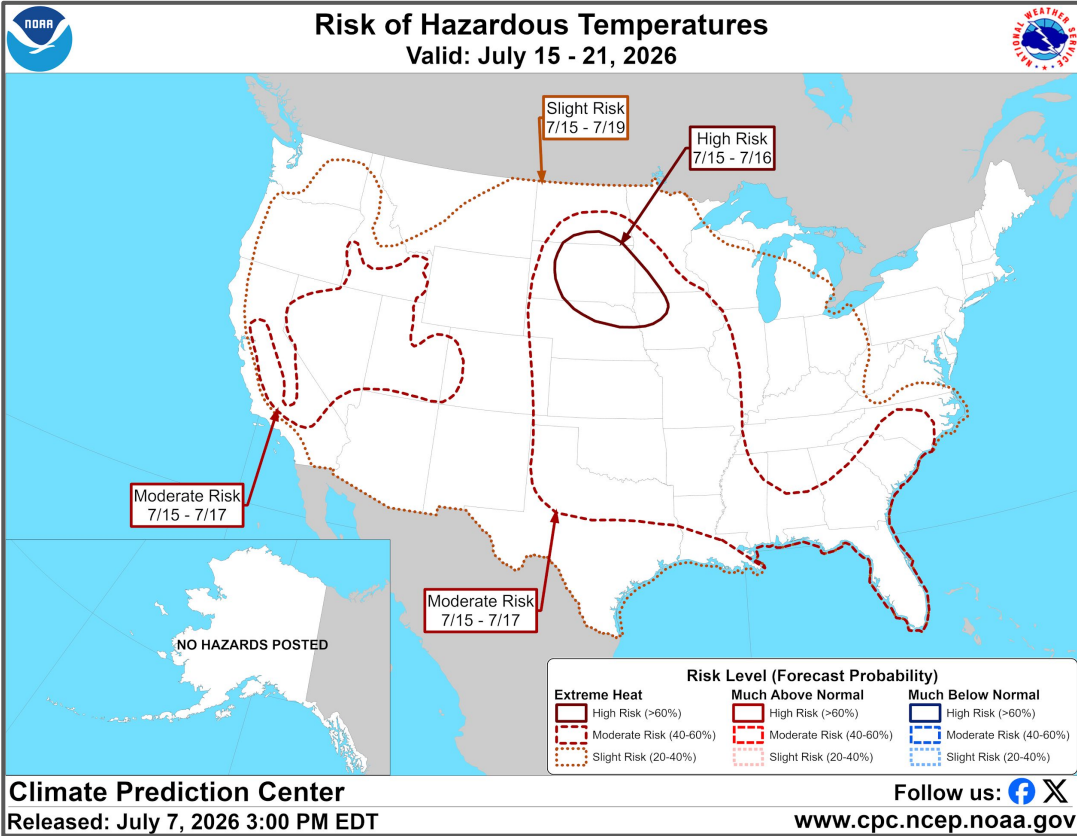
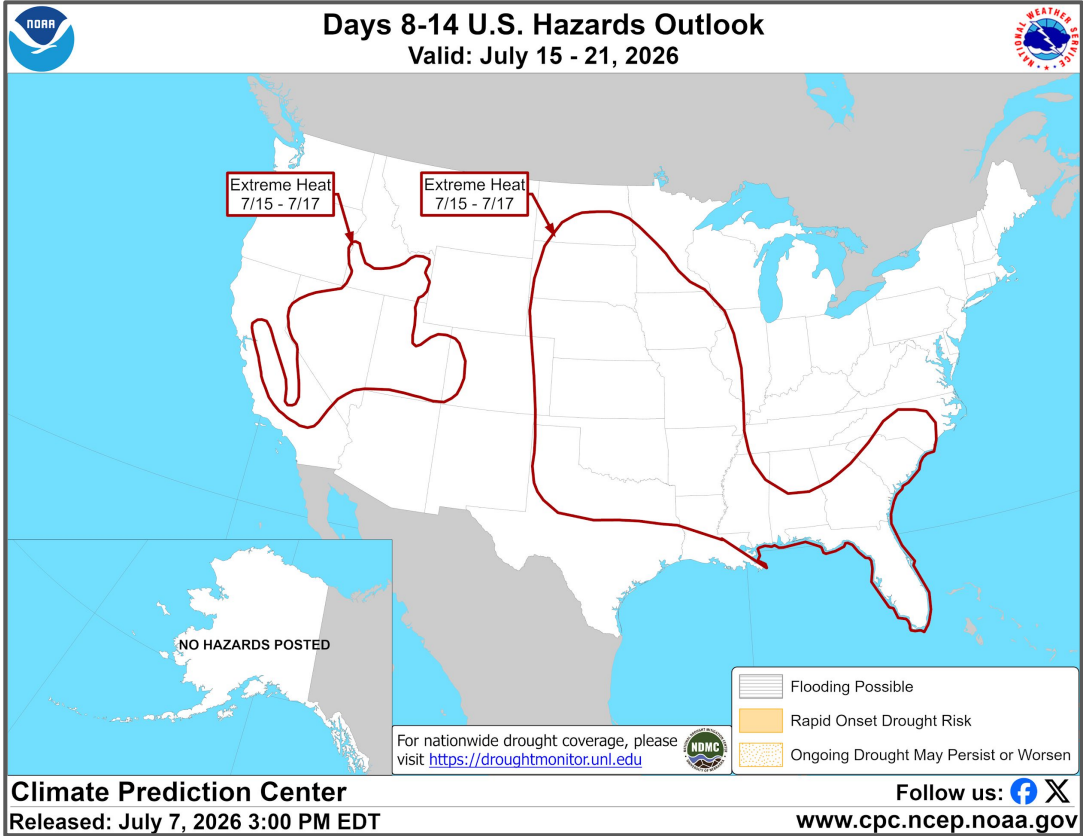


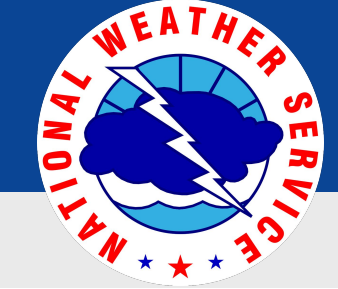
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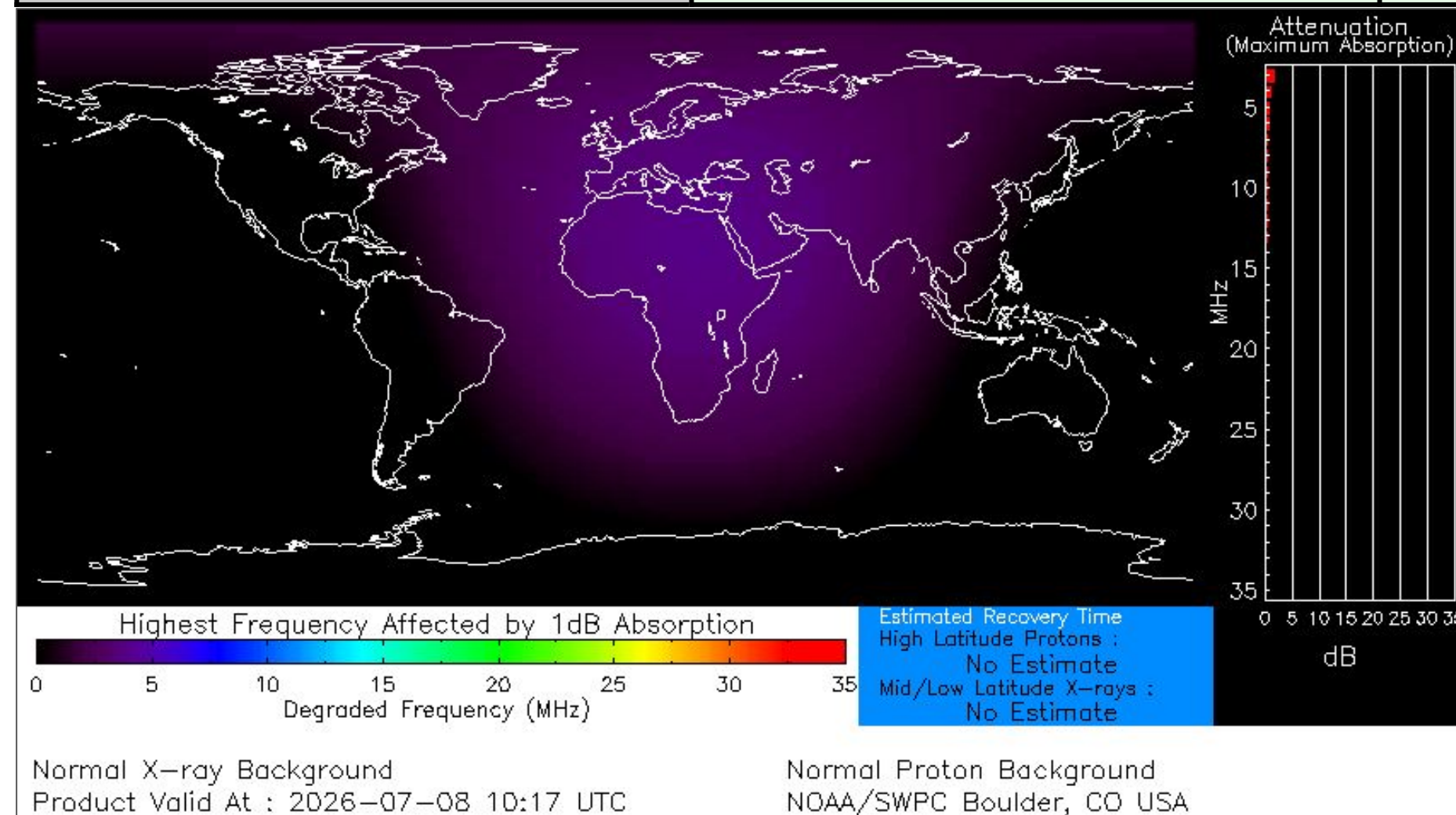
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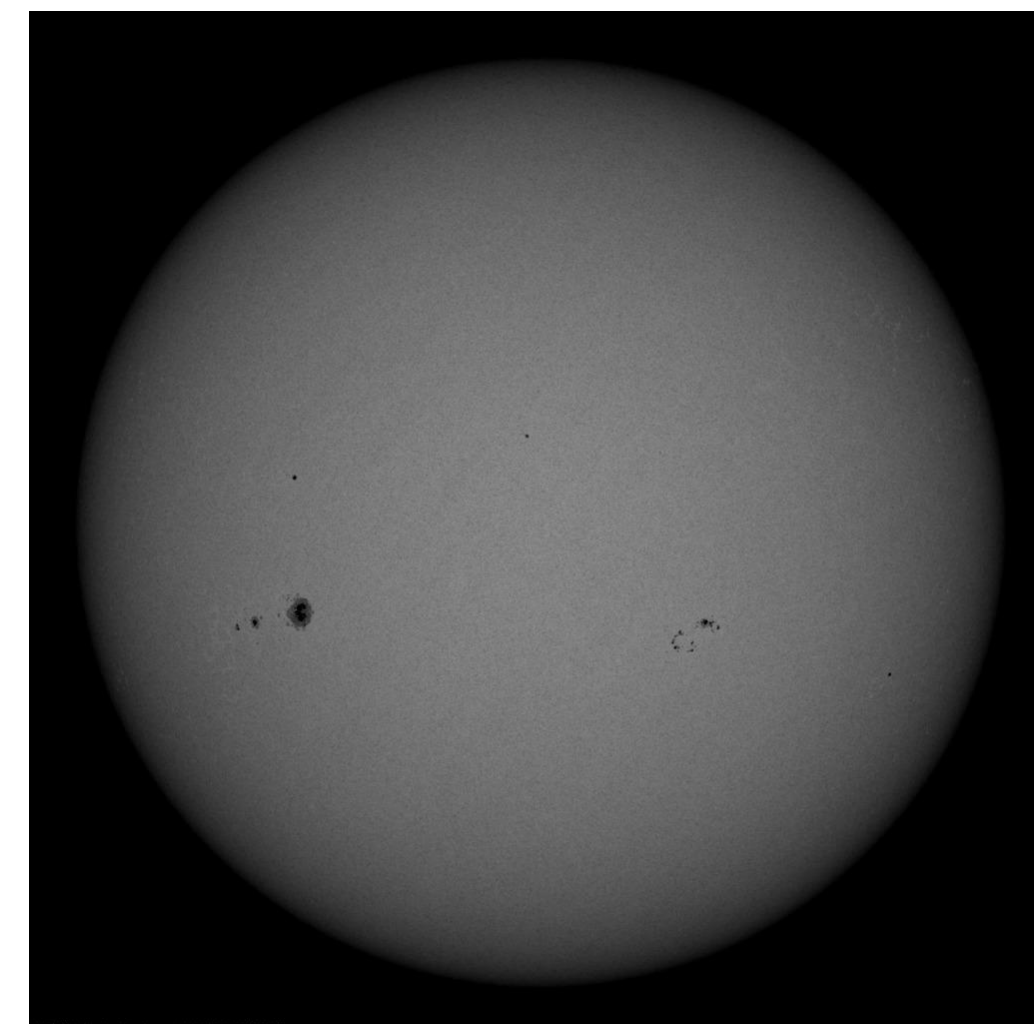
Space Weather 3-Day Forecast

	Wednesday, Jul 8	Thursday, Jul 9	Friday, Jul 10
Geomagnetic Storms	Active (Max Kp=4)	Active (Max Kp=4)	Active (Max Kp=4)
Solar Radiation Storm (S1-S5)	1%	1%	1%
Radio Blackout (R1-R2)	40%	40%	40%
Radio Blackout (R3-R5)	10%	10%	10%



[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	Little to None Safety: Rarely a Direct Threat to Life and Property Impact Potential: Typically Results in Little Inconvenience to Daily Routines	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	- 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	Minor Safety: Rarely a Direct Threat to Life and Property Impact Potential: Typically Results in Some Inconvenience to Daily Life	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	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	Moderate Safety: Often Threatening to Life and Property, Some Damage Unavoidable Impact Potential: Typically Results in Minor Disruption to Daily Life	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	- 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	Major Safety: Extensive Property Damage Likely, Life Saving Actions Also will be Needed Impact Potential: Will likely result in Large Disruption to Daily Life	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	- 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	Extreme 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	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	- 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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