

Texas Division of Emergency Management Texas State Operations Center



Thursday, October 15th, 2026
As of 0900 CDT

Tropical Weather Awareness



Seven-Day Graphical Tropical Weather Outlook

National Hurricane Center Miami, Florida



www.hurricanes.gov

No Disturbances

Tropical cyclone activity is not expected during the next 7 days.

07:35 AM EDT
Thu Oct 15 2026
100W 90W 80W 70W 60W 50W 40W 30W 20W

7-Day Cyclone Formation Chance and Area:  < 40%  40-60%  > 60%

 Development not expected

Tropical or Subtropical Cyclone:  Depression  Storm  Hurricane

 Post-Tropical Cyclone or Remnants

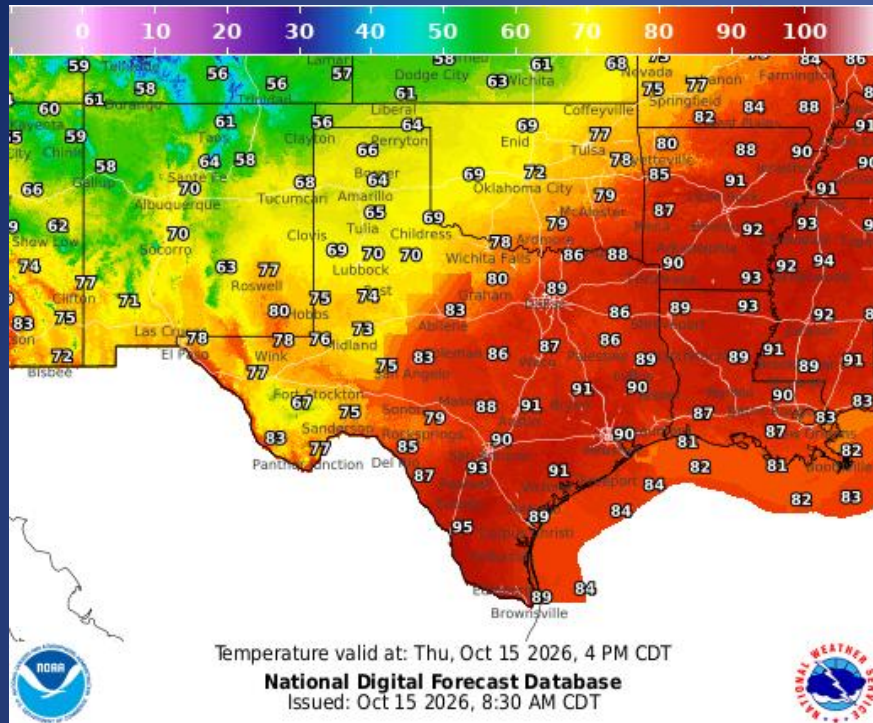
Incidents Reported to the State Operations Center (last 24 hours)

DATE	SUBJECT	LOCATION
10/14/26	Final Report of the Road Closure (SH-123)	Guadalupe County
10/14/26	Initial Report of a 9-1-1 Outage	Calhoun County
10/14/26	Final Report of the Telecommunication Outage	Burnet County
10/14/26	Initial Report of a Natural Gas Leak	Guadalupe County
10/14/26	Final Report of the Natural Gas Leak	Guadalupe County
10/14/26	Final Report of a 9-1-1 Outage	Calhoun County
10/14/26	Update Report #2 of the Water Outage	Calhoun County

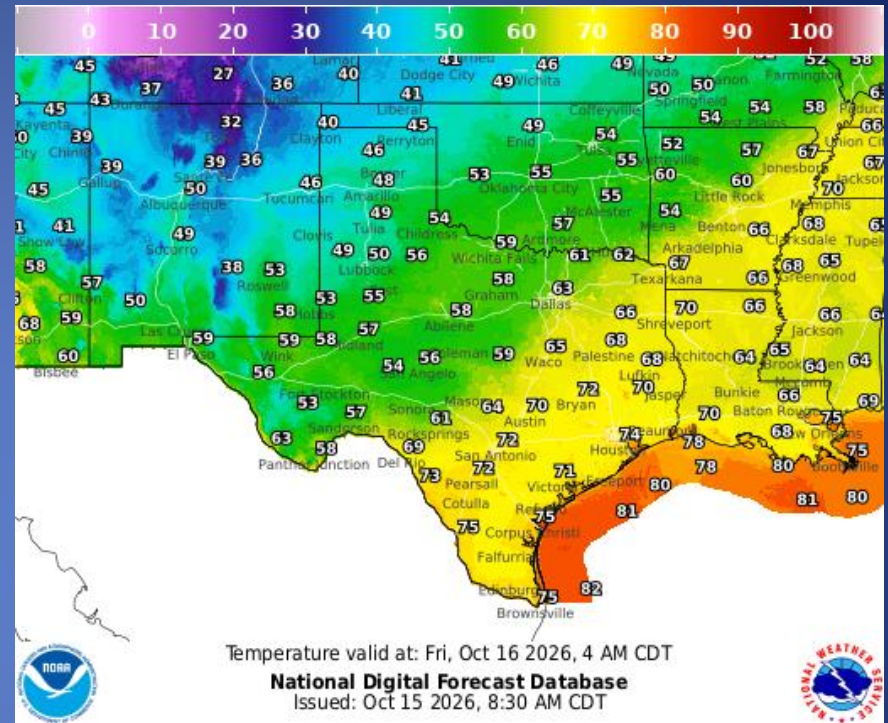
Informational Products Distributed by the State Operations Center

DATE	SUBJECT
10/14/26	Daily Situation Report [26-0016 New World Screwworm Response]
10/14/26	Daily Situation Report [26-0027 12OCT Severe Weather]
10/14/26	National Weather Service West Gulf RFC: River Update
10/14/26	National Weather Service Midland/Odessa: October 14th-16th Heavy Rainfall Event
10/14/26	National Weather Service Austin/San Antonio: Heavy Rainfall Possible For Val Verde County Thursday Through Friday
10/15/26	National Weather Service El Paso, TX/Santa Teresa, NM: Weather Hazards Outlook
10/15/26	National Weather Service Corpus Christi: Strong Cold Front Friday Gale Watch in Effect
10/15/26	National Weather Service Brownsville: Friday Cold Front Brings Wind, Marine, and Wildfire Concerns
10/15/26	Daily National Weather Service Threat Brief

Weather Forecast

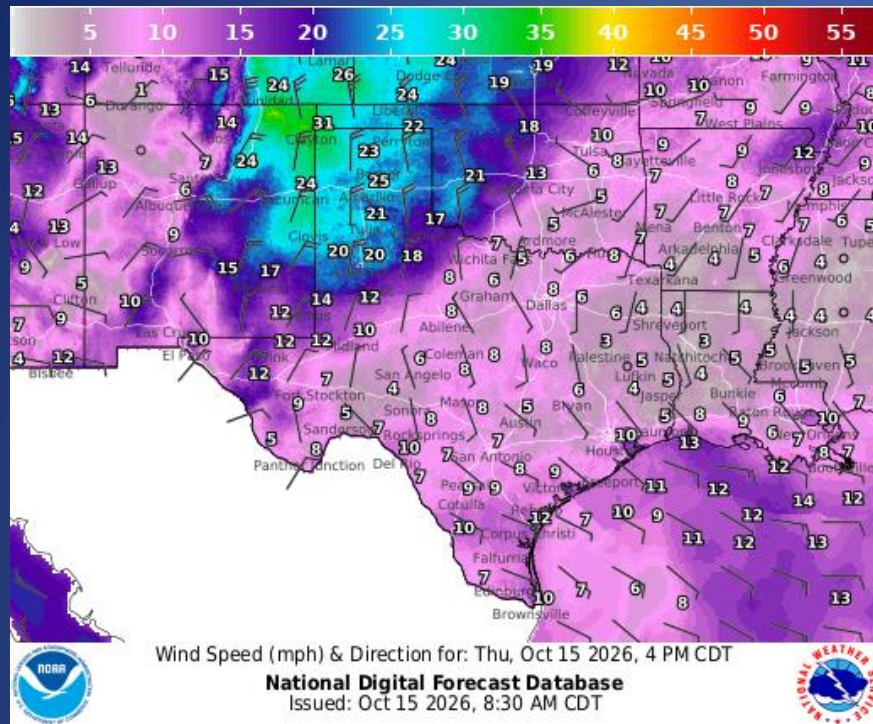


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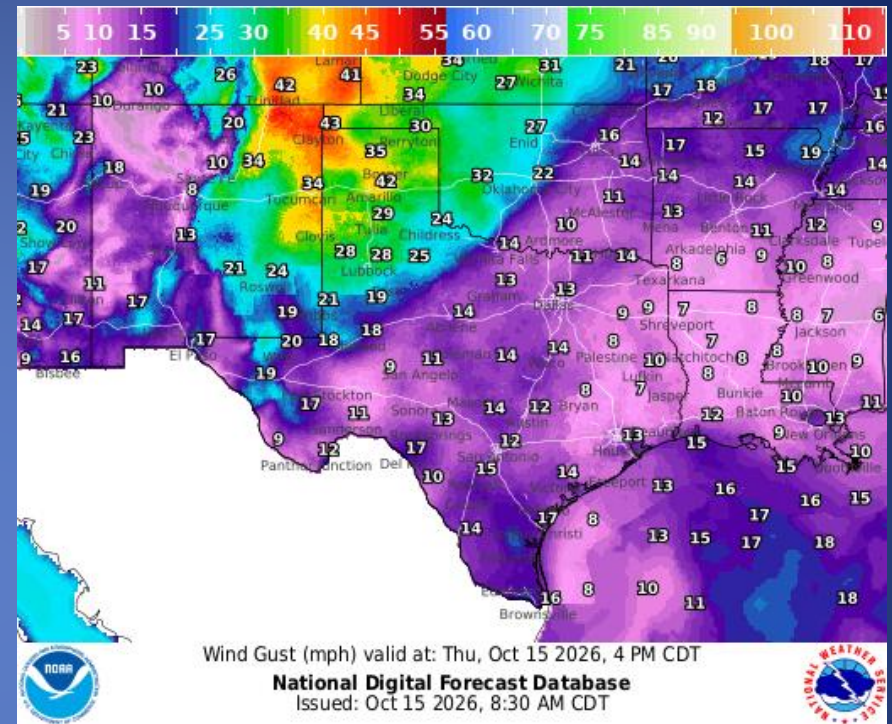


Lows

Weather Forecast



Wind Speeds



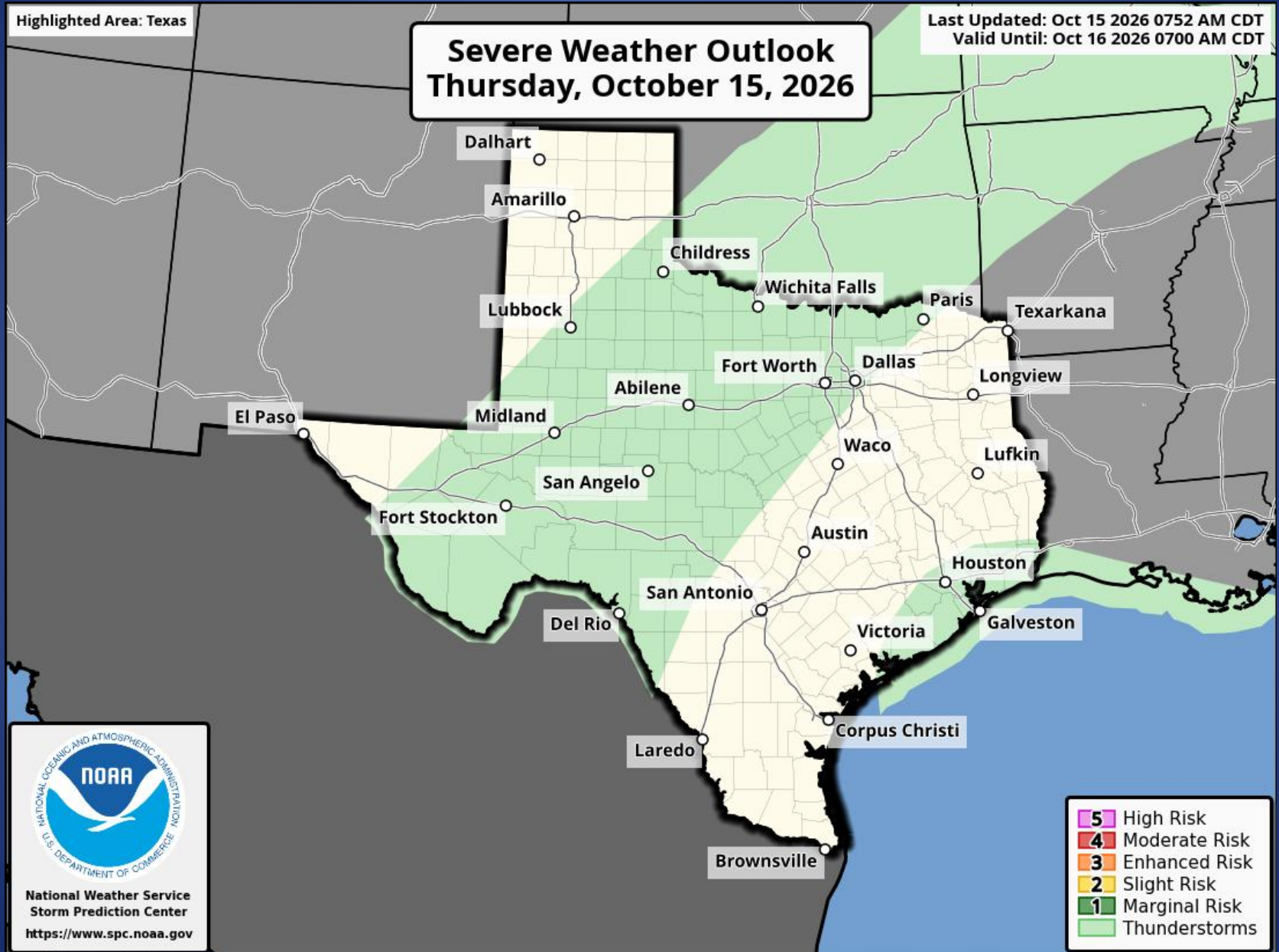
Gusts

Hazardous Weather

Highlighted Area: Texas

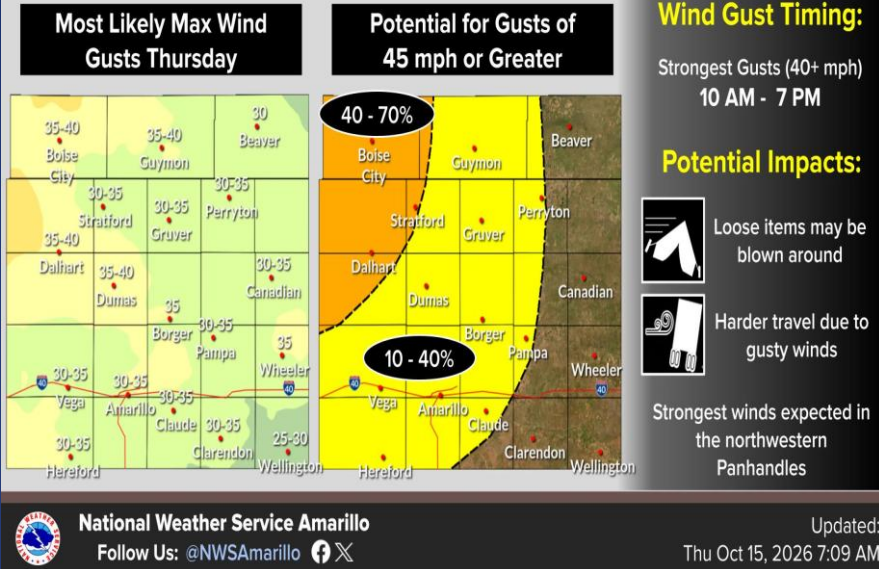
Severe Weather Outlook Thursday, October 15, 2026

Last Updated: Oct 15 2026 0752 AM CDT
Valid Until: Oct 16 2026 0700 AM CDT

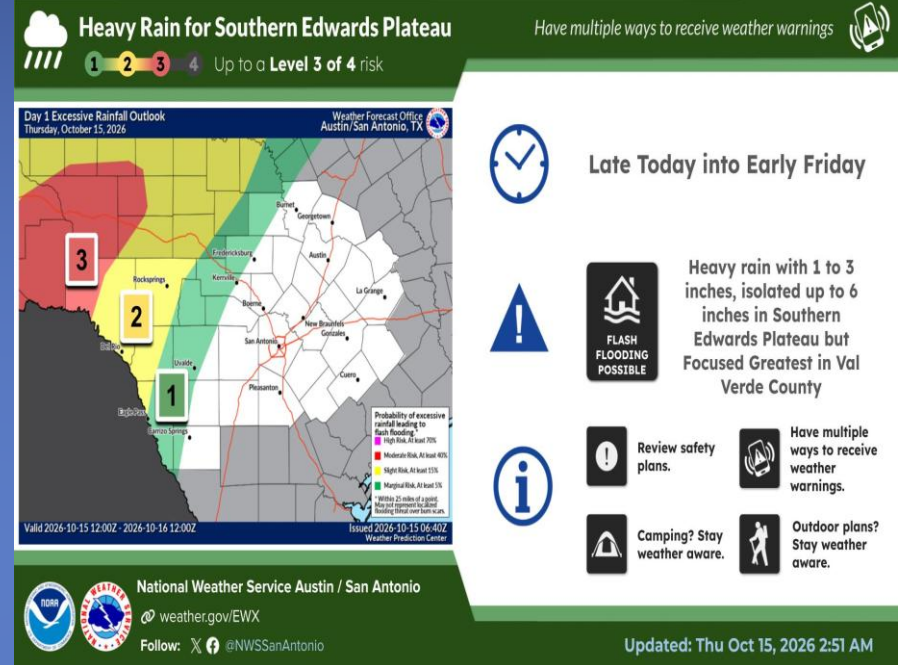


Hazardous Weather

Strong Winds Expected Behind Thursday's Cold Front



A cold front has moved through the region and strong northerly winds are forecast to develop today. The strongest gusts will be 40-45mph and range from the central panhandle into the northwestern panhandle region. Winds will slowly subside after sunset



There is up to a Level 3 of 4 risk for flash flooding across the Southern Edwards Plateau late today into early Friday. 1 to 3 inches of rain with isolated amounts of up to 6 inches are possible in the watch area. Be aware of creeks, streams, and other low-lying locations, particularly along the Pecos and Devils Rivers. Have multiple ways to receive warnings and stay weather aware if outdoors.

Hazardous Weather

High Wind Warning

 This Evening Through Early Saturday Afternoon



Guadalupe & Delaware Mountains



- Northeast winds 30 - 50 mph
- Gusts up to 70 mph



Secure loose
objects



Difficult driving
in high-profile vehicles



Reduced visibility at
times in blowing dust



**HIGH
WIND
WARNING AREA**



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National Weather Service · Midland/Odessa, TX

Updated: October 15, 2026

A cold front will bring strong winds to the Guadalupe and Delaware Mountains this evening through Saturday afternoon. Winds will be strongest within the Guadalupe Pass!

Strong-Severe Storm Risk: Through Thursday

October 15, 2026
2:32 AM



Severe Risk

- High
- Moderate
- Enhanced
- Slight
- Marginal



Timing Now through Thursday afternoon



Tornado Potential

Very Low Low Medium High



Maximum Hail Size

Penny Quarter Golf Ball Baseball Softball



Maximum Wind Speed

<50 mph 60 mph 70 mph 80+ mph



What to Do → Have multiple ways to receive warnings.
→ Have a severe weather safety plan ready.



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A few strong to briefly severe thunderstorms remain possible near the Red River early through the afternoon. Strong-damaging winds, heavy rainfall and lightning are concerns with thunderstorms.

Hazardous Weather

Flood Watch

Area mainly west of a Brownwood to Junction line (green shaded area on the map).

This Afternoon and Tonight (until 7 AM Friday).

Focused areas of showers and storms will be capable of producing 1-3" of rainfall. Localized amounts in excess of 5" are also possible.



Never drive onto roadways covered in water



Never attempt to walk, swim, or drive through flowing flood waters



National Weather Service - San Angelo
weather.gov/SJT

October 15, 2026
4:35 AM

A Flood Watch is in effect for much of the area this afternoon and tonight, until 7 AM Friday. Focused areas of showers and storms will be capable of producing 1 to 3 inches of rainfall. Localized amounts in excess of 5 inches are also possible. Heavy rainfall in short periods of time will bring a risk of flooding and flash flooding within the Watch area.

Fire Weather Watch in Effect

Wildfires can escalate quickly.
Latest info at weather.gov/shv



Through Late Friday Night



Areas Included:
All of our Four-State Region



- Wind Gusts of 30+ mph
- Relative Humidity of 25-40%
- Critically Dry Fuels

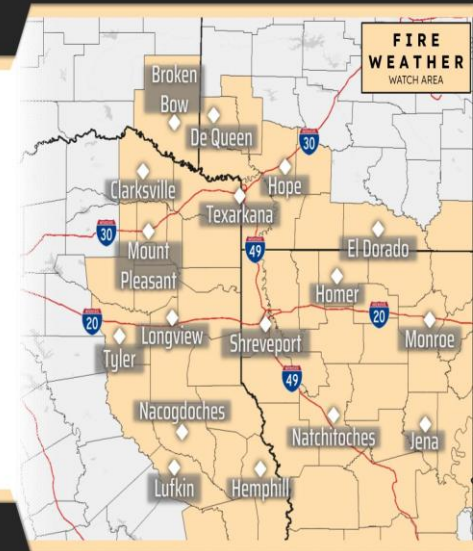


- Avoid open flames or sparks
- Keep vehicles off dry grass
- Properly discard cigarettes



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National Weather Service - Shreveport, LA
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Updated: Wed Oct 14, 2026 4:00 PM



A strong cold front will usher in very dry air on Friday through the weekend with relative humidity between 25 to 40 percent and winds gusting out of the north up to 30 mph at times. A Fire Weather Watch is in effect with the threat of rapid start and spread of wildfires.

Hazardous Weather

Flood Watch

Until 12 PM Thursday

 The Rolling Plains and the far southeast Texas Panhandle.

 Up to 2 inches of additional rainfall possible through Thursday morning.

IMPACTS


URBAN-STREET FLOODING

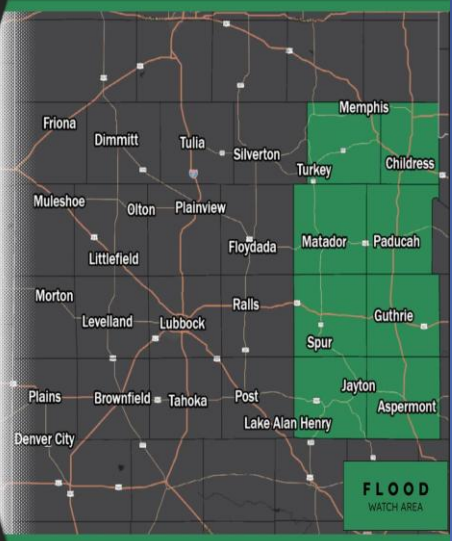

HEAVY RAIN


FLASH FLOODING



Turn Around. Don't Drown.
Check out [weather.gov/haz](#) for more information.







NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE
LUBBOCK, TEXAS

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Updated: Wed Oct 14, 2026 10:05 PM

A Flood Watch remains in effect for areas off the Caprock through 12 PM Thursday.

Weather Advisory/Statement/Watch/Warning Issued

DATE	WARNING TYPE	LOCATION
10/14/26	Airport Weather Warning	Potter and Randall Counties
10/14/26	Flash Flood Warning	Childress, Crosby, Cottle, Dickens, Garza, Glasscock, Hall, Howard, Kent, King, Mitchell, Motley, and Scurry Counties
10/14/26	Flood Warning	Cottle, Dickens, King, and Motley Counties
10/14/26	High Wind Warning	El Paso and Hudspeth Counties
10/14/26	Severe Thunderstorm Warning	Archer, Baylor, Borden, Brewster, Clay, Cottle, Crane, Crosby, Dawson, Dickens, Foard, Garza, Gaines, Glasscock, Hardeman, Haskell, Howard, King, Knox, Kent, Lynn, Martin, Midland, Mitchell, Motley, Pecos, Reagan, Scurry, Stonewall, Terrell, Throckmorton, Upton, Ward, Wichita, Wilbarger, and Young Counties
10/14/26	Flood Watch	Andrews, Archer, Baylor, Borden, Brewster, Childress, Clay, Collingsworth, Cottle, Crane, Culberson, Dawson, Dickens, Donley, Ector, Foard, Gaines, Glasscock, Gray, Hall, Hardeman, Hemphill, Howard, Jeff Davis, Kent, King, Knox, Loving, Martin, Midland, Mitchell, Motley, Pecos, Presidio, Reagan, Reeves, Scurry, Stonewall, Terrell, Upton, Val Verde, Ward, Wheeler, Wichita, Wilbarger, and Winkler Counties
10/14/26	High Wind Watch	Culberson County

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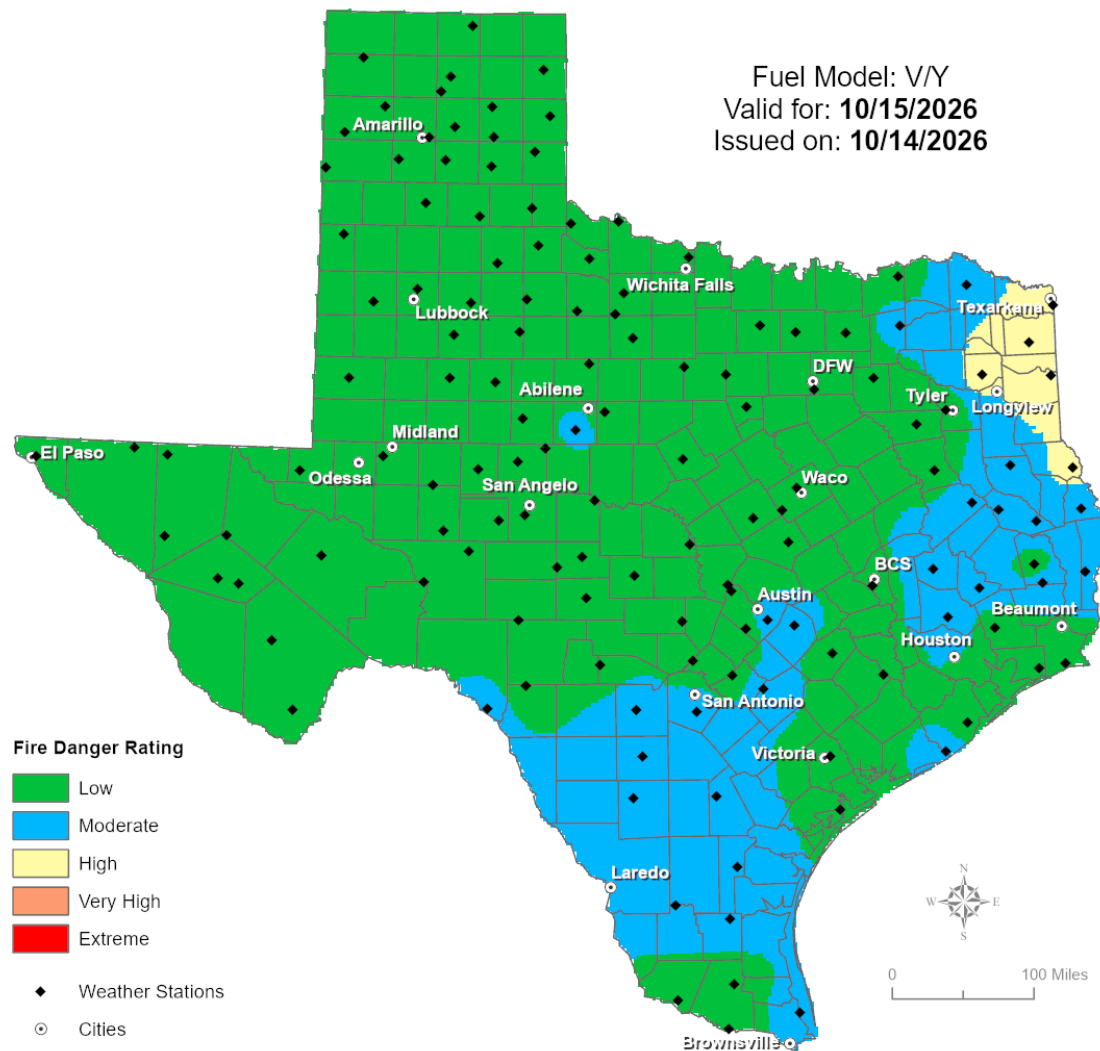
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10/14/26	Tornado Warning	Dickens, Garza, Kent, King, Pecos, Stonewall, Wichita, and Wilbarger Counties
10/14/26	Gale Watch	Aransas, Calhoun, Cameron, Kenedy, Kleberg, Nueces, Refugio, San Patricio, and Willacy Counties
10/14/26	Severe Thunderstorm Watch	Archer, Baylor, Borden, Childress, Clay, Coke, Cottle, Crane, Crockett, Crosby, Dawson, Dickens, Ector, Fisher, Foard, Garza, Glasscock, Hall, Hardeman, Haskell, Howard, Irion, Jones, Kent, King, Knox, Lynn, Martin, Midland, Mitchell, Motley, Nolan, Pecos, Reagan, Scurry, Sterling, Stonewall, Taylor, Throckmorton, Tom Green, Upton, Wichita, Wilbarger, and Young Counties
10/14/26	Dense Fog Advisory	Carson, Dallam, Hansford, Hartley, Hutchinson, Moore, Oldham, Potter, and Sherman Counties
10/14/26	Flood Advisory	Collingsworth, Donley, Foard, Gray, Hardeman, Wheeler, and Wilbarger Counties
10/14/26	Special Weather Statement	Dallam, Fisher, Foard, Hardeman, Hartley, Jones, Nolan, Sherman, Taylor, and Wilbarger Counties
10/15/26	Flash Flood Warning	Brewster, Crosby, Glasscock, Howard, Lubbock, Mitchell, Terrell, Scurry, and Wichita Counties
10/15/26	Flood Warning	Cottle, Dickens, King, Motley, Wichita, and Wilbarger Counties

Weather Advisory/Statement/Watch/Warning Issued

DATE	WARNING TYPE	LOCATION
10/15/26	High Wind Warning	Culberson, El Paso, and Hudspeth Counties
10/15/26	Severe Thunderstorm Warning	Brewster County
10/15/26	Flood Watch	Archer, Baylor, Callahan, Clay, Coke, Coleman, Concho, Crockett, Fisher, Foard, Hardeman, Haskell, Irion, Jones, Knox, Nolan, Runnels, Schleicher, Shackelford, Sterling, Sutton, Taylor, Throckmorton, Tom Green, Wichita, and Wilbarger Counties
10/15/26	Gale Watch	Brazoria, Calhoun, Chambers, Galveston, Harris, Jackson, and Matagorda Counties
10/15/26	Flood Advisory	Archer, Baylor, Clay, Foard, Hardeman, Knox, Wichita, and Wilbarger Counties
10/15/26	Special Weather Statement	Archer, Baylor, Clay, Cooke, Fisher, Foard, Haskell, Jones, Knox, Montague, Nolan, Shackelford, Taylor, Throckmorton, Wichita, Wilbarger, Wise, and Young Counties
10/15/26	Wind Advisory	Dallam and Hartley Counties
10/15/26	Dense Fog Advisory	Angelina, Nacogdoches, Sabine, San Augustine, and Shelby Counties

Fire Danger Forecast

Forecast Fire Danger



Burn Ban

OUTDOOR BURN BANS

October 15, 2026

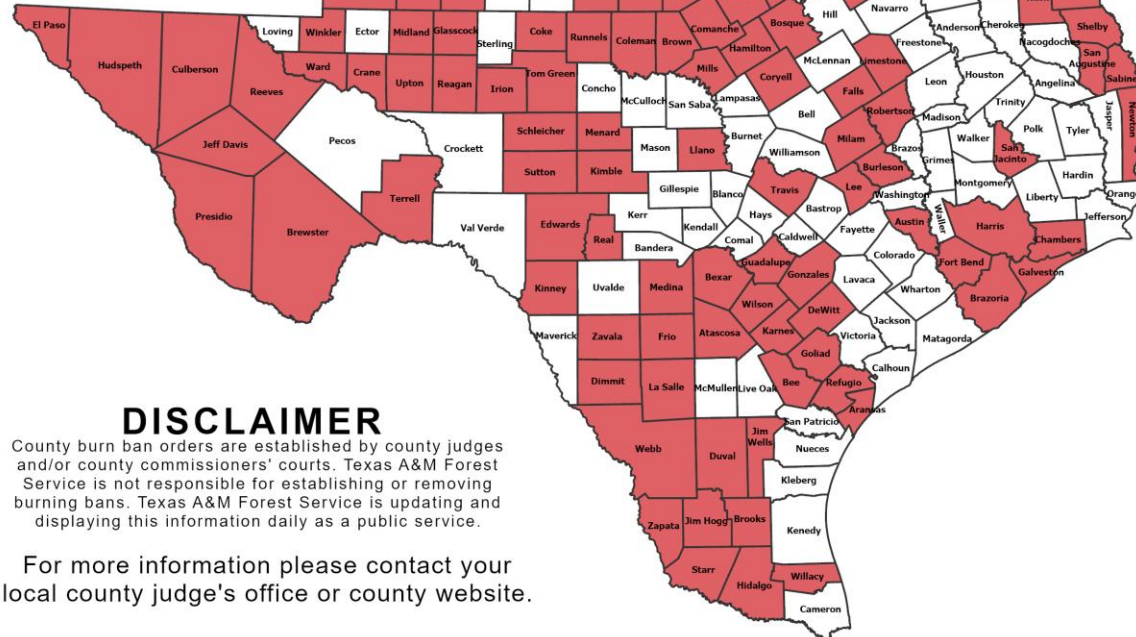


□ Counties without Established Burn Bans
■ Counties with Established Burn Bans

Email updates to:
burnban@tfs.tamu.edu

Counties with Burn Bans: 151

Andrews	Frio	Parmer
Aransas	Galveston	Potter
Archer	Garza	Presidio
Armstrong	Glasscock	Randall
Atascosa	Goliad	Reagan
Austin	Gonzales	Real
Bailey	Gray	Red River
Baylor	Guadalupe	Reeves
Bee	Hale	Refugio
Bexar	Hall	Roberts
Bosque	Hamilton	Robertson
Bowie	Hansford	Rockwall
Brazoria	Hardeman	Runnels
Brewster	Harris	Rusk
Briscoe	Harrison	Sabine
Brooks	Hidalgo	San Augustine
Brown	Hopkins	San Jacinto
Burleson	Howard	Schleicher
Callahan	Hudspeth	Scurry
Carson	Irion	Shackelford
Cass	Jack	Shelby
Castro	Jeff Davis	Sherman
Chambers	Jim Hogg	Somervell
Childress	Jim Wells	Starr
Cochran	Jones	Stephens
Coke	Karnes	Sutton
Coleman	Kent	Tarrant
Collingsworth	Kimble	Taylor
Comanche	King	Terrell
Coryell	Kinney	Terry
Cottle	Knox	Throckmorton
Crane	Lamb	Titus
Crosby	La Salle	Tom Green
Culberson	Lee	Travis
DeWitt	Limestone	Upshur
Dickens	Llano	Upton
Dimmit	Marion	Ward
Donley	Martin	Webb
Duval	Medina	Wheeler
Eastland	Menard	Wichita
Edwards	Midland	Wilbarger
Ellis	Milam	Willacy
El Paso	Mills	Wilson
Erath	Montague	Winkler
Falls	Morris	Wise
Fannin	Newton	Yoakum
Fisher	Ochiltree	Young
Floyd	Oldham	Zapata
Foard	Palo Pinto	Zavala
Fort Bend	Panola	
Franklin	Parker	



DISCLAIMER

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.

RED FLAG WARNINGS: www.weather.gov

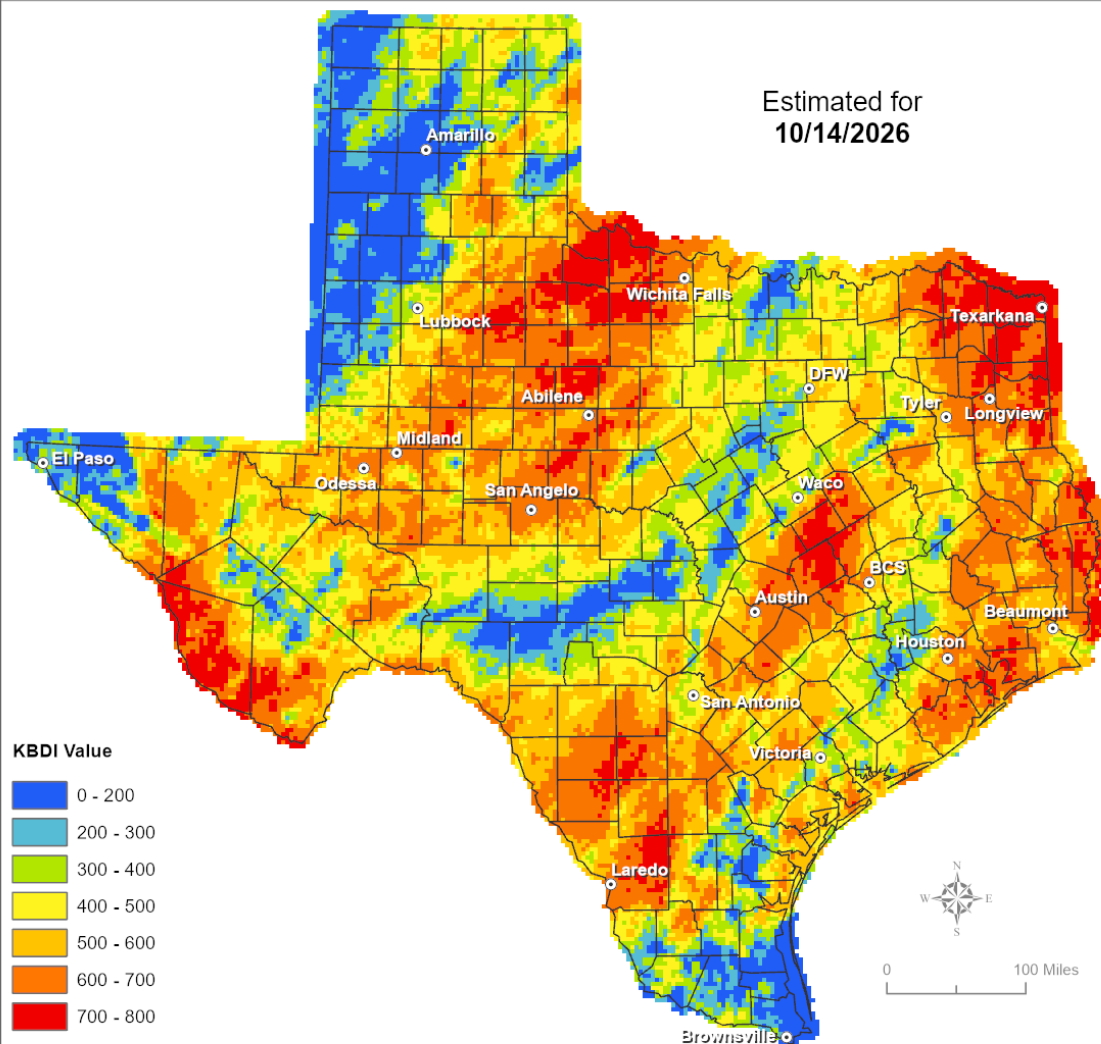
Additional map formats available at <https://tfsweb.tamu.edu/Burnbans/>

Keetch-Byram Drought Index

Keetch-Byram Drought Index

(4 km x 4 km resolution)

Estimated for
10/14/2026



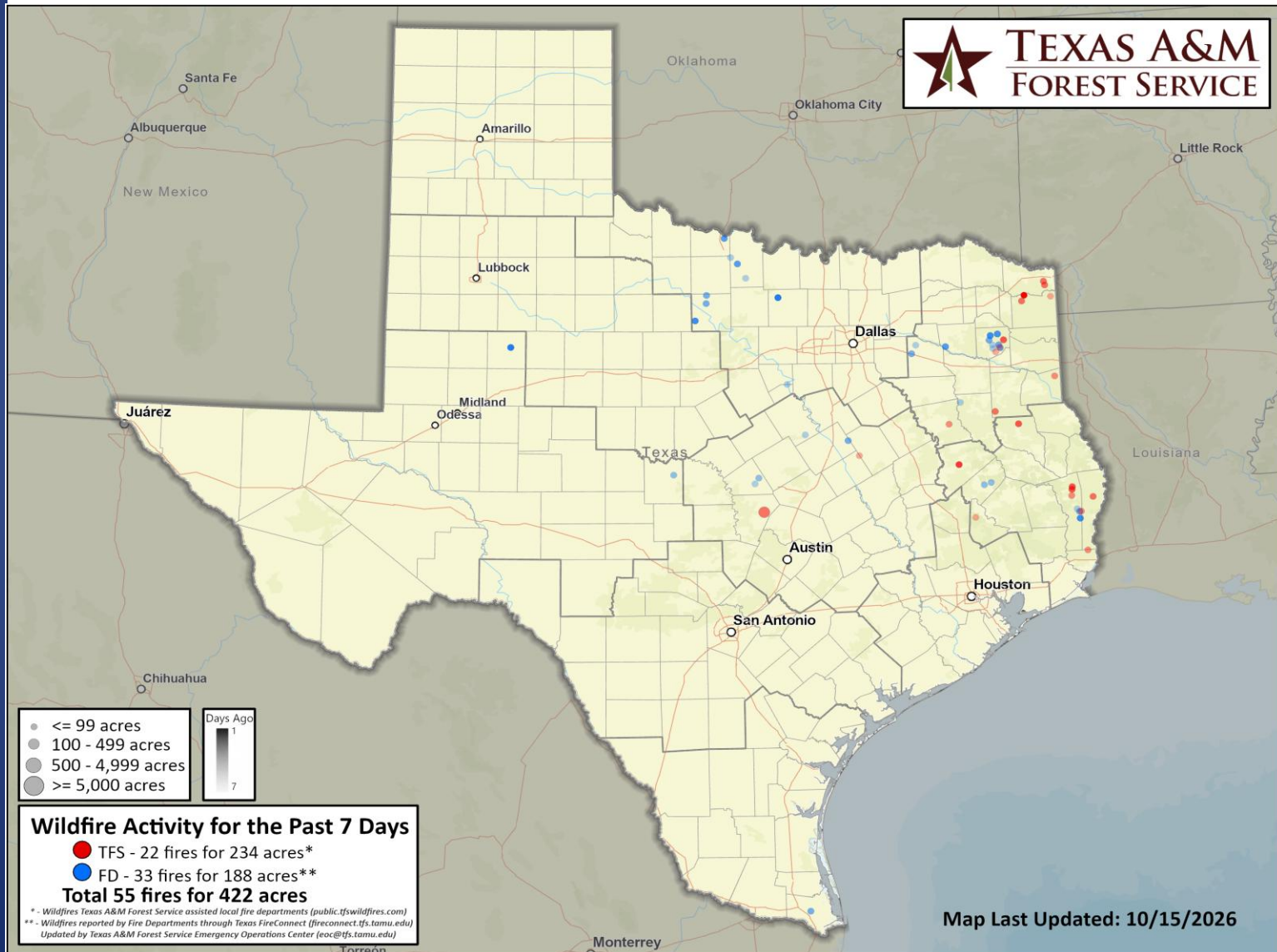
Fire Weather

Warnings/Watches/Statements

DATE	WARNING TYPE	LOCATION
10/14/26	Fire Weather Watch	Angelina, Bowie, Camp, Cass, Cherokee, Franklin, Gregg, Hardin, Harrison, Jasper, Marion, Morris, Nacogdoches, Newton, Panola, Red River, Rusk, Sabine, San Augustine, Shelby, Smith, Titus, Tyler, Upshur, and Wood Counties

Fire Activity (*Last 24 Hours)

Report of 1,404 (+1) fires and 337,094 (+2) acres have been burned this year. There are 151 (-2) counties with burn bans. The Keetch–Byram Drought Index list contains 194 (+5) counties with an average over 400.



Training

DATES		TITLE	COURSE	LOCATION
10/13/26	10/15/26	Texas Public Information Officer	T-PUB4033	Breckenridge
10/13/26	10/15/26	Texas Public Information Officer	T-PUB4033	Laredo
10/13/26	10/15/26	Texas Public Information Officer	T-PUB4033	Richmond
10/14/26	10/15/26	Advanced Incident Command System for Complex Incidents	G-400	Del Rio
10/14/26	10/15/26	Advanced Incident Command System for Complex Incidents	G-400	Franklin
10/15/26	10/16/26	Advanced Incident Command System for Complex Incidents	G-400	Lytle
10/15/26	10/16/26	Advanced Incident Command System for Complex Incidents	G-400	San Antonio
10/15/26	10/15/26	Response to a Radiological Dispersal Device	PER-348	San Marcos

Statewide Significant Events

DATES		LOCATION	EVENT
09/25/26	10/18/26	Dallas	State Fair of Texas

Exercises

DATES		AGENCY/LOCATION	TYPE: EXERCISE NAME
10/15/26	10/15/26	Mont Belvieu	Targa Resources Drill
10/15/26	10/15/26	Waller	Waller ISD Lockdown Drill
10/15/26	10/15/26	Troy	APEX Big Elm Solar LLC Annual PUCT Drill
10/15/26	10/15/26	Austin	LCRA Community Cybersecurity Workshop