

Texas Division of Emergency Management Texas State Operations Center



**Saturday, October 17th, 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
Sat Oct 17 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
10/16/26	Initial Report of a Cellular and 9-1-1 Outage	Milam County
10/16/26	Initial Report of the Fork Creek Fire	Caldwell County
10/16/26	Initial Report of a Wildfire	Goliad County
10/16/26	Initial Report of a Road Closure	Burnet County
10/16/26	Initial and Final Report of the Houston 9498 Fire	Houston County
10/16/26	Initial and Final Report of a Wildfire	Gonzales County
10/16/26	Update Report of the Fork Creek Fire	Caldwell County
10/16/26	Update Report of a Road Closure	Burnet County
10/16/26	Final Report of a Wildfire	Goliad County
10/16/26	Final Report of a Cellular and 9-1-1 Outage	Milam County
10/16/26	Initial Report of the Cass 9506 Fire	Cass County

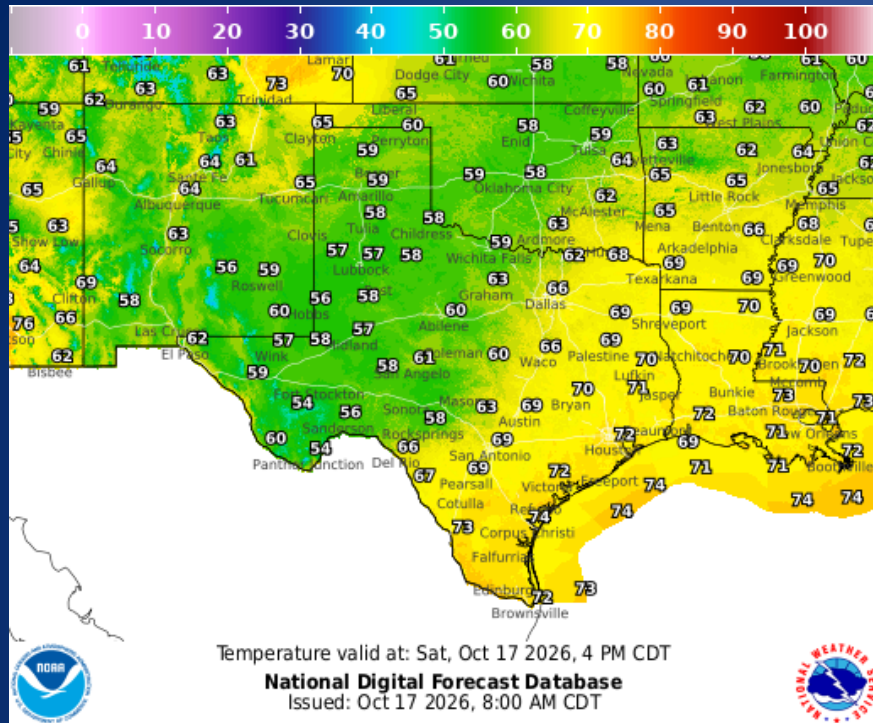
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DATE	SUBJECT	LOCATION
10/16/26	Final Report of the Cass 9506 Fire	Cass County
10/16/26	Initial Report of the Kirk Fire	Limestone County
10/16/26	Initial Report of the Hayfield 97 Fire	Wilson County
10/16/26	Final Report of the Kirk Fire	Limestone County
10/16/26	Update Report #1 of a Road Closure	Burnet County
10/16/26	Final Report of the Fork Creek Fire	Caldwell County
10/16/26	Update Report #4 of the Water Outage	Calhoun County
10/16/26	Initial and Final Report of the San Jacinto 9507 Fire	San Jacinto County
10/16/26	Update Report #2 of a Road Closure	Burnet County

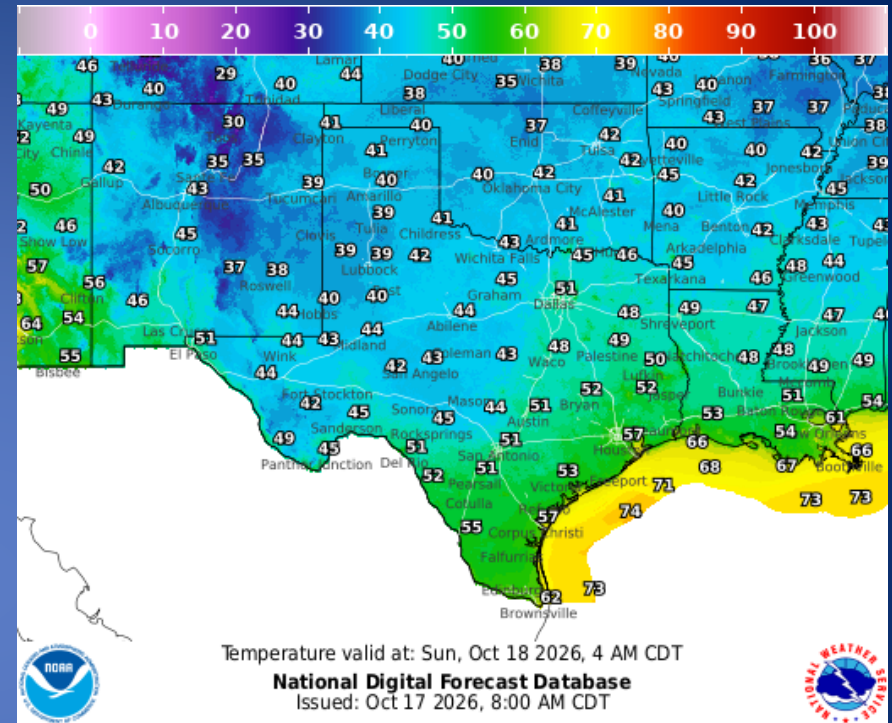
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DATE	SUBJECT
10/16/26	Daily Situation Report [26-0016 New World Screwworm Response]
10/16/26	Daily Situation Report [26-0027 12OCT Severe Weather]
10/17/26	National Weather Service Brownsville: Conditions Rapidly Improving in the Wake of Friday's Cold Front
10/17/26	Daily National Weather Service Threat Brief

Weather Forecast



Highs



Lows

Wind Speed (mph) & Direction for: Sat, Oct 17 2026, 4 PM CDT

National Digital Forecast Database
Issued: Oct 17 2026, 8:00 AM CDT

Wind Gust (mph) valid at: Sat, Oct 17 2026, 4 PM CDT

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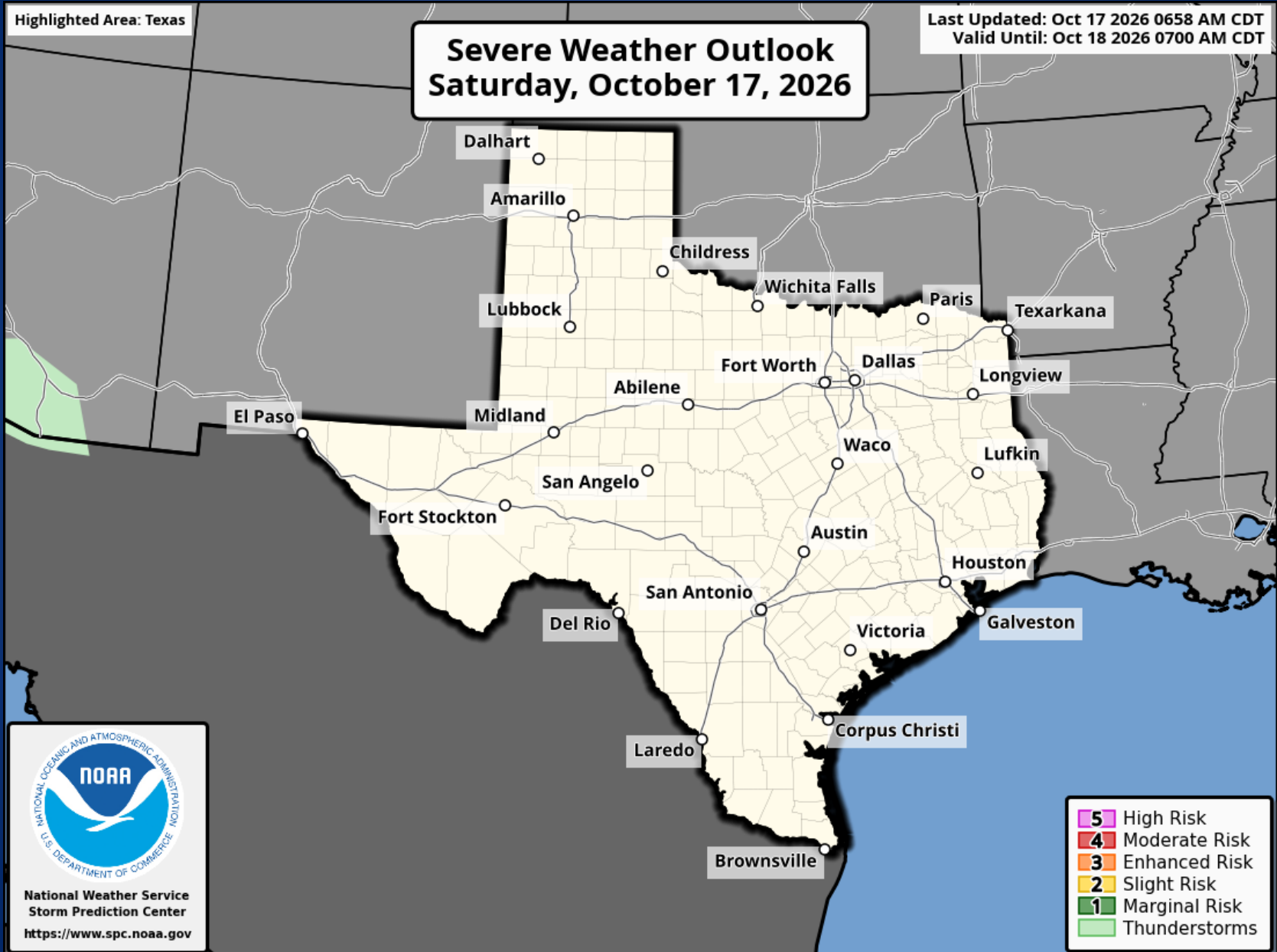
Gusts

Hazardous Weather

Highlighted Area: Texas

Severe Weather Outlook Saturday, October 17, 2026

Last Updated: Oct 17 2026 0658 AM CDT
Valid Until: Oct 18 2026 0700 AM CDT



Hazardous Weather

Red Flag Warning & Elevated Fire Danger

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



Through 7 PM Saturday Evening



Areas Included:

Red Flag Warning for Northeast & Central Louisiana. Elevated Fire Danger for remainder of region



- Wind Gusts 15-30 mph, higher across Northeast & Central Louisiana
- Relative Humidity 25-35%
- Critically/Extremely Dry Fuels



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

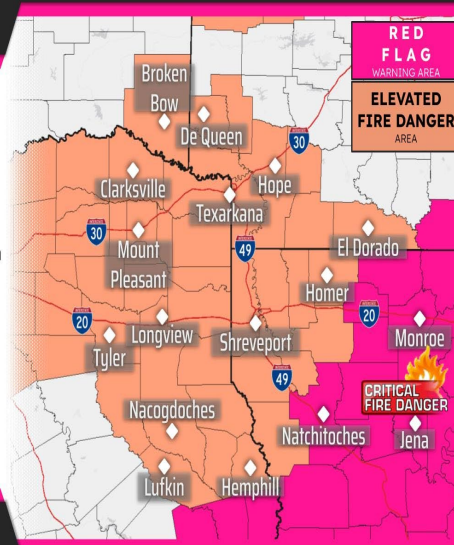


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Updated: Sat Oct 17, 2026 4:52 AM



Red Flag Warning

Until 8PM today



Key Message

Elevated Fire Danger continues today due to strong northerly winds and low afternoon relative humidity. Atmospheric and land conditions are favorable for erratic fire spread if a fire does start.



Hazards

Fires can spread rapidly in these conditions. Outside burning is discouraged except by experienced fire personnel.



Actions

Avoid activities that cause open flames or sparks. Properly discard of cigarettes.

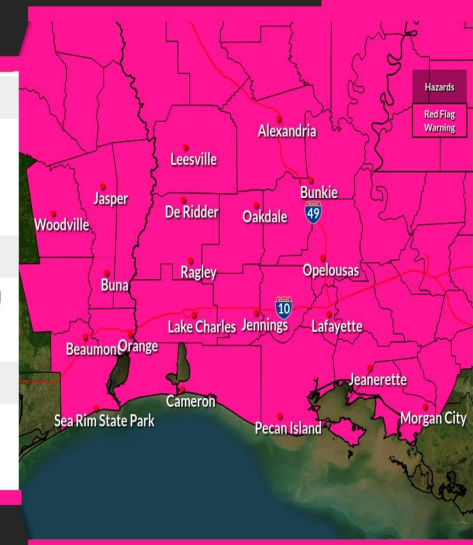


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National Weather Service - Lake Charles, LA

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Very dry air will remain as relative humidity plummets between 25 to 35 percent with winds gusting out of the north up to 30 mph at times, especially across Northeast & Central Louisiana. As a result, a Red Flag Warning & Fire Danger Statement is in effect from 9 AM to 7 PM.

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Hazardous Weather

Elevated Fire Weather Conditions Saturday

Updated: Sat Oct 17, 2026 12:12 AM

Elevated fire weather conditions are expected Saturday due to gusty winds and dry air.

Only you can prevent wildfires!

Here's how:

- AVOID any activities that could spark a wildfire, as fires could spread rapidly
- Do NOT leave a fire unattended or burn unnecessarily.
- Secure tow chains to avoid dragging and sparking. NEVER park or drive over tall grass.
- Contact law enforcement or the fire department if you smell smoke or see fire!
- NEVER toss lit cigarettes on the ground!

	Max Wind Gust & Min RH				
	10/17 Sat	10/18 Sun	10/19 Mon	10/20 Tue	10/21 Wed
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Texas A&M Fire Forest Service Fire Danger Rating Saturday

Legend: Low (Green), Moderate (Yellow), High (Orange), Very High (Red), Extreme (Dark Red)

Outdoor Burn Bans

Counties without Established Burn Bans (White)

Counties with Established Burn Bans (Red)

Email updates to: burnban@tfs.tamu.edu



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Elevated fire weather conditions are expected Saturday due to gusty winds and dry air.

Coastal Flood Advisory | High Risk Rip Currents

Through Saturday Night



Coastal flooding during times of high tide.



Gulf-facing beaches



- Inundation 1-1.5 feet
- Beach Erosion & Coastal Inundation Possible
- High Risk of Rip Currents



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**HIGH RISK
RIP
CURRENTS**

**COASTAL
FLOOD
ADVISORY AREA**

Updated: October 16, 2026

A Coastal Flood Advisory is in effect along the gulf facing beaches Friday afternoon through Sunday morning. Minor coastal flooding with 1-1.5 feet inundation during times of high tide can be expected. This may lead to flooding of lots and parks with water up to the dunes. A high rip current risk will also be present through Saturday night.

Hazardous Weather

High Risk of Rip Currents | Coastal Flood Advisory

Maximum Coastal Flood Inundation at High Tide



until 7 AM Sunday



Cameron, Willacy, and Kenedy Islands



- Minor to moderate beach erosion
- Life-threatening rip currents



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BROWNSVILLE/RIO GRANDE VALLEY

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Updated: October 17, 2026

A High Risk of Rip Currents and a Coastal Flood Advisory remains in effect until 7 AM Sunday. Visitors and residents are strongly encouraged to stay out of the water.

Weather Advisory/Statement/Watch/Warning Issued

DATE	WARNING TYPE	LOCATION
10/16/26	Flood Warning	Brewster, Val Verde, Wichita, and Wilbarger Counties
10/16/26	Wind Advisory	Anderson, Aransas, Atascosa, Austin, Bandera, Bastrop, Bee, Bell, Bexar, Blanco, Bosque, Brazoria, Brazos, Brewster, Brooks, Brown, Burleson, Burnet, Caldwell, Calhoun, Callahan, Cameron, Chambers, Coke, Collin, Coleman, Colorado, Comanche, Comal, Concho, Cooke, Coryell, Crockett, Dallas, Delta, Denton, DeWitt, Dimmit, Eastland, Edwards, Ellis, Erath, Falls, Fannin, Fayette, Fisher, Fort Bend, Freestone, Frio, Galveston, Gillespie, Goliad, Gonzales, Grayson, Grimes, Guadalupe, Hamilton, Harris, Haskell, Hays, Henderson, Hill, Hidalgo, Hood, Hopkins, Hunt, Irion, Jack, Jackson, Jeff Davis, Jefferson, Jim Wells, Johnson, Jones, Karnes, Kaufman, Kendall, Kenedy, Kerr, Kimble, Kinney, Kleberg, Lamar, Lampasas, Lavaca, Lee, Leon, Limestone, Llano, Madison, Mason, Matagorda, Maverick, McCulloch, McLennan, Medina, Menard, Milam, Mills, Montague, Montgomery, Navarro, Nolan, Nueces, Orange, Palo Pinto, Parker, Presidio, Rains, Real, Refugio, Robertson, Rockwall, Runnels, San Patricio, San Saba, Schleicher, Shackelford, Somervell, Stephens, Sterling, Sutton, Tarrant, Taylor, Throckmorton, Tom Green, Travis, Uvalde, Val Verde, Van Zandt, Victoria, Walker, Waller, Washington, Wharton, Willacy, Williamson, Wilson, Wise, and Young Counties

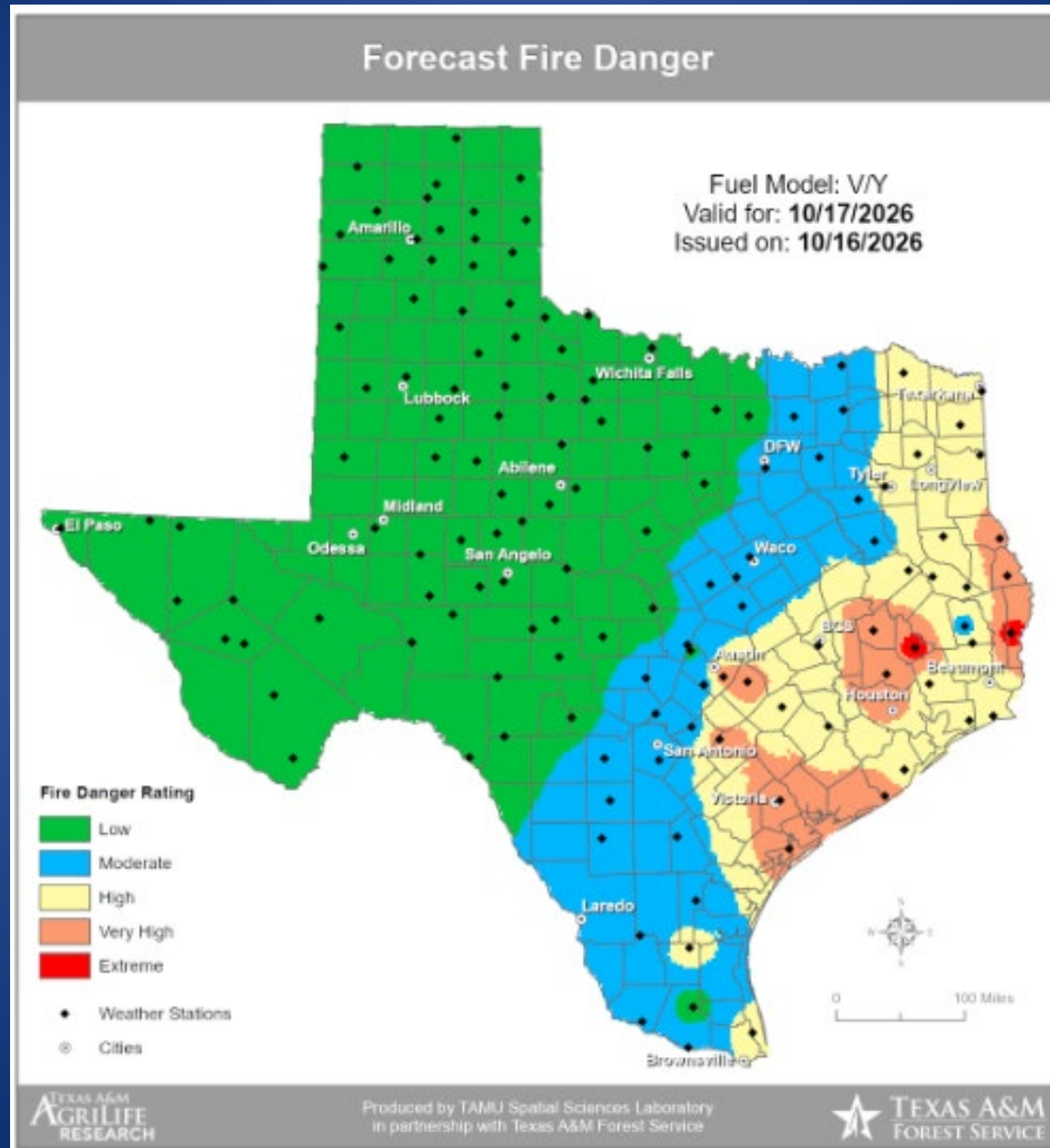
Weather Advisory/Statement/Watch/Warning Issued

DATE	WARNING TYPE	LOCATION
10/16/26	Flood Watch	Clay and Wichita Counties
10/16/26	High Wind Warning	Culberson, El Paso and Hudspeth Counties
10/16/26	Frost Advisory	Collingsworth, Donley, and Wheeler Counties
10/16/26	Flood Advisory	Baylor and Knox Counties
10/16/26	Rip Current Statement	Aransas, Calhoun, Cameron, Kenedy, Kleberg, Nueces, and Willacy Counties
10/16/26	Freeze Warning	Armstrong, Bailey, Brewster, Briscoe, Carson, Castro, Cochran, Crosby, Culberson, Dallam, Deaf Smith, Floyd, Gray, Hale, Hansford, Hartley, Hemphill, Hockley, Hutchinson, Jeff Davis, Lamb, Lipscomb, Lubbock, Lynn, Moore, Ochiltree, Oldham, Parmer, Potter, Presidio, Randall, Roberts, Sherman, Swisher, Terry, and Yoakum Counties
10/16/26	High Surf Advisory	Cameron, Kenedy, and Willacy Counties
10/16/26	Coastal Flood Advisory	Aransas, Calhoun, Kenedy, Kleberg, Nueces, and Willacy Counties

Weather Advisory/Statement/Watch/Warning Issued

DATE	WARNING TYPE	LOCATION
10/17/26	Wind Advisory	Aransas, Brazoria, Calhoun, Galveston, Kleberg, Matagorda, Nueces, Refugio, and San Patricio Counties
10/17/26	Freeze Warning	Armstrong, Brewster, Carson, Dallam, Deaf Smith, Gray, Hansford, Hartley, Hemphill, Hutchinson, Jeff Davis, Lipscomb, Moore, Ochiltree, Oldham, Potter, Presidio, Randall, Roberts, and Sherman Counties
10/17/26	Frost Advisory	Collingsworth, Donley and Wheeler County
10/17/26	Small Craft Advisory	Brazoria, Calhoun, Cameron, Chambers, Galveston, Harris, Jackson, Kenedy, Matagorda, Victoria, and Willacy Counties
10/17/26	Flood Watch	Clay and Wichita Counties
10/17/26	Flood Warning	Wichita and Wilbarger Counties
10/17/26	Coastal Flood Advisory	Cameron, Kenedy, and Willacy Counties
10/17/26	High Surf Advisory	Cameron, Kenedy, and Willacy Counties
10/17/26	Rip Current Statement	Cameron, Kenedy, and Willacy Counties
10/17/26	Gale Warning	Brazoria, Chambers, Galveston, and Matagorda Counties

Fire Danger Forecast



Burn Ban

OUTDOOR BURN BANS

October 16, 2026



- Counties without Established Burn Bans
- Counties with Established Burn Bans

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Counties with Burn Bans: 150

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

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.

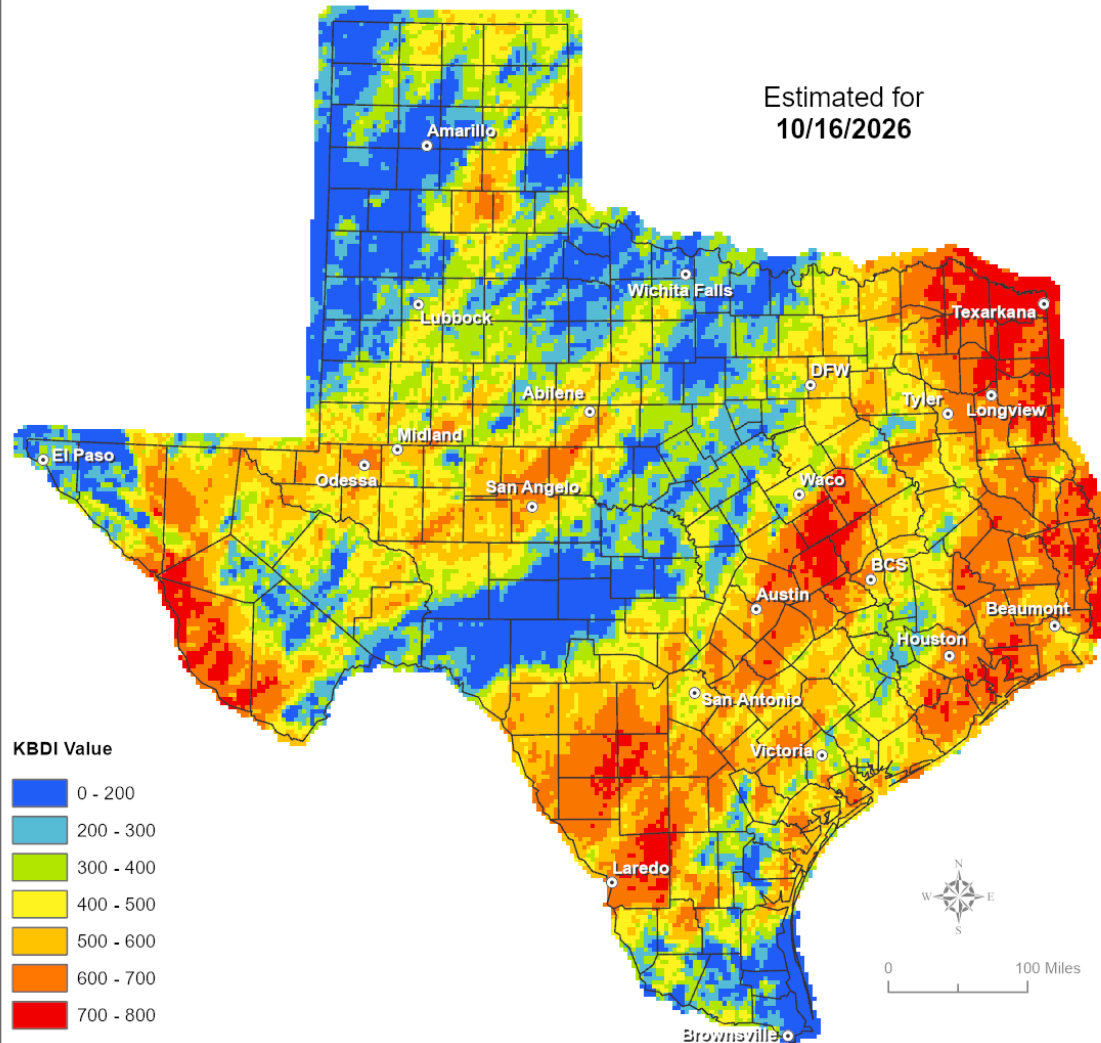
RED FLAG WARNINGS: www.weather.gov
Additional map formats available at <https://tfsweb.tamu.edu/Burnbans/>

Keetch-Byram Drought Index

Keetch-Byram Drought Index

(4 km x 4 km resolution)

Estimated for
10/16/2026



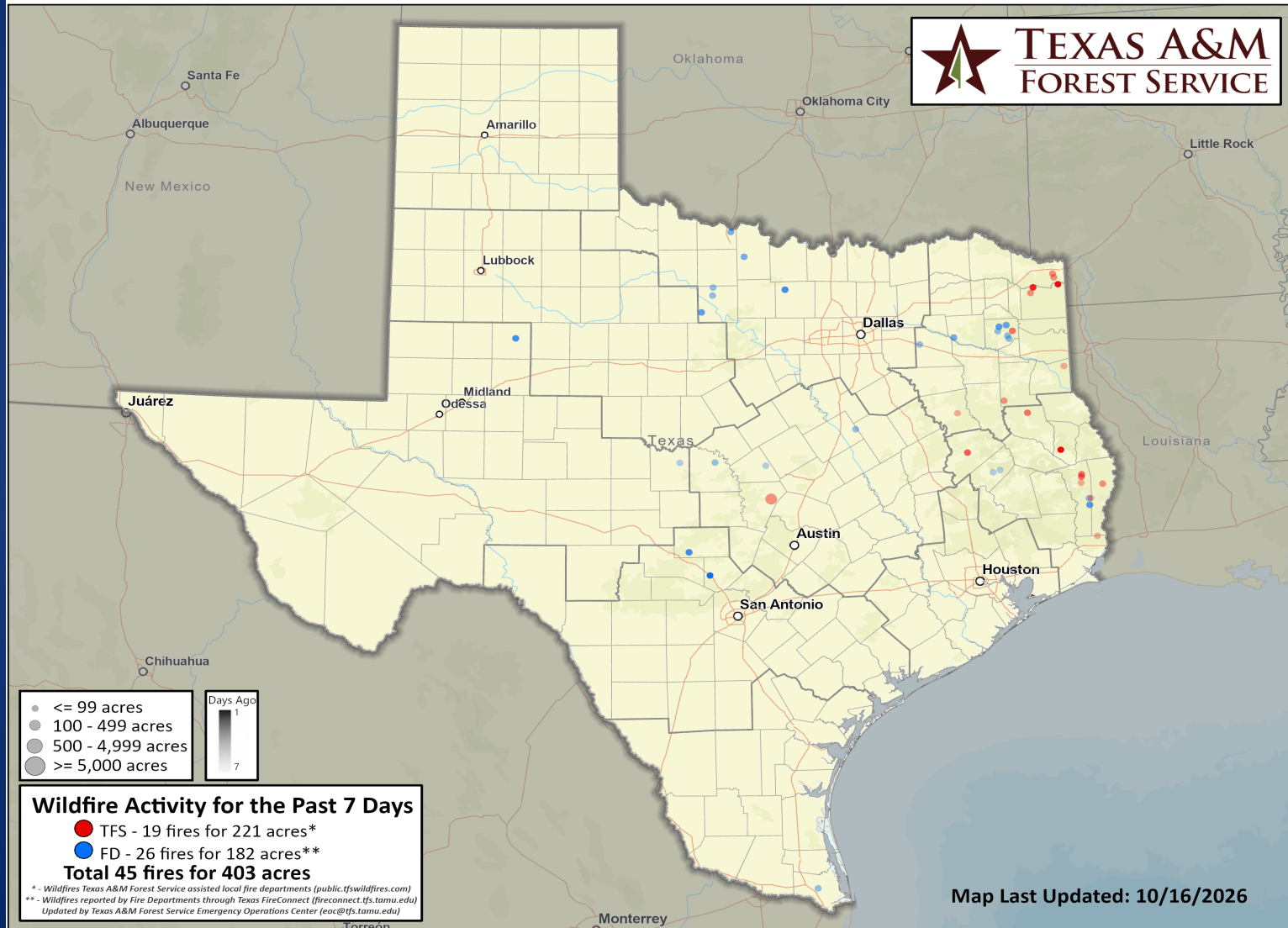
Fire Weather

Warnings/Watches/Statements

DATE	WARNING TYPE	LOCATION
10/16/26	Red Flag Warning	Angelina, Bowie, Brooks, Cameron, Camp, Cass, Cherokee, Franklin, Gregg, Hardin, Harrison, Hidalgo, Jasper, Jefferson, Jim Hogg, Kenedy, Marion, Morris, Nacogdoches, Newton, Orange, Panola, Red River, Rusk, Sabine, San Augustine, Shelby, Smith, Starr, Titus, Tyler, Upshur, Willacy, Wood, and Zapata Counties
10/16/26	Fire Danger Statement	Angelina, Bowie, Camp, Cass, Cherokee, Franklin, Gregg, Harrison, Marion, Morris, Nacogdoches, Panola, Red River, Rusk, Sabine, San Augustine, Shelby, Smith, Titus, Upshur, and Wood Counties

Fire Activity (*Last 24 Hours)

Report of 1,422 (+16) fires and 337,280 (+180) acres have been burned this year. There are 150 (no change) counties with burn bans. The Keetch–Byram Drought Index list contains 154 (-30) counties with an average over 400.



Training

DATES		TITLE	COURSE	LOCATION
10/16/26	10/18/26	Intermediate Incident Command System for Expanding Incidents	G-300	Robinson
10/16/26	10/24/26	Community Emergency Response Team Basic Training	G-317	Lewisville
10/16/26	10/18/26	Community Emergency Response Team Basic Training	G-317	Seven Points
10/16/26	10/24/26	Community Emergency Response Team Basic Training	G-317	Weatherford
10/16/26	10/18/26	Community Emergency Response Team Basic Training	G-317	Dripping Springs
10/17/26	10/18/26	Advanced Incident Command System for Complex Incidents	G-400	Palo Pinto

Statewide Significant Events

DATES		LOCATION	EVENT
09/25/26	10/18/26	Dallas	State Fair of Texas
10/09/26	10/24/26	Fort Worth	NRCHA Snaffle Bit Futurity
10/17/26	10/17/26	San Antonio	UTSA Football Game
10/17/26	10/17/26	Houston	University of Houston Football Game
10/17/26	10/17/26	Austin	MLS: 2026 Austin FC Game 15
10/17/26	10/17/26	Austin	University of Texas Football Game
10/17/26	10/17/26	College Station	Texas A&M University Football Game