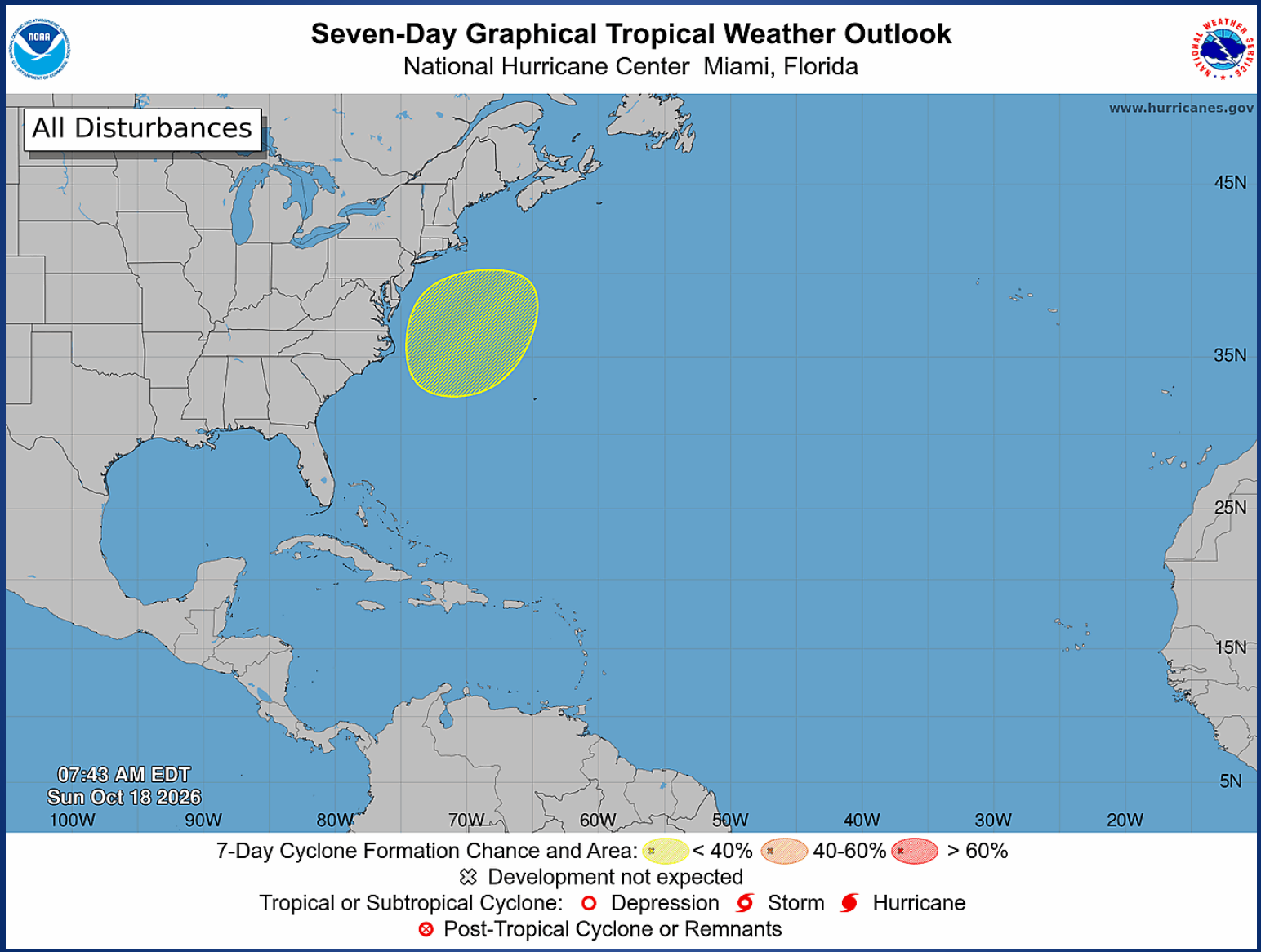
Texas Division of Emergency Management
Texas State Operations Center

Situation Awareness Brief

Sunday, October 18th, 2026
As of 0900 CDT

Tropical Weather Awareness



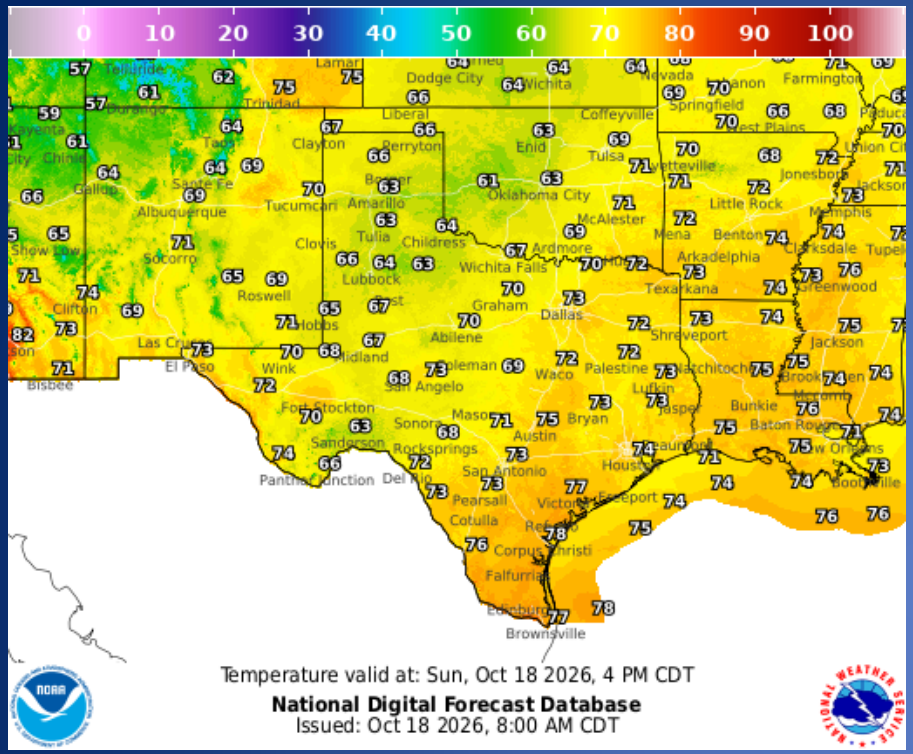
Incidents Reported to the State Operations Center (last 24 hours)

DATE	SUBJECT	LOCATION
10/17/26	Preliminary Earthquake Report (M3.5)	Dimmit County
10/17/26	Final Report of a Road Closure	Burnet County
10/17/26	Final Report of the Hayfield 97 Fire	Wilson County
10/17/26	Final Houston 9498 Fire (Rekindle)	Houston County

Informational Products Distributed by the State Operations Center

DATE	SUBJECT
10/17/26	Daily Situation Report [26-0016 New World Screwworm Response]
10/17/26	Daily Situation Report [26-0027 12OCT Severe Weather]
10/18/26	Daily National Weather Service Threat Brief

Weather Forecast



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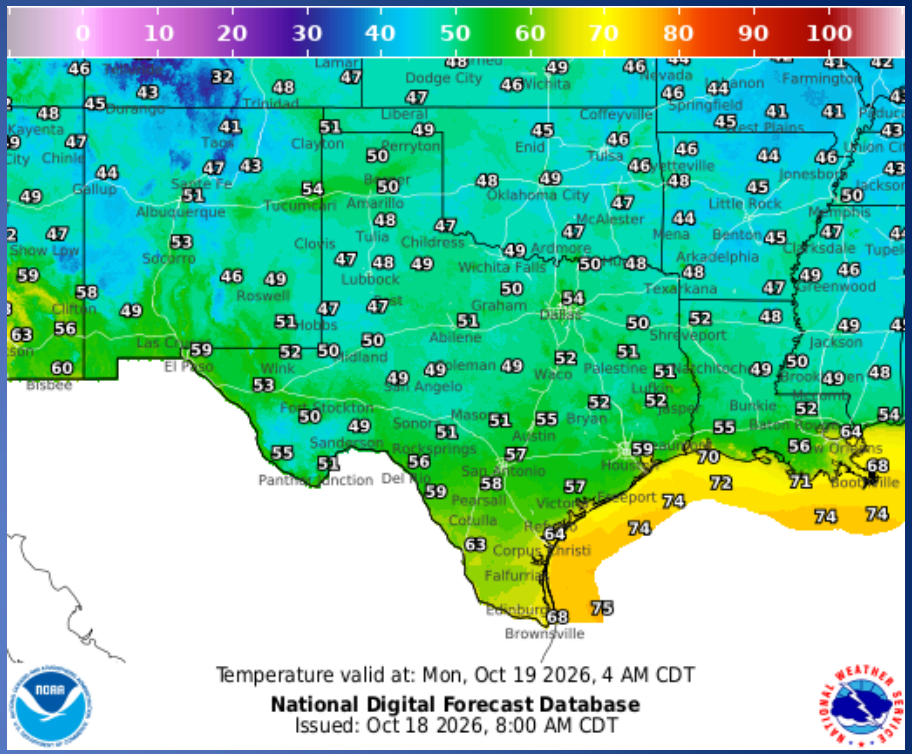

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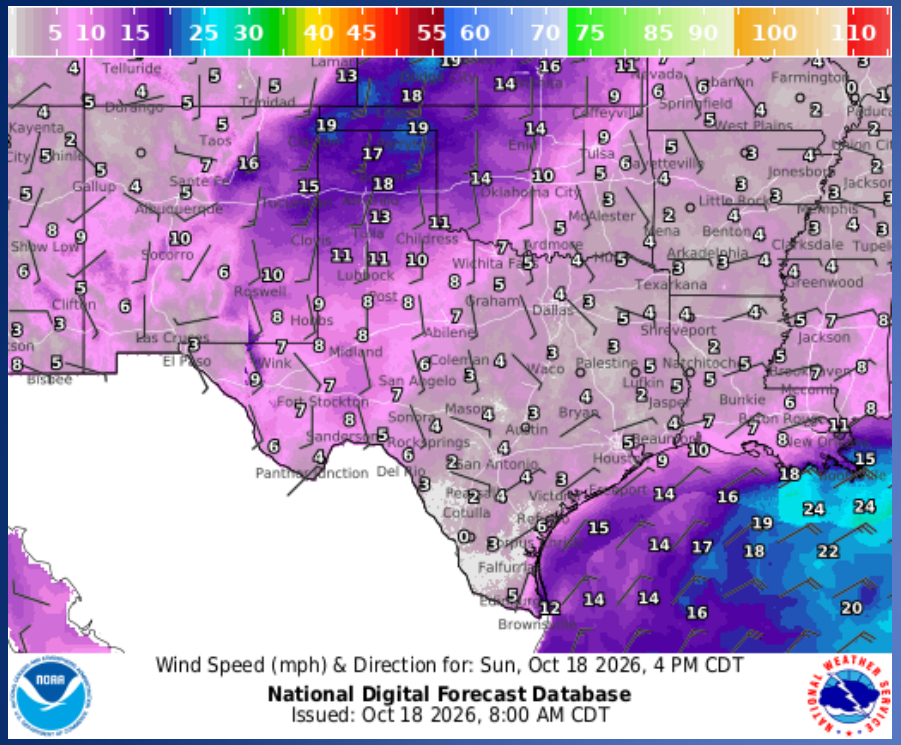

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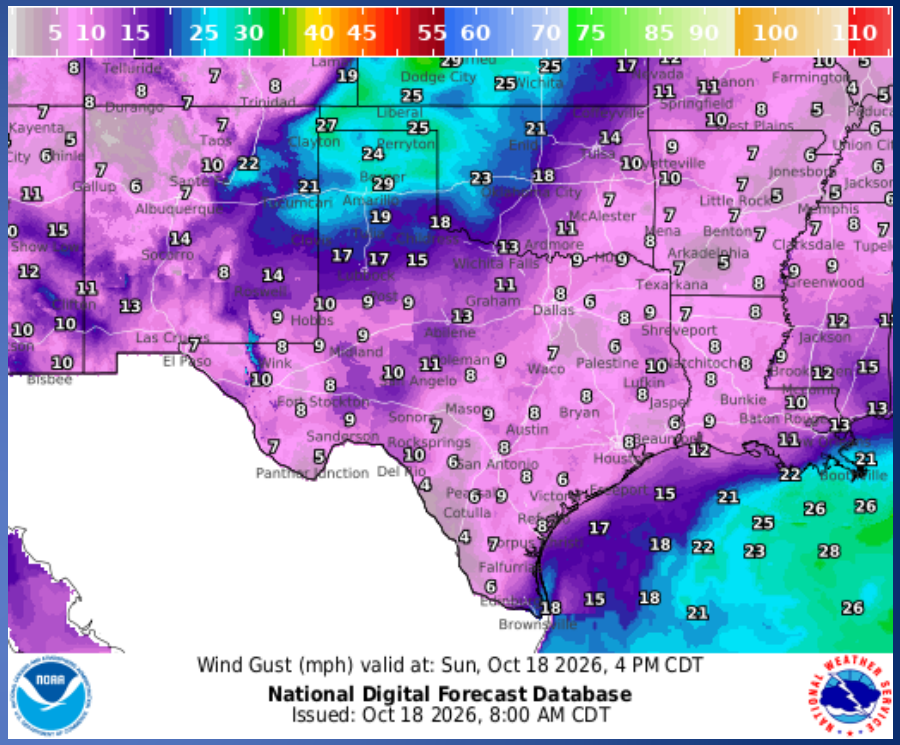
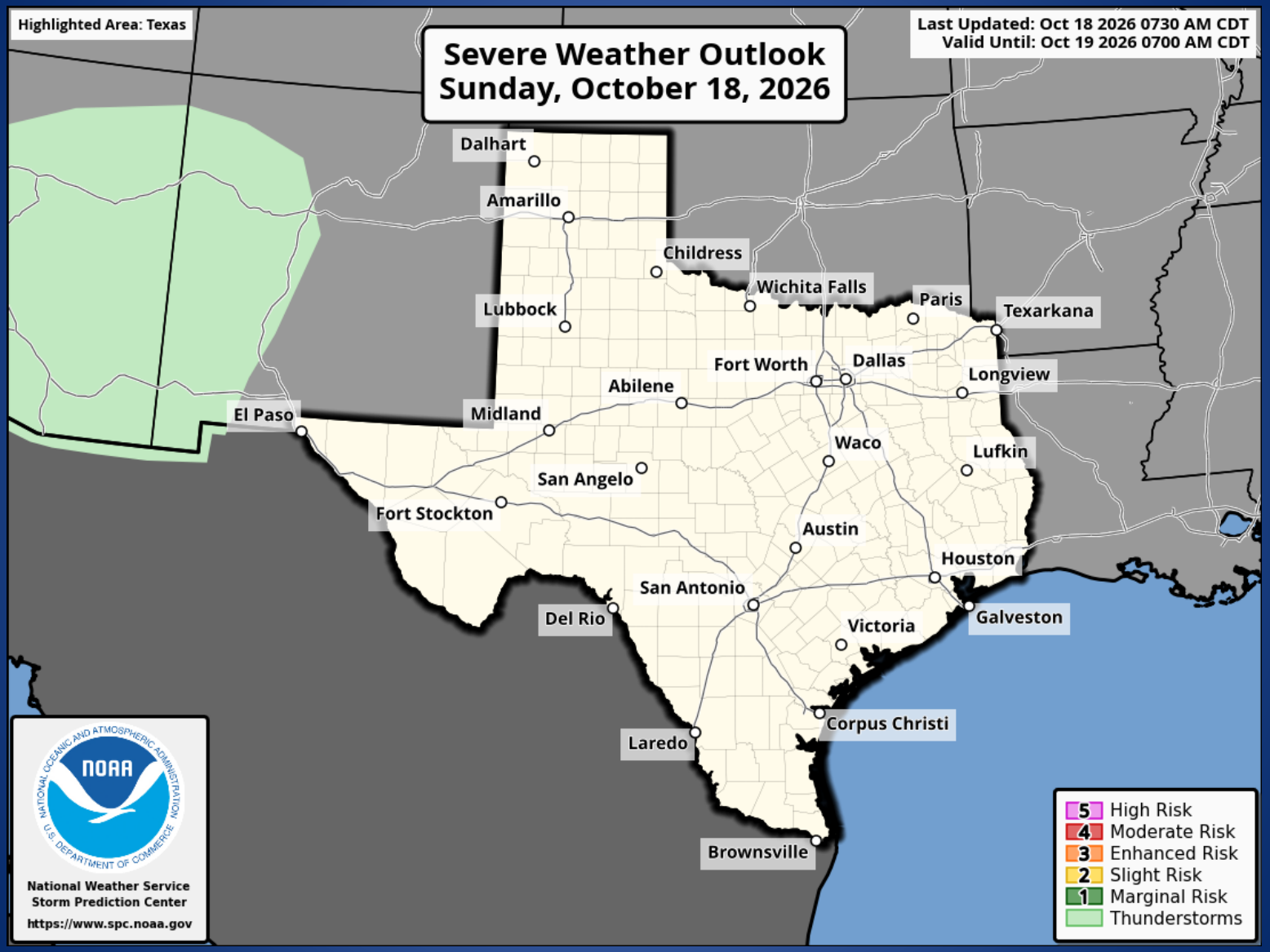


Gusts

Hazardous Weather



Weather Advisory/Statement/Watch/Warning Issued

DATE	WARNING TYPE	LOCATION
10/17/26	Flood Warning	Clay, Wichita, and Wilbarger Counties
10/17/26	Wind Advisory	Brazoria, Galveston, and Matagorda Counties
10/17/26	Freeze Warning	Bailey, Briscoe, Castro, Cochran, Crosby, Floyd, Hale, Hockley, Lamb, Lubbock, Lynn, Parmer, Swisher, Terry, and Yoakum County
10/17/26	Coastal Flood Advisory	Aransas, Calhoun, Cameron, Kenedy, Kleberg, Nueces, and Willacy Counties
10/17/26	Rip Current Statement	Aransas, Brazoria, Calhoun, Cameron, Galveston, Kenedy, Kleberg, Matagorda, Nueces, and Willacy Counties
10/17/26	High Surf Advisory	Cameron, Kenedy, and Willacy Counties
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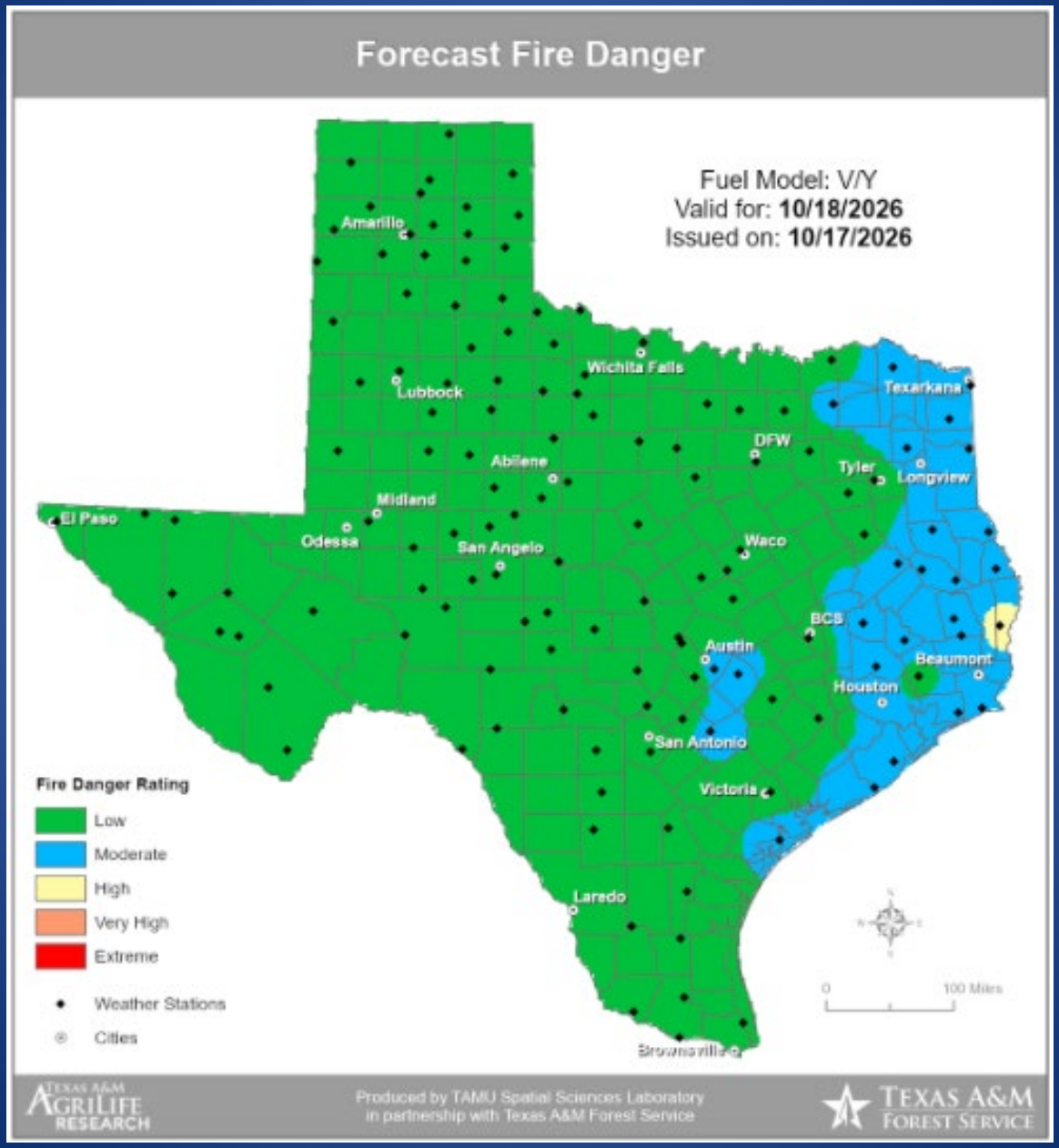
Fire Danger Forecast



Burn Ban

OUTDOOR BURN BANS

October 17, 2026

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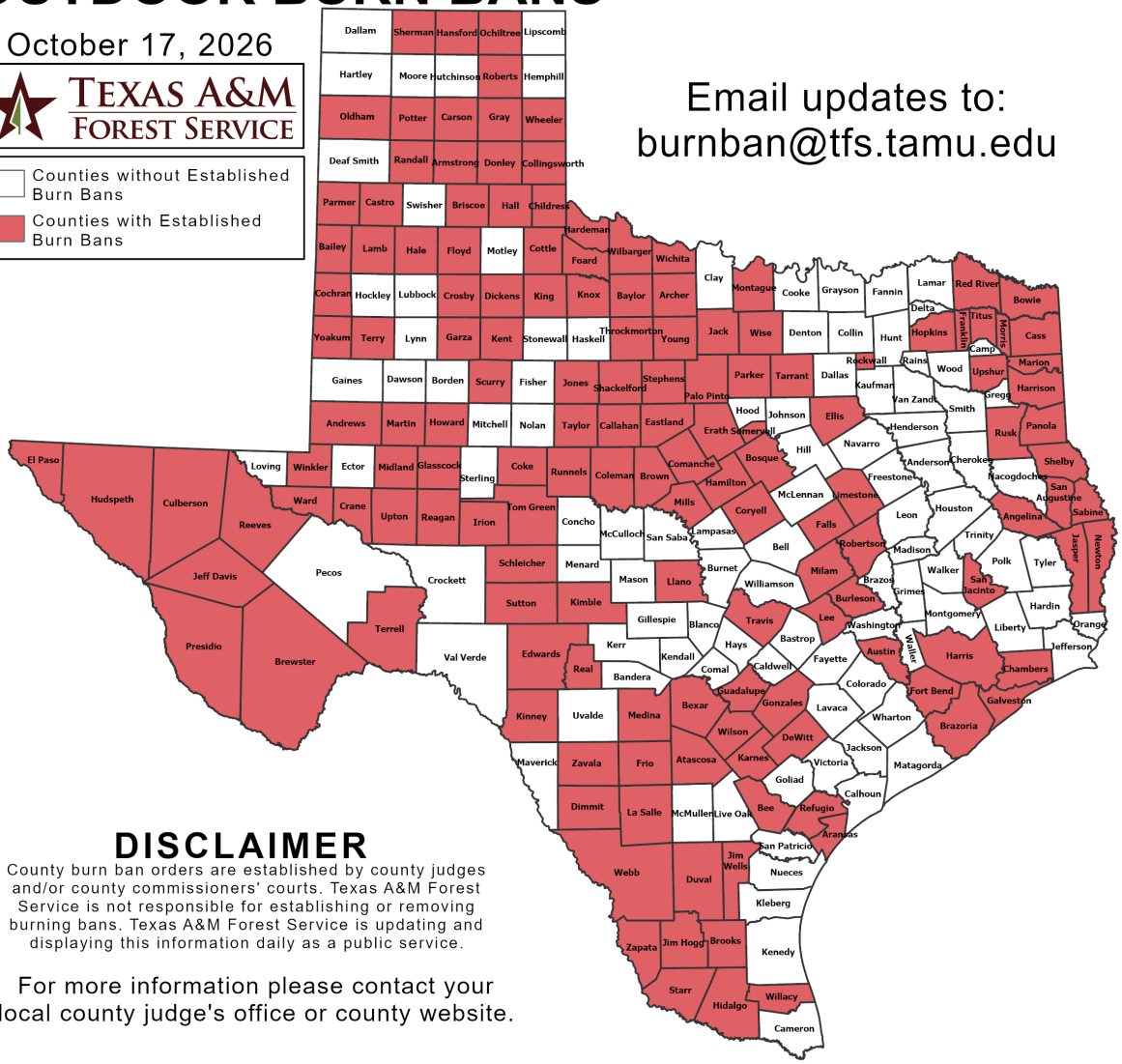
Counties without Established Burn Bans

Counties with Established Burn Bans

Email updates to:
burnban@tfs.tamu.edu



Counties with Burn Bans: 149

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

DISCLAIMER

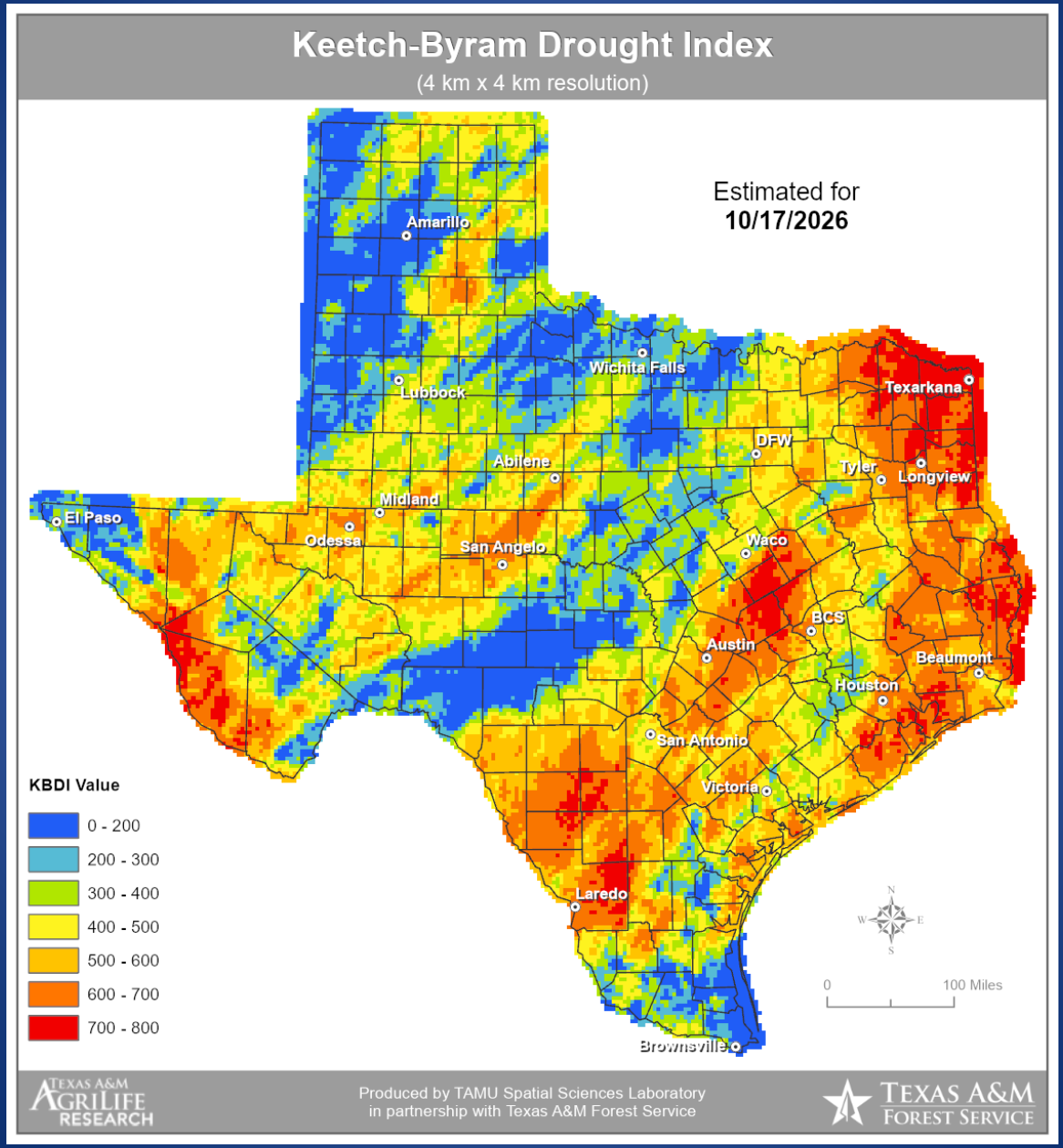
County burn ban orders are established by county judges and/or county commissioners' courts. Texas A&M Forest Service is not responsible for establishing or removing burning bans. Texas A&M Forest Service is updating and displaying this information daily as a public service.

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

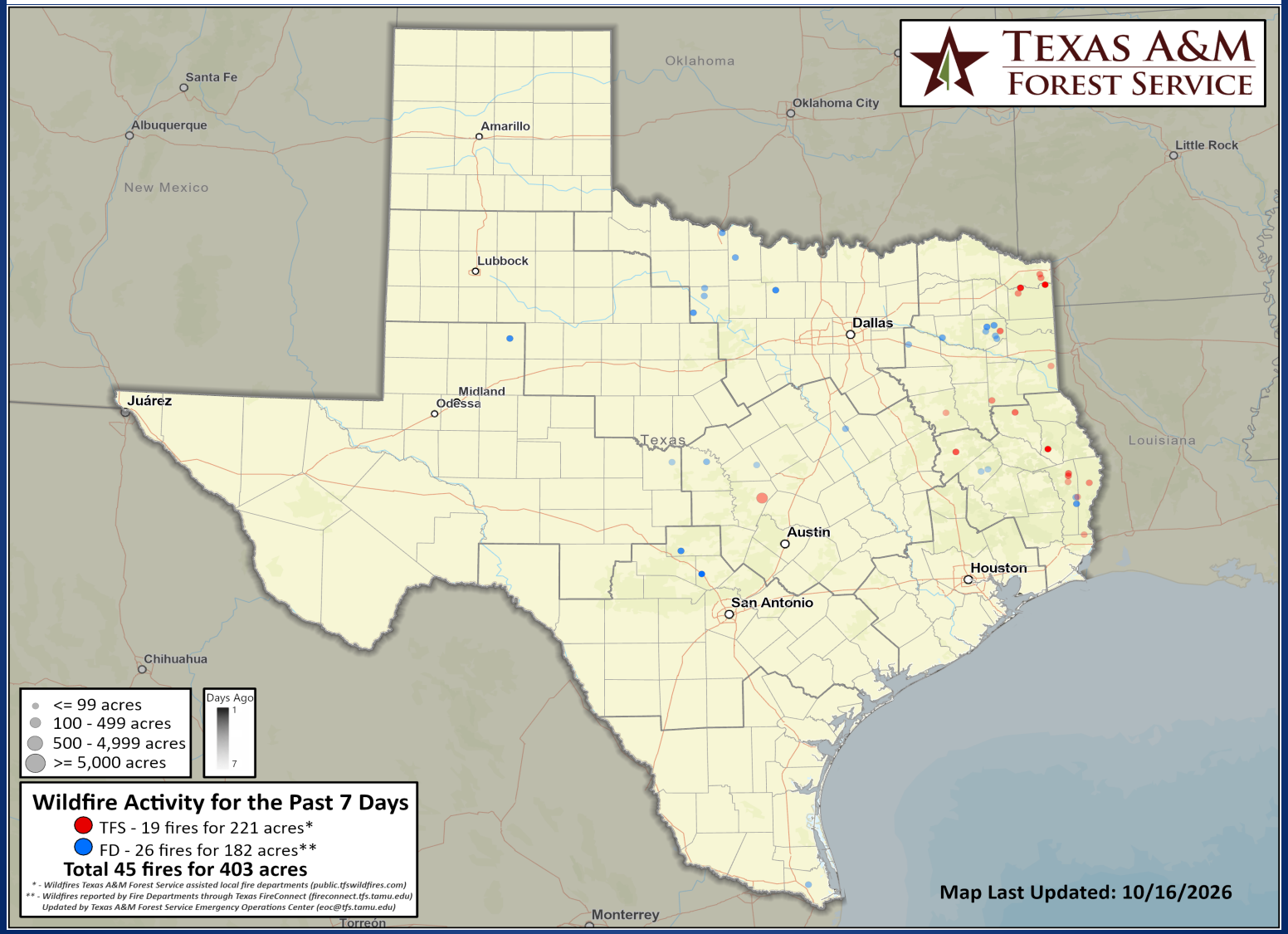


Fire Weather Warnings/Watches/Statements

DATE	WARNING TYPE	LOCATION
10/18/26	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 1,423 (+1) fires and 337,280 (No Change) acres have been burned this year. There are 149 (-1) counties with burn bans. The Keetch–Byram Drought Index list contains 155 (+1) 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	10/18/26	Community Emergency Response Team Basic Training	G-317	Dripping Springs
10/16/26	10/18/26	Community Emergency Response Team Basic Training	G-317	Weatherford
10/16/26	10/24/26	Community Emergency Response Team Basic Training	G-317	Lewisville
10/16/26	10/24/26	Community Emergency Response Team Basic Training	G-317	Seven Points

Statewide Significant Events

DATES		LOCATION	EVENT
09/25/26	10/18/26	Dallas	State Fair of Texas
10/18/26	10/18/26	Houston	Our Lady of Guadalupe Fall Festival

Exercises

DATES		AGENCY/LOCATION	TYPE: EXERCISE NAME
10/18/26	10/18/26	CAP Metro, Leander	CAP Metro Mass Casualty