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FEMA Region 6 Weather Threat Briefing

Friday, September 09, 2016

Issued: 0800 CT

Day 1 Hazards: *There is a slight risk for strong/severe thunderstorms and heavy rainfall from NE OK into the TX Panhandle.*

River Flooding: *Minor river flooding continues across SW LA.*

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Key Points



Today

- A few strong/severe thunderstorms possible from NE OK into the TX Panhandle.
- There is a slight risk for excessive rainfall across parts of OK into N TX.

Saturday – Tuesday

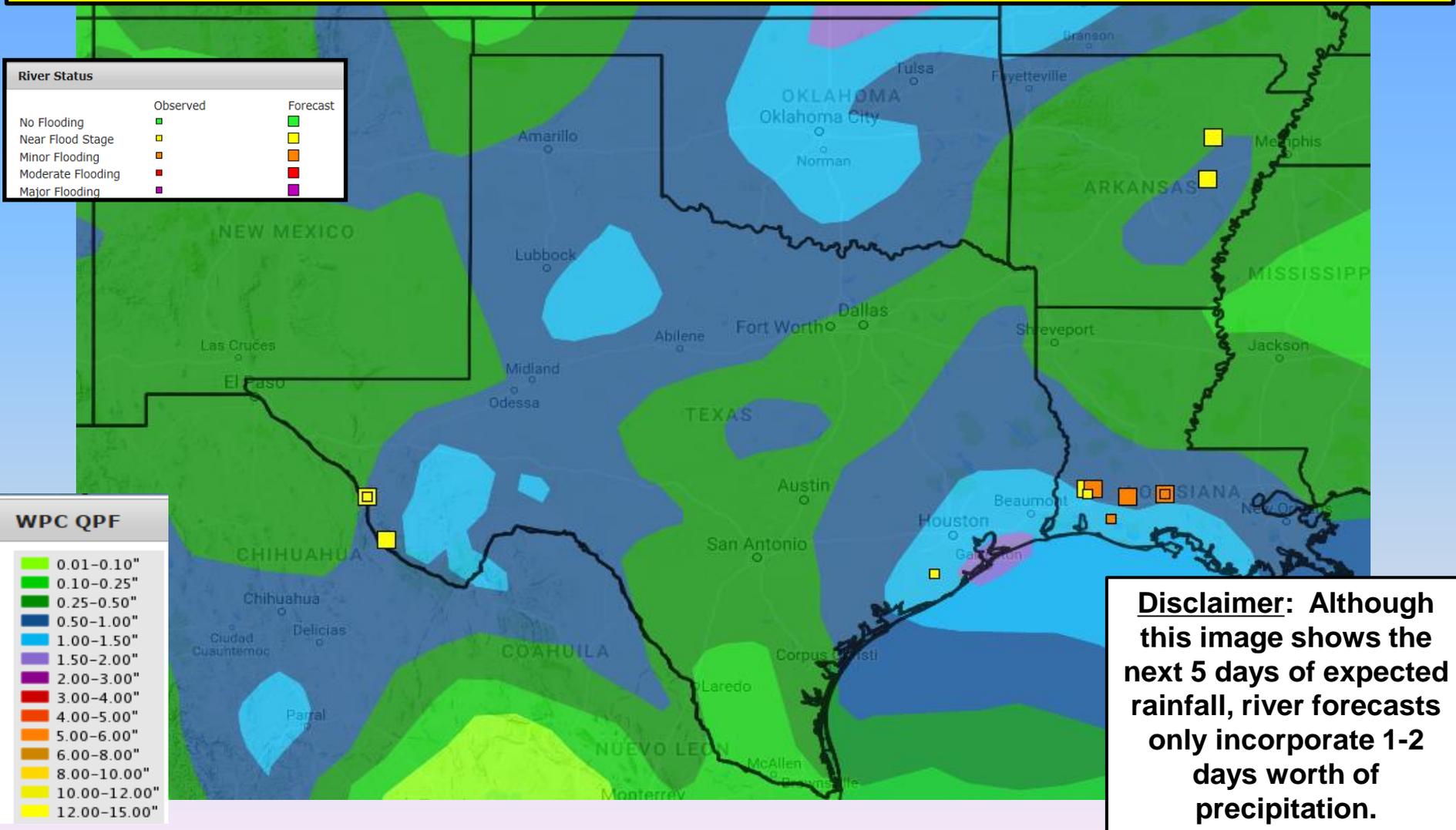
- There is a marginal risk for excessive rainfall over SW TX on Saturday.
- Otherwise no significant weather impacts expected.

Tropical Outlook

- See the Tropical Impacts slide for details on three areas of interest in the Atlantic Basin.

River Flood Status/5 Day Forecast Rainfall

Water Levels in SW LA will remain steady or continue a very slow fall.

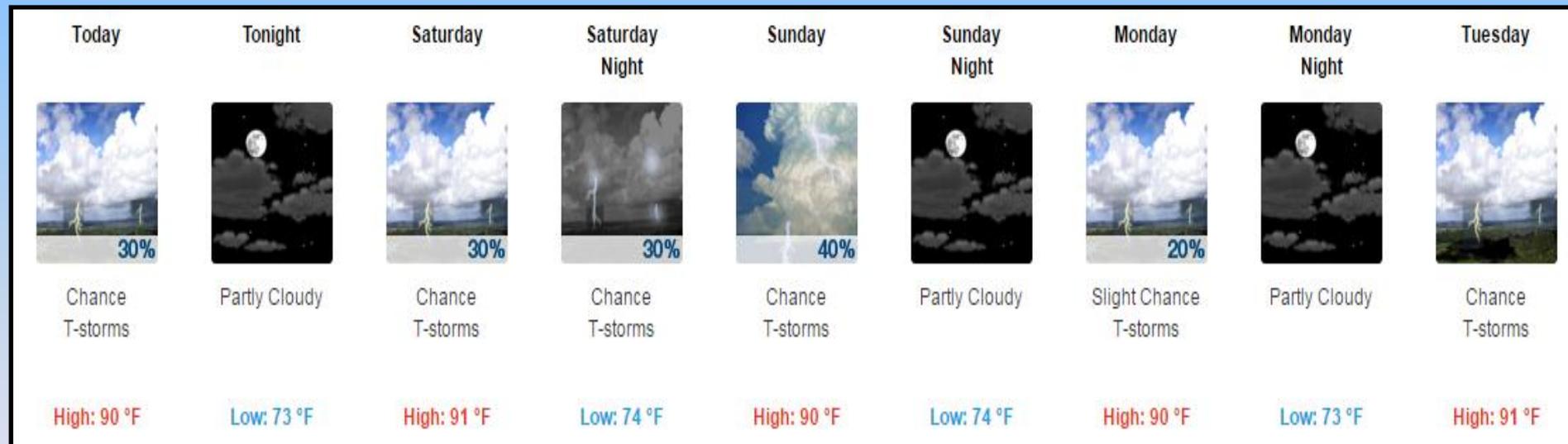


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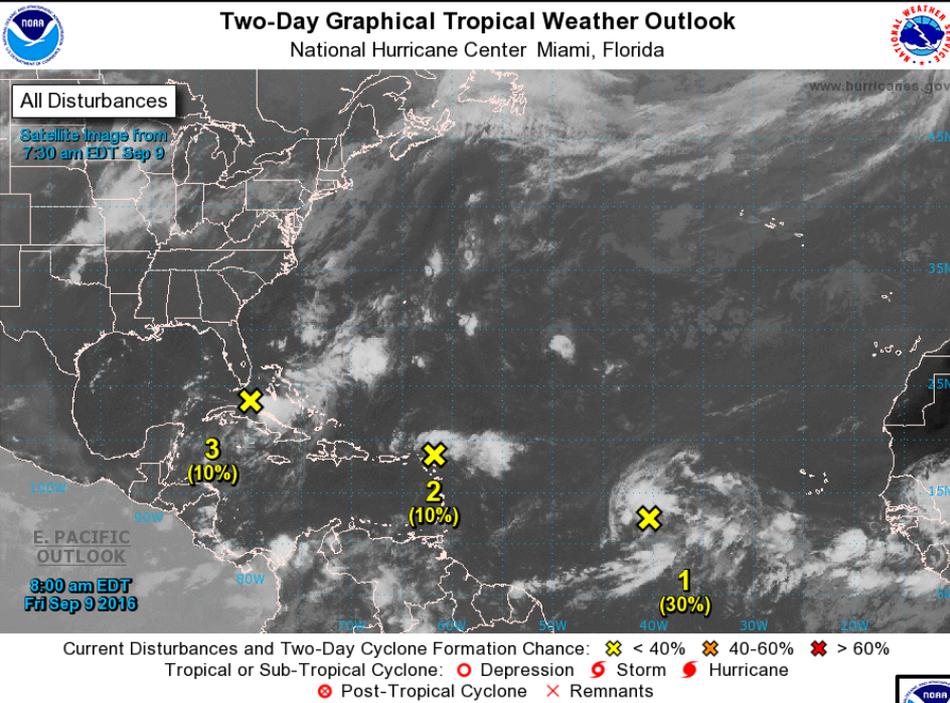
Overview:

- Scattered afternoon/evening thunderstorms with possible cloud to ground lightning
- Heat index values will be in the 95-100 degree range the next couple of days



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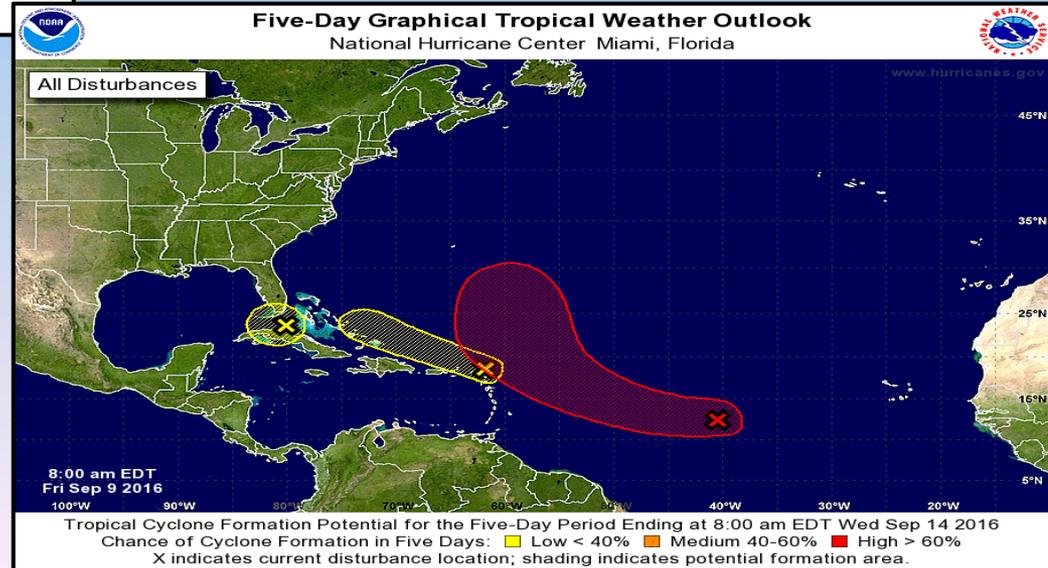
Tropical Weather Outlook



Area 1...A tropical wave 1200 east of the Lesser Antilles is producing an area of disturbed weather. Formation chance through 48 hours...low...near 30% Formation chance through 5 days...high...70%

Area 2...A broad area of low pressure near the northern Leeward Islands. Any development of this system should be slow to occur. Formation chance through 48 hours...low...near 10% Formation chance through 5 days...high...10%

Area 3...A weak low pressure system between FL and Cuba has formed. Any development of this system should be slow to occur. Formation chance through 48 hours...low...near 10% Formation chance through 5 days...high...10%



*FEMA Region 6 Threat Matrix

Sep 9, 2016 - Sep 13, 2016

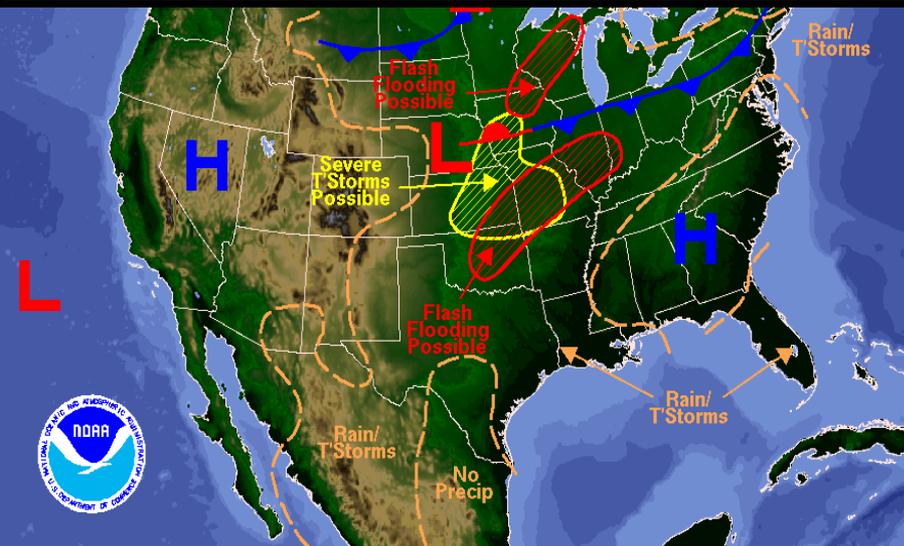
	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE
Severe Weather	NE OK into TX Panhandle				
Heavy Rain / Flash Flooding	NE OK/NW TX	SW TX			
Tropical					
Heat					
River Flooding	SW LA	→			

	No Weather Threats Expected
	Very Common – Happens Often
	Common – Happens Frequently
	Uncommon – A Few Times a Year
	Rare – Once Every 1-5 Years
	Very Rare – Once Every 5-10 Years

For more details on the colors in the threat matrix refer to the last slide in this briefing.



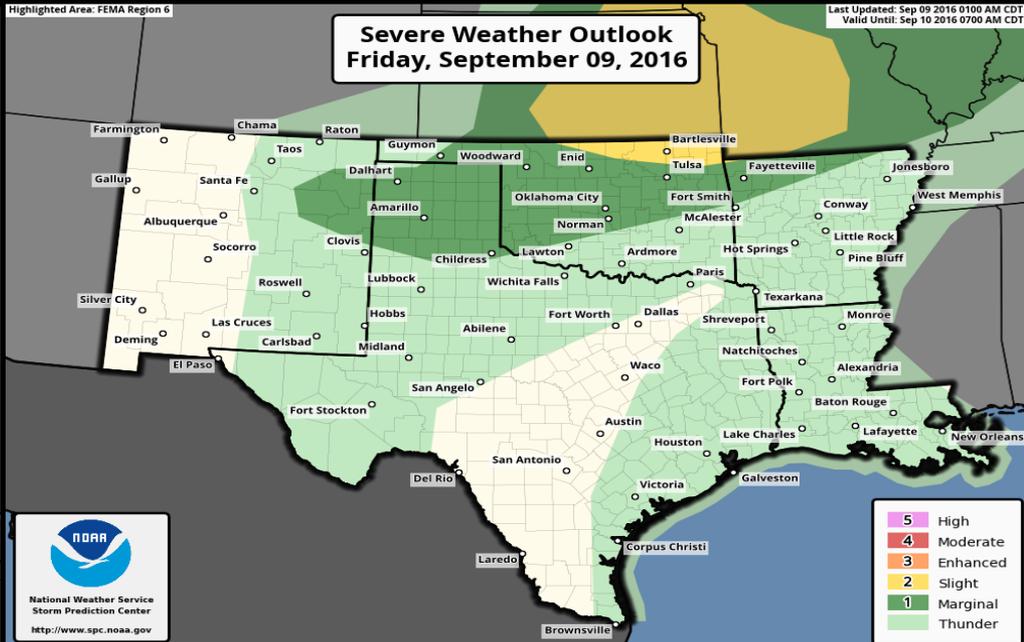
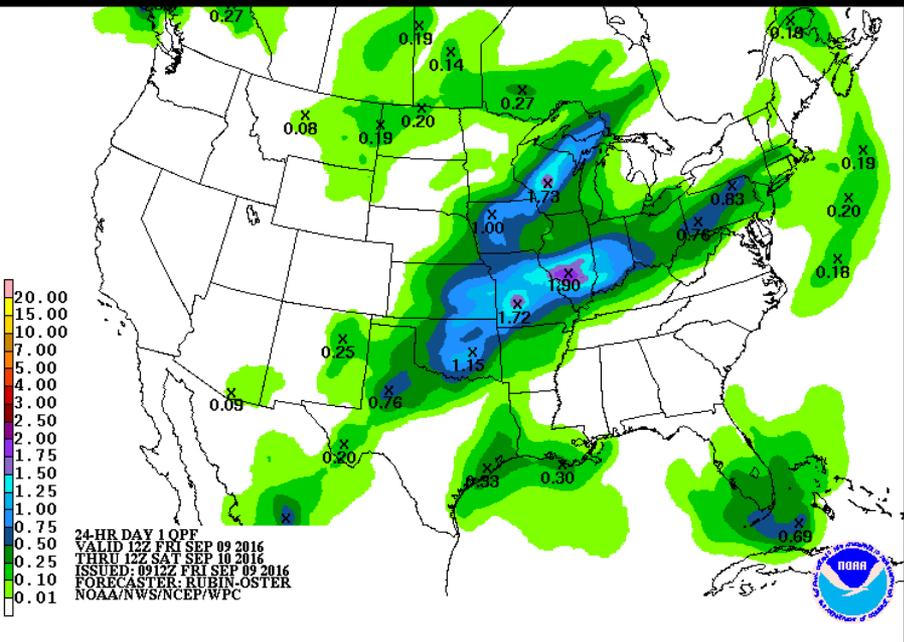
Today's Weather



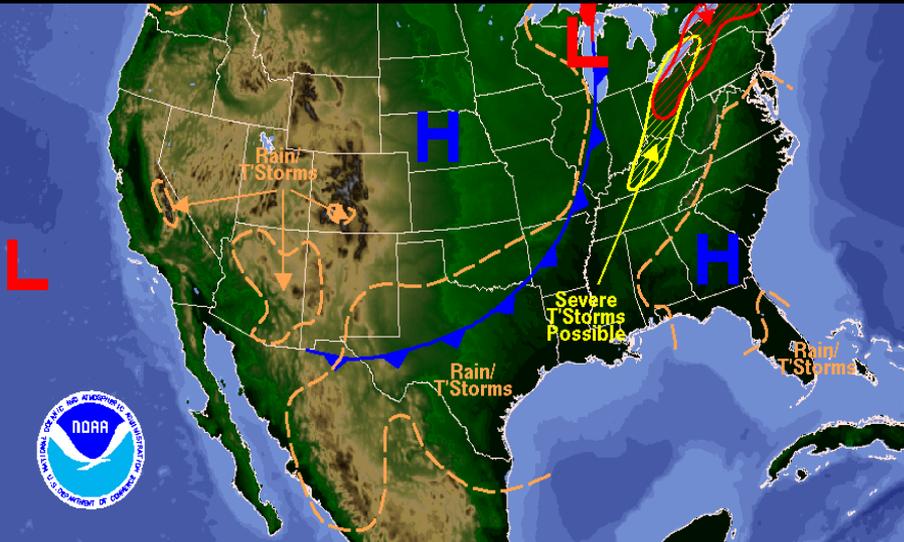
A few severe thunderstorms from NE OK into the TX Panhandle

Isolated flash flooding is possible over N OK into N TX.

Weather Forecast for Fri, Sep 09, 2016, issued 4:42 AM EDT
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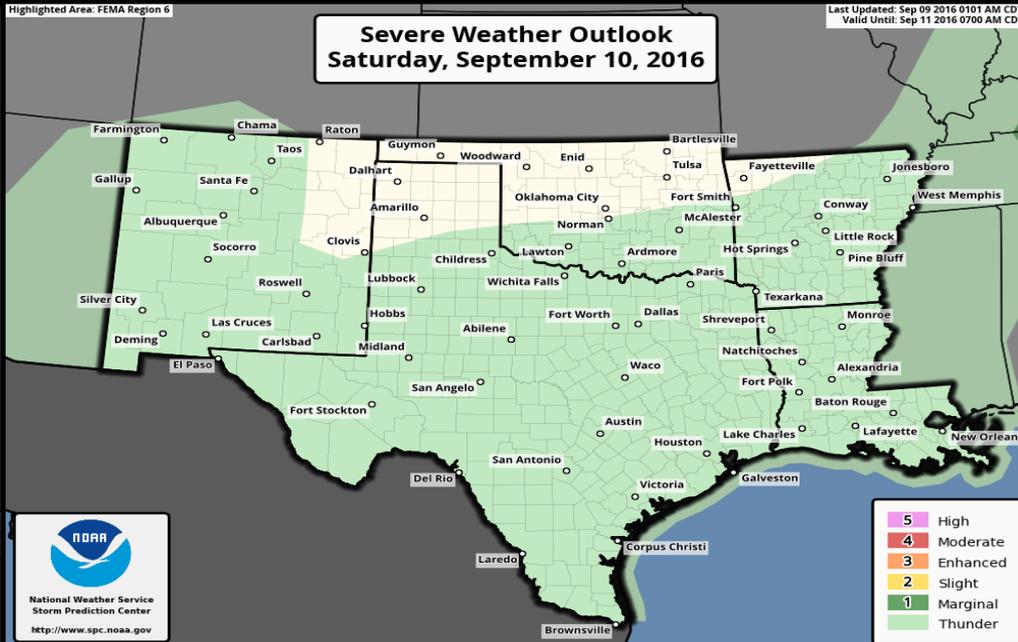
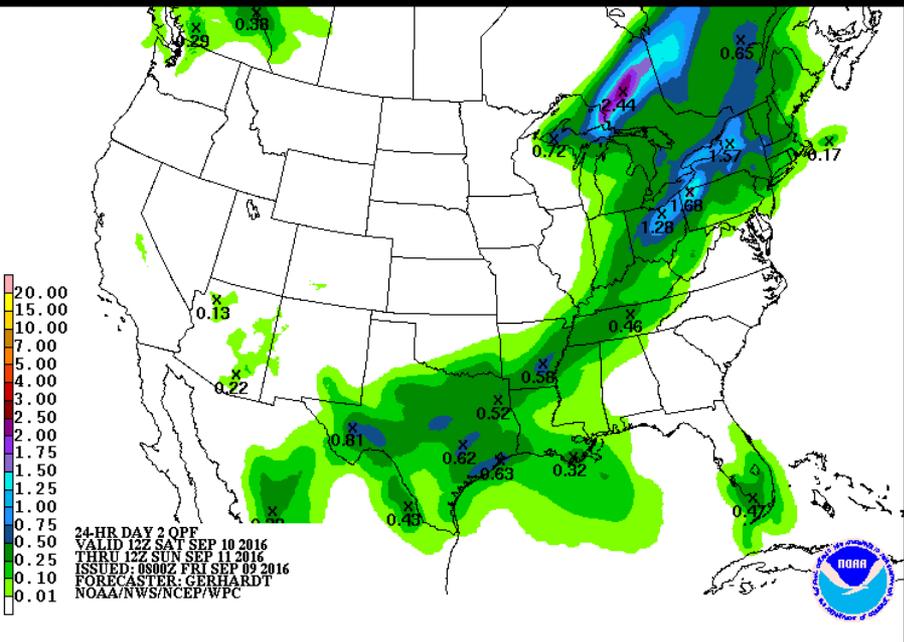


Tomorrow's Weather

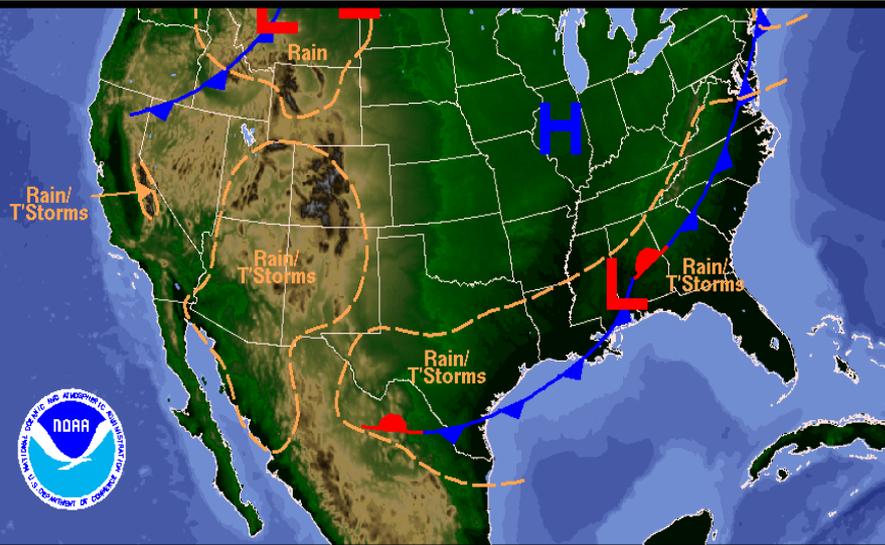


Isolated flash flooding is possible over SW TX.

Weather Forecast for Sat, Sep 10, 2016, issued 4:45 AM EDT Fri, Sep 09, 2016
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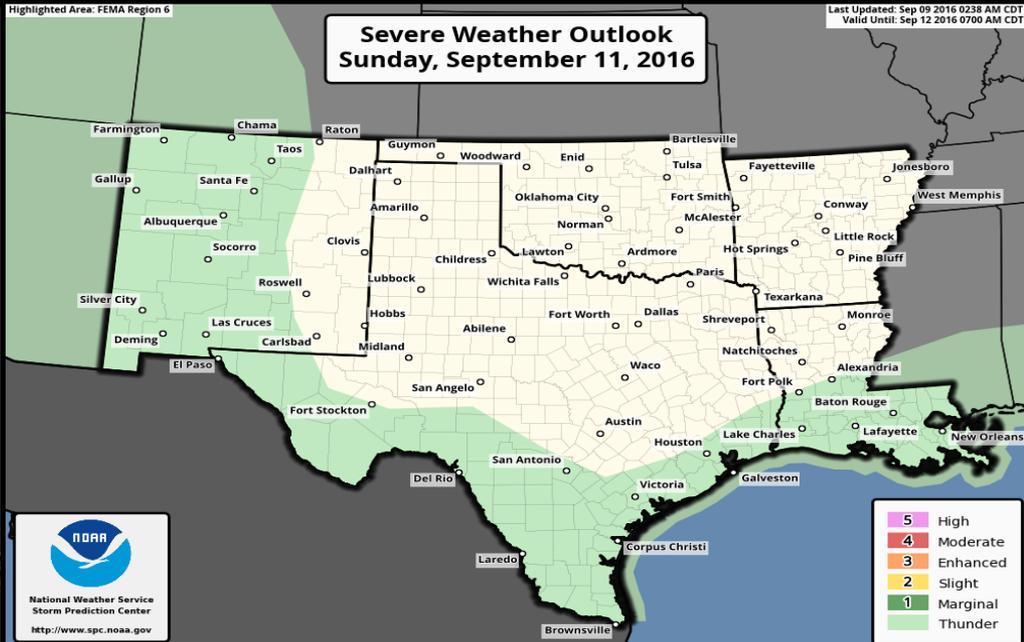
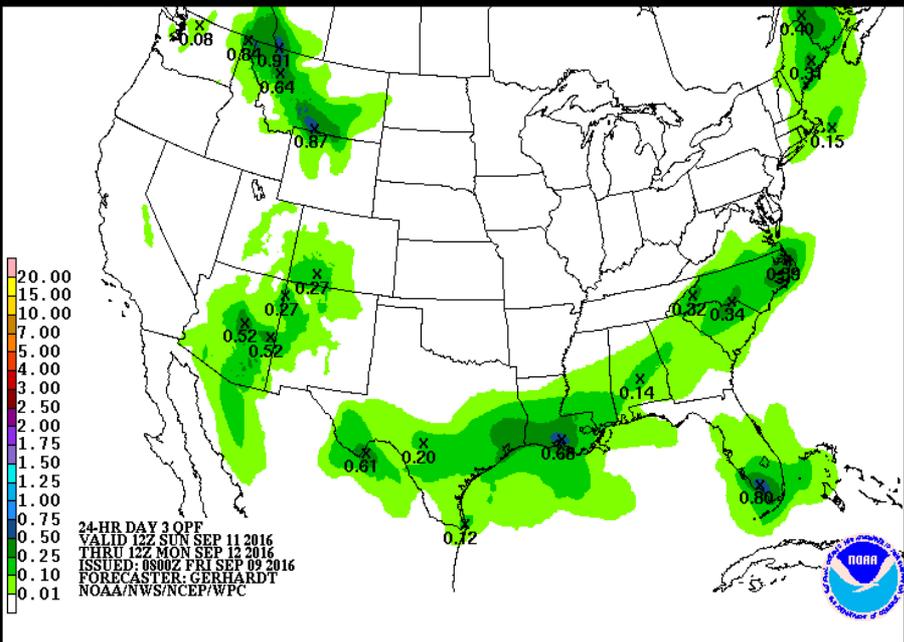


Sunday's Weather



No significant weather expected.

Weather Forecast for Sun, Sep 11, 2016, issued 4:48 AM EDT Fri, Sep 09, 2016
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Day 4-5 Weather Hazards

Valid: 0800 Mon - 0800 Wed



No significant weather expected

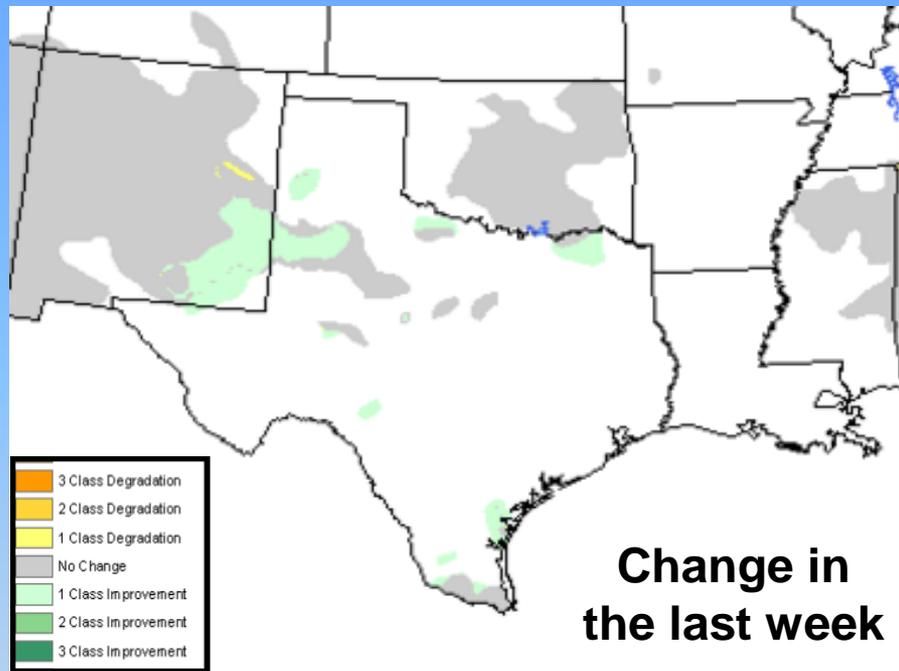
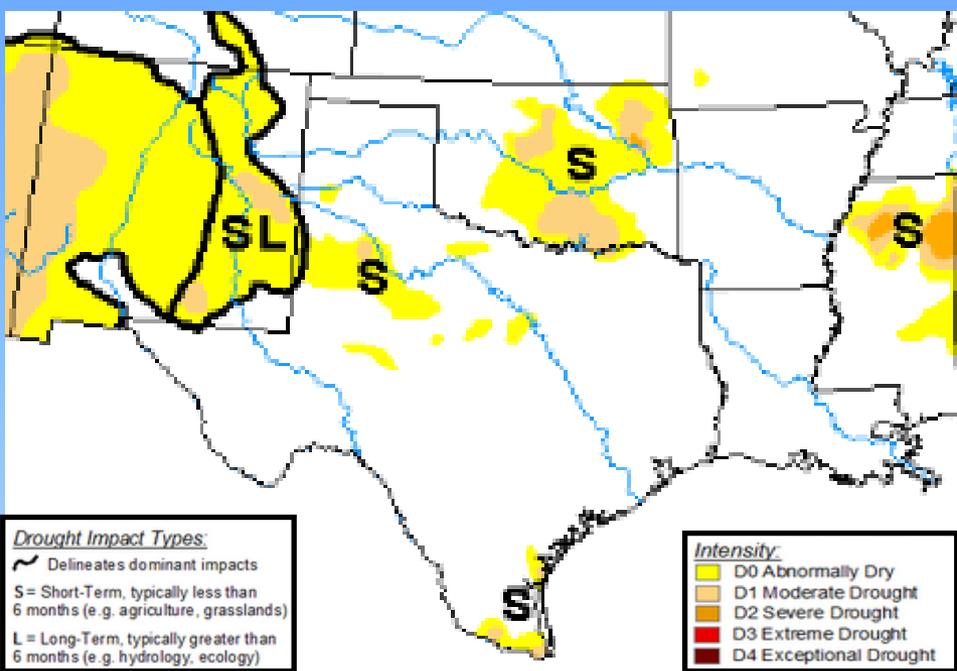
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- Very Rare – Once Every 5-10 Years

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



Drought Monitor Released September 8, 2016

Data valid as of 7am CDT, Tuesday September 6, 2016



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:
 Yellow: D0 Abnormally Dry
 Orange: D1 Moderate Drought
 Red: D2 Severe Drought
 Dark Red: D3 Extreme Drought
 Maroon: D4 Exceptional Drought

3 Class Degradation
 2 Class Degradation
 1 Class Degradation
 No Change
 1 Class Improvement
 2 Class Improvement
 3 Class Improvement

Change in the last week

Drought Conditions (Percent Area) in D3-D4 (Extreme to Exceptional Drought)				
State	Current	Last Week	3 Months Ago	1 Year Ago
Oklahoma	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Texas	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	2.50%
Arkansas	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	1.94%
Louisiana	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	7.96%
New Mexico	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

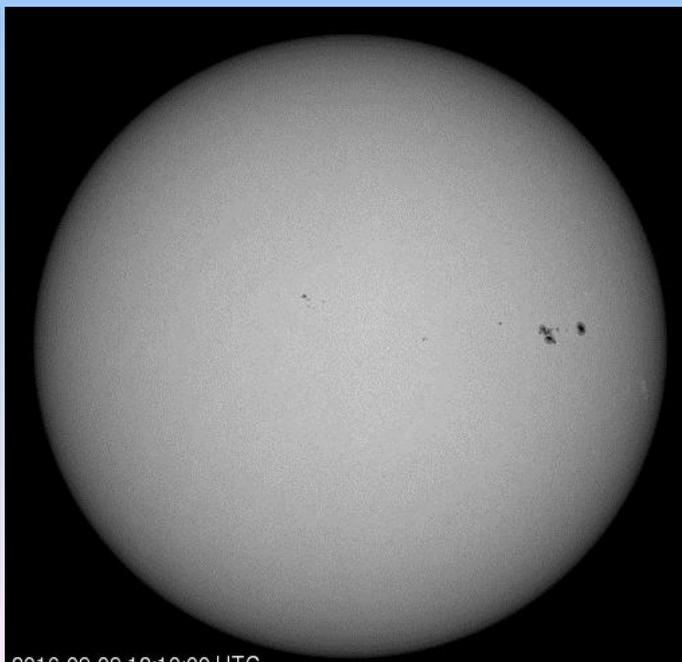
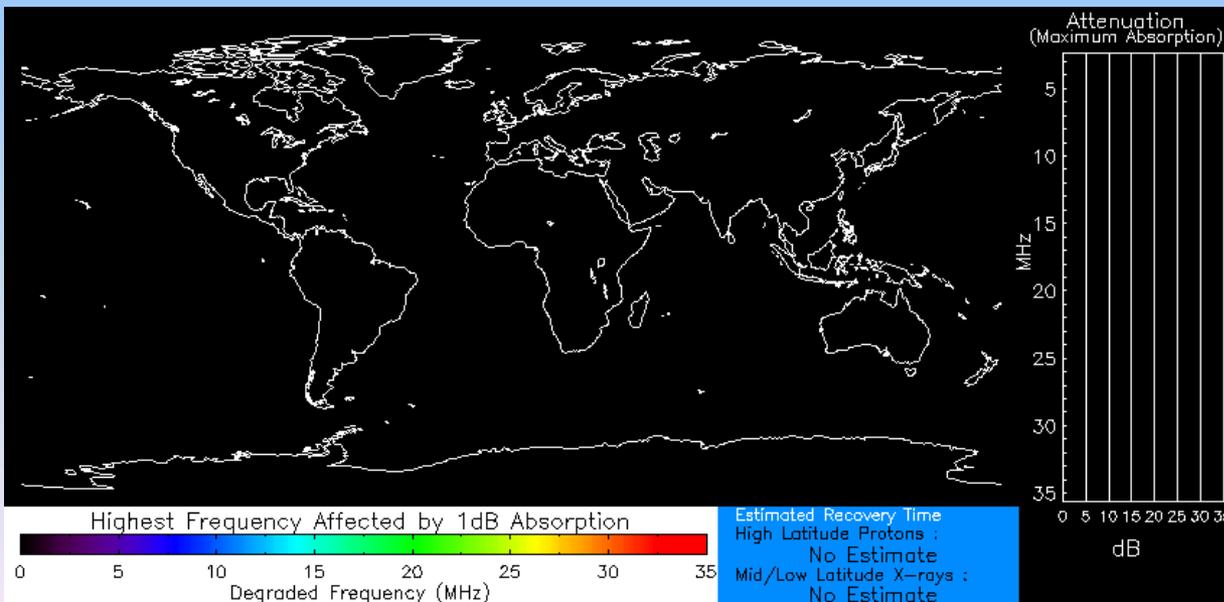
Space Weather 3-Day Forecast



	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Geomagnetic Storms	Quiet to Unsettled (Max Kp = 3)	Quiet to Unsettled (Max Kp = 3)	Quiet to Unsettled (Max Kp = 3)
Solar Radiation Storm (S1-S5)	1%	1%	1%
Radio Blackout (R1-R2)	10%	10%	10%
Radio Blackout (R3-R5)	1%	1%	1%

[Click here for a Description of the Space Weather Storm Scales](#)

[Click here for the Latest 3-Day Space Weather Forecast Text](#)



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Weather "Threat" Matrix			
Color	Definition	Criteria	Example(s)
Green	<p>Very Common</p> <p>Safety: Rarely a Direct Threat to Life and Property</p> <p>Impact Potential: Typically Results in Little Inconvenience to Daily Routines</p>	<p>Severe: Marginal Risk from SPC</p> <p>Flooding: Minor flooding expected over localized areas</p> <p>Tropical: None</p> <p>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 <u>seabreeze</u> storms in coastal TX
Yellow	<p>Somewhat Common – Happens Frequently</p> <p>Safety: Rarely a Direct Threat to Life and Property</p> <p>Impact Potential: Typically Results in Some Inconvenience to Daily Life</p>	<p>Severe: Slight Risk from SPC</p> <p>Flooding: Nuisance flooded expected for a widespread area, or Minor flooding expected over isolated areas</p> <p>Tropical: A weak tropical wave expected to move towards or near any coastline</p> <p>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>Uncommon – A Few Times a Year</p> <p>Safety: Often Threatening to Life and Property, Some Damage Unavoidable</p> <p>Impact Potential: Typically Results in Minor Disruption to Daily Life</p>	<p>Severe: Enhanced Risk from SPC</p> <p>Flooding: Minor flooding expected over a widespread area (including urban locations), or Moderate flooding expected over isolated areas</p> <p>Tropical: A Tropical Storm expected to move towards or near any coastline</p> <p>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>Rare – Once every 1-5 Years</p> <p>Safety: Extensive Property Damage Likely, Life Saving Actions Also will be Needed</p> <p>Impact Potential: Will likely result in Large Disruption to Daily Life</p>	<p>Severe: Moderate Risk from SPC</p> <p>Flooding: Moderate flooding expected over a widespread area (including urban locations)</p> <p>Tropical: A Hurricane expected to move towards or near any coastline</p> <p>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>Very Rare – Once Every 5-10 Years</p> <p>Safety: Property Damage Unavoidable, Immediate Action to Save Life will be Needed</p> <p>Impact Potential: Typically Results in Long-Lived Widespread Major Disruption to Daily Life</p>	<p>Severe: High Risk from SPC</p> <p>Flooding: Major flooding expected over a widespread area (including urban locations)</p> <p>Tropical: A Major Hurricane (Cat3 or greater) expected to move towards or near any coastline</p> <p>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