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FEMA Region 6 Weather Threat Briefing

Friday, October 21, 2016

Issued: 0800 CT

Day 1 Weather Hazards: None

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Key Points



Today - Sunday

- No significant weather threats ; Little to no rain across the Region

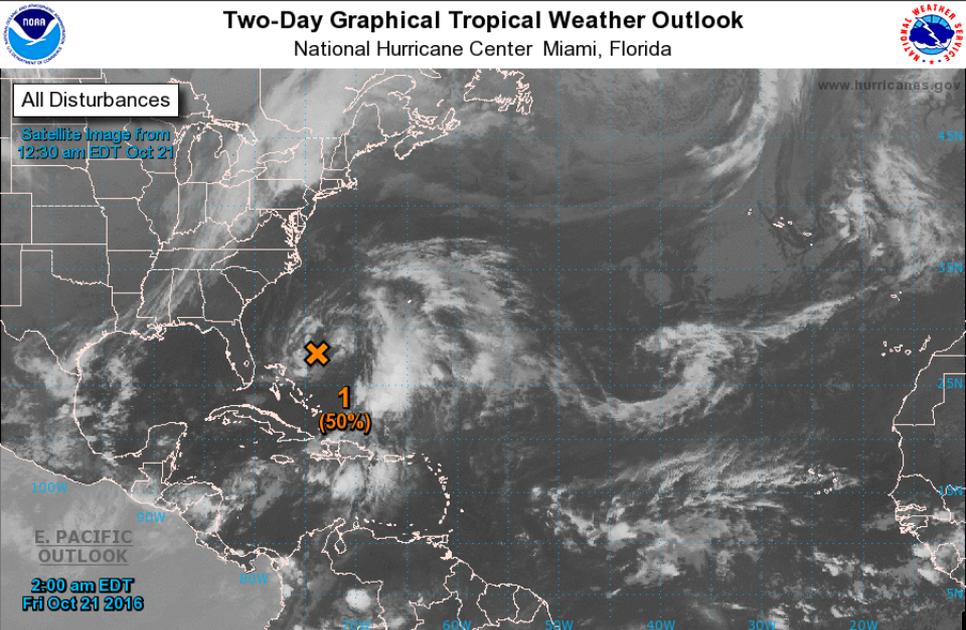
Monday – Tuesday

- Showers and thunderstorms possible in W NM, S TX, and OK
 - Severe weather/flooding not expected

Tropical Outlook

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- This system will remain offshore with no impacts to FEMA Region 6
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 - Tropical formation chances through 5 days...50 percent

Tropical Weather Outlook

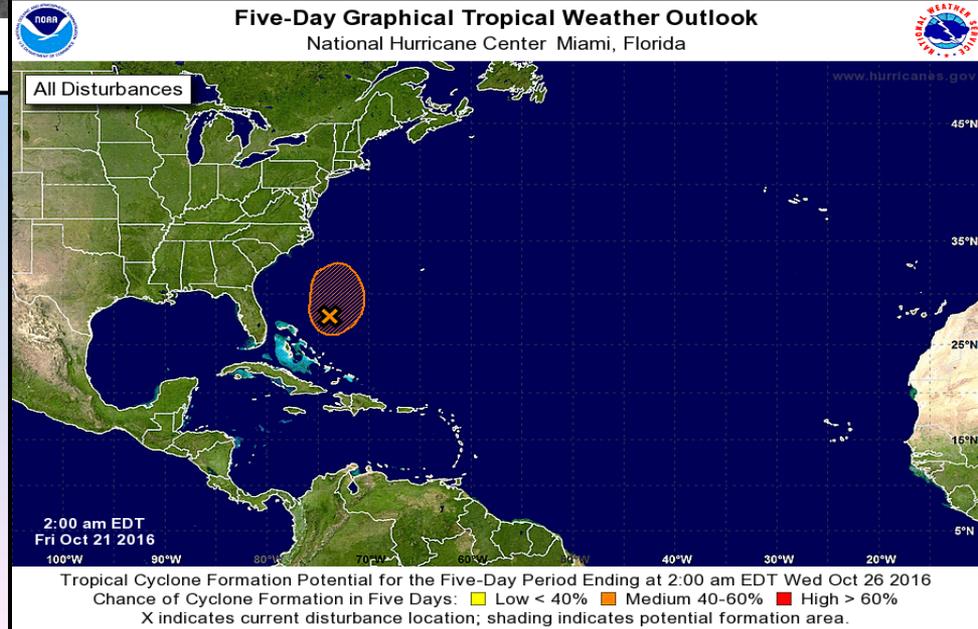


Current Disturbances and Two-Day Cyclone Formation Chance: < 40% 40-60% > 60%

Tropical or Sub-Tropical Cyclone: Depression Storm Hurricane

Post-Tropical Cyclone Remnants

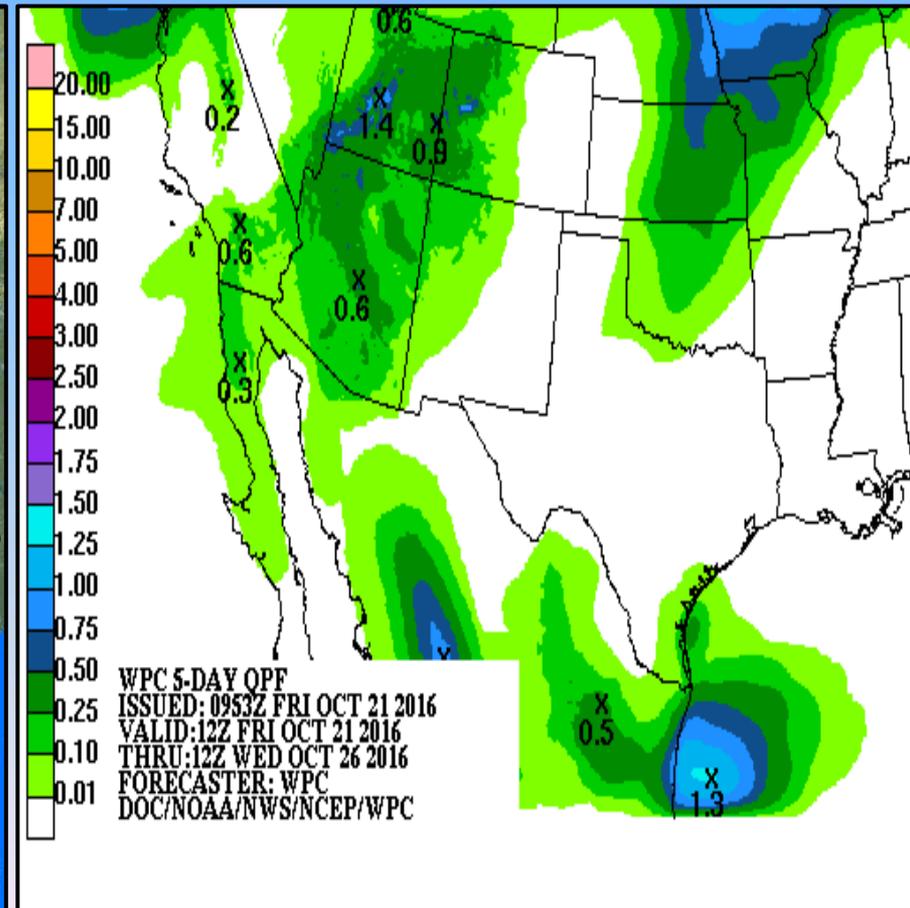
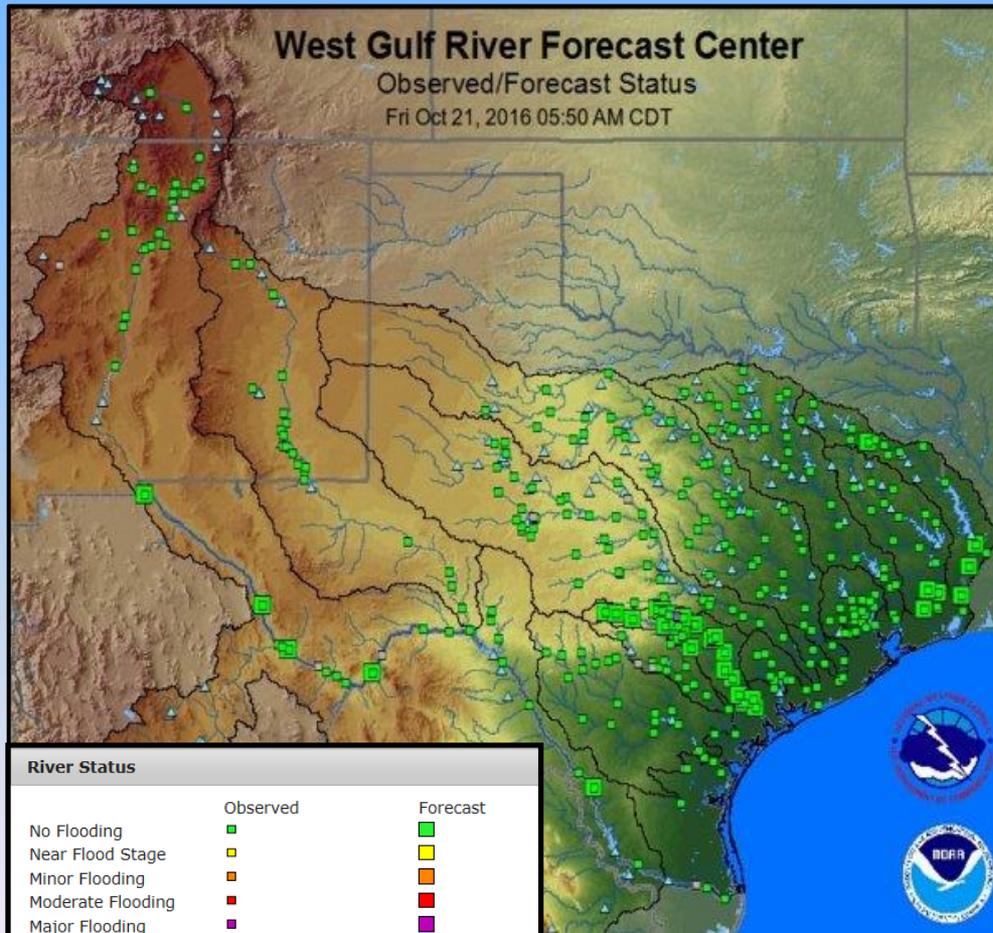
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5-Day Precipitation Forecast & River Flood Status

There is currently no river flooding observed or forecast across the Region.

Disclaimer: Even though the rainfall forecast image depicts 5 days of expected rainfall, river forecasts only incorporate 1-2 days worth of precipitation.



For the latest on river flooding: <http://water.weather.gov/ahps>

FEMA JFO Baton Rouge, LA



New Orleans/Baton Rouge

Turning Cooler for the end of the Week

Tonight



Mostly Cloudy &
Cooler with
Isolated Showers

Rain Chance:
20%

Lows:
55 to 60 North
61 to 68 South

Friday



Sunny and
Breezy

Rain Chance:
0%

Highs:
73 to 78

Friday Night



Clear and Cool

Rain Chance:
0%

Lows:
43 to 48 North
49 to 58 South

Saturday



Sunny

Rain Chance:
0%

Highs:
Mid 70s

**Saturday
Night**



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See <http://www.weather.gov/lix> for the latest local forecast for Baton Rouge, LA

*FEMA Region 6 Threat Matrix

Oct 21, 2016 - Oct 25, 2016

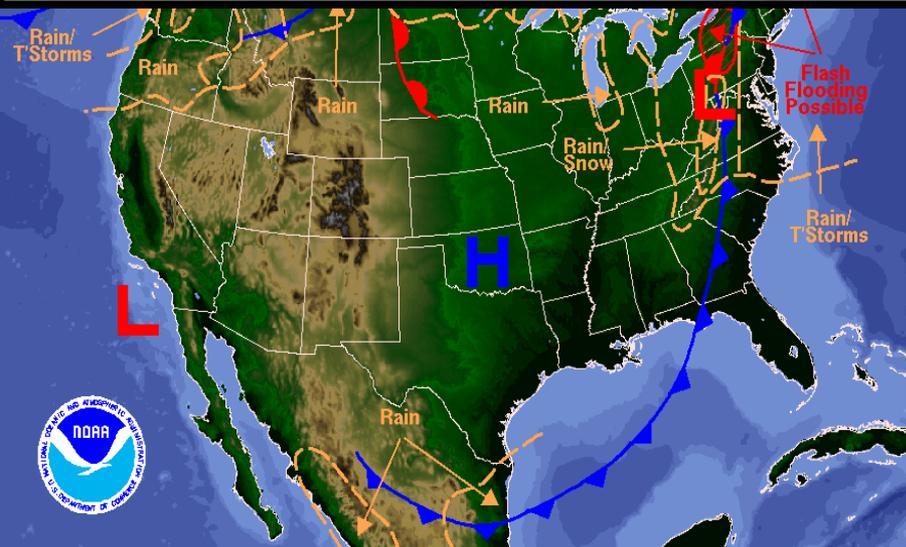
	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE
Severe Weather					
Heavy Rain / Flash Flooding					
Tropical					
Fire Weather					
River Flooding					

-  No Weather Threats Expected
-  Very Common – Happens Often
-  Common – Happens Frequently
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-  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.

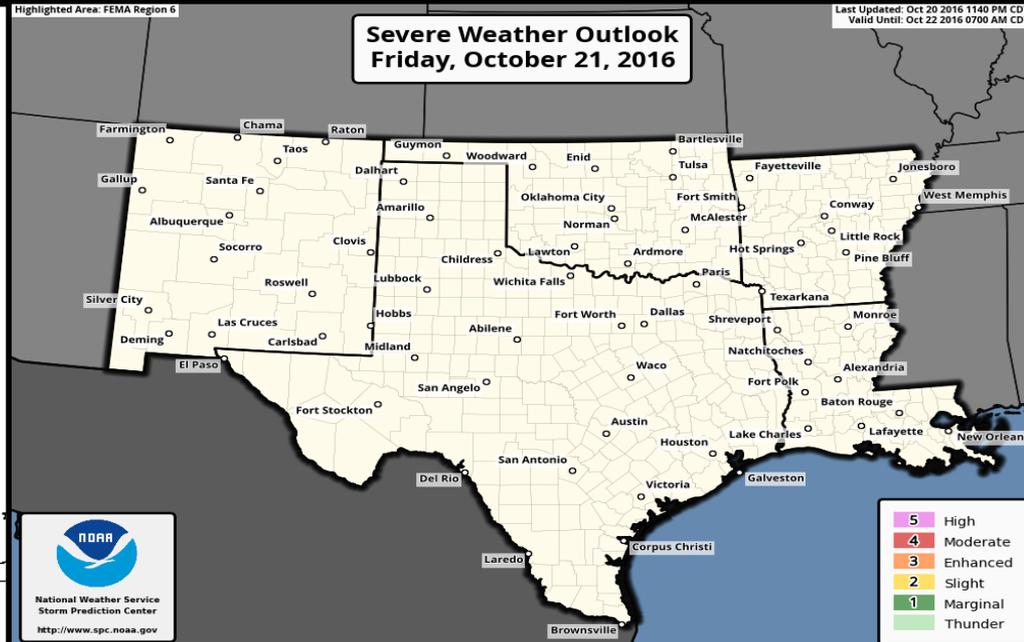
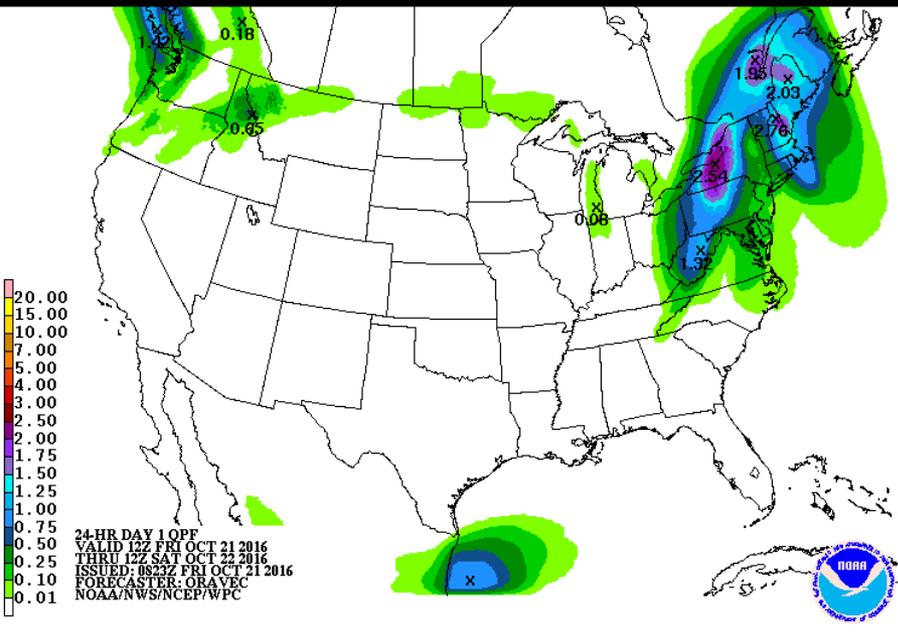


Today's Weather



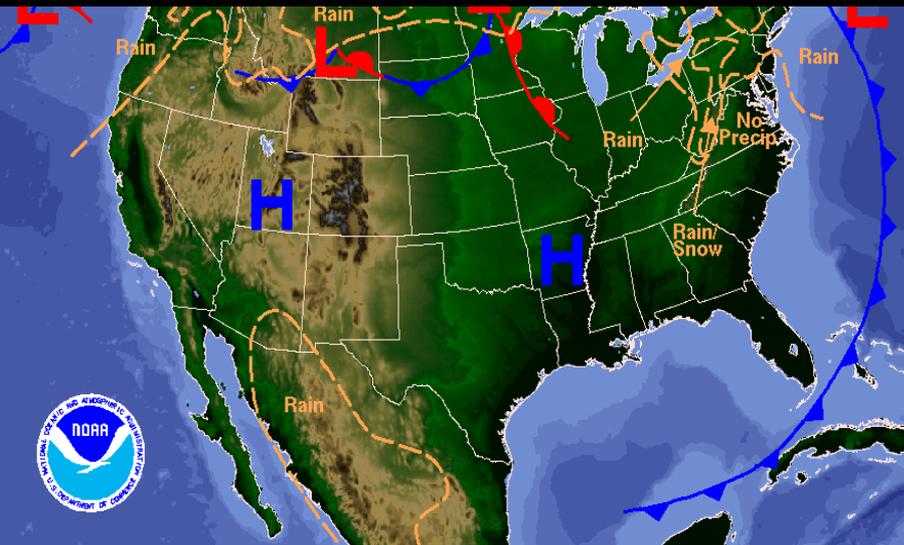
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No Weather Threats Expected



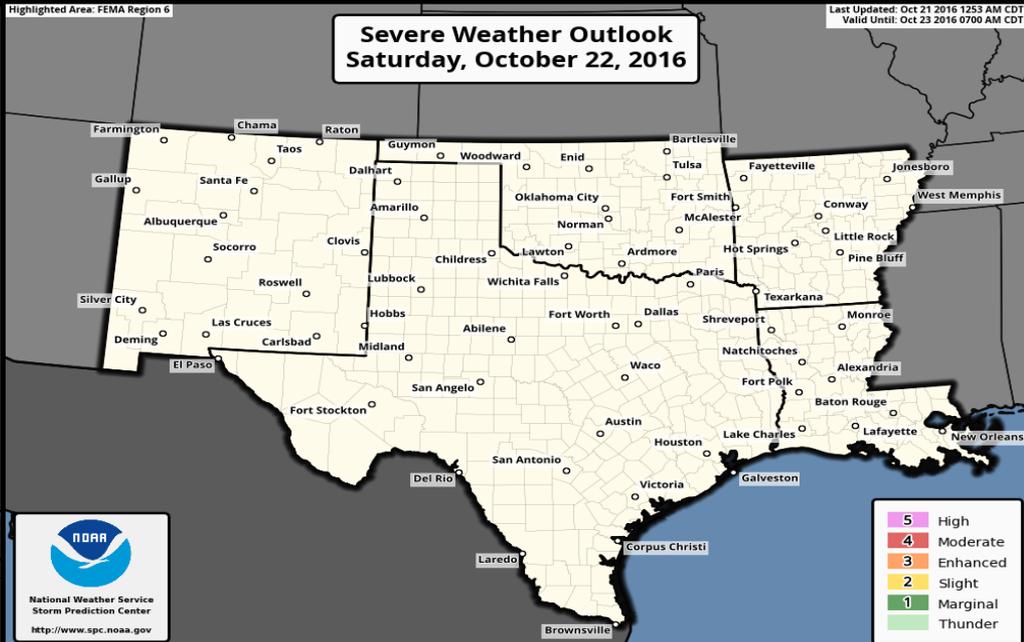
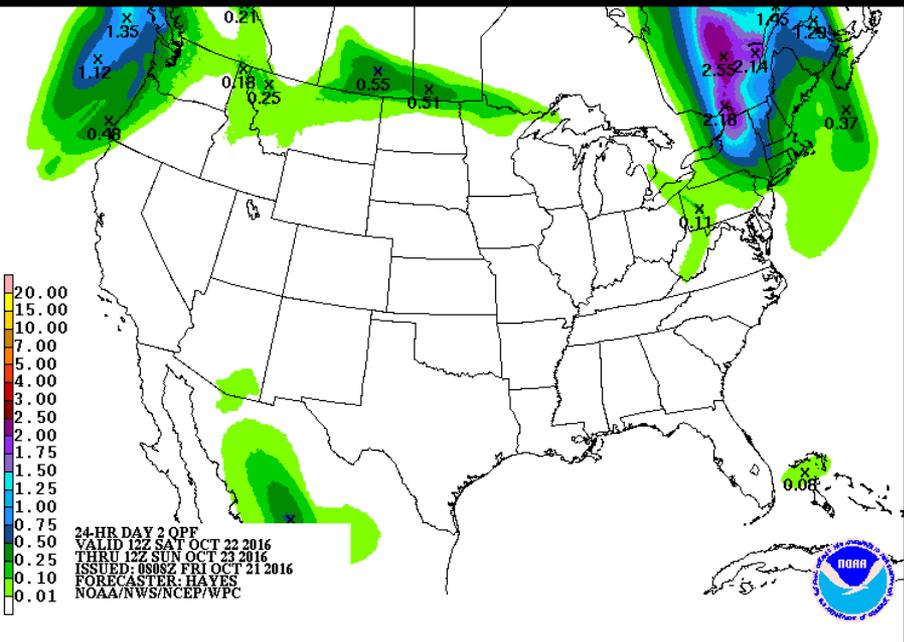
5	High
4	Moderate
3	Enhanced
2	Slight
1	Marginal
Green	Thunder

Tomorrow's Weather

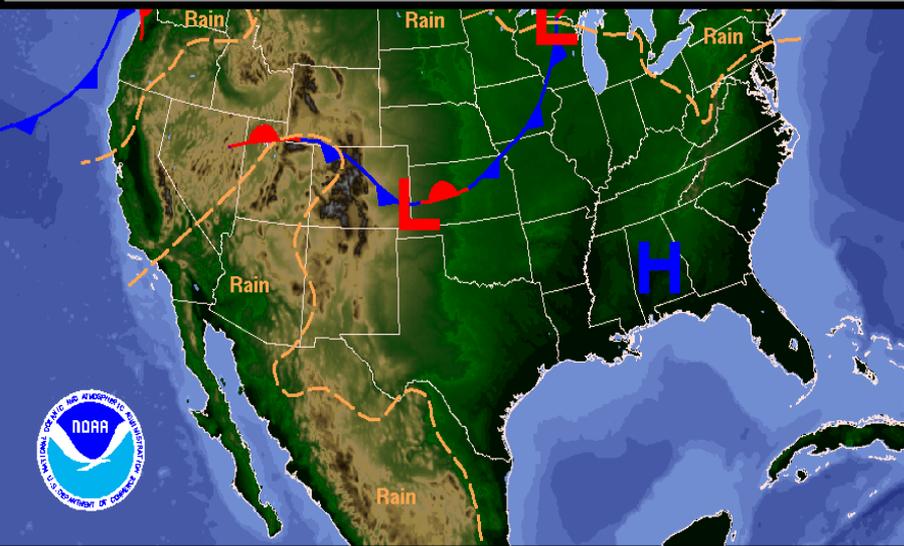


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No Weather Threats Expected

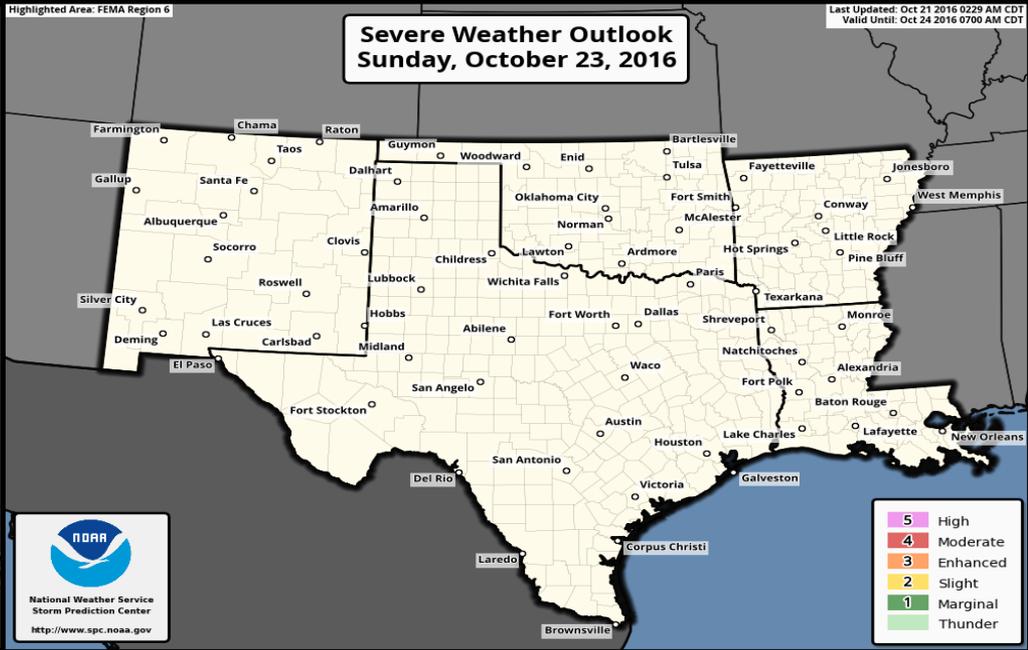
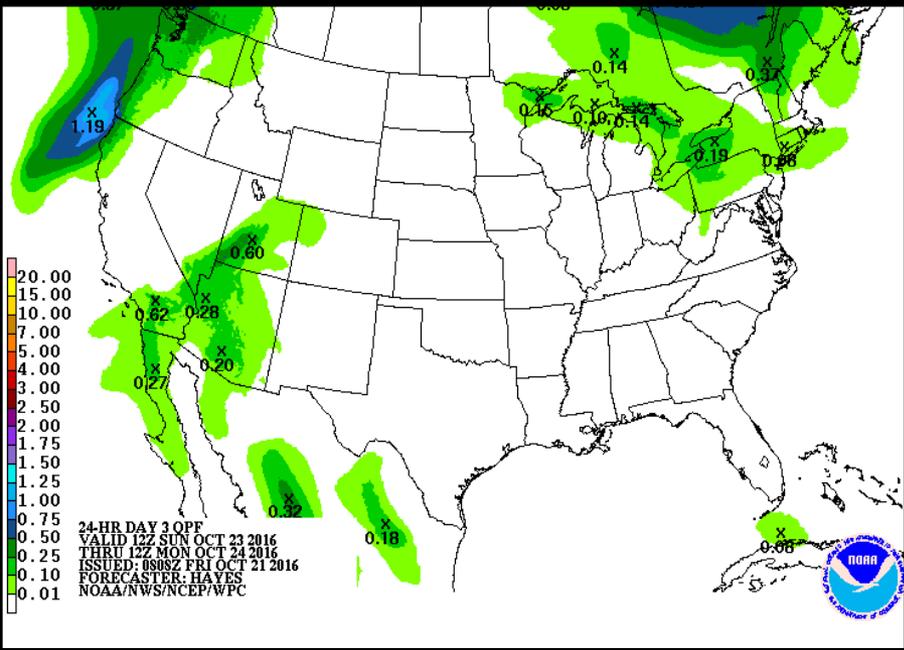


Sunday's Weather



Weather Forecast for Sun, Oct 23, 2016, issued 4:53 AM EDT Fri, Oct 21, 2016
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No Weather Threats Expected



Day 4-5 Weather Hazards

Valid: 0800 Mon - 0800 Wed



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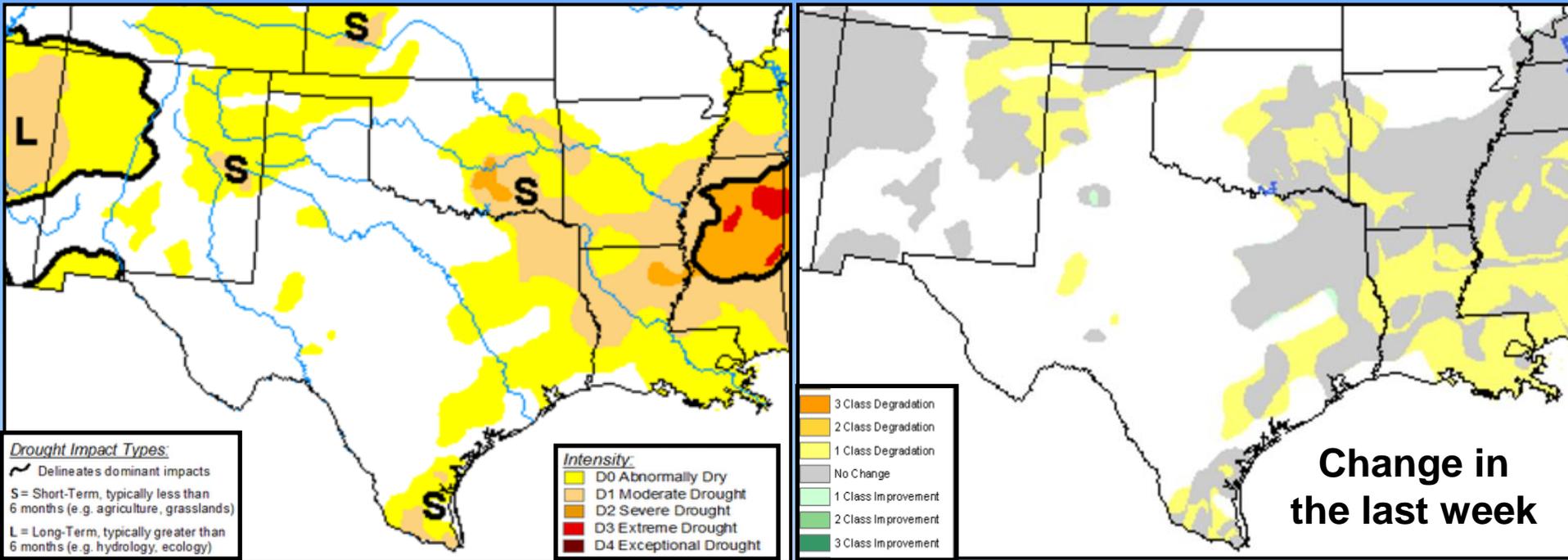
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*Threat levels are based on FEMA Region 6 criteria. State or local threat level criteria may differ.



Drought Monitor Released October 20, 2016

Data valid as of 7am CDT, Tuesday October 18, 2016



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%	4.58%
Texas	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	21.40%
Arkansas	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	38.22%
Louisiana	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	53.46%
New Mexico	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

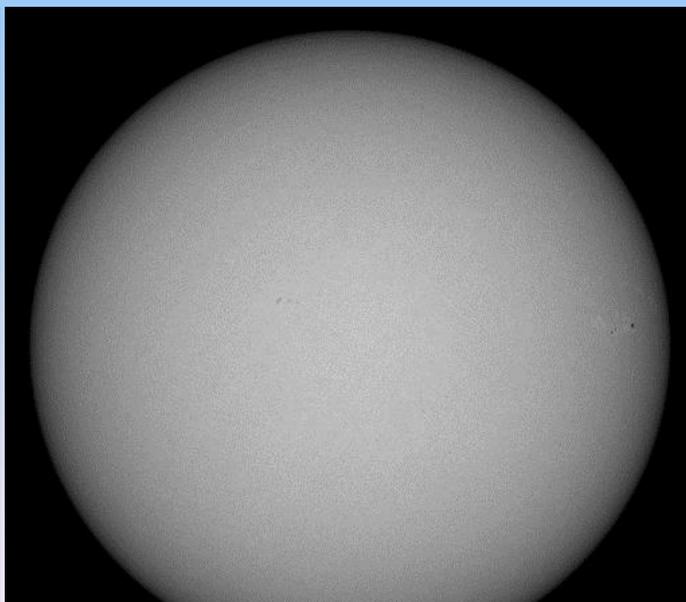
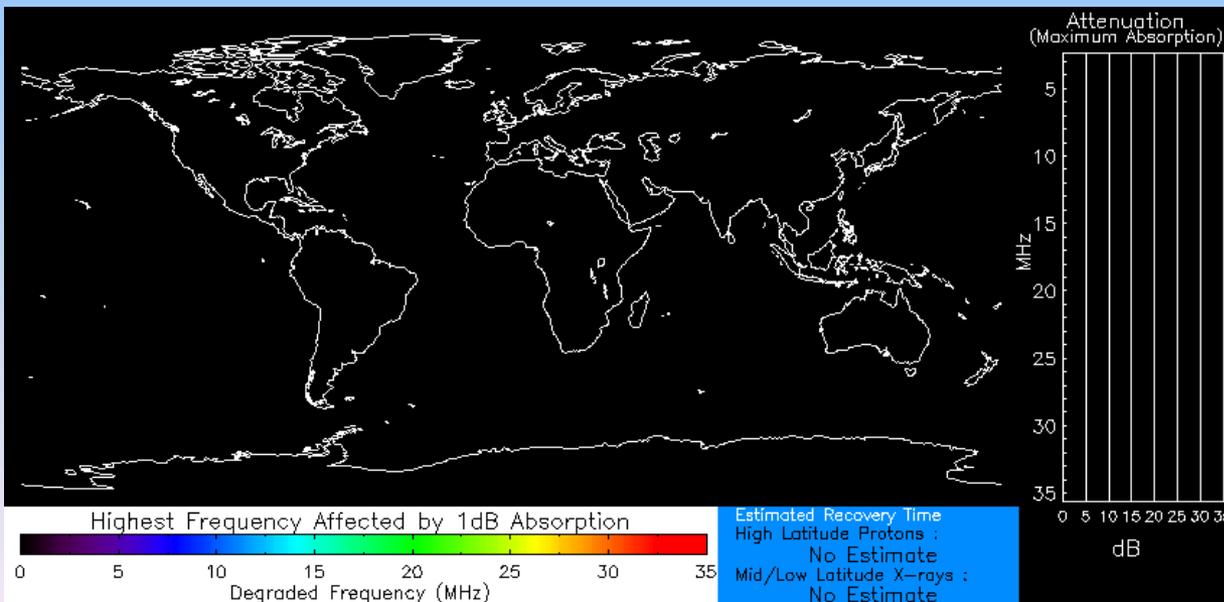
Space Weather 3-Day Forecast



	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Geomagnetic Storms	Quiet (Max Kp = 2)	Minor (G1) Storm (Max Kp = 5)	Minor (G1) Storm (Max Kp = 5)
Solar Radiation Storm (S1-S5)	1%	1%	1%
Radio Blackout (R1-R2)	1%	1%	1%
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 seabreeze 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