



Florida Division of Emergency Management State Watch Office

Morning Situation Report
Thursday, December 13, 2018



State Emergency Operations Center Activation Level

Level 3 Monitoring



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Regional EM Liaison Team

Regional EM Liaisons	County Location	Status / Activities
REMLT Manager: Jim Roberts	Taylor	Region 2 Quarterly Meeting
Region 1: Wanda Stafford	Annual Leave	Off and See Coverage
Region 2: Brian Bradshaw	Taylor	Region 2 Quarterly Meeting
Region 3: Gina Lambert	St Johns	Region 3 Quarterly Meeting
Region 4: Paul Siddall	Citrus	Wildfire Planning Meeting
Region 5: Vacant	VACANT	See Coverage
Region 6: Jodie Fiske	DeSoto	County EM Visit
Region 7: Willie Bouie	Broward	LMS Meeting

R2 covering All of Region 1

R3 covering Lake, Seminole, & Volusia

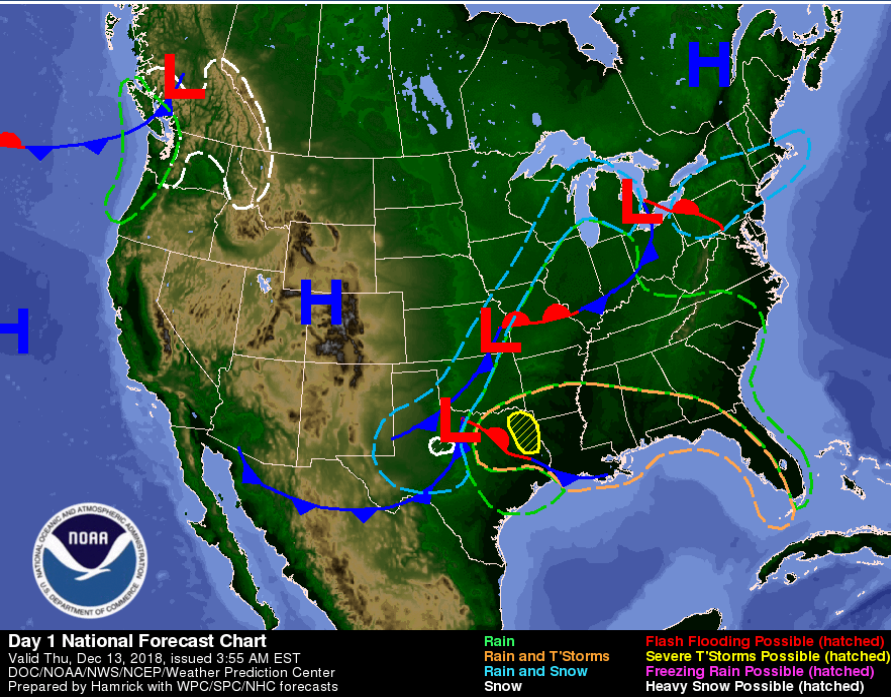
R4 covering Brevard, Orange, & Osceola

R7 covering Indian River, Martin, & St. Lucie

Status
Normal Operations
Delayed Response
Out of Service / Unavailable



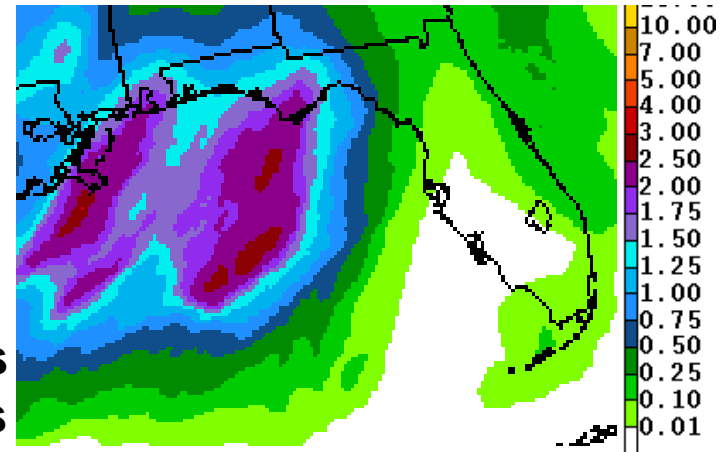
Meteorology Summary



Threat	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7
Lightning	M	M	L				
Flooding	M	M	M				
Damaging Wind	L	L					
Hail							
Tornado	L	L					
Freeze							
Fire		L	L	L	L	L	L
Fog			L	L	L		
Rip Currents	H	H	M	L	L	L	H
Space Weather	Very Low						
Lake Okeechobee Status:	Elevation is at 12.80 ft.						
Keetch-Byram Drought Index:	256 (+1) on a scale from 0 (very moist) to 800 (very dry)						

Today's Weather Map

Rainfall Totals Next 24 Hours



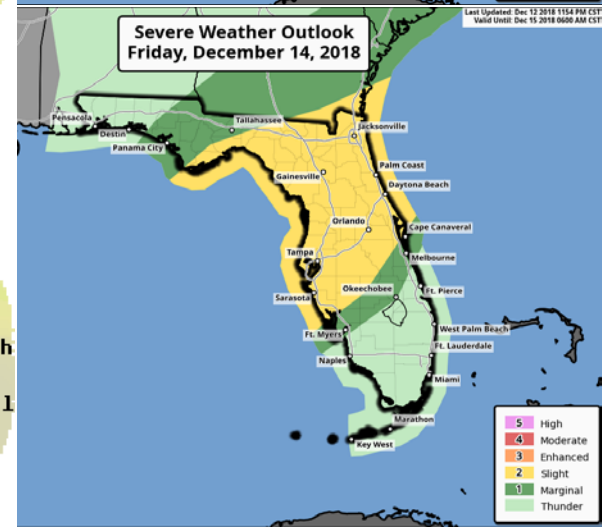
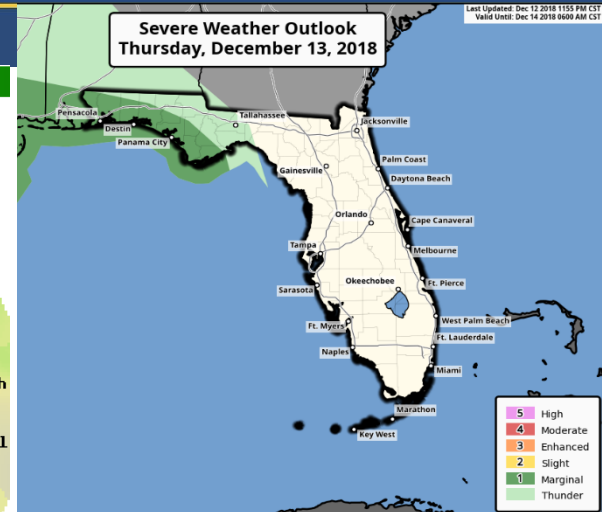
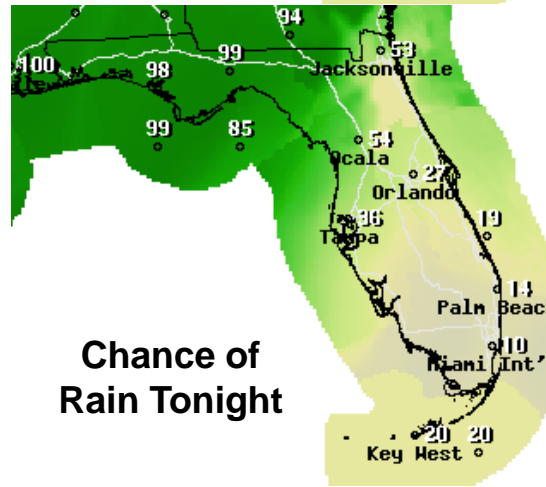
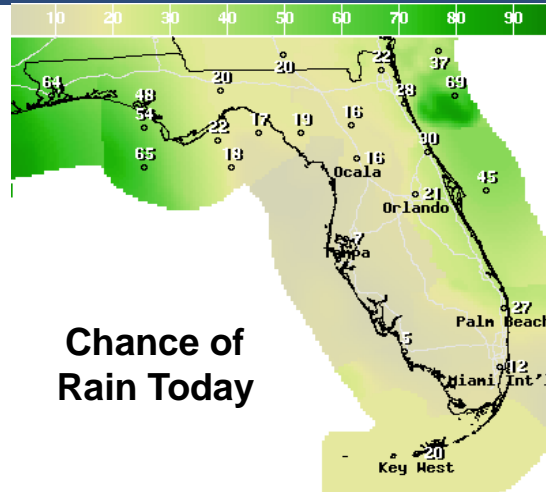


Meteorology Summary

Statewide Overview, Next 24 Hours:

Clouds and temperatures will increase today ahead of the next cold front, forecast to move into the state on Friday. Ahead of it, scattered showers and thunderstorms will begin to arrive in the western Panhandle later this afternoon or this evening and spread eastward overnight into the Big Bend. A few storms could be severe with isolated waterspouts/tornadoes, gusty winds in excess of 50mph and heavy rain of 1-2" which could cause flooding issues. A greater severe weather threat exists on Friday.

Much of the Peninsula will remain dry today, with comfortable temperatures in the upper 60s to upper 70s under partly to mostly cloudy skies. A few showers from the Atlantic coast reach the East Coast this afternoon. Expect mild temperatures tonight with some rain possible across Northeast Florida and the Nature Coast around sunrise Friday. Otherwise, expect the clouds to continue with patchy fog possible.





Coastal Hazards / Hydrology

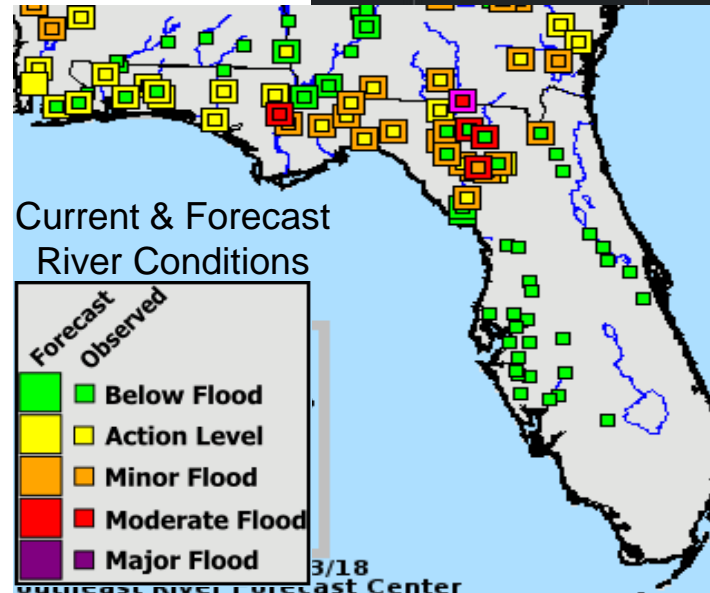
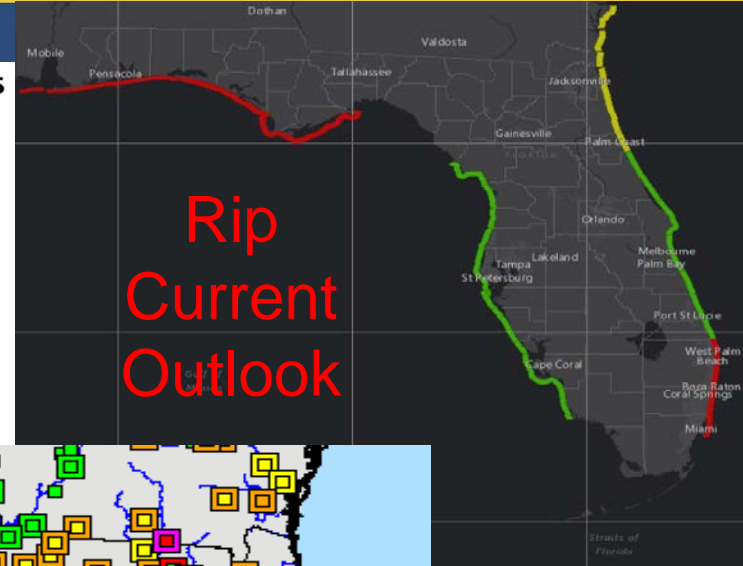
Rip Currents: Breezy onshore winds and waves of 3-6' will result in a **high rip current risk** for all Panhandle beaches and most Southeast Florida beaches today. A low to moderate risk is expected elsewhere. *Remember, always swim within sight of a lifeguard. Rip currents can still occur on low risk days!*

Lake Okeechobee average elevation is 12.80 feet, which is 1.94 feet below normal for this time of year.

Hydrology: Minor to moderate river and creek flooding is expected to continue across much of North Florida during the next several days. A list of current river flood warnings can be found [here](#). **Moderate flooding** is ongoing for the Chipola River near Altha, the Alapaha River near Jennings and the upper Suwannee River near Benton. Moderate flooding is forecast to occur within the next few days for more areas along the Suwannee River as well as for the Santa Fe River at Three River Estates. For more information on specific rivers, please visit the Southeast River Forecast Center [here](#).

Beach Warning Flags

-  **Water closed to public**
-  **High Hazard**
High surf and/or strong currents
-  **Medium Hazard**
Moderate surf and/or currents
-  **Low Hazard**
Calm conditions, exercise caution
-  **Dangerous marine life**

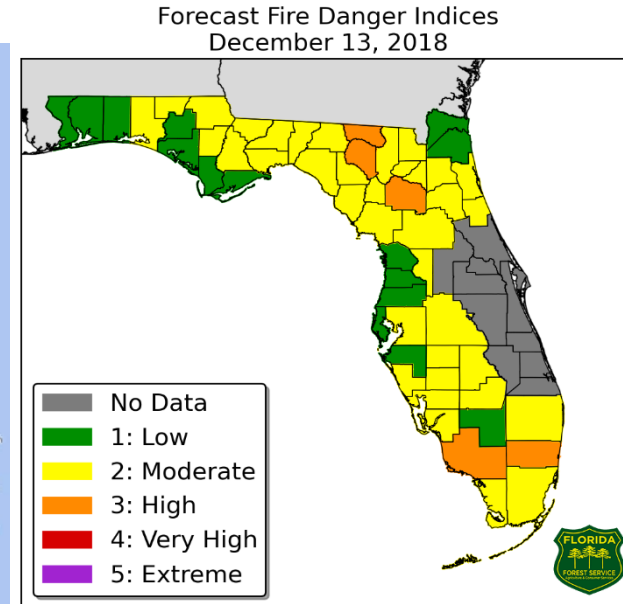
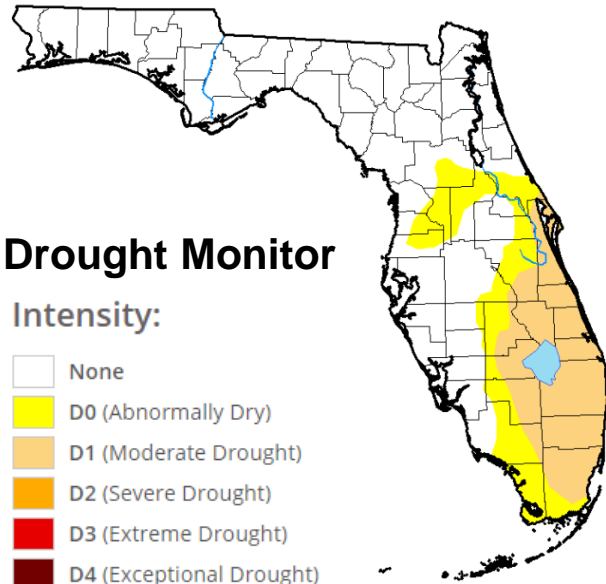




Drought & Fire Weather

Fire Weather: Despite higher relative humidity today, winds will increase today and keep the wildfire threat elevated for much of the state today. [County burn bans](#) are in effect for 6 counties, including Gulf County in the Panhandle and 5 in the Peninsula that are prohibited year-round.

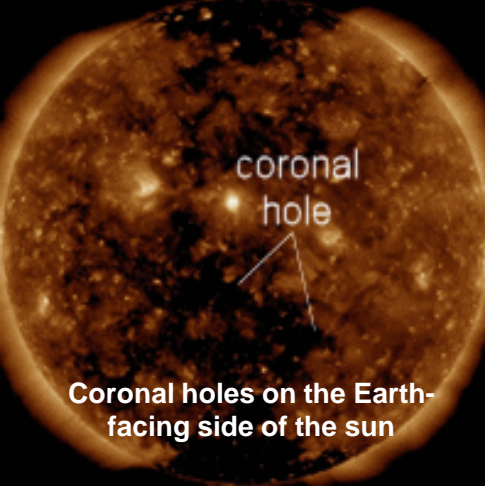
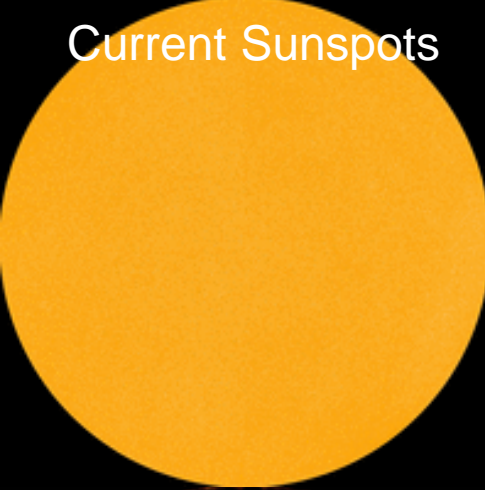
[The Keetch-Byram Drought Index](#) average for Florida is 256 (+1) on a scale from 0 (very moist) to 800 (very dry). There are currently **8** Florida counties with a KBDI above 500, all in the Peninsula.



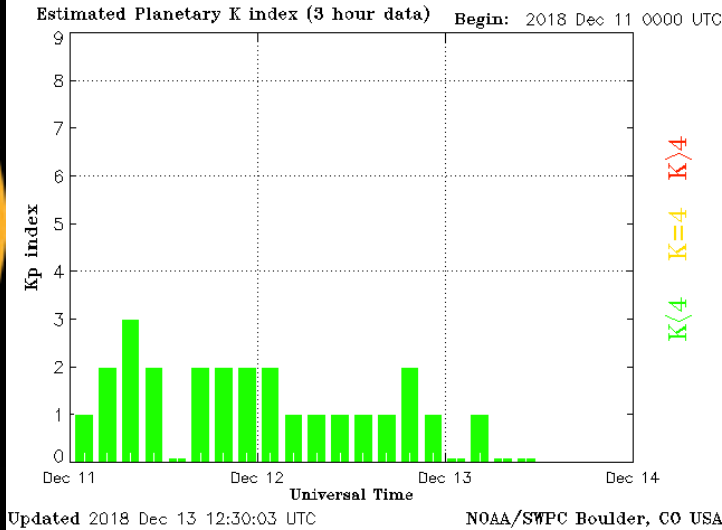


Space Weather

Current Sunspots



Coronal holes on the Earth-facing side of the sun



Solar Flare Risk	Active Watches & Warnings	Past 24 hours
M-class: 1%	Geomagnetic Storm: No	A1 Solar Flare
X-class: 1%	Radiation Storm: No	No Radio Blackouts
48 Hour Geomagnetic Forecast		
12/13		12/14
Max Kp= 2 (G0)		Max Kp= 2 (G0)
Chance of minor activity = 1% severe activity = 1%		Chance of minor activity = 1% severe activity = 1%

Space Weather: Solar winds have quieted down and no geomagnetic storming is expected for the next few days. The space weather threat to Florida remains very low.



SWO Communications Systems & Contact Information

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Phone:	800-320-0519 or 850-815-4001	Operational	
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SLERS:	DEM Statewide	Operational	
NAWAS:	State Watch Office	Operational	
EMnet Message:	FL.000- State Watch Office	Operational	
EMnet Voice:	FL SWP- State Watch Office	Operational	
State EAS:	LP.1 Stations via Emnet	Operational	
FL Interoperable Network:	SOFEOC	Operational	
Website:	http://www.floridadisaster.org	Operational	
WebEOC:	https://eoc.floridadisaster.org/eoc7/	Operational	

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