



# Florida Division of Emergency Management State Watch Office

Morning Situation Report

Thursday, February 13, 2020



# State Emergency Operations Center Activation Level

Level 3 Monitoring



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# Regional Coordination Team

Team	County Location	Status / Activities
RC Manager: Jim Roberts	Sick Leave	Off & Monitoring
Region 1: Jim Roberts		
Region 2: Brian Bradshaw	Columbia	Recovery Meeting
Region 3: Gina Lambert	Citrus	DOH Training Course
Region 4: Paul Siddall	Hillsborough	Off & Monitoring (AM) / EM Meeting (PM)
Region 5: Claudia Baker	Orange	O-305 Training
Region 6: Jodie Fiske	Sarasota	FHP Trooper Bullock Funeral
Region 7: Willie Bouie	Annual Leave	Off and See Coverage



R6 Covering All of Region 7

RC Status
Normal Operations
Delayed Response
Out of Service / Unavailable



# Recovery Regional Coordination Team

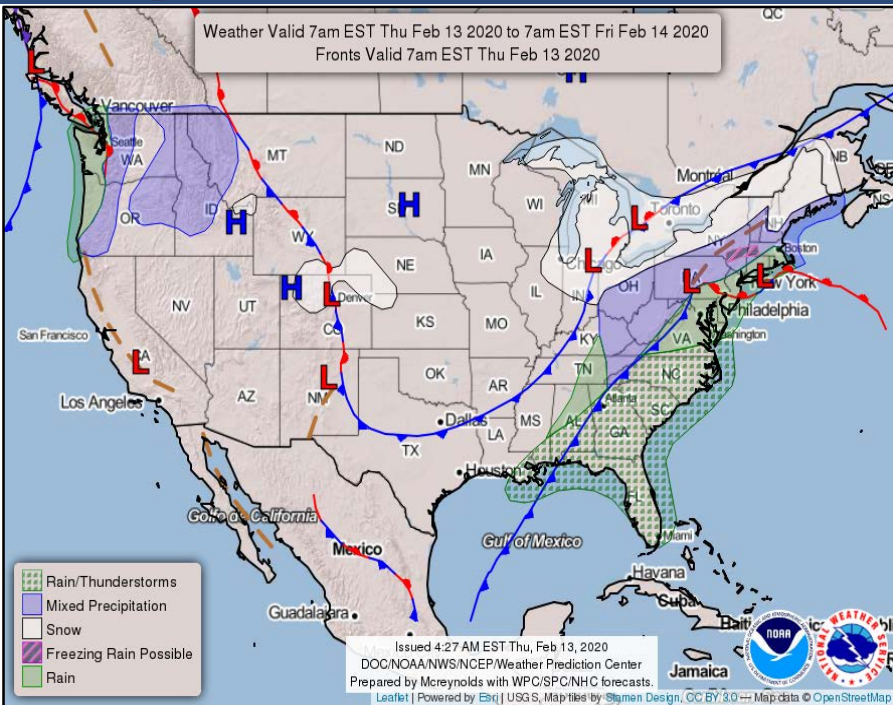
Team	County Location	Status / Activities
RRC Manager: Brooke Kincaid	Columbia	EM Introductory Meeting
Region 2: Brooke Kincaid		
Region 1: Mac McLeary	Escambia	Out of Service / Not Available
Region 3: Pam Bergstron	Sick Leave	Off & Monitoring
Region 4: Jeremy O'Dell	Pasco	G-300 Training
Region 5: Vacant		
Region 6: Vacant		
Region 7: Vacant		

RRC Manager covering all of Region 1

<p><b>RRC Status</b></p> <p>Normal Operations</p> <p>Delayed Response</p> <p>Out of Service / Unavailable</p>
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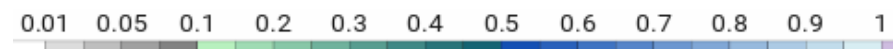
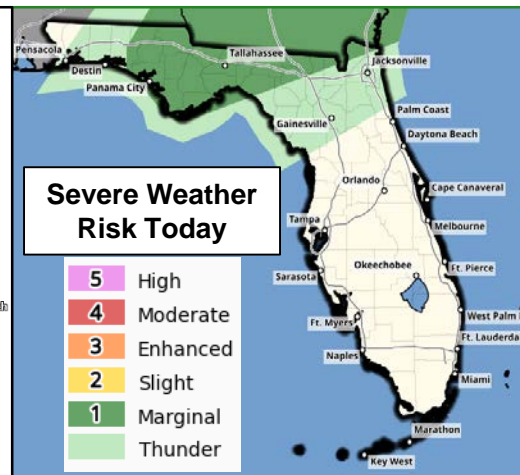
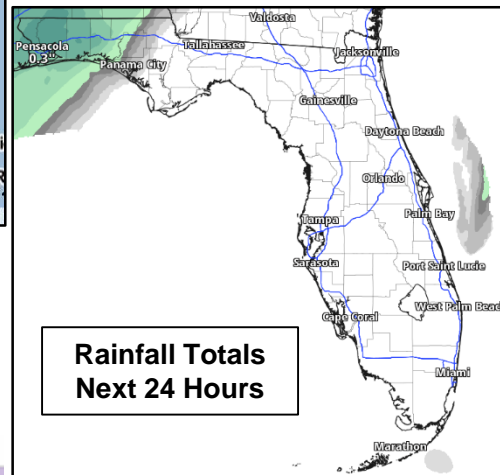


# Meteorology Summary



## Today's Weather Map

Threat	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7
Lightning	L	M	L				
River Flooding	L						
Damaging Wind	L	L	L				
Hail							
Tornado							
Freeze							
Fire	L	L	L	L	L	L	L
Fog					M	H	H
Rip Currents	H	H	L	L	M	L	H
Space Weather	Very Low						
Lake Okeechobee Status:	Elevation is at 12.94 ft						
Keetch-Byram Drought Index:	253 (+9) on a scale from 0 (very moist) to 800 (very dry)						



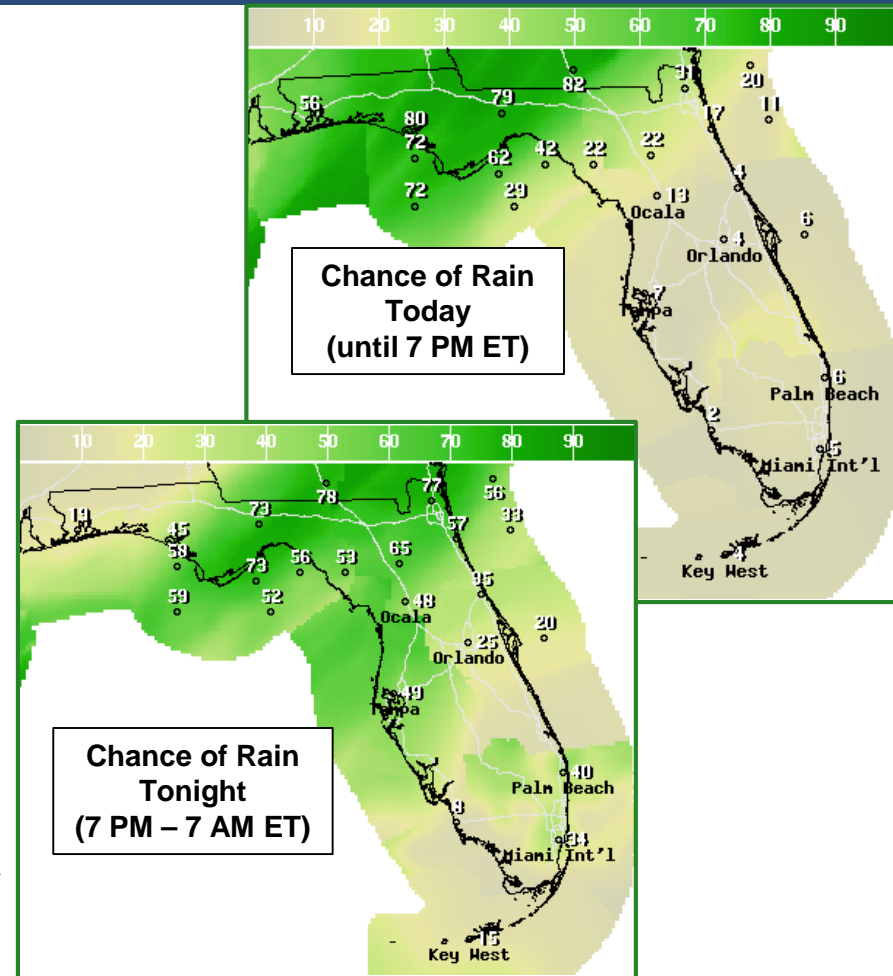


# Meteorology Summary

## Statewide Overview, Next 24 Hours:

A thin line of showers and a few thunderstorms along a cold front continues to move slowly eastward across North Florida. The line should make it to Panama City late this morning, Tallahassee this afternoon, and Jacksonville this evening. Some of the storms could become strong to briefly severe with 40-60 mph wind gusts. The [Storm Prediction Center](#) has outlined much of North Florida in a **Marginal Risk of severe weather** (level 1 of 5). Some storms could also produce locally heavy rainfall, especially where thunderstorms train. Some showers will linger behind the initial line of showers. Highs will range from the upper 60s in the western Panhandle to the middle 80s in Northeast Florida. Colder air will follow in the wake of thunderstorms today. Lows tonight will fall into the middle 40s to lower 50s for the Panhandle and Big Bend and middle to upper 50s in Northeast Florida.

Meanwhile, most of the day will remain dry across the Peninsula, but very warm. Highs will soar, once again, into the middle to upper 80s for much of the Peninsula. Heat indices in Southwest Florida could reach the lower to possible middle 90s. Showers will move into Central Florida this evening into the overnight, but no thunderstorms are expected. Dense fog will likely develop tonight into Friday morning across South Florida. Lows will remain very mild—middle to upper 60s in Central Florida and lower to middle 70s in South Florida.







# Coastal Hazards & Hydrology

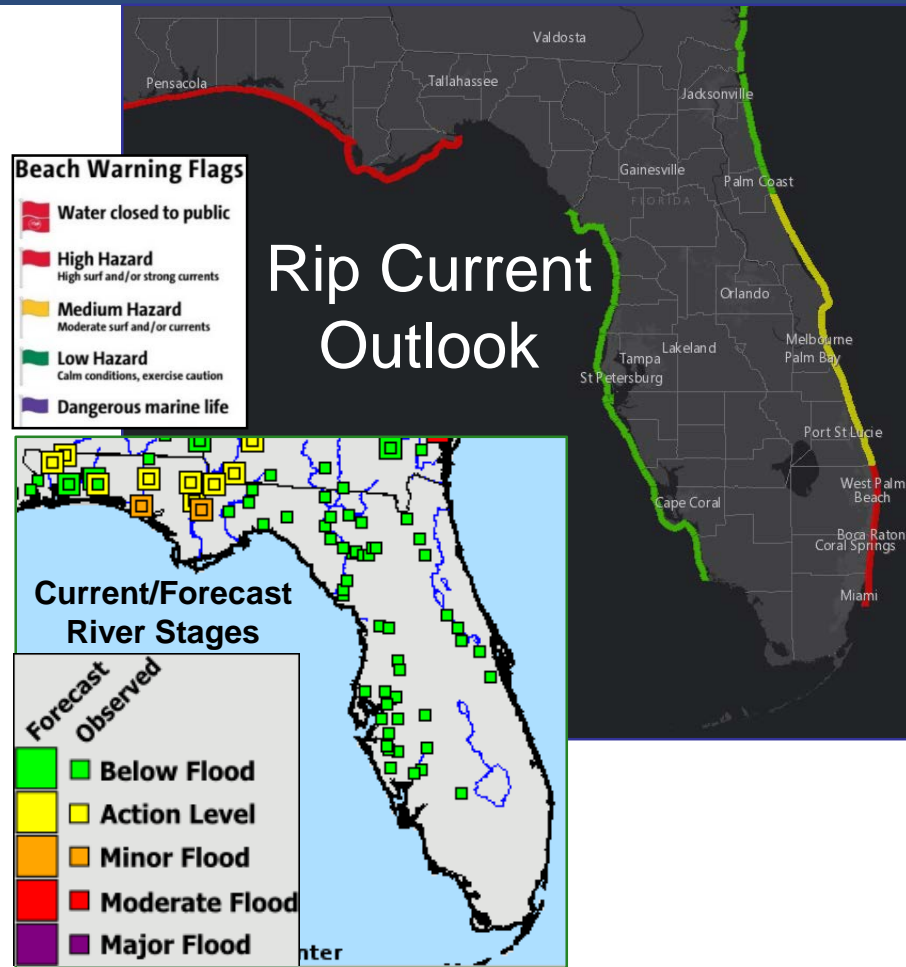
**Rip Currents:** Winds will be out of the south to southeast at 10-15 mph along the Panhandle and Atlantic beaches. This yields a **high rip current risk** for all Panhandle beaches and for all Southeast Florida beaches. There is also a **moderate rip current risk** for Atlantic beaches from Volusia to Martin County. Waves will be 2-4' in these areas. A **low risk** is expected along the West Coast and Northeast Florida. For the latest Rip Current Outlook, visit [www.weather.gov/beach](http://www.weather.gov/beach).

**Marine Hazards:** **Red Tide** has not been observed above background levels.

**Coastal Flooding:** Coastal flooding is not expected.

**Lake Okeechobee** average elevation is 12.94 feet, which is 1.65 feet below normal for this time of year. Little change in lake level is expected over the next couple of days.

**Hydrology:** **River Flood Warnings** are in effect for parts of the Apalachicola and Choctawhatchee Rivers. The Apalachicola has crested, but will remain in minor flood stage over the next several days. The Choctawhatchee crested yesterday and will fall below minor flood stage by tonight. For more information on specific rivers, please visit the Southeast River Forecast Center [here](#). Rainfall totals may get up to an inch (2" locally) in the Panhandle today while the rest of Florida's rain will generally be light today (<0.50"), with no concern of additional flooding.





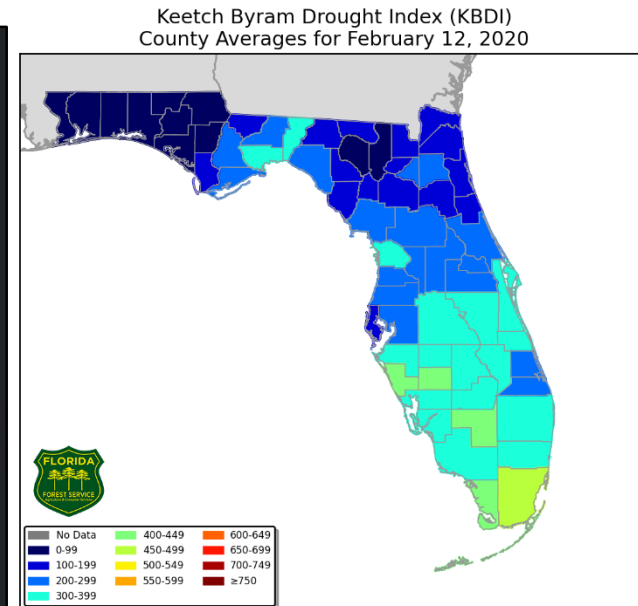
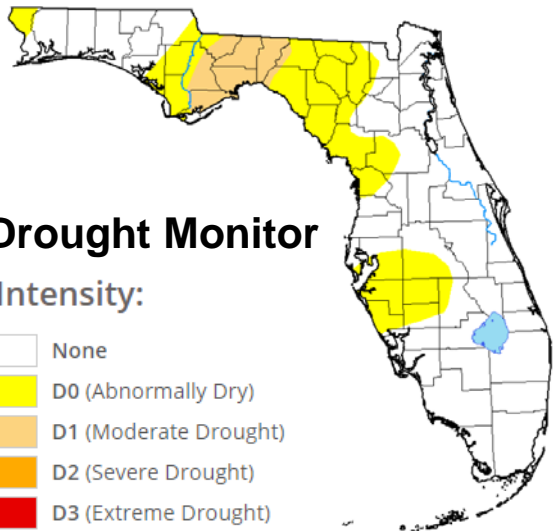


# Drought & Fire Weather

**Fire Weather:** Humidity will be high today (>55%) with breezy winds (10-15 mph) from the south for most of the state. Winds will shift to be from the northwest in the western Panhandle by this afternoon. Recent rainfall has increased soil moisture but some areas are still in drought conditions and have pockets of dry fuels. This will result in a **low to locally moderate wildfire threat** statewide.

There are currently 18 [active wildfires](#) across the state burning a total of 180.7 acres. All fires over 10 acres are 100% contained. A [County Burn Ban](#) is in effect for Duval, Orange, Hillsborough, Pinellas, and Sarasota (prohibited year-round).

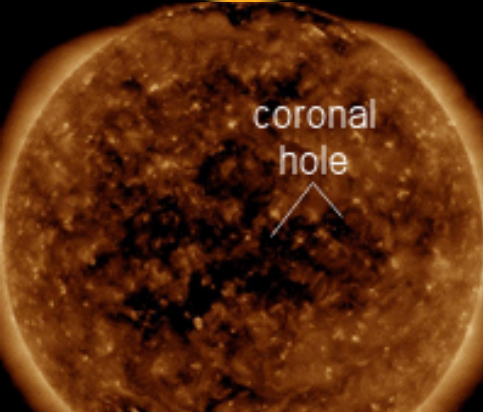
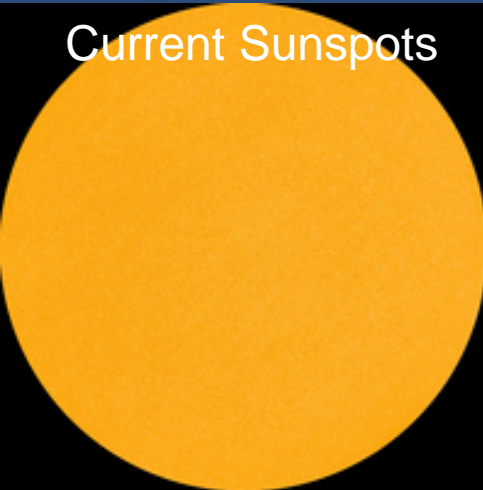
[The Keetch-Byram Drought Index](#) average for Florida is 253 (+9) on a scale from 0 (very moist) to 800 (very dry). There are **0** Florida counties with an average KBDI at or above 500.



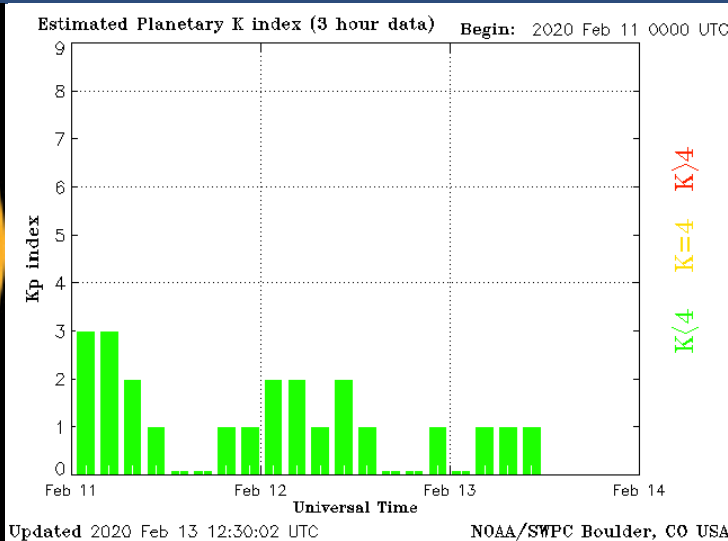


# Space Weather

## 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	A9 Solar Flare
X-class: 1%	Radiation Storm: No	No Radio Blackouts
48 Hour Geomagnetic Forecast		
2/13		2/14
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:** The sun is spotless and there is no threat of a significant solar flare. Solar winds are expected to remain light, and geomagnetic storming is not expected. The space weather threat to Florida remains very low.



# SWO Communications Systems & Contact Information

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Email:	<a href="mailto:SWP@em.myflorida.com">SWP@em.myflorida.com</a>	Operational	
SWO Tracker:	<a href="https://apps.floridadisaster.org/SWO/">https://apps.floridadisaster.org/SWO/</a>	Operational	
SLERS:	DEM Statewide	Operational	
FNARS:	WGY974	Operational	
Federal NAWAS:	State Watch Office	Operational	
EMnet Message:	FL.000- State Watch Office	Operational	
EMnet Voice:	FL SWP- State Watch Office	Operational	
IPAWS:	LP.1 Stations via Emnet	Operational	
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Satellite Phones:	888-890-5178 or 480-263-8838	Operational	
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