



Florida Division of Emergency Management State Watch Office

Morning Situation Report

Thursday, June 8, 2023



State Emergency Operations Center Activation Level

Level 2 Activation



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Regional Coordination Team

Team	County Location	Status / Activities
Region 1: Jim Roberts	Escambia	Region 1 Quarterly Meeting
RC Manager	Leon	R7 RC Interviews
Region 2: Willie Bouie		
Region 3: Pam Bergstrom	Volusia	FDACS SART Workshop
Region 4: Paul Siddall	Hillsborough	Sheriff Logistics Meeting / R7 RC Interviews
Region 5: Austin Beeghly	Orange, Brevard	RDSTF Meeting / Tornado Follow-up
Region 6: Glen Hammers	Lee	IS Training
Region 7: Claudia Baker	Miami-Dade	Meetings / Admin



RC Status
Normal Operations
In Region / Delayed Response
Out of Region / Delayed Response
Out of Service / Unavailable



Recovery Regional Coordination Team

Team	County Location	Status / Activities
Region 1: Vacant	N/A	Not Available
Region 2: Justin Lazzara	Out of Region	Annual Leave
Region 3: Joshua Saunders	Volusia	FDACS SART Training
RRCT Manager	Hernando	Administrative Duties
Region 4: Jeremy O'Dell		
Region 5: Elizabeth Caison	Orange	Region 1 Meeting
Region 6: Kathryn Thompson	Polk	Annual Leave
Region 7: Dana McGeehan	Broward	External Stakeholders Meeting

Region 1 Coverage provided by RRC 5

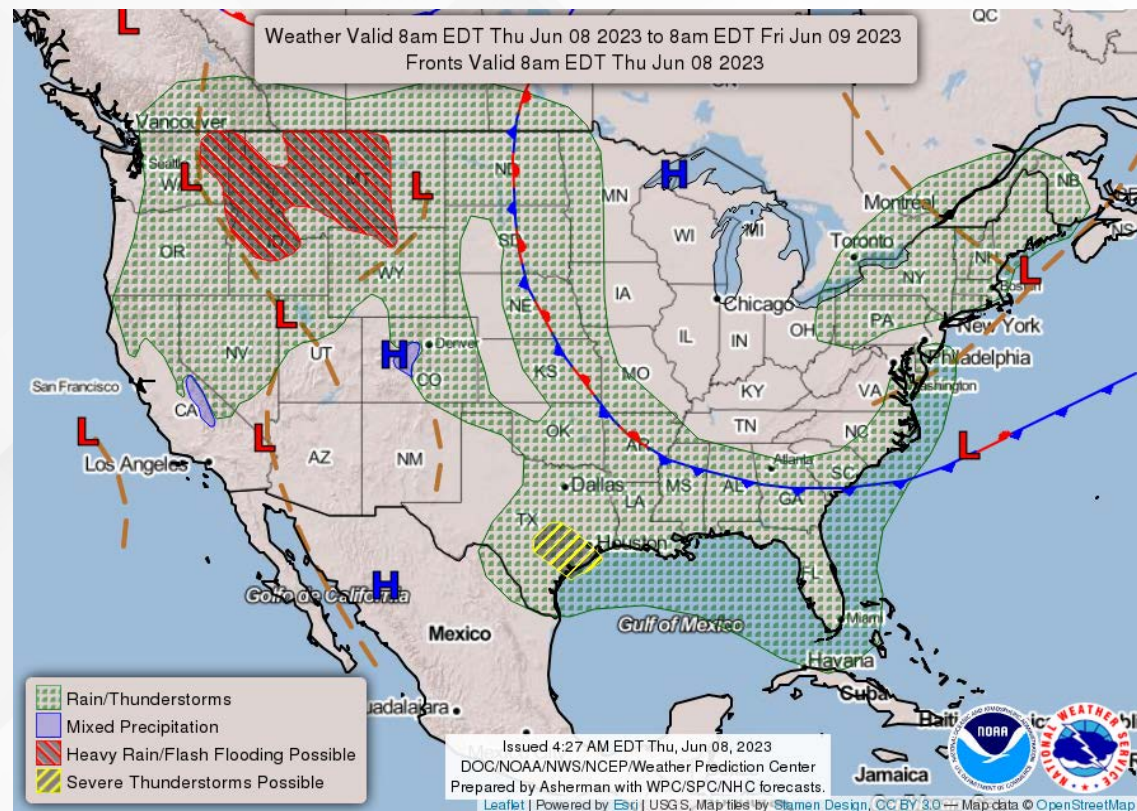
Region 2 Coverage provided by RRC 3

Region 6 Coverage provided by RRC 4

RRC Status
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In Region / Delayed Response
Deployed / Delayed Response
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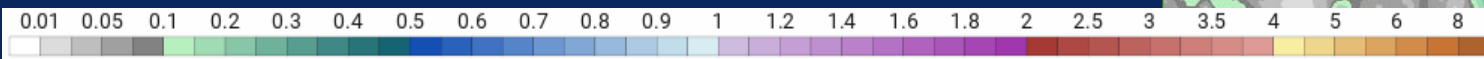


Meteorology Summary

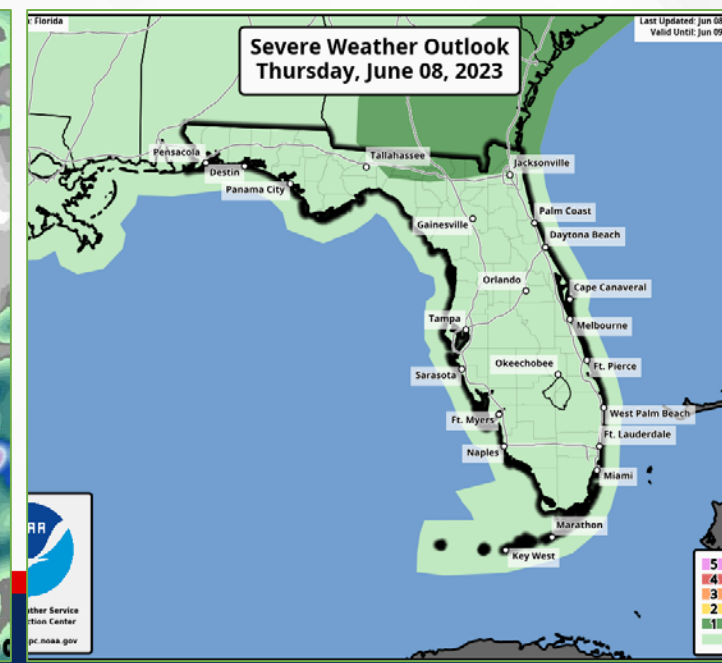
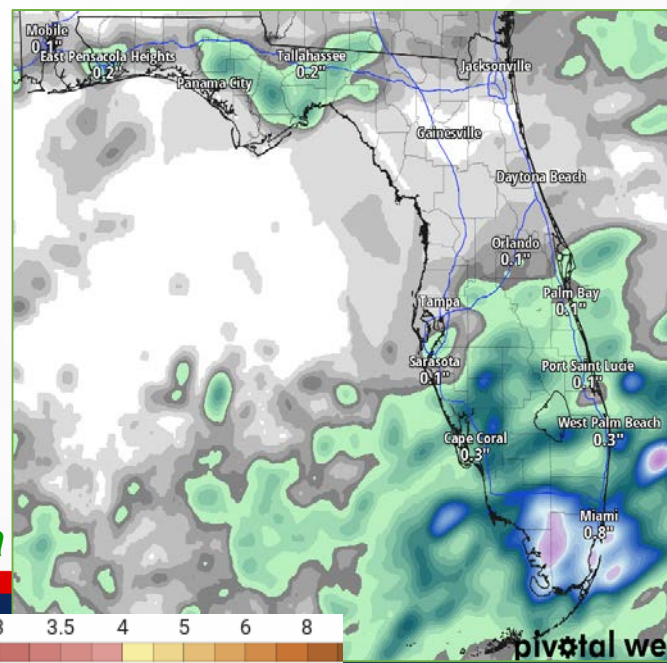


Today's Weather Map

24-Hour Rainfall Totals
Locally 2-4" Interior South Florida



Threat	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7
Lightning	L	L	L	M	M	M	M
Tornado							
Damaging Wind		L	L	L	L	L	L
Coastal Flooding							L
Flash Flooding						L	L
Fog (Overnight)							
Excessive Heat							
Wildfire							
Rip Currents	M	M	M	L	M	L	L
Lake Okeechobee Elevation:	14.00 ft. (0.86 ft. Above Normal)						
Keetch-Byram Drought Index:	224 (+9) on a scale from 0 (very moist) to 800 (very dry)						





Meteorology Summary

Statewide Overview, Next 24 Hours:

Ample moisture ahead of a slow-moving cold front will lead to elevated rain chances across the Sunshine State today. Environmental conditions over the Suwannee River Valley may be supportive for the development of **isolated strong to severe thunderstorms** this afternoon (35-55% chance of rain). The Storm Prediction Center (SPC) is outlooking a **Marginal Risk for Severe Weather (level 1 of 5)** as the stronger, more organized thunderstorm activity may be capable of producing locally damaging wind gusts (45-60 mph), occasional to frequent lightning, isolated hail, and heavy downpours. Thunderstorms along and near the immediate frontal boundary may loosely organize into a few clusters of thunderstorms; however, the afternoon sea breeze will still be the greatest focus for shower and thunderstorm development.

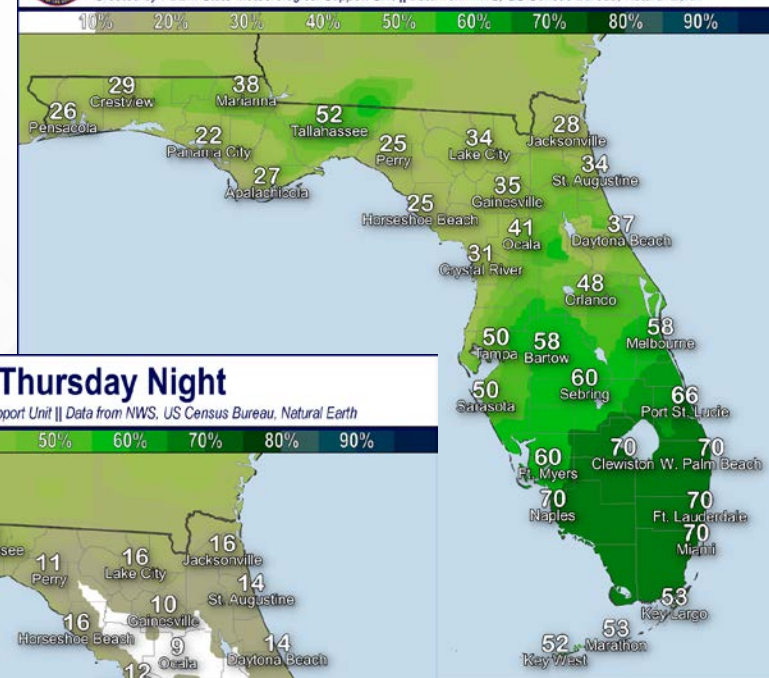
Abundant moisture will enhance the daily afternoon sea breeze across the Florida Peninsula this morning and afternoon (50-70% chance of rain). While there is no organized risk for severe weather, locally strong to severe thunderstorms cannot be ruled out during the peak heating hours of the day. Gusty winds, lightning, and heavy rainfall rates will be possible. Instances of **flooding and ponding of water** may accompany the heaviest activity, especially along the urban corridors and low-lying/poor drainage areas. Afternoon high temperatures will rise into the upper 80s to lower 90s statewide.

Rain chances will gradually subside through the later evening hours, with a lingering chance for showers and embedded thunderstorms possible along the southern Florida Peninsula and Florida Keys (45-55% chance of rain). Low temperatures tonight will remain mild statewide in the lower to middle 70s.



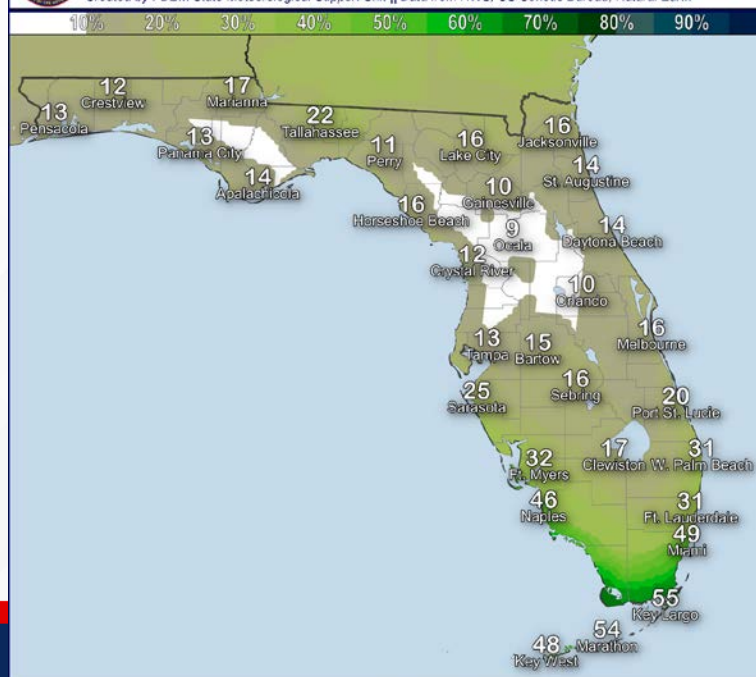
Chance of Rain: Thursday

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Chance of Rain: Thursday Night

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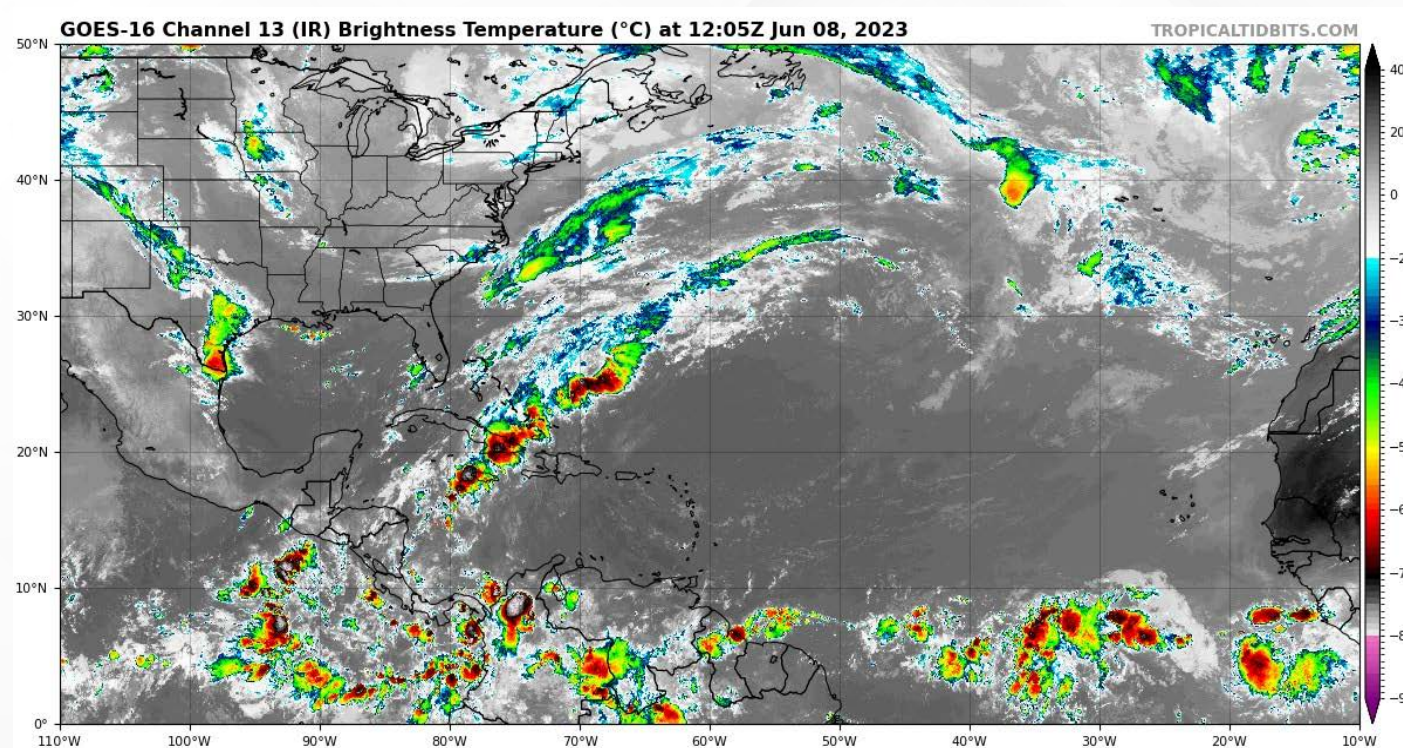
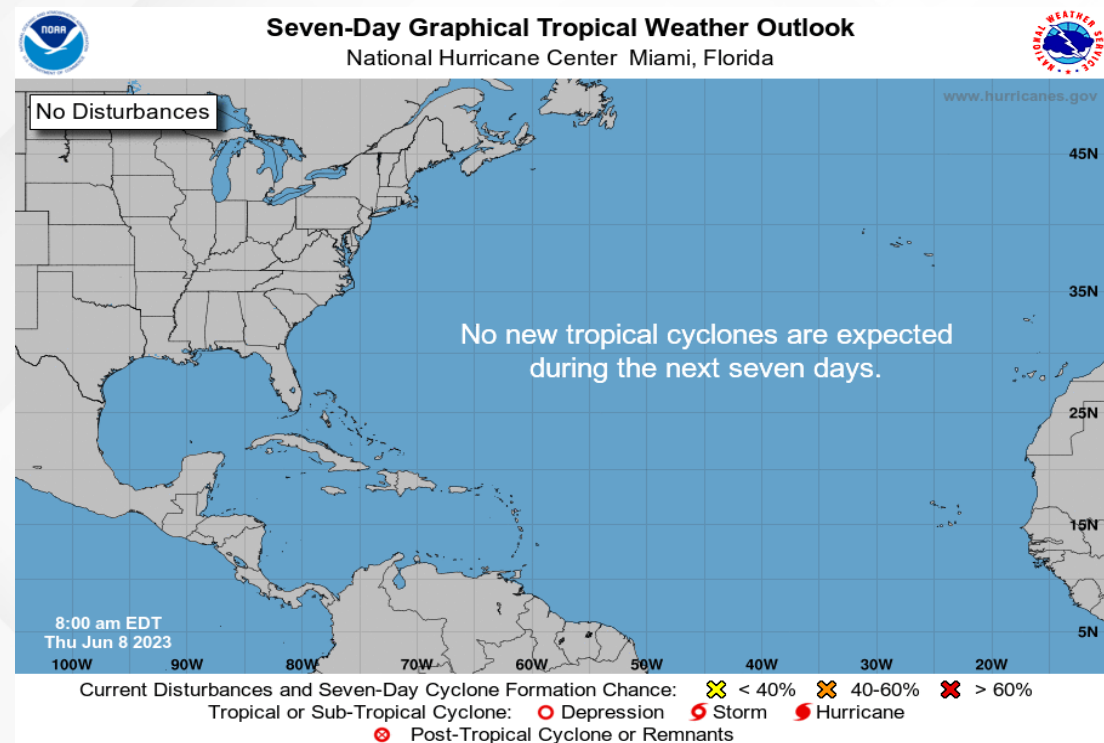




Tropical Weather

For the latest on the tropics, please visit the National Hurricane Center (NHC) at www.hurricanes.gov.

Tropical cyclone development **is not** expected over the next 7 days.





Coastal Hazards & Hydrology

Rip Currents: Westerly winds will yield a **moderate risk of rip currents** along portions of the Panhandle and East Coast today, with a low risk continuing for all remaining Florida beaches. For the latest Rip Current Outlook, visit www.weather.gov/beach.

Marine Hazards: Wave heights of 1-2' can be expected along all Florida coastlines today.

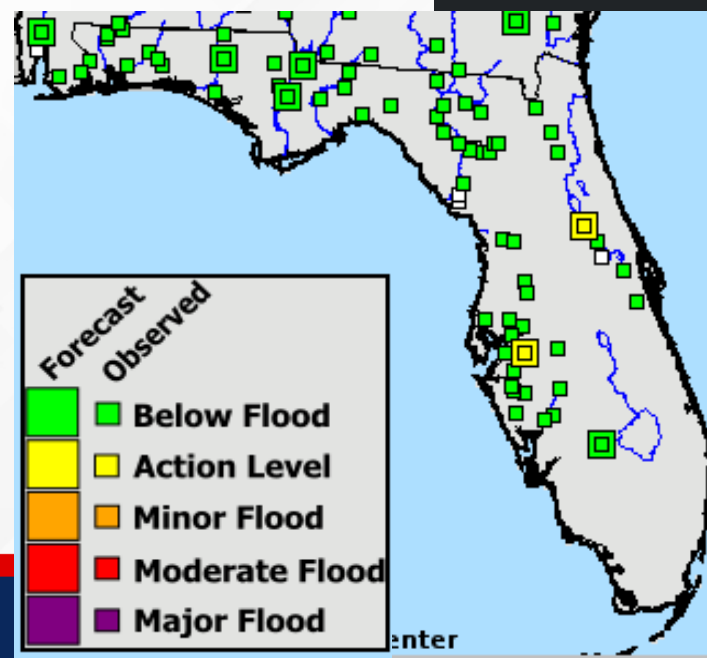
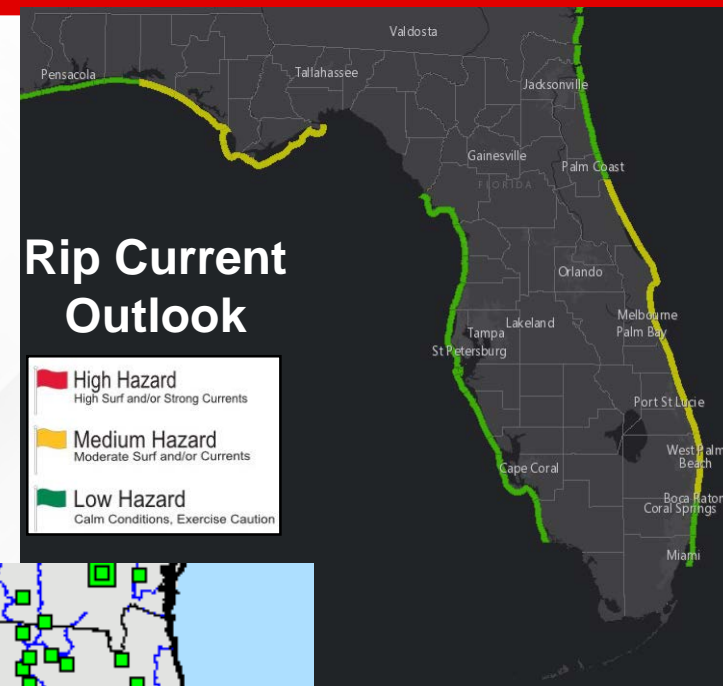
Red Tide has not been observed above background conditions along any Florida coastline.

Coastal Flooding: A **Coastal Flood Statement** remains in effect for the bayside communities of the Upper and Middle Florida Keys where minor saltwater flooding can be expected. Water levels are reaching 1-1.5' above normal at times of high tide.

Flash Flooding: The Weather Prediction Center (WPC) is outlooking a **Marginal Risk for Flash Flooding (level 1 of 4)** across South Florida today as heavy shower and thunderstorm activity may bring a quick 1-2" of rainfall across the area. Locally higher totals of 2-4" cannot be ruled out, especially locations that experience multiple rounds of scattered activity. **Flooding** and ponding of water will be possible along urban corridors and low-lying/poor drainage areas.

Riverine Flooding: The river level at Astor on the St. Johns River has remained below flood stage and will continue to slowly decline through Action Stage (bank-full) through tonight. Water levels should then fall below Action Stage (bank-full) by late week; however, additional rainfall totals should be monitored. All remaining Florida rivers, creeks, streams, and waterways are running below and are forecast to remain below flood stage. For more details, please visit the [River Forecast Center](http://www.riverforecastcenter.com).

Lake Okeechobee's average elevation is 14.00 feet, which is within the operational band and 0.86 feet above normal for this time of year.



Current & Forecast River Levels

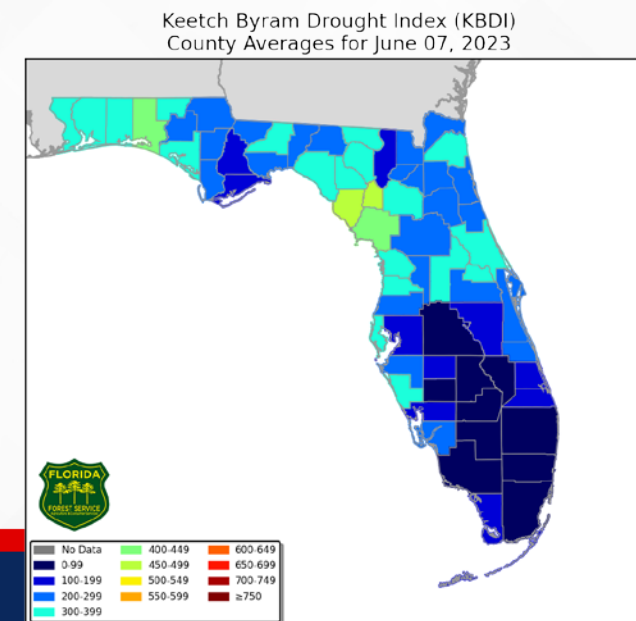
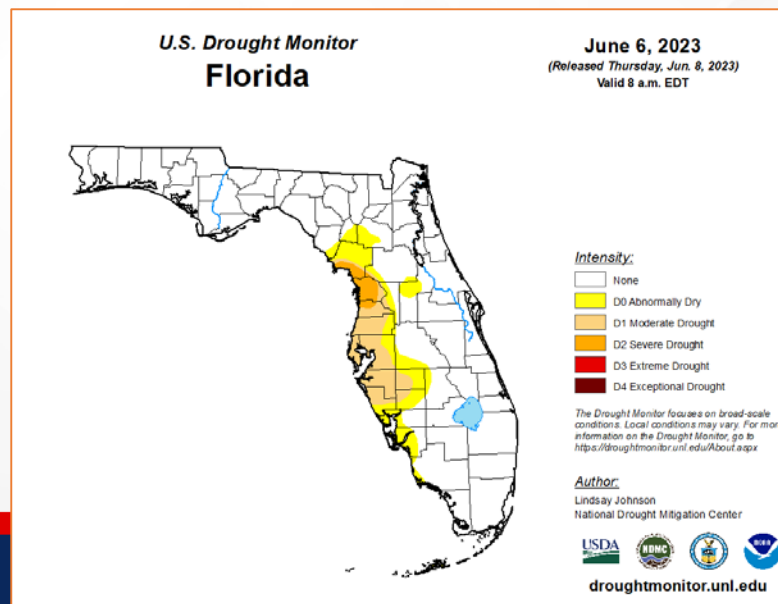
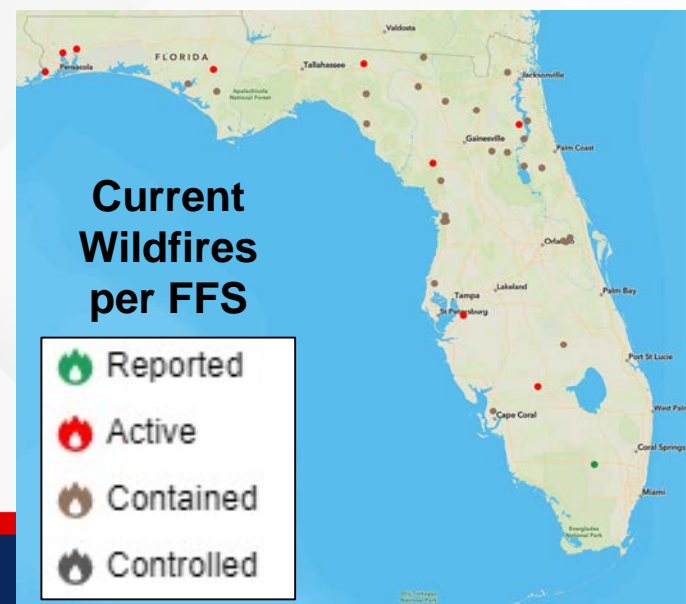


Drought & Fire Weather

Fire Weather: Relative humidity values will remain above critical thresholds statewide this afternoon, with abundant moisture and elevated rain chances. Westerly winds of 5-10 mph can be expected, with winds gusts of 15-20 mph over the Florida Peninsula. The overall wildfire threat will remain low, courtesy of saturated soils/vegetation and fuels; however, some short-term dryness is returning to the Florida Peninsula. *Thunderstorms will be capable of producing lightning and erratic winds.* According to the [Florida Forest Service](#), there are 35 active wildfires across the state, burning approximately 520 acres.

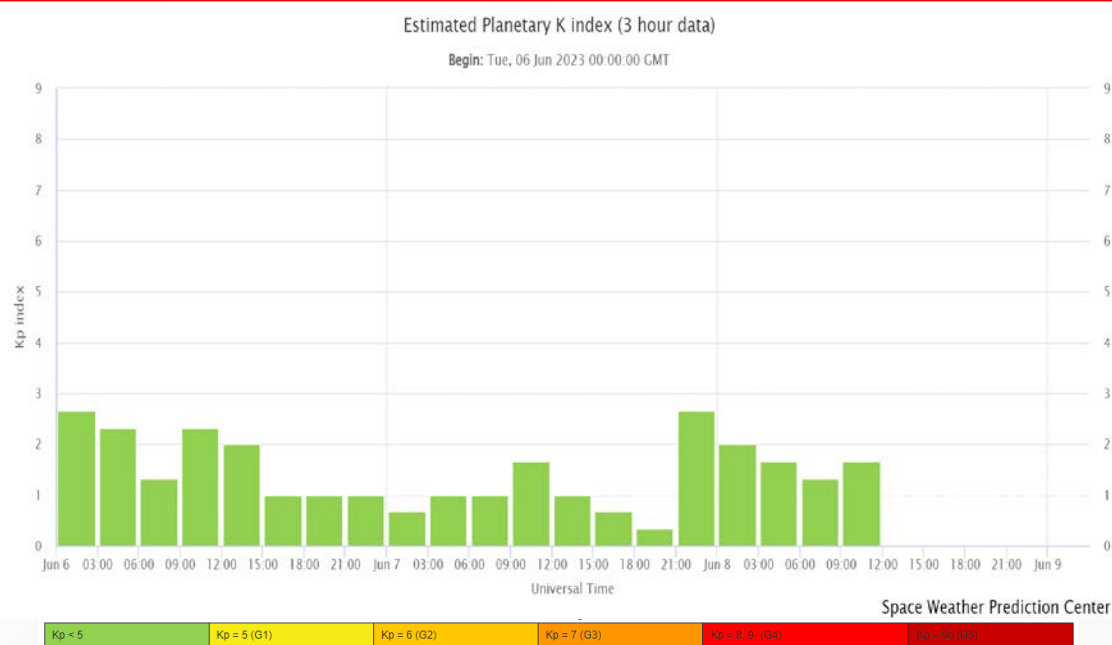
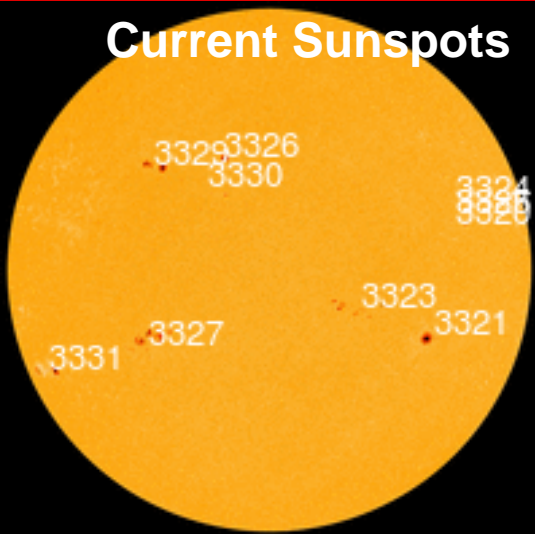
Drought: Heavy rains fell into the central and southern portions of the Florida Peninsula this week, with amounts reaching or exceeding 4" in some locations. The above normal rainfall amounts alleviated short-term deficits in the western Florida Peninsula and raised streamflows, leading to widespread improvements to drought conditions. **Severe drought** held on in some areas between Tampa and the Big Bend (Levy and Citrus Counties), where long-term rainfall deficits remained more pronounced. **Moderate drought** continues along the Florida West Coast, with the remaining portions of Florida remaining drought-free.

The Keetch-Byram Drought Index average for Florida is 224 (+9) on a scale from 0 (very wet) to 800 (very dry). There are **zero** Florida counties with an average KBDI over 500 (drought/increased fire danger).



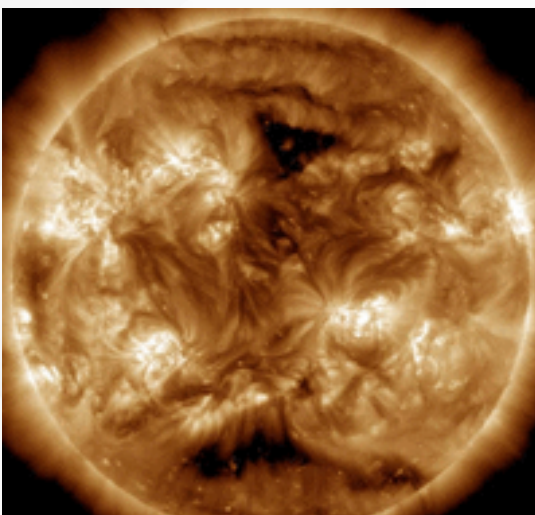


Current Sunspots



Solar Flare Risk	Active Watches & Warnings	Past 24 hours
M-class: 30%	Geomagnetic Storm: None	M1 Solar Flare
X-class: 10%	Radiation Storm: None	R1 Radio Blackouts
48 Hour Geomagnetic Forecast		
6/8		6/9
Max Kp= 4 (G0)		Max Kp= 3 (G0)
Chance of minor activity = 5% severe activity = 1%		Chance of minor activity = 5% severe activity = 1%

Space Weather: Solar activity is expected to be low, with a chance for M-class (strong) solar flares and a slight chance for X-class (significant) solar flares. Minor to moderate radio blackouts may accompany the stronger solar flare activity, particularly from sunspot #3327. The periphery of the Coronal Mass Ejection from 6/4 is forecast to impact Earth today, with lingering effects into Friday. Elevated solar winds today may lead to unsettled to active geomagnetic levels; however, widespread organized geomagnetic storming is not anticipated. The overall space weather threat to Florida remains very low.



Earth-facing Coronal Holes



SWO Communications Systems & Contact Information

Equipment	Contact	Status	Comments
Phone:	800-320-0519, 850-815-4001, 850-591-0071 (Backup Cell)	Operational	
Backup Landline:	850-487-3234, 850-487-3228	Operational	
Fax:	850-815-4979	Operational	
Email:	SWP@em.myflorida.com	Operational	
SWO Tracker:	https://apps.floridadisaster.org/SWO/	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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