



Florida Division of Emergency Management State Watch Office

Morning Situation Report

Saturday, February 1, 2025



State Emergency Operations Center Activation Level

Level 2 Activation



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Response Regional Coordination Team

Team	County Location	Visits
Region 1: Jim Roberts	In Region	On Call Status
Region 2: Willie Bouie	In Region	On Call Status
Region 3: Glen Hammers	In Region	On Call Status
Region 4: Vacant	N/A	N/A
Region 5: Austin Beeghly	Seminole	Outreach Event (Touch a Truck) / On-Call Status
Region 6: Paul Siddall	In Region	On Call Status
Region 7: Vacant	N/A	N/A
Region 8: Mason Kozac	In Region, Indian River	On Call Status (IRC Event Monitoring)
Region 9: Theresa Hendry	Out of Service	Leave (See Coverage)
Region 10: Claudia Baker	In Region	See Coverage



Region 4 Coverage Provided by Recovery Coordinator 4
Region 7 Coverage Provided by Response Coordinator 6
Region 9 Coverage Provided by Recovery Coordinator 8
Region 10 Coverage Provided by Recovery Coordinator 10

Status

Normal Operations

Out of Service / Unavailable



Recovery Regional Coordination Team

Team	County Location	Status / Activities
Region 1: Allison Blevins	In Region	Off & Monitoring
Region 2: Justin Lazzara	In Region	Off & Monitoring
Region 3: Patrick James	In Region	Off & Monitoring
Region 4: Joshua Saunders	In Region	Off & Monitoring
Region 5: Elizabeth Caison	In Region	Off & Monitoring
RRCT Manager	Hernando	End of Month Admin
Region 6: Jeremy O'Dell		
Region 7: Antonio Zapata	In Region	Leave
Region 8: Ja-Pheth Butler-Miller	In Region	On Call Status for Region 9
Region 9: Vacant	N/A	See Coverage
Region 10: Dana McGeehan	In Region	On Call Status for Region 10

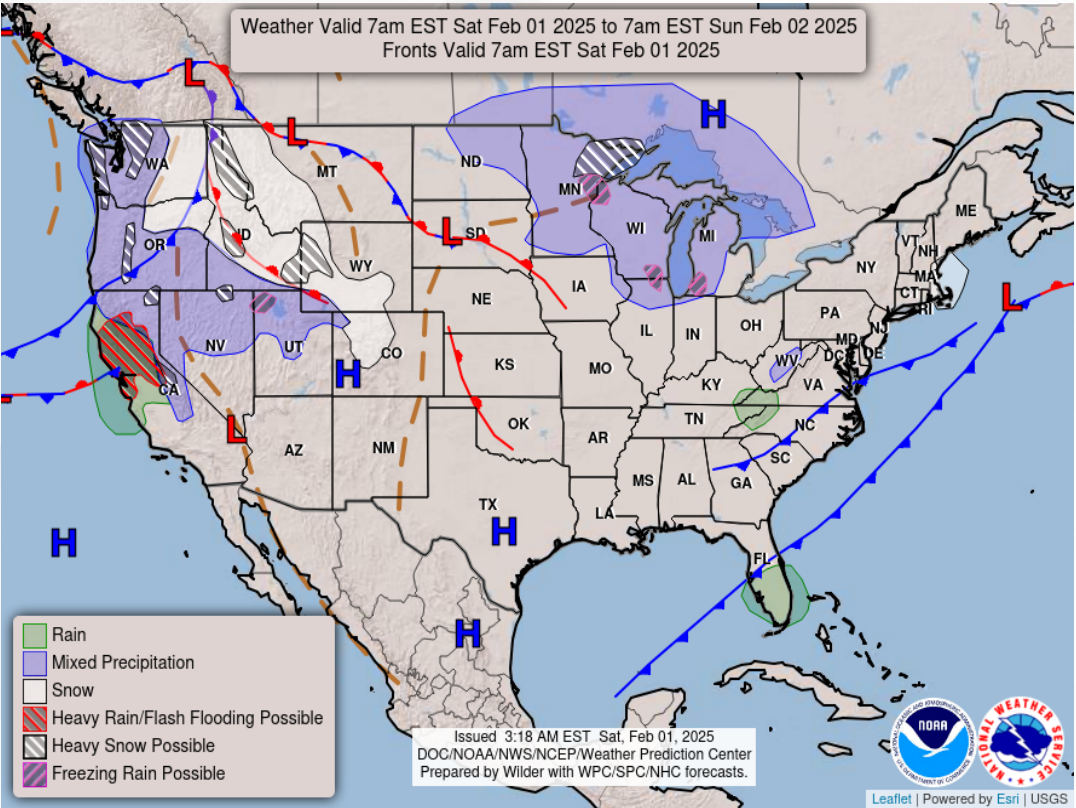
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Status
Normal Operations
In Region / Delayed Response
Deployed / Delayed Response
Out of Service / Unavailable

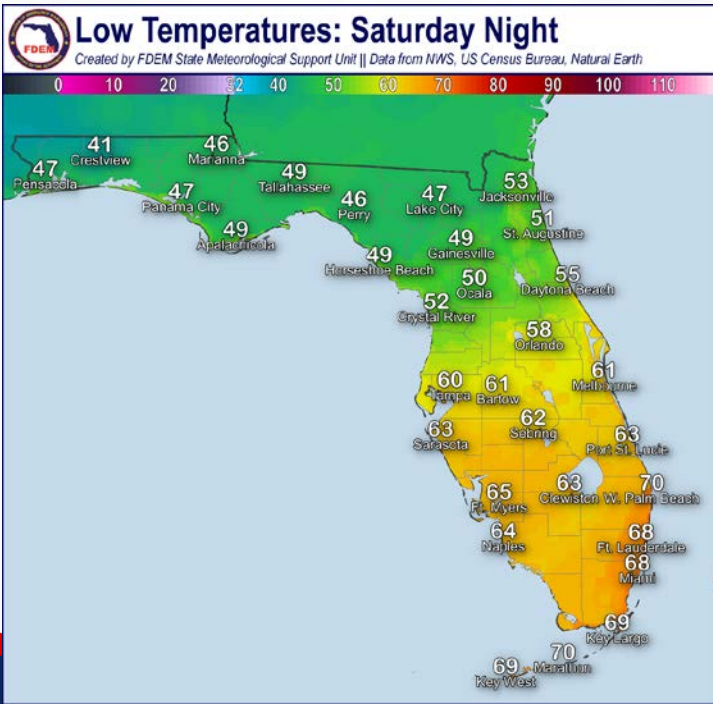
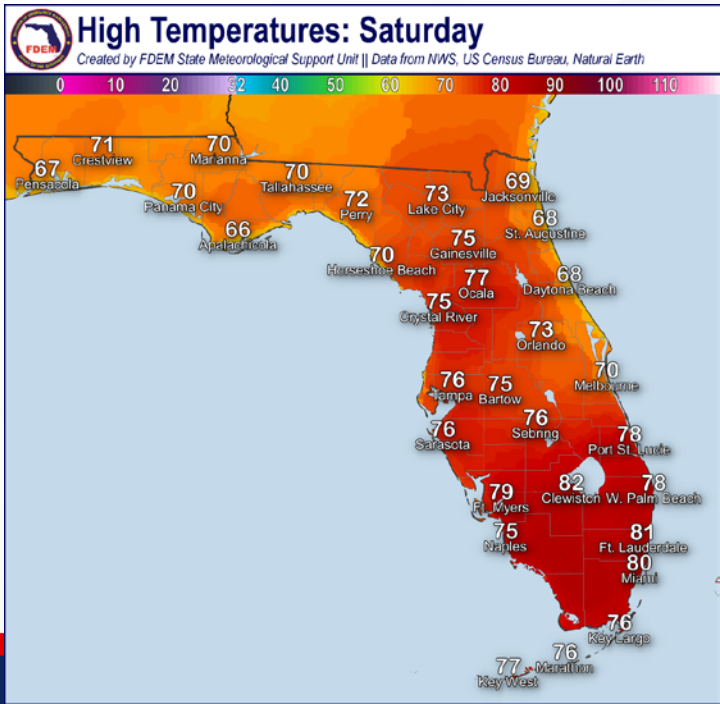


Meteorology Summary



Today's Weather Map

Threat	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	R9	R10
Lightning										
Tornado										
Damaging Wind										
Hail										
Flash Flooding										
Fire Weather		L	L							
Fog (Overnight)				L	L	L	L	L	M	M
Freeze (Overnight)										
Rip Currents	H	H	M	M	M	M		M	L	L
Lake Okeechobee Elevation:	14.41 ft. (0.24 ft. <u>Below</u> Normal)									
Keetch-Byram Drought Index:	309 (+6) on a scale from 0 (very moist) to 800 (very dry)									





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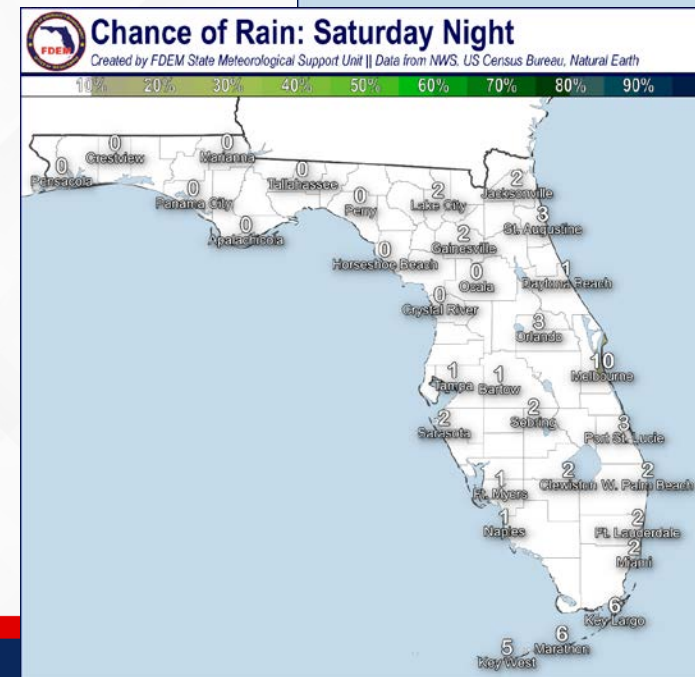
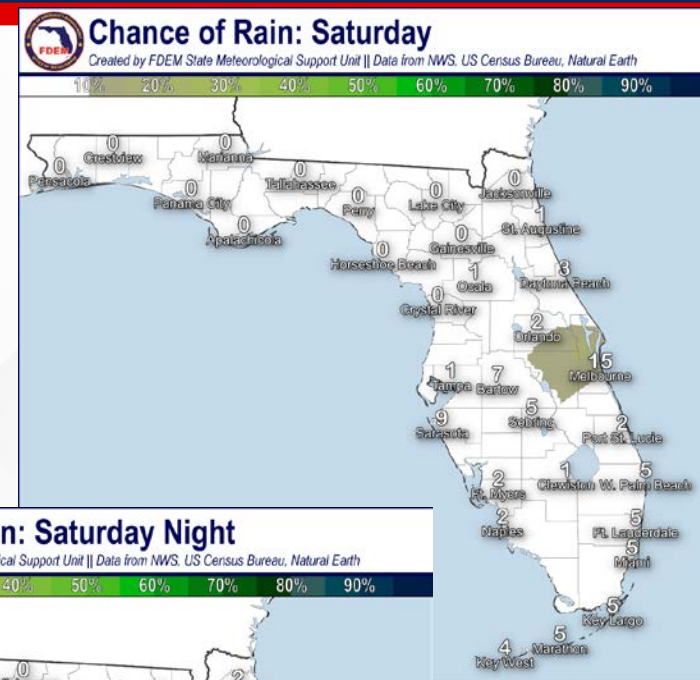
Statewide Overview, Next 24 Hours:

Areas of patchy to locally dense fog that has developed across the state this morning will gradually lift and dissipate through the mid-morning hours; however, areas of **patchy to locally dense fog** may linger over coastal waters along the Sun, First, and Space Coasts throughout the day. Mostly dry conditions can be expected across the Sunshine State today as a cold front continues to sink southward through the Peninsula, eventually stalling over South Florida, and high pressure builds in behind it (near 0-15% chance of rain). An isolated shower or two cannot be ruled out along the Peninsula and Keys throughout the day where higher moisture remains in place; however, any activity that develops should remain light and brief.

Despite the recent cold front passage, near to above normal temperatures can continue to be expected. Partly to mostly sunny skies will give way to high temperatures in the upper 60s to low 70s across North and Central Florida and upper 70s to low 80s across South Florida this afternoon. Localized areas across the Northern and Central Peninsula may see high temperatures approach the upper 70s. Winds will generally remain light throughout the day near 5-10 mph with gusts near 10-15 mph.

Mostly dry conditions and partly to mostly cloudy skies can be expected statewide overnight (near 0-10% chance of rain). An isolated shower or two will continue to be possible overnight along the Peninsula and Keys.

Low temperatures will fall back into the 40s along the Florida Panhandle and upper 40s to middle 50s across the Northern Peninsula tonight but remain in the 60s to low 70s across the rest of the state. **Areas of patchy to locally dense fog** will be possible across the state overnight into early Sunday morning. Areas of **patchy to locally dense sea fog** may linger over coastal waters throughout the daytime hours Sunday.





Coastal Hazards & Hydrology

Rip Currents: A **high risk for rip currents** can be expected along the Florida Panhandle today as long-period ocean swells linger along the coastline. A low to **moderate risk of rip currents** can be expected along East and West Coast beaches. For the latest Rip Current Outlook, visit www.weather.gov/beach.

Marine Hazards: With weaker winds expected statewide today, ocean swells will begin to dissipate. Florida Panhandle, Nature Coast, and numerous East Coast beaches can expect **wave heights near 2-3'** in the surf today with **locally higher 4' waves** possible further offshore. **1-2' waves** can generally be expected elsewhere.

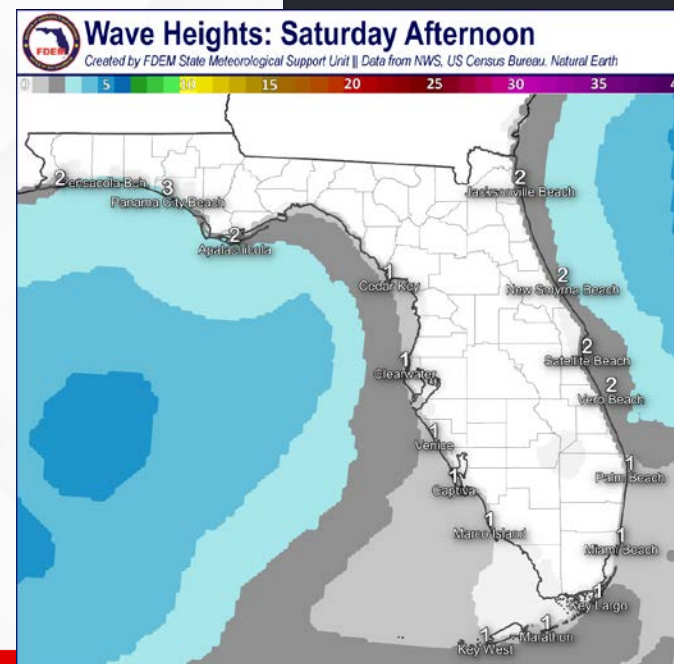
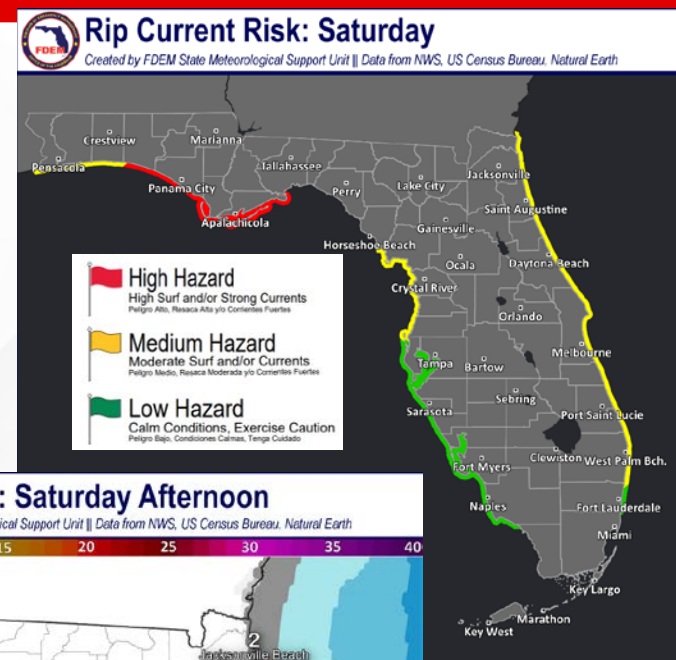
Red Tide has been observed in **75** samples collected from Florida's Gulf Coast (valid 1/31). Background to **low concentrations** have been observed in Pinellas, Hillsborough, Manatee, Sarasota, Charlotte, Okaloosa, and Hernando Counties. Background to **medium concentrations** have been observed in Monroe County. Background to **high concentrations** have been observed in Lee and Collier Counties *Fish kills and respiratory irritation have been reported in Sarasota, Lee, Collier, and Monroe Counties.*

Coastal Flooding: Coastal flooding is not expected today; however, lingering **astronomically high tides** from Wednesday's New Moon will likely give way to **elevated water levels (0.25-1' above normally dry ground)** near and at times of high tide this morning along the Florida Panhandle, West Coast, and Keys. Isolated instances of **minor coastal flooding** cannot be ruled out.

Flash Flooding: There is no risk for flash flooding today.

Riverine Flooding: Isolated portions of the Aucilla River remain in Action Stage (bank-full). There are no other riverine flood concerns across Florida at this time. For more information, visit the [River Forecast Center](#).

Lake Okeechobee's average elevation is 14.41 feet, which is within the operational band and is 0.24 feet **below** normal for this time of year.



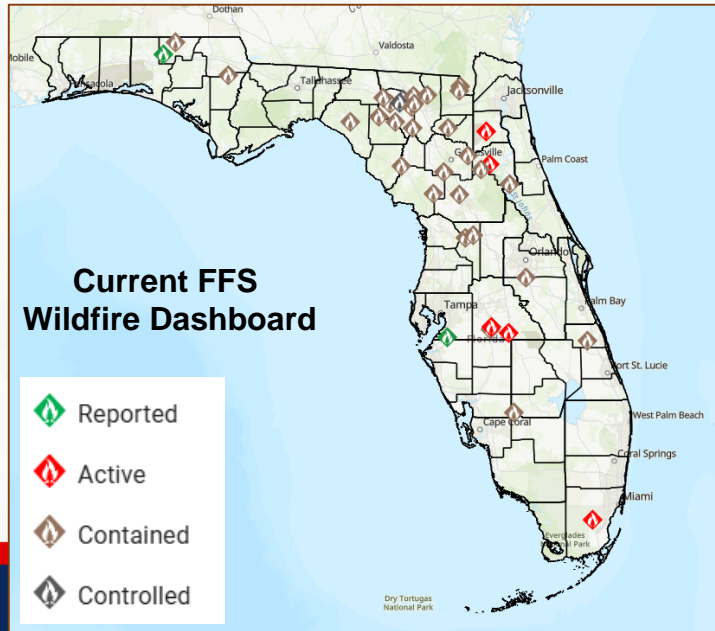
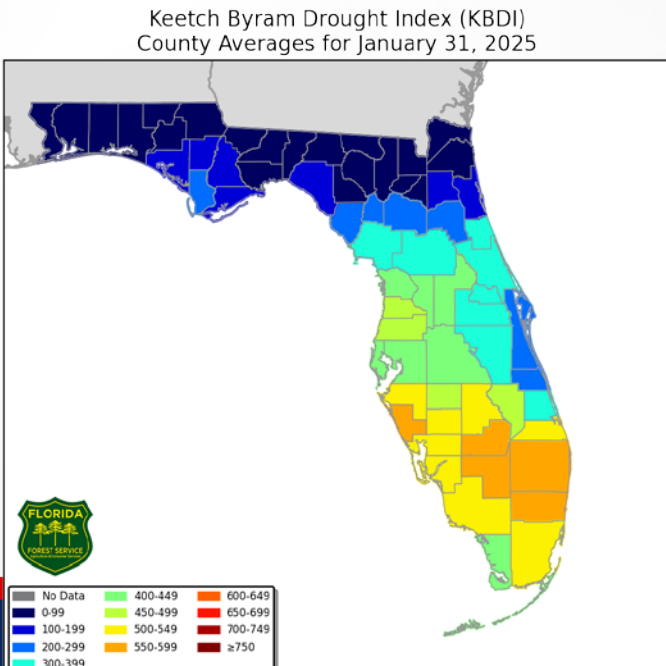
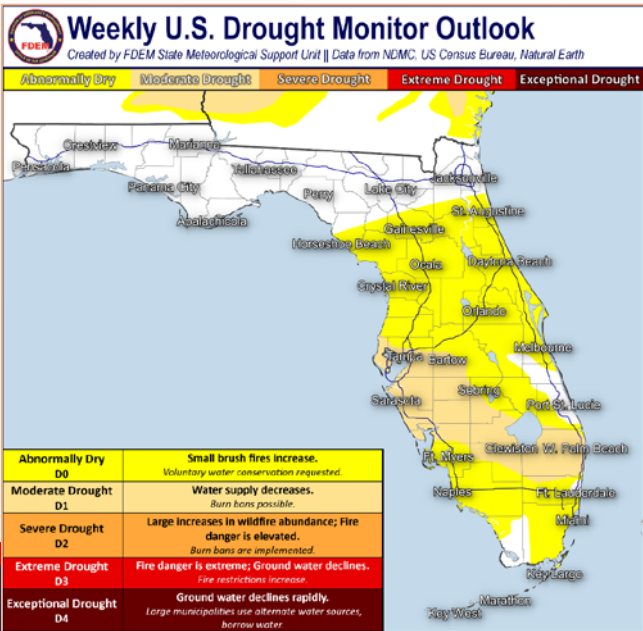


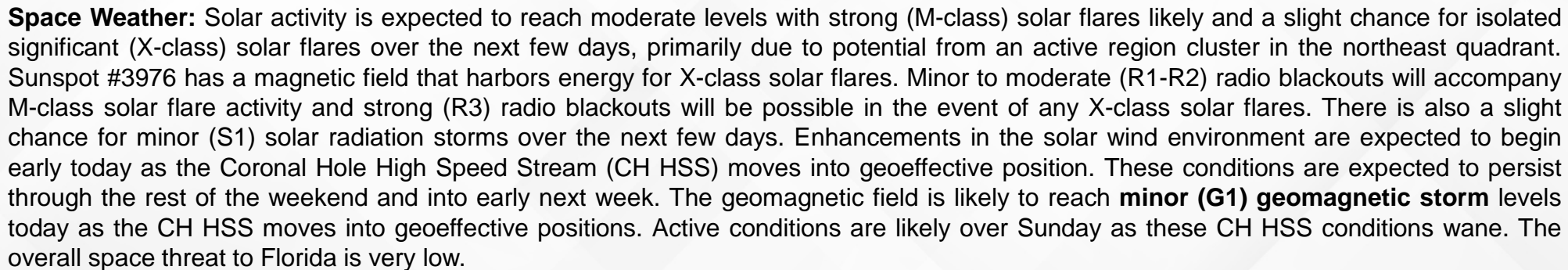
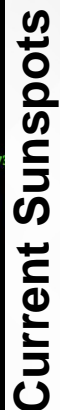
Drought & Fire Weather

Fire Weather: Areas of patchy to locally dense fog across the state this morning will gradually lift and dissipate through the mid-morning hours; however, areas of patchy to locally dense fog may linger over coastal waters along Southwest and Northeast Florida throughout the day. *Foggy conditions may further reduce visibility where there are ongoing wildfires.* Mostly dry and mostly to partly sunny skies are anticipated across the Sunshine State today once the fog lifts. **Relative humidity values** will fall to **near 30-45%** across North Florida this afternoon while the rest of the state sees relative humidity values remain well above critical thresholds. Relatively light winds and recent wetting rains will help to minimize the overall wildfire threat; however, **locally sensitive wildfire conditions** will be possible across portions of North Florida with ongoing drought conditions. **Areas of patchy to locally dense fog** will be possible across the state overnight into early Sunday morning. Areas of **patchy to locally dense sea fog** may linger over coastal waters throughout the daytime hours Sunday. According to the [Florida Forest Service](#), there are 37 active wildfires across the state burning approximately 804.68 acres.

Drought: A historical winter weather event impacted the Southeast U.S. early last week with snow in many places throughout the region. The greatest precipitation amounts were in southern Georgia, Florida, and into southeast Georgia. The recent wet pattern in Florida allowed improvements in the northern and central portions of the state as well as into the Panhandle, with drought conditions now entirely removed from the Florida Panhandle and eastern I-10 corridor on this week's Drought Monitor update (issued 1/30). **Moderate Drought** conditions have been removed across the Northern Peninsula southward through the I-4 corridor, leaving behind *Abnormally Dry (emerging drought)* conditions. **Moderate Drought** conditions remain in place across much West-Central Florida (south of the I-4 corridor and through much of the Tampa Bay Area) with *Abnormally Dry* conditions extending eastward towards the coast south of the I-4 corridor. Dryness was still lingering in Southern Florida where **Moderate Drought** was pushed eastward towards the coast this week. The Climate Prediction Center (CPC) is outlooking above normal temperatures and below normal rainfall over the next week or so which may lead to further worsening of drought conditions.

The Keetch-Byram Drought Index average for Florida is **309 (+6)** on a scale from 0 (very wet) to 800 (very dry). There are **13** Florida counties (Broward, Charlotte, Collier, DeSoto, Glades, Hendry, Highlands, Lee, Manatee, Martin, Miami-Dade, Palm Beach, and Sarasota) with an average KBDI over 500 (drought/increased fire danger).





48-Hour Geomagnetic Forecast	
2/1	2/2
Max Kp= 5 (G1)	Max Kp= 4 (G0)
Chance of minor activity = 25% severe activity = 5%	Chance of minor activity = 10% severe activity = 1%



SWO Communications Systems & Contact Information

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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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