

Florida Division of Emergency Management State Watch Office

Morning Situation Report

Wednesday, July 2, 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	Gadsden	End of Month Admin		
Region 2: Enrique Gaston	Jackson, Wakaulla	County EM Introdctory Meeting		
Region 3: Glen Hammers	Out of Service	Leave (See Coverage)		
Region 4: Tara Kostich	Clay	Exercise Prep		
Region 5: Austin Beeghly	Out of Service	Leave (See Coverage)		
Region 6: Paul Siddall	Collier, Hillsborough	Logistics Training / Return to R6 Travel		
Region 7: Kathryn Hollenbeck	Collier	Logistics Training		
Region 8: Mason Kozac	Indian River	Office Admin		
Region 9: Vacant	N/A	N/A		
Region 10: Claudia Baker	Miami-Dade	OVS UC Meeting		



Region 3 Coverage Provided by Response Coordinator 4
Region 5 Coverage Provided by Response Coordinator 8
Region 6 Coverage Provided by Recovery Coordinator 7
Region 9 Coverage Provided by Response Coordinator 6
Region 10 Coverage Provided by Response Coordinator 8

Status

Normal Operations

Out of Service / Unavailable



Recovery Regional Coordination Team

Team	County Location	Status / Activities			
Region 1: Allison Blevins	In Region	Leave			
Region 2: Justin Lazzara	Jackson / Wakulla	County EM Meeting			
Region 3: Vacant	N/A	See Coverage			
Region 4: Joshua Saunders	Baker / Flagler	County EM Meeting			
Region 5: Elizabeth Caison	Pinellas	Tornado Damage Assessments			
Vacant	N/A	Soo Coverage			
Region 6: Vacant	N/A	See Coverage			
Region 7: Antonio Zapata	Collier	Dade-Collier Detention Center Visit			
Region 8: Ja-Pheth Butler-Miller	Indian River	End of Month Admin			
Region 9: Jacob Ginsberg	Baker / Flagler	County EM Meetingd (OJT w/ 804)			
Region 10: Vacant	N/A	See Coverage			

Region 3 Coverage Provided by Recovery Coordinator 2 & 4 Region 6 Coverage Provided by Recovery Coordinator 5 Region 9 Coverage Provided by Recovery Coordinator 7 Region 10 Coverage Provided by Recovery Coordinator 8

Status

Normal Operations

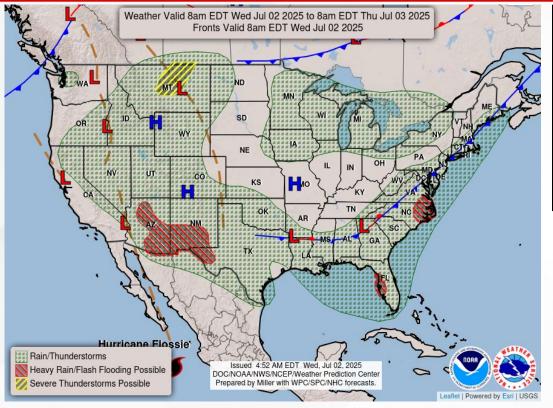
In Region / Delayed Response

Deployed / Delayed Response

Out of Service / Unavailable

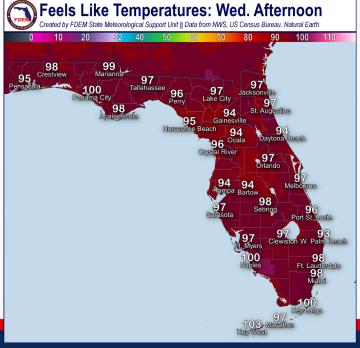


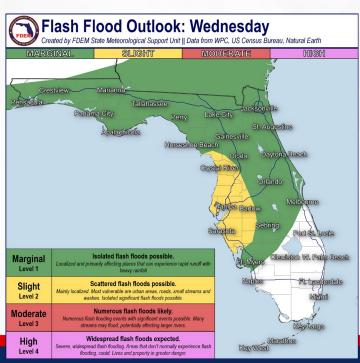
Meteorology Summary



Today's Weather Map

Threat	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	R9	R10
Lightning	Н	Н	Н	М	Н	Н	Н	Н	Н	M
Tornado										
Damaging Wind	Г	اد	اد	اد	Ш	اد	اد	اد	اد	L
Hail										
Flash Flooding	L	١	Ь	Ш	L	М	اـ	اـ	М	L
Excessive Heat	М	اد	اد	اد	Ш	اد	اد	М	М	M
Wildfire										
Fog (Overnight)										
Rip Currents	М	М	L	М	М	М		М	٦	L
Lake Okeechobee Elevation	11.20 ft. (2.21 ft. <u>Below</u> Normal)									
Keetch-Byram Drought Index	197 (-29) on a scale from 0 (very moist) to 800 (very dry)									







Meteorology Summary

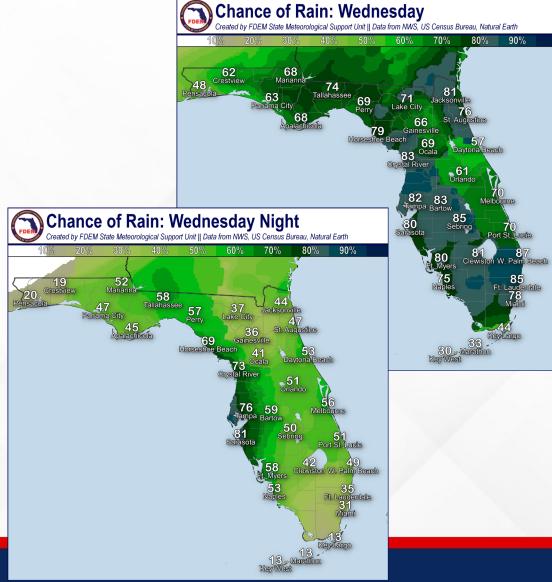
Statewide Overview, Next 24 Hours:

The ongoing wet and active weather pattern can be expected to continue across the Sunshine State today. A weak frontal boundary will sweep into Southeast U.S. slowly today, bringing plenty of moisture across the state. This will help to aid daily shower and thunderstorm development across the state, peaking during the afternoon and evening hours (60-95% chance of rain). Widespread rainfall can be expected at times, bringing intense downpours and rainfall rates that could lead to instances of **flash flooding and ponding of water**. The Weather Prediction Center (WPC) is outlooking a **Marginal Risk** (level 1 of 4) for Flash Flooding throughout North and Central Florida, with a **Slight Risk** (level 2 of 4) along the West Coast of Florida for repeated rounds of heavy rainfall bringing localized flooding concerns. With daytime heating, an **embedded locally strong to severe thunderstorm** will be possible – frequent lightning, damaging wind gusts (45-60 mph) and torrential downpours will accompany any stronger thunderstorms. A possible brief funnel cloud or tornado cannot be completely ruled out either.

With the increase in cloud cover and rain chances high temperatures will remain in the upper 80s to lower 90s. **Heat index values** will remain in the **middle to upper 90s** throughout the state, with portions of the Panhandle and South Florida possibly reaching **triple digits (100-102-degrees)** before widespread rainfall.

Most of the shower and thunderstorm activity will dissipate throughout the overnight hours; however, coastal showers and embedded thunderstorms over the gulf waters could linger along the coastlines of the Big Bend and West Coast overnight (40-60% chance of rain). These showers and thunderstorms may drift inland overnight but will have a greater chance of moving inland during the early morning hours on Thursday. Instances of **patchy fog** may be possible early Thursday morning as the front continues to approach.

Low temperatures will fall into the 70s and lower 80s.





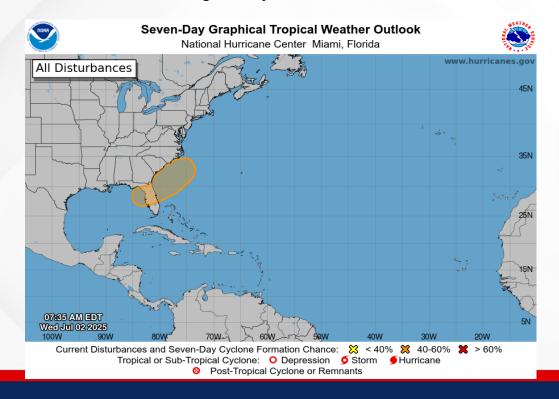
Tropical Weather

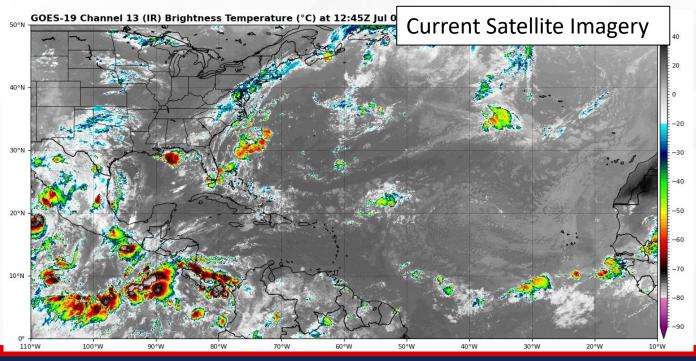
For the latest on the tropics, please visit the National Hurricane Center (NHC) at www.hurricanes.gov.

<u>Southeastern U.S. Coastline:</u> An area of low pressure could develop near the southeast U.S. Atlantic or Gulf coasts by this weekend along a weakening frontal boundary. Environmental conditions appear only marginally conducive for some slow development, but a tropical or subtropical depression could form in this region over the weekend or early next week while the system moves little. Regardless of development, heavy rainfall is possible across portions of the southeast U.S., particularly across the West-Central Florida coast. *This system poses no direct threat to Florida over the next 5-7 days; however, this system will bring increase shower and thunderstorm activity and an increased rip current risk along the Gulf or Atlantic Coast later this week and will continue to be monitored closely.*

*Formation chance through 48 hours...low...near 0%.

*Formation chance through 7 days...medium...40%.







Coastal Hazards & Hydrology

Rip Currents: Southerly to southwesterly winds will create a **moderate risk for rip currents** across numerous beaches throughout the state, with a **locally high risk** along Gulf County. For the latest Rip Current Outlook, visit <u>www.weather.gov/beach</u>.

Marine Hazards: Wave heights of 1-3' can be expected along statewide beaches.

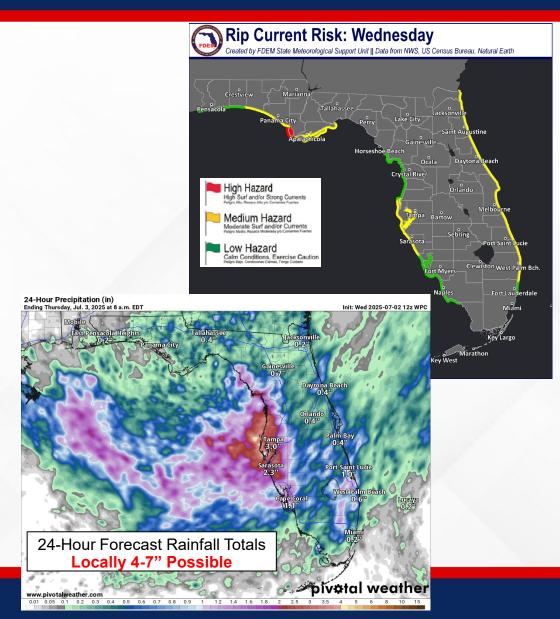
Red Tide has been not been observed along any Florida coastline over the past week (valid 6/27).

Coastal Flooding: There is no risk for coastal flooding today.

Flash Flooding: There is a Marginal Risk (level 1 of 4) for Flash Flooding throughout much of North and Central Florida, with a Slight Risk (level 2 of 4) along the Florida West Coast today. Abundant moisture will pool ahead of an approaching frontal boundary moving into the Southeast U.S. which will help shower and thunderstorm activity develop throughout the day. Intense rainfall rates and torrential downpours will be possible with all the available moisture, and this could lead to instances of flash flooding and ponding of water. Some of these areas have already seen locally heavy rainfall, which may lead to an earlier onset of flooding with additional heavy rainfall. Rainfall totals of 1-3" will be possible throughout the state, with locally higher totals upwards of 4-7" possible along the Florida West Coast, as well as portions of Central Florida.

Riverine Flooding: There are no riverine concerns across the state. The Big Cold Water Creek near Milton and Shoal River near Crestview are forecast to rise into Action Stage (bank-full) briefly early to mid-week before quickly falling below flood stage. Repeated heavy rounds of rainfall along the West-Central Florida coast will lead to water levels steadily increasing over the few days likely reaching Action Stage by the weekend. For more information, visit the <u>River Forecast Center</u>.

<u>Lake Okeechobee's</u> average elevation is 11.20 feet, which is within the operational band and is 2.21 feet below normal for this time of year.



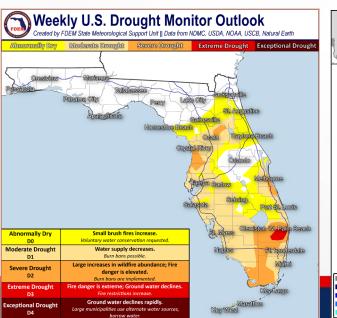


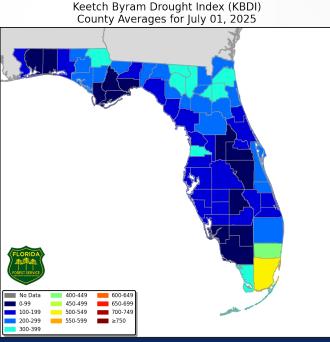
Drought & Fire Weather

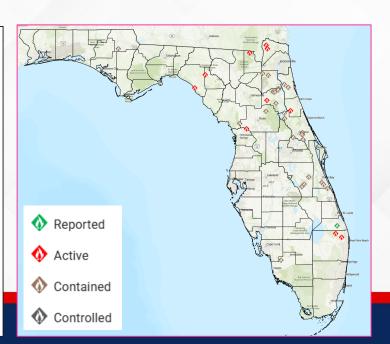
<u>Fire Weather:</u> Abundant moisture will help scattered to numerous showers and thunderstorms to develop across the state throughout the daytime hours. Relative humidity values will remain well above critical thresholds with the help of tropical moisture pooling northward across the state. Thunderstorms will be capable of producing frequent and erratic winds, which could spread new or ongoing wildfires over areas that have missed out on the heavier rainfall recently. Instances of **locally patchy fog** possible be possible early in the morning. According to the <u>Florida Forest Service</u>, there are 38 active wildfires across the state burning approximately 788 acres.

<u>Drought</u>: The stormy and active summertime pattern has continued across the Sunshine State this past week; however, easterly onshore flow has largely kept rainfall totals over the western portions of the Florida Peninsula and lead to some degradation to severe drought (level 2 of 4) for portions of the southern Space Coast. Portions of Palm Beach Count has seen both short-term and long-term rainfall deficits, upwards of only 30-45% of normal for this time of year prompting the re-introduction of extreme drought (level 3 of 4) on the recent Drought Monitor update (6/26). Lake Okeechobee water levels have not responded to the summer rainy season, and are still over 2' below normal for this time of year. Elsewhere, changes were held to a minimum with slight improvements throughout the Kissimmee River basin.

The <u>Keetch-Byram Drought Index</u> average for Florida is **197** (**-29**) on a scale from 0 (very wet) to 800 (very dry). There is **1** Florida county (Miami-Dade) with an average KBDI over 500 (drought/increased fire danger).

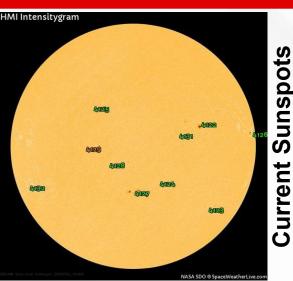






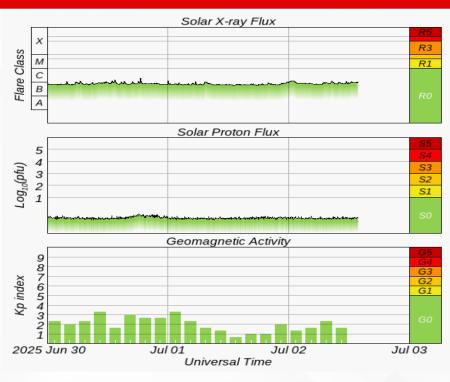


Space Weather





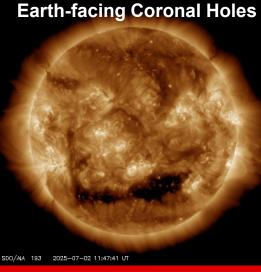




Solar Flare Risk	Active Watches & Warnings	Past 24 hours		
M-class: 20%	Geomagnetic Storm: G1 Watch - 7/2 - 7/3	C1 Solar Flare		
X-class: 5%	Radiation Storm: None	No Radio Blackouts		
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48-Hour Geomagnetic Forecast 7/2 7/3 Max Kp = 5 (G1)Max Kp= 5 (G1) Chance of Chance of minor activity = 30% minor activity = 25% severe activity = 15% severe activity = 5%

Space Weather: Solar activity continues to remain low as all current sunspots are stable. A stray strong (M-class) solar flare may be possible if sunspot activity increases the rest of this week. Minor to moderate (R1-R2) radio blackouts accompany an M-class solar flare. The Coronal Mass Ejection (CME) has not yet made its way to Earth, but is still anticipated to arrive sometime today. This will likely lead to the solar wind field becoming enhanced, and this will likely continue into the weekend. Another possible enhancement to the solar wind environment may arrive later this week. Unsettled to active geomagnetic conditions will still continue with the anticipated arrival of the CME and enhanced solar wind conditions, with minor (G1) geomagnetic storm conditions possible through Thursday. The overall space threat to Florida continues to be very low.





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Phone:	800-320-0519, 850-815-4001, 850-591-0071 (Backup Cell)	Operational	
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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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