



Florida Division of Emergency Management State Watch Office

Morning Situation Report

Friday, November 7, 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	Walton	MGT-416 Course
Region 2: Enrique Gaston	Leon	Office Admin
Region 3: Glen Hammers	Columbia	Office Admin
Region 4: Tara Kostich	Flagler	SERC Meeting / County EM Meeting
Region 5: Austin Beeghly	Out of Service	Leave (See Coverage)
Region 6: Paul Siddall	Hillsborough	Florida State Guard Exercise
Region 7: Kathryn Hollenbeck	Polk	Region 7 Quarterly Meeting
Region 8: Amber Durden	Polk	Region 7 Quarterly Meeting
Region 9: Brittany Bremer	Charlotte	Fall Exercise
Region 10: Claudia Baker	Miami-Dade	Office Admin

Region 5 Coverage Provided by Recovery Coordinator 5

Status

Normal Operations

Out of Service / Unavailable



Recovery Regional Coordination Team

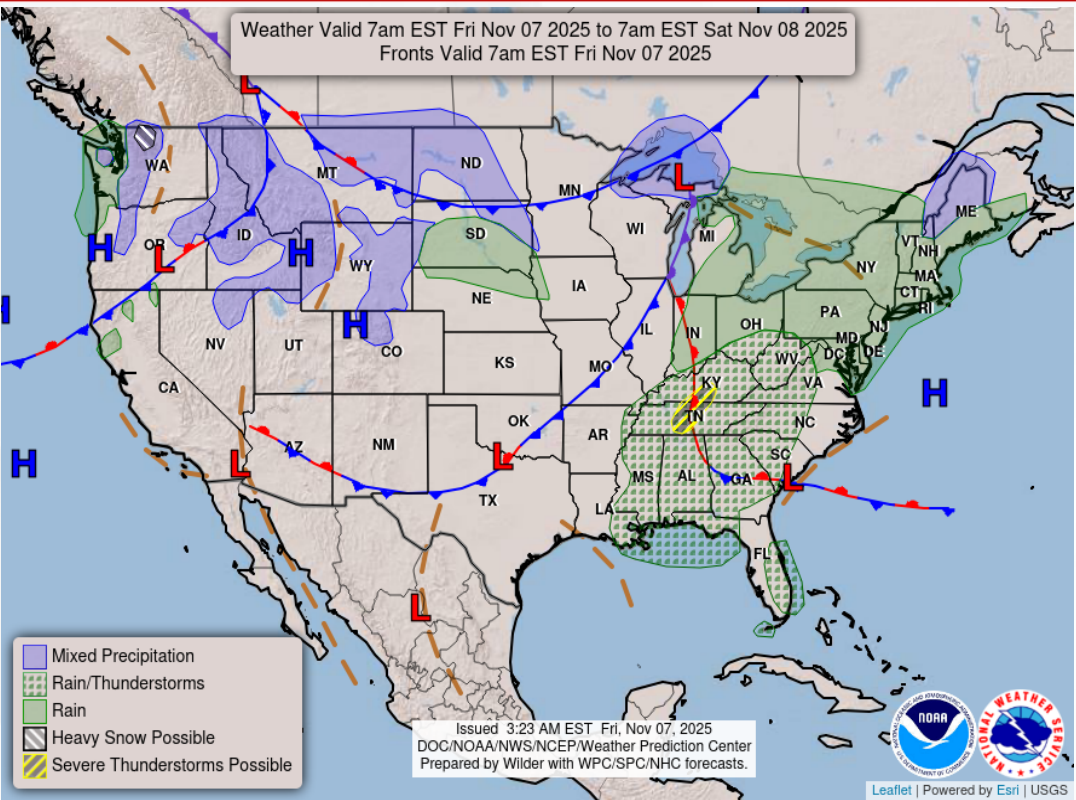
Team	County Location	Status / Activities
Region 1: Allison Blevins	Leave	See Coverage
Region 2: Justin Lazzara	Leon	FEMA IRC Training Debrief
Region 3: Vacant	N/A	See Coverage
Region 4: Joshua Saunders	Leave	See Coverage
Region 5: Elizabeth Caison	Seminole	FEMA IRC Training Debrief
Region 6: Rick Rogers	Citrus	Administrative Duties
Region 7: Antonio Zapata	Polk	Regional Quarterly Meeting
Region 8: Ja-Pheth Butler-Miller	Volusia	Recovery Meeting
Region 9: Jacob Ginsberg	Charlotte	Vehicle Maintenance
Region 10: Vacant	N/A	See Coverage

Region 1 Coverage Provided by Recovery Coordinator 2
Region 3 Coverage Provided by Recovery Coordinator 2
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Region 10 Coverage Provided by Recovery Coordinator 8

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

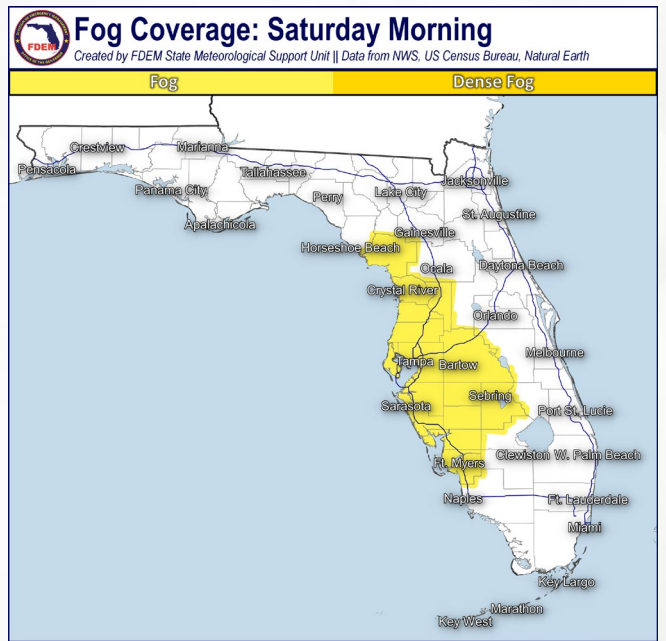
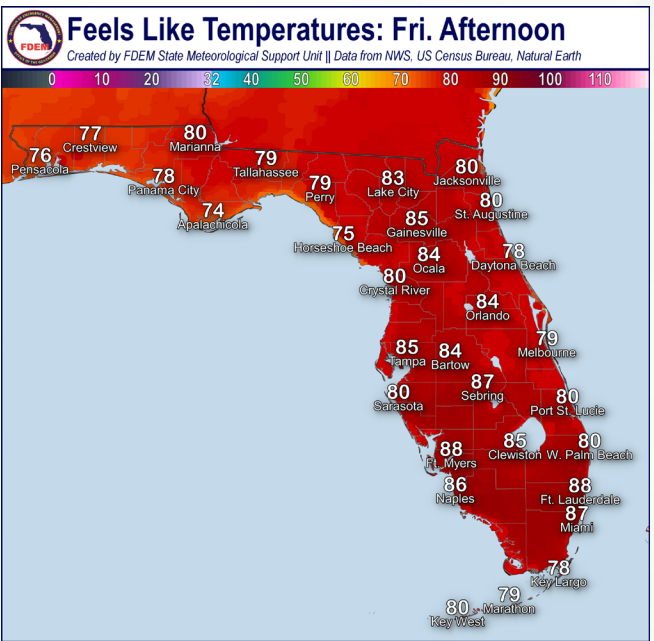


Meteorology Summary



Today's Weather Map

Threat	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	R9	R10
Lightning	L	L					L	L	L	L
Tornado										
Damaging Wind	L	L								
Hail	L	L								
Flash Flooding										
Wildfire		L	L	L						
Fog (Overnight)				M	M	M	L			
Coastal Flooding										L
Rip Currents	M	M	L	M	M	L		H	L	M
Lake Okeechobee Elevation	13.88 ft. (1.16 ft. <u>Below</u> Normal)									
Keetch-Byram Drought Index	429 (+6) on a scale from 0 (very moist) to 800 (very dry)									



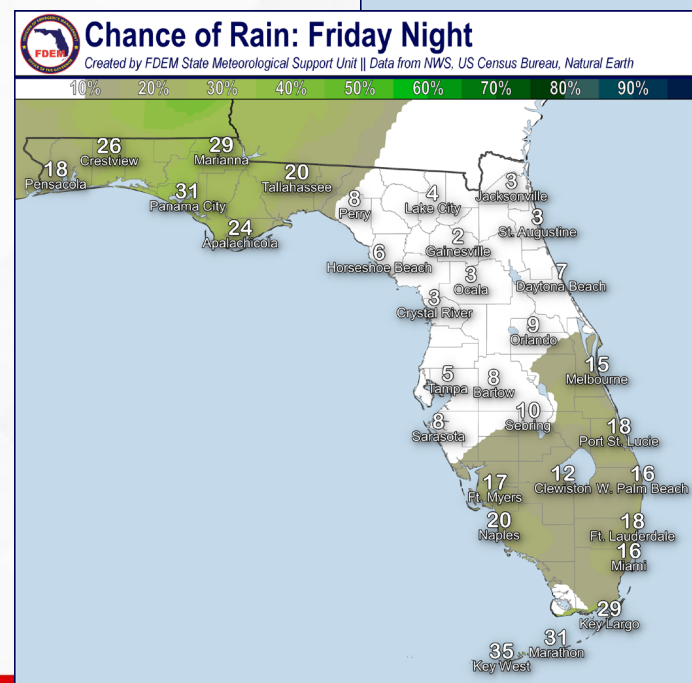
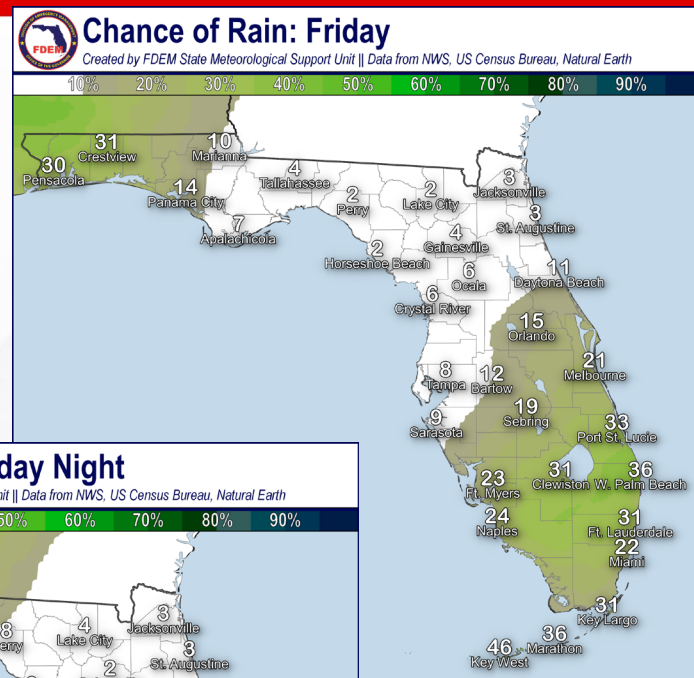


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Statewide Overview, Next 24 Hours:

Patchy dense fog across the western Panhandle and Northeast Florida will dissipate through the early morning hours and a **Dense Fog Advisory** will be allowed to expire by 10/9 AM EST/CST. An upper-level disturbance over the eastern Gulf will begin to move over the southern Peninsula this afternoon, helping to trigger widely scattered showers amidst sufficient tropical moisture across South Florida (25-35% chance of rain). Drier air will remain in place across much of Central and North Florida with sunny skies prevailing. Given the ongoing drought and very dry vegetation across the Panhandle, **locally sensitive wildfire conditions** may develop this afternoon. A cold front will sink across the lower Mississippi Valley later in the day today and this evening which may bring a few isolated showers to the far western Panhandle (20-30% chance of rain), though any activity will be mostly reserved for the overnight hours. High temperatures will remain seasonable to above normal for this time of year, with highs climbing into the upper 70s to middle 80s statewide. **Heat index values** will approach the **lower 90s** across South Florida this afternoon.

A few isolated showers and embedded thunderstorms will develop across the Panhandle overnight and spread eastward ahead of the cold front across northern Alabama and Georgia (20-30% chance of rain). Although an organized risk for severe weather is not outlooked, conditions will be conducive for an isolated **strong to severe thunderstorm** capable of producing lightning, gusty winds, and small hail. Lows will dip into the middle 60s to lower 70s statewide, with interior northeast Florida reaching the upper 50s. **Patchy dense fog** may develop towards daybreak across the Suwannee Valley and along the I-75 corridor.

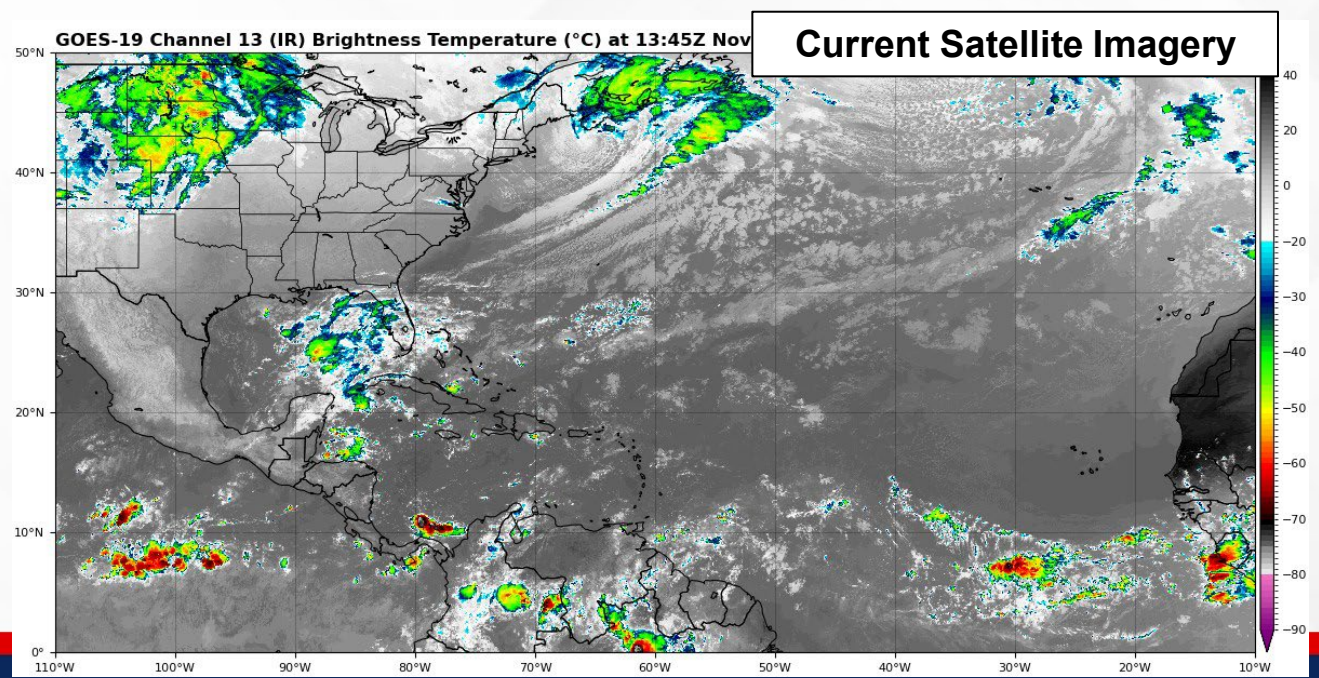
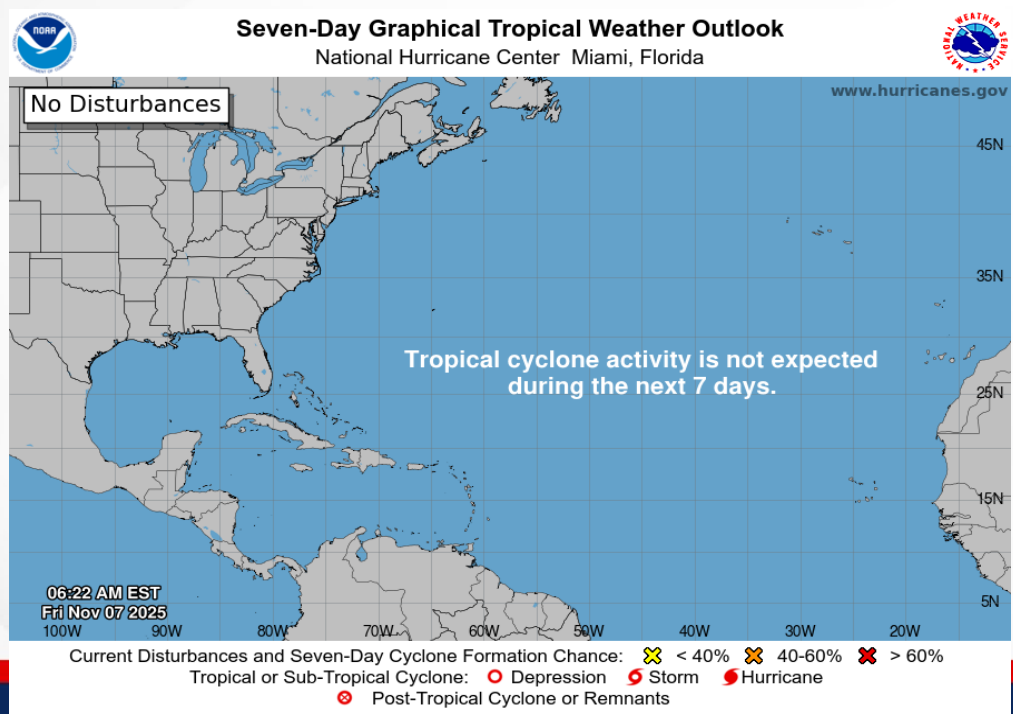




Tropical Weather

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

Tropical cyclone activity is **not expected** during the next 7 days in the Atlantic basin.





Coastal Hazards & Hydrology

Rip Currents: A **moderate risk for rip currents** is expected today for all East Coast and most Panhandle beaches. A local **high risk** is expected for Palm Beach beaches where breezy onshore winds are expected. All other beaches can expect a low risk. For the latest Rip Current Outlook, visit www.weather.gov/beach.

Marine Hazards: Ocean swells will further relax today along the East Coast, bringing waves back down to 1-2'. Panhandle and Gulf Coast beaches will see wave heights near 1'.

Red Tide was observed at background concentrations from Pinellas County and offshore Lee County in Southwest Florida. In Northwest Florida, red tide was observed at background to high concentrations in Bay County and medium to high concentrations in Gulf County. It was also observed at background concentrations from Flagler County along the Florida East Coast (10/31).

Coastal Flooding: **Coastal Flood Statements** have been issued for the lower and middle Florida Keys for instances of **minor saltwater flooding** near and during times of high tide. Elevated water levels are not anticipated throughout the tidal St. Johns River today, though localized **nuisance coastal flooding** is possible.

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

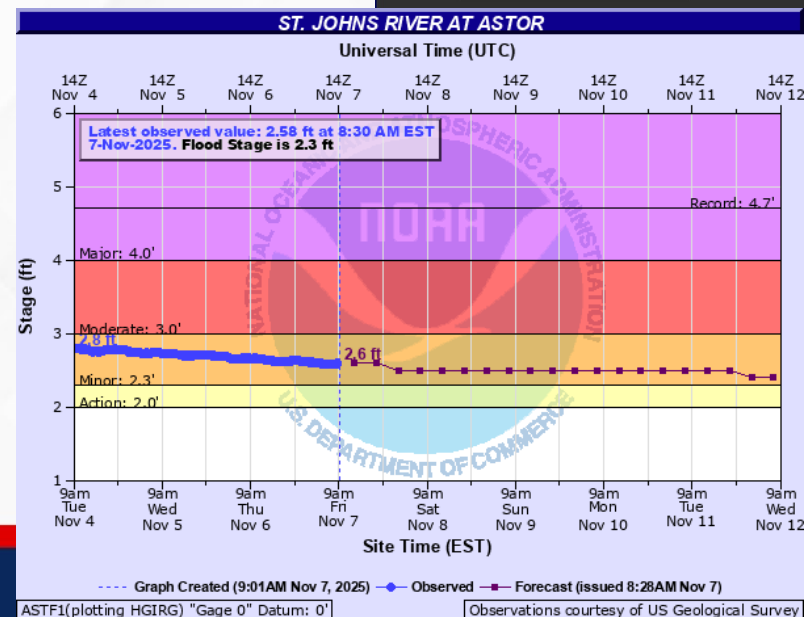
Riverine Flooding: Water levels continue to slowly discharge across the St. Johns River. The [St. Johns River at Astor](#) has fallen back into **minor flood stage** and is forecast to hover in minor flood stage for at least the next week. Additional points along the headwaters of the St. Johns River including [Deland](#), [Sanford](#) and [Lake Harney](#) also have elevated water levels near Action Stage (bank-full). A **River Flood Warning** remains in effect for the St. Johns River at Astor. For more information, visit the [River Forecast Center](#).

Lake Okeechobee's average elevation is 13.88 feet, which is within the operational band and is 1.16 feet below normal for this time of year.



Rip Current Risk: Friday

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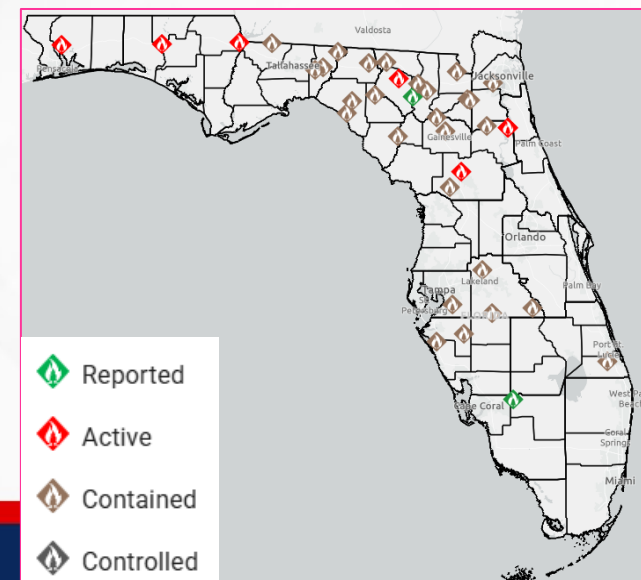
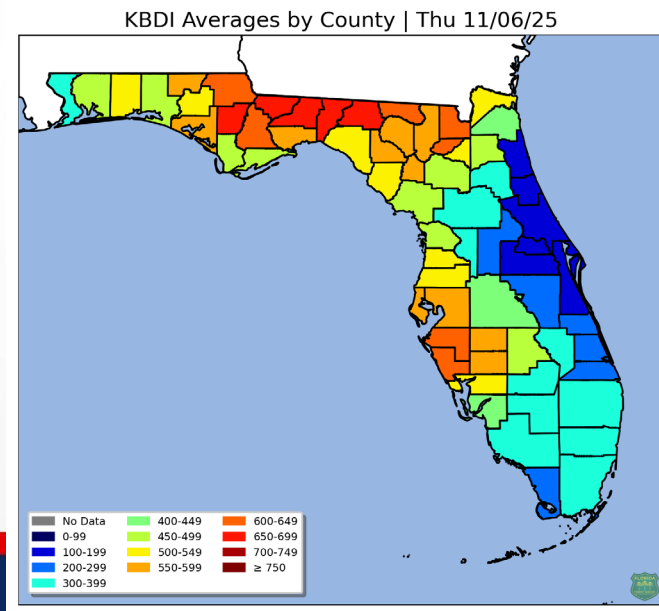
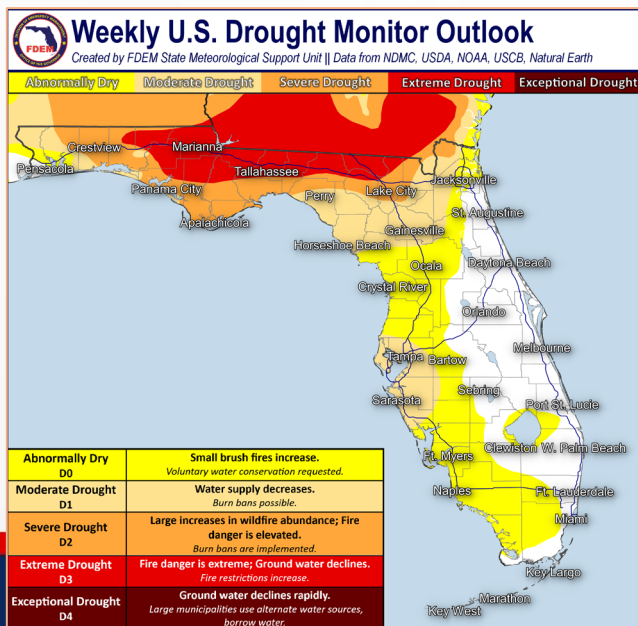


Drought & Fire Weather

Fire Weather: Moisture will continue to increase today as winds turn more from the south, keeping relative humidities above critical thresholds statewide. However, given the ongoing drought and very dry vegetation across the Panhandle and North Florida, **locally sensitive wildfire conditions** may develop this afternoon. Winds will remain calm throughout the day today, keeping the overall wildfire threat low statewide. However, patchy to scattered fog may develop overnight Friday into Saturday morning throughout much of North Florida and the Suwannee Valley, which could reduce visibilities where there are ongoing wildfires. According to the [Florida Forest Service](#), there are 33 active wildfires across the state burning approximately 216 acres.

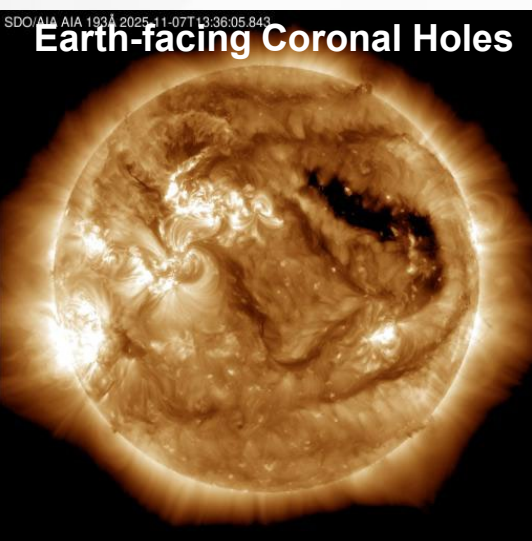
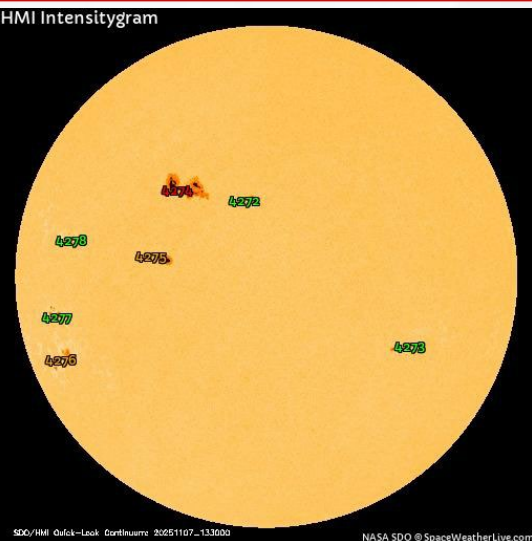
Drought (11/6): Very little beneficial rainfall fell over the past week across the state as high pressure and dry air kept any rain chances low. As such, very little changes were made to this weeks Drought Monitor outlook. Across South Florida, some expansion of the abnormally dry (emerging drought) conditions further into inland Miami-Dade and Broward counties was introduced where warm temperatures and rainfall totals less than 1 inch occurred. Abnormally dry (emerging drought) remains in place along the entire I-75 corridor along the West Coast of Florida, extending inland into some interior counties such as Hardee and DeSoto. **Moderate Drought (level 1 of 4)** was introduced to this week's outlook across Pinellas, Hillsborough, Manatee, and Sarasota counties where 30-day rainfall departures have reached 2-3 inches. Across North Florida, unfortunately the **Severe (level 2 of 4)** to **Extreme (level 3 of 4) Drought** remain in place where, over the past 2 weeks, most locations have seen less than a half-inch of rain. No changes were made to the drought in these areas this week with **Moderate Drought (level 1 of 4)** conditions persisting for interior Northeast Florida and the Suwannee Valley. Although some showers are possible along a frontal passage this weekend and early next week across North Florida, widespread heavy rainfall is not expected to alleviate any of the ongoing drought. For the I-95 corridor and East Coast, soils remain saturated from heavy rainfall in October keeping any drought in check.

The **Keetch-Byram Drought Index** average for Florida is **429 (+6)** on a scale from 0 (very wet) to 800 (very dry). There are **32** Florida counties (Baker, Bay, Bradford, Calhoun, Charlotte, Columbia, DeSoto, Dixie, Gadsden, Gilchrist, Hamilton, Hardee, Hernando, Hillsborough, Holmes, Jackson, Jefferson, Lafayette, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Manatee, Nassau, Okaloosa, Pasco, Pinellas, Sarasota, Suwannee, Taylor, Union, Wakulla, and Washington) that have an average KBDI above 500 (drought/increased fire danger).

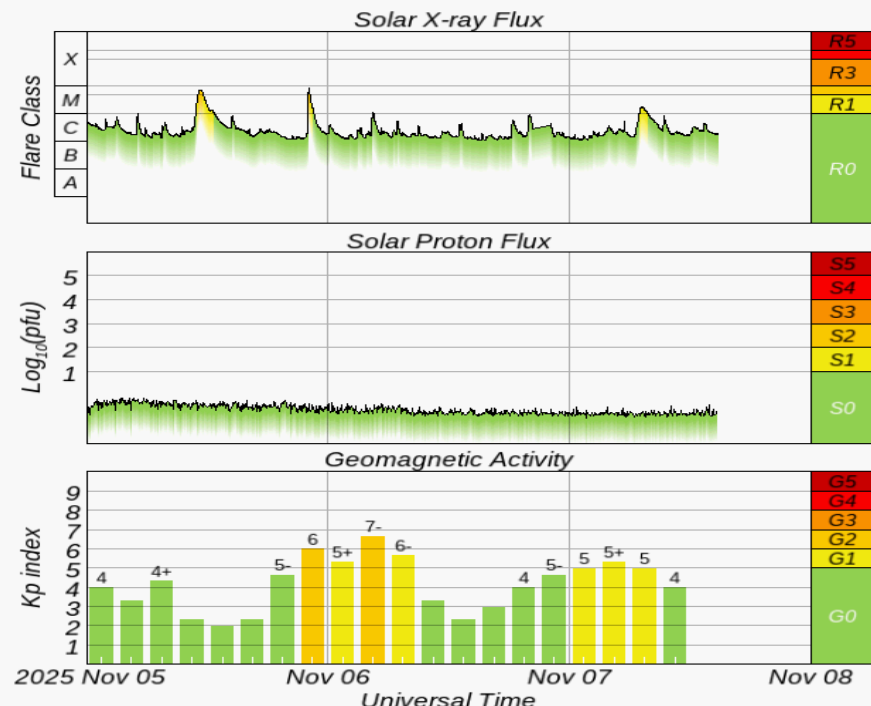




Space Weather



Current Sunspots



Solar Flare Risk	Active Watches & Warnings	Past 24 hours
M-class: 80%	Geomagnetic Storm: G2/G3 Storm Watch (11/7-11/8)	M1 Solar Flare
X-class: 35%	Radiation Storm: None	R1 Radio Blackout
48-Hour Geomagnetic Forecast		
11/7		11/8
Max Kp= 7 (G3)		Max Kp= 6 (G2)
Chance of minor activity = 35% severe activity = 35%		Chance of minor activity = 30% severe activity = 5%

Space Weather: Solar activity will remain at moderate to high levels as the Earth-facing sunspots remain active. Minor to moderate (R1-R2) radio blackouts are likely with any M-class flares, with a chance for a strong (R3) radio blackout as well with any X-class solar flares. Solar wind conditions will remain enhanced due to the active sunspots, arrival of Coronal Hole High Solar Stream (CH HSS) winds, and three Coronal Mass Ejections (CMEs) that left the sun on 11/3. The geomagnetic field is expected to remain enhanced through the next three days due to the incoming CMEs. The arrival of a full halo CME is expected to produce G3 (Strong) geomagnetic storming today, and a G3 Storm Watch is in effect. G2 (Moderate) storming is possible with the arrival of an additional CME on Saturday, and a G2 Storm Watch is in effect. Unsettled to active conditions will return on Sunday barring any additional CME activity. The overall space weather threat to Florida is low.



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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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