



Florida Division of Emergency Management State Watch Office

Morning Situation Report

Friday, November 14, 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	Everbridge/IPAWS Mtg / Response & Finance Meeting
Region 2: Enrique Gaston	Leon	Response and Finance Meeting
Region 3: Glen Hammers	Columbia	Everbridge/IPAWS Mtg / Response & Finance Meeting
Region 4: Tara Kostich	Out of Service	Leave (See Coverage)
Region 5: Austin Beeghly	Out of Service	Leave (See Coverage)
Region 6: Paul Siddall	Hernando, Hillsborough	EM Meeting / Sheriff Aviation Meeting
Region 7: Kathryn Hollenbeck	Polk	EPAC Meeting / Region 7 EMPA/G Grants Meeting
Region 8: Amber Durden	St Lucie	SLNPP FPL Tour
Region 9: Brittany Bremer	Lee, Out of Service	Office Admin (AM) / Leave (PM - See Coverage)
Region 10: Claudia Baker	St Lucie, Miami-Dade	SLNPP FPL Tour / Executive Ops Coord Support / Return to R10 Travel

Region 4 Coverage Provided by Recovery Coordinator 4

Region 5 Coverage Provided by Response Coordinator 6

Region 9 Coverage Provided by Recovery Coordinator 9

Status

Normal Operations

Out of Service / Unavailable



Recovery Regional Coordination Team

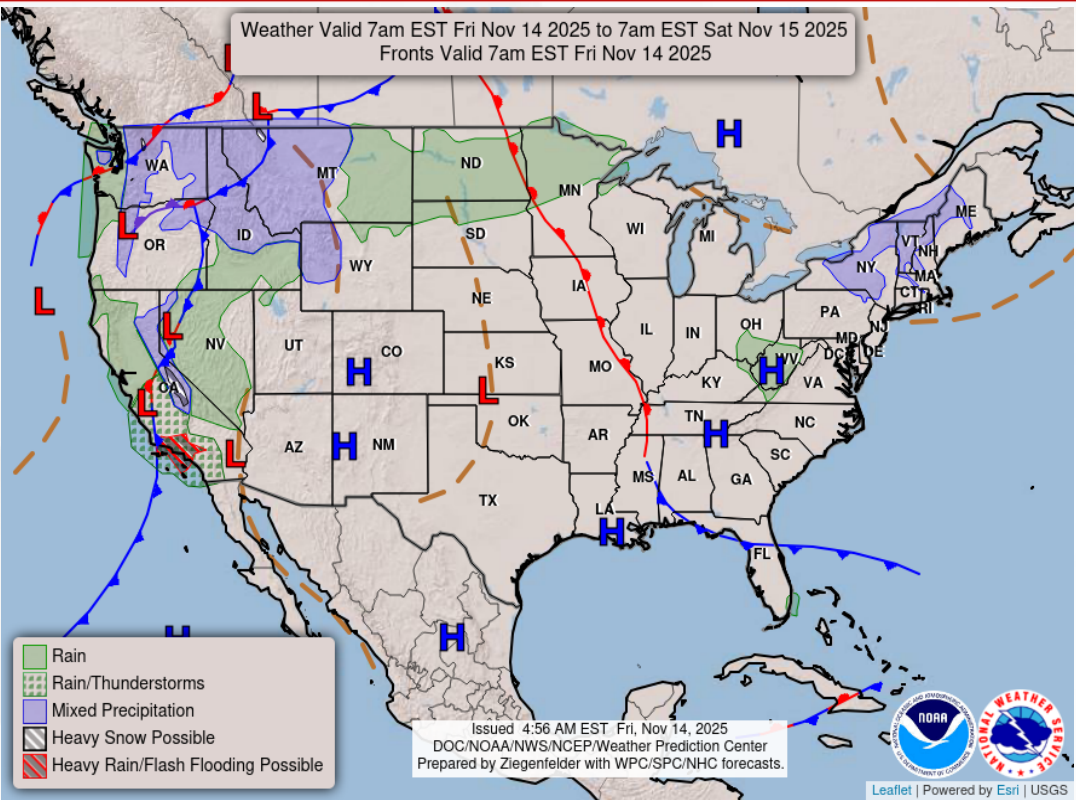
Team	County Location	Status / Activities
Region 1: Allison Blevins	Walton	CPR/CEVO Trainings
Region 2: Justin Lazzara	Leave	See Coverage
Region 3: Vacant	N/A	See Coverage
Region 4: Joshua Saunders	Clay	FEPA Meeting
Region 5: Elizabeth Caison	EMAC Deployment	See Coverage
Region 6: Rick Rogers	Citrus	Mitigation EF Meeting
Region 7: Antonio Zapata	Polk	EPAC Meeting
Region 8: Ja-Pheth Butler-Miller	Indian River	Preparedness Monthly Meeting
Region 9: Jacob Ginsberg	Sarasota	Policy Review
Region 10: Vacant	N/A	See Coverage

Region 2 Coverage Provided by Recovery Coordinator 4
Region 3 Coverage Provided by Recovery Coordinator 4
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Status
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In Region / Delayed Response
Deployed / Delayed Response
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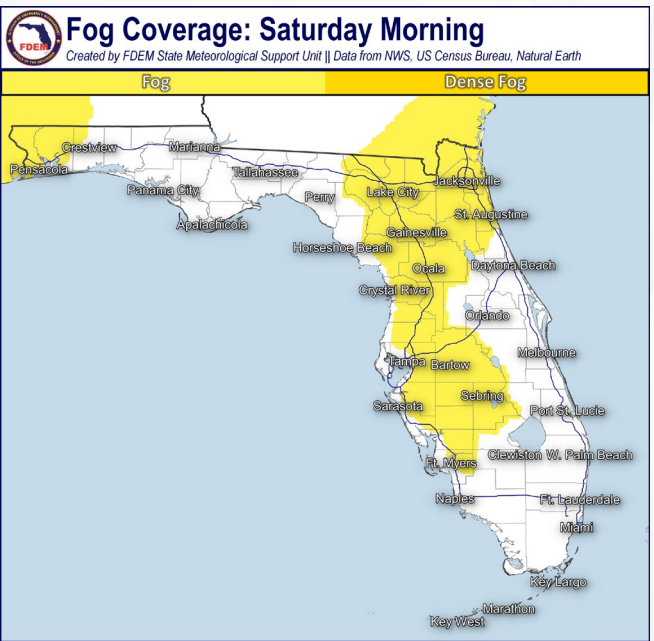
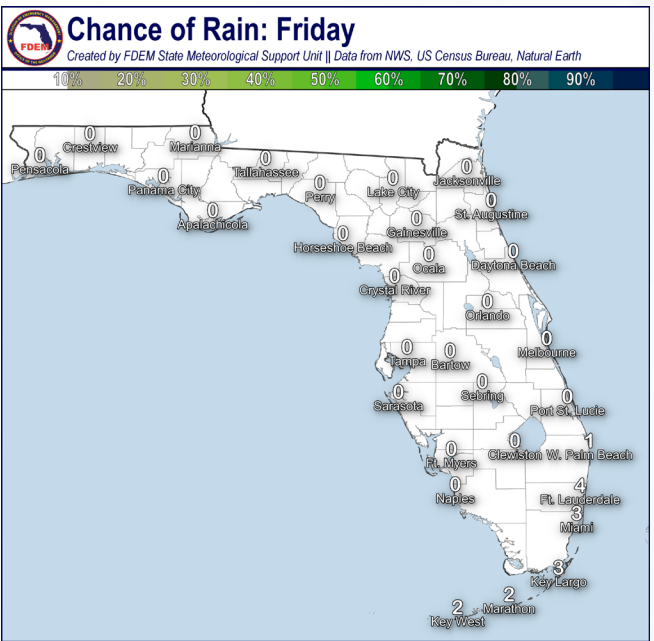


Meteorology Summary



Today's Weather Map

Threat	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	R9	R10
Lightning										
Tornado										
Damaging Wind										
Hail										
Flash Flooding										
Freeze (Overnight)										
Fog (Overnight)	M	L	M	M	M	M	M			
Wildfire	L	M	M	M		L	L		L	
Rip Currents	M	M	L	L	M	L		M	M	M
Lake Okeechobee Elevation	13.80 ft. (1.17 ft. <u>Below</u> Normal)									
Keetch-Byram Drought Index	459 (+3) on a scale from 0 (very moist) to 800 (very dry)									





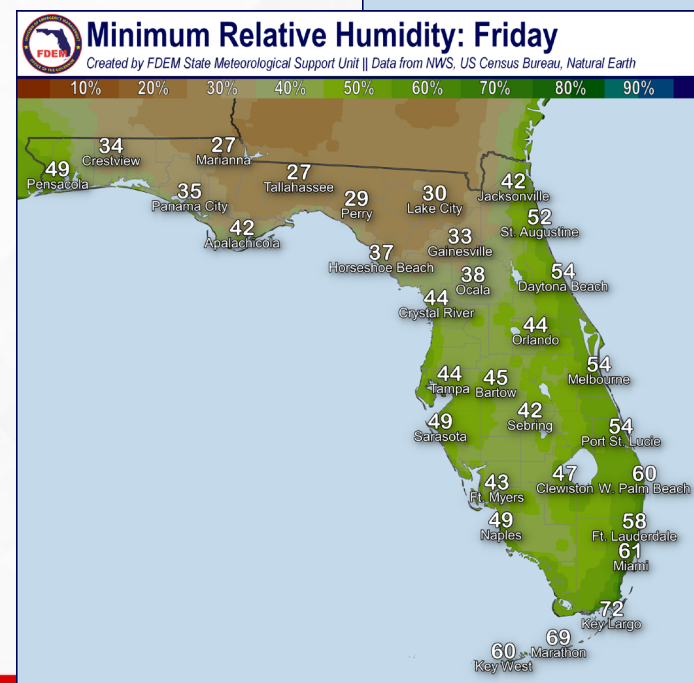
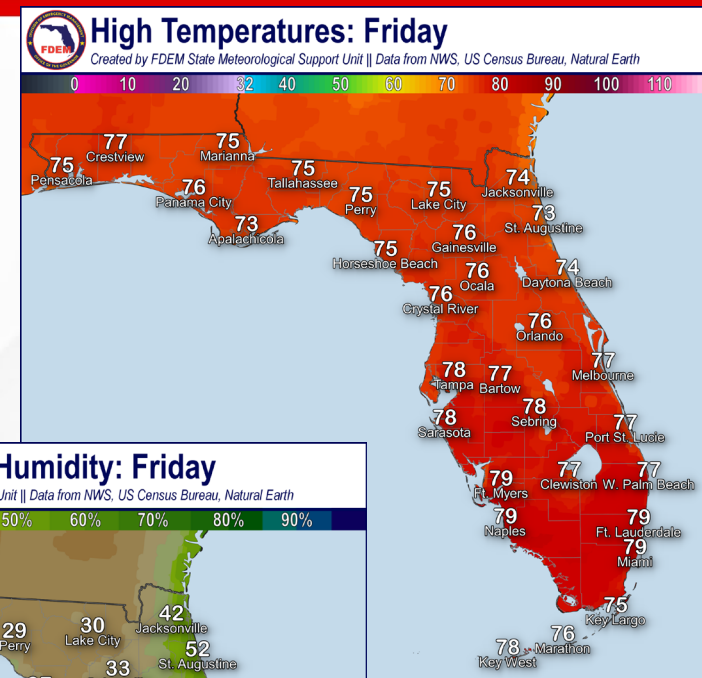
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Statewide Overview, Next 24 Hours:

Another Sunny and dry day is on tap for Florida as high pressure remains anchored over the Southeast U.S (near-0% chance of rain statewide). A dry frontal passage will reinforce the dry air across North Florida and the Panhandle this afternoon, with relative humidities reaching near or **below critical thresholds** (25-30% RH values). Although winds will remain light today, the ongoing drought and low humidities will allow for **locally sensitive to elevated wildfire conditions** this afternoon across North Florida. Relative humidities will remain above critical thresholds across South Florida today, though breezier winds are expected with gusts **upwards of 15-20 mph** possible along coastal Southeast Florida.

Temperatures will continue to warm today towards seasonable to slightly above normal levels for this time of year. Highs will climb into the middle to upper 70s statewide.

Low temperatures will continue their warming trend this week overnight tonight. Lows across North Florida will reach the lower to upper 40s in most locations, with coastal regions remaining in the lower 50s. **Patchy fog** may develop towards daybreak across portions of the western Panhandle and interior Northeast Florida. Lows will dip into the lower to middle 50s across Central Florida where additional **patchy fog** is possible across the I-75 corridor and Nature Coast. Upper 50s to middle 60s can be expected in South Florida with coastal Southeast Florida communities only reaching the upper 60s to lower 70s.

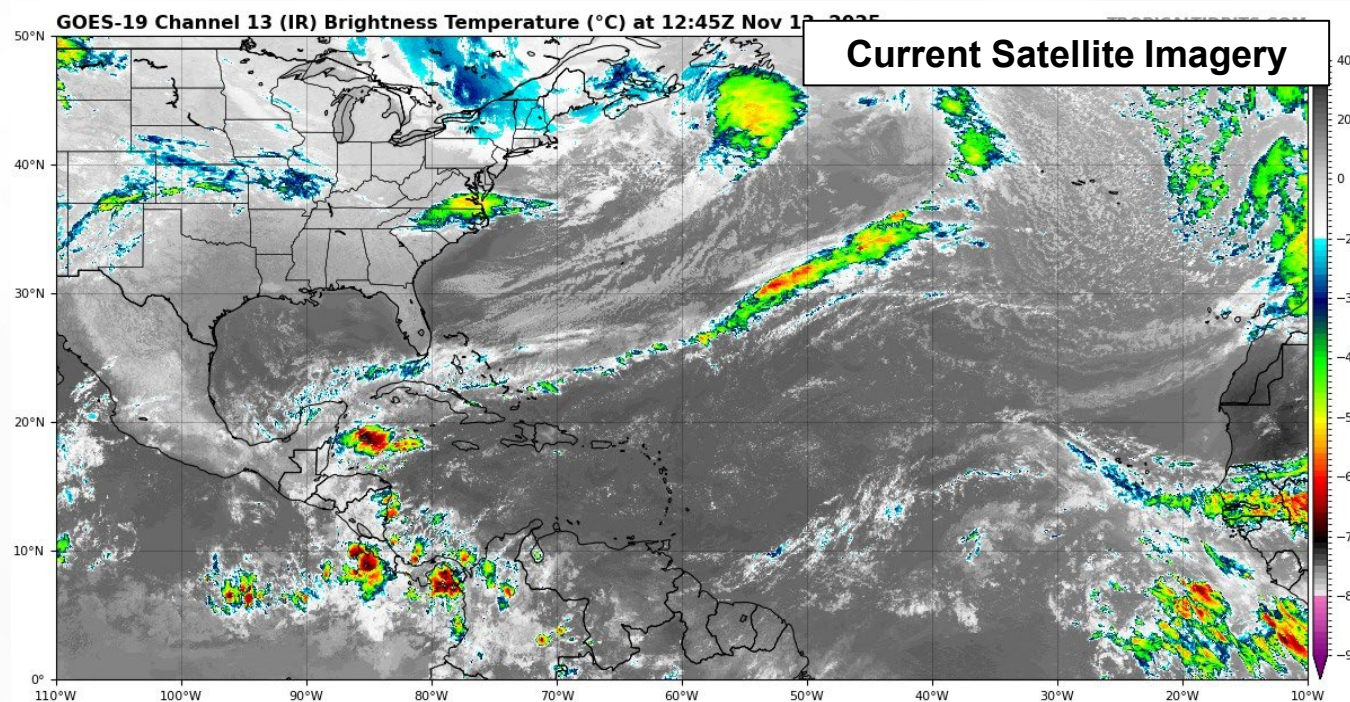
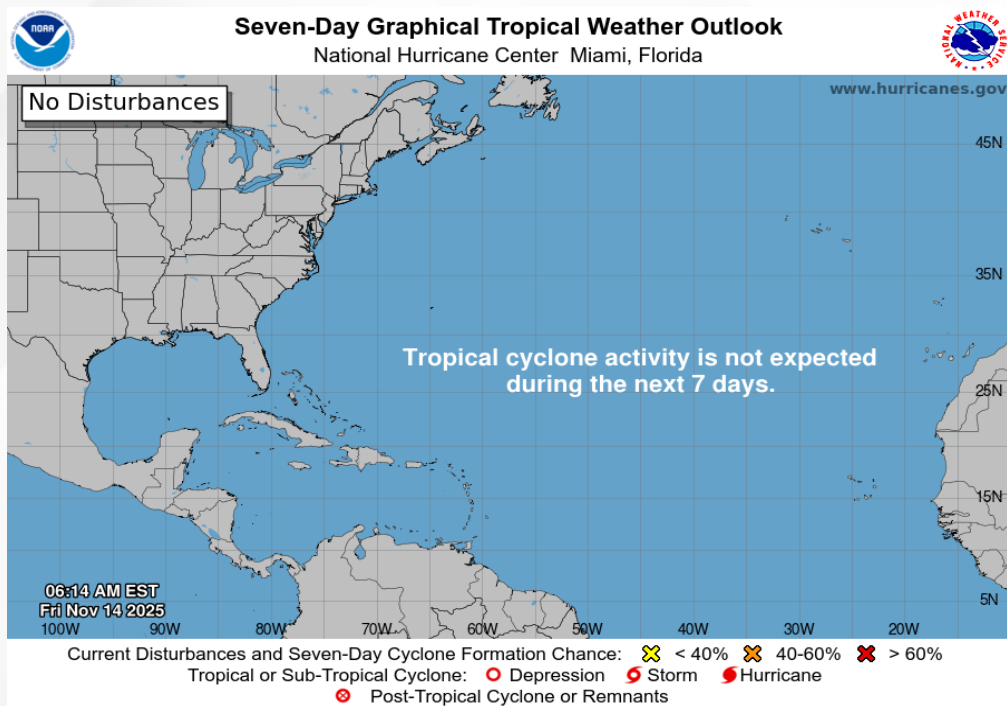




Tropical Weather

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 for all Panhandle and East Coast beaches today as onshore winds develop from the sea breeze this afternoon. A low risk can be expected for all West Coast beaches. For the latest Rip Current Outlook, visit www.weather.gov/beach.

Marine Hazards: Calm marine conditions are expected statewide with surf around 1' for all West Coast and Panhandle beaches, and near 1-2' for East Coast beaches.

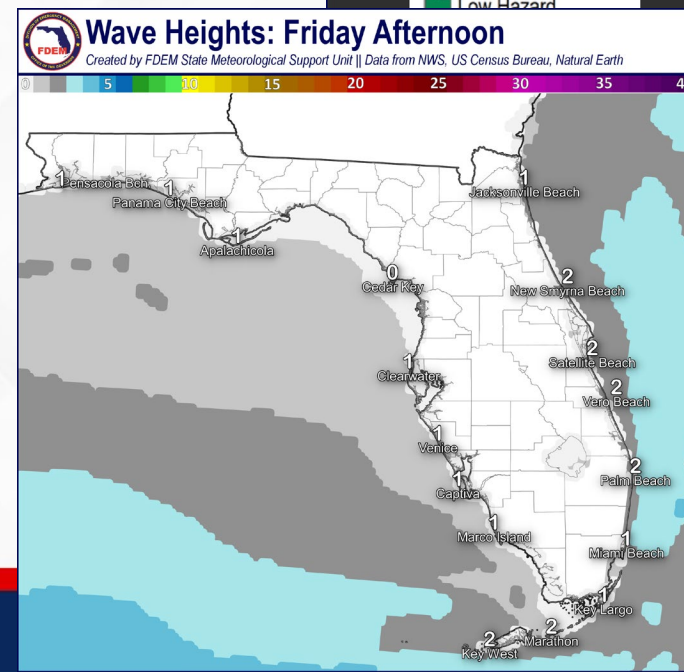
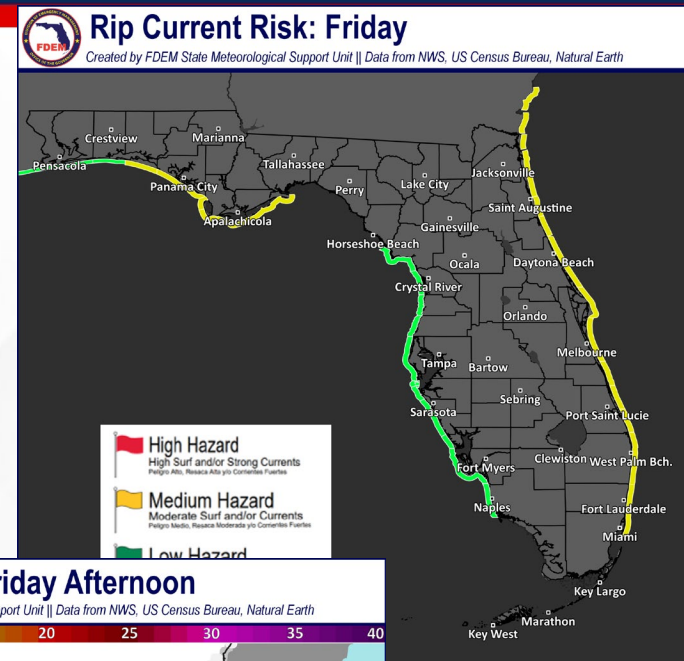
Red Tide was observed at background concentrations in Walton and Franklin County, background to very low concentrations in Bay County, and low to high concentrations in Gulf County across Northwest Florida. It was also observed at background concentrations from Volusia County along the Florida East Coast. Red tide was not observed in Southwest Florida (11/7).

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

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

Riverine Flooding: The [St. Johns River at Astor](#) has finally dropped below minor flood stage allowing for the River Flood Warning to expire. However, water levels remain at Action Stage (bank-full), as well as at the headwaters of the St. Johns, [Lake Harney](#) and [Sanford](#). There are no other riverine concerns statewide. For more information, visit the [River Forecast Center](#).

Lake Okeechobee's average elevation is 13.80 feet, which is within the operational band and is 1.17 feet below normal for this time of year.



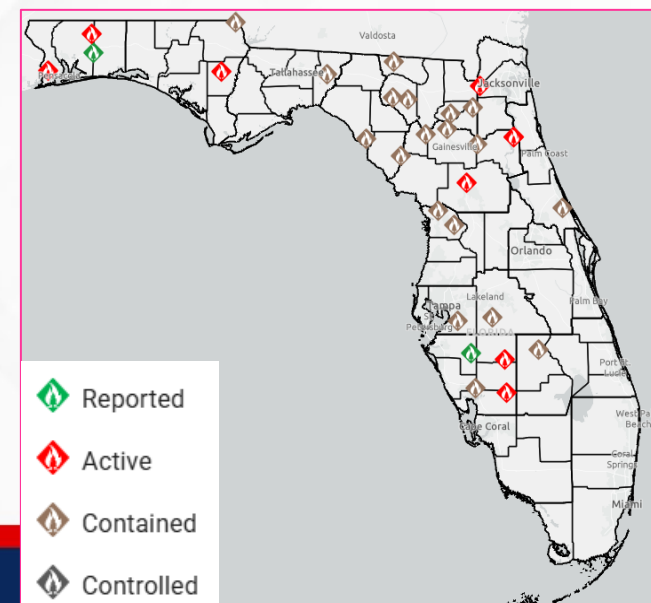
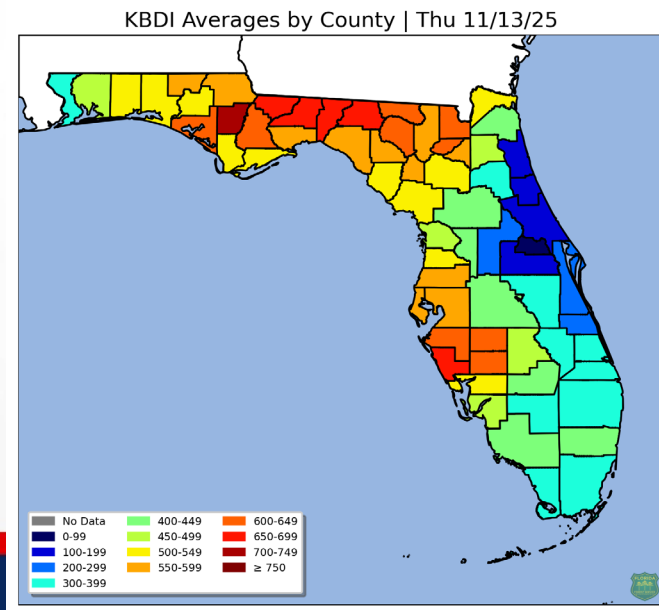
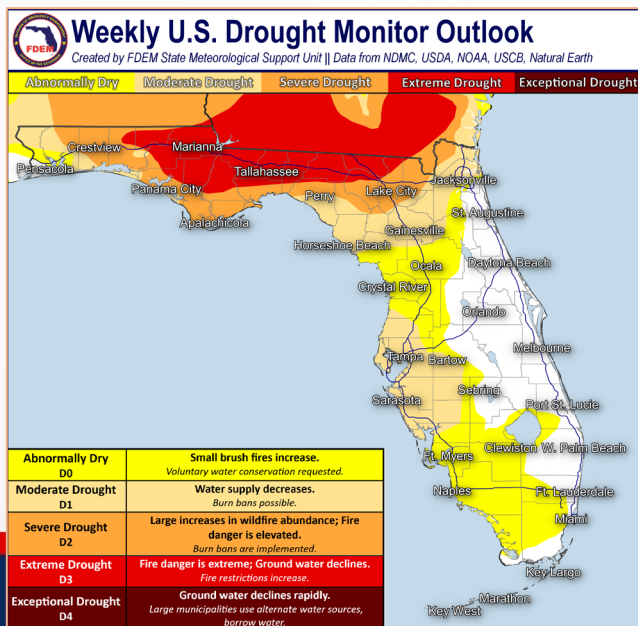


Drought & Fire Weather

Fire Weather: A dry frontal boundary will sag south into North Florida today, ushering in a renewed dry airmass and leading to low relative humidities this afternoon. Given the ongoing drought and low humidities (25-35% RH values), **sensitive to locally elevated wildfire conditions** are expected this afternoon across the Panhandle and North Florida. However, winds will remain calm and below Red Flag criteria. Breezy winds with gusts **up to 20 mph** are possible across coastal Southeast Florida this afternoon. *Patchy fog development overnight can reduce visibilities where any wildfires are ongoing and active.* According to the [Florida Forest Service](#), there are 30 active wildfires across the state burning approximately 497 acres.

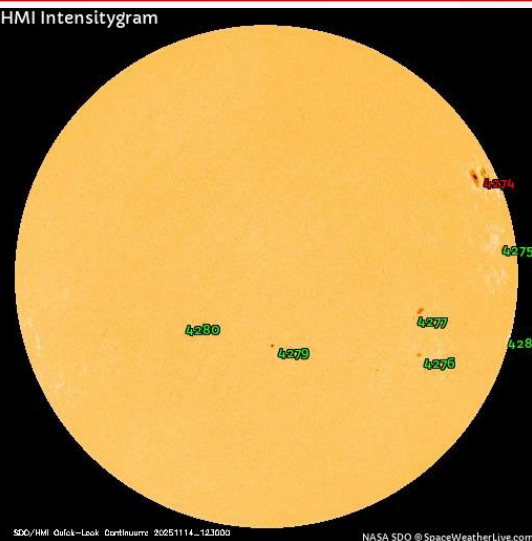
Drought (11/13): A frontal passage from this past Sunday (11/9) was the only rainfall of significance across much of the Sunshine State with rainfall totals remaining generally below 1 inch and spotty in nature. As such, no improvements were made to this week's Drought Monitor outlook. Across South Florida, some expansion of the abnormally dry (emerging drought) conditions further into Hendry and Glades counties was introduced where 30-day rainfall deficits continue to grow. Similarly, across the Tampa Bay metropolitan region, rainfall departures from the past 60 days (longer term) have grown to 4-6 inches across the area. Some expansion of **Moderate Drought (level 1 of 4)** was introduced to western Pasco and Hernando counties, as well as Hardee and DeSoto, while remaining across Pinellas, Hillsborough, Manatee, and Sarasota. Across North Florida, **Severe (level 2 of 4)** to **Extreme (level 3 of 4) Drought** remain in place where a significant long-term drought has begun to take shape. In the past 60 days, rainfall deficits have neared 7 inches in some locations along the I-10 corridor. Streamflows in many streams, creeks, and rivers have dropped below their low thresholds. Some slight expansion southward of the drought categories across North Florida was seen in this week's outlook. Rainfall is not anticipated for the next week, at least, across North Florida or the entire state which will continue to expand the current drought conditions. 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 **459 (+3)** on a scale from 0 (very wet) to 800 (very dry). There are **37** Florida counties (Alachua, Baker, Bay, Bradford, Calhoun, Charlotte, Columbia, DeSoto, Dixie, Franklin, Gadsden, Gilchrist, Gulf, Hamilton, Hardee, Hernando, Hillsborough, Holmes, Jackson, Jefferson, Lafayette, Leon, Levy, Liberty, Madison, Manatee, Nassau, Okaloosa, Pasco, Pinellas, Sarasota, Suwannee, Taylor, Union, Wakulla, Walton, and Washington) that have an average KBDI above 500 (drought/increased fire danger).

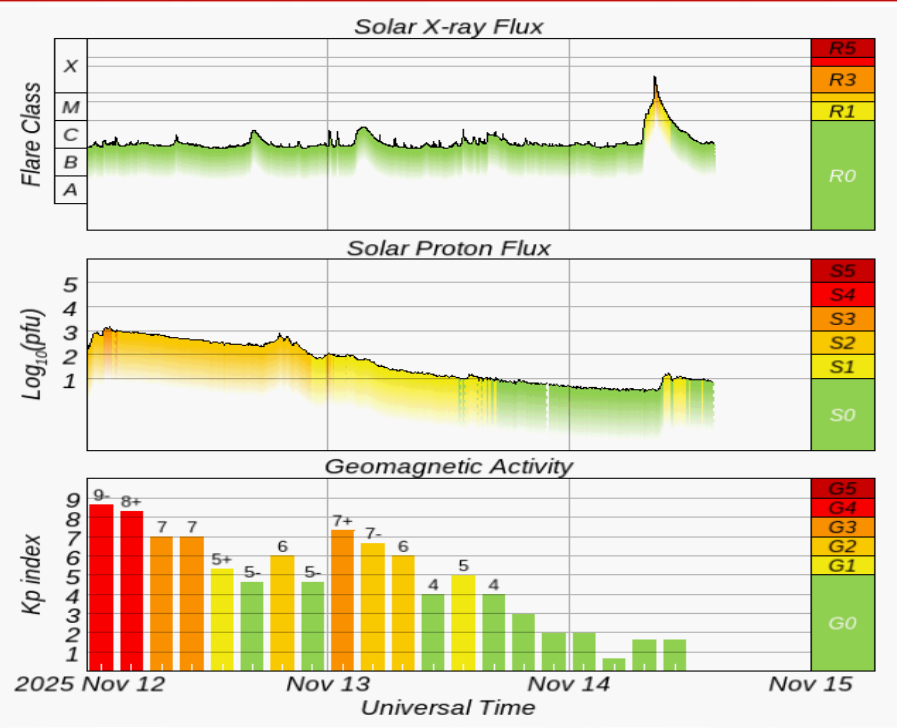
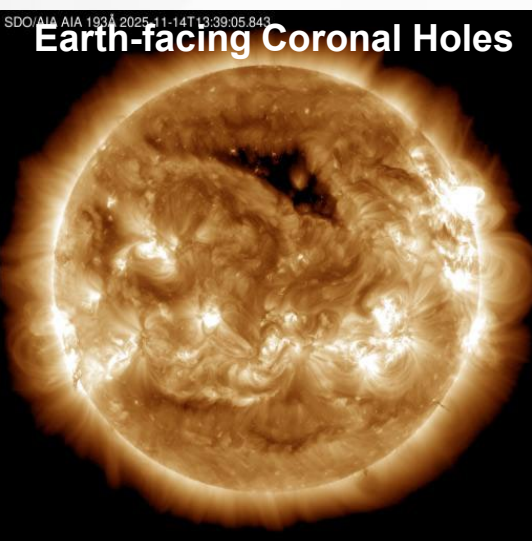




Space Weather



Current Sunspots



Solar Flare Risk	Active Watches & Warnings	Past 24 hours
M-class: 70%	Geomagnetic Storm: None	X4 Solar Flare
X-class: 30%	Radiation Storm: None	R3 Radio Blackout

48-Hour Geomagnetic Forecast	
11/14	11/15
Max Kp= 5 (G1)	Max Kp= 3 (G0)
Chance of minor activity = 25% severe activity = 5%	Chance of minor activity = 15% severe activity = 1%

Space Weather: Solar activity will return to low to moderate levels, with minor to moderate (R1-R2) radio blackouts likely and a chance for a strong (R3) radio blackout with any X-class flares from sunspot #4274. Solar wind conditions will remain enhanced but wane through Friday, returning towards background conditions by Saturday. By Sunday, return of Coronal Hole High Solar Stream (CH HSS) winds will bring an increase in solar wind conditions. Minor to moderate (G1-G2) geomagnetic storming is possible on Friday as lingering effects from the CME remain. Quiet to unsettled conditions are likely this weekend with minor (G1) storming possible on Sunday as CH HSS influences return. The overall space threat to Florida is low.



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Equipment	Contact	Status	Comments
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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