



# **Florida Division of Emergency Management State Watch Office**

## **Morning Situation Report**

Tuesday, December 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	Henry (AL), Escambia	Farley Offsite Partners Meeting / Travel
Region 2: Enrique Gaston	Henry (AL)	Farley Offsite Partners Meeting
Region 3: Glen Hammers	Out of Service	Leave (See Coverage)
Region 4: Tara Kostich	Flagler	G-400 Course Instruction
Region 5: Austin Beeghly	Seminole	FEMA Meeting / Region 5 Training & Exercise Call
Region 6: Paul Siddall	In Region	On-Call Status
Region 7: Kathryn Hollenbeck	DeSoto	EM Meeting
Region 8: Amber Durden	Indian River	IRC Event
Region 9: Brittany Bremer	Lee	SWFL LEPC Meeting
Region 10: Claudia Baker	Broward	EM Visit

Region 3 Coverage Provided by Response Coordinator 2

## Status

Normal Operations

Out of Service / Unavailable



# Recovery Regional Coordination Team

Team	County Location	Status / Activities
Region 1: Allison Blevins	Dothan	Farley NPP Partners Meeting
Region 2: Justin Lazzara	Dothan	Farley NPP Partners Meeting
Region 3: Vacant	N/A	See Coverage
Region 4: Joshua Saunders	Baker	LMS Meeting
Region 5: Elizabeth Caison	Lake	Instructing FL603
Region 6: Rick Rogers	Citrus	Recovery Bureau Coordination Call
Region 7: Antonio Zapata	Polk	Medical Leave
Region 8: Ja-Pheth Butler-Miller	Indian River	Recovery Bureau Coordination Call
Region 9: Jacob Ginsberg	Sarasota	Recovery Bureau Coordination Call
Region 10: Vacant	N/A	See Coverage

Region 3 Coverage Provided by Recovery Coordinator 2 & 4

Region 7 Coverage Provided by Recovery Coordinator 6

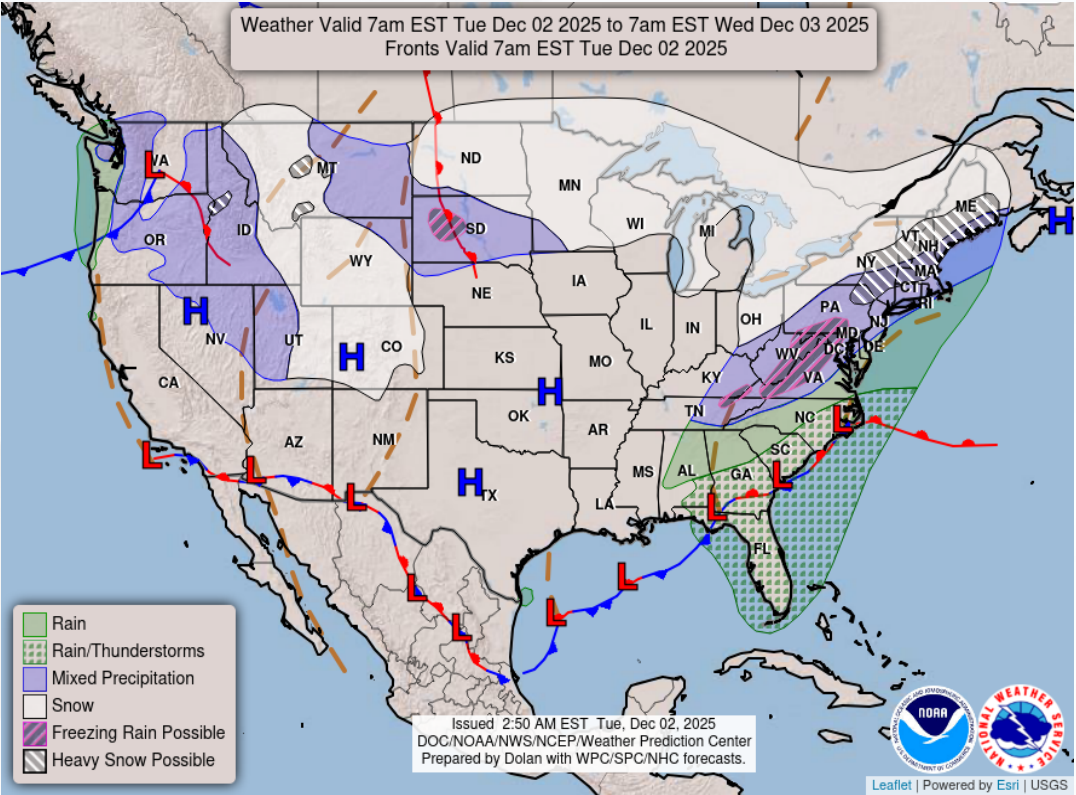
Region 10 Coverage Provided by Recovery Coordinator 8

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



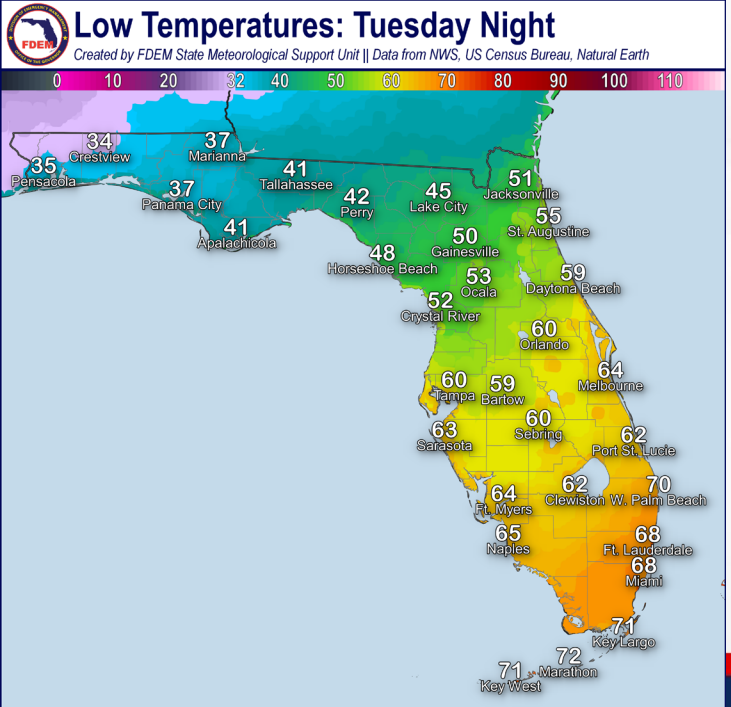
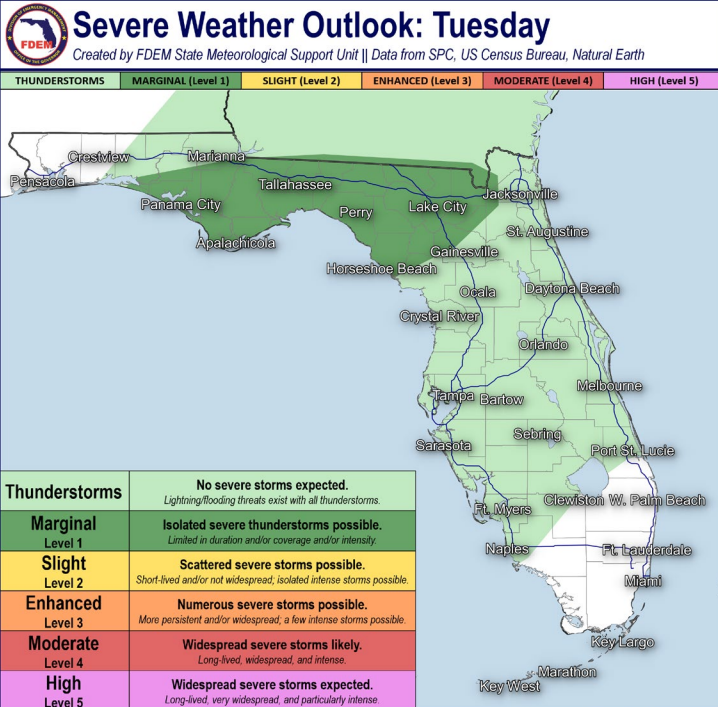


# Meteorology Summary



Today's Weather Map

Threat	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	R9	R10
Lightning		L	L	L	L	L	L			
Tornado (Overnight)		L	L	L						
Damaging Wind (Overnight)		L	L	L						
Hail										
Flash Flooding										
Freeze (Overnight)	L									
Fog (Overnight)										
Wildfire	M	M	M	M		L				
Rip Currents	H	H	L	M	M	L		M	L	H
Lake Okeechobee Elevation	13.66 ft. (1.17 ft. <u>Below</u> Normal)									
Keetch-Byram Drought Index	531 (+2) on a scale from 0 (very moist) to 800 (very dry)									





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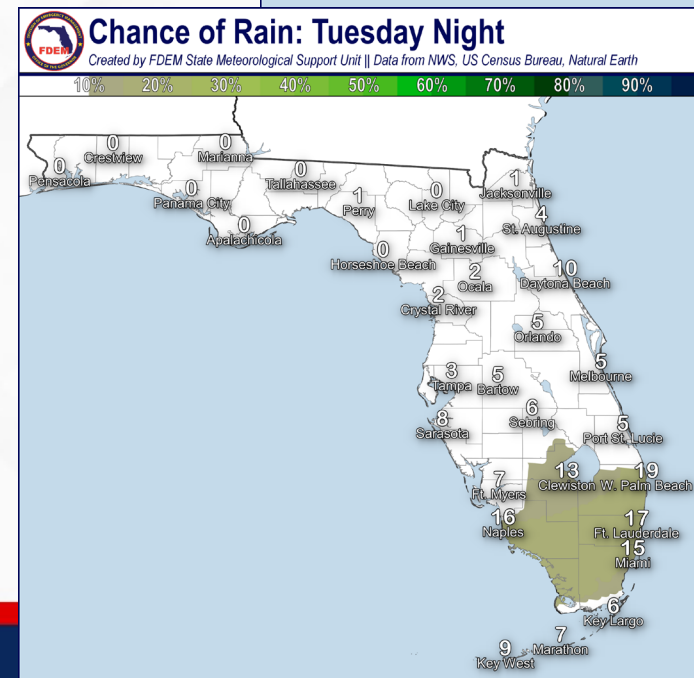
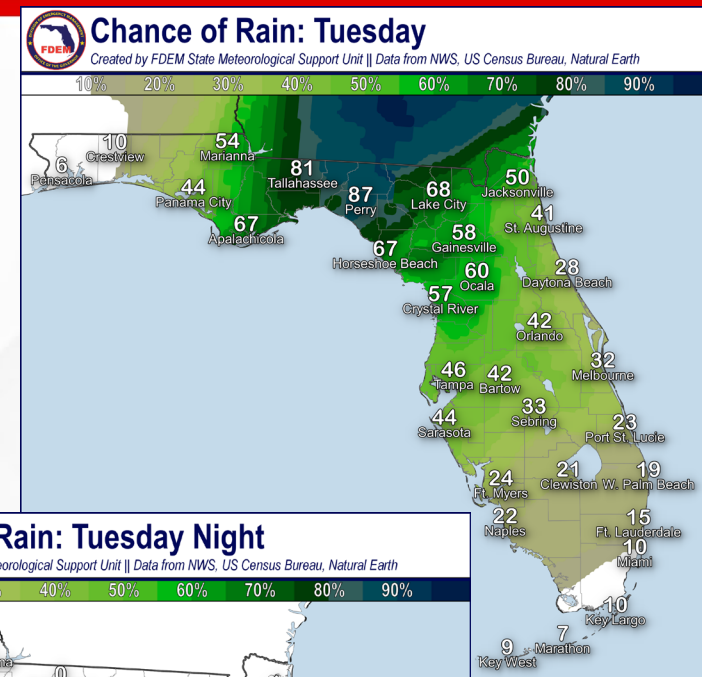
## Statewide Overview, Next 24 Hours:

Scattered to widespread showers continue to spread eastward across the Big Bend and Northeast Florida associated with a frontal system moving along the southeastern U.S. Plentiful moisture will continue to fuel shower activity throughout the morning and afternoon hours ahead of a cold front also pushing eastward (55-80% chance of rain). A few embedded thunderstorms may also develop, and some of them may become strong to severe at times. The Storm Prediction Center (SPC) is outlooking a **Marginal Risk (level 1 of 5) for Severe Weather** along the Big Bend and into the Suwannee River Valley for those **embedded strong to severe thunderstorms** that will be capable of producing lightning, damaging wind gusts (40-60 mph), an embedded tornado or two and locally heavy rainfall. There is no organized risk for flash flooding as this rainfall will be beneficial over North Florida given the ongoing drought conditions. As the cold front moves through Central Florida later in the daytime hours, the front will lose its energy and shower, or thunderstorm, activity will become more isolated to widely scattered in nature (15-45% chance of rain). Behind the cold front, drier conditions will return as will breezy wind gusts of 15-25 mph.

High temperatures will reach the 60s across the Panhandle and 70s across the Big Bend and rest of North Florida, upper 70s to lower 80s across Central Florida and lower to middle 80s across South Florida.

The cold front will continue to push through South-Central and South Florida this evening and overnight bringing a chance for some light sprinkles or even a brief shower (15-25% chance of rain). Elsewhere behind the cold front, dry conditions will return overnight as high pressure shifts eastward over the Tennessee Valley. Some **patchy frost** may develop along the northwestern Panhandle by early Wednesday morning in shady areas as temperatures dip near freezing.

Low temperatures will fall into the **30s** along the Panhandle and 40s to lower 50s across the rest of North Florida. Central Florida will see low temperatures in the middle 50s and middle 60s and South Florida will see low temperatures in the upper 60s to lower 70s. Elevated winds will create **feels-like temperatures (wind chills)** in the **lower to middle 30s** across Panhandle and western Big Bend and **upper 30s** to lower 40s across the Central Big Bend by sunrise Wednesday morning.







# Coastal Hazards & Hydrology

**Rip Currents:** Choppy surf and onshore winds will create a **moderate to high risk for rip currents** along all Panhandle and East Coast beaches. For the latest Rip Current Outlook, visit [www.weather.gov/beach](http://www.weather.gov/beach).

**Marine Hazards:** **Choppy surf of 2-4'** can be expected for all beaches across the state.

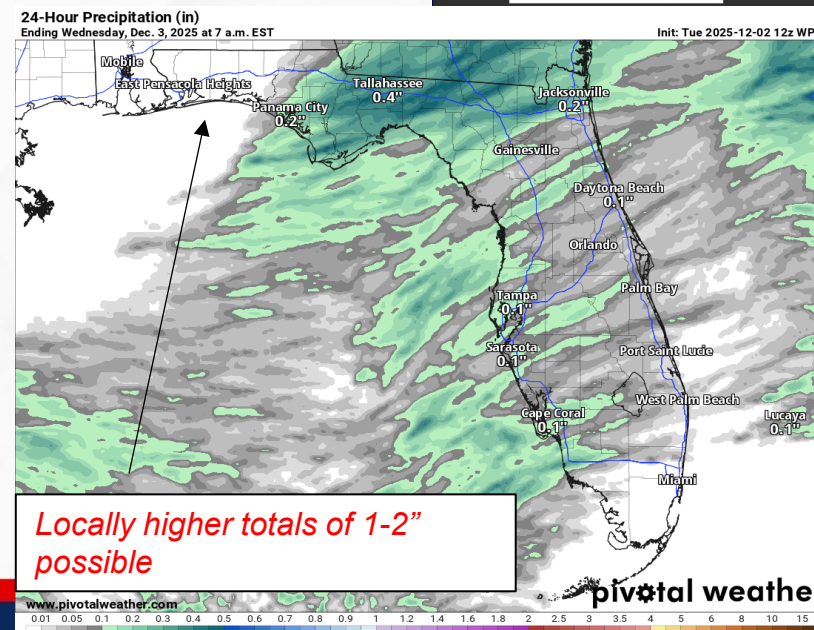
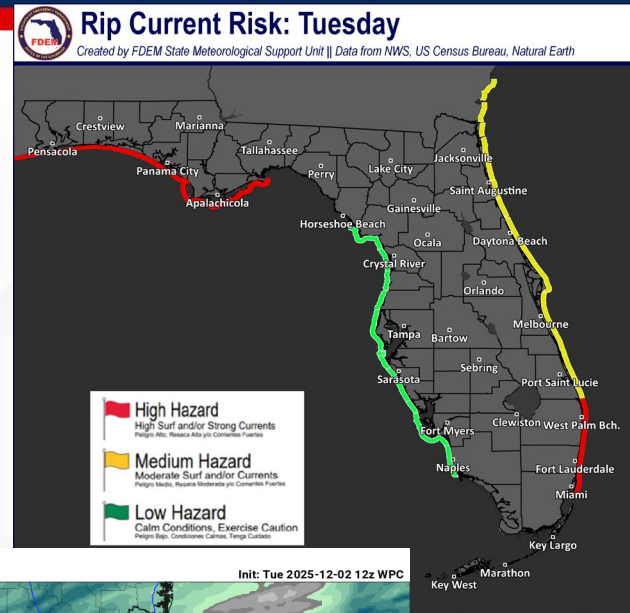
**Red Tide** was observed at background to **medium concentrations** along Bay and Gulf counties along the coastlines. **Low concentrations** were observed offshore from Franklin county. Background conditions will be observed along coastal Pinellas and Lee County.

**Coastal Flooding:** There is no risk for coastal flooding across Florida.

**Flash Flooding:** There is no organized risk for flash flooding today. Locally heavy rainfall with scattered to widespread showers across the Big Bend and Northeast Florida could reach upwards of 1" through this afternoon. Plentiful rainfall over drought conditions will be beneficial rather than lead to a flash flooding risk; however, any heavier rainfall over urban areas could lead to localized ponding of water.

**Riverine Flooding:** There are no riverine concerns. For more information, visit the [River Forecast Center](http://River Forecast Center).

**Lake Okeechobee's** average elevation is 13.66 feet, which is within the operational band and is 1.17 feet below normal for this time of year.





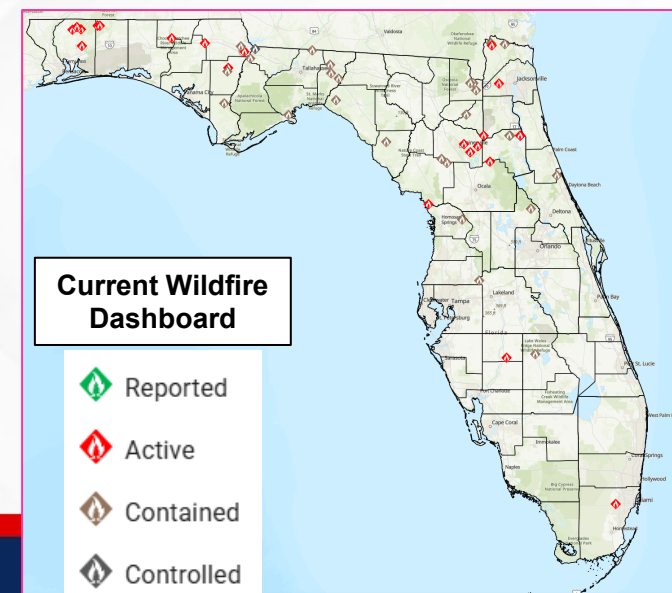
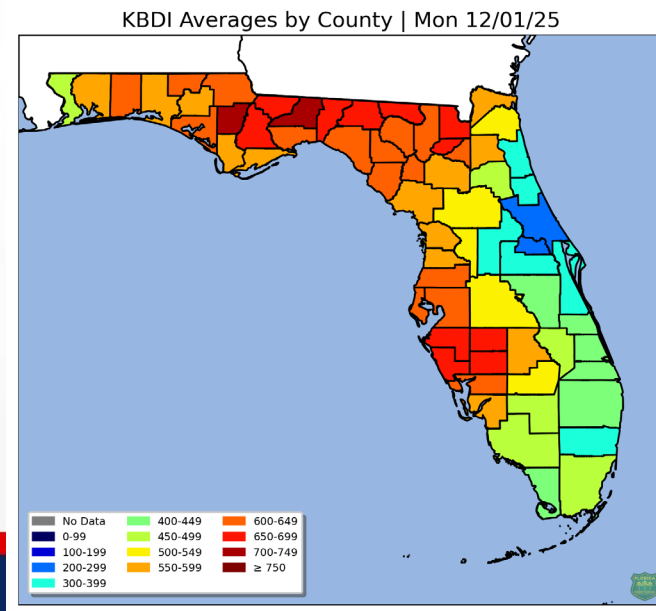
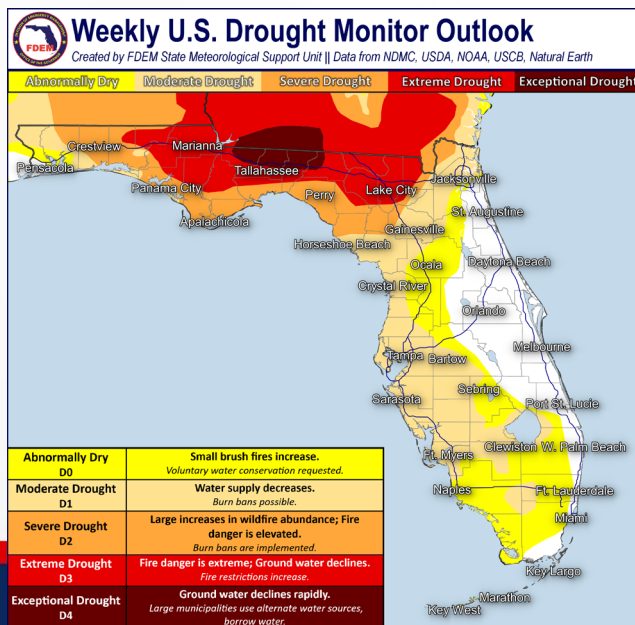


# Drought & Fire Weather

**Fire Weather:** Scattered to widespread showers and embedded thunderstorms will continue to push eastward across the Big Bend and Northeast Florida throughout the day as a cold front moves eastward today. Plenty of moisture ahead of the front, along with shower activity, will help to keep relative humidity values above critical thresholds. Once the front clears the Panhandle and North Florida, drier conditions will follow behind. Breezy wind gusts of 15-25 mph will also develop across North and Central Florida. According to the [Florida Forest Service](#), there are 49 active wildfires across the state burning approximately 595 acres.

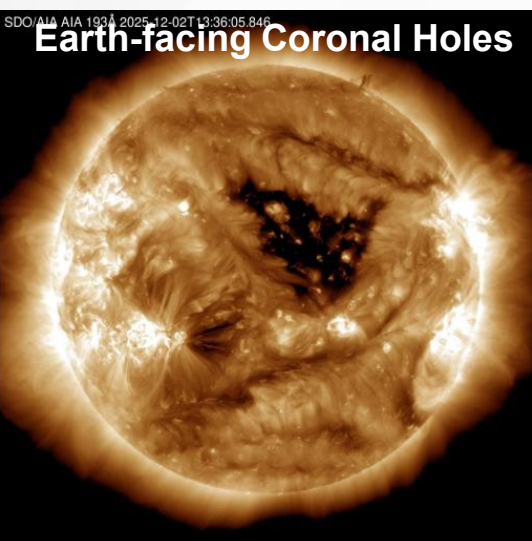
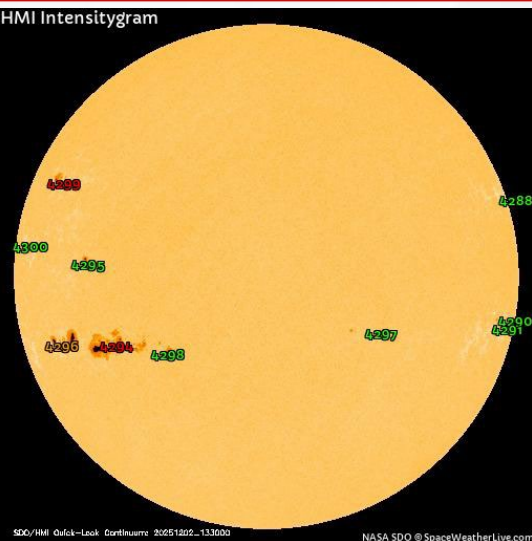
**Drought (11/20):** The past week was almost entirely dry across the entire Sunshine State as temperatures warmed to above seasonable levels. As such, no improvements were made to this week's Drought Monitor and further degradation was seen. Across South Florida, **Moderate Drought (level 1 of 4)** was introduced across interior Collier, Broward, and Miami-Dade counties with expansion of Abnormally Dry (*emerging drought*) towards the Southeast coastline. **Moderate Drought (level 1 of 4)** was also introduced across Lee, Charlotte, Hendry, and Glades county, as well as around Lake Okeechobee where rainfall departures from the past month have neared 2-3 inches. **Moderate Drought** remains in place across much of West-Central Florida with further expansion into Polk county and northward along the entire Nature Coast. Rainfall departures from the past 60 days have grown to 4-6 inches across West-Central Florida. Across North Florida, **Severe (level 2 of 4)** to **Extreme (level 3 of 4)** have remained in place, with expansion southeastward of the **Extreme Drought** into much of Suwannee, Columbia, and western Baker County. **Severe Drought** was also added to much of the Forgotten Coast along Taylor and Dixie counties. An **Exceptional Drought (level 4 of 4)** was introduced to northern Gadsden, Leon, and Jefferson counties where streamflows have reached very low levels, vegetation has become very dry, and agricultural impacts have worsened. This is the first **Exceptional Drought** seen in the state of Florida since February 2012. Long-term rainfall departures continue to decline across the Panhandle, and significant rainfall is not expected over the next week as temperatures remain above seasonable levels. As such, worsening drought conditions are expected over the next week across much of the state.

The **Keetch-Byram Drought Index** average for Florida is **531 (+2)** on a scale from 0 (very wet) to 800 (very dry). There are **47** Florida counties that have an average KBDI above 500 (drought/increased fire danger). Calhoun and Leon counties both have KBDI values over 700.

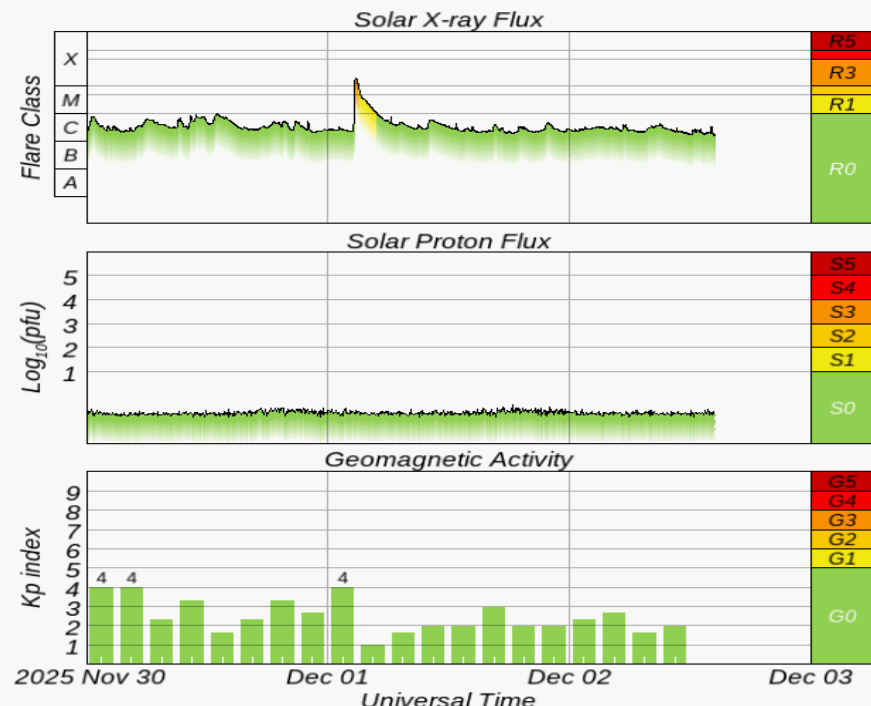




# Space Weather



Current Sunspots



Solar Flare Risk	Active Watches & Warnings	Past 24 hours
M-class: 80%	Geomagnetic Storm: <b>G2 Watch – 12/3-4</b>	C4 Solar Flare
X-class: 30%	Radiation Storm: None	No Radio Blackout

48-Hour Geomagnetic Forecast	
12/2	12/3
Max Kp= 3 (G0)	Max Kp= 5 (G2)
Chance of minor activity = 1% severe activity = 1%	Chance of minor activity = 20% severe activity = 5%

**Space Weather:** Solar activity will remain at low to moderate levels due to recent activity from several active sunspots along the southeastern limb of the sun. Strong (M-class) to significant (X-class) solar flares will be possible as these sunspots contain to energy to produce them. Minor to moderate (R1-R2) radio blackouts will accompany M-class solar flares and strong (R3) radio blackouts will accompany X-class solar flares. Solar wind conditions will return to an ambient-like environment. The Earth's geomagnetic field will remain at quiet to unsettled levels through today. The overall space threat to Florida is low.



# SWO Communications Systems & Contact Information

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Fax:	850-815-4979	Operational	
Email:	<a href="mailto:SWP@em.myflorida.com">SWP@em.myflorida.com</a>	Operational	
SWO Tracker:	<a href="https://apps.floridadisaster.org/SWO/">https://apps.floridadisaster.org/SWO/</a>	Operational	
SLERS:	DEM Statewide	Operational	
FNARS:	WGY974	Operational	
Federal NAWAS:	State Watch Office	Operational	
EMnet Message:	FL.000- State Watch Office	Operational	
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IPAWS:	LP.1 Stations via Emnet	Operational	
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