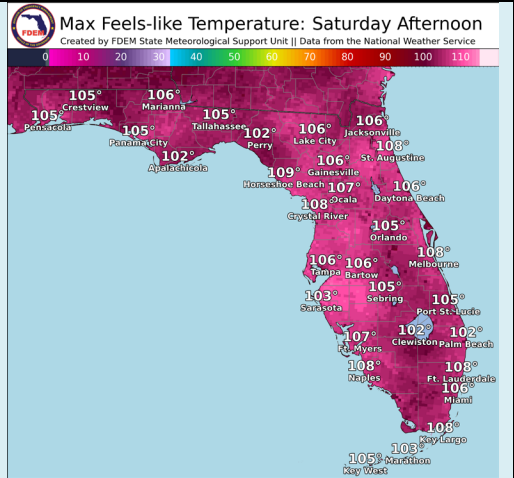
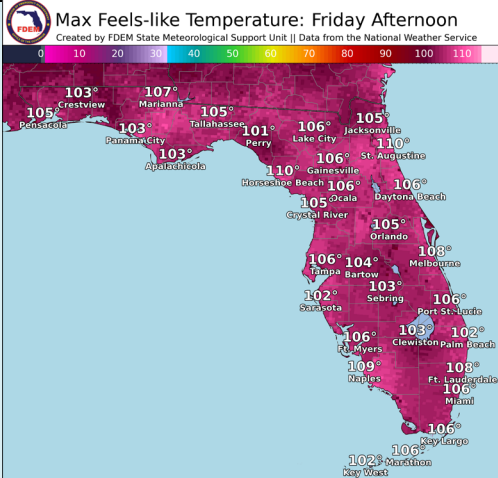
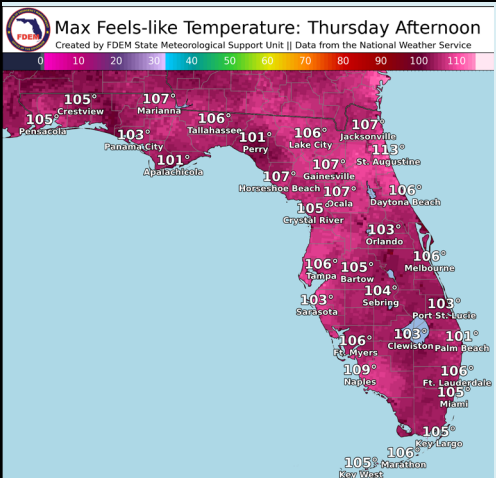
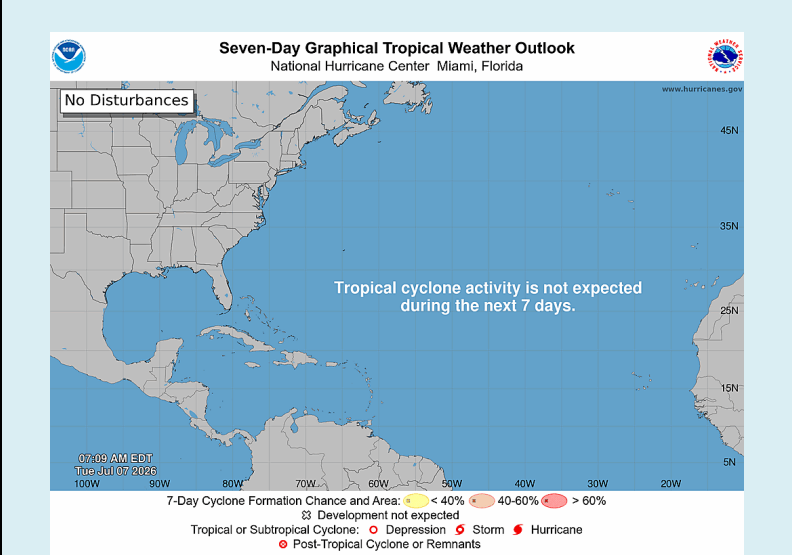


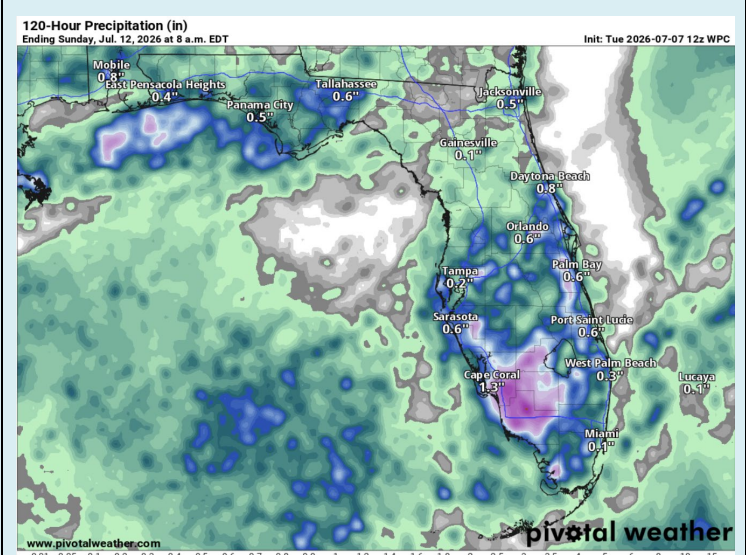
Tuesday, July 7, 2026					5-Day Statewide Weather Outlook			
No Threat		Low Threat		Moderate Threat		High Threat		
Day	Lightning	Damaging Wind/ Hail	Flash Flooding	Tornado	Excessive Heat	Fog (Overnight)	Wildfire	Rip Currents
Tue	Statewide				Statewide Treasure Coast & South-Central FL		Iso. Statewide	Iso. Emerald Coast First, Emerald, and Forgotten Coasts Rest Of State
Wed	Panhandle & Central/Western Peninsula				Statewide		Iso. Statewide	Iso. Emerald Coast First, Emerald, and Forgotten Coasts Rest Of State
Thu	Iso. Western Panhandle & Northeast FL				Iso. North FL Rest of State		Iso. Statewide	Iso. Emerald & Gold Coast East Coast, Panhandle West Coast
Fri	Southwest FL Panhandle, East Coast, Central FL				Iso. North FL Rest of State		Iso. Statewide	Panhandle, First & Gold Coasts East Coast West Coast
Sat	Southwest FL Rest of State				Iso. North FL Rest of State		Iso. Statewide	Panhandle & First Coast East Coast West Coast



Forecast Afternoon Feels-Like Temperatures: *Thursday, Friday, and Saturday*



7-Day Tropical Weather Outlook

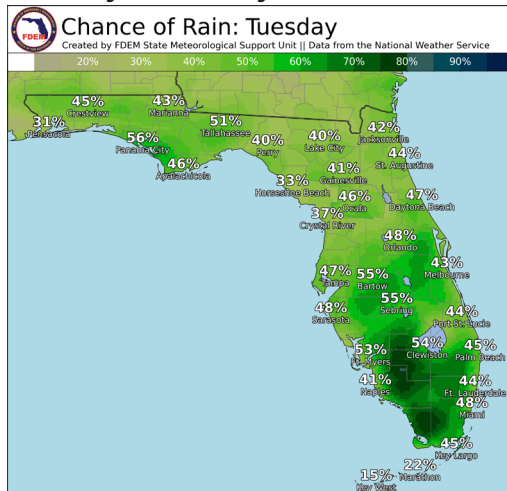


WPC 5-Day Forecast Rainfall Totals



...Hot and Dry Conditions to Develop this Week as High Pressure Builds and Saharan Air Moves In... Seasonable Rain Chances Expected Tuesday Before Dry Pattern Develops... Very Low Rain Chances Through Thursday... Moisture and Rain Chances Begin to Return Friday – Mainly for South Florida... Feels-Like Temperatures to Climb into Middle to Upper 100s Each Day... Heat Advisories Likely Needed Most Days... Moderate to High Risk of Rip Currents this Week Across Panhandle and East Coast Beaches this Week...

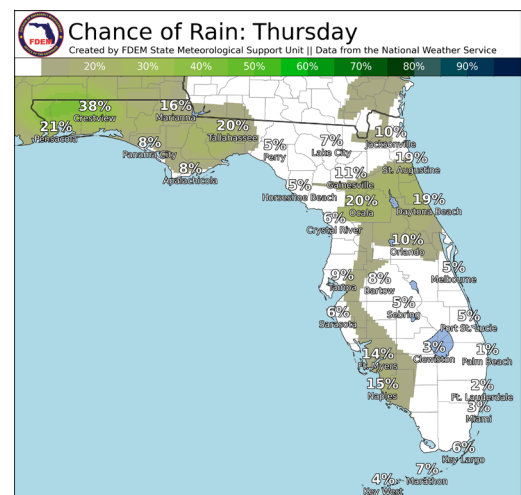
Tuesday – Saturday:



One more day of seasonable moisture and afternoon thunderstorms is expected today before a hot and dry pattern prevails through the end of the forecast period. For today, moist south/southwesterly flow progged over the state will promote a typical summer-like day across the state, characterized by hot and humid conditions and scattered afternoon thunderstorms. A >40% chance of rain is currently forecast for nearly all Florida locations today, with areas south of the I-4 Corridor carrying the highest chance of rain today (40-70%). Morning radar imagery is already tracking scattered showers and storms across the Western Panhandle and just off the West Coast. These storms should continue propagating eastward throughout this morning and into the early afternoon hours. Storm coverage will increase across the state as the day progresses, with activity beginning initially along sea-breeze boundaries, pushing inland and focusing on Central FL by mid-late afternoon. Afternoon high

temperatures will generally range from the **lower to middle 90s** this afternoon, with ample humidity in place causing feels-like temperatures to rise into the **lower to middle 100s** statewide. Some isolated locations across South Florida may see heat indexes soaring into the **upper 100s** this afternoon, prompting the issuance of localized **Heat Advisories** this afternoon.

Upper-level ridging begins to build in on Wednesday, ushering in a hot and significantly drier pattern. Clockwise flow around the expanding Subtropical High will bring in a plume of Saharan Dust by mid-week that will help further limit typical afternoon showers and thunderstorms. The driest day of the forecast period will likely be Thursday as the Saharan Air Layer (SAL) peaks, primarily over the Peninsula. Some hazy conditions may be observed on Wednesday and Thursday across the Southern half of the Peninsula as a result. SAL begins to wash out by the end of the work week, which will allow a gradual return to more seasonable moisture and rain chances. Southwest Florida will respond to this the quickest, with rain chances rising to 40-70% on Friday and Saturday. Elsewhere, probabilities of precipitation increase to low-medium (20-50%) by Saturday. There is no organized risk of severe weather or flash flooding with any of this week's activity, however any storms that do form may be capable of **torrential downpours** and **isolated damaging wind gusts**. While the SAL will help suppress afternoon storms, the resulting dry air is largely confined to the middle levels of the atmosphere. Low-level moisture will still be plentiful this week, allowing feels-like temperatures to soar into the **middle to upper 100s** as high temperature values climb under the building ridge. **Heat Advisories** will likely be in play each day across much of the state as a result. Overnight low temperatures will bring little relief, with most areas seeing lows in the upper 70s to lower 80s. Some locations, especially along the immediate coast, may struggle to dip below the middle 80s overnight.



Tropical Weather:

Tropical cyclone activity is **not expected** during the next 7 days. For the latest on the tropics, please visit the National Hurricane Center (NHC) at www.hurricanes.gov.

Hydrology & Flooding:

No organized flash flooding is currently outlook within the forecast period. 5-day forecast rainfall totals generally range from **1-2"** across South Florida, with most other locations across the state seeing between 0.5-1". For the latest on the rainfall outlook, please visit the WPC [website](#).

All Florida rivers are below flood stage. For more information, visit the [River Forecast Center](#).

Lake Okeechobee's average elevation is 10.96 feet, which is within the operational band and 2.54 feet **below** normal for this time of year.

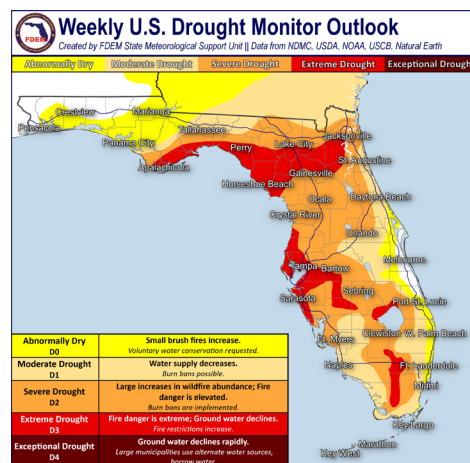
Drought & Fire Weather:

A more seasonal distribution and amount of rainfall over the past week, driven by sea breeze showers and thunderstorms, brought near normal rainfall to much of the state, resulting in very few changes to the Drought Monitor update this week. Across North Florida, a bit more of the Panhandle has been removed from any drought category this week. Throughout the Big Bend and Northeast Florida, the **extreme drought (level 3 of 4)** remains in place along the Forgotten Coast and extending inland into the lower Suwannee River Valley and upper St. Johns River basin. **Moderate to severe drought (level 1-2 of 4)** still surrounds this area of extreme drought, including in northern Suwannee and Hamilton counties which have been downgraded to a **severe drought (level 2 of 4)**. Throughout Central Florida, no changes were observed on this week's update. The West-Central coast remains under an **extreme drought (level 3 of 4)** with **moderate to severe drought (level 1-2 of 4)** persisting across much of the I-4 corridor and interior Central Florida. The East-Central coastline remains under no drought category this week, with abnormally dry (*receding drought*) just inland. In South Florida, the only changes this week were observed across interior Miami-Dade, Broward, Palm Beach, and Hendry counties. Some of the **extreme drought (level 3 of 4)** has expanded in interior Miami-Dade and Broward counties and **severe drought (level 2 of 4)** in interior Palm Beach and Hendry counties.

Looking ahead, a stretch of drier conditions is expected this week as high pressure builds and a plume of Saharan Air will push over the state. This will keep most of the state dry this week, before moisture begins to return on Friday and rain chances begin to climb, confined mostly to the Southern tip of Florida through the end of the forecast period. Seasonable rain of last week and the expected dry conditions this week is unlikely to lead to major categorical improvements this week. It is reasonable that some areas may see localized drought degradations (*worsening drought*) in the coming weeks given the expected hot and dry spell.

The [Keetch-Byram Drought Index](#) average for Florida is **373** on a scale from 0 (very wet) to 800 (very dry). There are **6** Florida counties that have an average KBDI above 500 (drought/increased fire danger).

Hot temperatures with little rainfall this weekend will encourage **sensitive wildfire conditions** across much of the state despite humidities remaining well above critical thresholds and weak transport winds. Thunderstorms begin to return to the forecast late this week alongside very hot surface temperatures. Any thunderstorms that develop statewide this week may be accompanied by lightning and gusty/erratic winds, which can spark new wildfires or reignite existing ones. According to the [Florida Forest Service](#), there are currently 61 active wildfires across the state burning approximately 27,174 acres (as of 10:30 AM EDT).

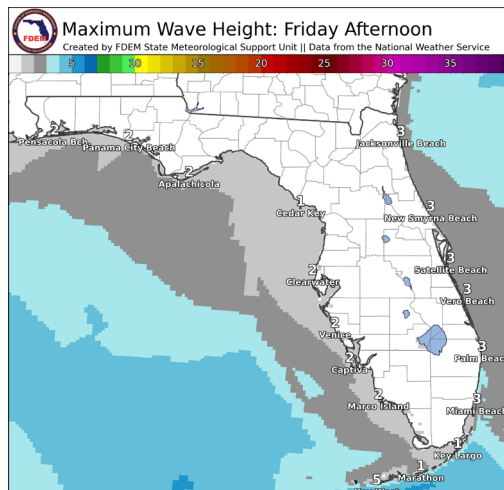


Rip Currents & Marine Hazards:

A localized **high risk for rip currents** within the Emerald Coast today will expand to encompass most of the Panhandle by the end of the week. **High risks for rip currents** are also expected within Florida's Gold Coast on Thursday and within the First Coast on Friday and Saturday. **Moderate risks for rip currents** are expected for all other East Coast beaches this week. A low risk of rip currents is expected across the West Coast this week.

Waves will generally be limited across the state, with Atlantic facing beaches seeing heights of 2-3', increasing to **3-4'** by the end of the week. Gulf facing beaches will generally be limited to 1-2' surf heights this week.

The latest **Blue-Green Algae** dashboard shows there have been 117 reports of algal bloom conditions within the last 30 days. **High levels** have been observed in Lake Okeechobee. **Moderate levels** have been observed in Lake Okeechobee, the St. Johns River, Spring Garden Lake – North, and the Caloosahatchee River - Moody Canal at Del Prado Blvd.



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Have a wonderful rest of your week!

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