Florida Division of Emergency Management
State Watch Office

Morning Situation Report

Monday, November 2, 2026

State Emergency Operations Center Activation Level

Level 1: Full Activation

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Response Regional Coordination Team

Team	County Location	Visits
Region 1: Jim Roberts	Gadsden, Washington	End of Month Admin / Isaias Recovery Calls / VFL Meeting
Region 2: Enrique Gaston	Franklin	Isaias Debrief
Region 3: Glen Hammers	Columbia, Suwannee, Baker	Logistics Support / SERT Call
Region 4: Tara Kostich	Baker	County EM Meeting
Region 5: Austin Beeghly	Seminole, Brevard	Flash Flooding Response
Region 6: Paul Siddall	Manatee	ESF-8 Meeting
Region 7: Brian Carey	Okeechobee	Flash Flooding Response
Region 8: Keila Puello	Palm Beach	Plane Crash & Flooding Response
Region 9: Brittany Bremer	Pinellas	G-141 Course
Region 10: Claudia Baker	Palm Beach	Plane Crash & Flooding Response

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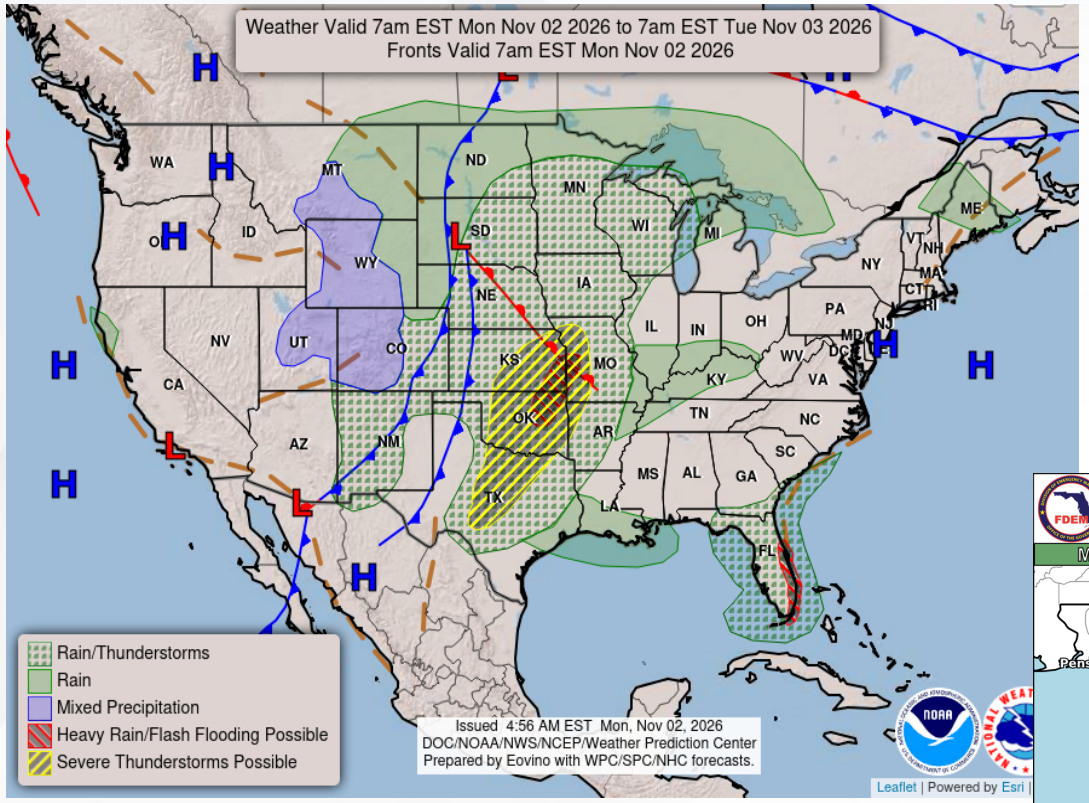
Recovery Regional Coordination Team

Team	County Location	Status / Activities
Region 1: Allison Blevins	Holmes / Washington	Hurricane Isaias Recovery
Region 2: Justin Lazzara	Flagler	Recovery Meeting
Region 3: Kevin Blom	Columbia	Recovery Meeting
Region 4: Joshua Saunders	Flagler	Recovery Meeting
Region 5: Elizabeth Caison	Flagler	Recovery Meeting
Region 6: Rick Rogers	Citrus	Recovery Meeting
Region 7: Vacant	N/A	N/A (See Coverage)
Region 8: Vacant	N/A	N/A (See Coverage)
Region 9: Vacant	N/A	N/A (See Coverage)
Region 10: Brian Lee	Miami-Dade	Recovery Meeting

Region 7 Coverage Provided by Recovery Coordinator 6 & 10
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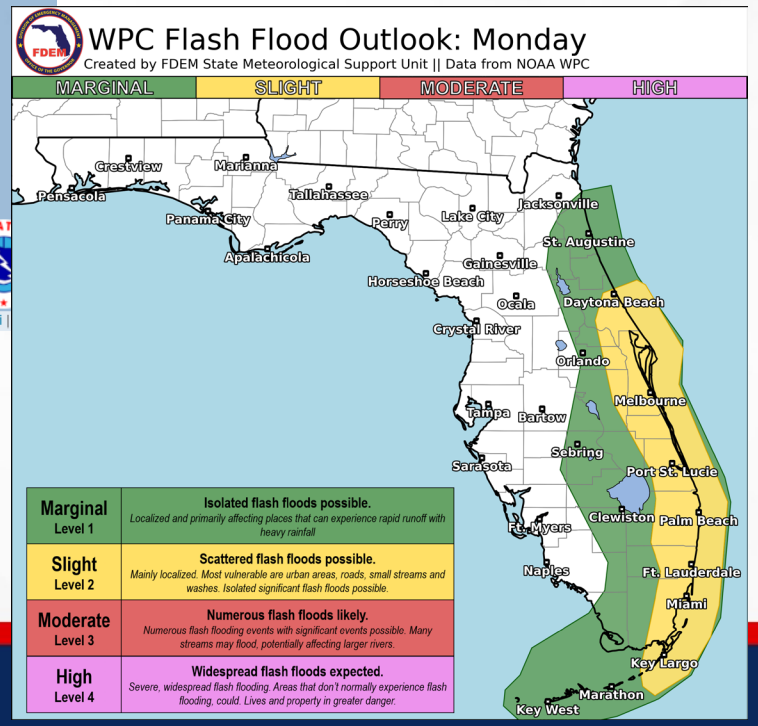
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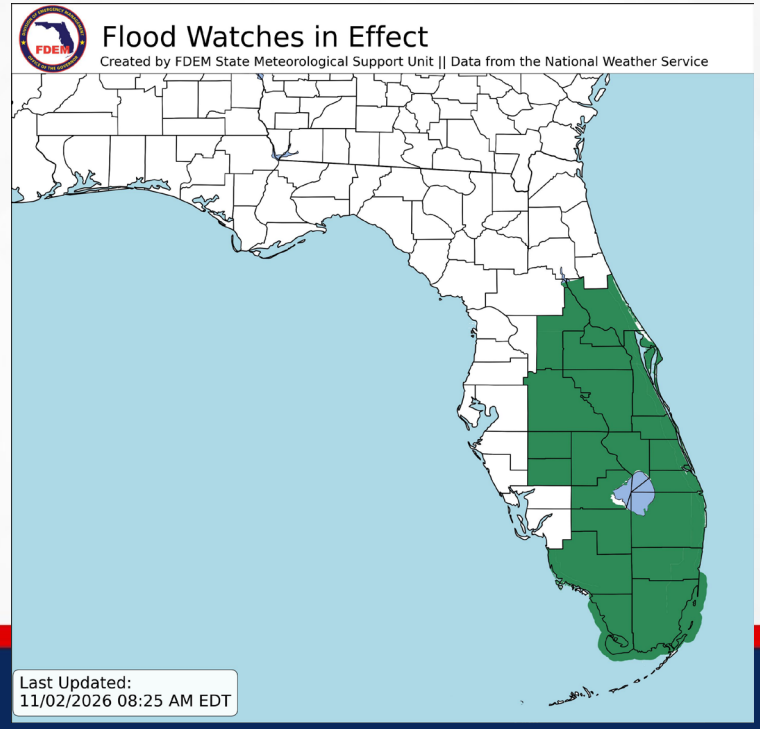
Meteorology Summary



Today's Weather Map

Threat	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	R9	R10
Lightning				M	M	L	L	M	L	M
Tornado										
Damaging Wind										
Hail										
Flash Flooding				M	H	L	L	H	L	M
Extreme Heat										
Fog (Overnight)										
Wildfire										
Rip Currents	H	H	L	H	H	L		H	L	H
Lake Okeechobee Elevation	13.01ft. (2.01 ft. Below Normal)									
Keetch-Byram Drought Index	244 (-1) on a scale from 0 (very moist) to 800 (very dry)									





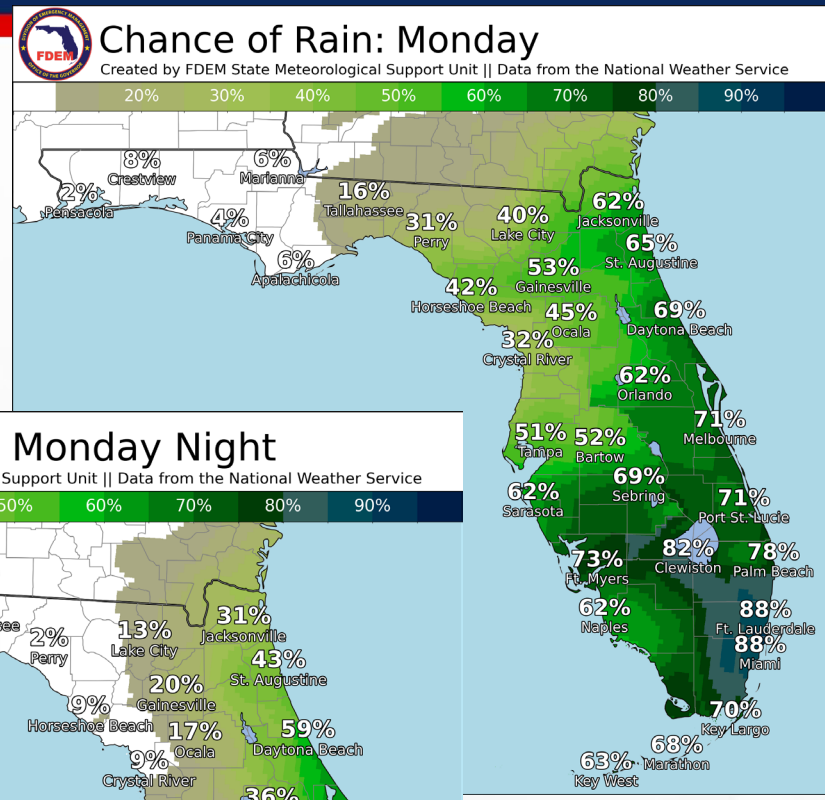
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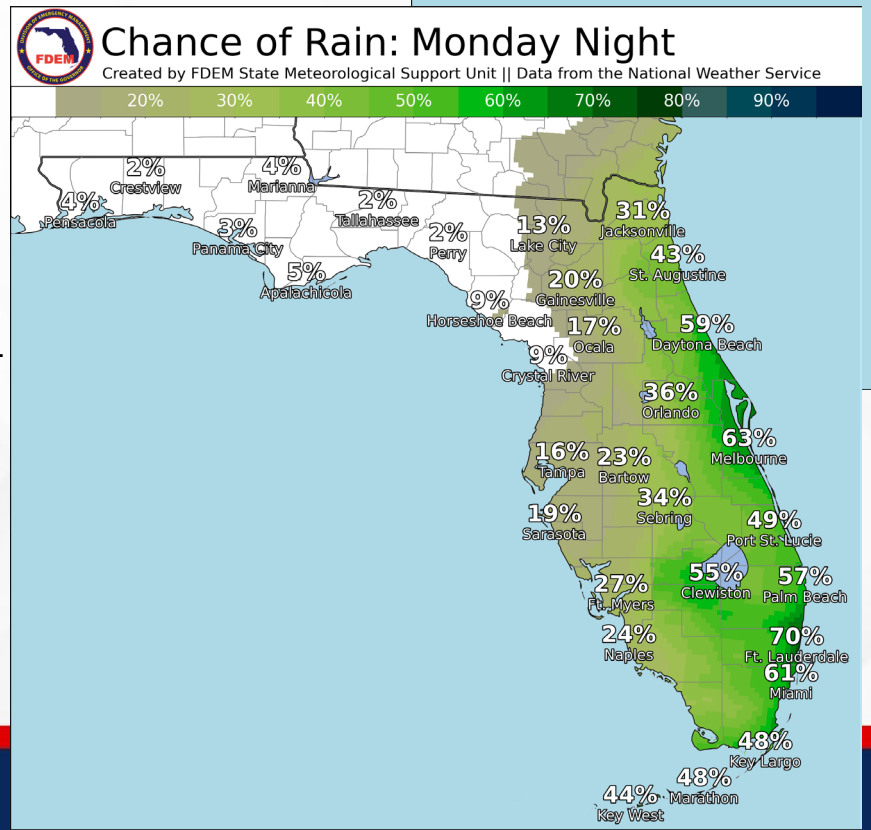
Statewide Overview, Next 24 Hours:

An upper-level disturbance remains over the state bringing with it a wet and unsettled day across most of Central and South Florida. Morning radar imagery is tracking a large rainfall event extending across the Southern portion of the state, with a Life-Threatening Flash Flooding event occurring across Brevard County near Palm Bay. Coverage and intensity of rainfall will continue in these areas through at least this afternoon. Currently, a **Marginal Risk (level 1 of 4) for Flash Flooding** is outlooked across Inland and Southeast Counties along the East Coast. A **Slight Risk (level 2 of 4) for Flash Flooding** is outlooked across most of the East Coast, where recent and **significant rainfall events are leading to instances of Flash Flooding**. **Flood Watches** are in effect across a large portion of South and Central Florida through tonight. With forcing from the upper-level disturbance still present and plentiful moisture overhead, bouts of heavy rainfall will persist well into today, particularly along the East Coast (60-80% chance of rain).

Temperatures remain unseasonably warm, though cloud coverage and rainfall will help modulate them somewhat. Highs today range from the upper 70s to the lower 80s statewide. Overnight lows will range from the lower to middle 60s across North FL to the lower 70s across Central Florida, and mid-70s across South Florida.

Onshore winds continue to gradually taper off, and alongside declining astronomical influences, coastal flooding concerns have continued to decline as well. All Coastal Flood Warnings along the East Coast have been cancelled. **Coastal Flood Advisories** remain in effect for the tidal St. Johns River Basin, Southeast Florida, and the Florida Keys for **minor to moderate coastal flooding**.





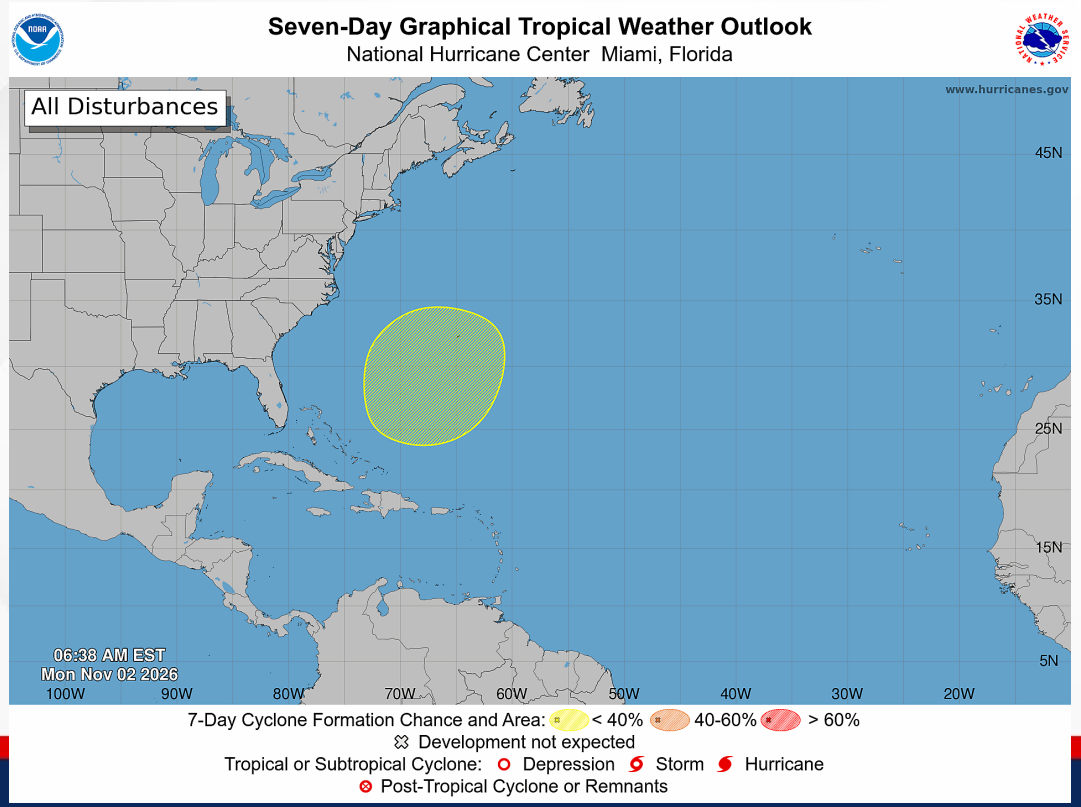
Tropical Weather

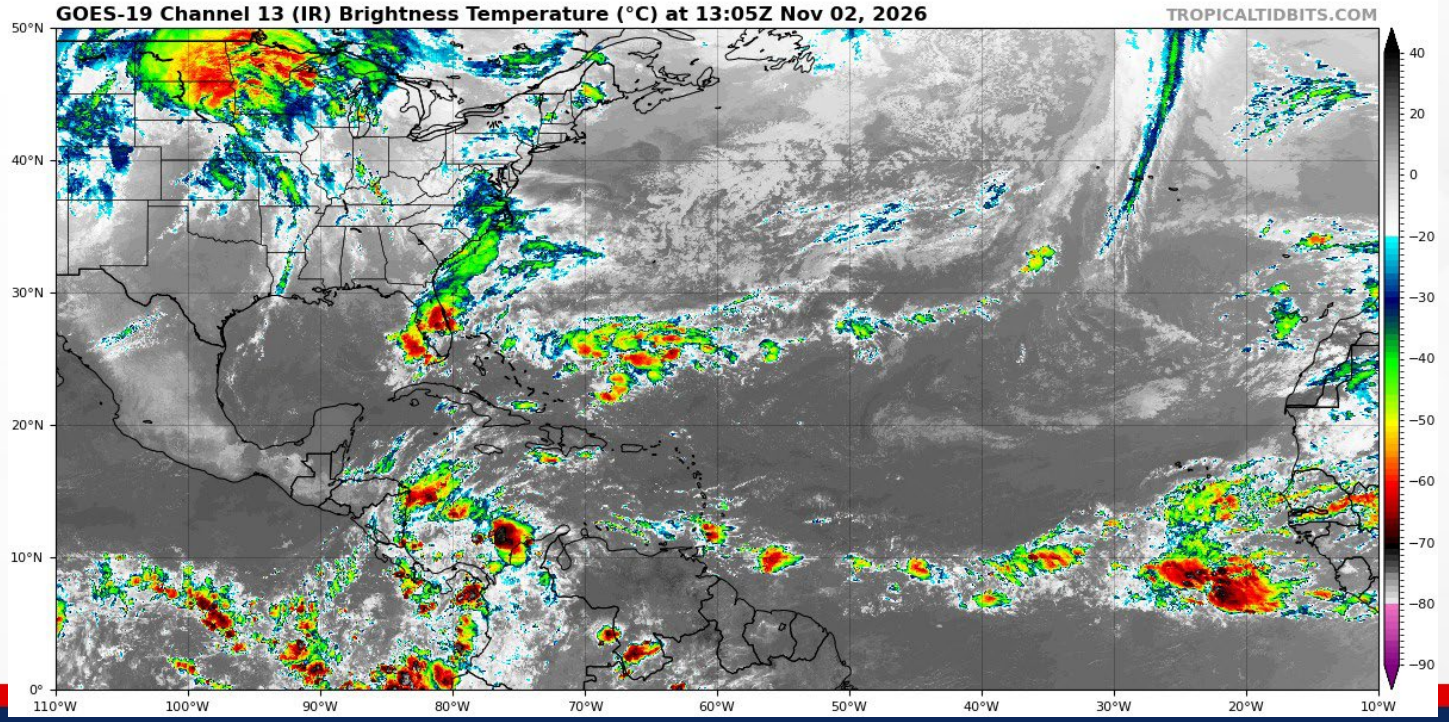
For the latest on the tropics, please visit the National Hurricane Center (NHC) at www.hurricanes.gov.

Western Atlantic:

An area of low pressure is likely to form along a weakening frontal boundary a few hundred miles northeast of the Bahamas in a couple of days. This system could acquire some subtropical characteristics late this week while it drifts over the western Atlantic. The chances of subtropical development should end by the weekend. ***This system poses no threat to Florida.***

- Formation chance through 48 hours...low... 20 percent.
- Formation chance through 7 days... low... 20 percent.





Coastal Hazards & Hydrology

Rip Currents: There is a **High Risk for Rip Currents** today across all East Coast Beaches, Franklin County Beaches, and Western Panhandle Beaches. A **Moderate Risk for Rip Currents** is outlooked for the Central Florida Panhandle. A low risk for rip currents is outlooked across the West Coast. For the latest Rip Current Outlook, visit www.weather.gov/beach.

Marine Hazards: **Poor marine conditions** continue today with easterly winds of **15-25 knots** along the Atlantic Coast. A **Small Craft Advisory** is in effect for all East Coast, Panhandle, and West Coast waters north of Charlotte County. Wave heights will be highest across the East Coast FL today, at **6-8'**. Wave heights will be lower along the Panhandle, at around **3-5',** and along the West Coast of Florida, at **1-3'.**

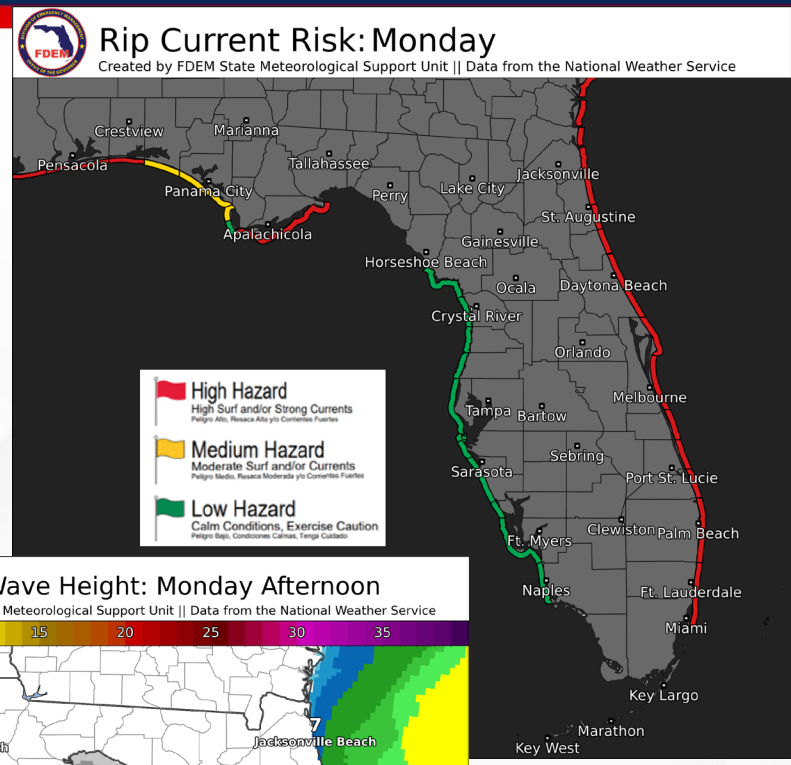
Red Tide: Red tide was observed at background concentrations in Escambia, Okaloosa, and Franklin Counties and medium concentrations in Gulf and Bay County. (10/30).

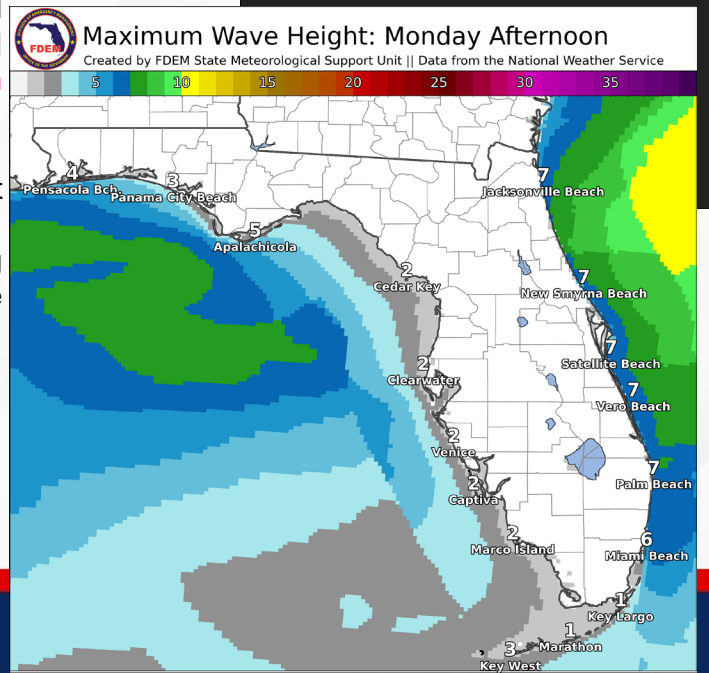
Coastal Flooding: **Coastal Flood Advisories** remain in effect for the tidal St. Johns River Basin, Southeast Florida, and the Florida Keys for **minor to moderate coastal flooding**. Inundation of low-lying areas along coastal locations could occur around the time of high tide. **Flood Watches** are in effect for portions of South and Central Florida through tonight, where **multiple flood warnings** have been issued this morning. A Life-Threatening **Flash Flood Emergency** is occurring over Brevard, and additional flooding is expected late morning into the afternoon.

Flash Flooding: A **Marginal Risk (level 1 of 4) for Flash Flooding** has been outlooked across the Southeast Coast of Florida. A **Slight Risk (level 2 of 4) for Flash Flooding** is outlooked across the East Coast of Florida. Additional rainfall accumulations of **1-3"** is expected, though higher amounts of **3-5"+** is possible, especially along the East Coast where rainfall is persisting. As seen this morning, flash flooding is likely to occur over regions where soils are already saturated. For more information, visit the Weather Prediction Center.

Riverine Flooding: The St Johns River at Astor remains in **moderate flood stage.** This gauge is expected to remain at moderate stage for at least the next week. For more information, visit the River Forecast Center.

Lake Okeechobee's average elevation is 13.02 feet, which is 2.01 feet below normal for this time of year and in the water shortage management band.



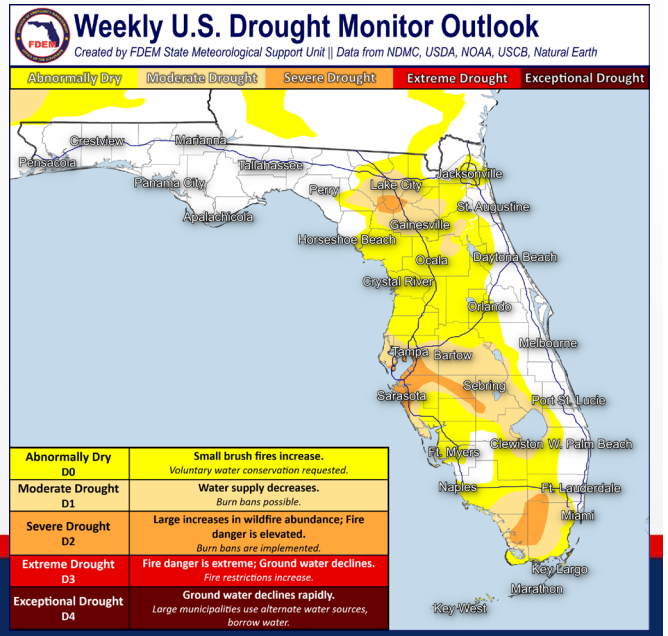


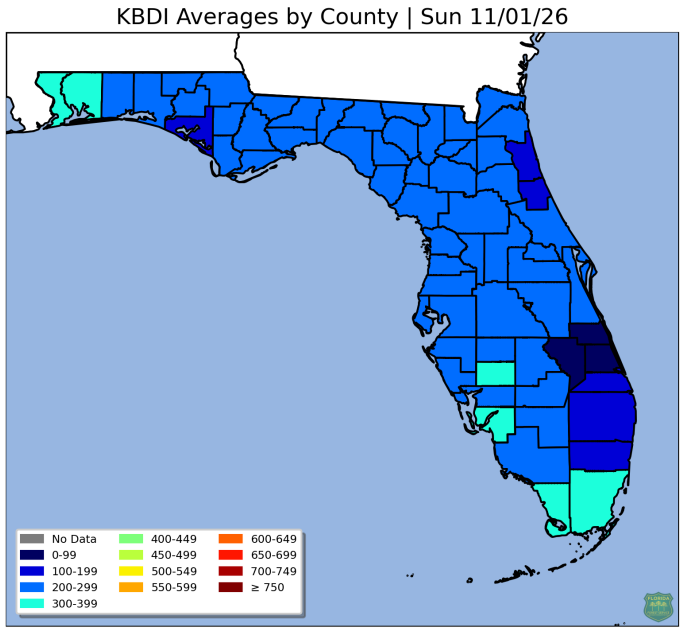
Drought & Fire Weather

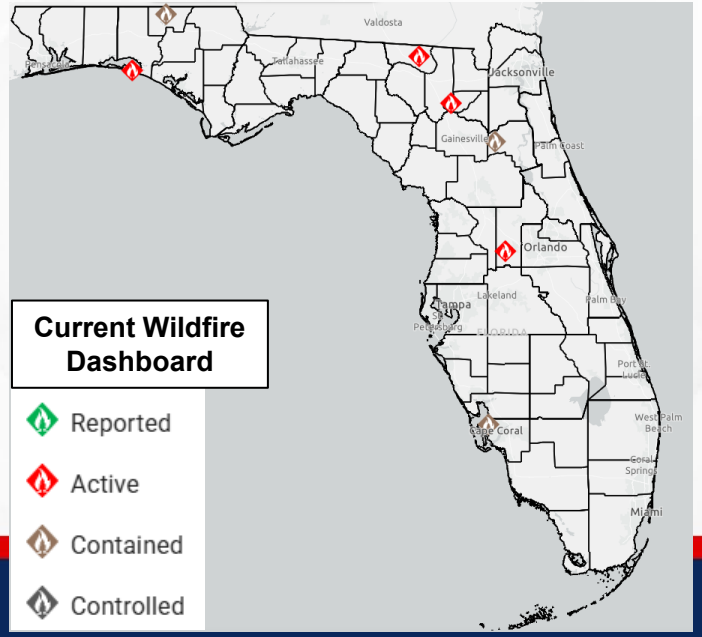
Fire Weather: No fire weather concerns are in the forecast today as an upper-level disturbance brings widespread rainfall and higher relative humidities. According to the Florida Forest Service, there are 7 active wildfire, across the state burning approximately 2090 acres.

Drought (10/27/26): Minimal drought improvements were made this week across much of the state. 1 category improvement in pockets of Hendry and Collier county led to a smaller area of moderate drought (level 1 of 4) in the region. Only a small remaining spot of severe drought (level 2 of 4) is in place across the lower Santa Fe Basin, surrounded by an area of moderate drought (level 1 of 4) across the remainder of the Santa Fe River Basin. Along the Florida West Coast, no category drought improvement was designated through the Tampa metro southward to Fort Myers, resulting in only a small area of severe drought (level 2 of 4) from Tampa southward to Sarasota and just south of Sebring. Surrounding this area over the Florida interior along the Kissimmee River into Lake Okeechobee is an area of moderate drought (level 1 of 4). Much of the state remains unchanged this week. Only about 5% of the state remains in severe drought (level 2 of 4). About 42% of the state has no drought designation.

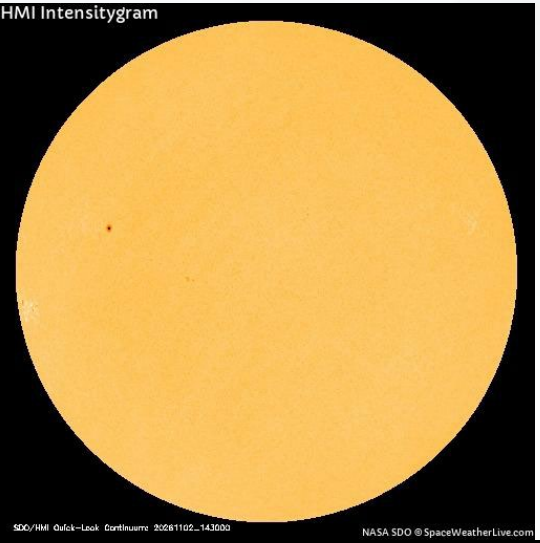
The Keetch-Byram Drought Index average for Florida on Tuesday was **244** **(-1)** on a scale from 0 (very wet) to 800 (very dry). Most increases occurred across the Florida Panhandle and Southwest Florida. There are **0 out of 67** Florida counties that have an average KBDI above 500 (drought/increased fire danger).



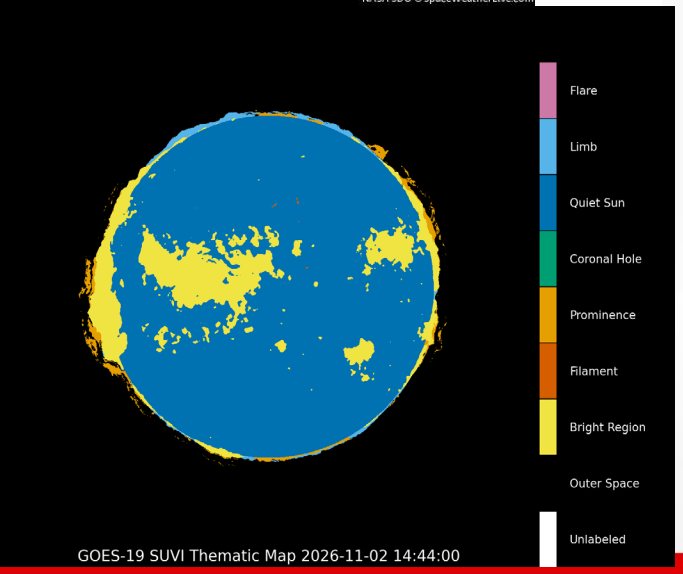


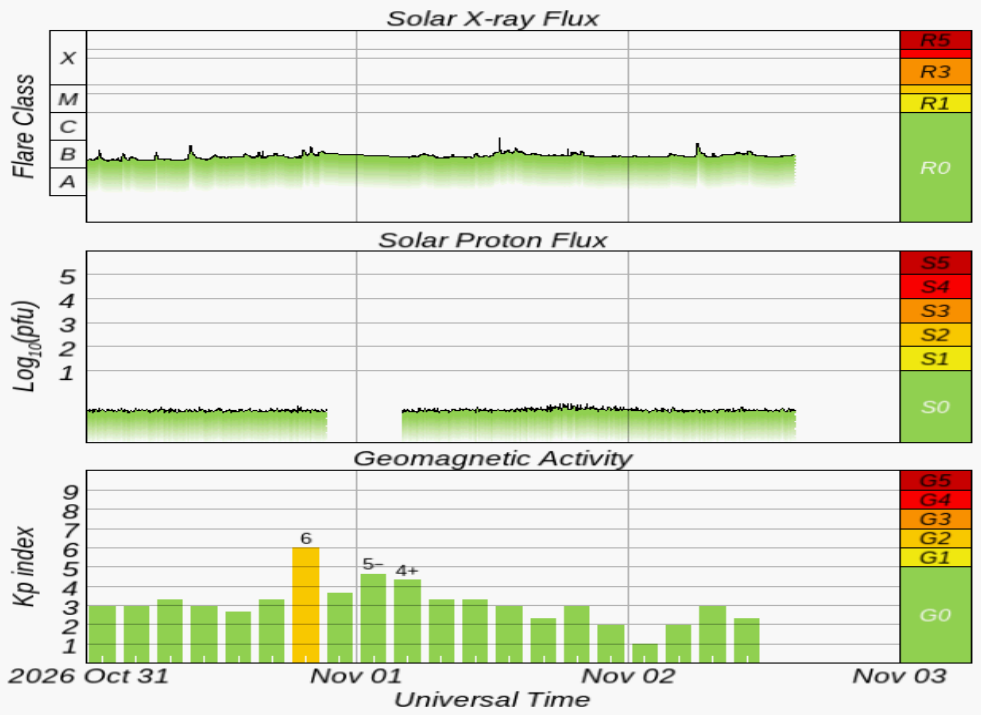


Space Weather



Current Sunspots





Solar Flare Risk	Active Watches & Warnings	Past 24 hours
M-class: 1%	Geomagnetic Storm: None	C1 Solar Flare
X-class: 1%	Radiation Storm: None	No Radio Blackouts

48-Hour Geomagnetic Forecast

11/2	11/3
Max Kp= 3 (G0)	Max Kp= 2 (G0)
Chance of minor activity = 5% severe activity = 1%	Chance of minor activity = 1% severe activity = 1%

Space Weather: Solar activity is expected to be at very low levels through 4 Nov, with an isolated chance for a C-class flare. Enhanced solar wind conditions continue through 2 Nov from positive polarity coronal high speed stream (+CH HSS) influences. The geomagnetic field is expected to be at quiet levels today through 4 Nov due to waning +CH HSS influences. The overall space weather threat to Florida is very low.

SWO Communications Systems & Contact Information

Equipment	Contact	Status	Comments
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Fax:	850-815-4979	Operational	
Email:	SWP@em.myflorida.com	Operational	
SWO Tracker:	https://swo.floridadisaster.org	Operational	
SLERS:	DEM Statewide	Operational	
FNARS:	WGY974	Not Operational	System in Transition
Federal NAWAS:	State Watch Office	Not Operational	System in Transition
EMnet Message:	FL.000 - State Watch Office	Not Operational	System in Transition
EMnet Voice:	FL SWP - State Watch Office	Not Operational	System in Transition
IPAWS:	300006 - FL Florida Division of Emergency Management	Operational	
FIN:	SOFEOC	Not Operational	System in Transition
Satellite Phones:	MSAT 888-890-5178; Iridium 480-263-8838	Operational	
Website:	https://floridadisaster.org	Operational	

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