

FEMA National Watch Center

Daily Operations Briefing

Monday, July 20, 2026

8:30 a.m. ET



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National Current Operations / Monitoring

New Significant Incidents / Ongoing Operations

- Flooding – Texas

Hazard Monitoring

- Severe Thunderstorms – Upper Mississippi Valley to the Great Lakes
- Heavy Rain / Flash Flooding – Southwest, Mid-Atlantic
- Tropical Activity:
 - Eastern and Central Pacific:
 - Tropical Storm Elida
 - Tropical Storm Fausto
 - Disturbance 1: Med (60%); Disturbance 2: Low (20%)
 - Atlantic:
 - Tropical Depression Two

Disaster Declaration Activity

- Amendment No. 1 to FEMA-3649-EM-TX

Event Monitoring

- FIFA World Cup 2026 / America 250 – FINAL



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Flooding – Texas



Situation and Analysis: Federal resources remain engaged in state response and recovery operations. Stabilization efforts continue to show improvement in the transportation lifeline. The flash flood threat in west Texas is decreasing, though some slow-moving rain showers may occur within the impacted areas. Rio Grande River flooding is expected to drop below Moderate to Major levels overnight while other major rivers are forecast to remain in Major flood stage as water continues moving downstream. (FEMA Region 6 SLB, as of 6:24 p.m. ET, Jul 19)

Lifeline Impacts: (FEMA Region 6 SLB, as of 6:08 p.m. ET, Jul 19)

Safety & Security: State and Federal US&R resources remain engaged in affected areas

- Over 275 rescues conducted to date
- Kickapoo Traditional Tribe of TX under precautionary voluntary evacuations **ongoing**; damage assessment planned as water levels lower to normal

Food, Hydration, Shelter: 3 shelters open / 29 (-97) occupants

Health & Medical: 2 confirmed fatalities reported

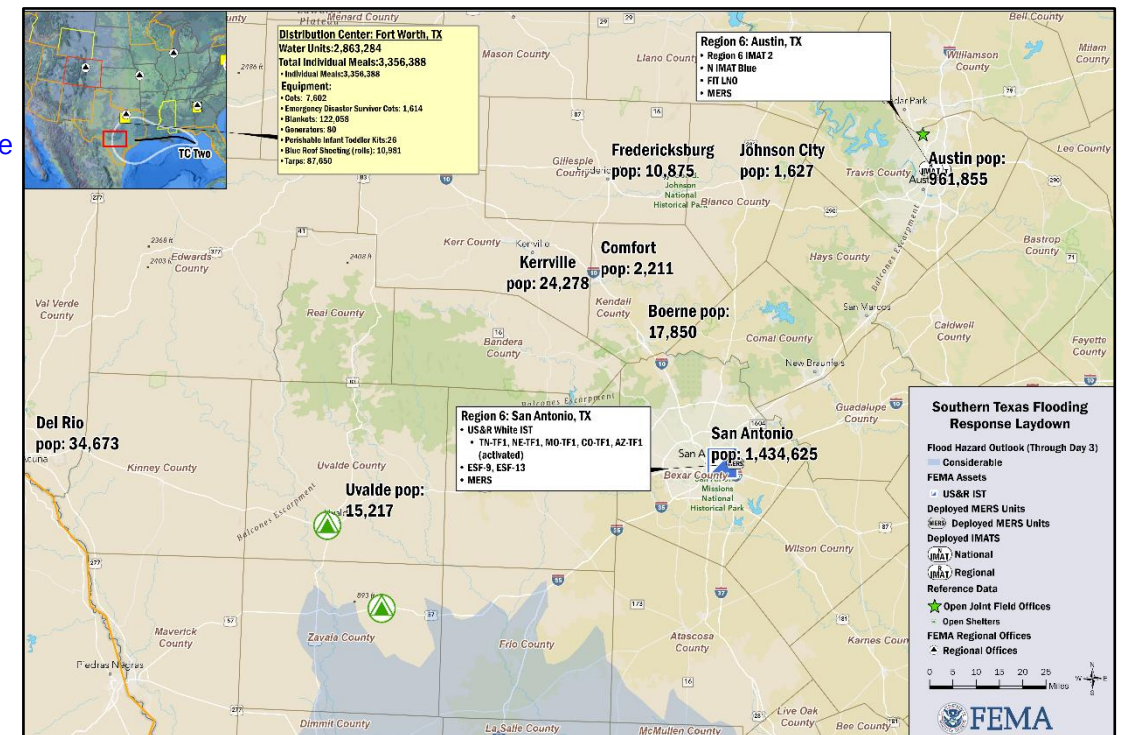
Water Systems:

- Water system impacts remain minimal with (4 (+1)) boil water notices)
- 5 public water systems experiencing impacts serving Blanco, Comal, Zavala, and Dimmit Counties (pop. 57K)

Communications: Industry partners report all repairs completed; operating at normal levels

Transportation: TxDOT has significant resources conducting damage assessments and route clearing

- 59 (-19) state-maintained roadways impacted, 45 (-19) of which have segment closures
- Amtrak's Sunset Limited trains between El Paso and San Antonio, TX have resumed
- Temporary flight restrictions **have been lifted**



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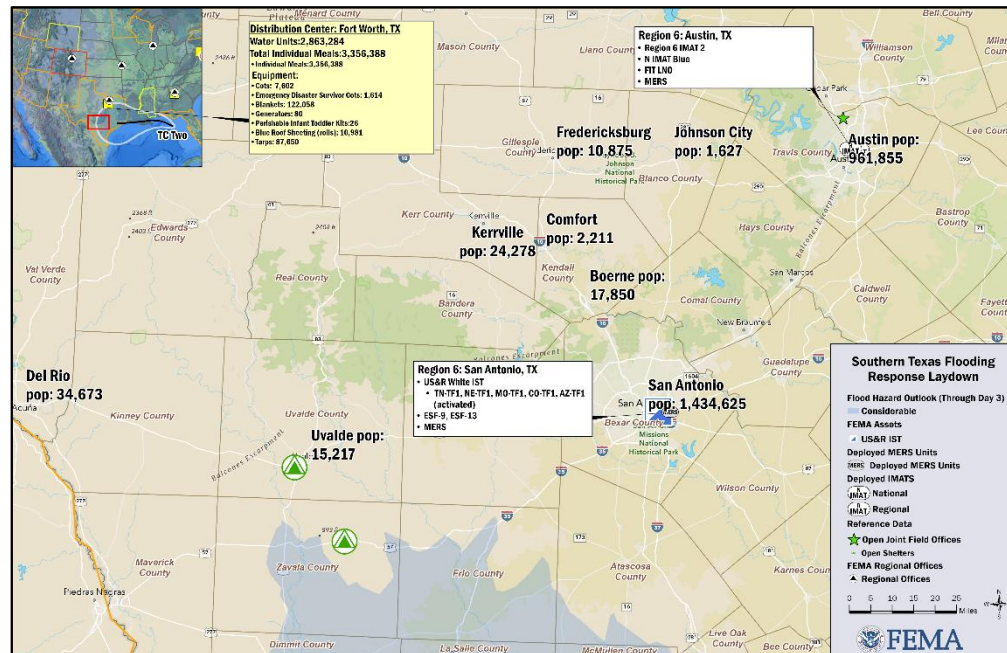
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Flooding – Texas



State / Local Response: (FEMA Region 6 SLB, as of 6:24 p.m. ET, Jul 19)

- TX SEOC at Partial Activation (Flooding); Emergency Declaration approved Jul 18 (EM-3649-TX)
- TX DPS positioned swift-water rescue boat teams, helicopters with hoist capability, and Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) teams
- Texas A&M Forest Service Strike Teams assigned in San Antonio and College Station
- TxDOT is providing route clearance and traffic control at impacted roadways



Federal / FEMA Response: (FEMA Region 6 SLB, as of 6:24 p.m. ET, Jul 19)

FEMA Region 6:

- Region 6 Watch is Enhanced (Flooding); RRCC is Activated with all ESFs and DoW
- R-IMAT 1 Deployed (DR-4927-LA); R-IMAT 2 is Deployed (EM-3649-TX)
- FIT LNO Deployed to TX SEOC; FCO Deployed to Austin, TX

HQ:

- NWC is **Monitoring**
- N-IMAT Blue Deployed to Austin, TX

US&R:

- ESF #9 Advisory issued
- 5 Type III Urban Search and Rescue (US&R) are fully operational, with task assignments by TDEM
- Incident Support Team (IST) Deployed to San Antonio, TX

Federal Partners: (NGB LNO to FEMA as of 2:17 p.m. ET, Jul 19)

- TX National Guard has 336 activated personnel
 - 8 Blackhawks and 2 Lakota helicopters providing flood response support
 - TXNG reports 18 rescues, 3 evacuations, 19 critical patient transports, 6 animal rescues, and 10 recon missions

FEMA NWC will continue to monitor the situation in coordination with FEMA Region 6. Updates will be provided in the FEMA Daily Operations Briefing (8:30 a.m. ET) and in the twice daily FEMA National Situation Report (3:00 a.m. ET / 5:00 p.m. ET).

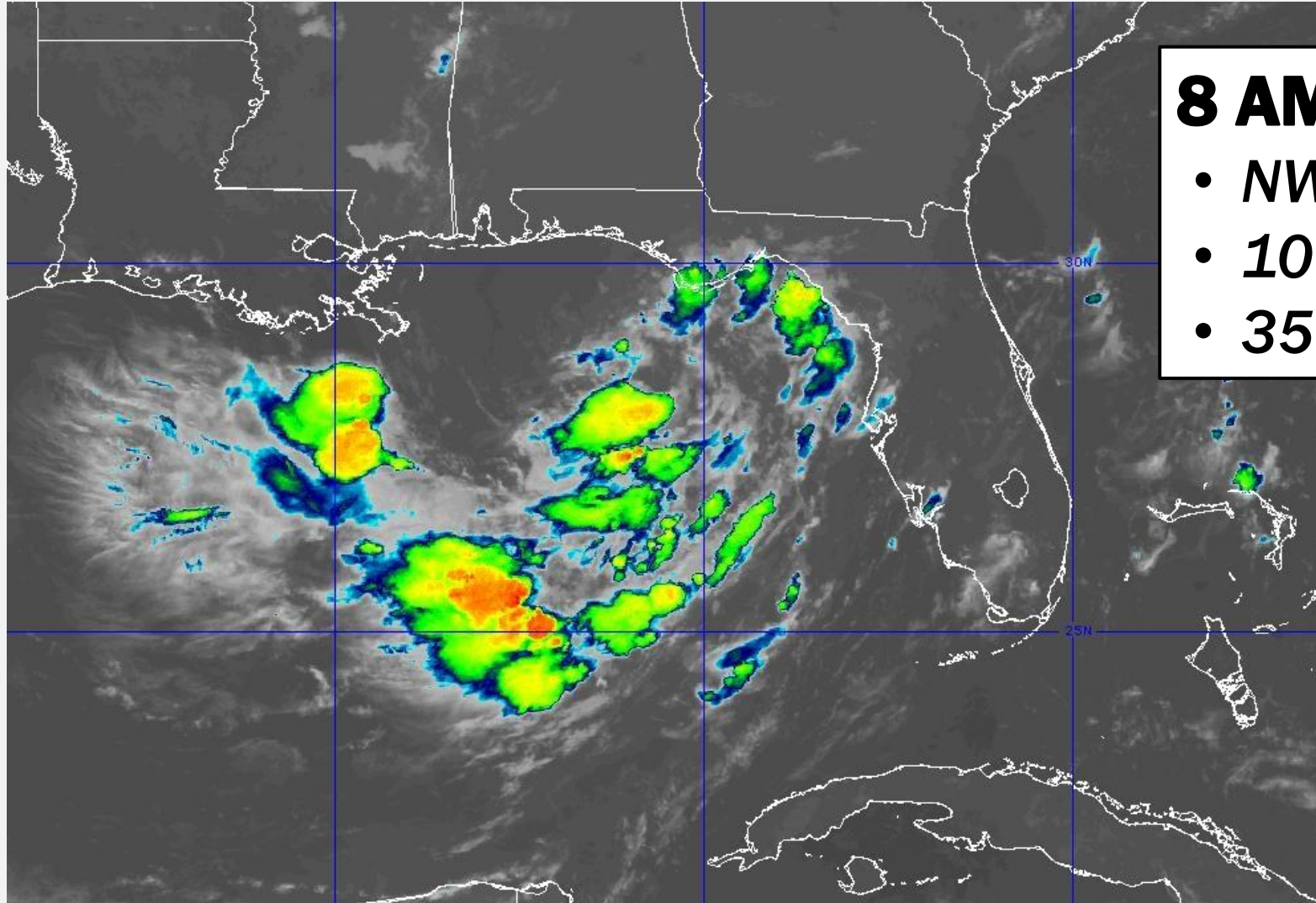


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SATELLITE LOOP



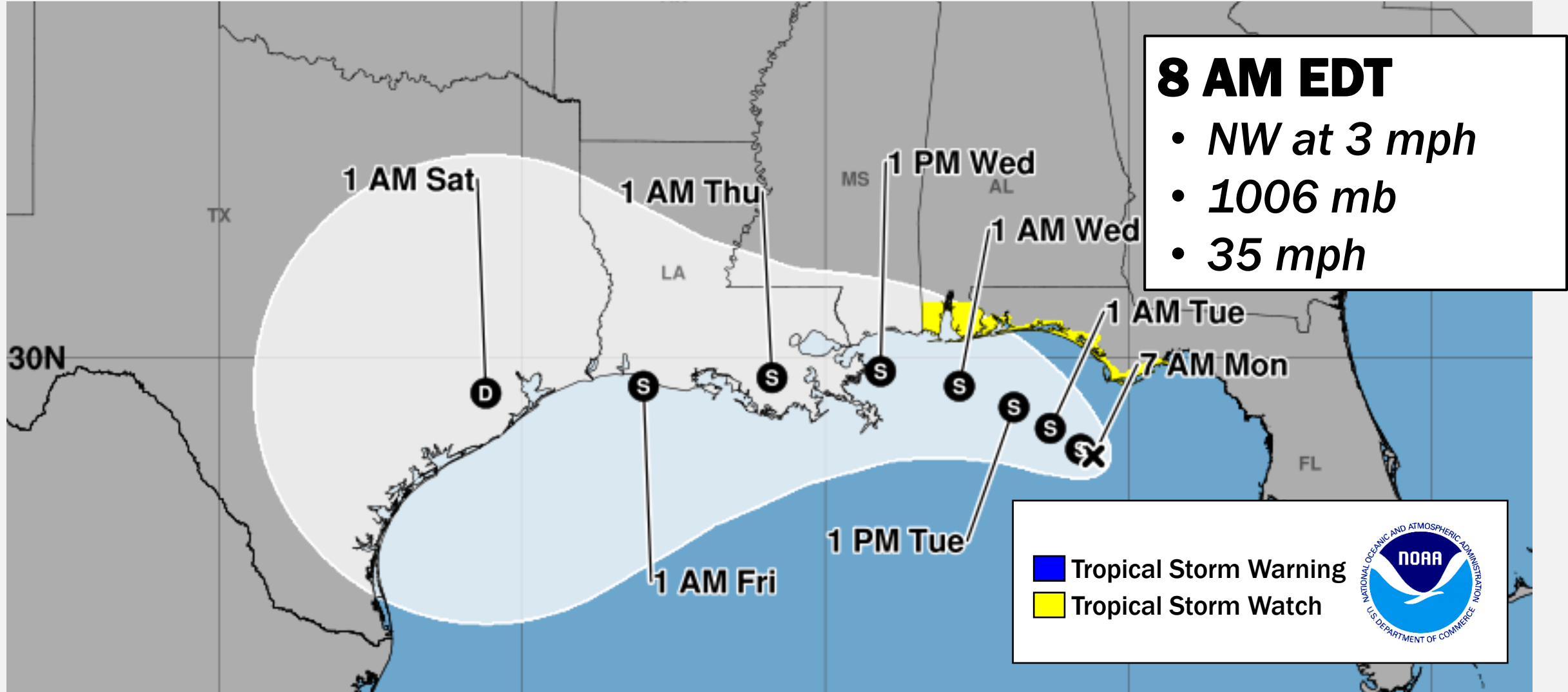
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- *NW at 3 mph*
- *1006 mb*
- *35 mph*



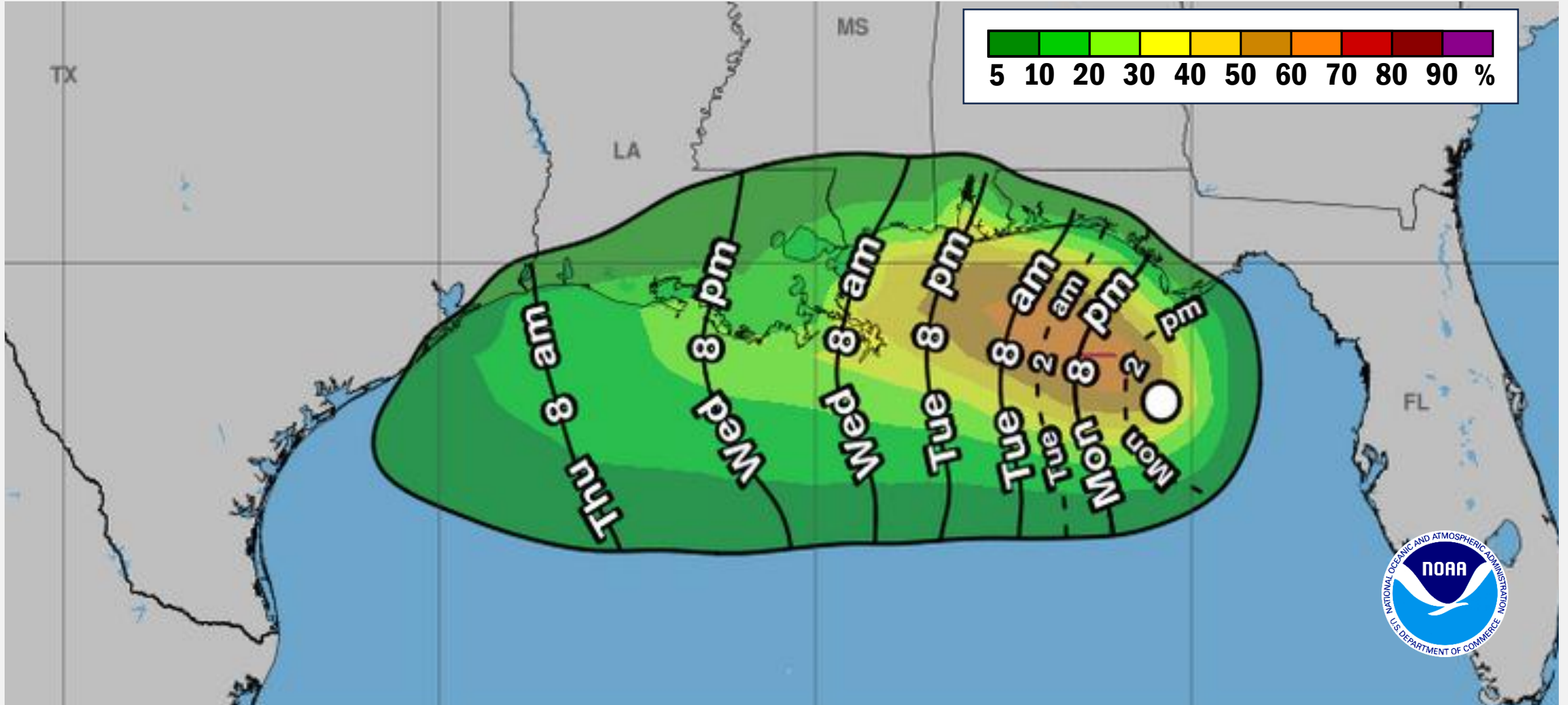
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FORECAST TRACK



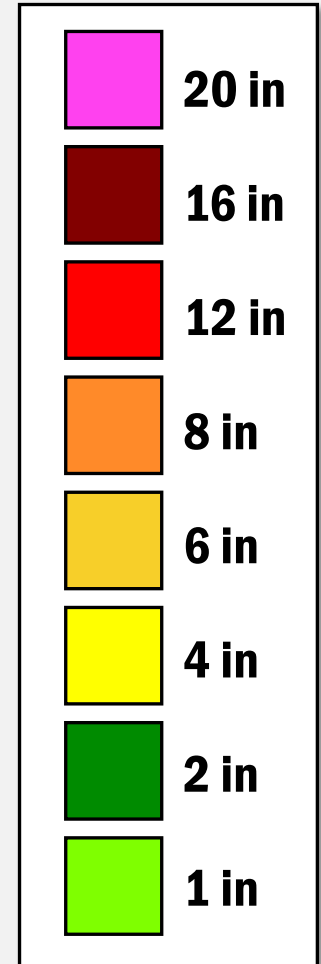
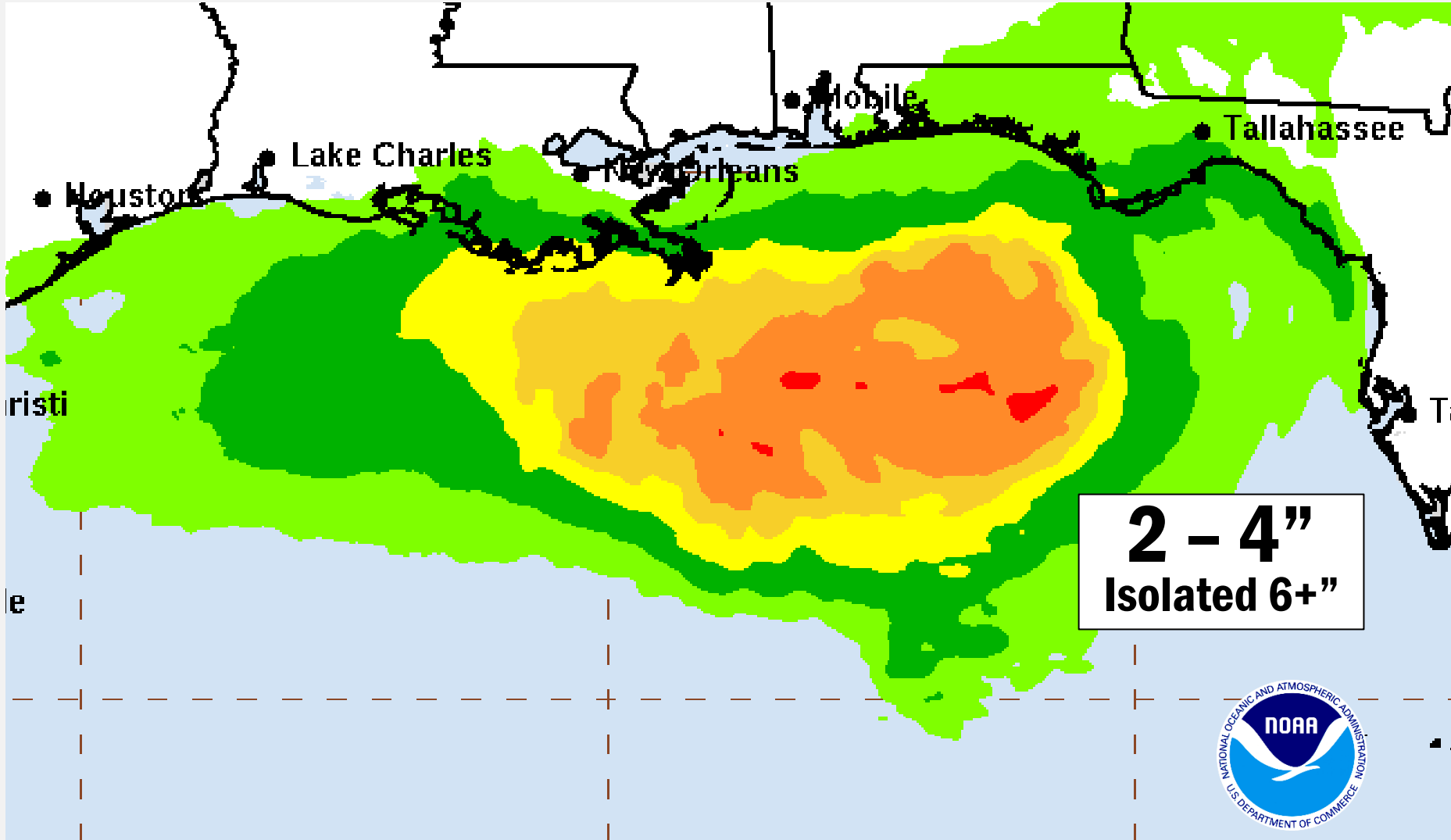
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MOST LIKELY ARRIVAL OF TROPICAL STORM WINDS



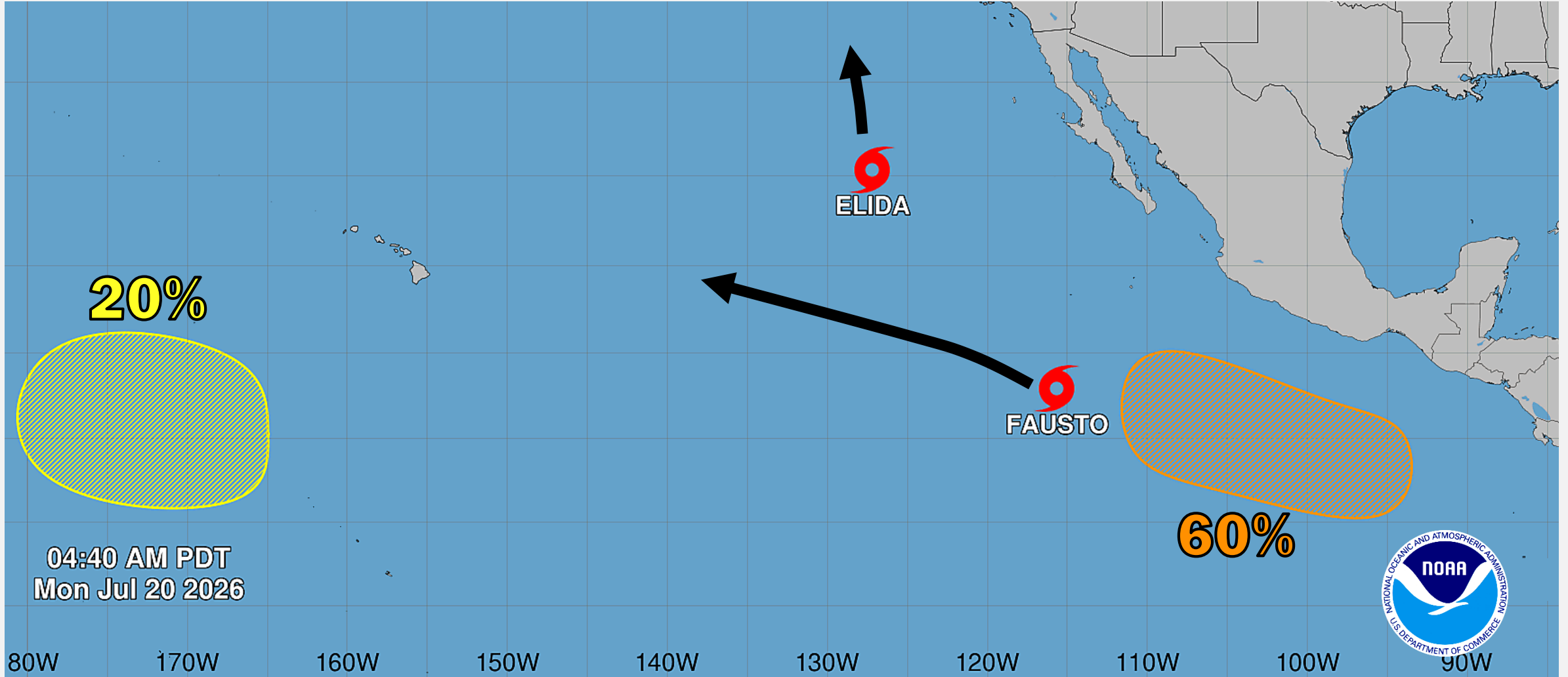
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5 DAY RAINFALL

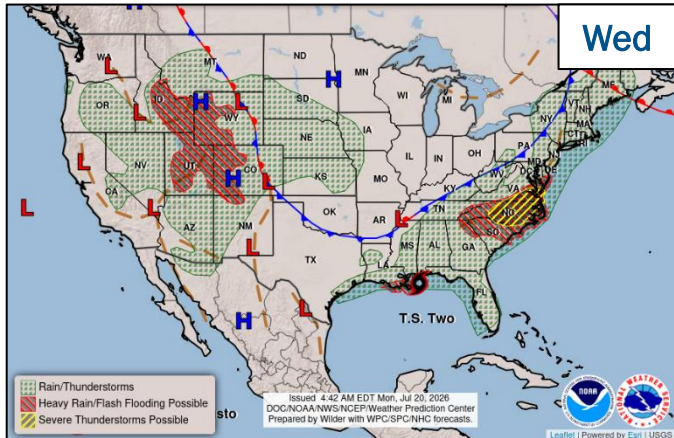
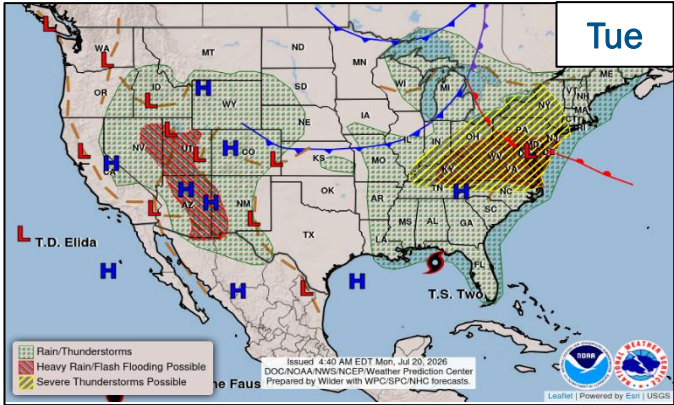
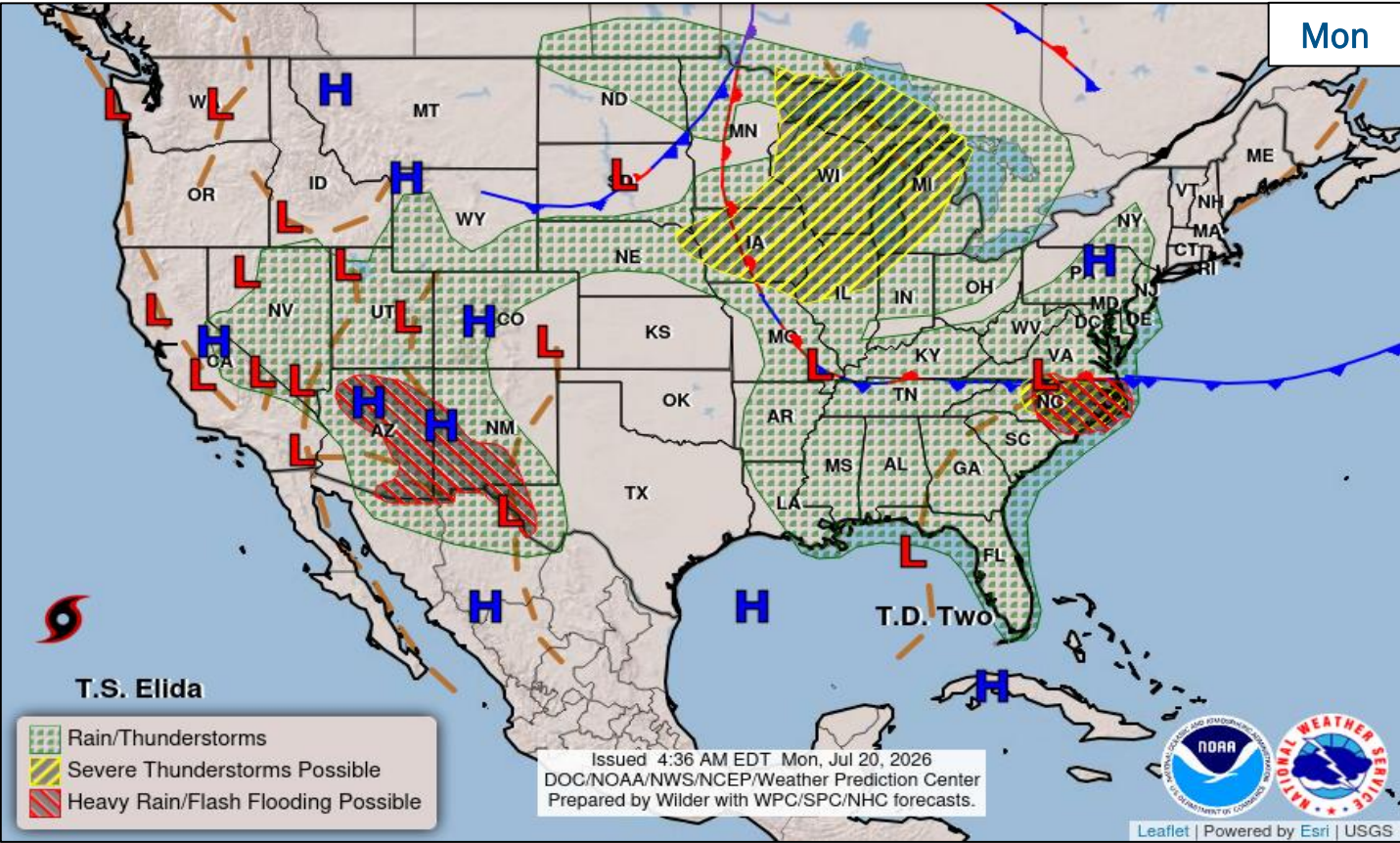


Central and East Pacific Overview

TROPICAL OUTLOOK

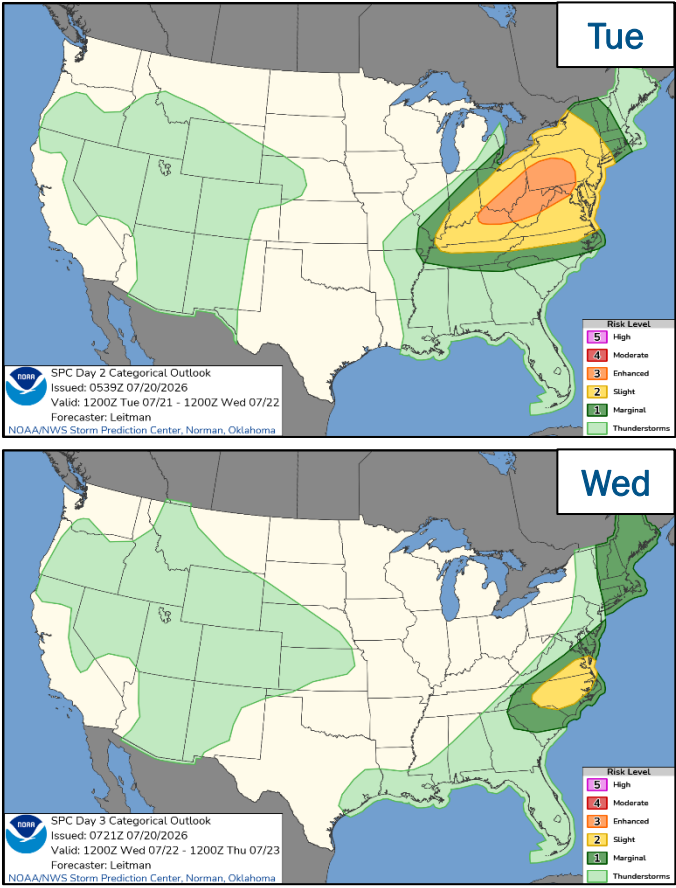
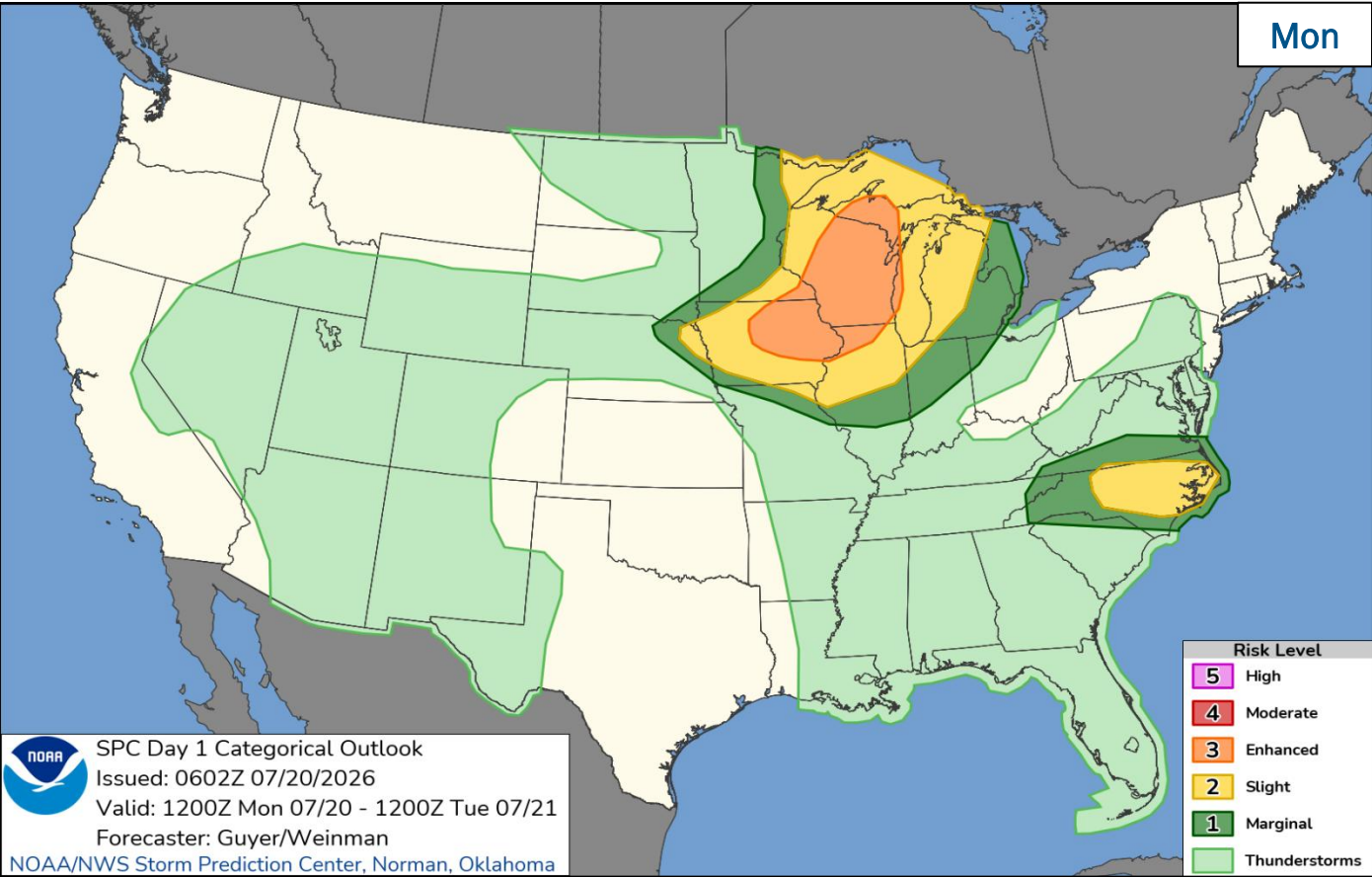


National Weather Forecast



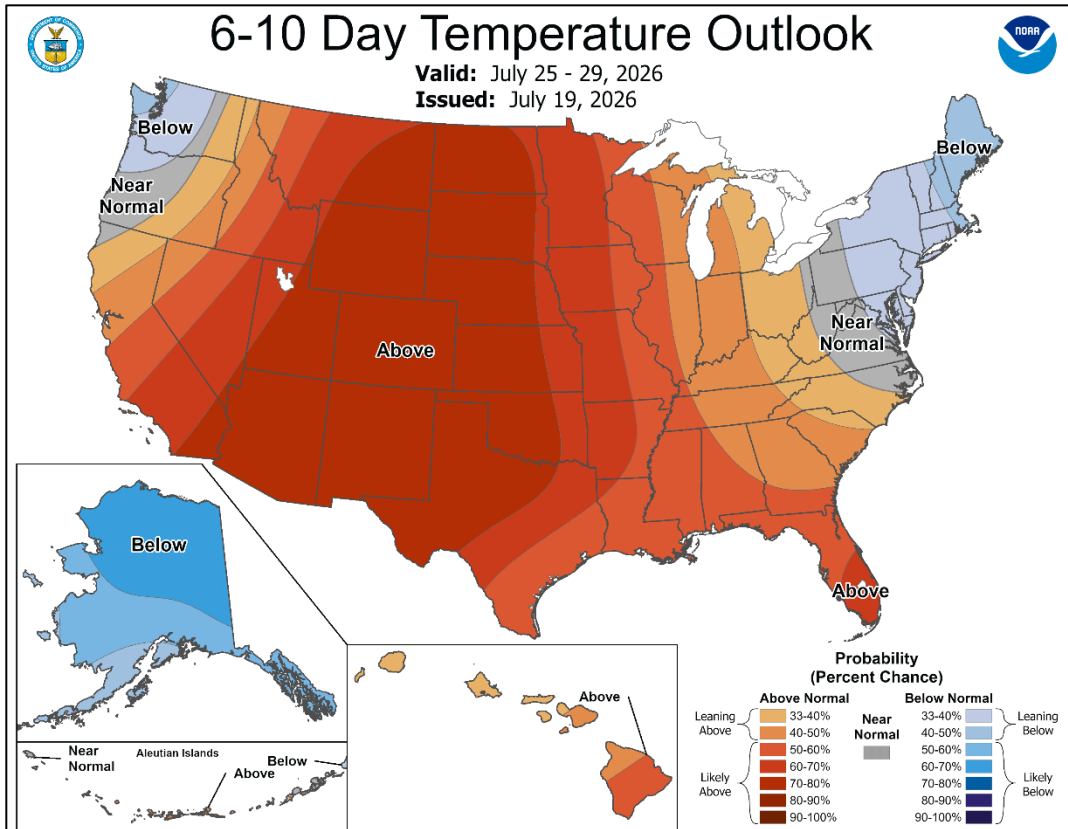
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Severe Weather Outlook

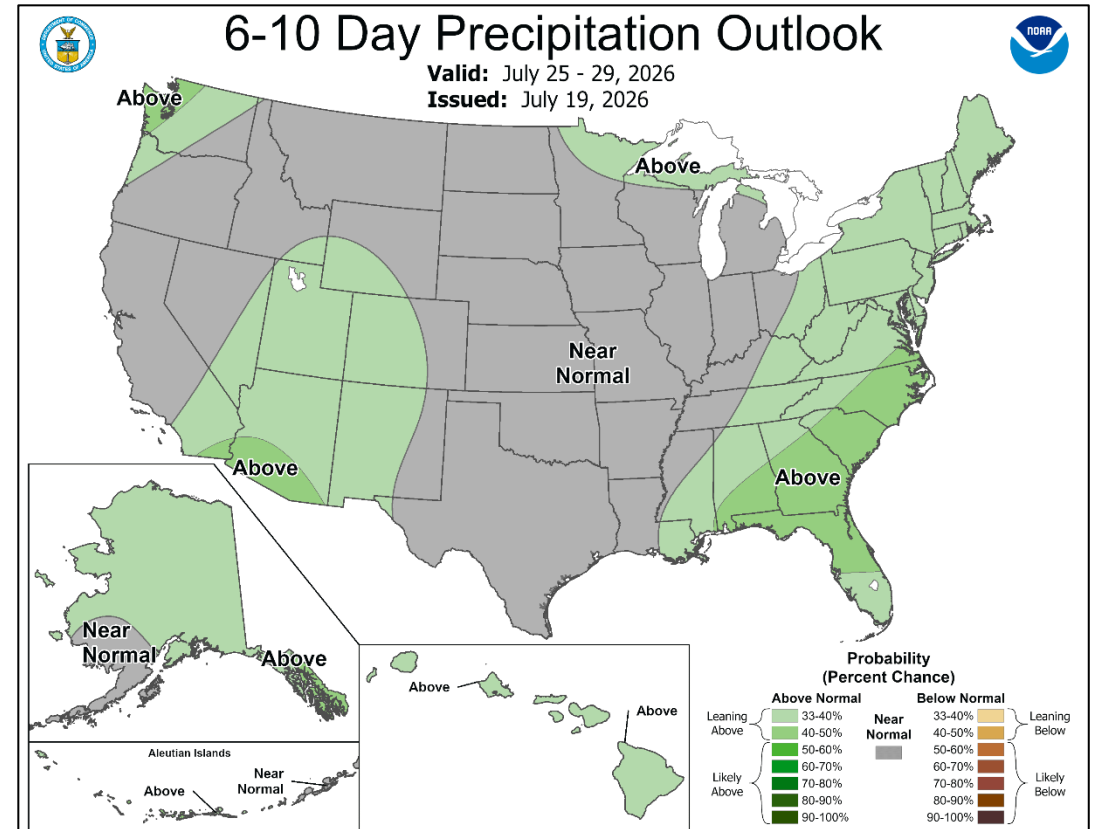


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Long Range Outlooks – Jul 25-29



6-10 Day Temperature Probability



6-10 Day Precipitation Probability

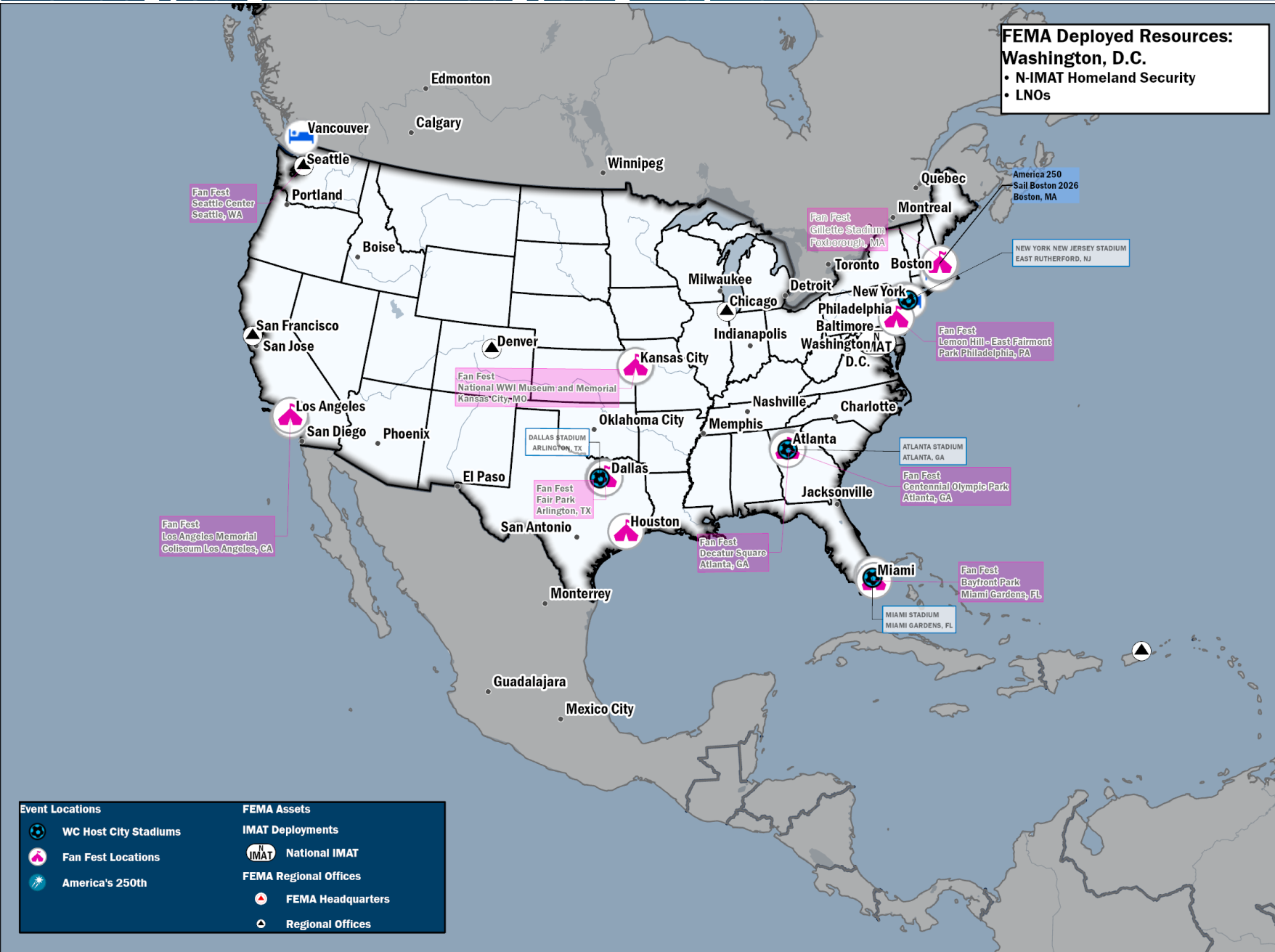


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FIFA 2026 World Cup/America 250th: Weekly Forecast

Monday, July 20 – Sunday, July 26, 2026 – FINAL



Situation: FIFA World Cup 2026 events have concluded with Spain winning the World Cup.

FEMA Response/Preps

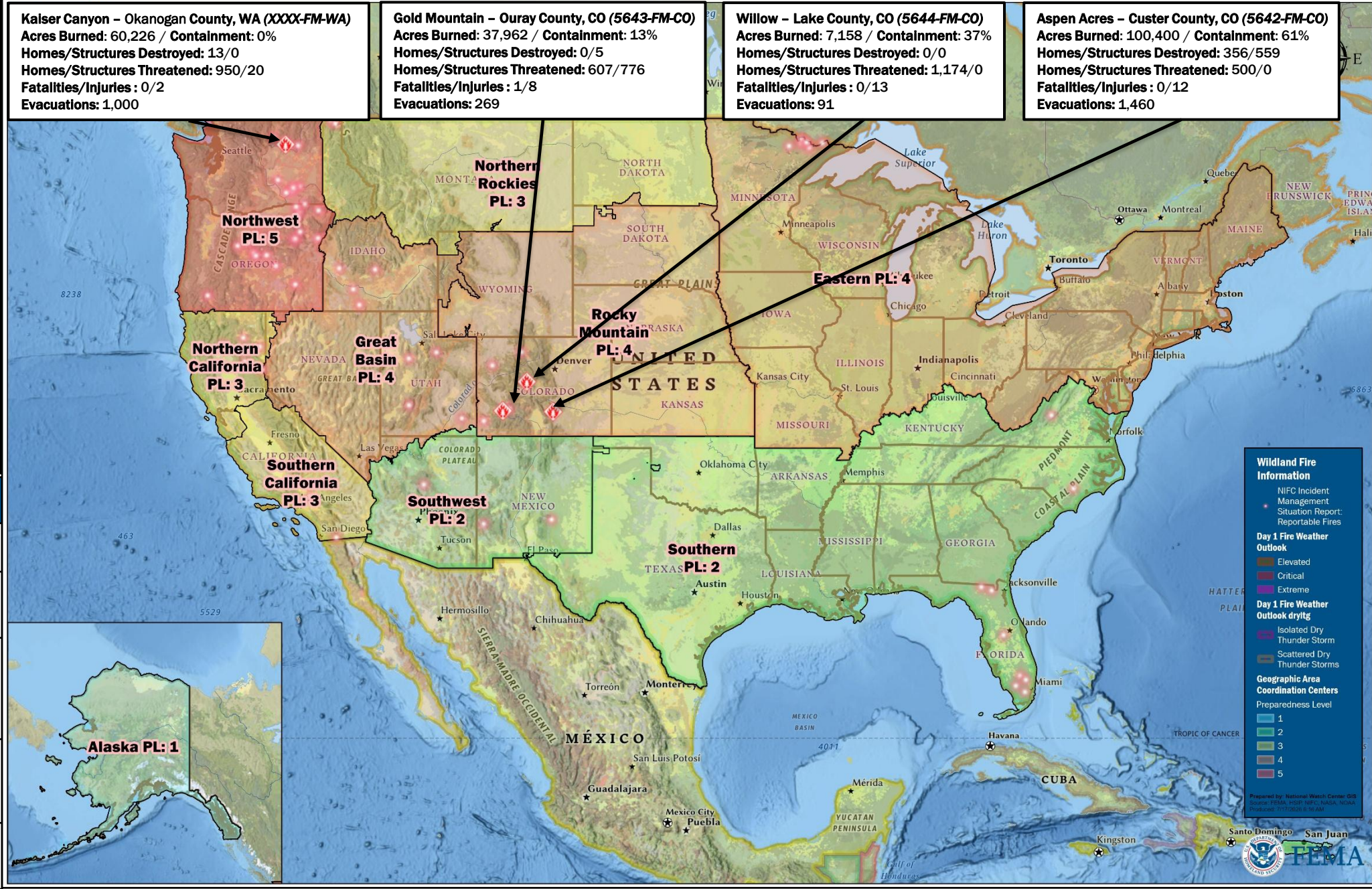
- FEMA NWC is [Monitoring](#)
- N-IMAT HS demobilizing this afternoon
- FEMA R2 RRCC is Activated (WC26) day shift only; [will deactivate this afternoon](#)
- FEMA R4 RWC at [Monitoring](#)
- SECC has deactivated

National Fire Activity – July 20, 2026

PL 5

INITIAL ATTACK ACTIVITY (24-hour period)	Light (158 fires)
New Large Fires	9
Large Fires Contained	4
Uncontained Large Fires	78
Year-to-Date Acres Burned	3,888,322
Total Responders	19,378
Type 1 IMTs Deployed	1
Complex IMTs Deployed	25
FMAGS	Total
2026 (FYTD)	31
2025	75
3 Year Average	53

Preparedness Level: 5	
PL 1	Minimal fire activity; many resources available
PL 2	Large wildland fires burning throughout country; resources mobilized from other areas
PL 3	Wildfire activity ongoing throughout 25% of country; National Interagency Coordination Center (NICC) sets priorities, allocates resources, and mobilizes assets at national level
PL 4	High levels of fire activity and areas are competing for firefighting resources; 60% of the nation's wildland firefighting resources committed
PL 5	Extremely high levels of fire activity; 80% of nation's firefighting resources committed



Wildfire Summary

Fire Name (County, ST)	FMAG #	Acres Burned	Percent Contained	Evacuations	Structures (Homes / Other)			Fatalities / Injuries
					Threatened	Damaged	Destroyed	
Aspen Acres (Custer, CO)	5642-FM-CO	100,400 (+176)	61%	M: 1,460 (-40)	H: 500	H: 50	H: 356	0 / 12 (+1)
				V: 0	O: 0	O: 9	O: 559	
Gold Mountain (Ouray, CO)	5643-FM-CO	37,962 (+153)	13%	M: 269	H: 607	H: 0	H: 0	1 / 8 (+1)
				V: 0	O: 776	O: 0	O: 5	
Willow (Lake, CO)	5644-FM-CO	7,158 (+55)	37%	M: 91	H: 1,174	H: 0	H: 0	0 / 13 (+2)
				V: 0	O: 0	O: 0	O: 0	
Kaiser Canyon (Okanogan, WA)	XXXX-FM-WA	60,226 (+22,001)	0%	M: 1,000	H: 950	H: 0	H: 13	0 / 2
				V: 0	O: 20	O: 0	O: 0	

(Evacuations: M = Mandatory / V = Voluntary; Structures: H = Homes and Mixed Commercial/Residential / O = Non-residential Commercial/Other Minor Structures)



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FEMA Common Operating Picture

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NWC

NRCC

Incident Workforce

19,139

Assigned a Disaster Title

7,034 / 37%

Deployed

5,454 / 28%

Available to Deploy for 30 Days

6,651 / 35%

Remaining

Surge Capacity Force

7,692 / 0 / 769

Rostered / Deployed / Est. Available to Deploy for 30 Days

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Watch

FEMA Regions

RRCC

Region 1

Maynard

Region 2

Brooklyn

Region 3

Philadelphia

Region 4

Atlanta

Region 5

Chicago

Region 6

Denton

Region 7

Kansas City

Region 8

Denver

Region 9

Oakland

Region 10

Bothell

Notes

Watches/RRCCs:

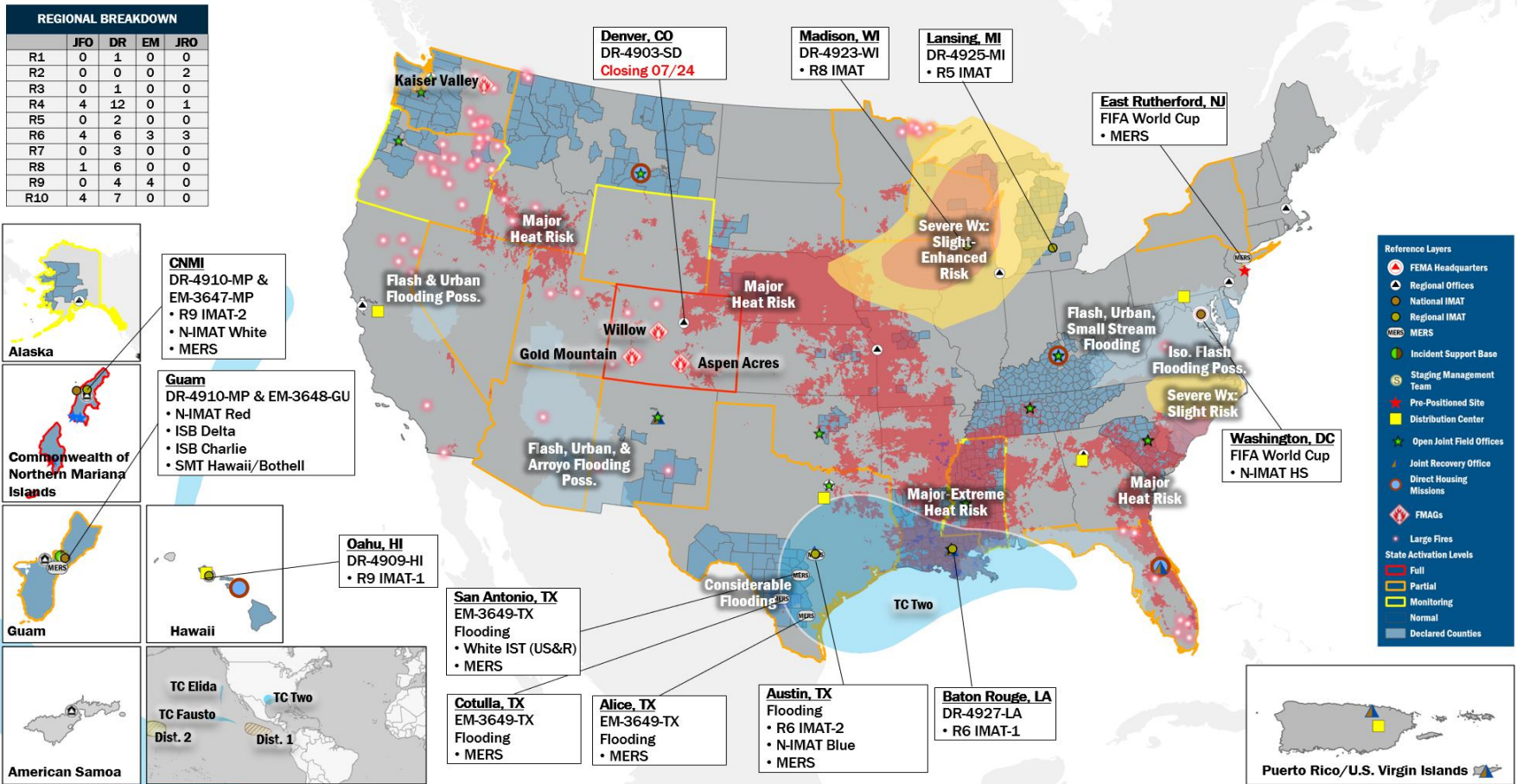
- R2 Watch: Equipment
- R5 Watch: Staffing (Day Only)
- R6 Watch: NM Burn Scar Flooding
- R2 RRCC: FIFA World Cup/America 250 (Day Shift Only)
- R6 RRCC: Flooding
- R10 RRCC: Staffing

IMATs:

- N-IMAT Red: Deployed (3648-EM-GU)
- N-IMAT White: Deployed (3648-EM-GU)
- N-IMAT Blue: Deployed (TX Flooding)
- R1: Staffing
- R3: Staffing
- R4-1/2: Staffing
- R5: Deployed (4925-DR-MI)
- R6-1: Deployed (4927-DR-LA)
- R6-2: Deployed (3649-EM-TX)
- R7: Staffing
- R8: Deployed (4923-DR-WI)
- R9-1: Deployed (4909-DR-HI)
- R9-2: (4910-DR-MP/3647-EM-MP)
- R10: Staffing

State EOCs:

- DC: Summer 2026 Events
- MS: Previous Incidents
- AK/CO/OR: Wildfires
- WV: FIFA World Cup/Fire Season
- KY/TX: Severe Weather
- MP: TC Sirlaksu/TC Bavi
- UT: Major Events/Drought/Crop Loss
- WV: FIFA World Cup
- AZ: Wildfires
- FL: Previous Incidents/World Cup
- WV: Wildfires
- GU: TC Bavi
- MO: Flooding/Severe Weather
- MN: Wildfire Risk
- WI: Support for 4923-DR-WI



Commodities & Equipment			
Distribution Centers	Water	Meals	Gen.
DC Tracy, CA			
DC Atlanta, GA	37% ¹	70% ²	79%
DC Fort Worth, TX			
DC Greencastle, PA			
DC Guam	92%	100%	84% ³
DC Hawaii	99%	93%	42% ³
DC Caribbean	86%	88%	78%

Logistics Staffing			
Distribution Centers	Staff	Housing	Staff
DC Tracy, CA	67%	THSS Selma, AL	65%
DC Atlanta, GA	80%	THSS Cumberland, MD	73%
DC Fort Worth, TX	57%		
DC Greencastle, PA	89%	Systems	Staff
DC Guam	77%	Winchester, VA (DISC)	81%
DC Hawaii	70%		
DC Caribbean	92%		

SMT	
Operational	7/11
Requires Augmentation	3/11
Deployed	3/11

MERS Det.	
30/36 Operational	
Maynard	4/6
Frederick	6/6
Thomasville	6/6
Denton	6/6
Denver	4/6
Bothell	4/6

US&R Task Forces	
Assigned	28
Non-FEMA Deployed	1
FEMA-Deployed	5
Not Mission Capable	0
Available	22
FEMA Support Staff	11/21

FCO	
Assigned	38
Not Mission Capable	2
Deployed	27 (19 FCOIR)
Available	9

Legend

Fully Mission Capable

Partially Mission Capable

Requires Augmentation

Deployed/Activated

National IMAT

GU

Red

MP

White

TX

Blue

Gold

DC

HS

Regional IMAT

1

Region 1

3

Region 2Region 3

2

Region 4

MI

Region 5

LA TX

Region 6Region 7

WI

Region 8

HI MP

Region 9Region 10

Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

Region	State / Location	Event	IA	Number of Counties		Start - End
			PA	Requested	Complete	
R5	IN	Severe Weather & Flooding	IA	9	0	7/16 - TBD
			PA	16	0	7/16 - TBD
R7	IA	Severe Storms Jul 3-16	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	7	0	TBD - TBD
	KS	Severe Weather Jun 4-15	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	34	21	6/22 - TBD
		Severe Weather Jun 18-30	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	8	0	TBD - TBD
	MO	Severe Storms and Flooding Jul 9-11	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	9	0	7/21 - TBD
R8	SD	Severe Storms, Winds, and Tornadoes Jun 29-Jul 3	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	10	0	7/16 - TBD
R10	ID	Severe Storms & Flooding Jun 26-28	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	1	1 (+1)	7/14 - 7/17



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Declaration Requests in Process – 6

State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Type	IA	PA	HM	Requested
NE – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, and Flooding	DR		X	X	Jul 15
NE – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, and Flooding	DR		X	X	Jun 17
MI – Severe Storms and Tornadoes – Appeal	DR	X		X	Jun 23
ND – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, and Tornadoes	DR		X	X	Jul 6
NH – Severe Storm and Flooding	DR		X	X	Jul 8
MO – Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, and Flooding	DR		X	X	Jul 9



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Declaration Amendments

Declaration	Number	Issued	Action
FEMA-3649-EM-TX	1	Jul 19	5 counties for emergency protective measures (Category B), limited to direct federal assistance under the Public Assistance program



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