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Daily Operations Briefing

Saturday, May 30, 2015

8:30 a.m. EDT

Significant Activity: May 29-30



Significant Events:

- Flooding/Severe Weather – Southern Plains

Tropical Activity:

- Atlantic – Tropical cyclone activity not expected next 48 hours
- Eastern Pacific – Hurricane Andres; Area 1 (Low, 20%)
- Central Pacific – Tropical cyclone activity not expected next 48 hours

Significant Weather:

- Slight risk of severe thunderstorms – Ohio Valley and the Northeast
- Flash flooding possible – Southern Plains; Middle Mississippi/Ohio Valleys to Great Lakes
- Critical fire weather/Red Flag Warnings – None
- Space Weather: Past 24 hours: no space weather storms observed; next 24 hours: none predicted

Declaration Activity:

- Major Disaster Declaration Request and Declaration – TX

Flooding/Severe Weather – Southern Plains



Current Situation:

- Heavy rain and flash flooding May 22-25 for portions of the Southern Plains and Lower Mississippi River Valley delivered significant precipitation to TX and OK
- Widespread rainfall of 1 to 3 inches expected through Sunday may lead to additional flooding/flash flooding
- Preliminary damage assessments continue for OK & TX

Oklahoma

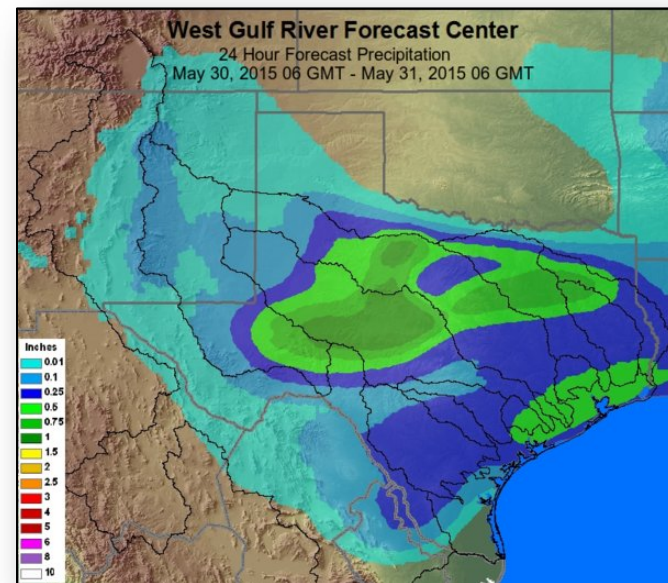
- 11 fatalities and 49 injuries since May 5 (*OK State Department of Health*)
- Governor issued a State Disaster Declaration for 77 counties (*OK OEM*)
- ▲ 2 ARC shelters open with 8 occupants (*ESF-6 3:58 am EDT, May 30*)
- ▲ Majority of power has been restored (*EAGLE-I 10:15 a.m. EDT*)
- OK EOC remains at Level III, Monitoring
- No shortfalls or unmet needs

Texas

- Heaviest impacts: Houston/Austin metro areas, Harris, Caldwell and Hays counties, and City of Wimberley
- 15 confirmed fatalities since May 4 (*Region VI/Texas EOC*)
 - State continues to identify fatalities, injured, and missing
- ▲ 16 ARC shelters open with 353 occupants (*ESF-6 3:58 am EDT, May 30*)
- ▲ 44k customers remain without power (*EAGLE-I 10:15 a.m. EDT*)
- TX EOC remains at Level I, Full Activation
- ▲ Major Disaster Declaration requested and approved May 29 (FEMA-4223-DR-TX)

FEMA Region VI Response:

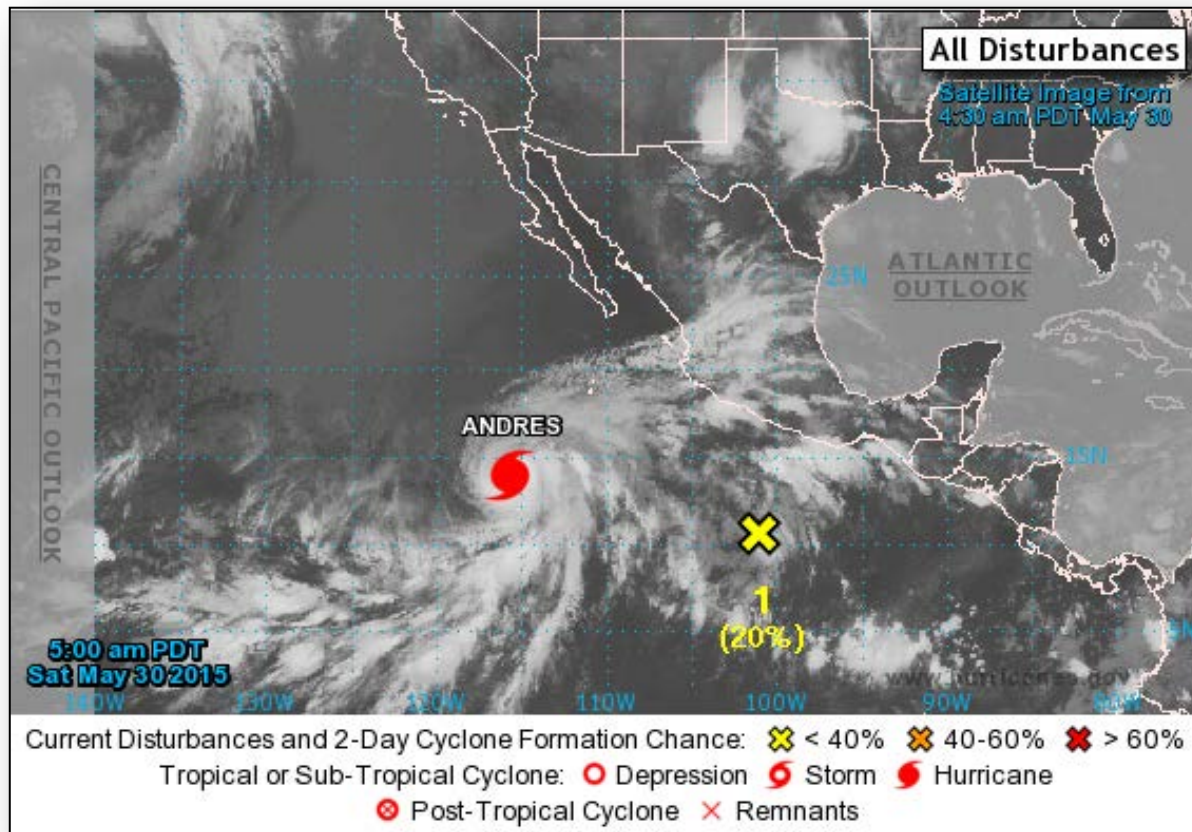
- RRCC activated to Level III (1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. EDT)
- RWC is at Enhanced Watch (8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. EDT)
- 4 LNOs /DCE Planner deployed to TX EOC
- IMAT (Type III) and 1 LNO deployed to OK EOC
- LNOs on standby for AR/LA



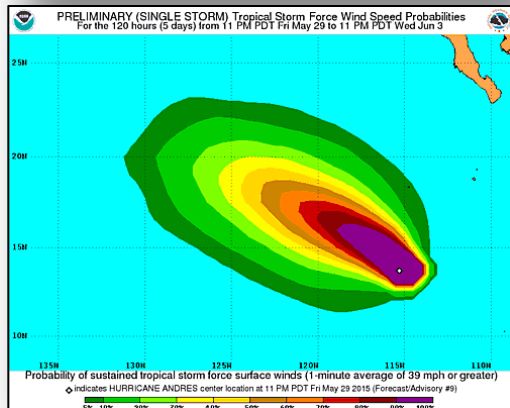
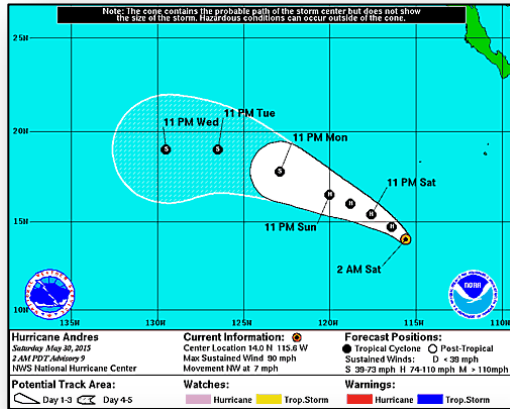
2-Day Tropical Outlook – Eastern Pacific



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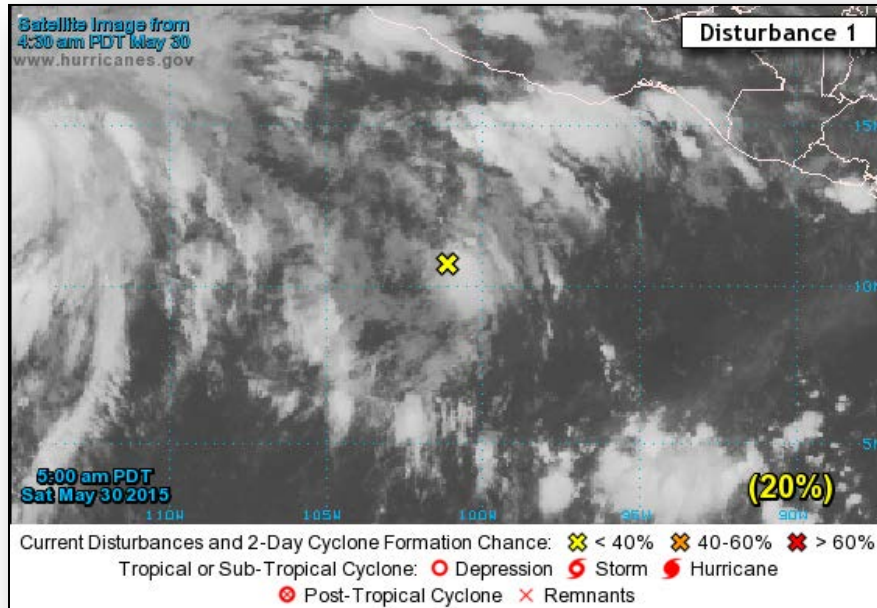
Hurricane Andres



Advisory #9 (as of 5:00 a.m. EDT)

- Located 720 miles SSW of southern tip of Baja California, Mexico
- Moving NW at 7 mph
- This motion expected to continue through today; turn WNW forecast by tonight
- Maximum sustained winds 90 mph
- Some strengthening possible today; weakening forecast to begin tonight and continue through Sun night
- Hurricane-force winds extend 25 miles
- Tropical storm-force winds extend 115 miles
- No coastal Watches or Warnings in effect

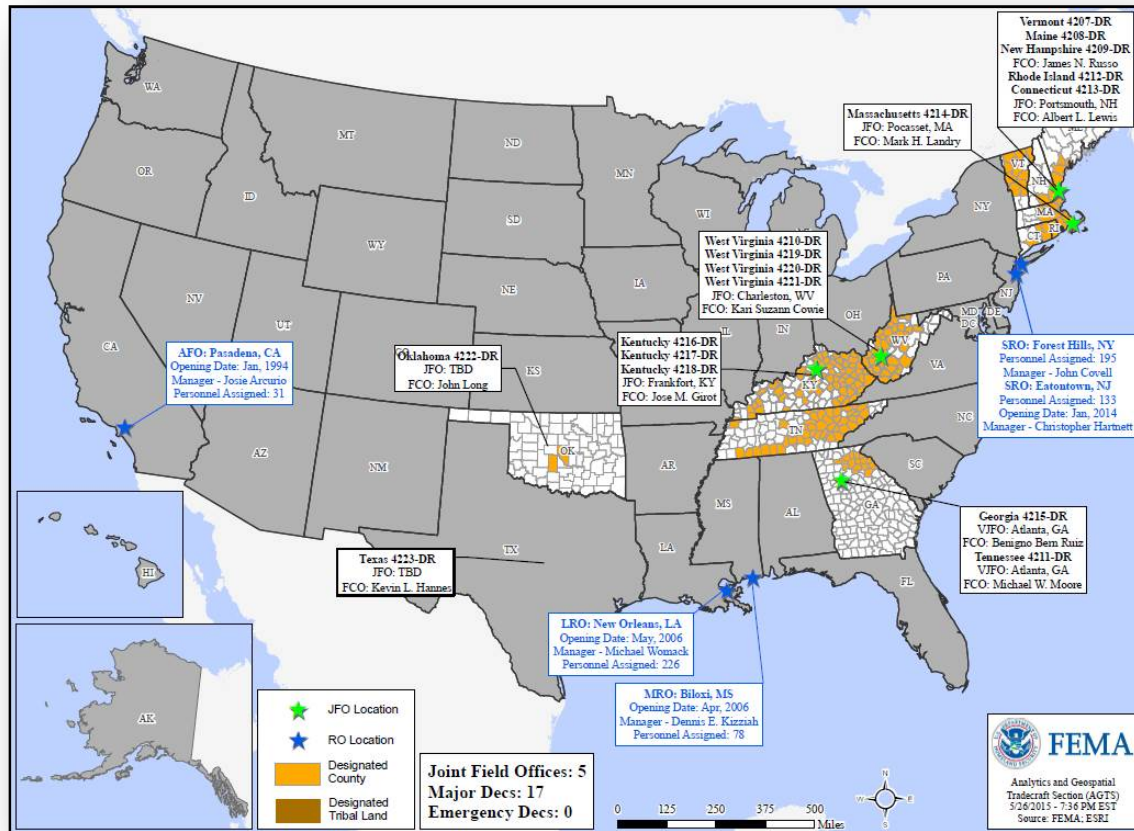
Disturbance 1



Disturbance 1 (as of 8:00 a.m. EDT)

- A small area of showers and thunderstorms
- Located several hundred miles S of Acapulco, Mexico
- Drifting WNW
- Strong upper-level winds are inhibiting the development of this low
- Forecast to weaken by Monday and the formation of a tropical cyclone is highly unlikely
- Probability of tropical cyclone development:
 - Next 48 hours: Low (20%)
 - Next 5 days: high (80%)

Open Field Offices as of May 30



Disaster Requests & Declarations



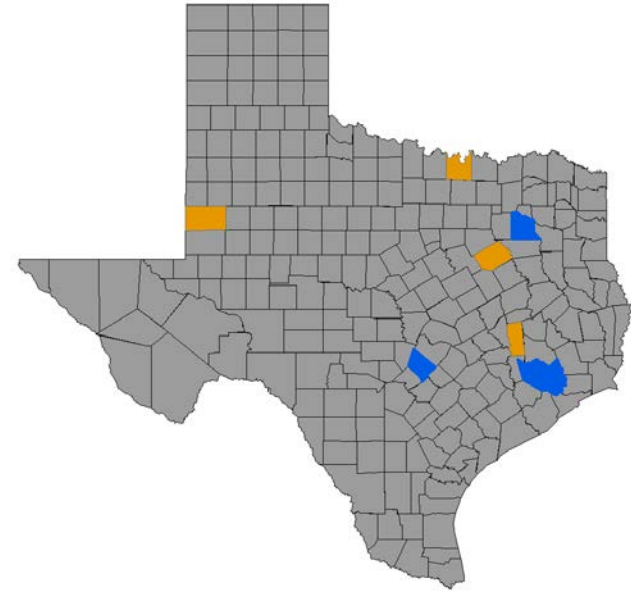
Declaration Requests in Process		Requests APPROVED (since last report)	Requests DENIED (since last report)
3	Date Requested	1	0
MD – DR Civil Unrest	May 22, 2015		
GU – DR Typhoon Dolphin	May 27, 2015		
SD –DR Severe Storm & Tornado	May 27, 2015		
TX – DR Severe Storms, Tornadoes, Straight-line Winds & Flooding	May 29, 2015	Declared May 29, 2015	

Major Disaster Declaration – Texas



FEMA-4223-DR-TX

- Major Disaster Declaration approved May 29, 2015 for State of Texas
- For Severe Storms, Tornadoes, Straight-line Winds & Flooding that occurred May 4, 2015 and continuing
- Provides:
 - Individual Assistance for 3 counties
 - Public Assistance for 7 counties
 - Hazard Mitigation statewide
- FCO is Kevin L. Hannes



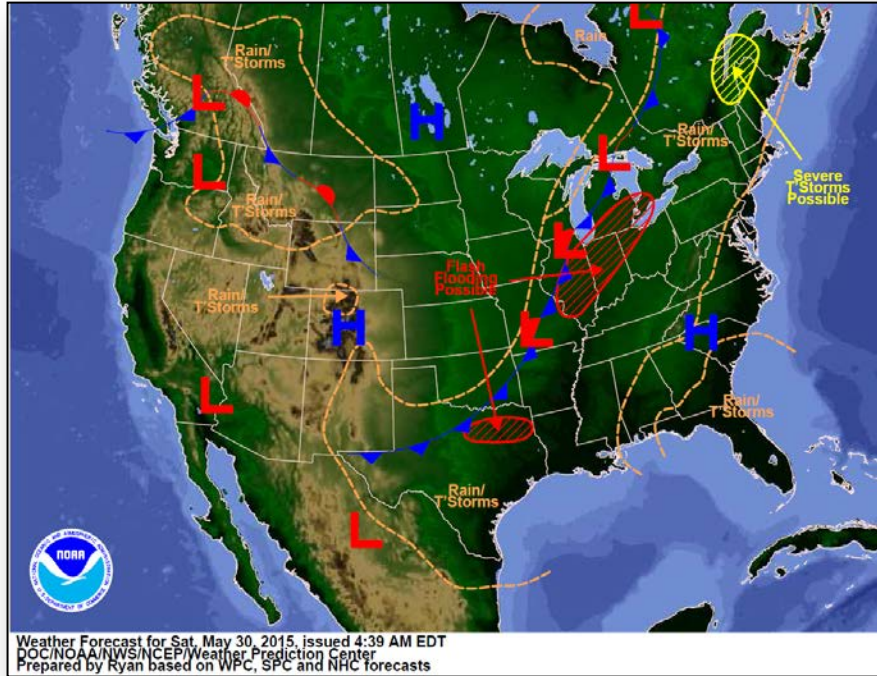
- Declared IA & PA counties
- Declared PA only counties

Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

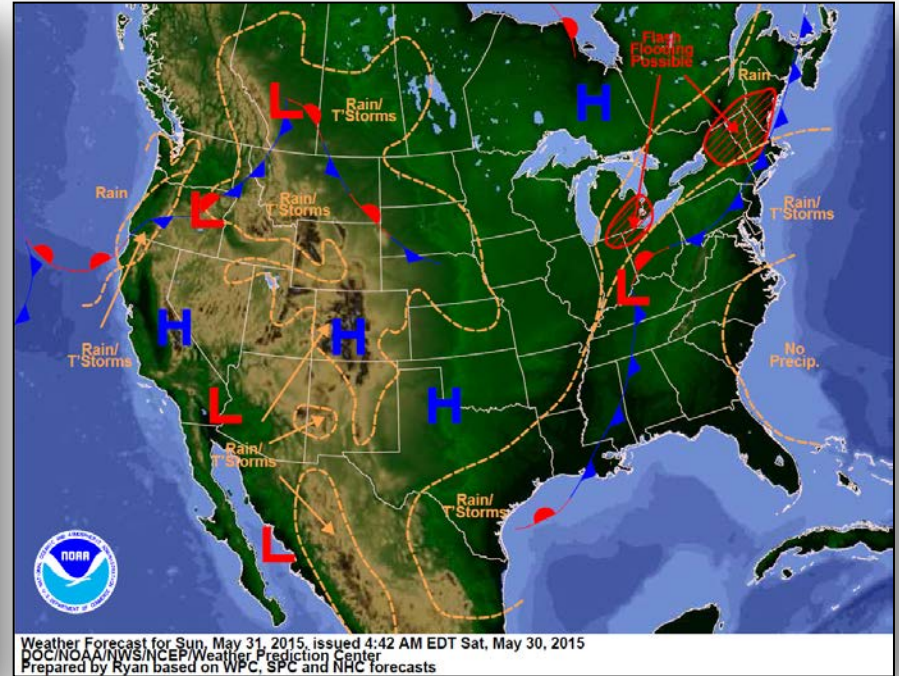


Region	State / Location	Event	IA/PA	Number of Counties		Start – End
				Requested	Complete	
VI	AR	Severe Storms and Flooding	PA	13	0	5/26 – TBD
VI	OK	Severe Storms and Flooding May 1 and continuing	IA	3	3	5/14 – 5/17
			PA	38	17 (+6)	5/19 – TBD
VI	TX	Severe Storms, Tornadoes and Flooding May 5 and continuing	IA	2	2	5/22 – 5/28
			PA	38	5 (+2)	5/22 – TBD
VII	NE	Severe Storms May 3 -11, 2015	PA	10	0	5/26 – TBD
VIII	CO	Flooding April 28 and continuing	PA	7	0	6/3 – 6/5

National Weather Forecast

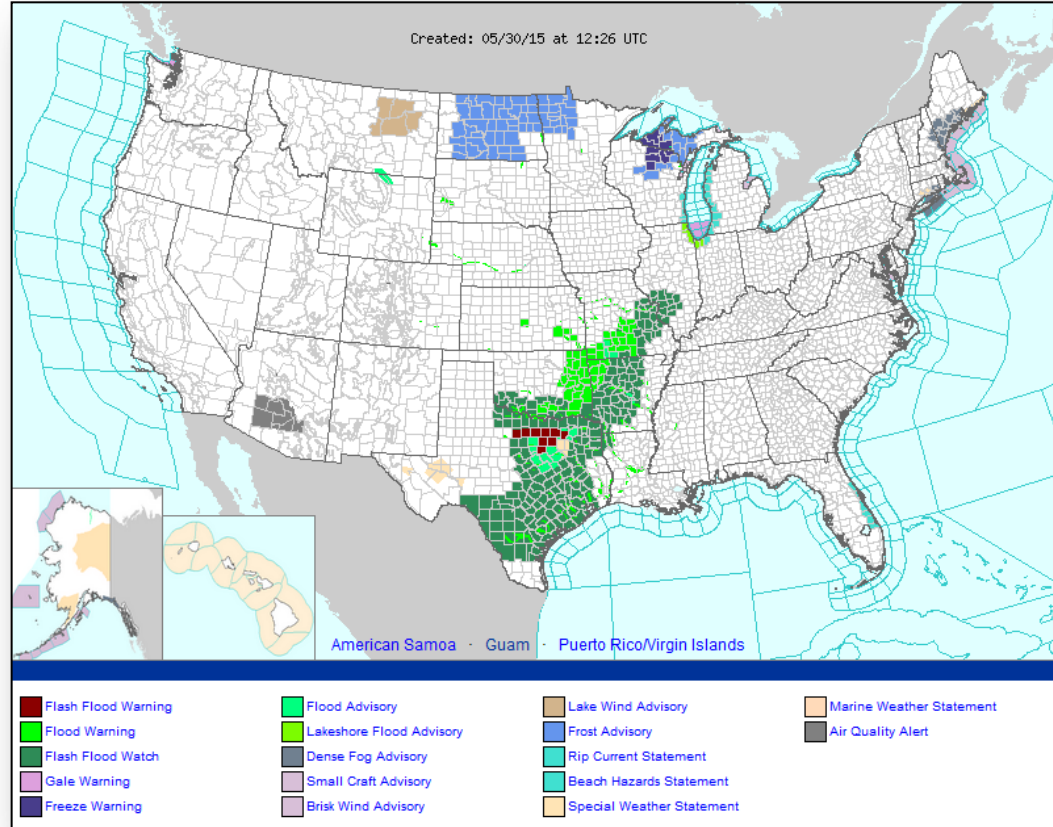


Today



Tomorrow

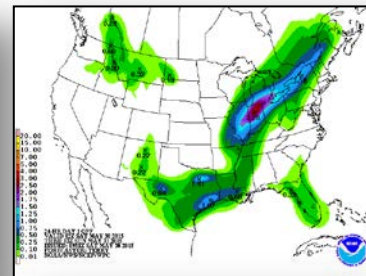
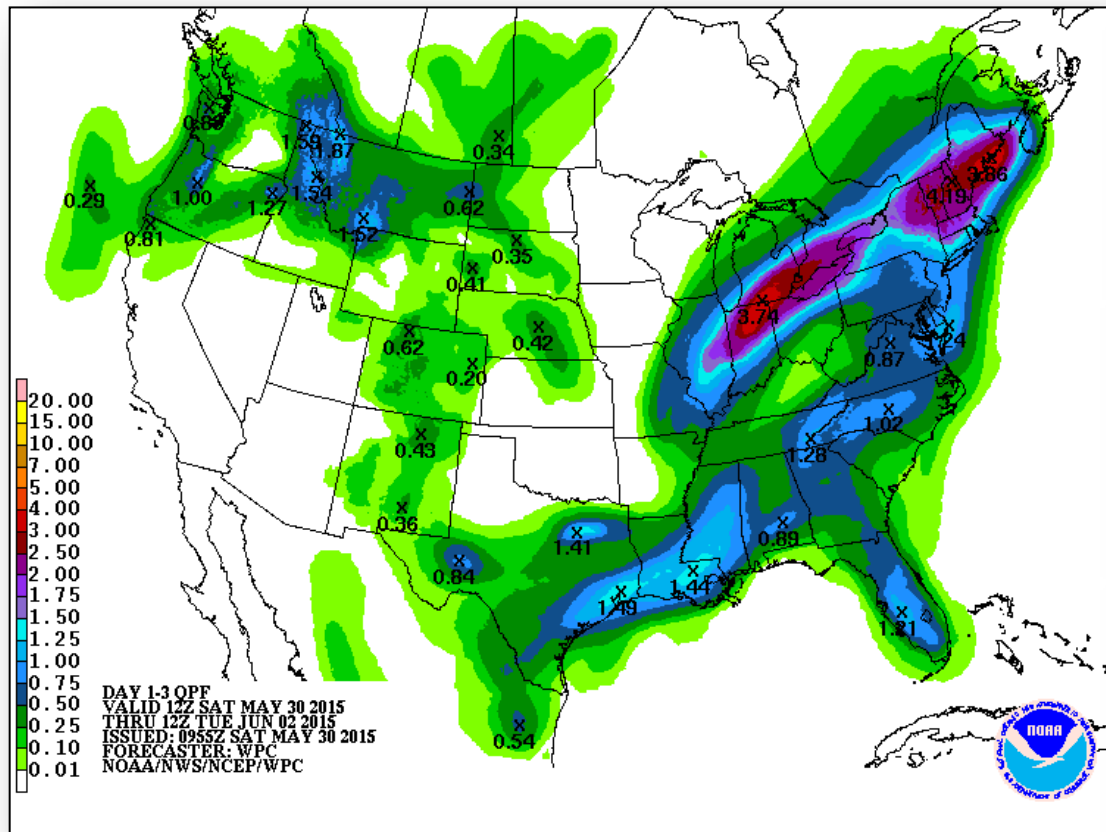
Active Watches/Warnings



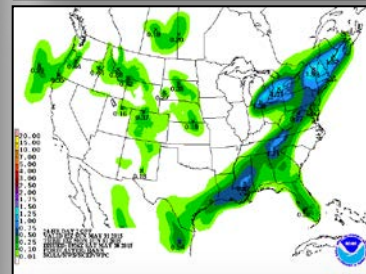
Precipitation Forecast, 1-3 Day



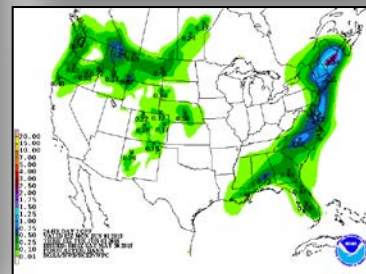
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Day 1

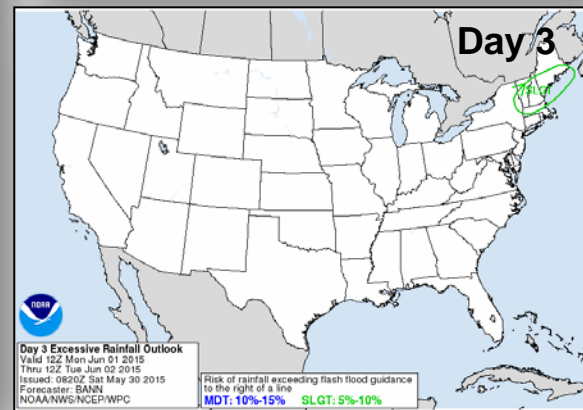
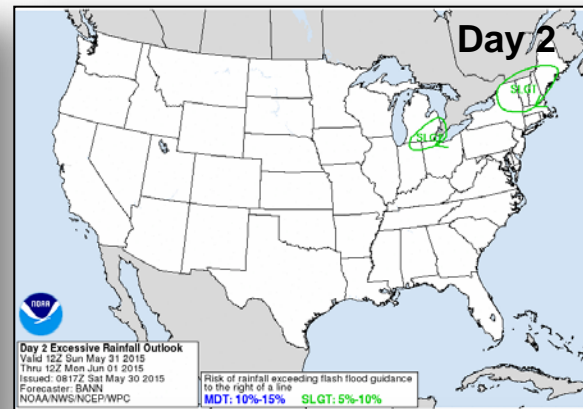
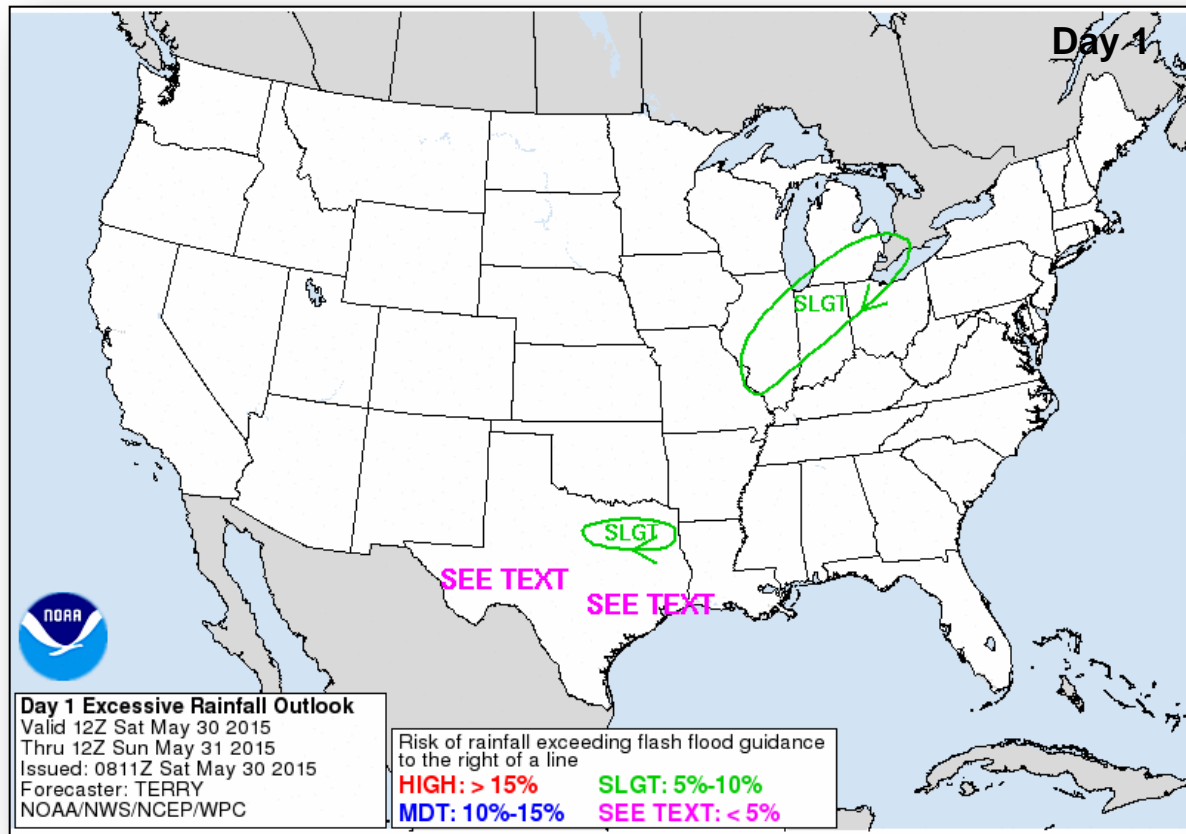


Day 2



Day 3

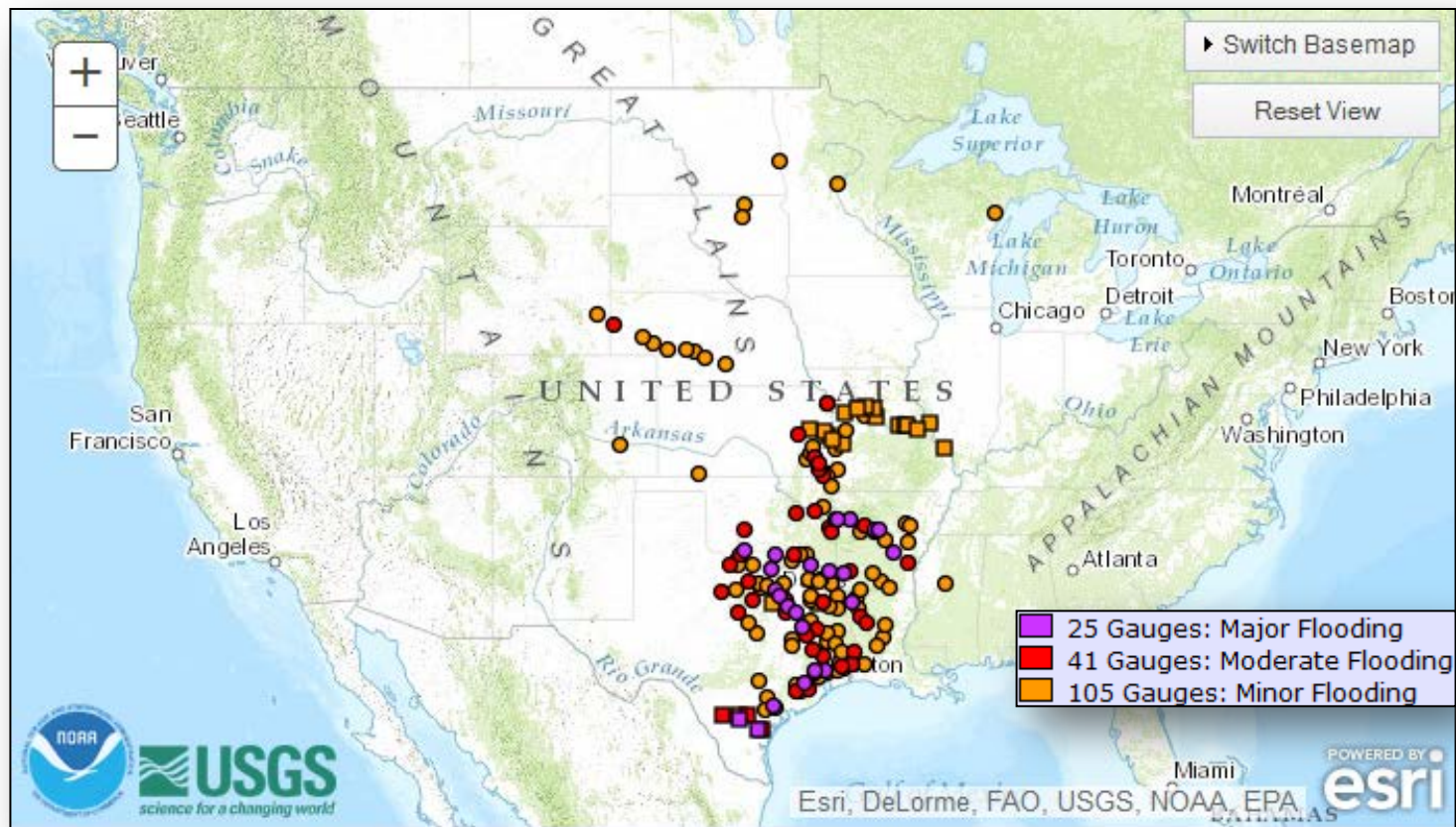
Flash Flood Potential 1-3 Day



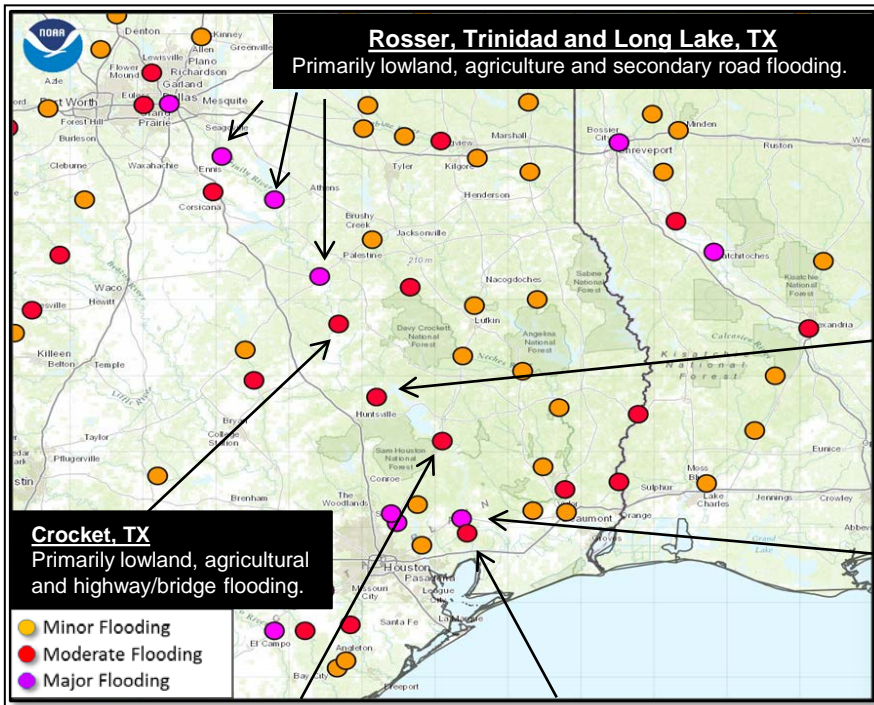
River Forecast



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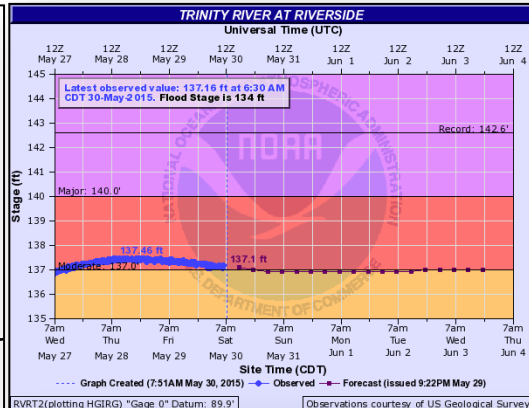


Trinity River (Texas)

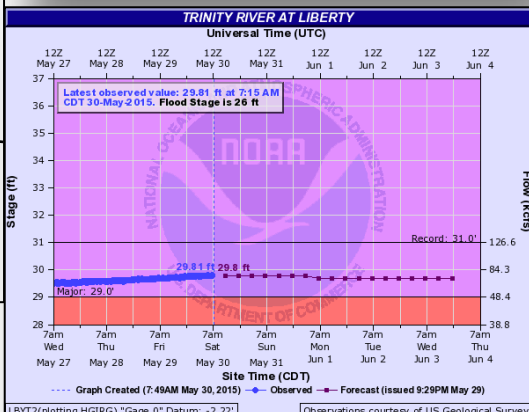


Goodrich, TX
Primarily lowland, agricultural flooding and buildings threatened.

Moss Bluff, TX
Primarily lowland flooding

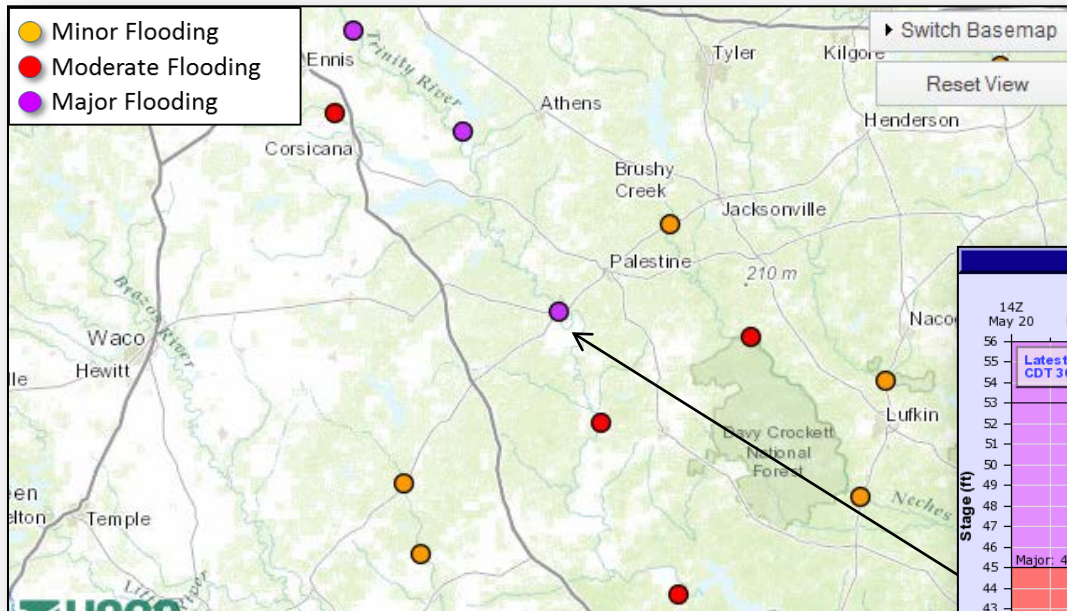


Riverside TX
Several homes in Greenwich Shores subdivision and secondary roads flood



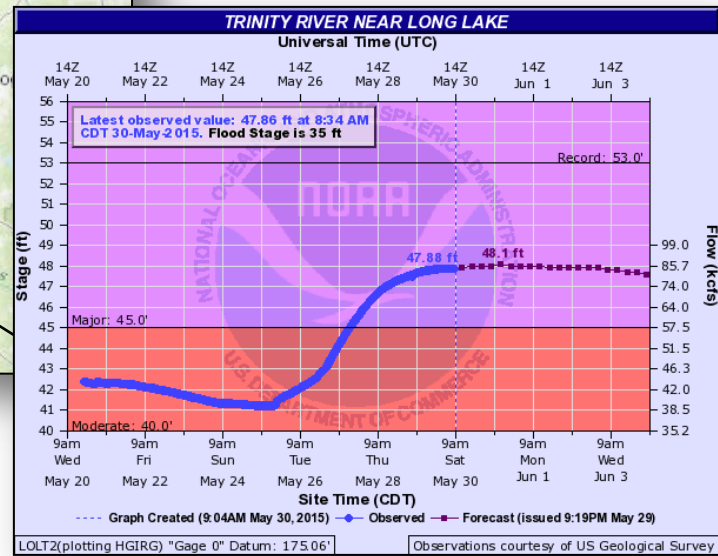
Liberty, TX
Homes in several subdivision above Liberty flood.

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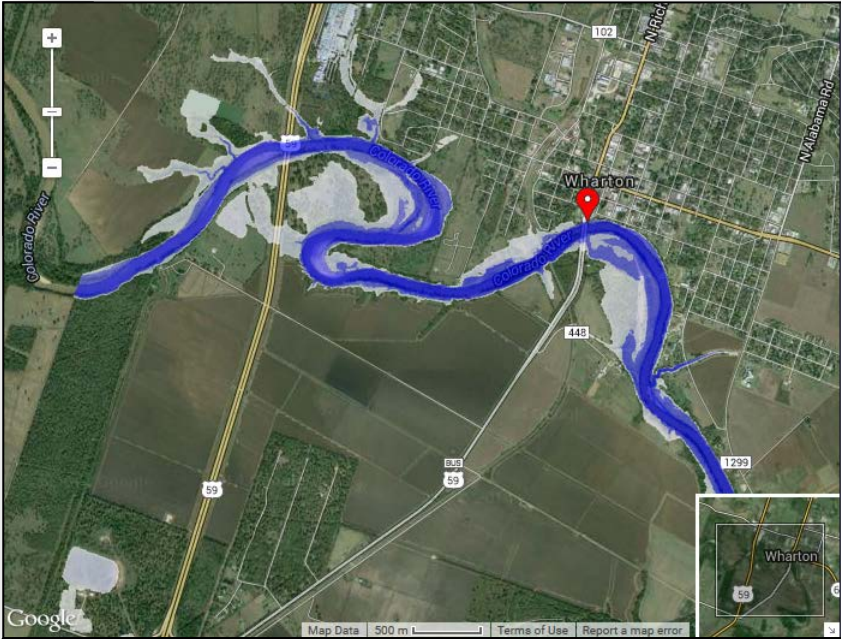
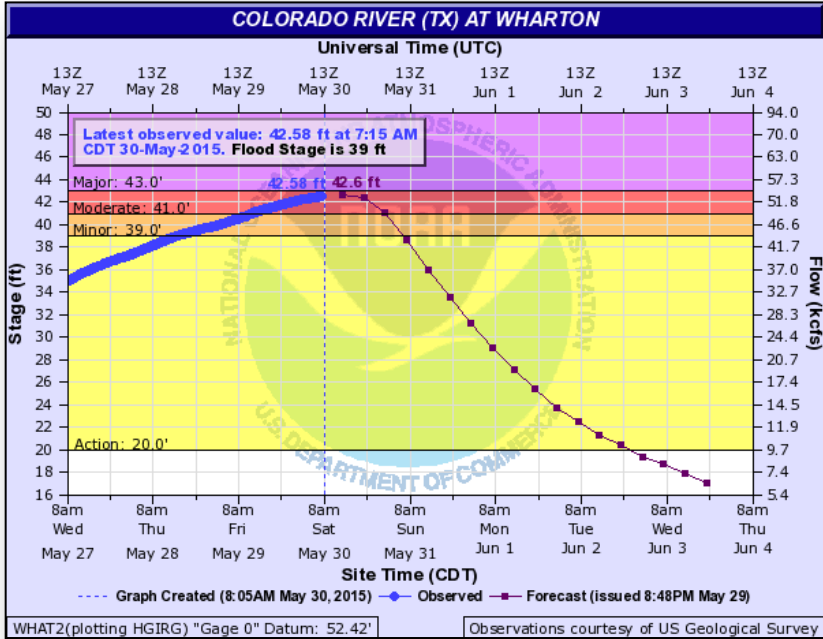


Palestine, TX

Major flooding of ranches, low areas, rural roads, and camps along the river will occur.
Major flooding of the Coffield Prison Farm And ranch lands is to be expected



Colorado River (Texas)

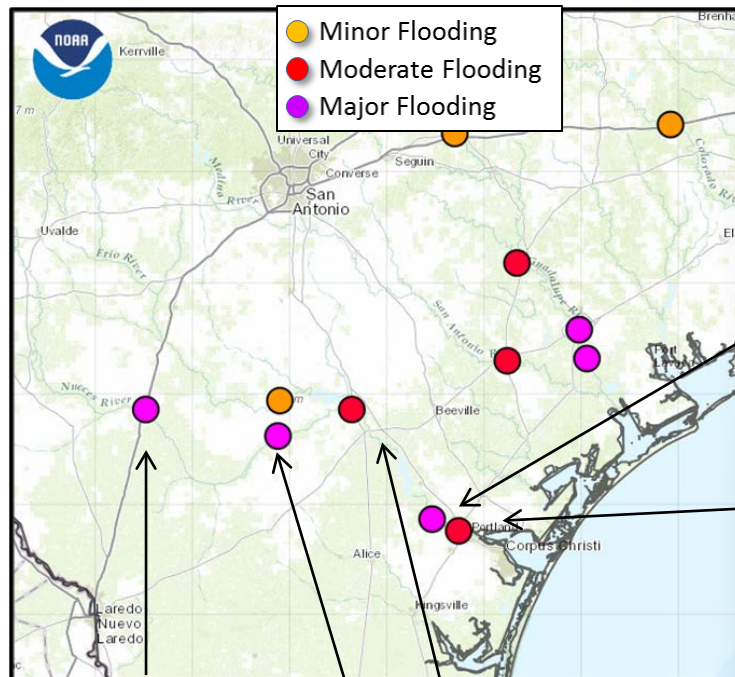


Inundation graphic based on forecast crest of 43.0 feet

Wharton, TX

Major lowland flooding and flooding approaches the lowest homes in the west part of Wharton. The school in southwest part of town is close to being isolated.

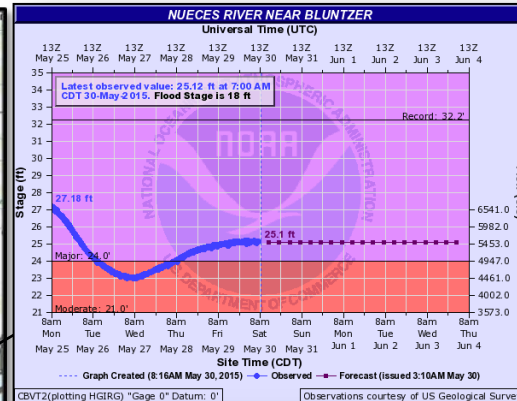
Nueces River (Texas)



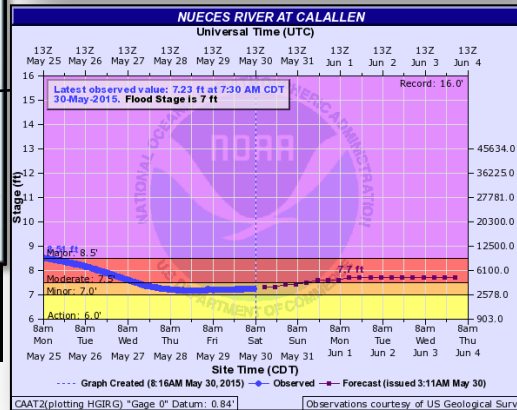
Cotulla, TX
Primarily lowland, agricultural and secondary road flooding.

Near Three Rivers, TX
Flooding approaches homes in River Creek Acres Subdivision

Near Tilden, TX
Primarily lowland, agricultural and sever road/bridge flooding.



Bluntzer, TX
Widespread residential flooding occurs for days or weeks. Many secondary roads, primary roads and low bridges are flooded.

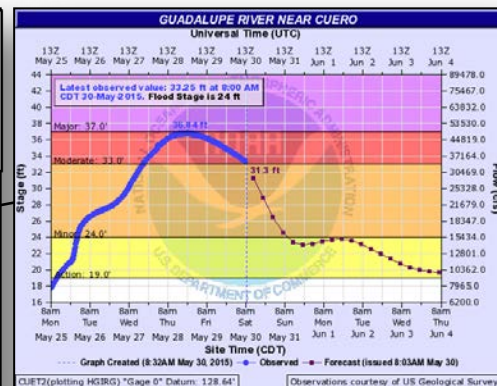
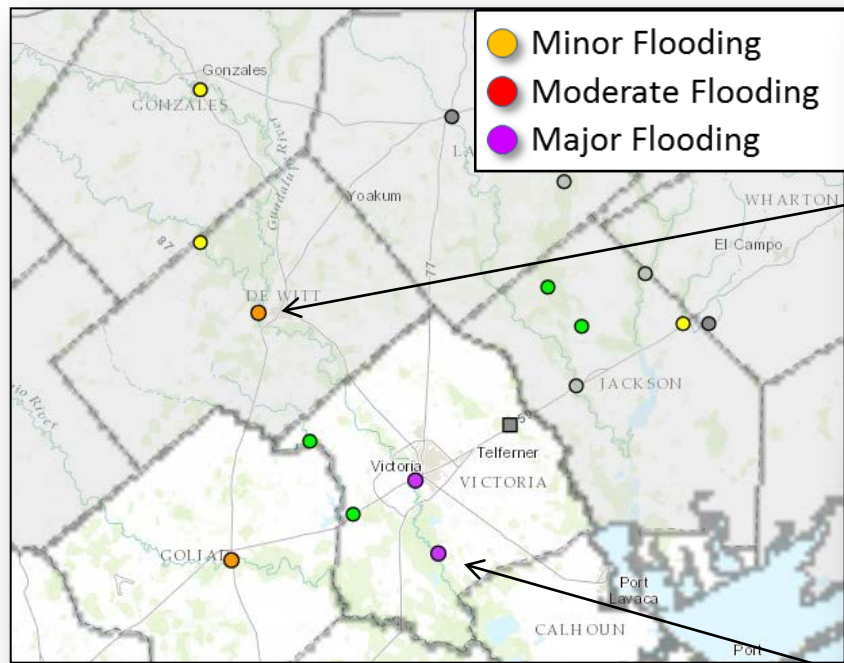


Calallen, TX
Roads flood through the lowest residential areas, cutting off homes near Calallen, and requiring evacuations

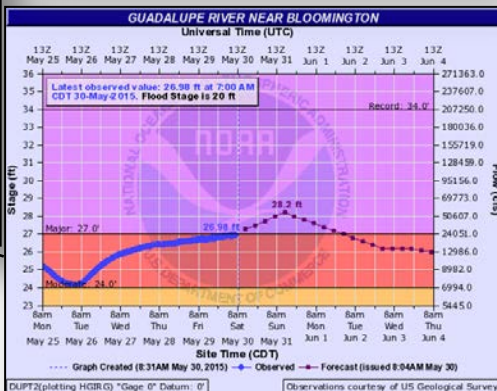
Guadalupe River (Texas)



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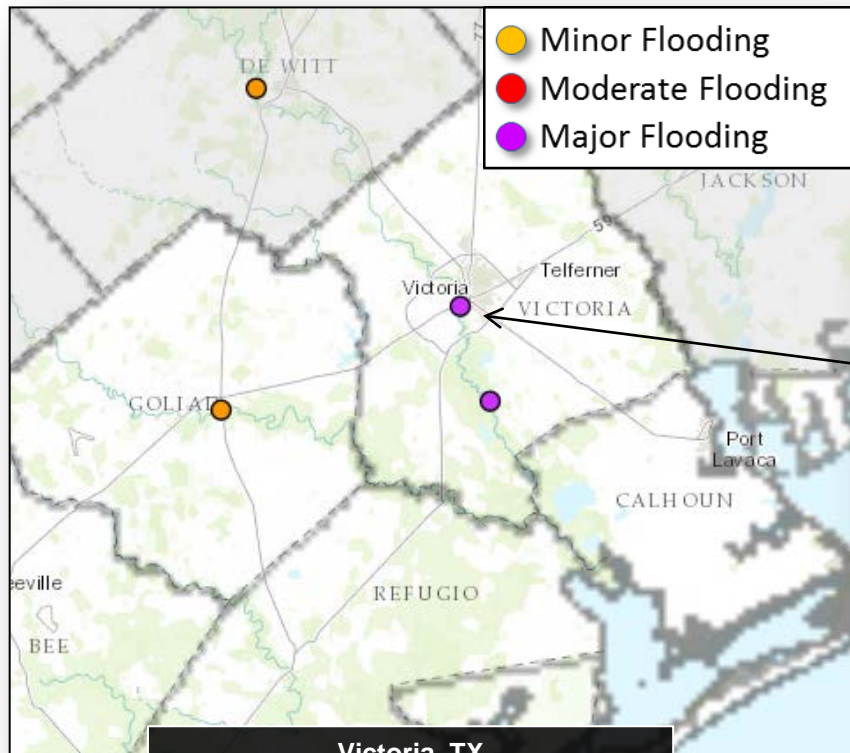


Near Cuero, TX
River is forecast to drop below Moderate Flood Stage on Saturday and Flood Stage early next week.



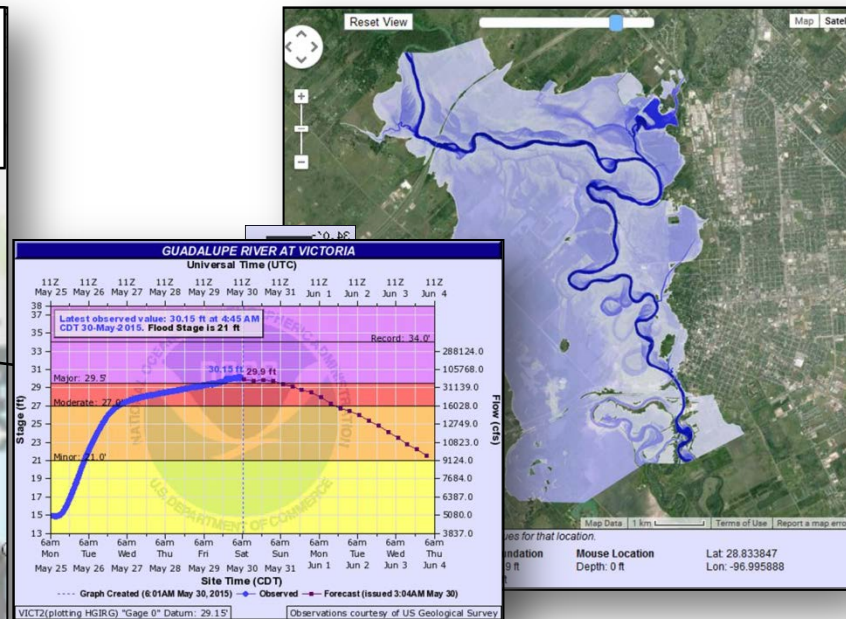
Bloomington, TX:
Major flooding occurs, isolating livestock. Highway 35 east of Tivoli floods.

Guadalupe River (Texas)

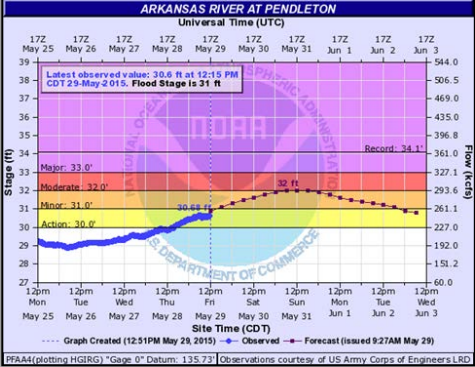
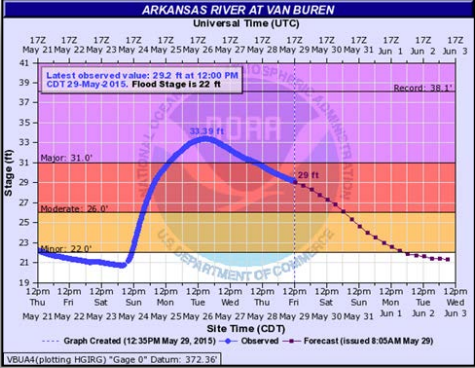
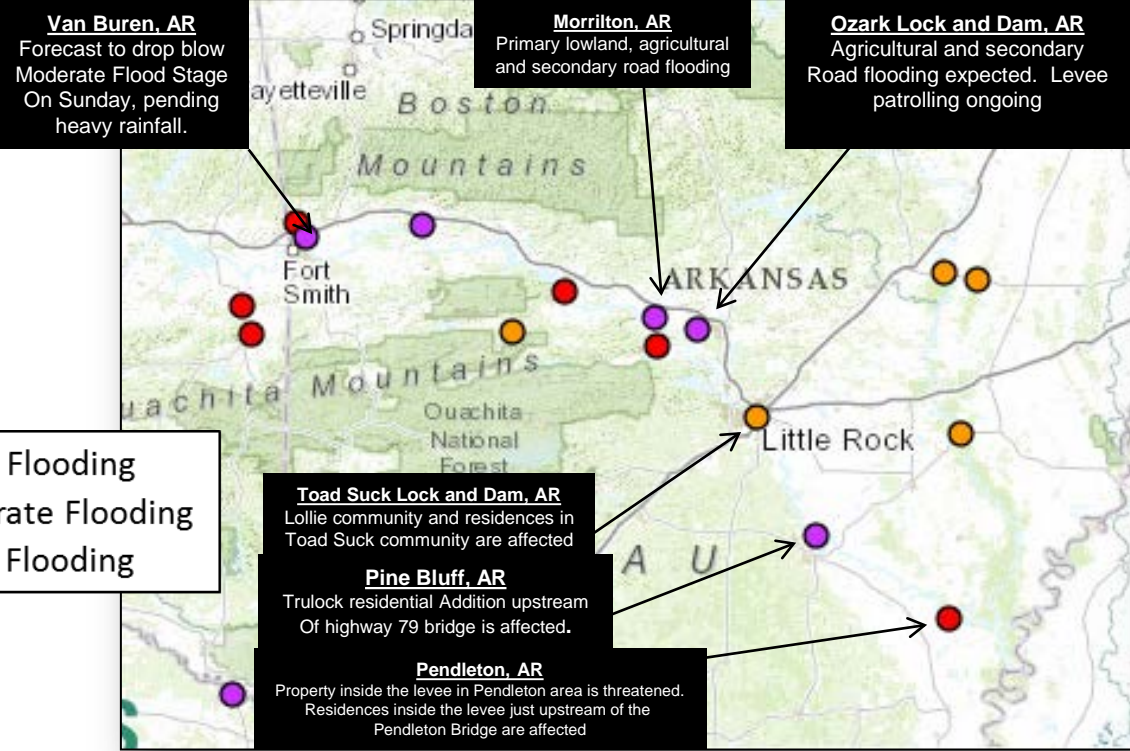


Victoria, TX

The lowest homes in the Greens Addition Subdivision in Victoria, a fishing resort and the zoo may flood.



Arkansas River (Arkansas)



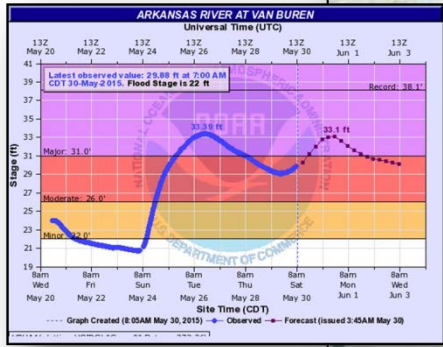
Arkansas River (Arkansas)



Van Buren, AR
Forecast to drop blow
Moderate Flood Stage
On Sunday, pending
heavy rainfall.

Morrilton, AR
Primary lowland, agricultural
and secondary road flooding

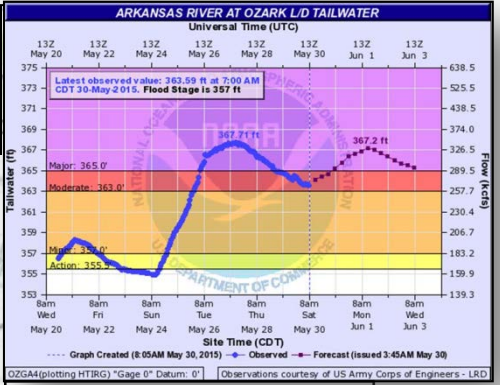
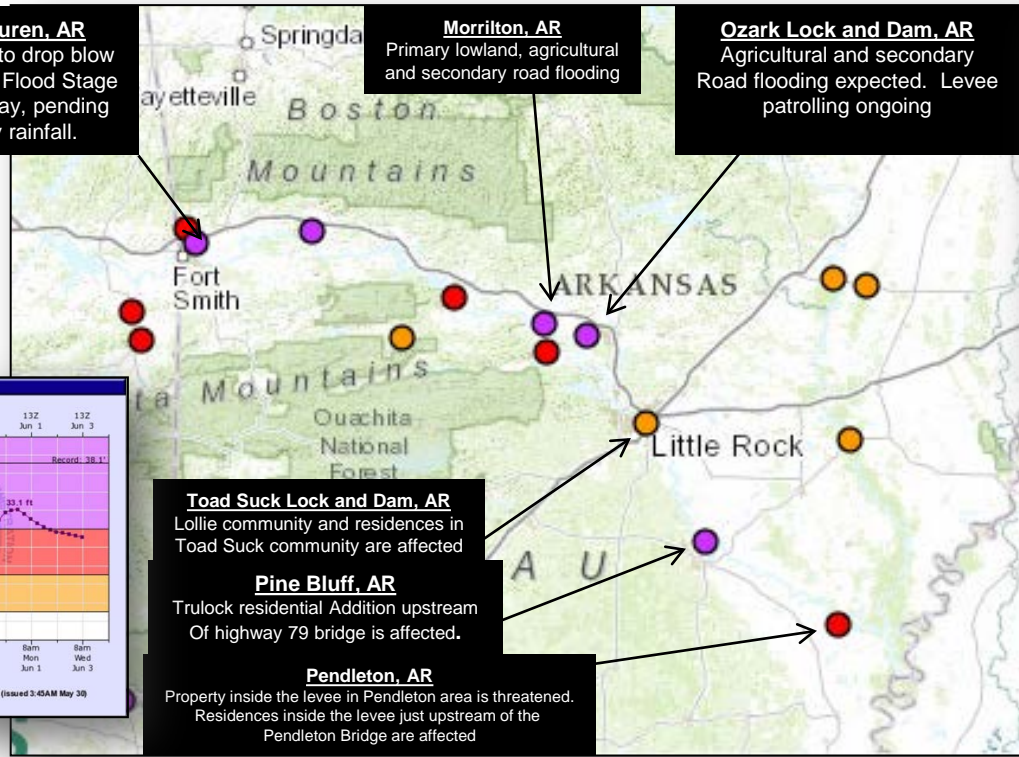
Ozark Lock and Dam, AR
Agricultural and secondary
Road flooding expected. Levee
patrolling ongoing



Toad Suck Lock and Dam, AR
Lollie community and residences in
Toad Suck community are affected

Pine Bluff, AR
Trulock residential Addition upstream
Of highway 79 bridge is affected.

Pendleton, AR
Property inside the levee in Pendleton area is threatened.
Residences inside the levee just upstream of the
Pendleton Bridge are affected

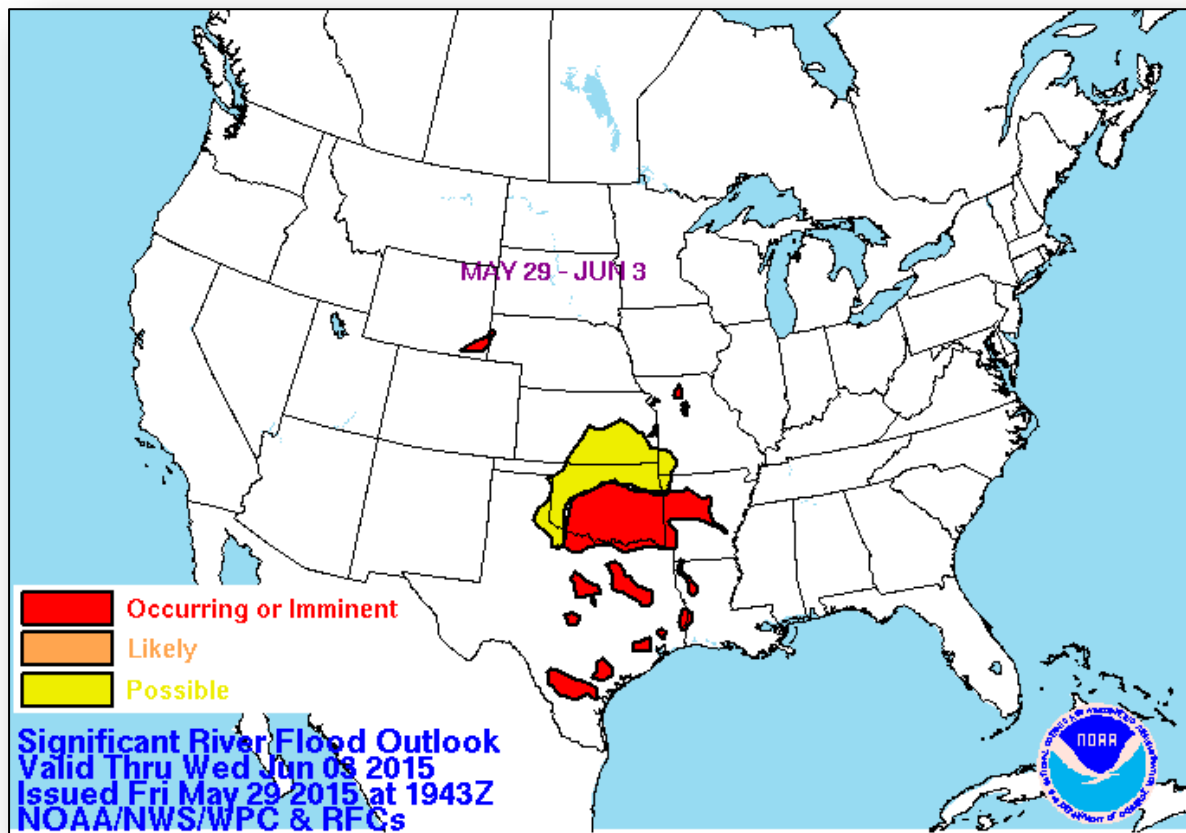


- Minor Flooding
- Moderate Flooding
- Major Flooding

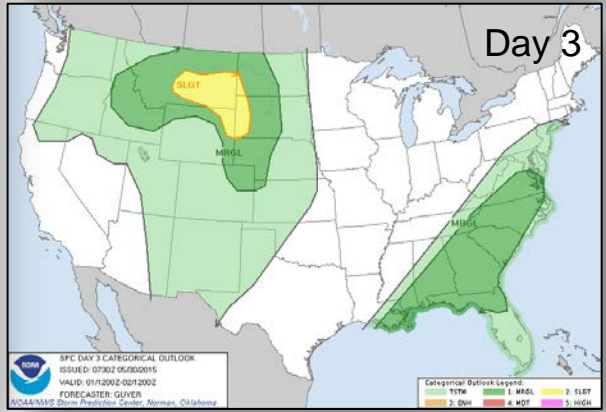
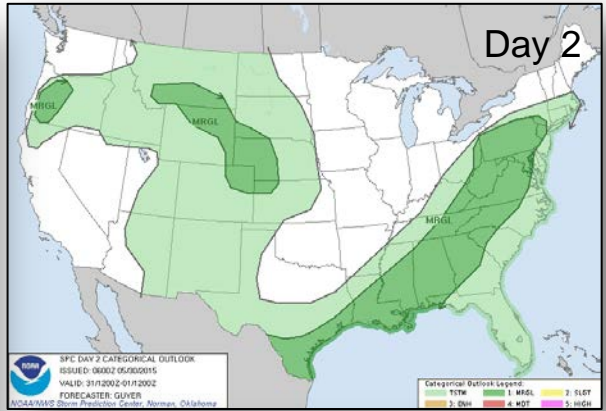
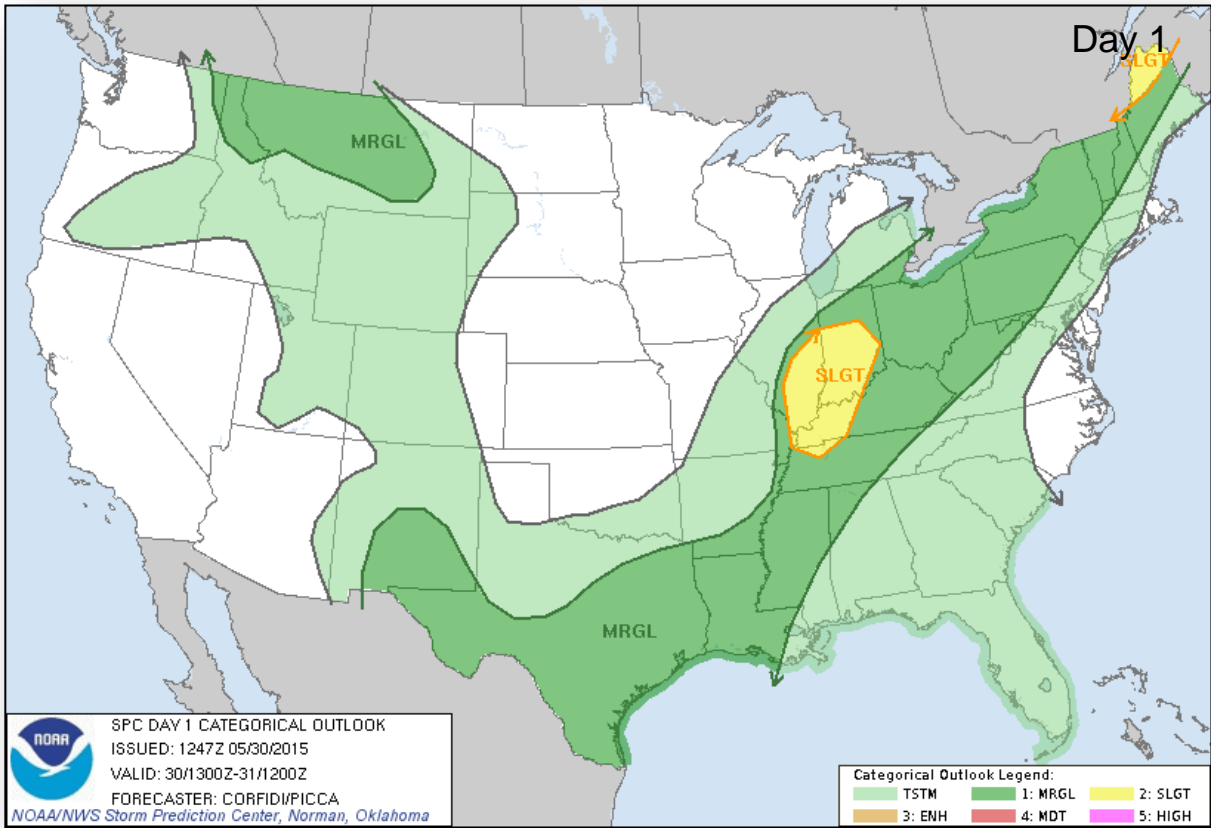
Significant River Flood Outlook



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Severe Weather Outlook, Days 1-3



Categories

Thunderstorms

Marginal Risk

Slight Risk

Enhanced Risk

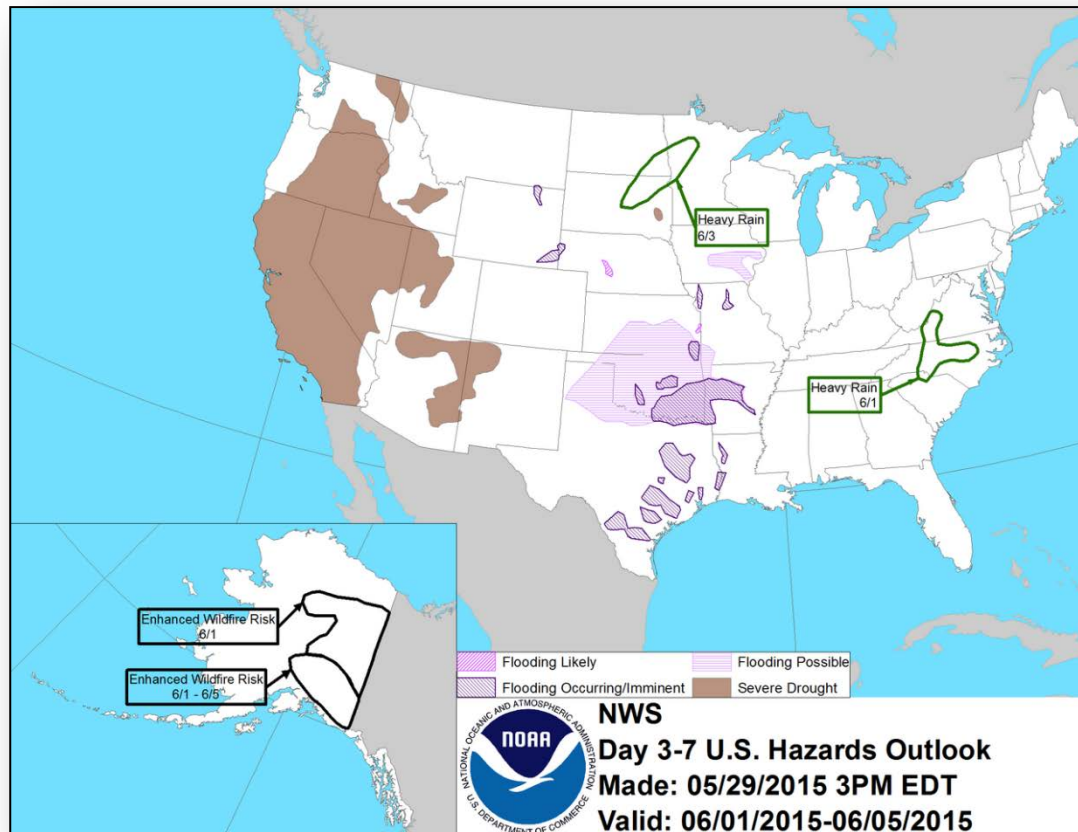
Moderate Risk

High Risk

Hazard Outlook, June 1-5

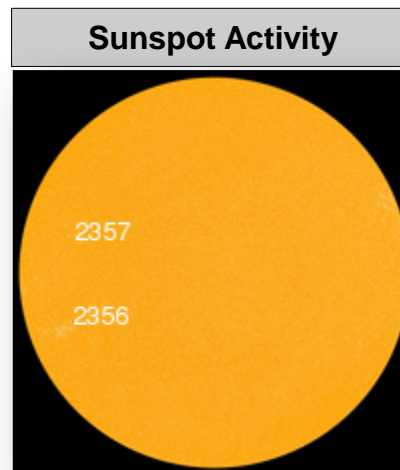
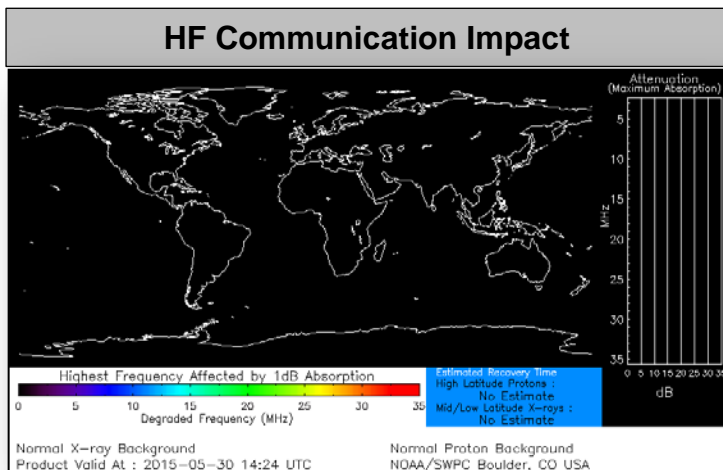


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Space Weather

None	Past 24 Hours	Current	Next 24 Hours
Space Weather Activity:	None	None	None
• Geomagnetic Storms	None	None	None
• Solar Radiation Storms	None	None	None
• Radio Blackouts	None	None	None



FEMA Readiness – Deployable Teams /Assets



Deployable Teams/Assets									
Resource	Status	Total	FMC Available		Partially Available	Not Available	Detailed, Deployed, Activated	Comments	Rating Criterion
FCO		37	14	39%	0	2	21		OFDC Readiness: FCO Green Yellow Red Type 1 3+ 2 1 Type 2 4+ 3 2 Type 3 4 3 2 FDRC 3 2 1
FDRC		9	8	89%	0	0	1		
US&R		28	27	96%	0	1	0	• NM-TF1 (Red) – Personnel shortages • WA-TF1 (Yellow) – U.S. Open (June 1-30)	• Green = Available/FMC • Yellow = Available/PMC • Red = Out-of-Service • Blue = Assigned/Deployed
National IMAT		3	3	100%	0	0	0		• Green: 3 avail • Yellow: 1-2 avail • Red: 0 avail (Individual N-IMAT red if 50% of Section Chiefs and/or Team Leader is unavailable for deployment.)
Regional IMAT		13	9	69%	0	3	1	• Region IX (Blue) – Deployed to Guam Not Mission Capable (Red): • Regions IV-3, VI-2 & IX-1	• Green: 7 or more avail • Yellow: 4 - 6 teams available • Red: > 8 teams deployed/unavailable R-IMAT also red if TL Ops/Log Chief is unavailable & has no qualified replacement
MCOV		60	51	85%	0	8	1		• Green = 80 – 100% avail • Yellow = 60 – 79% avail • Red = 59% or below avail • Readiness remains 95%

FEMA Readiness – National/Regional Teams



National/Regional Teams									
Resource	Status	Total	FMC Available		Partially Available	Not Available	Deployed/ Activated	Comments	Rating Criterion
NWC		5	5	100%	0	0	Not Activated		• Green = FMC • Yellow = PMC • Red = NMC
NRCC		2	344	89%	0	44	Not Activated		
HLT		1	N/A	N/A	0	0	Not Activated	• Will activate June 1, 2015	
DEST							Not Activated		
RRCCs		10	10	100%	0	0	Activated	• Region VI RRCC at Level III (1:00-9:00 pm EDT)	
RWCs/MOCs		10	10	100%	0	0	Activated	• Region VI at Enhanced Watch (8:00 am-1:00 pm EDT)	



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