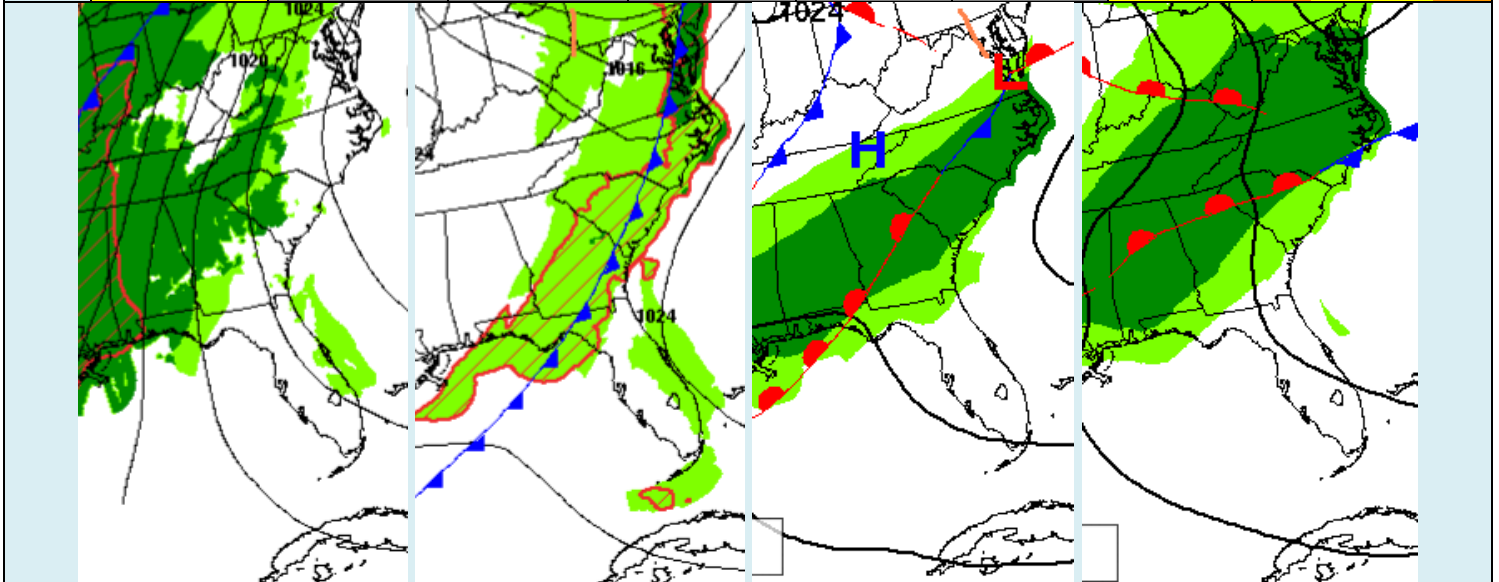


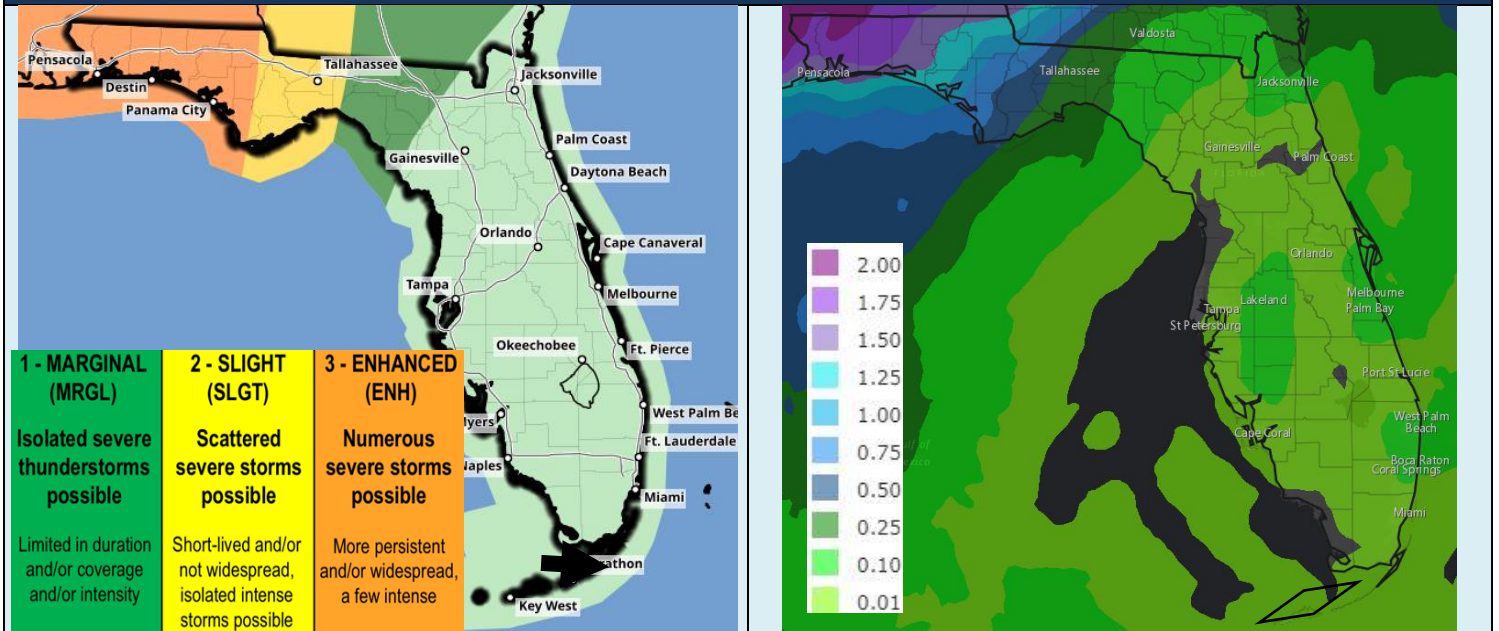
Friday, January 10, 2020

5 Day Statewide Weather Outlook

| No Threat | | | Low Threat | | Moderate Threat | | High Threat | |
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| Day | Lightning | Coastal Flooding | Damaging Wind/Hail | Tornado | Freeze | Fog | Wildfire | Rip Currents |
| Fri | Western Panhandle (late tonight) | Panhandle & Big Bend (tonight) | | | | North Florida | Statewide | Panhandle & East Coast West Coast |
| Sat | Panhandle Big Bend | Panhandle & Big Bend | Panhandle Big Bend | Panhandle Big Bend | | | Statewide | Panhandle & East Coast West Coast |
| Sun | Panhandle & Big Bend | | | | | | Statewide | Panhandle East Coast West Coast |
| Mon | Panhandle & Big Bend | | | | | | Statewide | Panhandle & East Coast West Coast |
| Tue | Panhandle & Big Bend | | | | | | Statewide | Panhandle & East Coast West Coast |



Forecast Surface Weather Maps for Saturday (left), Sunday (center-left), Monday (center-right), and Tuesday (right)



Severe Weather Outlook for Saturday (SPC LINK)

Forecast Rainfall Amounts Through Tuesday Night



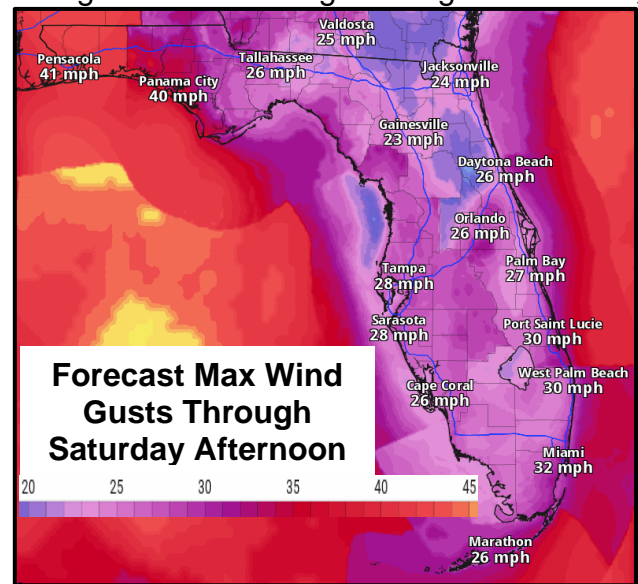
...Strong to Severe Storms in the Panhandle & Big Bend Saturday...Damaging Winds and Tornadoes are the Primary Hazards...Windy Conditions Statewide This Weekend...Daily Showers & Isolated Storms across North Florida into Next Week...Staying Warm & Humid...Dangerous Beach Conditions at Panhandle & Atlantic Beaches...



North Florida:

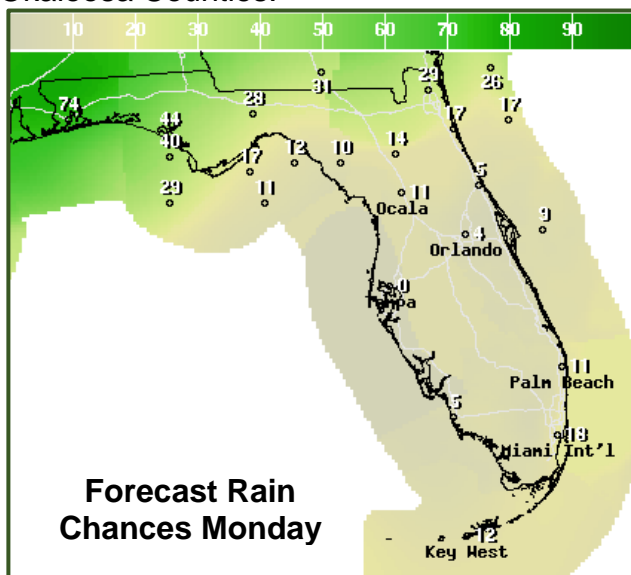
the Panhandle west of the Apalachicola River in an **Enhanced Risk of severe weather** (level 3 of 5). The Big Bend is outlined in a **Marginal to Slight Risk** (level 1 to 2). The main threats with the severe thunderstorms will be damaging winds over 60 mph and a few tornadoes. The storms will likely enter the Panhandle in the early to middle afternoon and be near the Apalachicola River after sunset. As the line moves into the Big Bend during the late evening and nighttime hours, weakening is expected, and the coverage of severe thunderstorms will decrease. Ahead of the line, it is possible that isolated thunderstorms may develop, mainly in the western Panhandle. These storms, if they develop, could become severe and pose a tornado risk. The severe weather will not make it into Northeast Florida, but isolated to scattered showers (20-30% chance) will be possible through the day on Saturday.

Ahead of the strong to severe thunderstorms, it will be quite windy. Sustained winds out of the south at 15 to 25 mph with gusts of 30-40 mph are expected on Saturday. For this reason, a **Wind Advisory** is in effect through Saturday for Escambia, Santa Rosa, and Okaloosa Counties.



The front will make it into the Big Bend, but then stall on Sunday before lifting northward as a warm front Monday and Tuesday. This will leave a warm and humid air mass in place across North Florida, leading to daily chances of scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms. Severe weather is not anticipated Sunday through Tuesday.

Temperatures will be quite warm with highs in the 70s in the Panhandle and lower 80s in Northeast Florida. Some places in Northeast Florida will be near record highs. A little bit of cooler air will work into the Panhandle Saturday night behind the front, where lows may drop back into the 50s (still well above normal for this time





The cold front and a

With abundant moisture in place, isolated to widely scattered showers

... will remain breezy through

By early next week, rain chances decrease.

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About 1-2" of rainfall is expected in the Benhandle

Due to strong southerly to southeasterly winds

Saturday: A **Coastal Flood Advisory** is in effect from

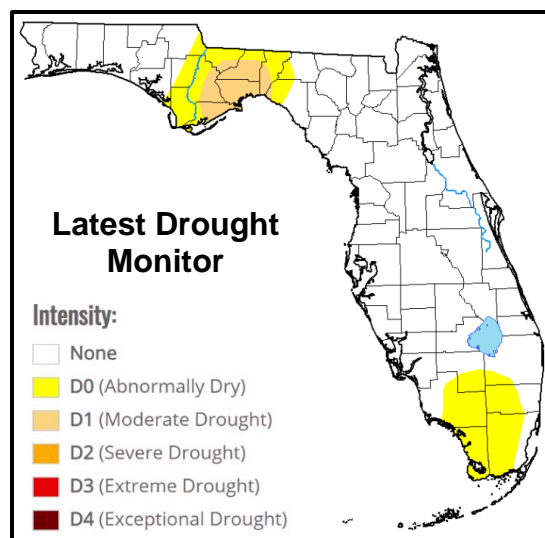
The Lake Okechobee average elevation is 12.07 feet, which is 1.67 feet below normal for

Drought & Fire Weather:

This week's [Drought Monitor](#) shows an elimination of moderate drought in South Florida, but a continuation of **moderate drought** in the Big Bend. The rainfall over the next 5 days will be fairly light over the abnormally dry areas, and little change in the Drought Monitor is expected next week.

Winds will be breezy for much of this weekend (10-20 mph), but winds will subside next week. Relative humidity will be above critical levels. Thus, a **low** wildfire threat is expected this week.

There are 11 [active wildfires](#) across the state burning a total of 109 acres.



Rip Currents & Marine Hazards:

Breezy to occasionally strong south to southeast winds and high surf will result in a **high rip current risk** for Panhandle beaches through Sunday, followed by a **moderate risk** on Monday and Tuesday. A **High Surf Advisory** is in effect through tonight from Escambia through Okaloosa Counties, with a **High Surf Warning** starting tonight through Saturday. A **High Surf Advisory** is also in effect for Walton and Bay Counties on Saturday. Wave heights will build to 7-10' along Panhandle beaches tonight and Saturday, then recede to 2-4' Sunday through Tuesday.

Along the East Coast, there will be a **high rip current risk** through Saturday due to breezy east to southeast winds. Waves will be 5-8' today, subsiding to 3-6' into next week. A **High Surf Advisory** is in effect from Volusia to Martin County through this evening. Winds will subside, but swells will remain Sunday through Tuesday, resulting in a **moderate rip current risk**.

West Coast beaches will see a low risk through Tuesday. The exception, though, is Saturday when swells over the Gulf may affect the West Coast beaches. This will result in a **moderate rip current risk**. The latest rip current outlook for Florida can be found [here](#).

Red Tide has been reported at low concentrations offshore of Collier County and along the coast of Okaloosa County. Respiratory irritation, however, is not expected. For the latest concentration reports, please view the [Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission map](#).

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Have a great weekend!

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