



Spring Fire Weather Outlook

NWS Albany



**New York State Fire Weather Meeting
Monday March 3, 2025**

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Overview

- National Drought Monitor Conditions For NY
- 30, 60, 90 and 120 day precipitation from The NYS Mesonet
- NY Snowpack Conditions
- Spring, Summer and Fall Temperature and Precipitation Outlooks
- NWSChat 2.0/Slack





U.S. Drought Monitor

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Map released: Thurs. February 27, 2025

Data valid: February 25, 2025 at 7 a.m. EST

Intensity

- None
- D0 (Abnormally Dry)
- D1 (Moderate Drought)
- D2 (Severe Drought)
- D3 (Extreme Drought)
- D4 (Exceptional Drought)
- No Data

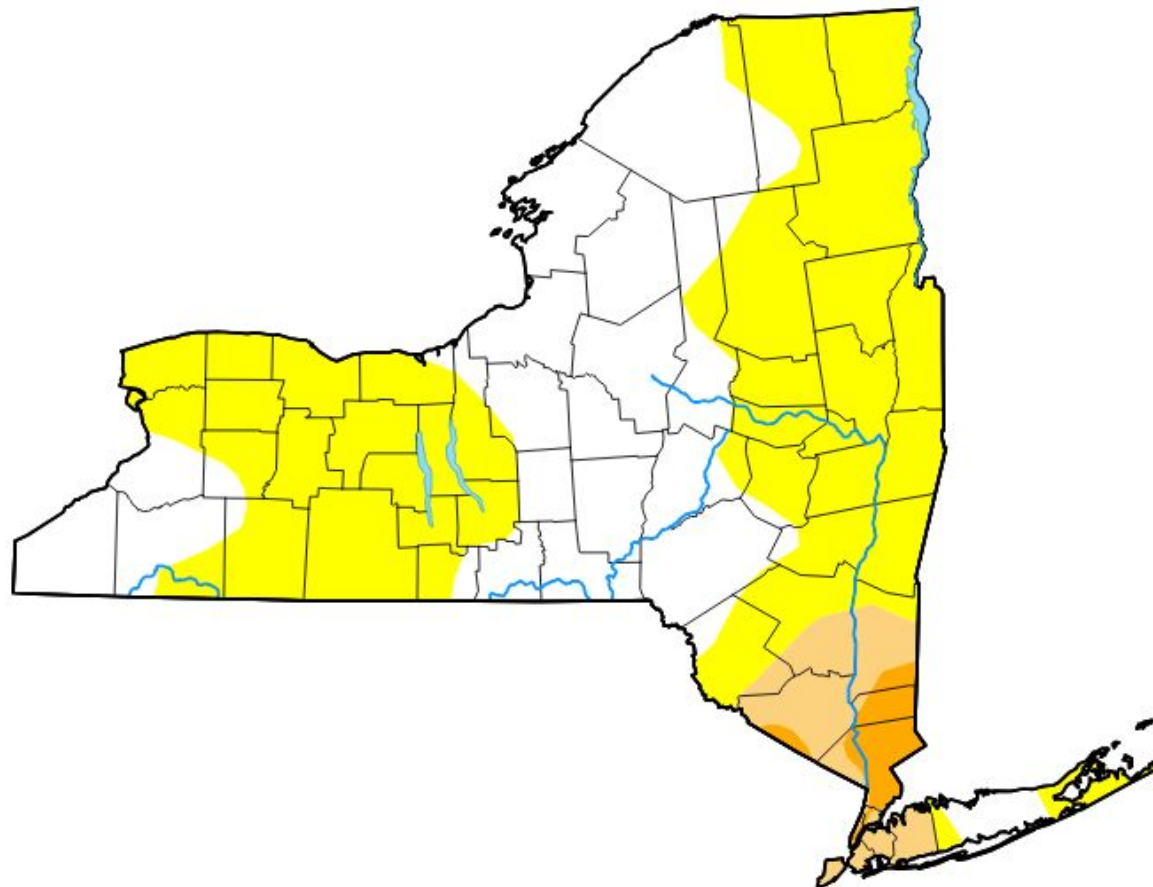
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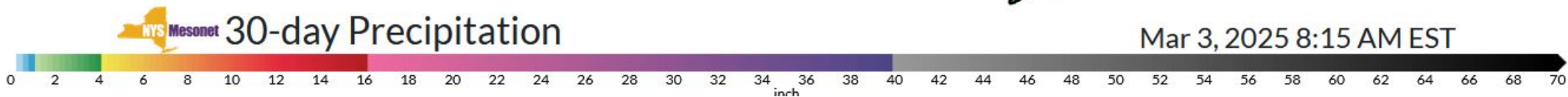
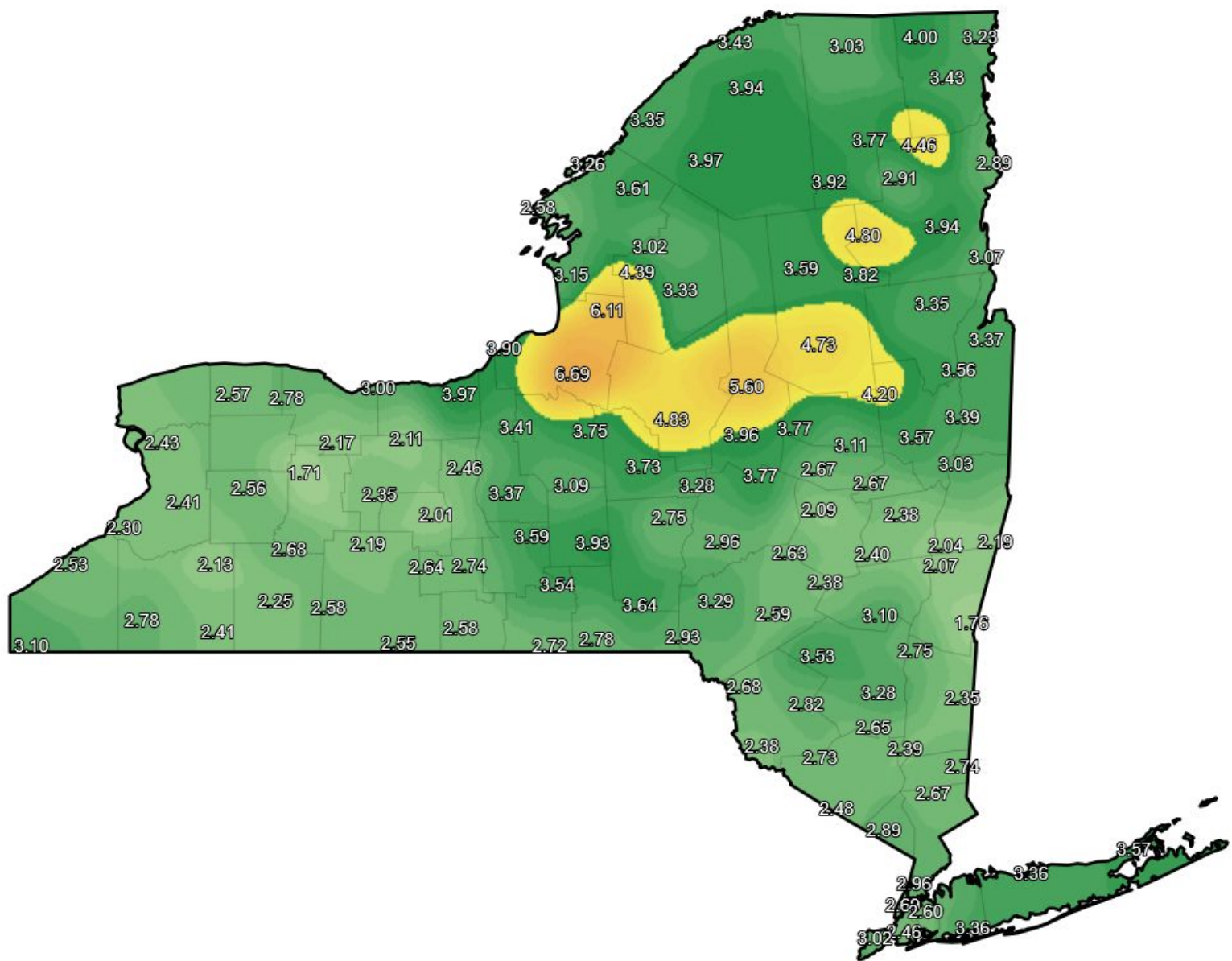
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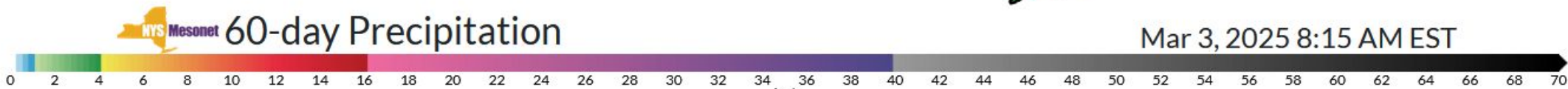
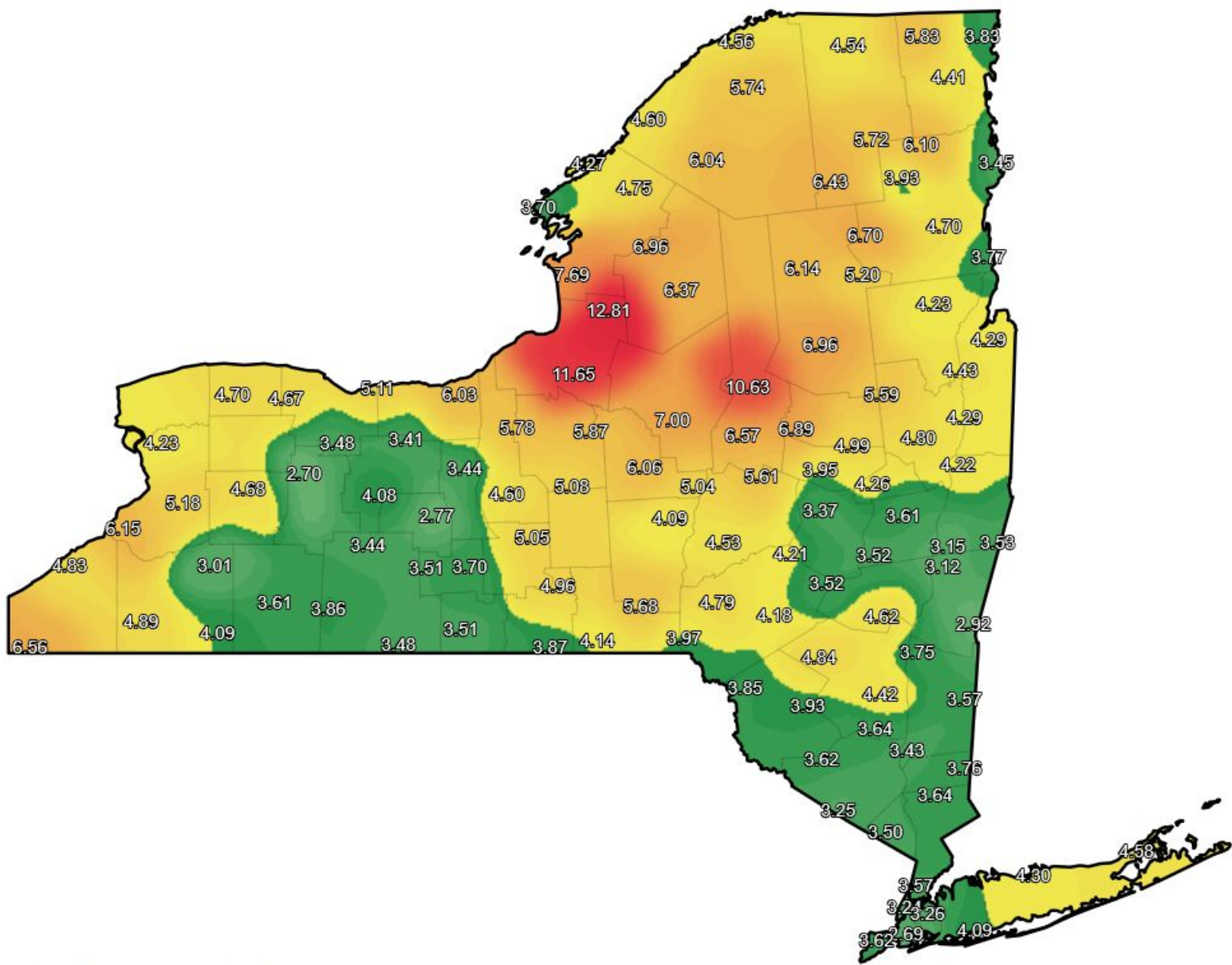


New York State Mesonet - 30 Day Precipitation



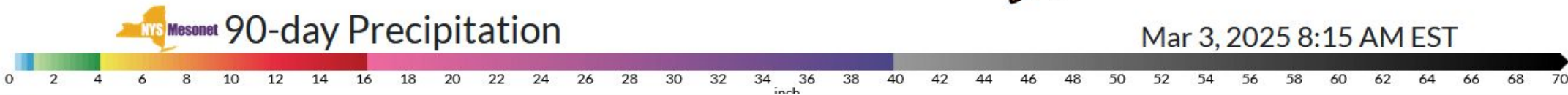
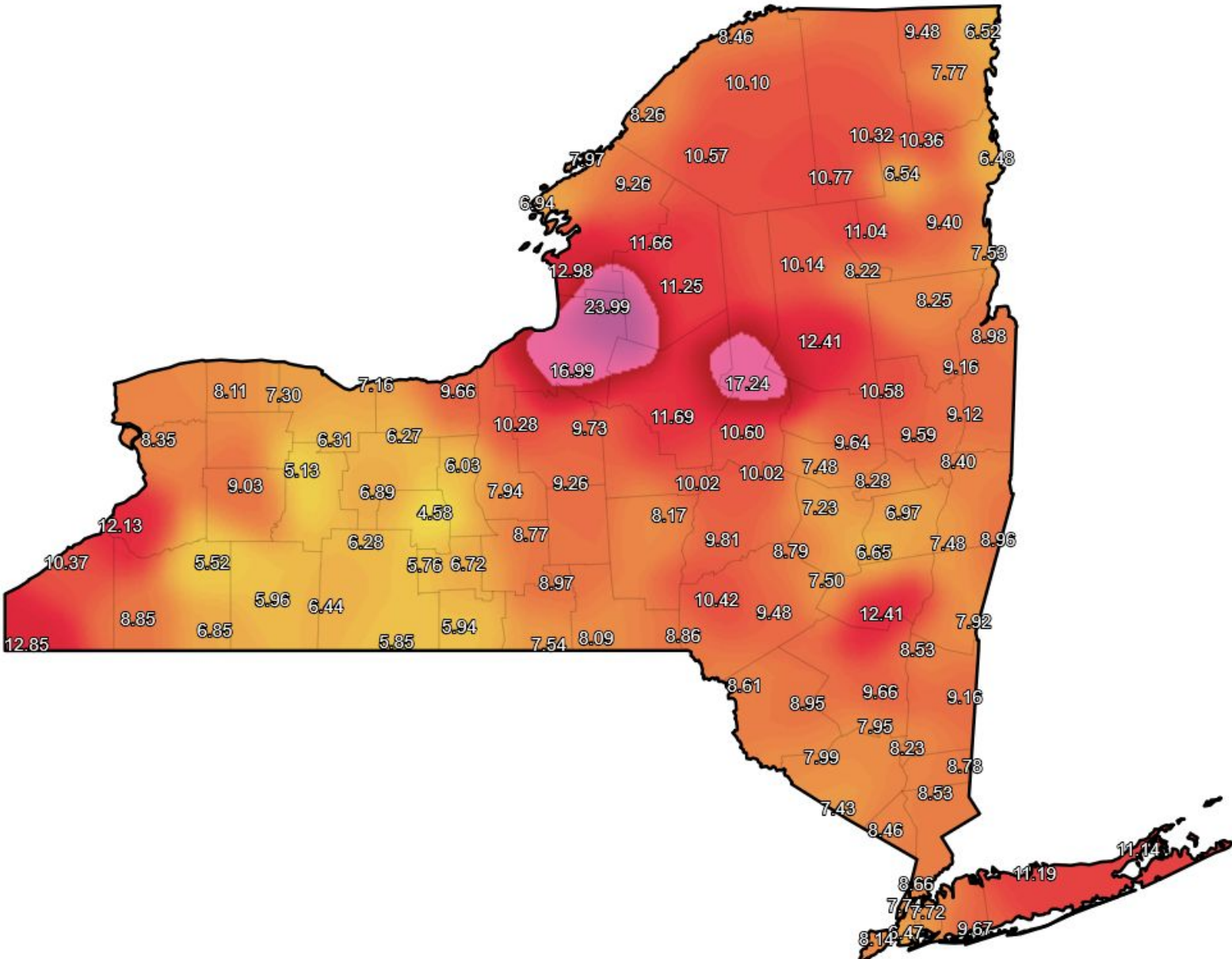


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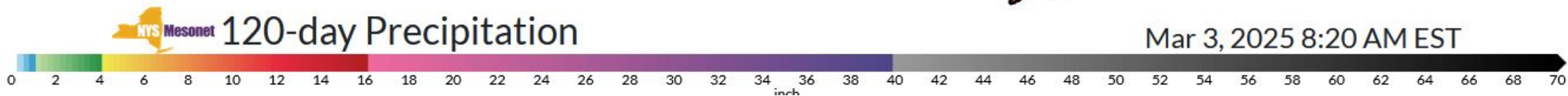
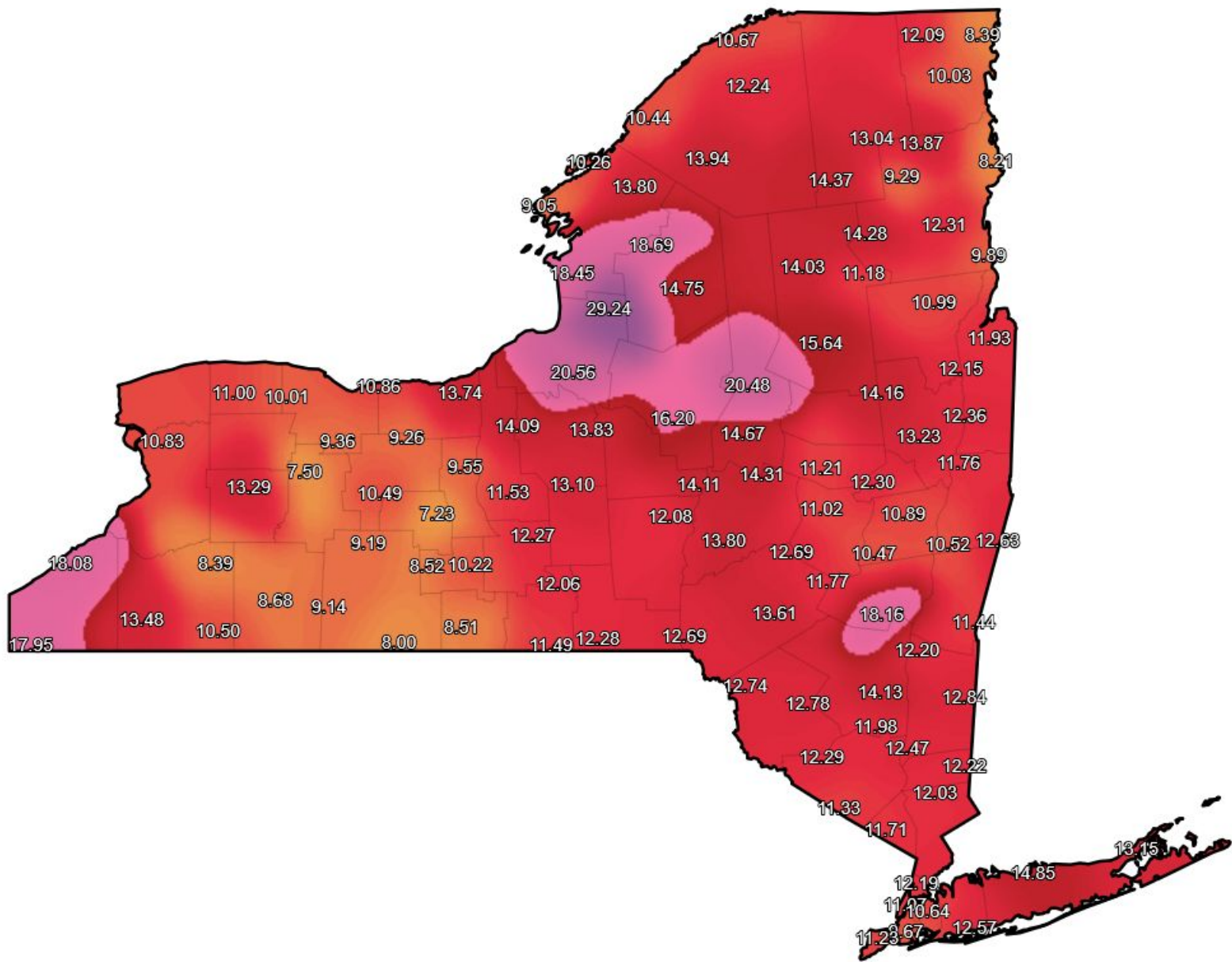


New York State Mesonet - 90 Day Precipitation





New York State Mesonet - 120 Day Precipitation



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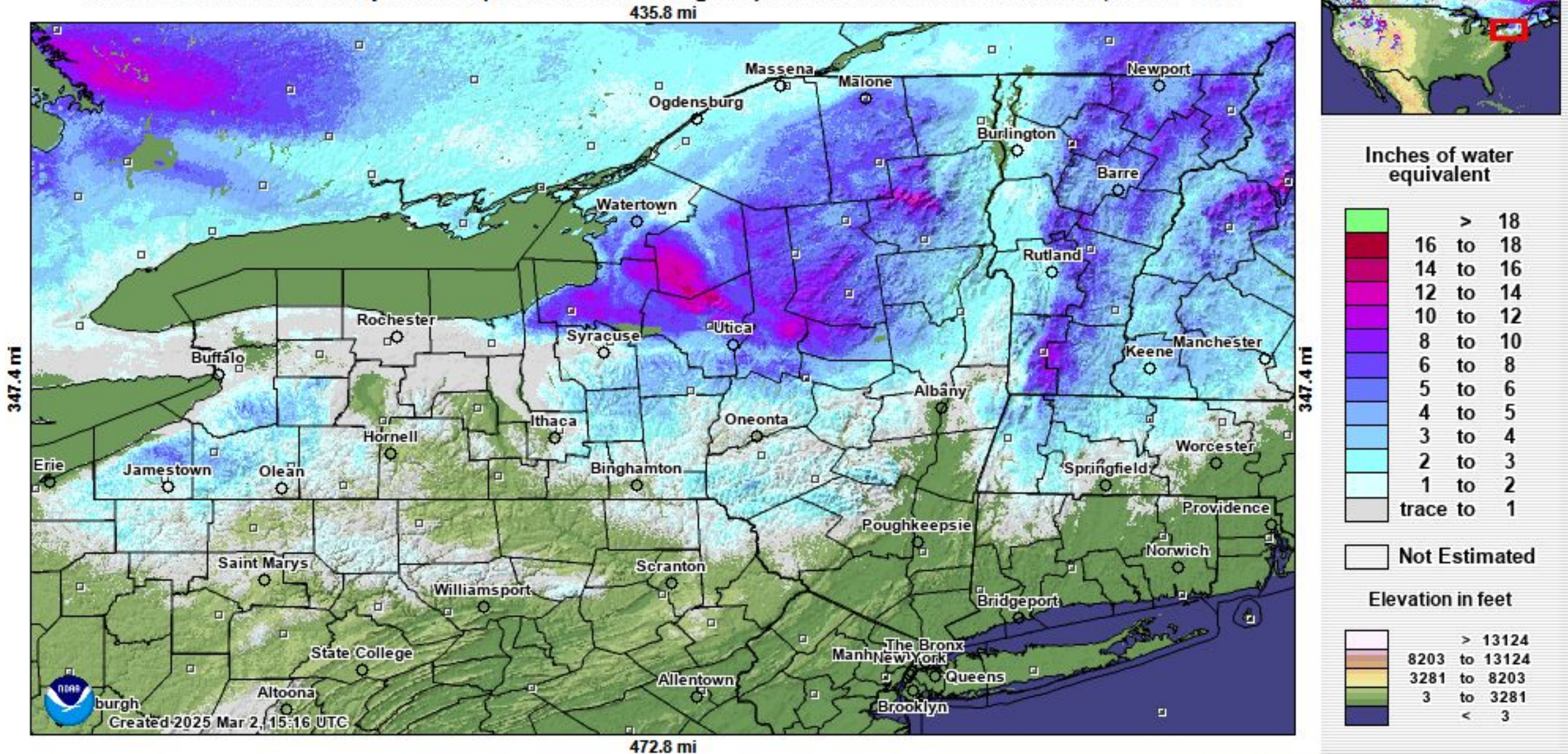
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New York State Snow Water Equivalent

Modeled Snow Water Equivalent (Shallow-snow Legend) forecasted for 2025 March 3, 13:00 UTC





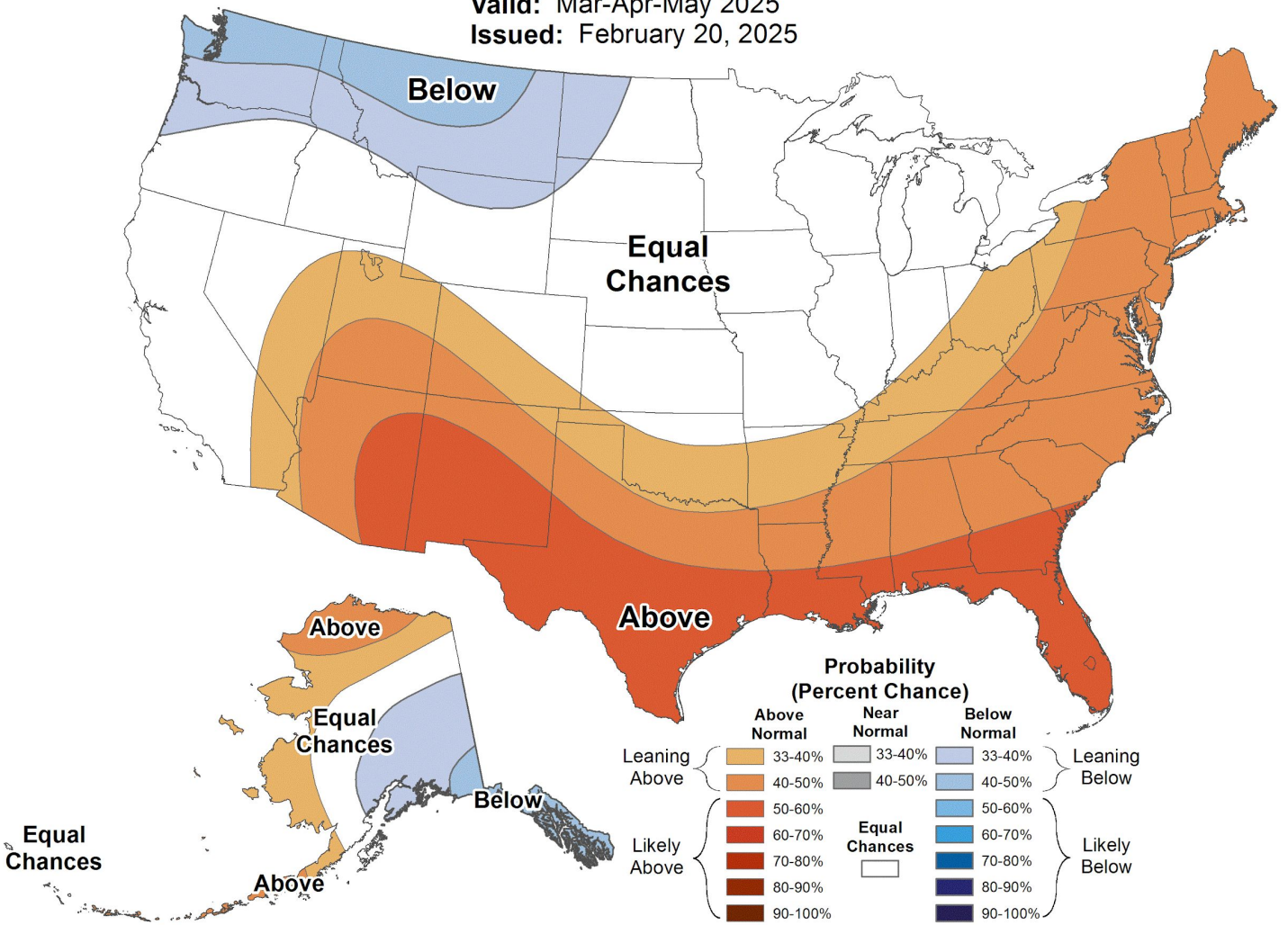
Mar Apr May - Spring Seasonal Outlook



Seasonal Temperature Outlook



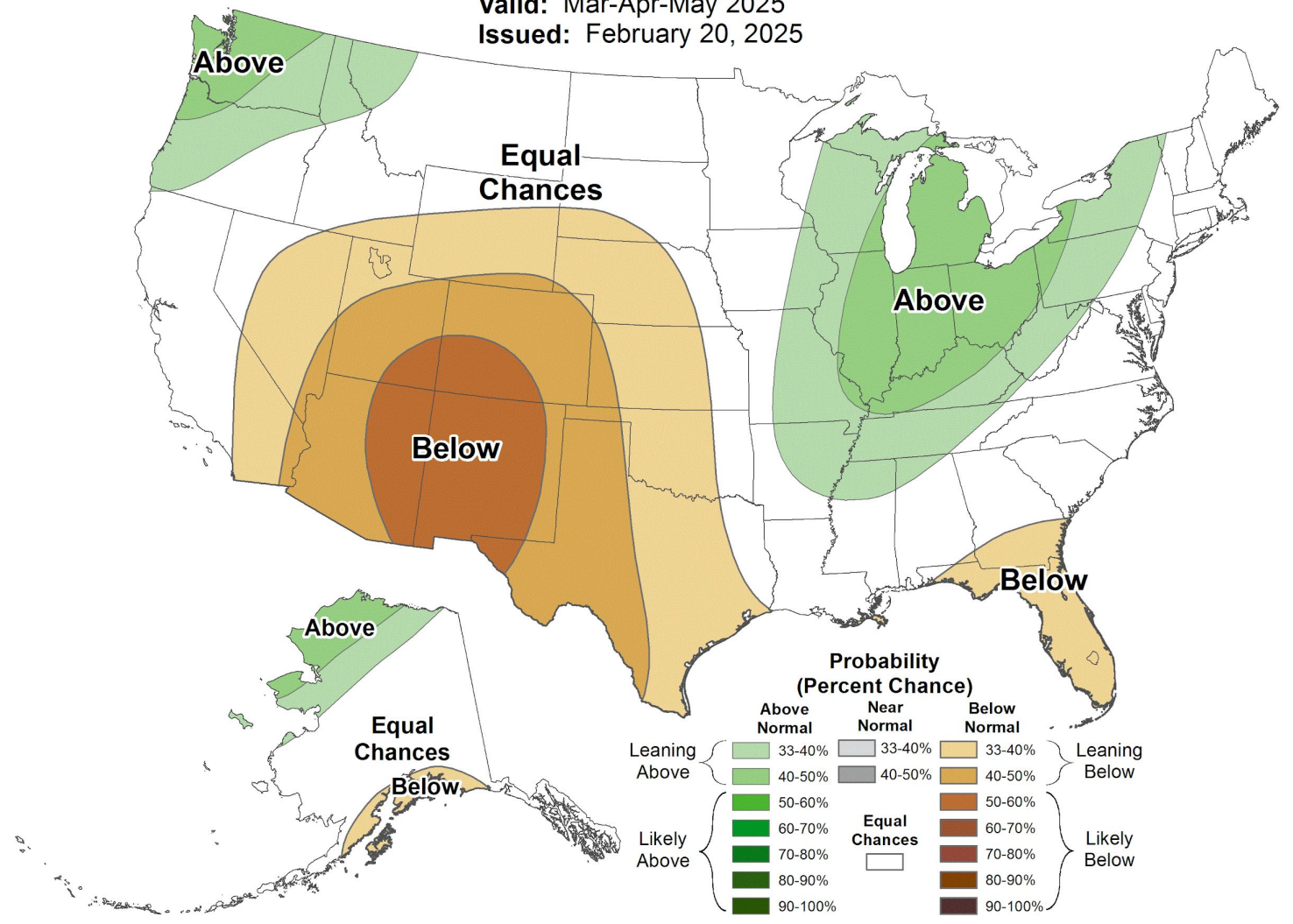
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Seasonal Precipitation Outlook



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Spring Seasonal Outlook favors above normal temperatures and near to above normal precipitation.





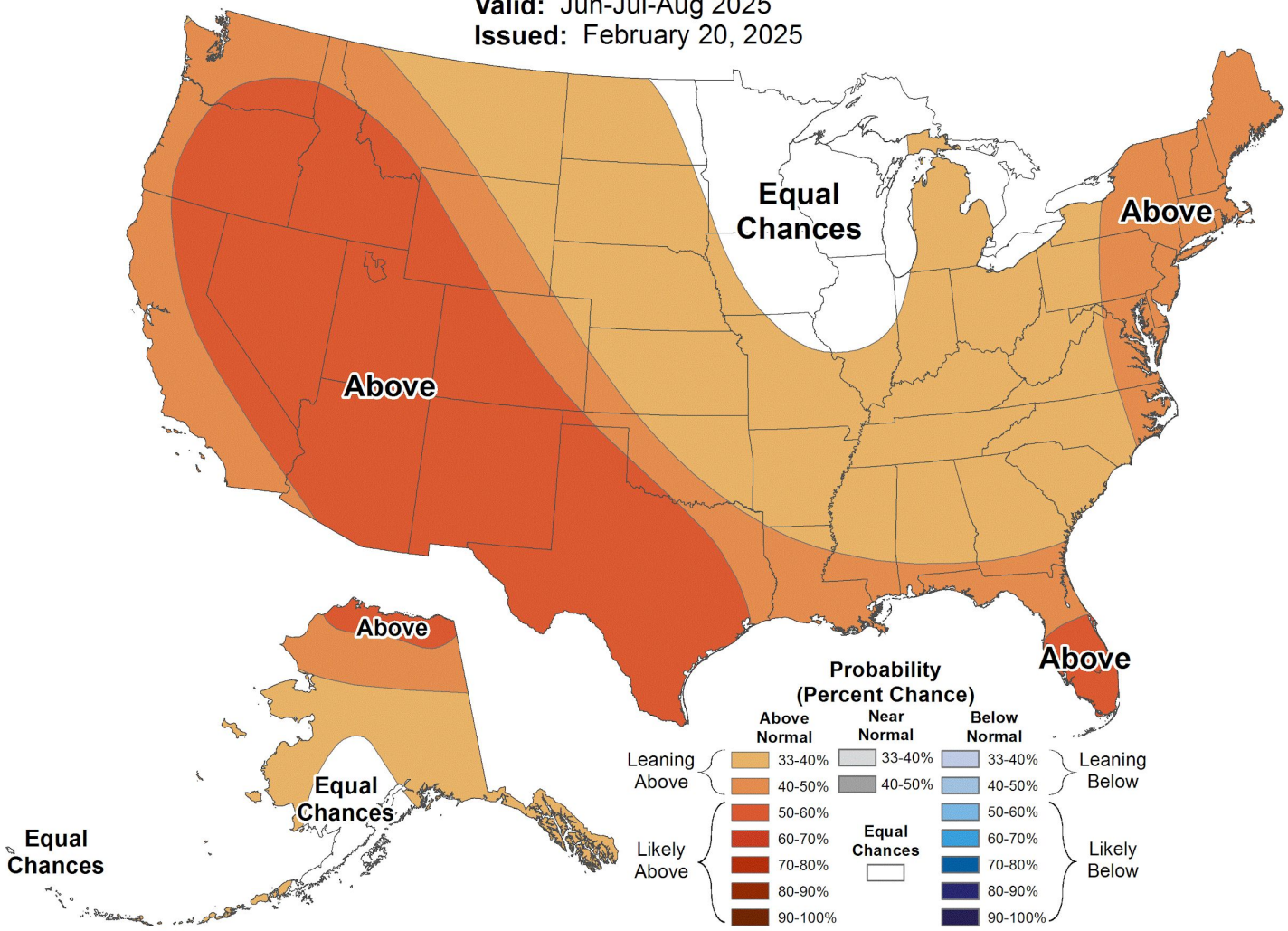
Jun Jul Aug - Summer Seasonal Outlook



Seasonal Temperature Outlook



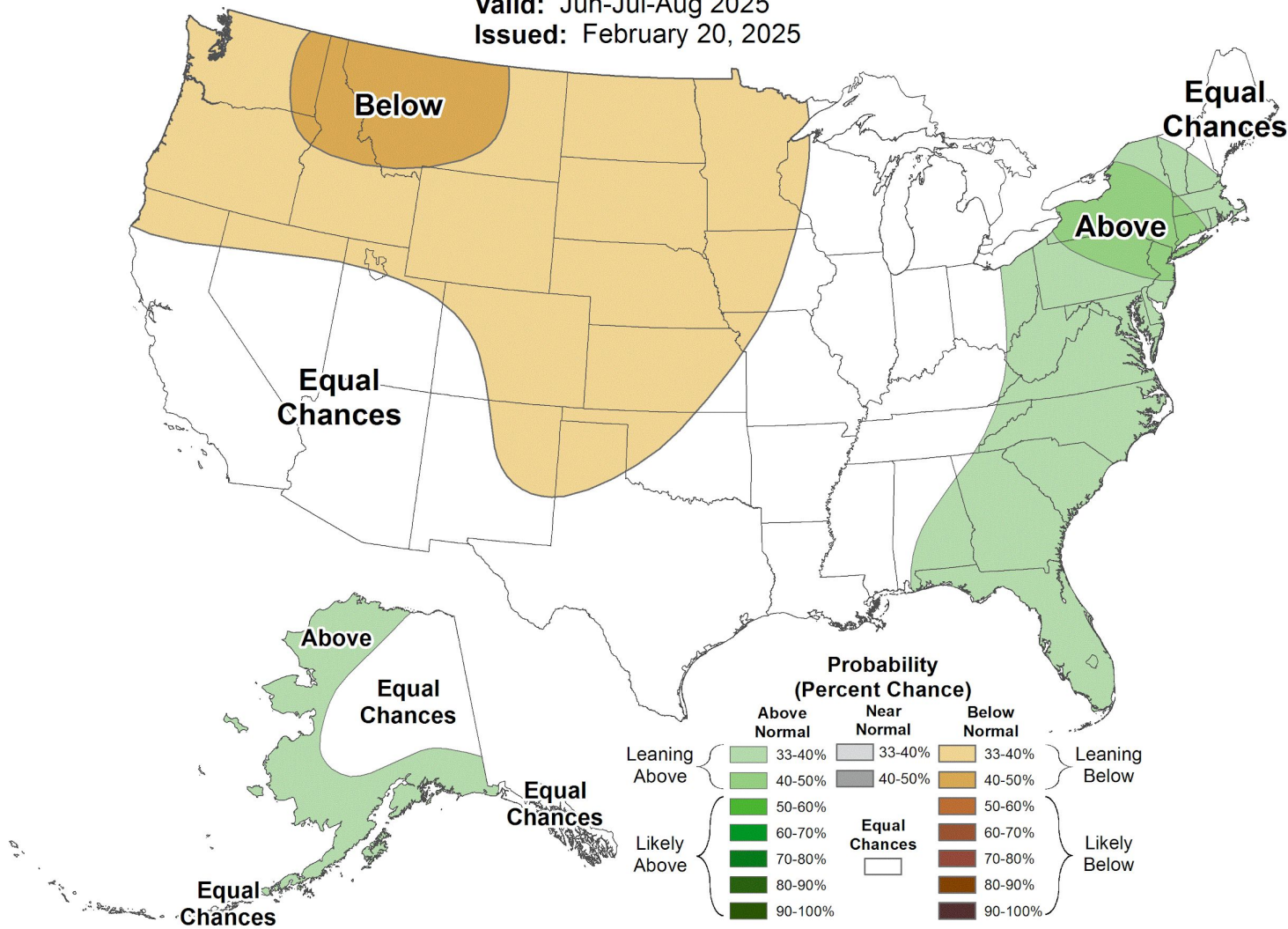
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Summer Seasonal Outlook favors above normal temperatures and above normal precipitation.





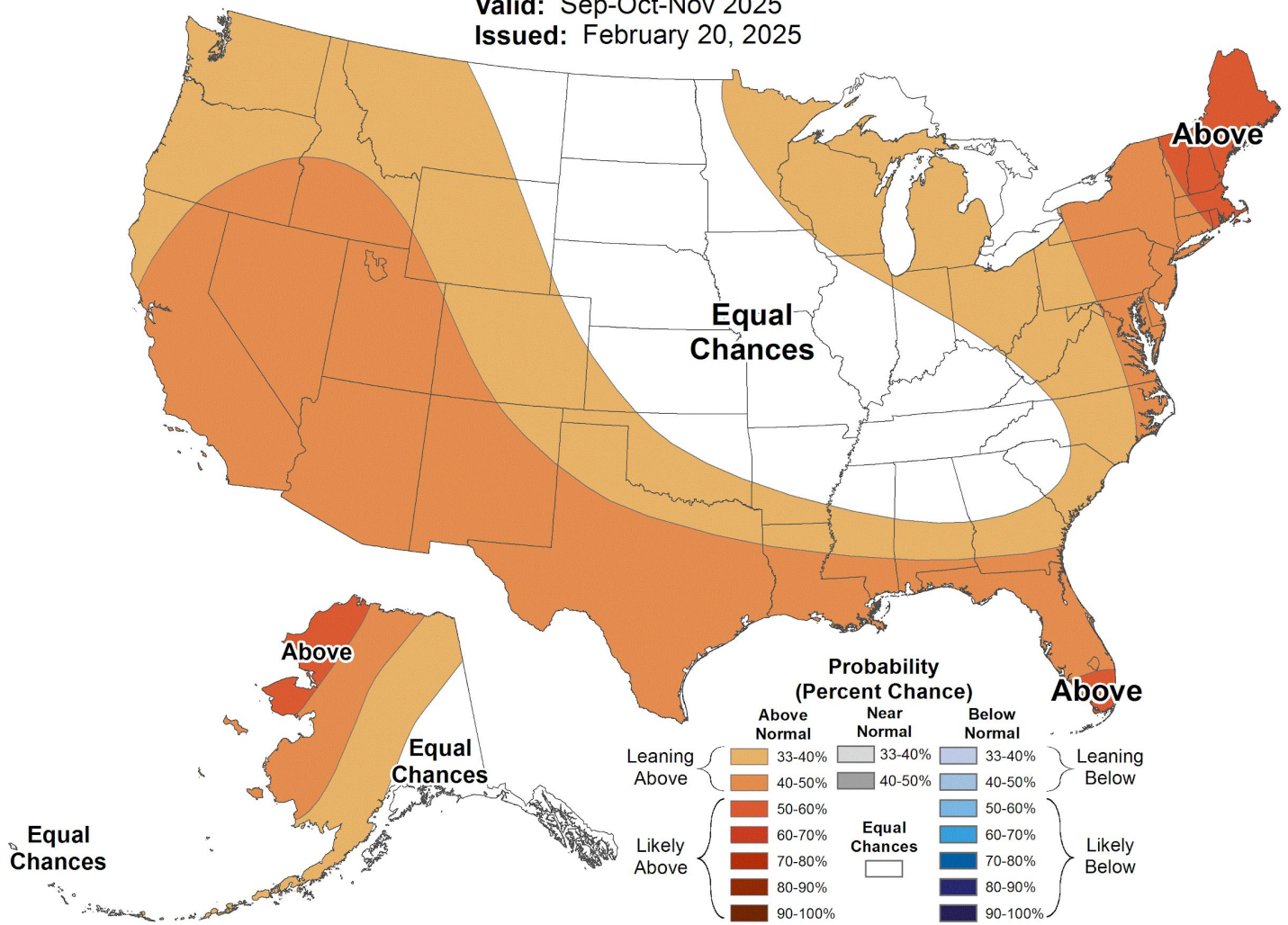
Sep Oct Nov - Fall Seasonal Outlook



Seasonal Temperature Outlook



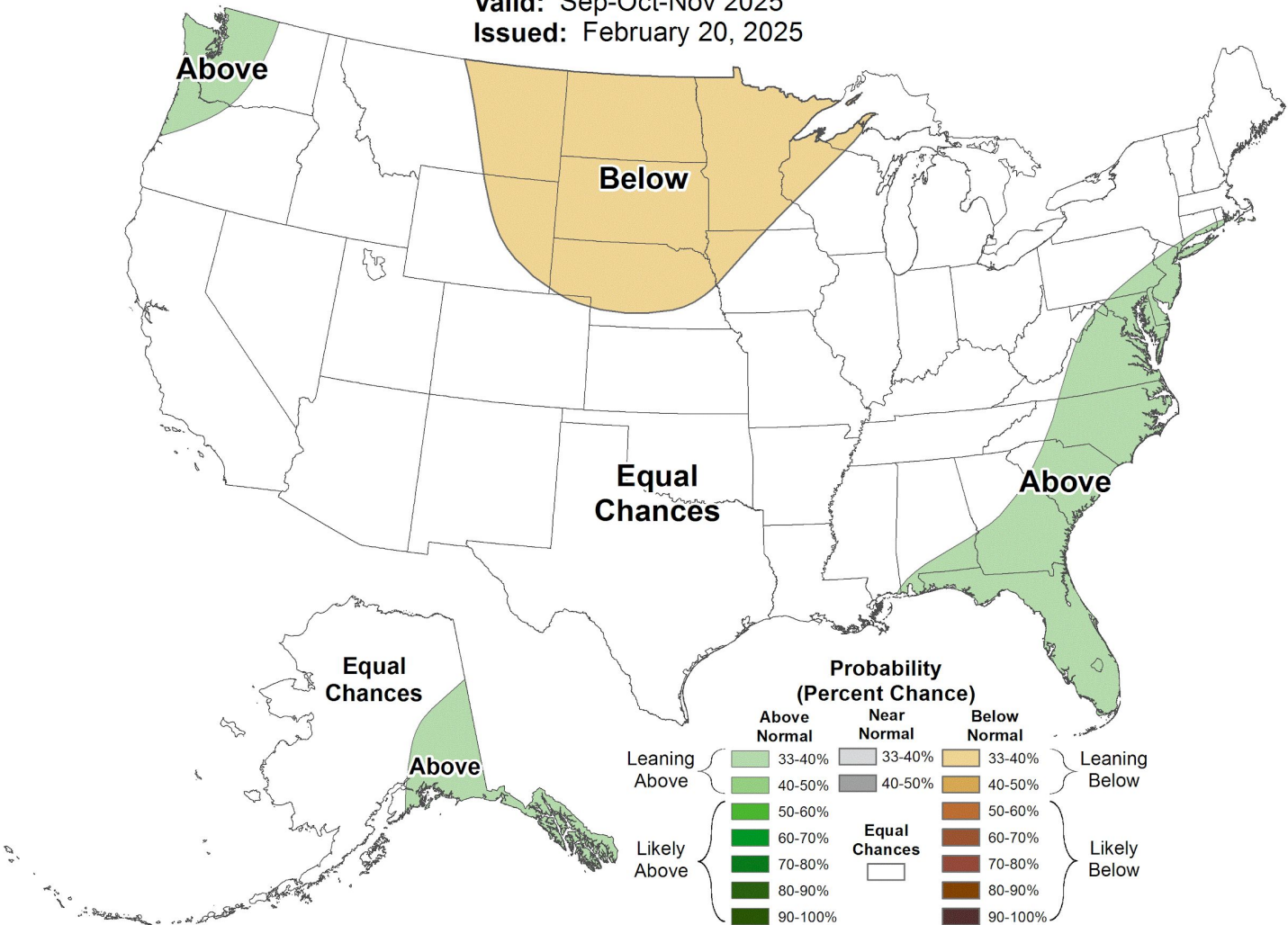
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Seasonal Precipitation Outlook



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Fall Seasonal Outlook favors above normal temperatures and near to above normal precipitation.





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Here is a video loop depicting a model forecast of near-surface smoke concentration emanating from wildfires across eastern Canada.



12:52 PM · Jun 5, 2023 · 1,640 Views

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NWSChat 2.0 - Slack



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National Weather Service Chat (NWSChat 2.0)

What is NWSChat 2.0?

NWSChat 2.0 brings you virtually into National Weather Service (NWS) operations powered by Slack, as a real-time instant messaging program. This allows your local NWS office to communicate weather and flood information with key partners during incidents. It's an important situational awareness tool, leveraged by all members of the Integrated Warning Team: emergency management, news media and the NWS.


Who can use NWSChat 2.0?

- ✓ Members of the **emergency management community** including public safety officials from federal, state, tribal or local governments.
- ✓ Safety and emergency personnel from **universities or other large-population entities**.
- ✓ Members of the **news media** can relay weather information such as flood watches, advisories, and warnings to a significant part of the population served by an NWS office.
- ✓ **Government partners** of a NWS office including (but not limited to) the FAA, DHS, USGS, military and water and land management officials.




Why use NWSChat 2.0?


- ✓ NWSChat allows you to **ask questions and seek clarification** from the meteorologists who make decisions on watches, warnings, and advisories.
- ✓ Pictures and videos can be **uploaded and shared in real-time** with NWS forecasters.
- ✓ NWS products and storm reports can be displayed to **maintain situational awareness**.
- ✓ Information shared can be shared across the Integrated Warning Team and used by emergency managers to **better communicate hazards to their communities**.




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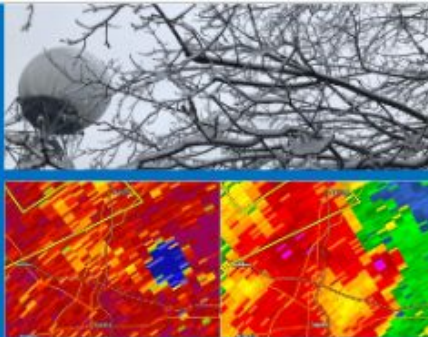

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How do I sign up?


1. Go to:
<https://partnerservices.nws.noaa.gov/registration/>
2. Select Partner Registration
3. Enter your personal information
4. Confirm your email with verification code
5. Check your email for a welcome email from Slack

How do I access Slack?

- ✓ Navigate to nwschatwx.slack.com
- ✓ Sign in with email and password
- ✓ *Slack is mobile!* Download the app on your desktop or mobile device to have access in the field!


Learn how to use NWSChat 2.0

Listed below are a few training resources, outlining how to use the new NWSChat 2.0 on Slack. We HIGHLY recommend viewing the training before diving into NWSChat 2.0 with NWS staff.




Slack Videos

[Review the slack videos.](https://nwschatwx.slack.com/archives/C04MXCJ6AP7/p1684444592179229) Total watch time is ~35 minutes.
(<https://nwschatwx.slack.com/archives/C04MXCJ6AP7/p1684444592179229>)




Slack FAQ


[Use this link](https://nwschatwx.slack.com/archives/C04MXCJ6AP7/p1677190074645069) for any frequently asked questions.
(<https://nwschatwx.slack.com/archives/C04MXCJ6AP7/p1677190074645069>)




Check with the local NWS office for any live training opportunities.



Get support on the Slack channel #help-slack-partners. Additional resources can be found on this channel.



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