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# NWS Birmingham Forecast for Severe Weather Tonight - Thursday Morning

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10 AM Webinar

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## Overview:

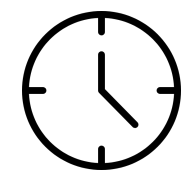
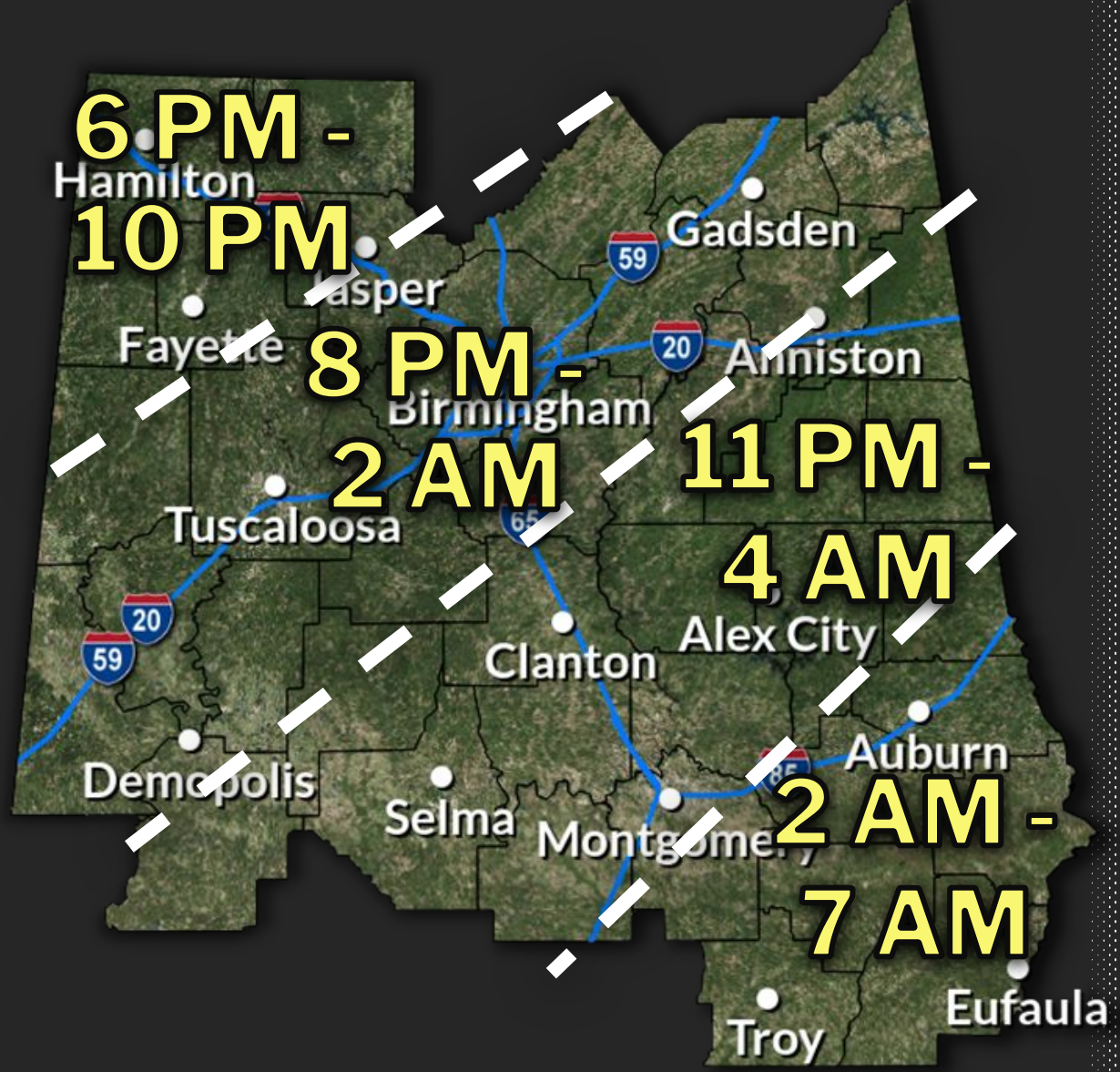
- **Severe thunderstorm risk for tonight into Thursday morning:**
  - Risk level: Slight Risk (level 2 out of 5).
  - Risk Area: All of Central Alabama.
  - Threats: Damaging winds up to 60 mph, isolated/brief tornadoes, & large hail up to quarter size.
  - Timing: Beginning as early as 6 PM tonight (northwest, **but more on this later**), & lasting as late as 7 AM early Thursday morning (southeast).
  - Threat of flooding, especially in areas that received heavy rainfall on Monday.

# Severe Weather Risk Tonight - Thursday Morning

Latest info at [weather.gov/bmx](https://weather.gov/bmx)



Risk Level 2: Central Alabama



## WHEN

6pm Tonight - 7am Thursday

## THREATS



**Tornadoes**  
Isolated, brief



**Damaging Winds**  
Gusts up to 60 mph



**Large Hail**  
Up to quarter-size

## WHAT TO DO



Have multiple ways to get alerts



Have access to a sturdy shelter



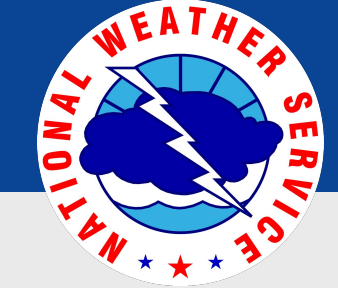
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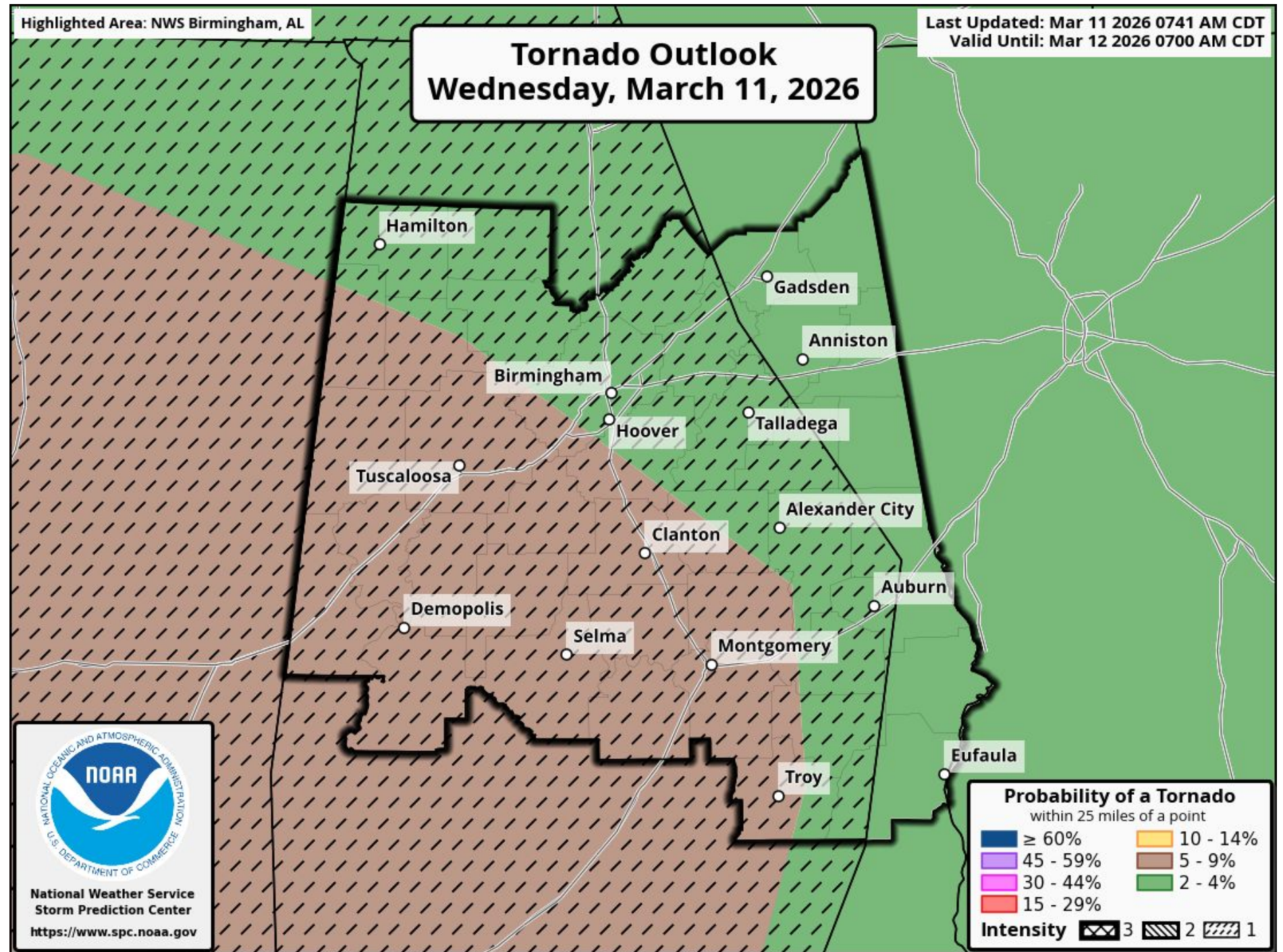
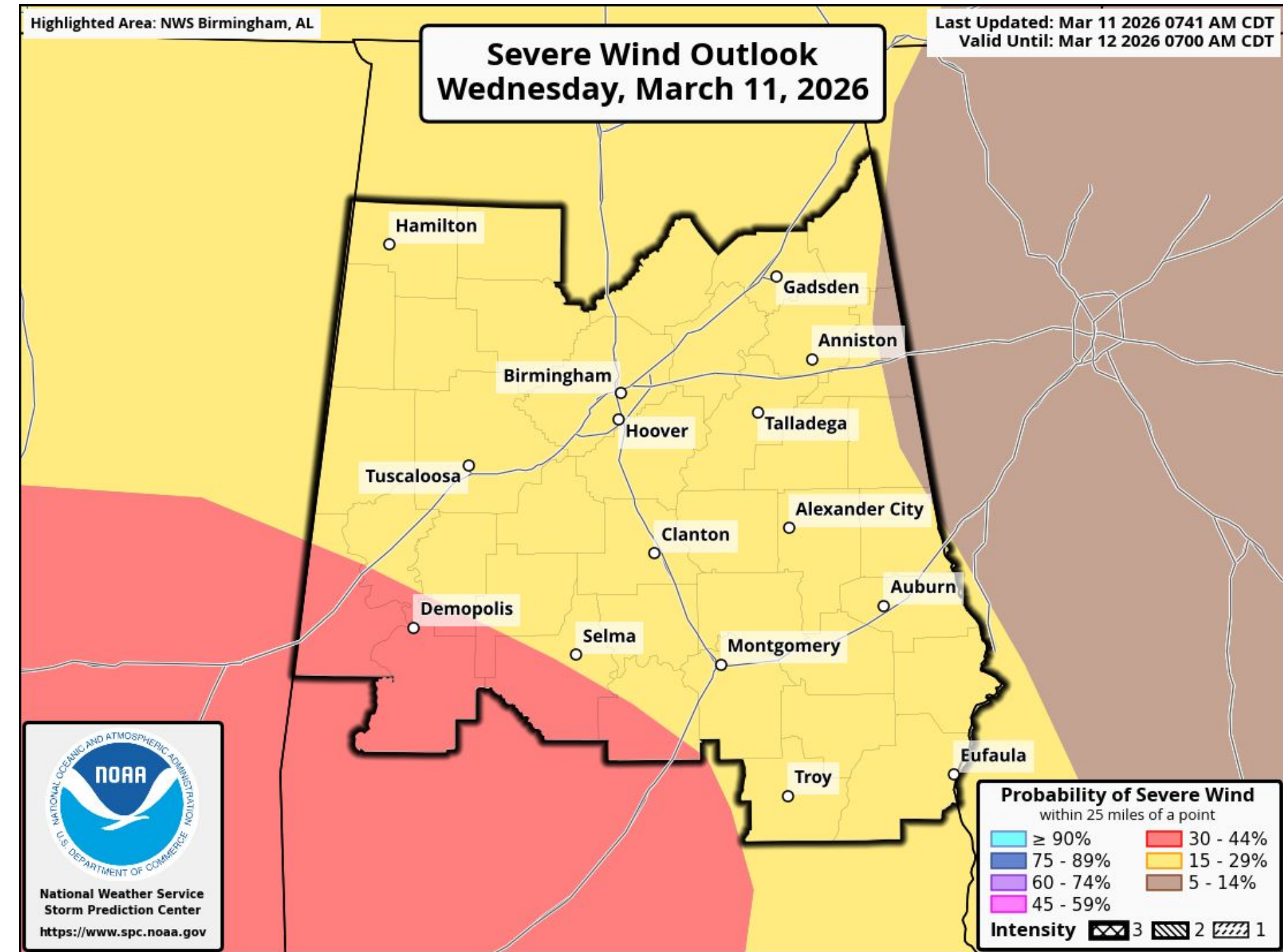
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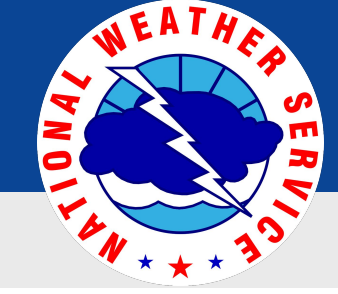
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# Damaging Wind and Tornado Outlooks

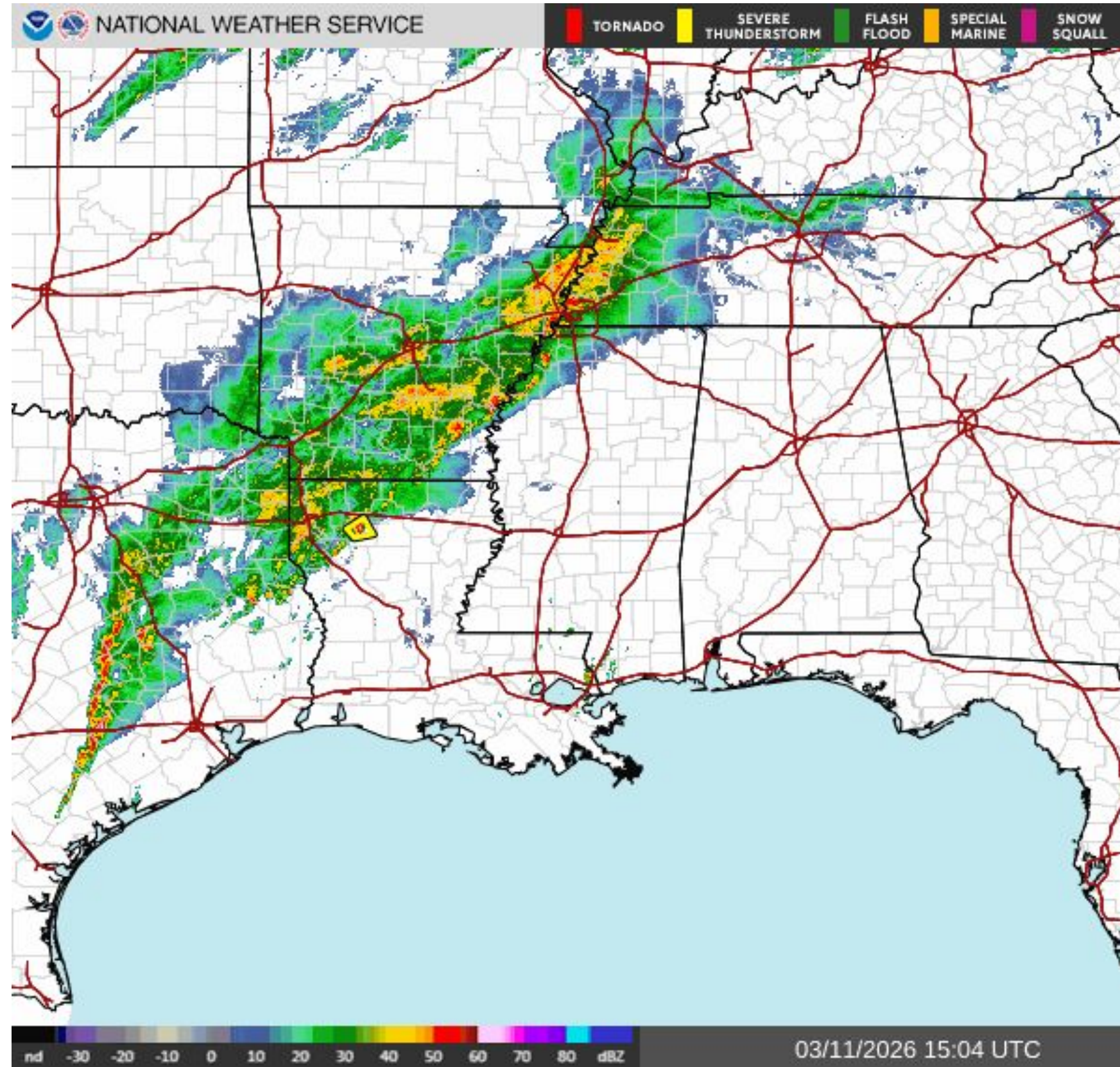
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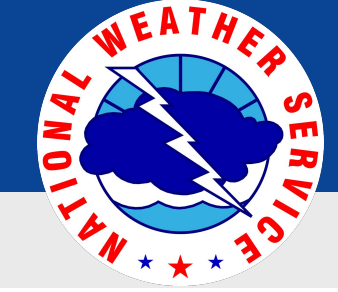
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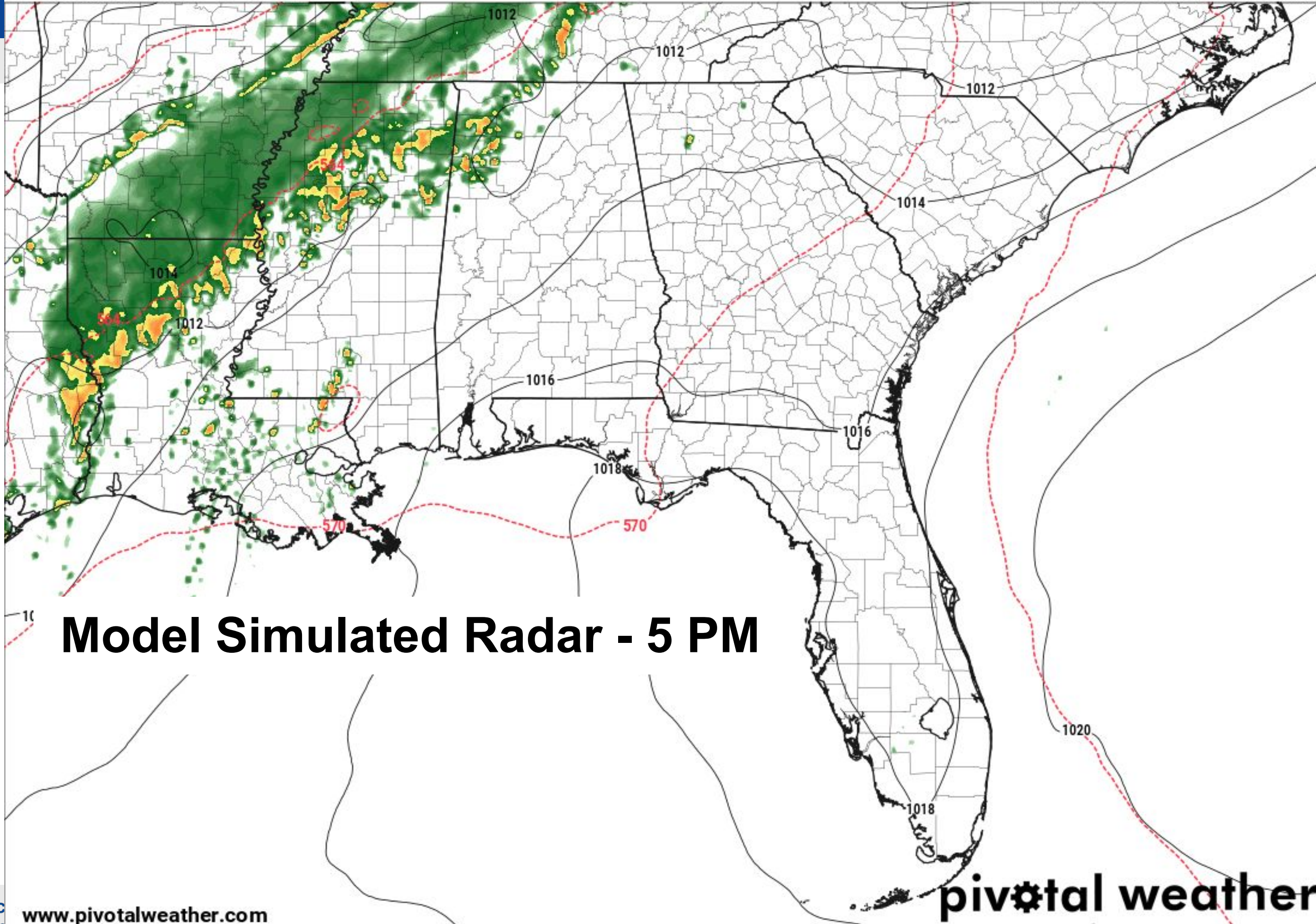


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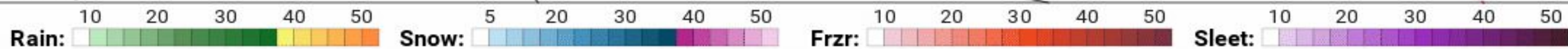


**Model Simulated Radar - 5 PM**



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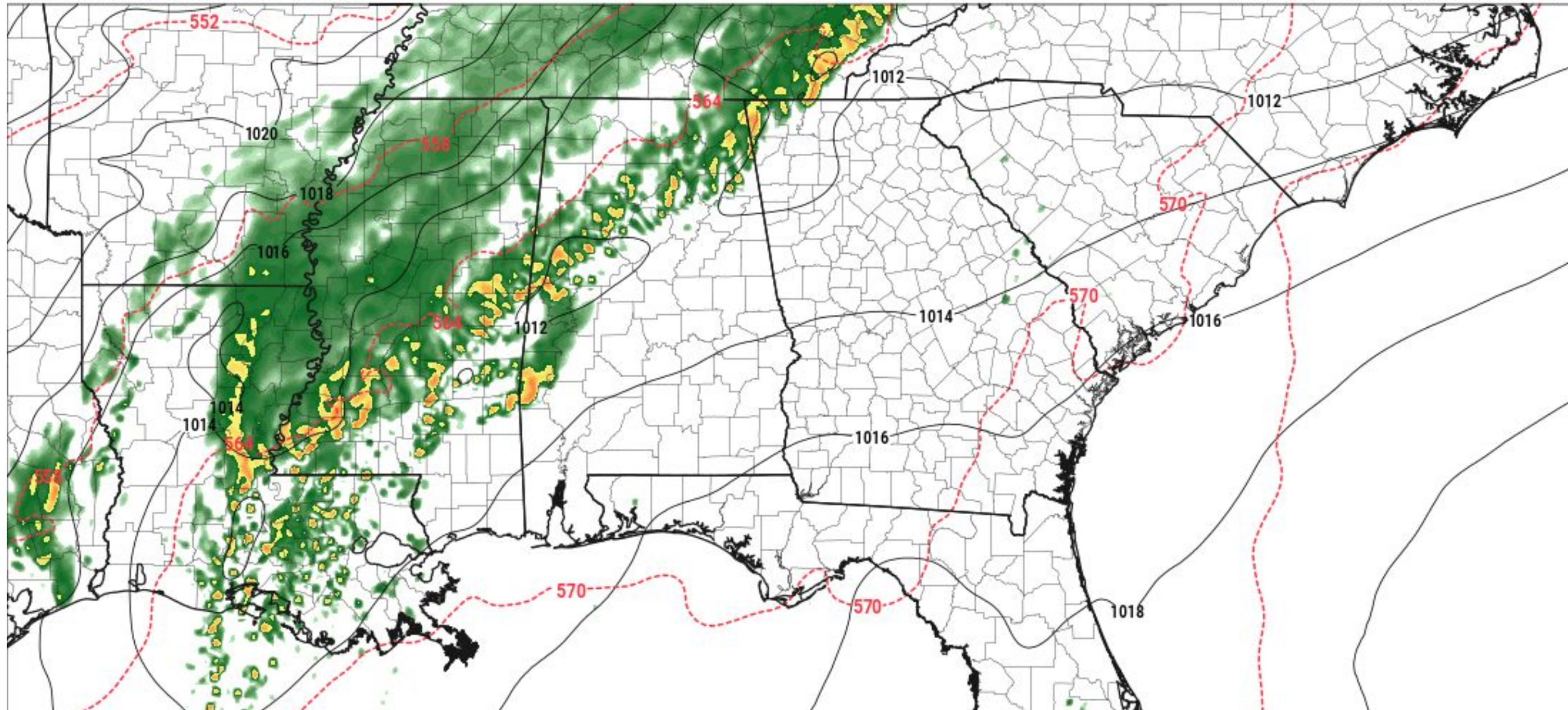
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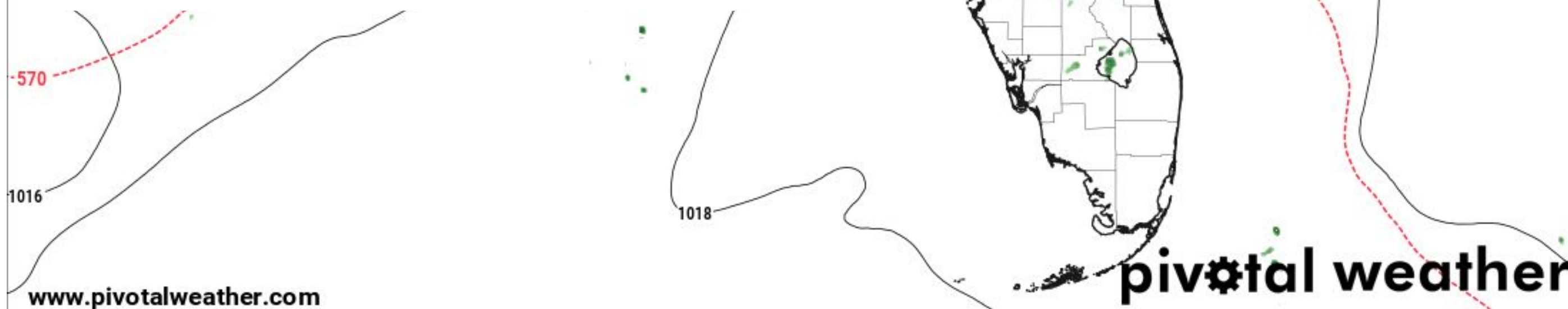
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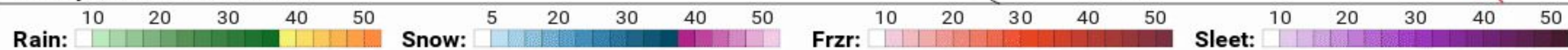


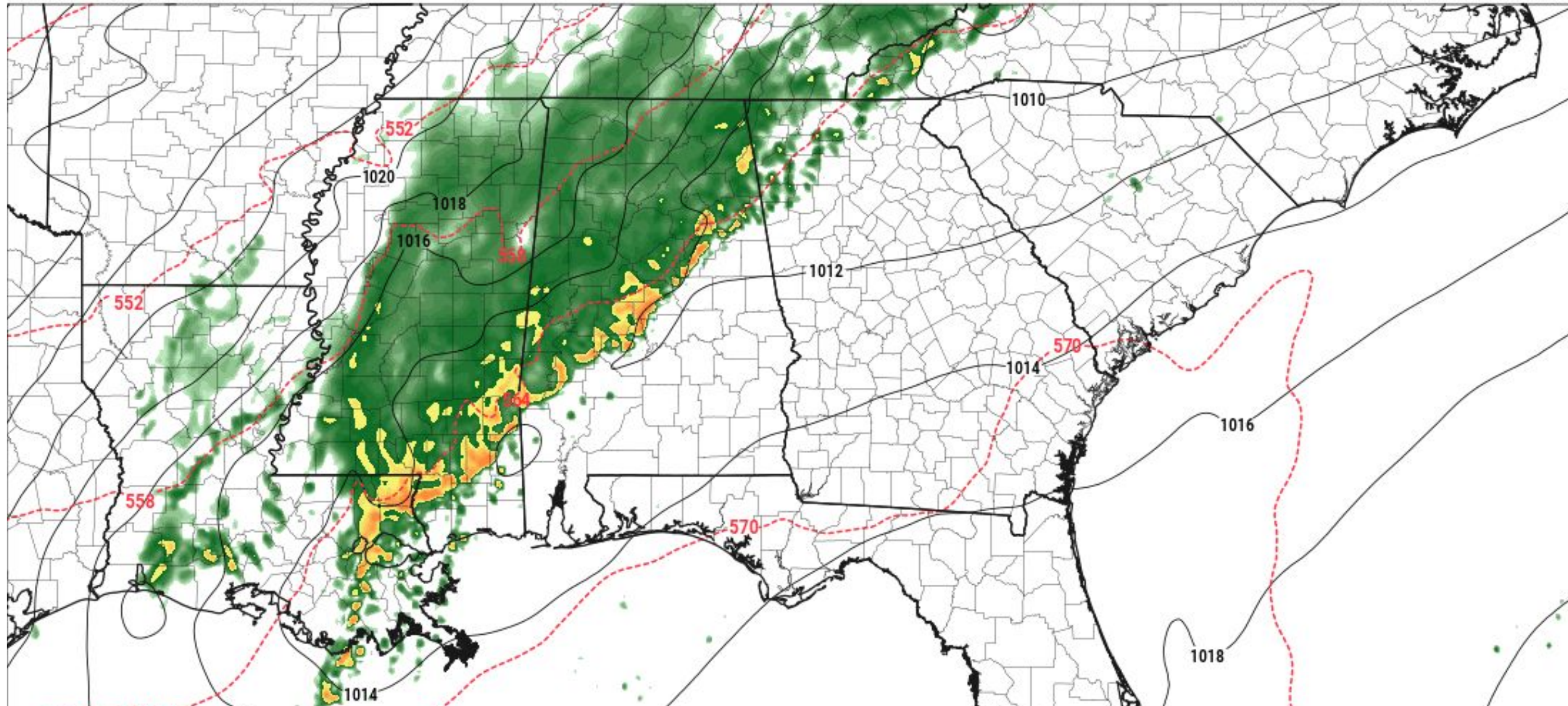
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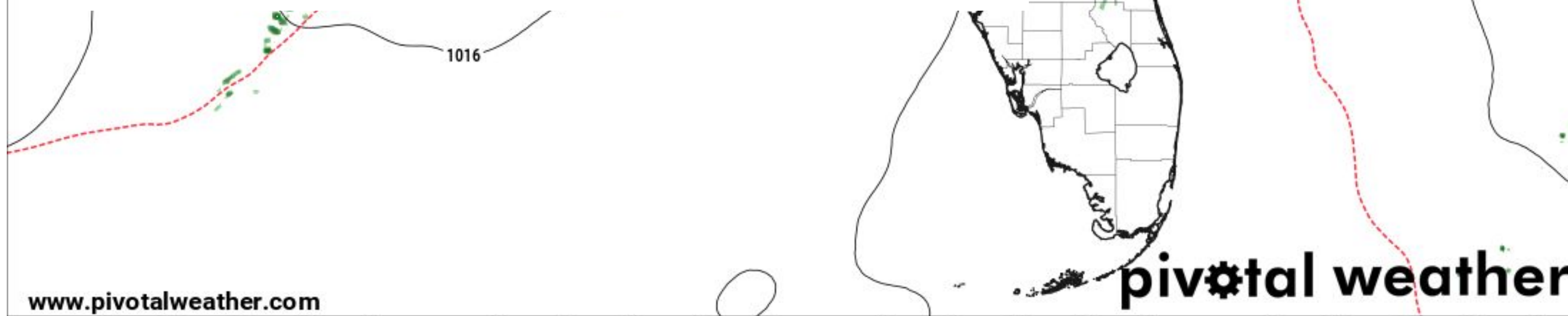
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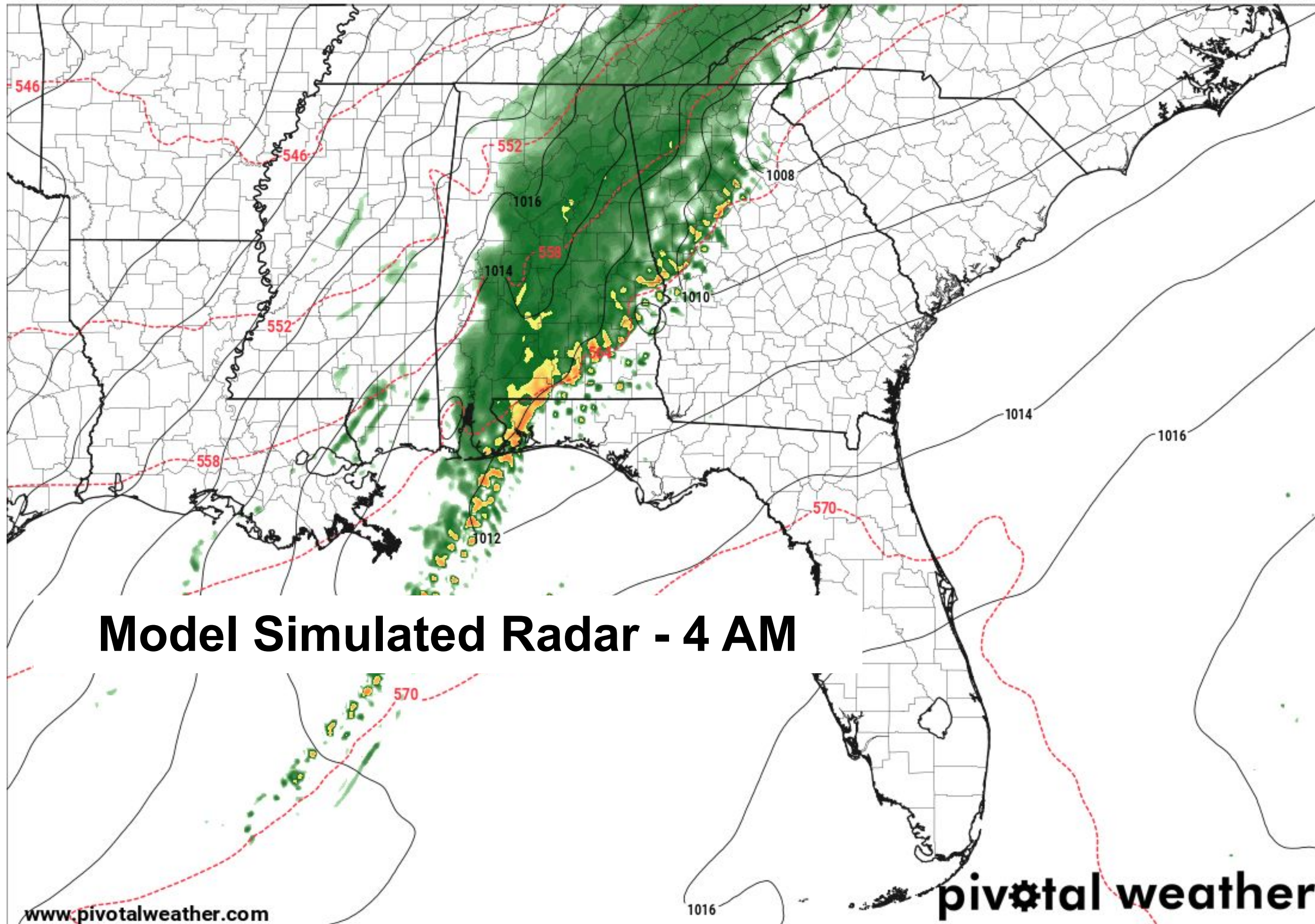
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# Model Simulated Radar - Midnight





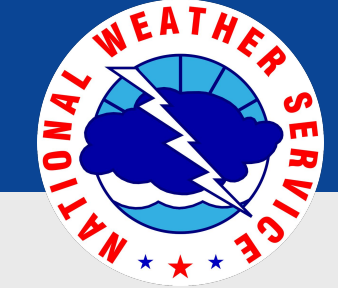


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**Northwest:** may become stormy this afternoon (pm bus runs?), even before severe threat starts.





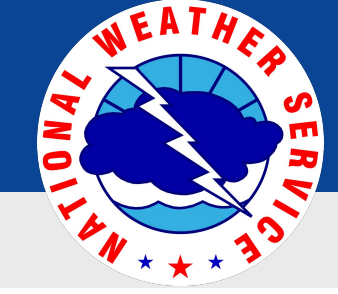
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**I-20 corridor:** storms and severe threat not likely until after 6 pm.



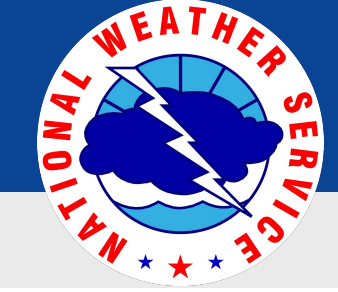


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**Southwest:** highest risk of severe winds and tornadoes.





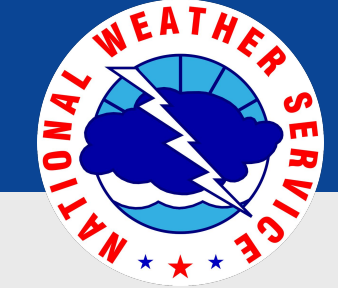
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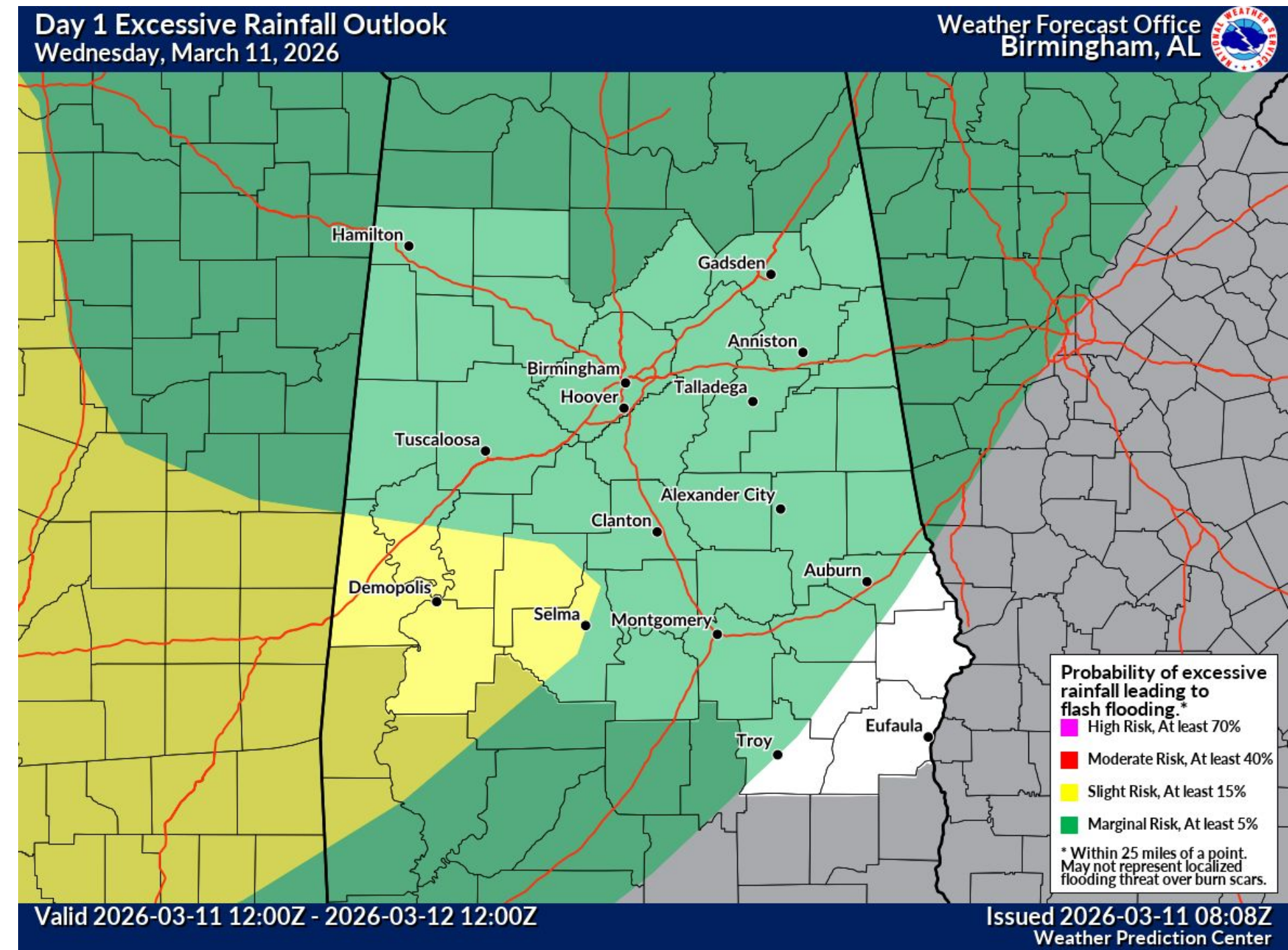
**Southeast:** storms and severe threat much later, perhaps weakening trend.





# Today's Excessive Rainfall Outlook

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## TIMING:

→ Late this afternoon through Thursday morning



## What To Expect:

- Heavy rainfall leading to periods of flash flooding, especially in those areas that experienced heavy rain Monday night
- Rainfall amounts from 1-2" with isolated higher amounts up to 3"



## Actions To Take:

- Be ready to move to higher ground especially in flood prone areas
- Do not drive or walk across flooded roads



## More Information

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