

# Weather Briefing

April 6, 2026  
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For Central South Carolina and the Central Savannah River Area of Georgia

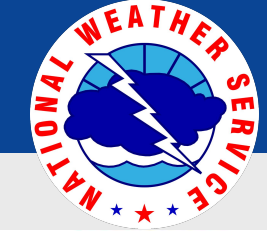
## Routine Decision Support Briefing

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### NEW Highlights

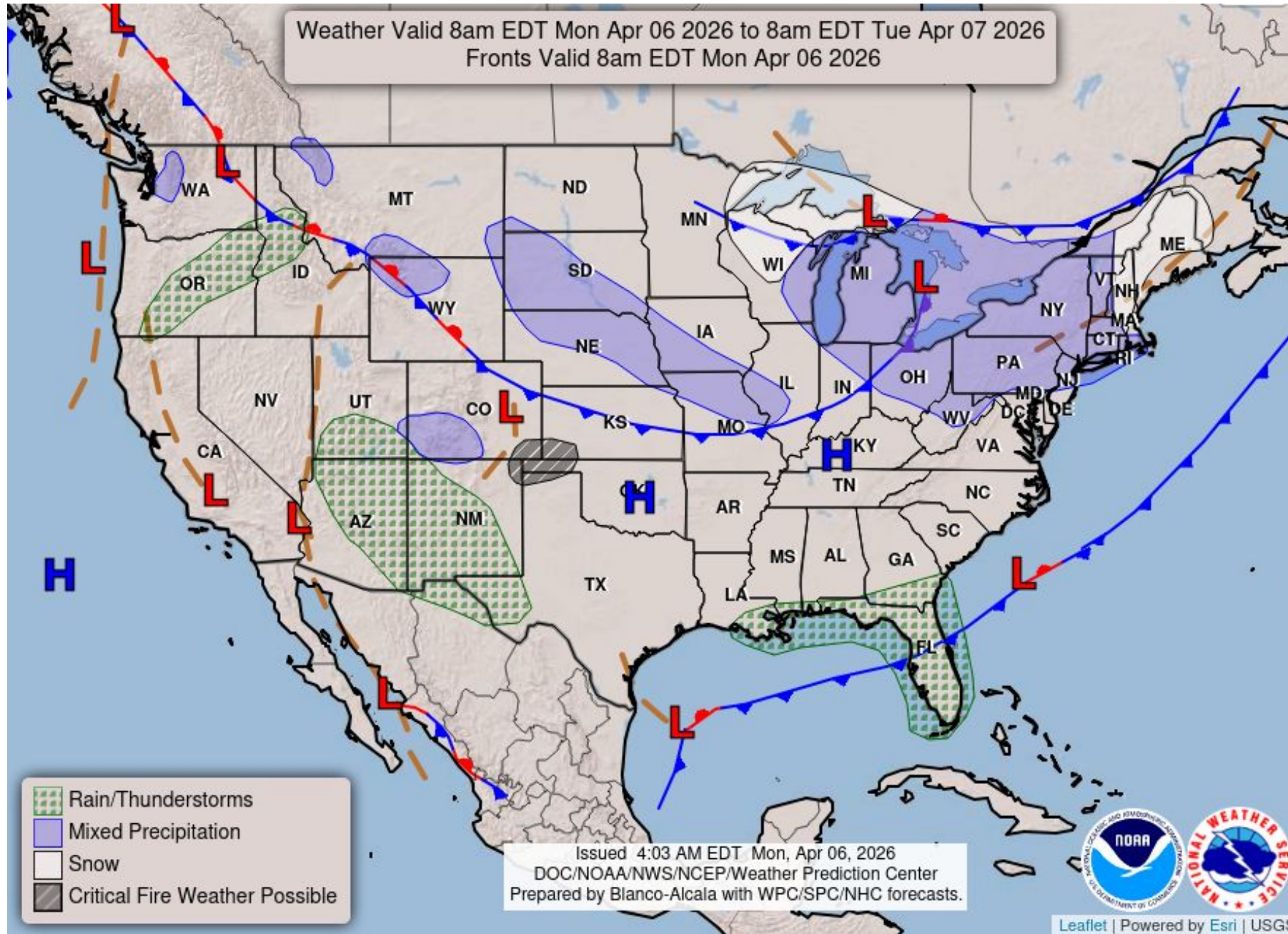
- Increased Fire Danger through midweek
- Cooler early this week then warming trend late week into the weekend





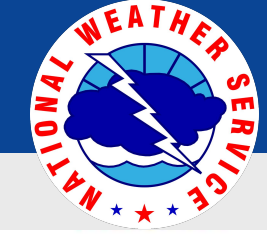
# National Forecast - Today

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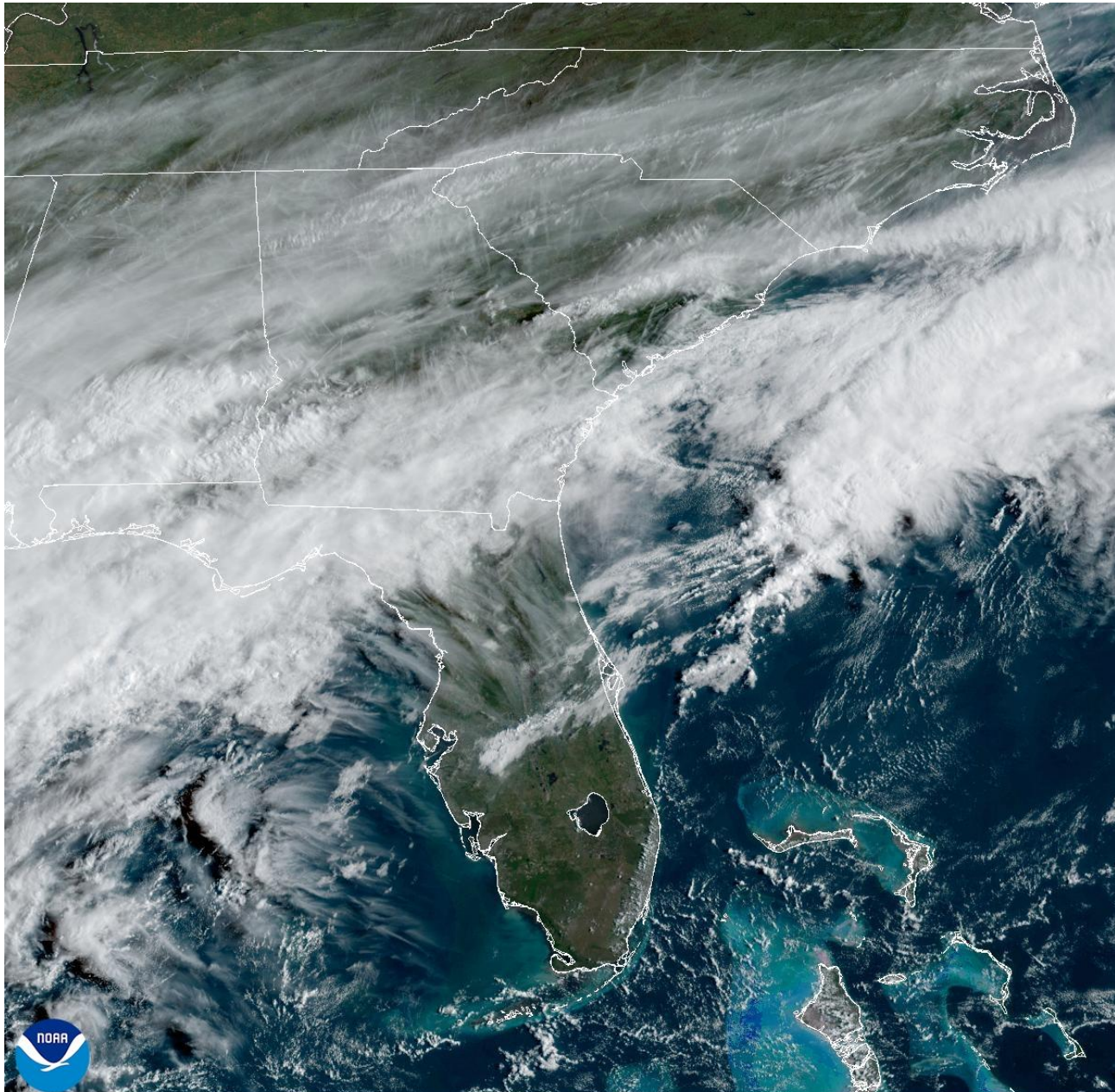
- High pressure builds into the area today with a cold front well south of the area
- Temperatures will be below normal with highs in the mid to upper 60s.





# Satellite - Southeast

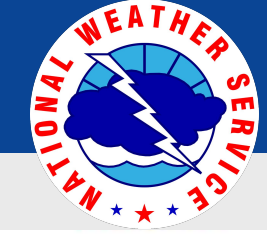
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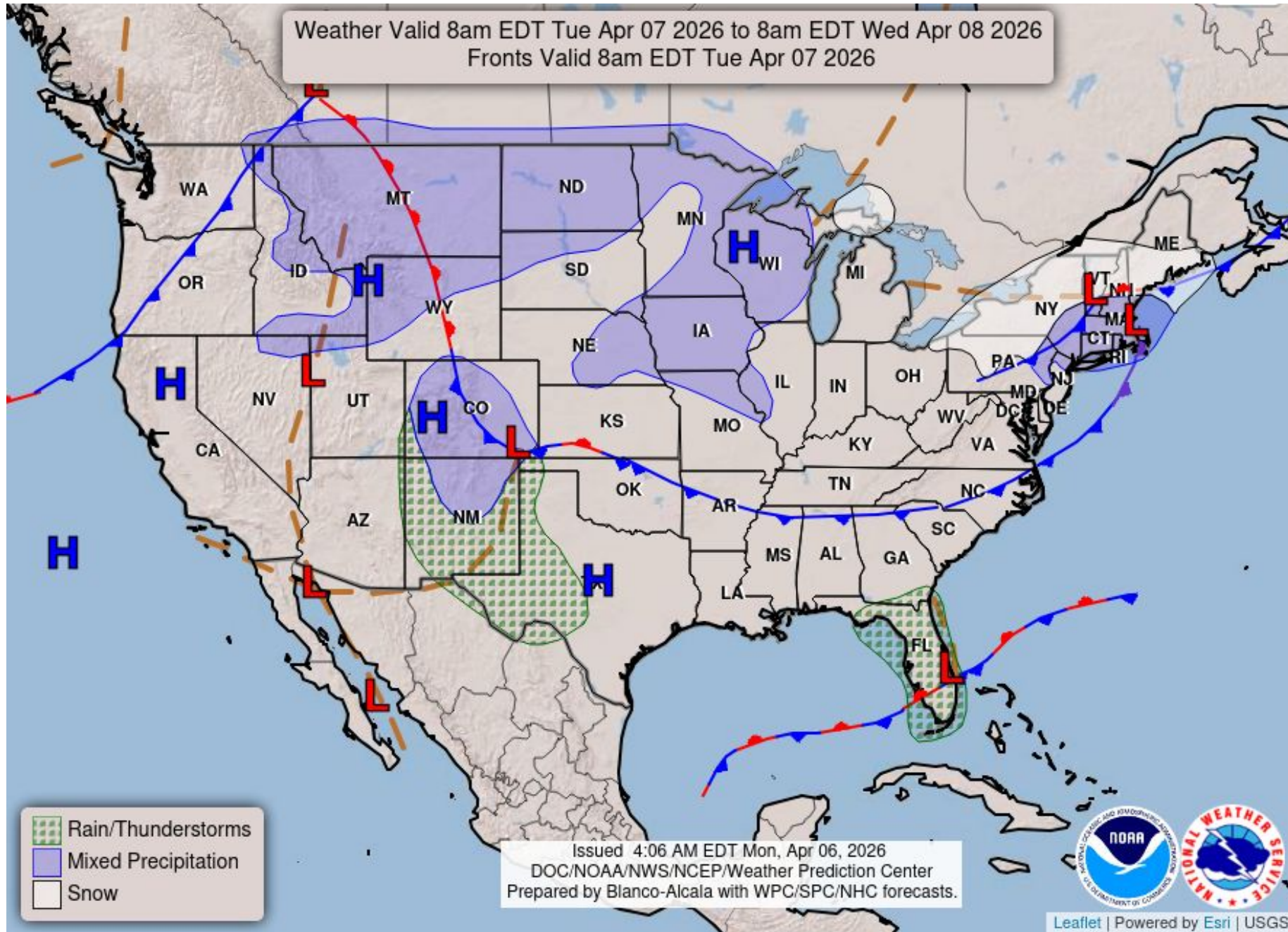
- High clouds will continue to stream over the area through the day but filtered sunshine is expected at times.





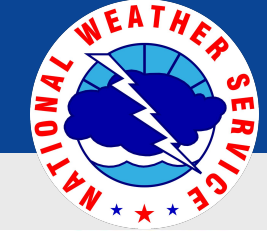
# National Forecast - Tuesday

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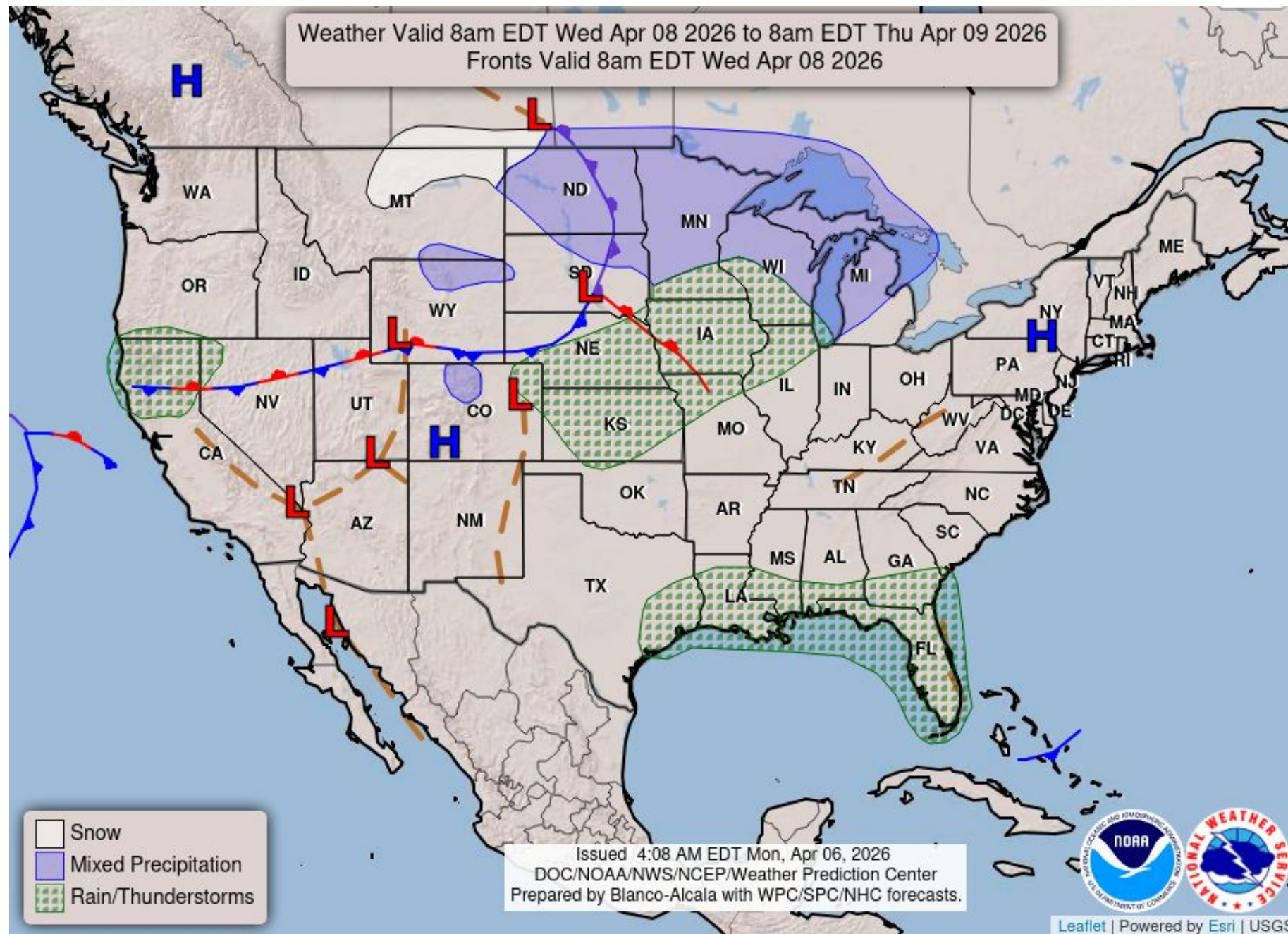
- Warmer temperatures expected on Tuesday with more sunshine but continued dry with low humidity
- High temperatures expected in the low to mid 70s





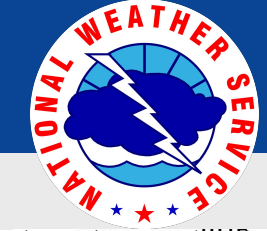
# National Forecast - Wednesday

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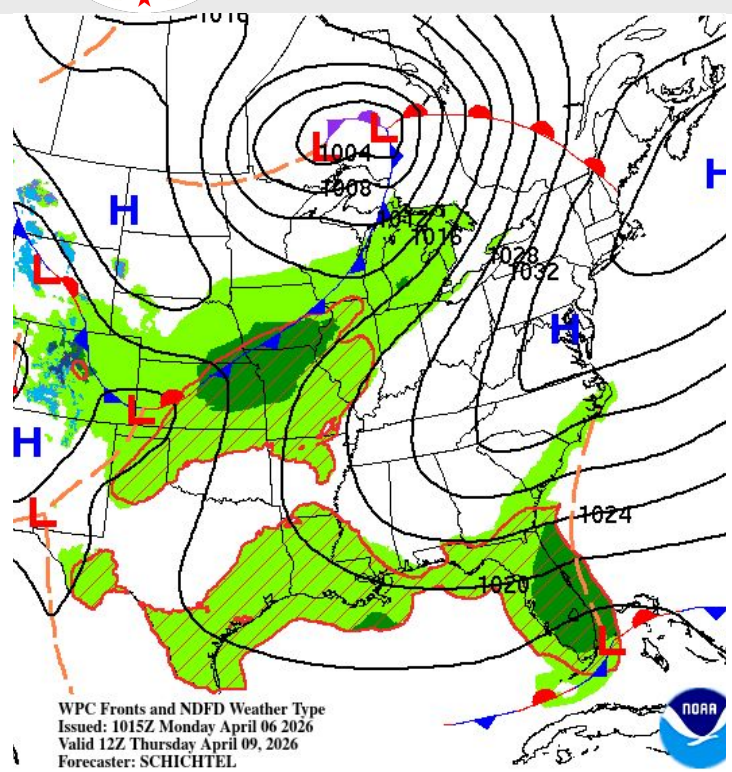
- A reinforcing cold front will push through late Tuesday night although no rain is expected with this passage
- Highs back in the 60s on Wednesday with low humidity and breezy conditions



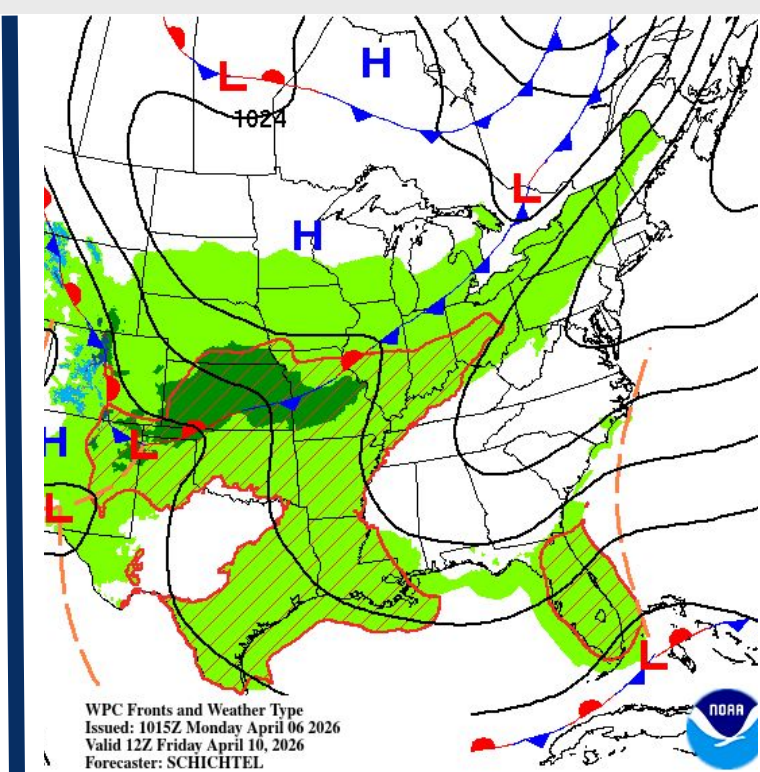


# Day 4-7 Forecast

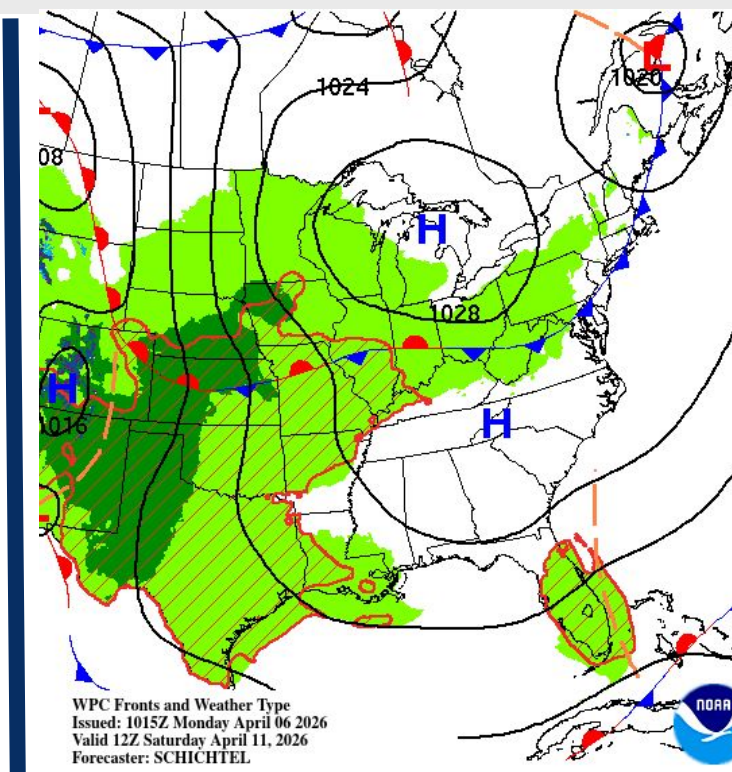
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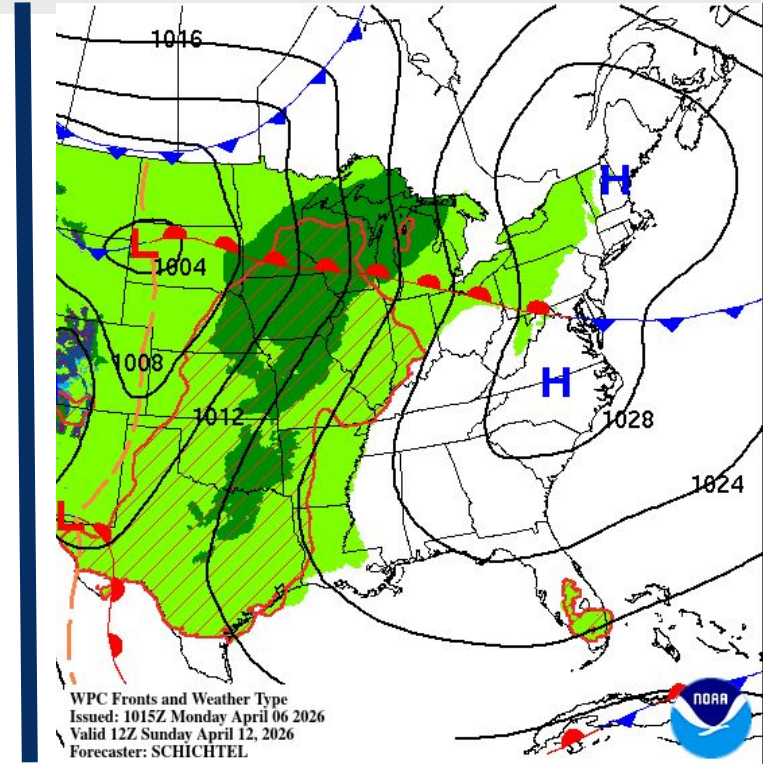
## Thursday



## Friday



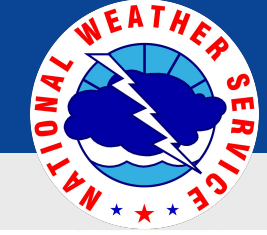
## Saturday



## Sunday

- Dry weather persists late week through the weekend under high pressure
- A warming trend is expected with temperature rising into the 80s over the weekend



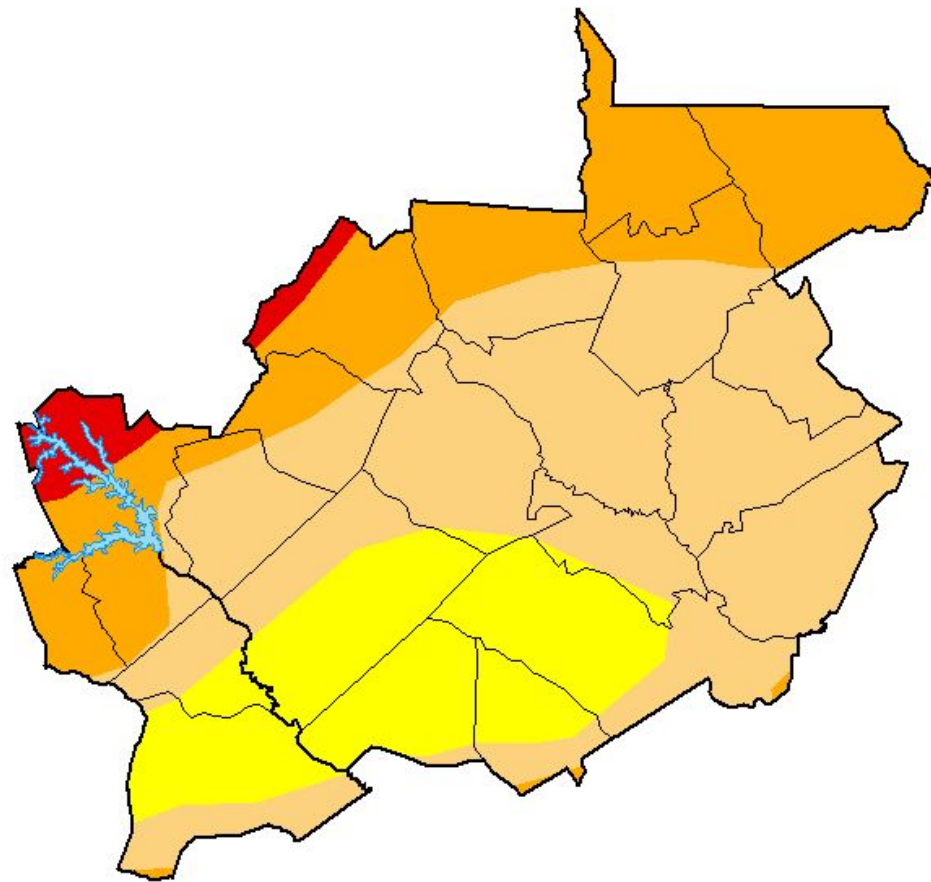


# Current Drought Conditions

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## U.S. Drought Monitor Columbia, SC WFO

March 31, 2026  
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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	0.00	100.00	78.65	29.56	2.91	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> 03-24-2026	0.00	100.00	63.69	21.74	2.30	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> 12-30-2025	10.80	89.20	33.48	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> 01-06-2026	0.00	100.00	50.78	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> 09-30-2025	3.80	96.20	19.06	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> 04-01-2025	1.80	98.20	62.72	7.70	0.00	0.00

Intensity:



The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>

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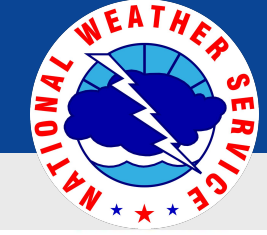
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- The drought conditions persist across the region and likely will increase this week with no rain in the foreseeable future



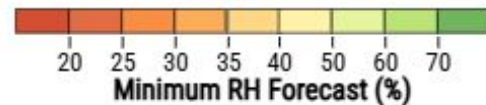


# Increased Fire Danger

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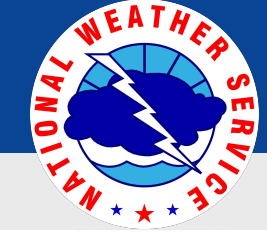
## Minimum RH (%) Forecast

	4/6 Mon		4/7 Tue		4/8 Wed		4/8 Wed		4/9 Thu		RH Min	
	12pm	6pm	12am	6am	12pm	6pm	12am	6am	12pm	6pm		12am
Aiken	26	27	52	38	26	29	50	38	27	28	54	26
Appling	27	29	57	38	25	29	47	37	23	24	50	23
Augusta	24	26	53	37	24	27	47	37	23	24	52	23
Bamberg	26	28	52	40	28	30	51	42	27	29	61	26
Barnwell	25	26	52	40	27	29	49	39	25	28	59	25
Bishopville	26	28	52	40	27	30	50	40	29	32	61	26
Camden	24	26	57	37	25	28	45	37	25	28	54	24
Chesterfield	25	27	52	38	26	29	46	36	25	28	56	25
Columbia	23	26	51	37	24	26	45	37	25	26	50	23
Edgefield	28	32	57	40	28	30	51	38	25	27	52	25
Lancaster	27	29	59	39	28	32	46	38	24	27	58	24
Lexington	27	29	55	38	27	30	49	40	27	28	54	27
Lincolnton	29	32	61	40	27	31	52	38	25	27	50	25
Manning	28	30	55	41	28	30	48	40	27	31	61	27
McCormick	28	32	61	40	28	33	52	37	24	26	52	24
Newberry	28	29	61	43	28	32	50	38	25	27	54	25
Orangeburg	26	27	51	40	27	29	49	38	28	30	61	26
Saint Matthews	26	28	53	41	28	30	49	40	28	30	59	26
Saluda	28	30	59	40	28	32	52	40	25	27	54	25
Sumter	26	28	55	41	28	31	48	41	27	30	56	26
Thomson	28	30	57	40	26	30	51	38	24	25	50	24
Waynesboro	26	27	50	40	26	28	49	39	23	25	54	23
Winnsboro	27	28	57	41	29	32	46	36	24	27	52	24



- A very dry air mass in place through mid week will yield daily minimum RH values below 30% (some locations below 25%)





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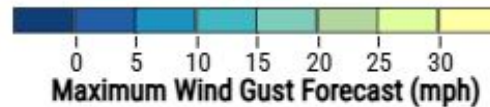
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### Maximum Wind Gust (mph) Forecast

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Aiken	17	8	9	17	17	16	20	24	24	21	20	24
Appling	15	7	6	14	15	14	17	23	23	20	17	23
Augusta	15	8	6	14	16	15	18	24	24	20	17	24
Bamberg	18	10	8	17	18	16	22	25	24	21	21	25
Barnwell	18	10	8	17	17	16	22	25	24	20	22	25
Bishopville	15	6	6	15	16	15	18	20	20	16	15	20
Camden	13	5	5	13	14	13	16	20	20	15	14	20
Chesterfield	12	5	6	14	14	12	15	17	17	14	12	17
Columbia	14	5	6	14	14	13	18	21	21	17	15	21
Edgefield	15	7	8	14	15	13	18	22	22	17	17	22
Lancaster	13	6	7	14	15	13	17	20	20	15	14	20
Lexington	15	5	7	14	15	14	20	23	22	18	18	23

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Manning	17	8	6	16	17	15	20	23	23	18	18	23
McCormick	14	6	7	14	14	13	17	22	22	17	16	22
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Waynesboro	20	12	9	17	18	17	20	26	26	22	22	26
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- The combination of low RH and increased wind gusts, especially on Wednesday, may lead to increased fire danger



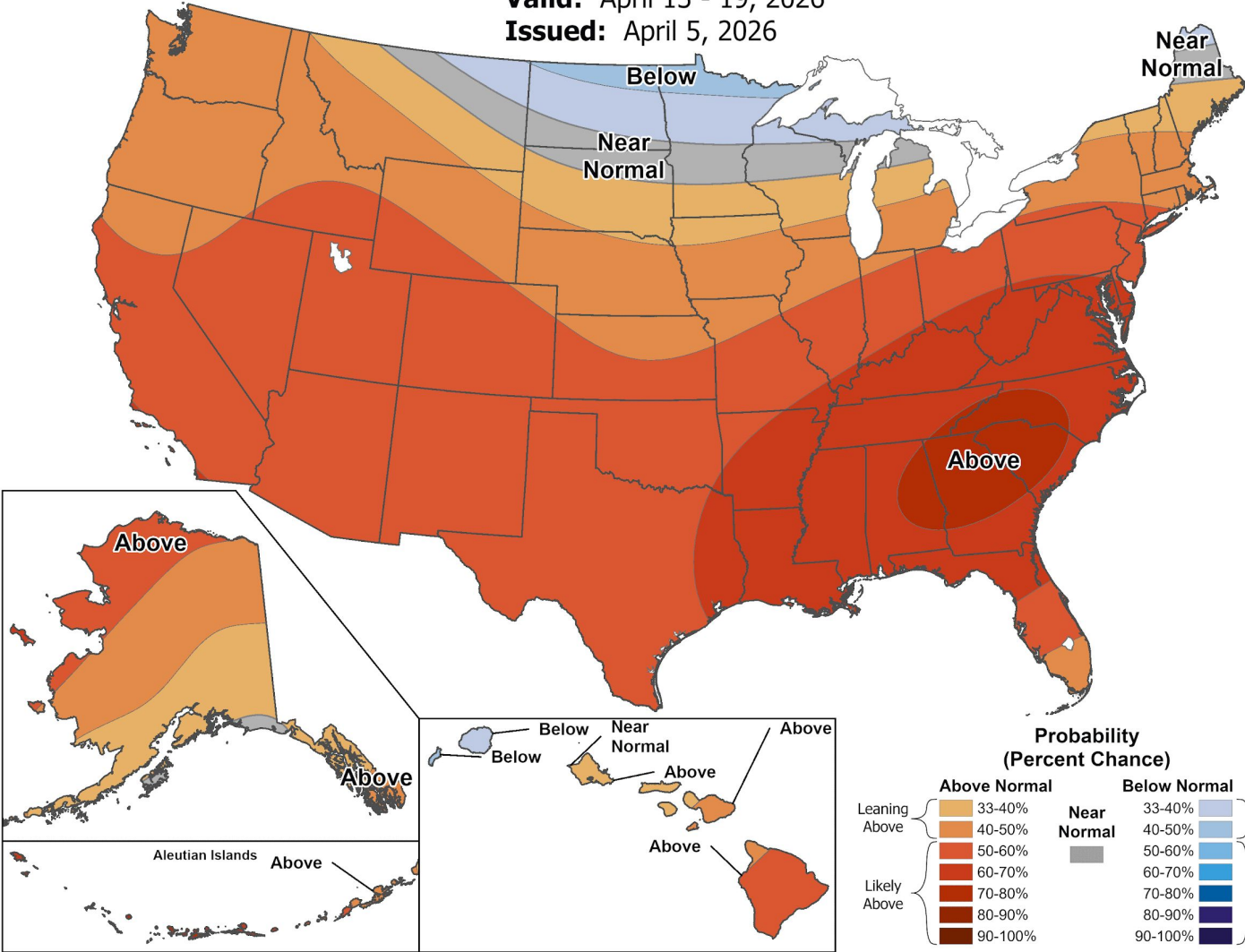
# 8-14 Day Outlook

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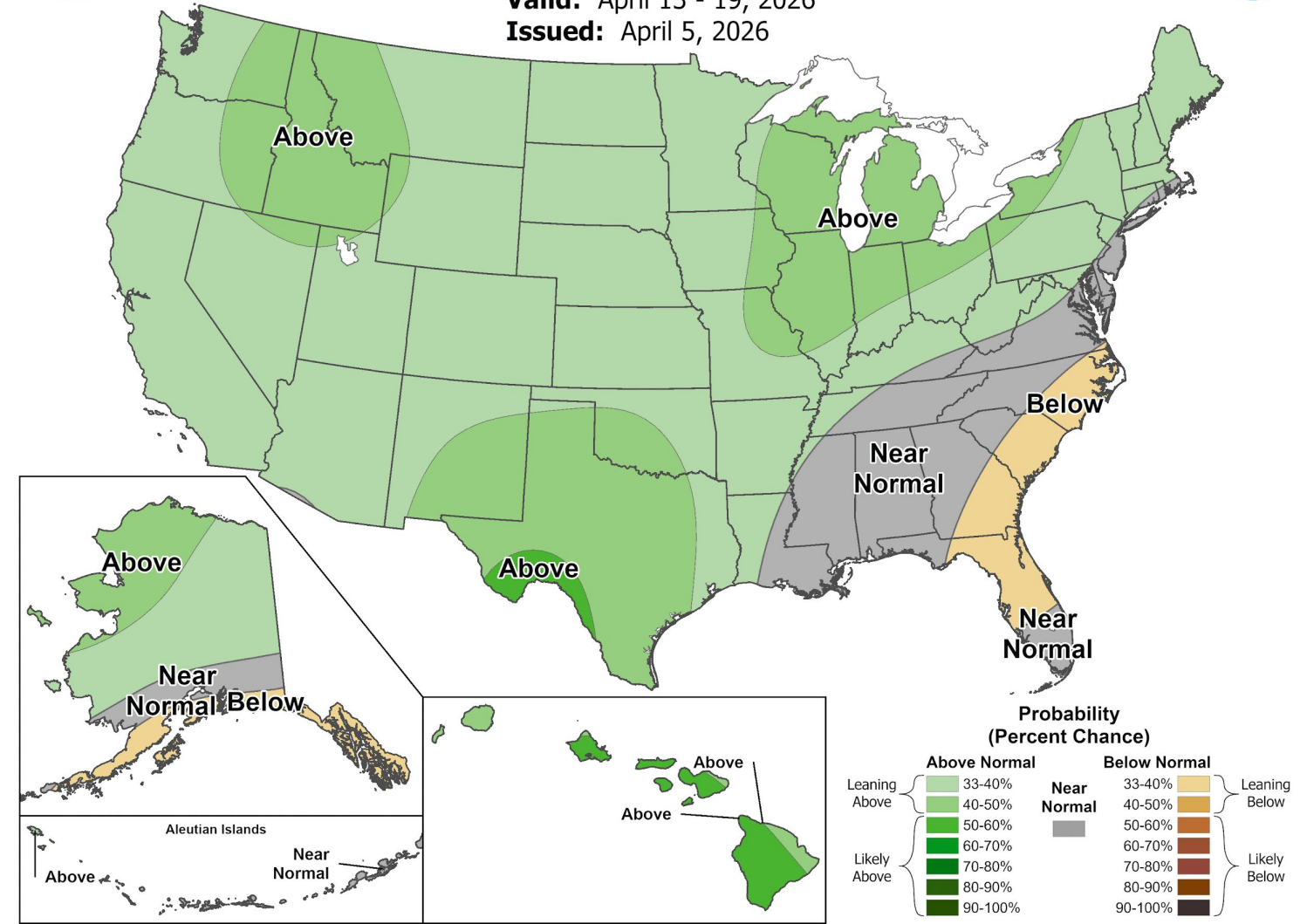
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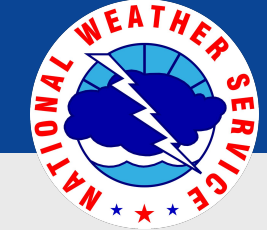
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## 8-14 Day Precipitation Outlook

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