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WEATHER EVENT SUMMARY
San Antonio April 2016

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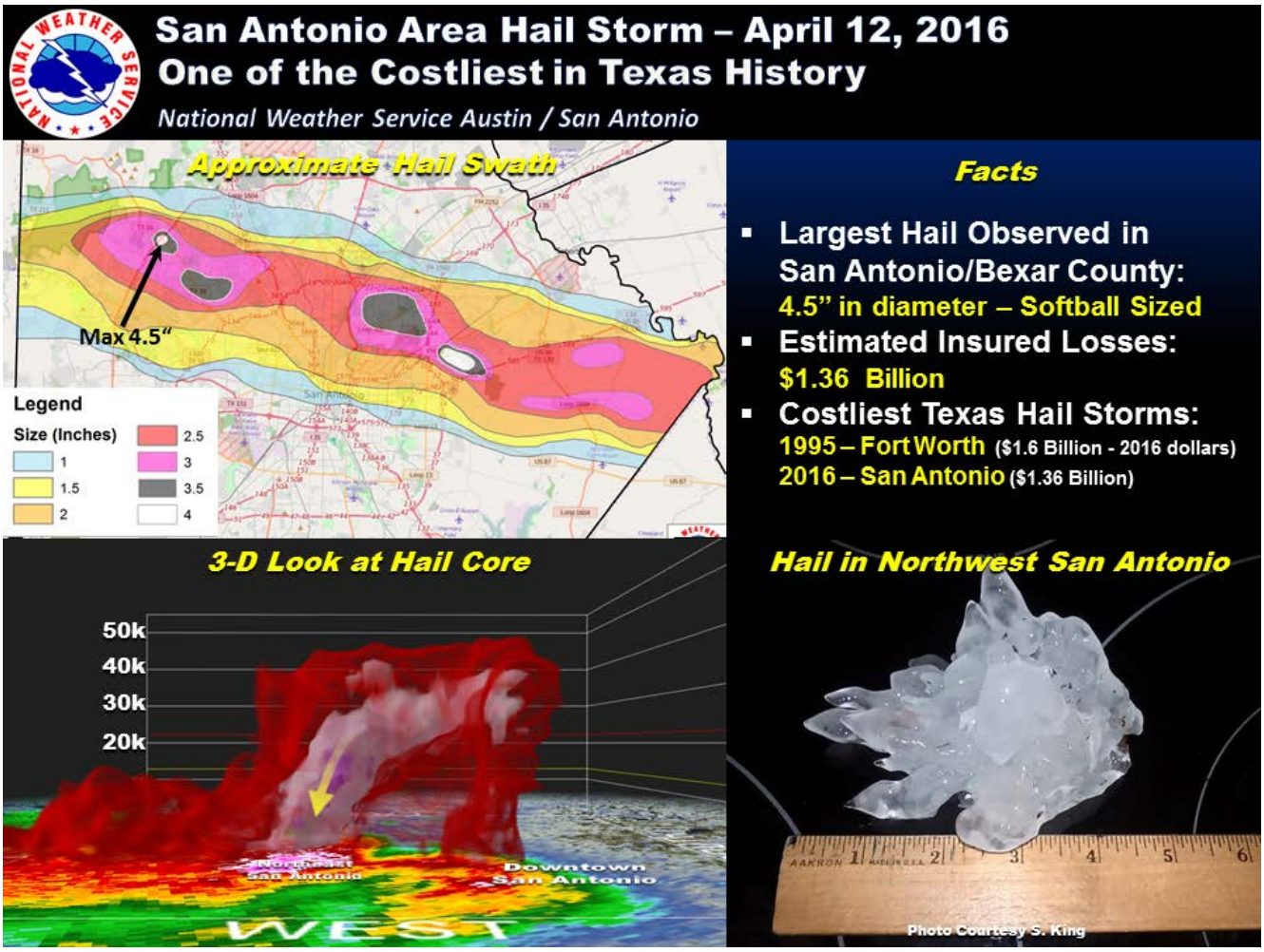

This graphic shows a summary of the San Antonio area hail storm.

San Antonio Hail April 2016

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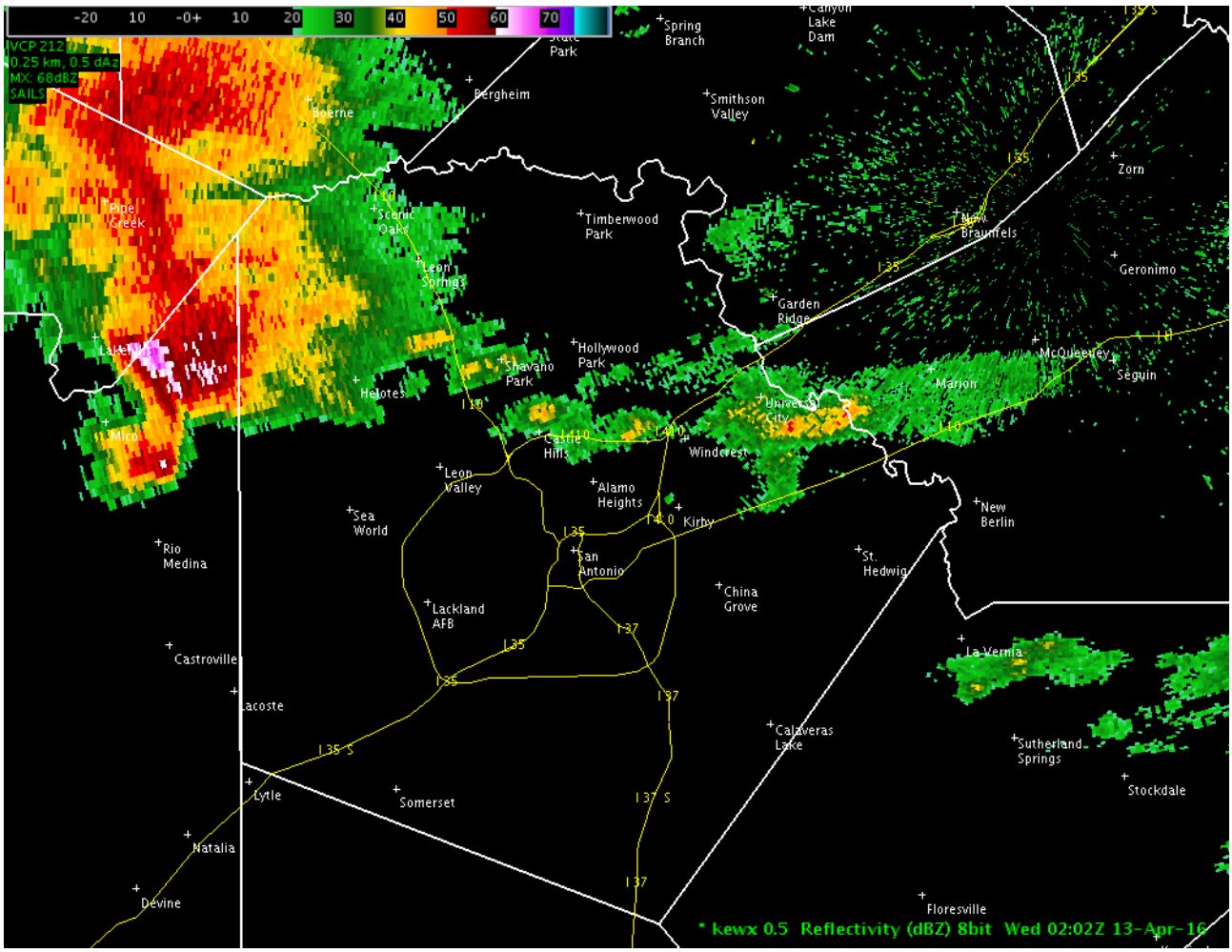
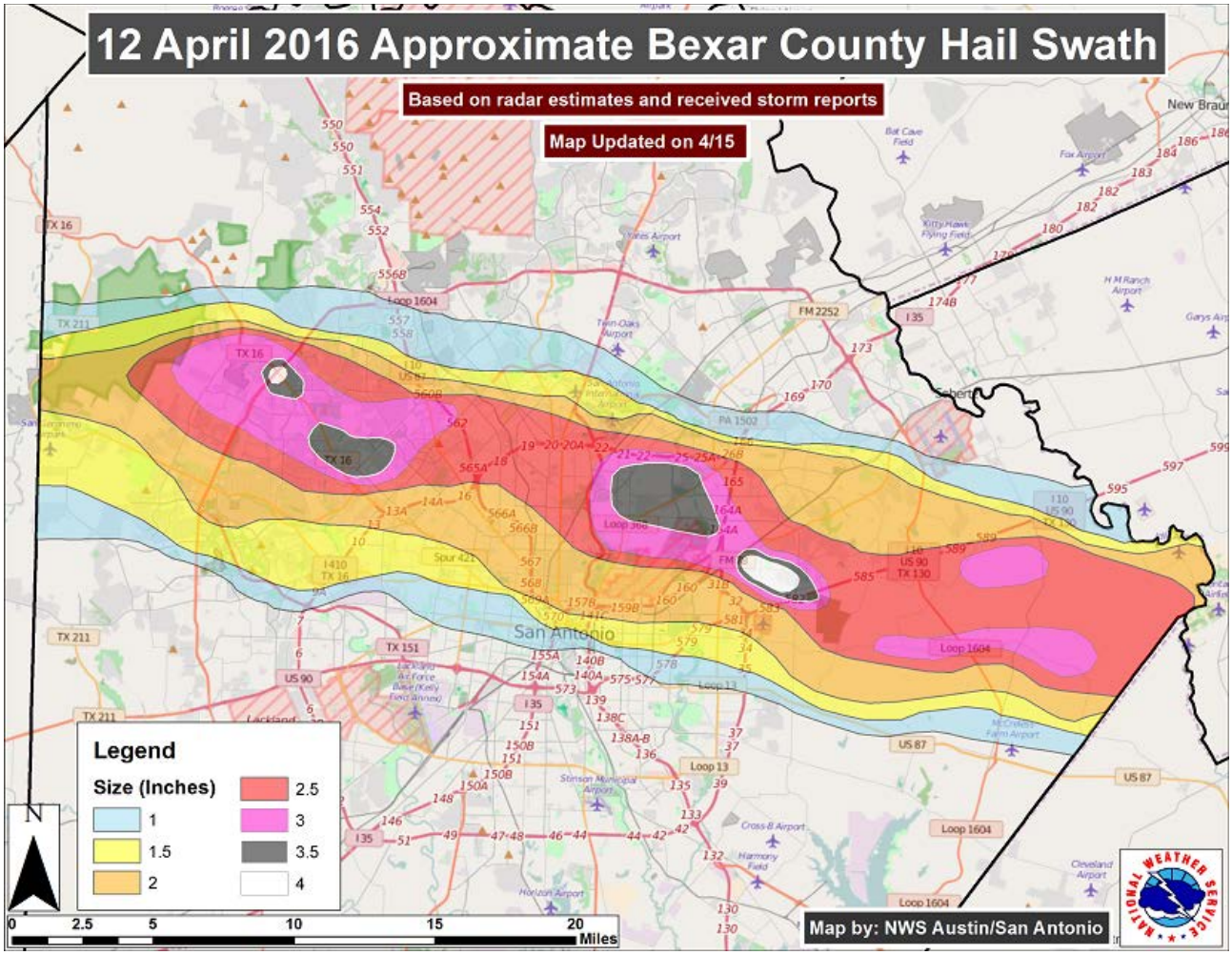
An upper level low pressure system over the desert southwest along with a stationary front combined to produce thunderstorms across south central Texas on April 12, 2016. Thunderstorms initially developed along the Rio Grande and quickly became severe. These thunderstorms continued to move east into the San Antonio area during the late evening hours. The strongest storm of that evening produced a large swath of very large hail just north of downtown San Antonio. There were multiple reports of 2 to 3 inch diameter hail, with the largest hail size peaking at 4.5 inches in diameter. Damage estimates from this storm are now estimated around 1.36 billion dollars.

Radar Imagery



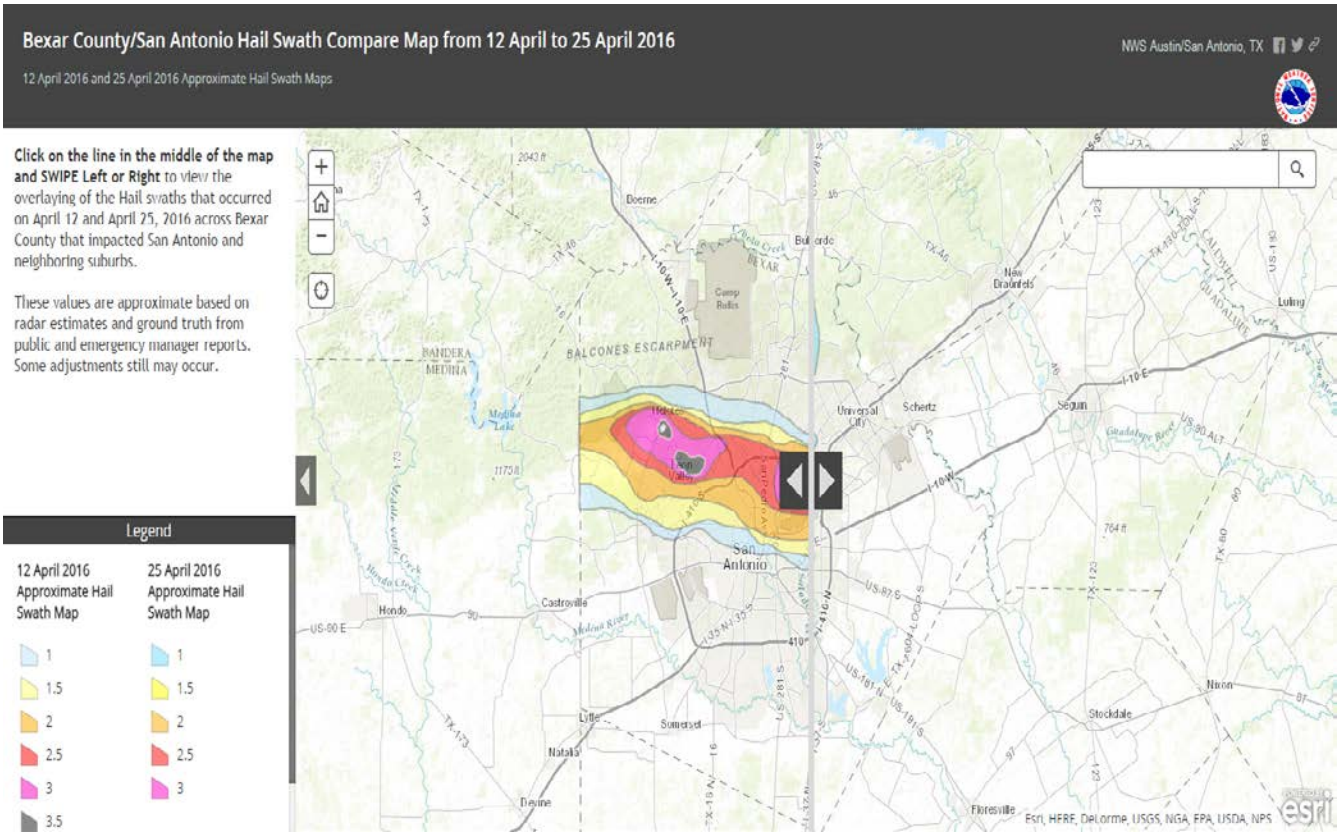
This radar image shows a severe thunderstorm located near the San Antonio International airport at 9:41 PM CDT. **Click on the image above for a radar loop of this storm (~ 7 Mb)**



Approximate hail swath across Bexar County and the City of San Antonio, TX.

Interactive Map

ArcGIS Online Story Map: http://arcg.is/1SLv7dG



Hail Photos

Below is a photo of the largest hail stone reported to our office. This stone measured 4.5 inches in diameter and fell approximately 3 miles southeast of Helotes on Blake Oak Run Street at 9:20 PM.

This image courtesy of Shane King

Twitter Timeline

More photos are available on the Twitter Timeline for this event:

https://twitter.com/NWSSanAntonio/timelines/720083270667337728