

Special Weather Update

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TOP STORY:

Record flooding continues on the Sabine River with moderate to major flooding on the Neches and Calcasieu Rivers this week.

		Lows	Highs	Wind	Chance for Rain
Sı	unday		80-82 F	S-SW	10-20% cenla
				10-15 mph	
M	onday	56-62 F	83-86 F	SW 10-15 mph	1%
Tu	iesday	60-65 F	82-86 F	SW 15-20 mph	5%
Wed	dnesday	60-65 F	78-80 F	S 10-15 mph	20-30% PM
Th	ursday	58-64 F	73-76 F	E 10-15 mph	20-40%
F	riday	55-60 F	65-70 F	E 10-15 mph	40%
Sa	turday	51-57 F	70-73 F	NE 10-15 mph	20-30%
Sı	unday	46-52 F	66-70 F	NW 10-15 mph	10%



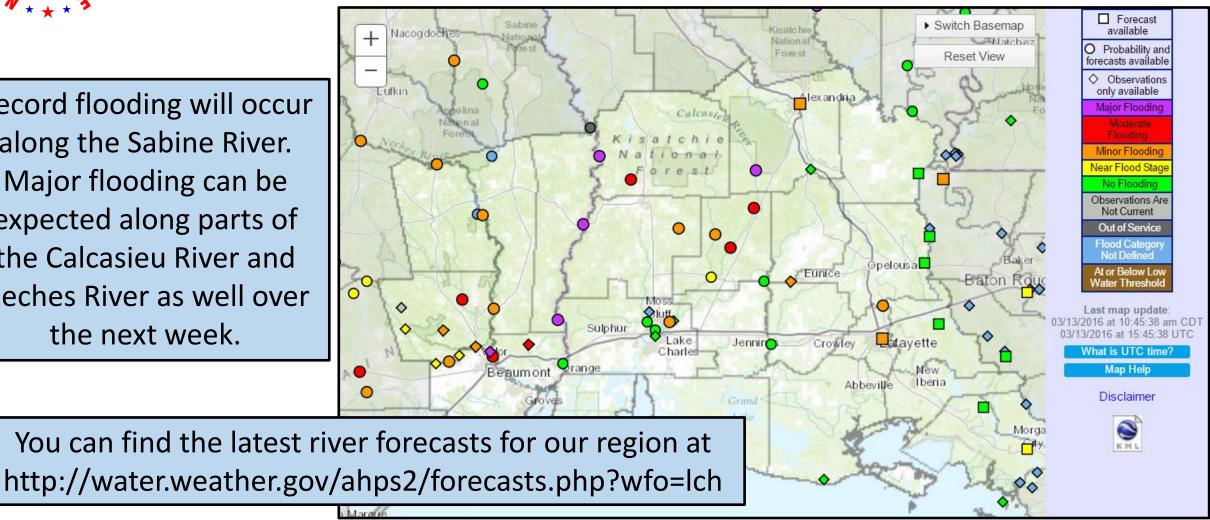




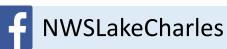
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River Forecasts

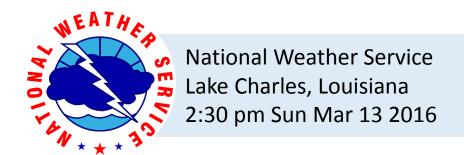
Record flooding will occur along the Sabine River. Major flooding can be expected along parts of the Calcasieu River and Neches River as well over the next week.











Sabine River Forecast

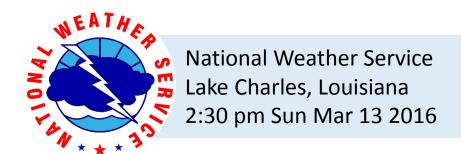
	Sabine River			
	Flood Stage	Latest Reading	Forecast	
Toledo Bend Dam	172	172.93 ft	n/a	
Burkeville	43	49.02 ft	Crested at record level 53.82 ft on Friday March 11 th . Currently slowly falling, will be down in the moderate flood category by Monday March 14 th and hold near there through the week.	
Bon Wier/Merryville	30	43.9 ft	Crested near 44.2 ft early this morning. Will slowly fall, but remain above major flood (36 ft) through Friday March 18 th .	
Deweyville/Starks	24	29.28 ft	Continues to rise, will reach a record flood crest near 36.2 ft on Tuesday March 15 th , stays in major flood the remainder of the week.	
Orange	4	3.2 ft	Reach flood stage on Monday March 14 th , reach major flood (6 ft) by Monday night March 14 th , crest near 7.5 ft Wednesday night March 16 th and Thursday morning March 17 th .	





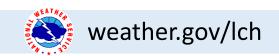






Neches River Forecast

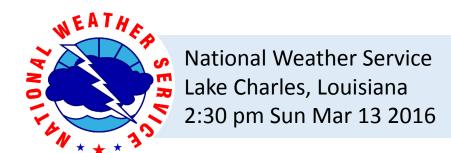
Neches River			
	Flood Stage	Latest Reading	Forecast
Steinhagen Lake		81.55 ft	
Town Bluff	68	71.78 ft	Crested at 76.12 ft on Friday March 11 th . Will remain near moderate flood (72 ft) through Friday March 18 th .
Evadale	17	19.51 ft	Near crest now, will see a slow fall this week but stay above flood stage through Friday March 18 th .
Salt Water Barrier	4	8.58 ft	Still rising, above major flood (8 ft).
Beaumont	4	7.5 ft	Will crest near 8.7 ft late Monday March 14 th and early Tuesday March 15 th , then stay above moderate flood (7 ft) through Friday March 18 th .











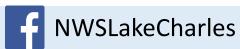
Other Texas River Forecasts

Village Creek				
	Flood Stage	Latest Reading	Forecast	
Kountze	17	22.42 ft	It crested at 23.39 on Saturday March 12 th . The river will slowly fall, but remain above flood stage through Friday March 18 th .	

Pine Island Bayou				
Flood Stage Latest Reading Forecast				
Sour Lake	25	27.72 ft	It is cresting now, and will slowly fall, but stay above flood stage this week.	

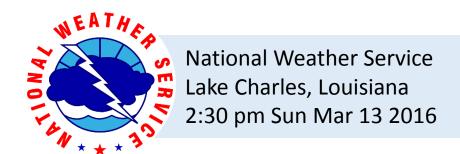
Cow Bayou				
	Flood Stage	Latest Reading	Forecast	
Mauriceville	17	19.28 ft	It is in a moderate flood now, and could reach major flood (20 ft) early this week.	











Calcasieu River Forecast

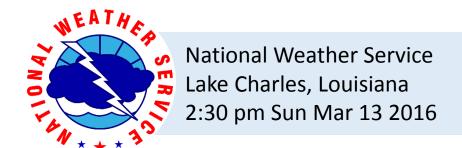
	Calcasieu River			
	Flood Stage	Latest Reading	Forecast	
Glenmora	12	18.12 ft	It crested near 20.46 ft on Saturday March 12 th . It is falling and will go below major flood (18 ft) today, below moderate flood (16 ft) on Monday March 14 th , and below flood stage by next weekend.	
Oakdale	12	19.7 ft	It will crest near 21 ft (moderate flood) tonight. A slow fall this week will occur but remain above flood stage through Friday March 18 th .	
Oberlin	13	16.62 ft	It is rising and will crest near 25 ft (major flood) on Tuesday March 15 th . It will slowly fall the remainder of the week but remain above flood stage.	
Kinder	16	15.48 ft	It is rising and will crest near 23 ft (major flood) on Wednesday March 16 th and Thursday March 17 th .	
Old Town Bay	4	4.4 ft	It is rising and will crest near 9.5 ft (major flood) next weekend.	
Salt Water Barrier	4	3.98 ft	It is near flood stage and will fluctuate between 4 and 5 ft this week.	



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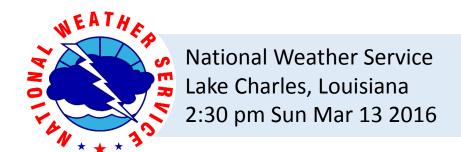
Red River Area Forecasts

	Red River and Black River			
	Flood Stage	Latest Reading	Forecast	
Alexandria	32	33.51 ft	It will crest near 35.5 ft beginning Thursday March 17 th and lasting into the weekend. There is some uncertainty with this forecast and it could be raised to 36 ft (moderate flood), which is close to the flood of 2015.	
Acme	48	43.5 ft	Currently rising and will reach flood stage by Thursday March 17 th and crest near 49 ft on Wednesday March 23 rd .	



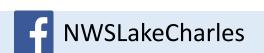




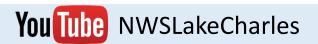


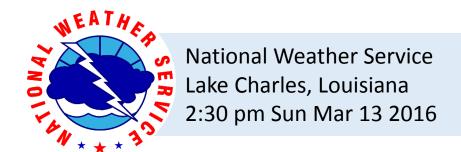
Vermilion River Forecast

Vermilion River			
Flood Stage Latest Reading Forecast			
Carencro	17	18.25 ft	It will crest near 18.5 ft today and slowly fall below flood stage by Monday night March 14 th .
Surrey Street	10	10.48 ft	It crested near 11.58 ft on Saturday March 12 th , and will slowly fall below flood stage by Monday morning March 14 th .





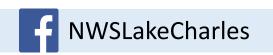




Atchafalaya River Forecast

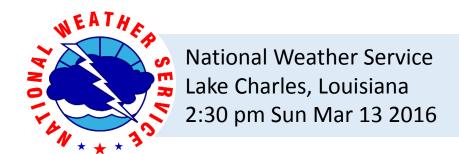
Atchafalaya River			
	Flood Stage	Latest Reading	Forecast
Simmesport	47	32.16 ft	It will rise this week, but remain below flood stage. It will be near 37.0 ft on Friday March 18 th .
Melville	34	24.77 ft	It will rise this week, but remain below flood stage. It will be near 29.5 ft by Friday March 18 th .
Krotz Springs	29	22.2 ft	It will rise this week, but remain below flood stage. It will be near 26.3 ft by Friday March 18 th .
Butte LaRose	20	15.72 ft	It will rise this week, and crest near 20 ft next week.
Myette Point	15	8.45 ft	It will rise this week and reach 10.9 ft by Friday March 18 th .
Morgan City	6	5.76 ft	It will rise and crest near 8 ft (moderate flood) next Thursday March 24 th .







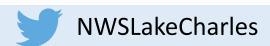




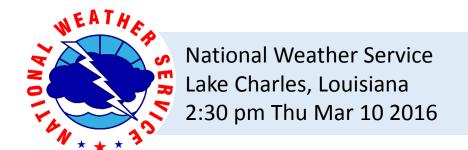
Other Louisiana River Forecasts

	Flood Stage	Latest Reading	Forecast
Bayou Anococo near Rosepine	17	21.81 ft	It crested at a record 29.01 ft on Friday March 11 th . It is currently falling and will be below flood stage by Tuesday March 15 th .
Bundick Creek at Bundick Lake	97	97.35 ft	It crested near 97.97 ft on Saturday March 12 th and is slowly falling and will be below flood stage on Monday March 14 th .
Whiskey Chitto near Mittie	15	19.31 ft	It crested near 20.3 ft (moderate flood) on Saturday March 12 th and is slowly falling and will fall below flood stage Tuesday night March 15 th .
Bayou Nezpique near Basile	22	18.51 ft	It will crest below flood stage near 19.7 ft late Monday March 14 th or early Tuesday March 15 th and fall the remainder of the week.
Mermentau River near Mermentau	4	3.49 ft	It is rising and will crest near 3.9 ft on Monday March 14 th and remain between 3.5 and 4 ft the remainder of the week.



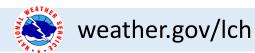


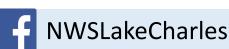




River Summary

- A record flood is ongoing along the Sabine River. The highest values are currently moving south of the Bon Wier/Merryville area and heading towards Deweyville/Starks by Tuesday March 15th. It will continue to move down the river and reach the Orange/I-10 region on Wednesday March 16th.
- Moderate to major flooding is continuing on the Neches and Village Creek area of southeast Texas. Conditions will improve this week.
- Moderate to major flooding is ongoing and continue along the Calcasieu and Red Rivers in central and southwest Louisiana.
- The Atchafalaya River will see a moderate flood at Morgan City, with a crest over a week away.







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