

WEEKLY WEATHER BRIEFING

2:00 PM CDT Thursday, April 24, 2025

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Situation Overview

- Isolated flash flood threat will persist into this evening.
- An additional round of showers and storms are favored on Friday along and north of the I-10/12 corridor.
- Increased uncertainty for rain chances north of the I-10/12 corridor this weekend.
- Risk for sun exposure and heat-related illness increases Sunday.
 Important in early season to message risk even with lower heat indices.
- Above average temperatures continue through next week with rain chances returning by mid-late next week.



7-Day Threat Outlook

Day/ Threat	Today	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed
Excessive Rainfall	Excessive rainfall has occurred, risk lingering.	I STARMS CALLIA I	Minimal. A few storms could produce locally heavy rainfall.				
Severe Weather	Minimal. Mainly along and north of I-10/12.	Minimal. Mainly along and north of I-10/12.					
Heat			Heat Index: 87 – 91 F	Heat Index: 88 – 94 F	Heat Index: 87 – 92 F	Heat Index: 87 – 92 F	Heat Index: 87 – 92 F

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Flash Flood Threat Today

Radar estimated rainfall 1 AM – 11 AM CDT Thursday.



- Upwards of 3-6 inches of rain fell over western Baton Rouge metro this morning.
- Flash flooding has occurred in these areas.

 Flash flooding risk is to continue through the evening.

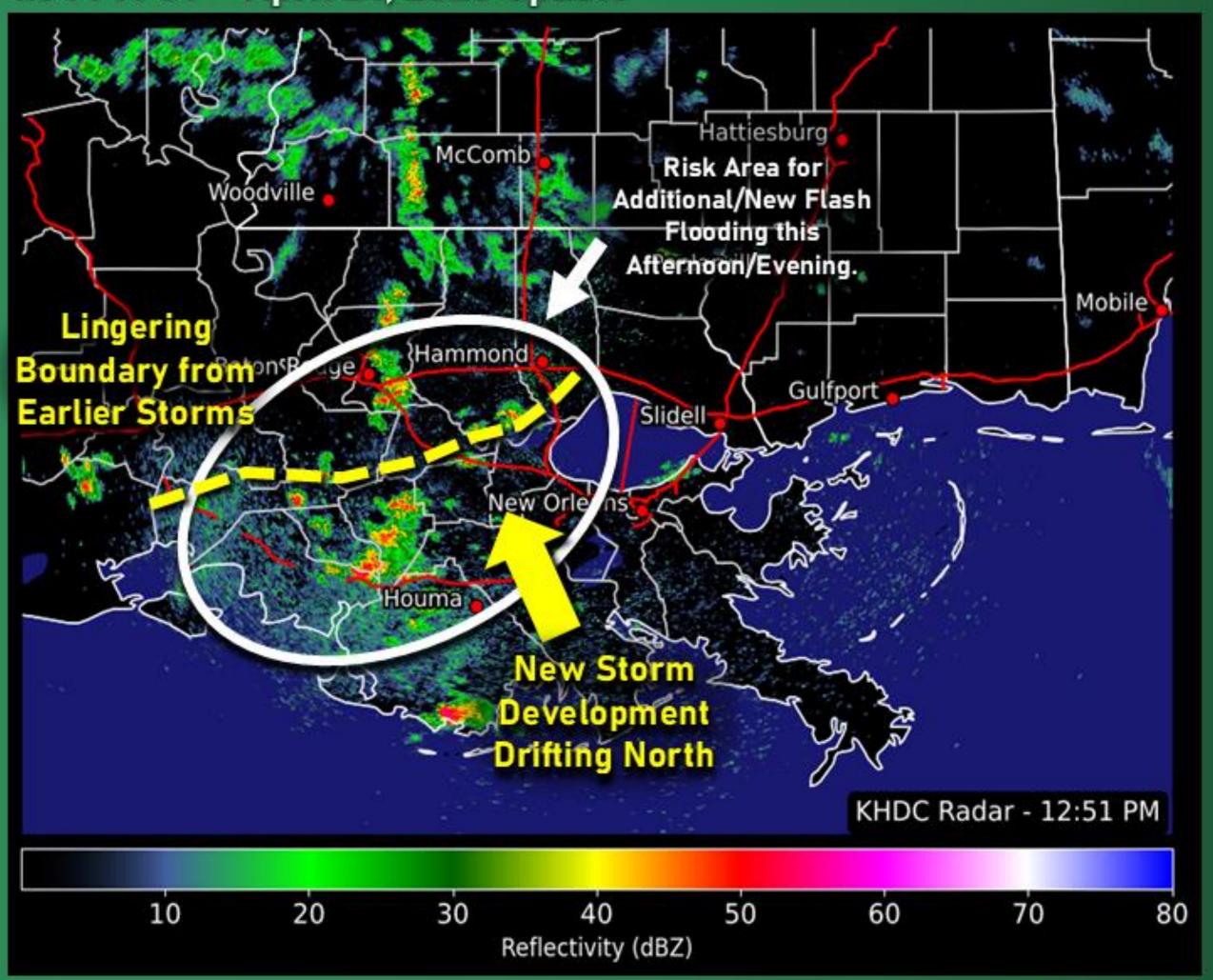


Flash Flood Threat Today

1PM CDT: Mesoanalysis Update

Monitoring Potential for Re-Development and Additional Flooding Rain Risk

1:04 PM CT - April 24, 2025 Update



KEY MESSAGES:

The cluster of showers/storms that earlier caused flash flooding across Baton Rouge and surrounding areas continues to weaken, but has developed a boundary across the Atchafalaya Basin east to the River Parishes. As clouds continue to thin out, sunshine will aid in more widespread re-development in the white circled area, where interactions with the boundary could either cause additional or new flash flooding concerns this afternoon into the evening.

HAZARDS:



Brief Funnel Clouds



Additional / New Street Flooding



Road Closures Could Continue

SAFETY INFORMATION:

- Have multiple ways to receive warnings should they become required.
- Never cross water covered roads!
- If you encounter flooding, find an alternate route.



Mississippi River Forecasts

Forecast Point	Current Stage	Crest Forecast	Crest Date
Red River Landing (RRLL1)	58.0	59.5	April 30th
Baton Rouge (BTRL1)	40.5	42.0	May 1st
Donaldsonville (DONL1)	29.1	31.0	May 1st
Reserve (RRVL1)	22.2	23.5	May 2nd
New Orleans (NORL1)	15.4	16.9	May 2nd

Additional upstream rainfall outside the next 24 hours is not included in the current forecast could prolong crests.



Early Season Heat Safety

Risk for sun exposure and heat-related illnesses in early warm season.

Heat Exhaustion

Heat Stroke

ACT FAST

- Move to a cooler area
- Loosen clothing
- Sip cool water
- Seek medical help if symptoms don't improve

Dizziness

Thirst

Heavy Sweating

Nausea

Weakness

(2) Confusion

Dizziness

Becomes Unconscious **ACT FAST**

CALL 911

- Move person to a cooler area
- Loosen clothing and remove extra layers
- Cool with water or ice

Heat exhaustion can lead to heat stroke.

Heat stroke can cause death or permanent disability if emergency treatment is not given.





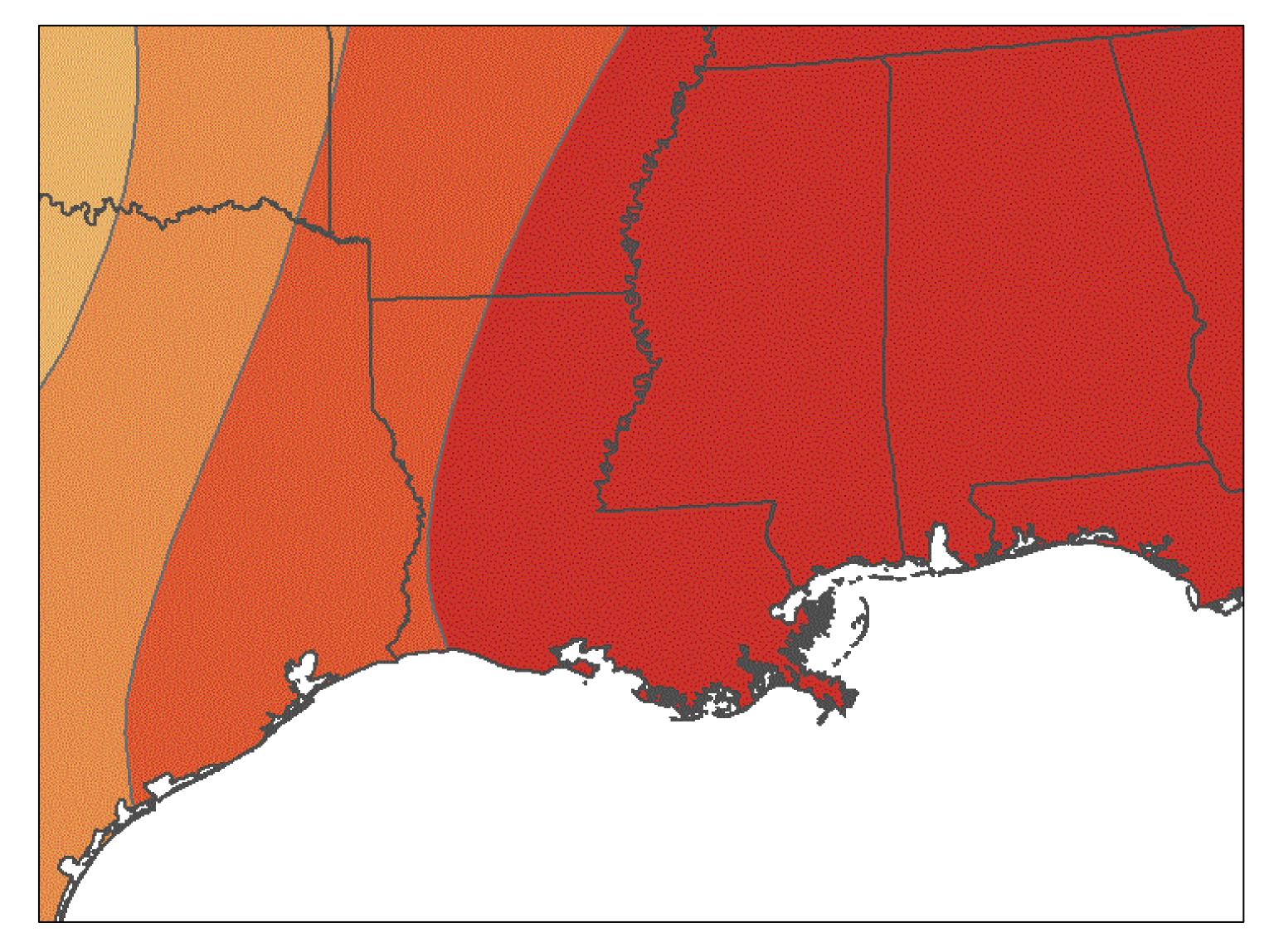


Stay Cool, Stay Hydrated, Stay Informed!

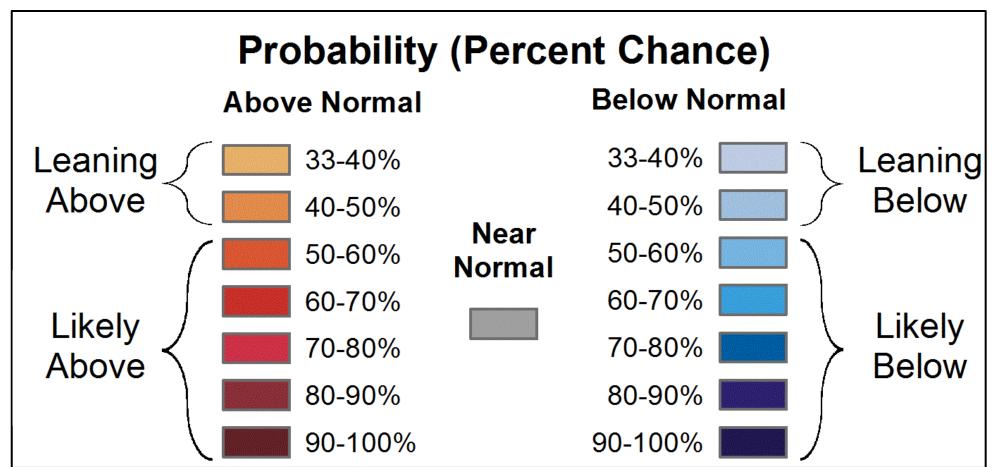




Day 6-10 Temperature Outlook

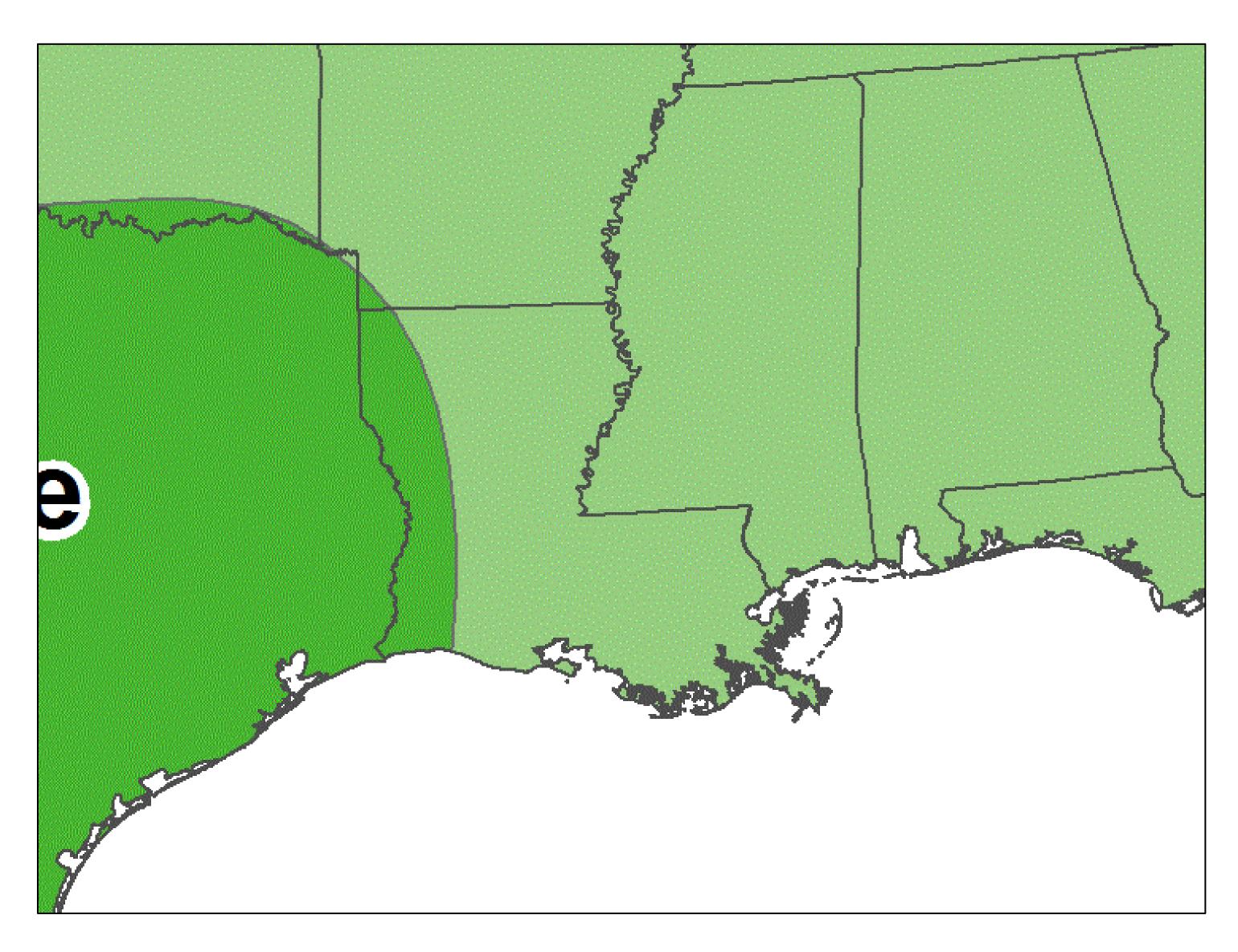


 Temperatures likely to remain above average through next week.

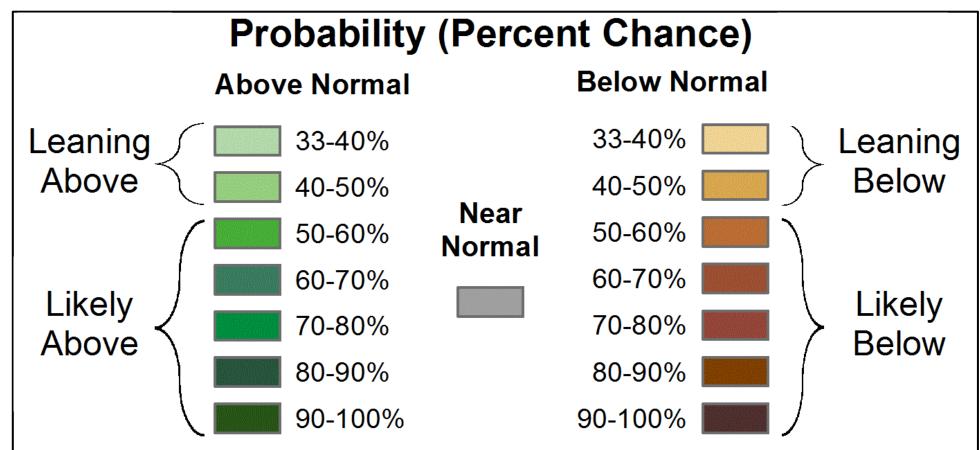




Day 6-10 Rainfall Outlook



 Rain chances return by mid-late week next week after brief reprieve Mon-Tue.



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