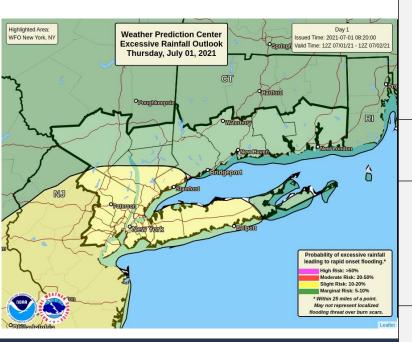
# Flash Flooding and Severe Thunderstorm Threat



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#### **OVERVIEW**

- Numerous showers & thunderstorms are expected ahead of an approaching cold front this aft/eve.
- This activity will present a threat for localized to scattered areas of flash flooding and localized strong to damaging wind gusts.



# ON IN

- Localized to Scattered Flash Flood Threat- 2pm to 2am for NYC, NE NJ, SW CT, W LI, and Westchester and Rockland Counties.
- Isolated Strong to Severe Thunderstorm Threat 2pm to 8pm, primarily for NE NJ, NYC, S CT and LI.

# & IMPACTS

#### Localized to Scattered Flash Flooding:

- Rainfall rates of 1 to 2"/hr possible in thunderstorms this aft/eve causing localized to scattered flash flooding of urban and poor drainage areas. Rapid rises on quick responding streams and creeks also possible.
- 1 to 3" of total rainfall this afternoon through Friday.
- Localized Strong to Damaging Wind Gusts: Isolated damage to trees and power lines.

### NWS ALERTS

A Flash Flood Watch may be issued if flooding threat increases.

# FORECAST JNCERTAINTY

There is high confidence in numerous showers and thunderstorms developing this afternoon into evening. For the most part these storms will be moving at a brisk pace, keeping the flash flood threat localized. But there is a low probability for a swath across the area where multiple storms move over the same area for a longer duration causing more widespread flash flooding.

NEXT BRIEF

This will be the last briefing on this event.

# **Understanding WPC Excessive Rainfall Risk Categories**

No Area/Label

Flash floods are generally not expected.

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Flash flooding near me? Flash Flooding



## MARGINAL (MRGL)

Isolated flash floods possible

Localized and primarily affecting places that can experience rapid runoff with heavy rainfall.

## SLIGHT (SLGT)

Scattered flash floods possible

Mainly localized. Most vulnerable are urban areas, roads, small streams and washes. Isolated significant flash floods possible.

# MODERATE (MDT)

Numerous flash floods likely

Numerous flash flooding events with significant events possible. Many streams may flood, potentially affecting larger rivers.

## HIGH (HIGH)

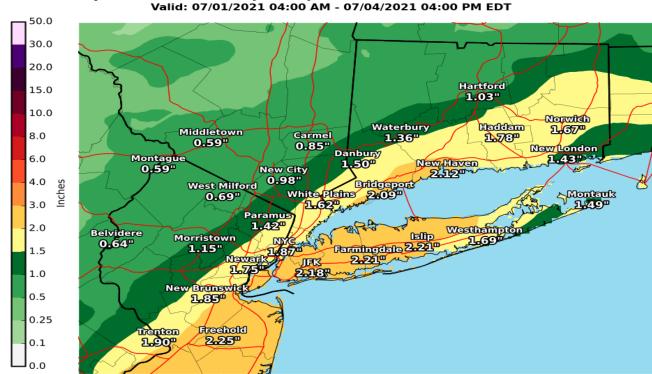
Widespread flash floods expected

Severe, widespread flash flooding. Areas that don't normally experience flash flooding, could. Lives and property in greater danger.





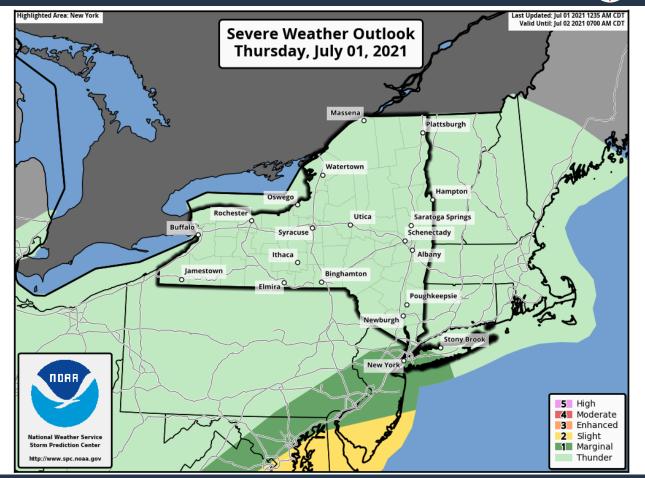
#### Expected Rainfall/Liquid Equivalent - Official NWS Forecast





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# **Understanding Severe Thunderstorm Risk Categories**

THUNDERSTORMS (no label)	1 - MARGINAL (MRGL)	2 - SLIGHT (SLGT)	3 - ENHANCED (ENH)	5 - HIGH (HIGH)
No severe* thunderstorms expected	Isolated severe thunderstorms possible	Scattered severe storms possible	Numerous severe storms possible	Widespread severe storms expected
Lightning/flooding threats exist with <u>all</u> thunderstorms		Short-lived and/or not widespread, isolated intense storms possible	More persistent and/or widespread, a few intense	Long-lived, very widespread and particularly intense
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<sup>\*</sup> NWS defines a severe thunderstorm as measured wind gusts to at least 58 mph, and/or hail to at least one inch in diameter, and/or a tornado. All thunderstorm categories imply lightning and the potential for flooding. Categories are also tied to the probability of a severe weather event within 25 miles of your location.



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