Drought conditions were alleviated somewhat due to several rain events and some snowfall during the month. However, conditions still continued in the severe (D2) category across the majority of the area. The drought conditions along with warm temperatures and several days of gusty winds continued to cause problems for firefighters with many wildfires occurring across the area. More than 13,000 acres were burned on March 1st with the largest fires occurring in central Oklahoma in Lincoln county and in southwest Oklahoma in Stephens county. Numerous structures were destroyed and one firefighter was killed. Refer to the wildfire entry on March 1, 2006 for further details. Many more wildfires occurred during the month of March. On March 16, 2006, two fires burned almost 2,000 acres east of Moore and south of Midwest City beginning during the mid afternoon hours. The fire caused the temporary closure of Interstate 240 during rush hour and threatened many homes. Aircraft were used to fight these fires which caused a hold on air traffic into Tinker AFB. One home and several outbuildings were burned by these fires. Despite severe weather over parts of Oklahoma on March 30, 2006, a wildfire burned in northwest Oklahoma near Ft. Supply. The fire occurred after the passage of a dry line. The smoke plume was easily seen on radar for several hours. Strong west winds, occasionally gusting above 43 knots (50 mph), caused the fire to quickly spread. Portions of the town of Ft. Supply were evacuated, including a prison. However, no homes were damaged or destroyed by this fire. Overall, more than 50,000 acres were burned during March, with numerous structures and equipment damaged or destroyed.

The drought conditions continued to cause problems for farmers and ranchers with low or dry farm ponds and scorched or degraded pasture land. The dry conditions also began to take a toll on the winter wheat crop. However, the extent of any damage was still unknown.

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OKLAHOMA, Western, Central and Southeast

Marshall County
- 3 SW Kingston 10 1920 CST 0 0 Hail(1.00)
- 7 N Stonewall 10 1930 CST 0 0 Hail(0.75)

Pontotoc County
- 8 SE Ada 10 1950 CST 0 0 Hail(0.88)

Hughes County
- 2 SSE Holdenville 10 2000 CST 0 0 Hail(0.88)
- 9 WSW Oakland 10 2005 CST 0 0 Thunderstorm Wind (MG60)

Marshall County
- 1 NW Mead 10 2144 CST 0 0 Hail(0.75)

Bryan County
- 2211 CST 0 0 Funnel Cloud

Atoka County
- Mcgee Creek Res 10 2220 CST 0 0 Hail(2.75)

Atoka County
- Stringtown 10 2325 CST 0 0 Hail(0.75)

Hughes County
- 3 E Holdenville 11 1243 CST 0 0 Hail(0.75)

Hughes County
- 6 ENE Holdenville 11 1250 CST 0 0 Hail(0.75)

Pontotoc County
- Ada 20 1520 CST 0 0 Hail(0.75)

Caddo - Tillman - Comanche - Pontotoc - Jefferson - Carter - Johnston

March 2006

Wind gust was measured by the Oklahoma mesonet. Hail was reported in downtown Holdenville. There was an estimated wind gust in Johnston county of 61 knots (70 mph). Some damage was reported in a few locations. In Caddo county, two barns were destroyed by the high winds. The most significant damage occurred in Coleman in Johnston county. Two shop buildings that were anchored to concrete were ripped out of the foundation and blown into a nearby pasture. A truck door was also ripped off its hinges.
OKLAHOMA, Western, Central and Southeast

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4 S Anadarko
30 1227CST
0 0
Hail(0.75)

Kingfisher County
5 NW Kingfisher
30 1230CST
0 0
Hail(1.00)

OKZ005-010-015
Woods - Woodward - Dewey
30 1255CST
0 0
High Wind (MG55)
Strong surface winds occasionally gusted to above 50 knots (58 mph) during the mid-day hours in northwest Oklahoma. The strongest gust of 55 knots (64 mph) was reported by a cooperative observer in Vici in Dewey county. A wind gust of 51 knots (59 mph) was also measured by the Oklahoma mesonet site 7 miles south-southwest of Alva in Woods county. Wind gusts of 50 knots were measured at the Woodward (KWWR) ASOS site and the Oklahoma mesonet site 6 miles southeast of Mutual in Woodward county.

Comanche County
11 ESE Lawton
30 1259CST
0 0
Hail(0.75)

Kay County
Blackwell
30 1320CST
0 0
Hail(1.00)

Cotton County
Walters
30 1325CST
0 0
Hail(0.88)

Kay County
Braman
30 1330CST
0 0
Thunderstorm Wind (EG52)

McClain County
Newcastle
30 1330CST
0 0
Hail(1.00)

Stephens County
Marlow
30 1330CST
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McClain County
4 S Newcastle
30 1338CST
0 0
Hail(0.88)

Stephens County
1 WSW Marlow
30 1339CST
0 0
Hail(1.75)

McClain County
Newcastle
30 1340CST
0 0
Hail(1.00)

Stephens County
Marlow
30 1340CST
0 0
Hail(1.75)

Cleveland County
Norman
30 1343CST
0 0
Hail(1.00)
Hail was reported by an off-duty SPC employee in the Cascades Estates housing addition on the northwest side of town, near the intersection of Tecumseh Road and NW 36th.

Cleveland County
Norman
30 1343CST
0 0
Hail(1.00)
Hail was observed at the National Weather Service Office on the northern side of Norman.

Stephens County
7 N Duncan
30 1358CST
0 0
Hail(1.75)

Cleveland County
Moore
30 1400CST
0 0
Hail(1.00)

Noble County
Morrison
30 1400CST
0 0
Thunderstorm Wind (EG52)
Stephens County

Duncan 30 1400CST 0 0 Hail(1.25)
Hail was reported near the intersection of Oak Avenue and A street.

Stephens County

1 S Duncan 30 1405CST 0 0 Thunderstorm Wind (MG50)

Stephens County

Duncan 30 1410CST 0 0 Hail(1.75)

Stephens County

6 ESE Duncan 30 1418CST 0.5 50 0 0 Tornado (F0)
A storm chaser video taped a tornado north of Highway 7 east of Duncan in open country. No known damage.

Stephens County

14 E Bray 30 1432CST 0 0 Hail(0.75)

Garvin County

4 WSW Pauls Valley 30 1558CST 0 0 Hail(0.75)

Garvin County

Pauls Valley 30 1600CST 0 0 Hail(0.75)

Garvin County

3 S Stratford 30 1620CST 0 0 Hail(1.00)

Garvin County

2 S Stratford 30 1626CST 0 0 Hail(1.75)

Pontotoc County

Ada 30 1647CST 0 0 Hail(0.75)

Love County

1 SW Rubottom 30 1718CST 0 0 Hail(0.88)

Hughes County

Gerty 30 1730CST 0 0 Hail(0.75)

Love County

Burneyville 30 1755CST 0 0 Hail(0.88)

Love County

Thackerville 30 1838CST 0 0 Hail(0.75)
Hail was observed at the Thackerville school.

Love County

3 SE Marietta 30 1900CST 0 0 20K Thunderstorm Wind (EG56)
A barn was destroyed.

Love County

3 N Thackerville 30 1900CST 0 0 Hail(1.00)

Love County

3 N Thackerville 30 1900CST 0 0 50K Thunderstorm Wind (EG61)
A barn was destroyed along with several trees downed. A metal garage was blown down onto a vehicle

Marshall County

7 S Kingston 30 1915CST 0 0 Hail(1.75)

Marshall County

7 S Kingston 30 1935CST 0 0 Hail(2.50)

Bryan County

3 SW Colbert 30 1945CST 0 0 Hail(1.75)
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Marshall County
Kingston 30 1945CST 0 0 Hail(1.75)

Bryan County
8 W Durant 30 2041CST 0 0 Hail(0.88)

Bryan County
Hendrix 30 2050CST 0 0 Hail(1.00)

Bryan County
Hendrix 30 2054CST 0 0 Hail(0.75)

TEXAS, Western North

TXZ083>090 Hardeman - Foard - Wilbarger - Wichita - Knox - Baylor - Archer - Clay
01 0000CST 0 0 Drought
31 2359CST 0 0 Hail was reported covering the ground.

Archer County
Megargel 08 2235CST 0 0 Hail(0.75)

Archer County
1 N Megargel 08 2247CST 0 0 Hail(0.88)

Archer County
Archer City 08 2300CST 0 0 Hail(1.75)

Clay County
Joy 08 2320CST 0 0 Hail(1.00)

Clay County
HENRIETTA 08 2326CST 0 0 Hail was reported in downtown Henrietta.

TXZ086 Wichita
20 1528CST 0 0 High Wind (MG53)

Clay County
3 E Henrietta 30 1639CST 0 0 Hail(0.88)

Clay County
12 E Henrietta 30 1714CST 0 0 Thunderstorm Wind (MG53)

Archer County
6 SSW Windthorst 30 1805CST 0 0 Hail(0.75)