DAILY PREPAREDNESS BRIEF

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THE ONE THING TODAY

If you do nothing else today: if you are in northeastern Colorado or central Kansas, know where you will shelter from a tornado. Charge your phone. Keep Wireless Emergency Alerts turned on.

Severe thunderstorms are expected this afternoon into northern Colorado and central Kansas. Large hail, damaging winds, and tornadoes are possible from about 2:00 PM to 10:00 PM local time. The NOAA Weather Radio transmitter in Ulysses, Kansas is out of service - if you are in that area, your NWR radio may not work. Use the NOAA Weather app or Wireless Emergency Alerts instead.

WHAT TO DO THIS WEEK

Five actions you can take in under an hour each

1. **Check your weather alert setup today.** Severe storms are expected this afternoon and evening across northeastern Colorado and central Kansas. If you live in or travel through that area: know your county, have the NOAA Weather Radio app or Wireless Emergency Alerts turned on, and know where to shelter. The Ulysses, Kansas weather radio transmitter is out of service - Kansas residents in the storm corridor should use the NOAA Weather app or Wireless Emergency Alerts.
2. **Top off your fuel tank this week.** Gas is at about $4.00 per gallon nationally. The Iran situation is the main driver. If the Hormuz ceasefire deal announced by President Trump falls apart or Iran launches more military action in the Gulf, prices can jump quickly. A full tank is simple insurance. If you have a generator, check your fuel supply.
3. **Be situationally aware if you attend World Cup events.** The FIFA World Cup opens June 11, three days from today, across 16 cities in the US, Canada, and Mexico. The Department of Homeland Security has warned that security threats are highest in areas OUTSIDE the stadiums - fan zones, hotel districts, transit corridors, and stadium queues. If you attend: stay alert in crowds, know your exits, and avoid lingering in uncontrolled outdoor areas.
4. **Check your 72-hour kit this weekend.** PREP-CON 4 (Incident Possible) means conditions are elevated across multiple areas simultaneously. Water, food, first aid, a hand-crank or battery radio, and a paper copy of your family contact plan are the basics. You do not need to do everything at once - check one item now.
5. **Review your medication supplies.** The ongoing Hormuz shipping disruption means some medications may take longer to restock at pharmacies. Request 90-day fills if possible for any prescription medications. Also: avoid requesOn (Mexican soft cheese) and soft ricotta - the CDC issued a Listeria warning on June 5 about these products.

THE SHORT VERSION

What's happening this week, in five sentences:

1. Iran and the United States are in active negotiations over reopening the Strait of Hormuz, which has been blockaded for 57 days. Iran fired attack drones and ballistic missiles at US forces and Gulf allies on June 6; the US shot them down and struck Iranian radar installations in response. President Trump said on June 8 that a deal is "largely negotiated," but Iran's foreign ministry said that is not accurate. Fighting continues while talks go on.
2. A major earthquake - magnitude 7.8 - struck the southern Philippines late on June 7. At least 32 people were killed and 200 were injured. A 1-meter tsunami hit coastal areas. Buildings collapsed in a city of 700,000 people. Search and rescue operations are underway.
3. Russia used a drone to strike a nuclear waste storage facility near the Chornobyl power plant in Ukraine on June 7. A fire started but was put out. Radiation levels did not rise. The United Nations nuclear agency said the strike was "deeply concerning" and is sending an inspection team.

4. A major geomagnetic storm - rated G3 on a scale of G1-G5 - is expected today from a solar eruption on June 6. This may cause shortwave radio disruptions, GPS accuracy issues, and power grid fluctuations in northern states like Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, and New York.

5. An Ebola outbreak remains active in the Democratic Republic of Congo and Uganda, with 378 confirmed cases and 88 deaths. There is no approved vaccine. The US public risk is low, but anyone who has traveled to DRC, Uganda, or South Sudan in the past 21 days may face additional airport screening when returning to the United States.

TODAY'S IMPACTS AT A GLANCE

What's happening today and what to do, by category.

CATEGORY	WHAT'S HAPPENING	YOUR ACTION
GAS & FUEL	WTI oil $93.63/bbl today (+3.4%). National average about $4.00/gallon. Diesel about $4.80/gallon. Iran ceasefire talks are in a critical phase. Deal possible within days but shipping normalization takes months.	Top off your tank today. Diesel users: lock in pricing if possible. Do not over-stockpile - a deal would lower prices.
WEATHER	SLIGHT severe weather risk today: northeastern Colorado through central Kansas. Large hail, 70+ mph wind gusts, isolated tornadoes possible from 2 PM to 10 PM local. A 31-transmitter gap in NOAA Weather Radio nationally includes the Ulysses KS transmitter in the threat zone.	Colorado/Kansas: shelter plan ready, phone charged, WEA alerts on. Use NOAA Weather app if NWR is unavailable in your area.
[object Object] RADIO GAPS	31 NOAA Weather Radio transmitters are out of service or degraded across 18 states. New this cycle: CT Cornwall, IA Cedar Rapids, MD Baltimore, NC Ellerbe, NV Owyhee, PA Clearfield. Alaska has 13 degraded transmitters linked to today's solar storm.	Confirm your phone WEA alerts are on. Download the NOAA Weather app as backup. During active weather alerts, treat NWR as unreliable in these areas.
SOLAR / RADIO	A G3 geomagnetic storm is expected today from a June 6 solar eruption. GPS accuracy may be slightly reduced at higher latitudes. HF radio signals on the sunlit side of Earth may be disrupted. Power grids in northern states may experience minor fluctuations.	Amateur radio operators: monitor for HF blackout windows; use 40-meter or 60-meter bands today. Most people: no action needed. Northern states: be aware of possible brief power fluctuations.
GROCERIES	Fertilizer prices are 46% above pre-war levels from Hormuz disruption; food price increases are locked in for summer and fall 2026. USDA revised food-at-home inflation to 3.1% for 2026 (nearly double start-of-year). CDC alert: avoid requesOn (Mexican soft cheese) and soft ricotta - Listeria risk (June 5 warning).	Build 2-4 weeks of shelf-stable staples. Avoid requesOn and soft ricotta until CDC clears the alert. Prices are better now than projected Q3-Q4 2026.
WORLD CUP (JUN 11)	The FIFA World Cup opens in 3 days across 16 cities in US, Canada, Mexico. DHS says threats are "particularly high in soft areas outside stadiums." Fan zones, transit routes, and hotel districts are the highest-risk areas. Iranian-affiliated cyber groups have been flagged as a specific threat to tournament systems.	If attending: be alert in outdoor crowds, know your exits, avoid lingering in uncontrolled fan zones. Keep your phone charged. Report suspicious activity to law enforcement.
EBOLA	DRC/Uganda Ebola outbreak active: 363 confirmed cases / 88 deaths. No approved vaccine. PHEIC in force. Low US public risk. US citizens who traveled to DRC, Uganda, or South Sudan within 21 days must enter through Washington Dulles airport.	If you or family traveled DRC/Uganda/South Sudan within 21 days: watch for symptoms (fever, body aches), notify your doctor, enter US through Dulles IAD only.
UKRAINE / RUSSIA	Russia used a drone to strike a nuclear waste storage facility near Chornobyl on June 7. Radiation stable; IAEA inspection team deploying. No US ceasefire deal in sight. The Philippines M7.8 earthquake is generating a US government relief response.	No direct US household action. Monitor for energy market reaction if Russia escalates further against European infrastructure.

WEATHER - WHERE IT MATTERS TODAY

REGION	HAZARD	WHAT TO DO
N Colorado / Central Kansas (TODAY)	**SLIGHT severe wx risk 2 PM - 10 PM**	Shelter plan ready. Phone charged. WEA alerts on. NWR transmitter OOS in Ulysses KS - use NOAA Weather app. Supercells possible from Front Range eastward; large hail (2"+) and isolated tornadoes.
US National (Space Weather)	**G3 Geomagnetic Storm Watch TODAY**	Ham radio operators: use 40m/60m, avoid 20m-10m. Northern states (MN/WI/MI/NY): note possible brief power fluctuations. GPS users: verify position with backup if critical navigation underway. Most people: no action needed.
New Mexico (Fire Weather)	**Elevated fire conditions; NM triple-gap NWR**	Stage 1 fire restrictions statewide. Seven Cabins Fire 90% contained at 31,800 acres. NWR triple-gap: Artesia, Roswell, Carlsbad all OOS. Use FEMA App or WEA phone alerts for emergency alerting.
Philippines (Earthquake aftershocks)	**Active M6.5 aftershock sequence**	If family/contacts in southern Mindanao: attempt contact; communications may be intermittent. US travelers to Philippines: follow State Department guidance.
Atlantic/Gulf (Hurricane Season)	**Season opened June 1. No active storms.**	Below-normal season forecast. Confirm your hurricane plan and supplies are ready regardless.

Rest of CONUS	**No significant hazard today.**	No action required.

SPACE WEATHER - WHAT IT MEANS FOR YOU

Today's situation: SWPC issued a G3 (Strong) geomagnetic storm watch for today, June 8, and a G2 (Moderate) watch for June 9. This is from a solar eruption (M1.8 flare) that occurred on June 6. A second solar eruption from the same region is still being analyzed and could add to the storm. The 2-megaelectronvolt electron flux - a measure of energetic particles - has been elevated above 1000 pfu since June 7, peaking at 2874 pfu.

What this means: Shortwave (HF) radio signals on the sunlit side of Earth may be temporarily disrupted. GPS accuracy may be slightly reduced at higher latitudes (northern US, Canada). Power grids in northern states may experience minor voltage fluctuations from geomagnetically induced currents. Satellites in low Earth orbit experience increased atmospheric drag.

Who it affects: Amateur radio operators using HF frequencies. Aviation HF communications. Anyone relying on precise GPS positioning. Power grid operators in northern-tier states. Most people: no noticeable effect.

What to watch: SWPC is analyzing whether the second solar eruption on June 6 launched a coronal mass ejection toward Earth. If so, storm conditions could intensify toward G4 (Severe) today. Check spaceweather.gov for updates throughout the day.

SUPPLY CHAIN - WHAT IT MEANS AT HOME

Gas pump: About $4.00 per gallon nationally (regular). Prices have been elevated because of the Hormuz blockade. President Trump said June 8 a deal is close, but experts say it will take months for shipping and production to fully recover even after an agreement. Keep your tank topped off.

Groceries: Fertilizer prices are 46% above pre-war levels from Hormuz shipping disruption - food price increases are locked in for summer and fall 2026. USDA revised food-at-home inflation to 3.1% for 2026. Beef prices projected up 9.4%. Building 2-4 weeks of shelf-stable staples now avoids paying more later.

Online shopping and shipping: Baltic freight rates are firming from Hormuz rerouting. DHL launched a dedicated Asia-US air cargo route June 1 to bypass the shipping disruption. Container shipping costs remain elevated. Expect some items to take longer or cost slightly more through fall 2026.

Diesel and trucking: Diesel is about $4.80 per gallon nationally - well above pre-war levels. This feeds directly into the cost of delivered goods. Trucking margins are compressed and those costs are being passed to consumers.

Medications: Order 90-day fills now for prescription medications. Hormuz disruption may affect pharmaceutical supply chains for some medications that use Gulf-region components. Pharmacies may face restocking delays for certain medications through Q3.

CYBER, COMMS & LOCAL IMPACTS

Iranian hackers are actively targeting US infrastructure: A US government advisory (from the FBI, NSA, CISA, and four other agencies) warned that Iranian-affiliated hackers are currently exploiting control systems at US water utilities, power companies, and government facilities. Some systems have been disrupted. If your organization uses industrial control systems or SCADA systems that connect to the internet, contact your IT team today.

Your home network: Two new "known exploited vulnerabilities" were confirmed this cycle. FBI warned about criminals posing as IT support workers to physically insert USB drives into business computers. Rule: no unscheduled IT visit is legitimate without independent verification from your IT department by phone.

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World Cup cyber threat: The FIFA World Cup opens June 11. Cybercriminals have registered 13,000+ fake FIFA websites. Iranian-affiliated groups are specifically named as a threat to tournament systems. Be cautious of FIFA-related emails, ticket purchase links, or app download requests. Use only official fifa.com for any tournament transactions.

SIGNALS THAT CONDITIONS ARE GETTING WORSE

Watch for these in the news this week. If you see them, raise your readiness one notch.

- Iran-US deal collapses entirely, or Iran fires on US naval vessels directly - gas prices would jump within 24 hours.
- SPC
- upgrades today's storm risk to ENHANCED or MODERATE, or a significant tornado or derecho forms in the Plains.
- A first Ebola case confirmed outside DRC and Uganda - would trigger expanded travel screening at US airports.

- Russia escalates Ukraine attacks to include
- NATO
- territory or energy infrastructure in Europe - could affect European energy prices and US LNG demand.
- SWPC
- upgrades the geomagnetic storm to G4 (Severe) or G5 (Extreme) - would elevate HF/GPS disruption risk significantly.
- A major cyber incident affects a US hospital system, water utility, or power grid - would signal broader Iranian APT escalation campaign.

QUICK REFERENCE - KEY LINKS

PREP-CON (Preparedness Conditions) - Understand the four readiness levels and what actions to take at each.
COMCON (Communications Conditions) - Communications readiness scale and PACE plan guidance.
SPC Day 1 Convective Outlook - Today's severe weather threat map from NOAA Storm Prediction Center.
NOAA Space Weather - Current solar activity, geomagnetic conditions, and forecasts.
AAA Gas Prices - National and state-by-state gas price tracker.
CDC Ebola Information - Current outbreak status, traveler guidance, and risk assessment.
Ready.gov - FEMA household emergency preparedness guides.
NIFC Wildfire Information - National Interagency Fire Center - active fires and resources.

ANALYTICAL STANDARDS & SOURCE REGISTRY

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REGISTRY	TOTAL SOURCES	TIER 1	TIER 2	TIER 3
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