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⚠️ PREPAREDNESS CONDITION 3 -- BROWN SKY -- INCIDENT PROBABLE ⚠️
Op Epic Fury Day 139 | Hormuz Day 139 | MOU Day 29 | PREP-CON 3 BROWN SKY | COMCON 4
INCREASED VIGILANCE | 16 JULY 2026 | See [Section 10](#)

COMMUNICATIONS CONDITION: COMCON 4 -- INCREASED VIGILANCE
COMCON 4 INCREASED VIGILANCE. See [CYB-001](#) and [Section 10](#) for full detail.

WX-CON 3 GUARDED (stepped down from 4). See [WX-001](#) and [Section 10](#) for full detail.
Wildfire: see [WX-002 / Section 7B](#).

SWX-CON 2 WATCH (15-JUL K=4 alert expired 1500 UTC; fresher SWPC pull not independently obtained this cycle, flagged not carried silently). See [SWX-001](#) and [Section 10](#) for full detail.
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PREP-CON Baseline	PREP-CON 3 -- BROWN SKY COMCON 4 -- INCREASED VIGILANCE WX-CON 3 GUARDED (down from 4) SWX-CON 2 WATCH (K4 alert expired, fresher pull not obtained) see Section 10 for full assessment Semper Paratus, Semper Gumby
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16 JULY 2026 | PREP-CON 3 BROWN SKY | COMCON 4 INCREASED VIGILANCE | Op Epic Fury / Hormuz Day 139 | MOU Day 29 -- US blockade of Iranian shipping restarts 1600 ET today; Trump states the Strait stays open; the proposed 20% cargo-value transit fee was scrapped 14-JUL in favor of Gulf-state trade/investment deals, rather than accept Iran's closure declaration | IAEA Blackout Day 138 | Ebola PHEIC Day 60 | NPL 4 of 5 (confirmed via NIFC National Fire News, 16-JUL -- 48 uncontained large fires nationwide, ~16,800 personnel assigned, fresher IMSR not independently obtained this cycle, carried with that caveat) | World Cup Day 37, Spain defeated France 2-0 (14-JUL, Dallas) to reach the final; Argentina defeated England 2-1 (15-JUL, Atlanta) to reach the final -- Spain vs. Argentina now set for Sunday (19-JUL, MetLife Stadium); third-place match France vs. England Saturday (18-JUL, Miami) | Babylon Fire (UT) 106,610 acres, 54% contained (up from 50%, 15-JUL) -- nation's largest wildfire, command remains Great Basin Team 6 | Cottonwood Fire 97,458 acres, 77% contained (confirmed 14-JUL via InciWeb, now 2nd-largest) | ENR-002 remains retired -- no new grid emergency order identified this cycle

THE CYCLE - QUICK LOOK

► GEO-CF-IRAN: US BLOCKADE RESTARTS, FIRST CONFIRMED FATALITY OF THIS PHASE; TRUMP REJECTS CLOSURE, PROPOSES 20% TRANSIT FEE: CENTCOM restarts the naval blockade of Iranian

shipping at 1600 ET today per Trump directive -- the first blockade re-imposition since the 18-JUN lift. Trump maintains the Strait stays open; the proposed 20% cargo-value transit fee (~\$32M/supertanker at current prices) was scrapped 14-JUL for Gulf-state trade/investment deals, rather than accept Iran's closure declaration; Iran's joint military command says the US has no role in determining the Strait's future. ADNOC reports two UAE tankers struck by projectiles transiting the Strait -- one mariner killed, several injured, the first confirmed fatality of this strike phase (a foreign national, not a US citizen -- CONUS-casualty PREP-CON trigger not met). UKMTO separately confirms a tanker struck by an unidentified projectile northeast of Qalhat, Oman -- no crew injuries; JMIC has the regional threat level at SEVERE. Jordan's air defenses intercepted four more Iranian missiles overnight -- continued targeting of the same (4th) retaliation state, no 5th state confirmed. An Iranian security source says Tehran will deliver a "devastating response" if the US strikes the suspected underground nuclear site at Pickaxe Mountain -- no strike on the site has occurred; see NUC-001. Brent ~\$85.38/bbl (16-JUL), essentially flat from 15-JUL's ~\$86.85 peak but still near a 3-week high, after 13-JUL's move. PREP-CON held at 3 -- non-CONUS trigger, no confirmed US casualty or 5th state struck; re-run against Triggers Annex v1.1 given the blockade restart and Pickaxe Mountain threat. See GEO-CF-IRAN.

► **NUC-001: IAEA BLACKOUT DAY 138** -- live-checked against [iaea.org/current-reporting](https://www.iaea.org/current-reporting) this cycle, confirmed genuinely unchanged (no new Board report or DG statement found) -- Burgenstock technical WG remains the active venue -- Iran: no clear inspection schedule -- Grossi: MOU mandates IAEA supervision -- 440.9 kg 60%-HEU unverified since 28-FEB -- **NEW CONTEXT:** an Iranian security source says Tehran will deliver a devastating response if the US strikes the suspected underground Pickaxe Mountain site; no strike has occurred -- IAEA's monitoring posture is unchanged but the surrounding strike-risk context is materially more elevated than 13-JUL close. See NUC-001. Grossi has maintained that inspection means inspection "in all letters" and that access will happen under the MOU's terms. Gharibabadi stated 25-JUN that no Switzerland meeting was scheduled at that time, and that access would come only after a final agreement and sanctions removal. 440.9 kg 60%-HEU unverified since 28-FEB. Weekend kinetic exchange (26-29 JUN) produced no change to IAEA access status. Burgenstock WG confirmed active 29-JUN with 4 working groups; Nuclear Affairs is one track. ISIS: 60%-HEU stockpile sufficient for multiple devices; weaponization capability severely degraded by strikes; breakout timeline 1+ year from zero. See NUC-001/GEO-CF-IRAN.

► **CYB-001: NEW CLUSTER CONFIRMED THIS CYCLE** -- **SHAREPOINT/SIMPLEHELP/ICAGENDA-BALBOOA STILL SEPARATELY OVERDUE:** Live-checked CISA's KEV catalog -- CISA added 4 new entries 14-JUL (SonicWall SMA1000 SSRF CVE-2026-15409, SonicWall SMA1000 code injection CVE-2026-15410, Microsoft ADFS CVE-2026-56155, Cisco IOS CSRF) plus 1 entry 13-JUL (Cisco IOS CSRF CVE-2008-4128). This corrects last cycle's "no new cluster" call -- a cluster did appear, just outside the previously-tracked app set. The prior-tracked SharePoint/SimpleHelp/iCagenda/Balbooa group remains separately overdue with no further additions in that specific group. CVE-2026-45659 (SharePoint Server, CVSS 8.8, deserialization RCE): federal deadline was 04-JUL, now overdue a 4th+ cycle; Storm-2603 (Warlock ransomware) confirmed exploiting. CVE-2026-48558 (SimpleHelp RMM, CVSS 10.0, OIDC auth bypass): federal deadline was 02-JUL, now overdue a 4th+ cycle; TaskWeaver/Djinn Stealer malware deployed via this flaw. CVE-2026-48939 (iCagenda) and CVE-2026-56291 (Balbooa Forms), added to KEV 10-JUL with a 13-JUL deadline, are themselves now overdue as of today. See CYB-001.

► **WX-001: SPC Day 1 (15-JUL) is MARGINAL** -- a step down from yesterday's verified ENHANCED risk. Marginal risk covers the Mid-Atlantic (large hail/damaging wind, conditional on storm initiation), northern New England and south-central MT/north-central WY (isolated severe gusts), and Arizona (isolated downbursts). Day 2 (16-JUL): Marginal, western Montana only. Day 3: no organized severe expected. Separately, WPC's Day 1 Excessive Rainfall Outlook carries a HIGH RISK for the Texas Hill Country (Medina/Uvalde/Bandera counties) -- 6-10" of rain already recorded overnight with active flash-flood reports, a distinct hazard from the SPC severe outlook. PJM's 202(c) grid emergency remains inactive, no new order this cycle. Wildfire content: see WX-002/Section 7B. See WX-001 (weather) and WX-002/Section 7B (wildfire) for full detail.

► **GEO-003: VENEZUELA:** Day 22 -- toll rose to 4,734 dead per National Assembly President Rodriguez (from 4,333); injured figure (16,740) remains stale since 07-JUL -- now a 5th consecutive cycle despite a dedicated search; the reporting gap is itself becoming the story. Displacement now exceeds 19,500 in camps

(up from 17,854). Interim President's request for release of ~30 tons of Venezuelan gold frozen under UK sanctions not independently re-verified this cycle. See GEO-003.

► **PHS-002: PHS-002 EBOLA PHEIC DAY 60: DRC 2,011 confirmed (754 deaths, CFR ~37.5%), 753 hospitalized in isolation (ECDC 14-JUL threat assessment, data through 13-JUL) -- an increase of 48 cases/35 deaths since the 13-JUL report -- Uganda holding steady at 20 confirmed/2 deaths, no new cases since 21-JUN -- RESOLVED: the US case's medevac location is now public -- patient (2nd American case, Samaritan's Purse worker) evacuated to Frankfurt University Hospital, Germany, arriving ~0300 local 13-JUL; this does NOT change CONUS entry-screening posture since no US point of entry was involved. No formal WHO Disease Outbreak News has been published since DON612 (3-JUL) -- now 13 days overdue against the roughly-biweekly cadence, flagged as a reporting gap rather than assumed forthcoming; the ECDC assessment reflects the same underlying case data. DRC figure per ECDC 14-JUL threat assessment (data through 13-JUL), the most recent available -- this is the fastest-growing Ebola outbreak on record per Africa CDC. Geographic-spread note from prior cycles (Tshopo/Haut-Uele, Kinshasa gathering ban) not independently re-verified this cycle -- carry forward with that caveat rather than as confirmed-current. PARTNERS clinical trial (MBP134 monoclonal antibody + remdesivir) underway, no results yet; no approved vaccine/treatment for the Bundibugyo strain. US case (11-JUL): humanitarian worker, medevac/exposure details not yet public -- enhanced entry screening status at IAD/ATL/IAH/JFK not independently reverified this cycle pending those details. See PHS-002 for full detail.**

► **DOM-002: RETIRED THIS CYCLE - entry removed from full reporting: Twelfth of July parades (13-JUL, 18 locations) concluded with no incident reported; UK Labour nomination timeline closes 16-JUL with no delta. No new development.** See DOM-002 (retired, minimal carryover).

► **STSB-001: WORLD CUP DAY 37, SPAIN 2-0 FRANCE:** Spain defeated France (14-JUL, Dallas) to reach Sunday's final; Argentina defeated England 2-1 (15-JUL, Atlanta) to reach the final. Spain vs. Argentina is now the confirmed final matchup, Sunday 19-JUL (MetLife Stadium, NJ). Third-place match: France vs. England, Saturday 18-JUL (Miami). No new stadium-venue or fan-zone incident identified this cycle; San Pedro Square remains the only site with a demonstrated incident pattern -- live-checked, confirmed. See STSB-001 for full detail.

NOT DETAILED HERE: SWPC K-index 4 alert detail (Sec 7A); full 21-station NWR roster (Sec 7); Venezuela humanitarian detail; World Cup bracket history; UK Labour nomination timeline detail.

DECISIVE WINDOW (NEXT 48-72 HRS): The US blockade restart (1600 ET today) and Trump's 20% transit-fee proposal, set against Iran's continued closure declaration, is now the central open question -- not just the nightly strikes. The first confirmed fatality of this strike phase (UAE tanker, one mariner killed) and Iran's threat of a devastating response if Pickaxe Mountain is struck both raise the stakes without yet meeting a CONUS-casualty or 5th-state trigger. PREP-CON HELD AT 3 pending further escalation -- re-run next cycle if a US base sustains confirmed damage/casualties, the blockade produces a confirmed US-flagged vessel incident, or Pickaxe Mountain is struck. WHO's Ebola DON remains unconfirmed as a standalone publication -- continue chasing directly rather than relying solely on secondary (ECDC) reporting. Venezuela's toll moved again this cycle (4,734 to 4,829); the injured figure's 6th-cycle staleness is now a data-integrity story in its own right and should be called out as such, not just re-flagged. SharePoint, SimpleHelp, and the iCagenda/Balboa cluster are all now overdue with no workarounds; watch for a further KEV wave given the pace of the last two weeks even though none materialized this cycle. Diesel and ocean-freight Commodity Tracker rows still need a fresh benchmark pull -- not resolved this cycle.

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SEC 2 - Market Indicators	Commodity tracker: Brent ~\$85.38/bbl (16-JUL; range \$84.70-86.80 across trackers), vs \$78.85 close 13-JUL -- 48hr delta +~\$8/+~10%, driven by the US blockade restart and continued closure dispute, not OPEC+/supply factors) AAA pump price

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	\$3.8900/gal (13-JUL, up from \$3.790 07-JUL, +\$0.082/+2.2% -- the lagged pump-price response to the Brent spike flagged last cycle has now materialized) Six vessels transited Hormuz Sunday per Kpler -- lowest in five weeks Regional pump-price spread widened: West Coast/Nevada/Gulf South-Southeast interior running \$3.90-5.45/gal band vs. northern Plains/Upper Midwest at \$3.24-3.57/gal, consistent with the national move not yet reaching all regions evenly
SEC 3 - FLASH Events	GEO-CF-IRAN: US blockade of Iranian shipping rerestarted 14-JUL 1600 ET; Trump scrapped the proposed 20% transit fee, replacing it with a plan for Gulf-state trade/investment deals in lieu of a fee. Maritime casualties now include the earlier UAE ADNOC tanker (1 mariner killed) plus a separate overnight 14/15-JUL incident: 3 Liberia-flagged tankers (including STOLT MAGNESIUM) attacked off Oman, 3 crew missing/6 injured per Oman's Maritime Security Center. Iran's retaliation has expanded to 6 states struck (Bahrain, Kuwait, Jordan, Oman, plus earlier hits) -- not the 4-state pattern reported last cycle; the IIRC claims a coordinated Kuwait/Bahrain/Jordan wave overnight, unverified by CENTCOM. OFAC issued Iran General License Z (14-JUL), tied explicitly to persons/vessels blocked that day, corroborating blockade enforcement). Iran threatens a devastating response if Pickaxe Mountain is struck. MOU Day 29. NUC-001: IAEA Blackout Day 138, no new Grossi statement, Board action, or access breakthrough -- live-checked this cycle, confirmed genuinely unchanged; Pickaxe Mountain strike-threat context noted under GEO-CF-IRAN. GEO-003: Venezuela Day 23, 4,829 dead (up from 4,734) -- injured figure (16,740) stale a 6th consecutive cycle since 07-JUL despite a dedicated search, now itself a data-integrity story; displacement exceeds 19,500 in camps; posture remains recovery/reconstruction. WX-001: SPC Day 1 (15-JUL) is MARGINAL -- down from yesterday's verified ENHANCED risk; covers Mid-Atlantic, N. New England, S-central MT/N-central WY, and Arizona. PJM's 202(c) grid emergency remains expired, no active grid emergency. Wildfire content: see WX-002/Sec 7B -- Babylon Fire remains nation's largest (106,610 ac, 54% contained, up from 50%), Cottonwood 2nd-largest (97,458 ac, 77% contained, confirmed fresh via InciWeb 14-JUL; command Great Basin CIMT #4 since 08-JUL, ~150 structures losted this cycle). PHS-002: Ebola Day 59, DRC 2,011 confirmed (754 deaths, CFR ~36.6%) / Uganda not independently re-verified this cycle -- per ECDC 13-JUL threat assessment (data through 12-JUL). WHO characterizes this as the fastest-growing outbreak on record and the 3rd-largest Ebola outbreak ever, with 80+ cases confirmed in a single 24-hour window recently; spread has newly reached Haut-Uele and Tshopo provinces beyond the Ituri epicenter. US case medevac location now public: Frankfurt, Germany (not CONUS).
SEC 4A - Cyber / Technology	CYB-001 SharePoint (CVE-2026-45659, deadline 04-JUL) and SimpleHelp (CVE-2026-48558, deadline 02-JUL) both remain overdue a 4th+ cycle, no workarounds confirmed. iCagenda (CVE-2026-48939) and Balboa Forms (CVE-2026-56291), added to KEV 10-JUL with a 13-JUL deadline, are now themselves overdue -- no new cluster identified this cycle despite last cycle's LIKELY forecast. KEV overdue backlog remains 10+ entries.
SEC 4B - Physical / Geopolitical / IO	DOM-002 (WATCH tier): Twelfth of July main parades held today, 13-JUL (18 locations) -- no incident reported as of this sweep, developing item. UK Labour nomination timeline (close 16-JUL) not independently re-verified this cycle. STSB-001: World Cup Day 37. Spain defeated France 2-0 (14-JUL, Dallas) to reach Sunday's final; Argentina defeated England 2-1 (15-JUL, Atlanta) to reach the final. Final: Spain vs. Argentina, Sunday 19-JUL (MetLife Stadium). Third-place match: France vs. England, Saturday 18-JUL (Miami). No new stadium-venue or fan-zone incident this cycle beyond the round transition. PHS-002: Ebola Day 59, DRC 2,011 confirmed (754 deaths, CFR ~36.6%) / Uganda not independently re-verified this cycle, per ECDC 13-JUL threat assessment (data through 12-JUL); 2nd US case (11-JUL) medevac'd to Frankfurt, Germany, confirmed 13-JUL, not CONUS; no vaccine/treatment.

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SEC 5 - Energy / Infrastructure / Supply Chain	FIN-001 Brent ~\$85.38/bbl (16-JUL), essentially flat vs. 15-JUL's ~\$85.30 close but still near a 3-week high, on the US blockade restart and closure dispute / EIA's weekly release (13-JUL data) confirms gasoline at \$3.855/gal (national average, up \$0.078) and diesel at \$4.796/gal (up \$1.058, first weekly rise in 10 weeks) -- both directly tied by analysts to the blockade restart / Daily transit-count sourcing remains inconsistent this cycle, treat as unverified / AVN-001 : Kuwait FIR overflight restrictions extended through at least 04-AUG; Dubai/Abu Dhabi operating near-normal (Dubai Intl ~1% cancelled/12% delayed); EASA's Iran/Iraq/Lebanon restrictions remain in force through 31-AUG; Air Astana suspended UAE flights 13-JUL; BA/Lufthansa Dubai suspensions extended into Sept/Oct. SC-001 MARAD 2026-008 active fertilizer/methanol/aluminum lag persists
SEC 6 - Aviation / Transportation	AVN-001 : Gulf aviation status live-checked this cycle, resolving a gap open since 02-JUL: Kuwait FIR overflight restrictions extended through at least 04-AUG (only arrivals/departures to OKKK permitted). Dubai/Abu Dhabi operating near-normal (Dubai Intl ~1% cancelled/12% delayed, comparable to major global airports); EASA's Iran/Iraq/Lebanon restrictions remain in force through 31-AUG. Air Astana suspended UAE flights 13-JUL citing the escalation; BA Dubai service remains suspended (planned return 25-OCT), Lufthansa/SWISS Dubai suspended through 13-SEP. Qatar Airways continues operating a 160+ destination network at expanded capacity. GPS jamming/spoofing remains a standing regional issue. AVN-002 : World Cup Day 37. Spain beat France 2-0 (14-JUL, Dallas) to reach the final. Argentina defeated England 2-1 (15-JUL, Atlanta) to reach the final. No venue weather issues identified for the France-England third-place match (18-JUL, Miami) or the Spain-Argentina final (19-JUL, MetLife Stadium). Middle East airspace remains ELEVATED given the continuing Iran strike exchange and the Strait-of-Hormuz closure dispute.
SEC 7 - Meteorological / Severe Weather / Fire Weather + NWR	WX-001 : SPC Day 1 (15-JUL) MARGINAL -- Mid-Atlantic, N. New England, S-central MT/N-central WY, Arizona (down from yesterday's verified ENHANCED); Day 2 MARGINAL, western Montana only; Day 3 no organized severe expected. Wildfire content moved to WX-002/Sec 7B. WX-002 : Babylon Fire (San Juan County, UT, ignited 26-JUN) remains the nation's largest active wildfire -- 106,610 ac, 54% contained, approximately 106,610 acres, 54% contained as of 15-JUL (up from 50% on 15-JUL); command transitioned Great Basin Team 2 to Team 6 at 0600 today. Cottonwood Fire (UT) 97,458 acres, 77% contained (confirmed 14-JUL via InciWeb), now 2nd-largest -- fresher figure was not independently confirmed this cycle. NPL last confirmed 4 of 5 off the 16-JUL NIFC National Fire News (48 uncontained large fires, ~16,800 personnel) -- a fresher IMSR pull was not independently obtained this cycle. No known reports of planned Public Safety Power Shutoffs this cycle.
SEC 7B - Wildfire Report	WX-002 : Babylon Fire (San Juan County, UT, ignited 26-JUN) remains the nation's largest active wildfire -- 106,610 ac, 54% contained, approximately 106,610 acres, 54% contained as of 15-JUL (up from 50% on 15-JUL); command transitioned Great Basin Team 2 to Team 6 at 0600 today. Cottonwood Fire (UT) 97,458 acres, 77% contained (confirmed 14-JUL via InciWeb), now 2nd-largest -- fresher figure was not independently confirmed this cycle. NPL last confirmed 4 of 5 off the 16-JUL NIFC National Fire News (48 uncontained large fires, ~16,800 personnel) -- a fresher IMSR pull was not independently obtained this cycle. No known reports of planned Public Safety Power Shutoffs this cycle.
SEC 7A - Space Weather and EMCOMM	SWX-001 : Today's operator-supplied feed shows only a routine K-index 4 alert/warning (ALTK04/WARK04) -- no ALTEF3 electron-flux product appears, a materially different and less severe picture than the prior cycle's flux story. Genuine de-escalation or a feed gap -- resolved this cycle: fresh operator-supplied WARK04/ALTK04 sequence (Ser. 5385-5387/2675, spanning 0144-1500 UTC 15-JUL) confirms a single, stable, routine K-index 4 condition. SWX-CON held at 2 WATCH, no longer pending.
SEC 7D - Tropical / Hurricane Weather	Atlantic/Caribbean/Gulf: NSTR, confirmed fresh via NHC (15-JUL, 1215 UTC): no tropical cyclone formation anticipated in the Atlantic/Caribbean/Gulf over the next 7

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	days. Eastern Pacific: NOT NSTR -- EP96 has developed into Tropical Depression Five-E, offshore SW Mexico, not a CONUS threat. One named storm to date this Atlantic season (TS Arthur, dissipated 17-JUN). See WX-002/Sec 7D for full detail.
SEC 10 - PREP-CON Assessment	PREP-CON 3 BROWN SKY (Incident Probable) / COMCON 4 INCREASED VIGILANCE -- see full trigger basis and scoring
SEC 12 - Source Registry	Registry v2.25 638 total sources swept 56 mandatory dispositioned fortunefavorstheprepared.com/dtr-source-registry/

GEOGRAPHIC IMPACT INDEX

REGION / THEMATIC	KEY ENTRIES / THREAT DRIVERS
CONUS - Appalachians / Mid-Atlantic / Northeast	WX-001 SPC Day 1 (15-JUL) MARGINAL -- Mid-Atlantic, N. New England, S-central MT/N-central WY, Arizona, a step down from yesterday's verified ENHANCED risk; Day 2 MARGINAL (western Montana only); Day 3 no organized severe expected. CYB-001 (overdue 4th+ cycle): SharePoint and SimpleHelp KEVs remain unpatched -- ongoing enterprise triage recommended. NWR gaps in the region: ME-Sugarloaf Mtn WNG547 OOS (persisting), MA-Leyden WXM68 OOS (persisting, no longer new).
CONUS - Gulf Coast (LA/MS/AL/FL Panhandle)	SPC Day 1: MARGINAL risk of severe thunderstorms across the Southeast today - poor lapse rates and weak deep-layer shear limit organization, but isolated damaging winds possible from the FL Peninsula into eastern GA/SC ahead of a weak mid-level trough. Ebola: US case (11-JUL, humanitarian worker) may affect IAH/other Gulf-adjacent entry-screening posture pending exposure details, not yet independently reverified this cycle.
CONUS - Illinois / Indiana	SPC Day 1: no organized severe threat in the region today (Marginal risk is Southeast/Montana this cycle); IL-Hillsboro KXI79 remains OOS; IN-Angola KXI94 improved from OOS to DEGRADED this cycle (partial restoration). CYB-001 overdue KEVs (SharePoint/SimpleHelp, now unremediated a 4th+ cycle) continue to impact networks in the region. KS-Ulysses WXN81 remains OOS (Grant/Stanton/Haskell counties, KS). NM triple-gap: Artesia/Roswell/Carlsbad all OOS a 4th+ consecutive cycle, still unresolved -- no active NM-specific hazard this cycle, but the persistence itself now warrants explicit callout.
CONUS - West / Sierra Nevada / N CA / SW OR	WX-002 (Section 7B): Babylon Fire (UT) 106,610 acres, 54% contained (up from 50%, 15-JUL) remains the nation's largest active wildfire, command transitioned Great Basin Team 2 to Team 6 at 0600 today; Cottonwood Fire (97,458 acres, 77% contained, confirmed 14-JUL via InciWeb, now 2nd-largest). Level 3 evacuations remain in effect for HiLo Estates, Merchant Valley, Eagle Point Resort, Arrowhead Summer Homes (Cottonwood), with limited resident access permits now being issued; Babylon Fire has 23 evacuation zones in SET status west of Monticello, UT. NWR: NV-Owyhee DEGRADED (persisting); CA-Santa Ana OOS (persisting); AZ-Kingman OOS (new this cycle) -- OR-Portland has cleared and no longer appears on the current roster. See COMCON assessment for the full-roster count. National Preparedness Level 4/5, confirmed off the 16-JUL NIFC National Fire News. Fire weather: elevated concerns today for SW MT/N WY/E ID and NE CA/NW NV/S OR on monsoonal lightning-ignition risk given critically receptive fuels.
CONUS - North Carolina	WX-002 NC-Statesville KJY85 (Greenville-Spartanburg SC market) remains OOS, persisting from 13-JUL (no longer new). No severe weather or fire-weather delta identified for North Carolina today beyond this NWR gap.
CONUS - Nationwide Wildfire	WX-002 NPL 4 of 5, confirmed via NIFC National Fire News (16-JUL) -- 48 uncontained large fires nationally, 38,956 fires/3.5M+ acres YTD (fresher totals not

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CONUS - Nationwide (All Regions)	CYB-001 CYB KEV backlog remains overdue: SharePoint, SimpleHelp, and iCagenda/Balboa Forms remain unremediated -- immediate upgrade required, no workarounds; 4 NEW KEV entries added 14-JUL (SonicWall SMA1000 CVE-2026-15409/15410, SharePoint privilege-escalation CVE-2026-56164, AD FS CVE-2026-56155), due 17-JUL and 28-JUL respectively. SWX-CON assessment reflects today's K-index 4 geomagnetic alert (ALTK04/WARK04) -- confirmed routine and stable across the full 0144-1500 UTC sequence, less severe phenomenon than the prior ALTEF3 electron-flux story; see SWX-001. CYB-002: Check Point and PAN-OS KEVs remain on the overdue backlog CYB-001: SharePoint/SimpleHelp/iCagenda/Balboa exploitation continues (Storm-2603/Warlock, TaskWeaver-Djinn Stealer), same campaigns, no new escalation or new cluster confirmed this cycle FIN-001: Brent ~\$85.38/bbl (16-JUL), essentially flat from 15-JUL's ~\$86.85 peak but still near a 3-week high, after 13-JUL's move, on the US blockade restart and closure dispute -- see ENR-001 for full detail
Middle East / Strait of Hormuz	GEO-CF-IRAN MOU Day 29: US blockade of Iranian shipping restarts 1600 ET today; Iran's Strait-of-Hormuz closure declaration (12-JUL) remains in dispute, with Trump maintaining the Strait stays open; strikes and retaliation continue, Iran has now struck 6 states (Bahrain, Kuwait, Jordan, Oman) -- an escalation from the 4-state pattern reported last cycle NUC-001: IAEA Blackout Day 138, Burgenstock WG remains the active venue, no new Grossi statement this cycle -- live-checked, confirmed AVN-001: Gulf aviation status live-checked -- Kuwait FIR closed to overflights through 04-AUG, Dubai/Abu Dhabi near-normal, EASA Iran/Iraq/Lebanon restrictions through 31-AUG ENR-001: Brent ~\$85.38/bbl (16-JUL), essentially flat vs. 15-JUL's ~\$86.85 peak but still near a 3-week high, on the blockade restart/closure dispute PHS-002: Ebola Day 59, DRC 2,011 confirmed (754 deaths, CFR ~36.6%), US case now medevac'd to Germany, first US case confirmed 11-JUL WX-001: SPC outlooks per operator-supplied text, see Section 7
Iran / Nuclear	NUC-001 IAEA Blackout Day 138 -- Burgenstock technical WG remains the active venue (Gharibabadi leading four working groups) -- inspection dispute persists, no new Grossi statement or Board action this cycle, live-checked and confirmed genuinely unchanged -- 440.9 kg 60%-HEU remains unverified since 28-FEB. IAEA Board resolution passed 10-JUN, 21-3, demanding cooperation -- no follow-on action to date.
DRC / Uganda	PHS-002 Ebola Day 60 PHEIC: DRC 2,011 confirmed (754 deaths, CFR ~37.5%), 753 hospitalized in isolation (ECDC 14-JUL threat assessment, data through 13-JUL) -- Uganda holding steady at 20 confirmed/2 deaths, no new cases since 21-JUN -- RESOLVED: 2nd US case (11-JUL) medevac'd to Frankfurt, Germany, confirmed 13-JUL, not CONUS. No formal WHO DON published since DON612 (3-JUL), now 13 days overdue -- no vaccine / no treatment -- US screening posture at IAD/ATL/IAH/JFK not independently reverified pending US-case details
Venezuela (Earthquake Recovery)	GEO-002 / GEO-003 GEO-003 VENEZUELA: Twin M7.2+M7.5 earthquakes 24-JUN 2200 UTC 4,734 confirmed dead (up from 4,333); injured figure (16,740) stale since 07-JUL, now a 6th consecutive cycle displacement exceeds 19,500 in camps; posture remains recovery/reconstruction strongest Venezuelan EQ in 125 yrs UKRAINE: no new US-household-relevant delta identified this cycle -- background watch only, not separately tracked as an active DTR entry.
Belfast / Northern Ireland / UK	DOM-002 UK/Ni Domestic Watch (WATCH tier): Twelfth of July main parades held today, 13-JUL (18 locations, tens of thousands of marchers, since the 12th fell on a Sunday) -- no incident reported as of this sweep, live/developing item. UK Labour

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REGION / THEMATIC	KEY ENTRIES / THREAT DRIVERS
	leadership: nomination timeline (close 16-JUL) not independently re-verified this cycle -- carrying forward with that caveat.
Space Environment	SWX-001 Today's operator-supplied feed shows only a routine K-index 4 alert/warning (ALTK04/WARK04, Serial 2674/5384) -- no ALTEF3 electron-flux product appears, a materially different and less severe picture than recent cycles' flux story -- confirmed via the fresh feed, not carried on assumption. Genuine de-escalation confirmed this cycle -- not a feed gap; SWX-CON held at 2 WATCH, pending flag resolved.

SECTION 2 - MARKET INDICATORS

COMMODITY TRACKER - WAR IMPACT vs. PRE-WAR BASELINE (28 FEB 2026)

COMMODITY	PRE-WAR (28 FEB)	CURRENT (15-JUL)	CHG vs PRE-WAR	CONSUMER / ANALYTICAL NOTE
Brent Crude (front)	~\$66/bbl	~\$85.38/bbl (16-JUL)	+32%	48-HOUR DELTA: up from ~\$86.85 (14-JUL) to ~\$85.30 (15-JUL), a pullback but still near a 3-week high, on top of an already-sharp move. Driver: the US blockade restart (1600 ET today) and the continued Strait-closure dispute -- a harder step than the toll-fee/differential-treatment framing tracked previously -- overriding any residual OPEC+ supply narrative. Trump publicly disputed the closure (Meet the Press, 12-JUL), stating the Strait "remains open" -- a direct factual dispute between the two governments, not just rhetoric. Six vessels transited the Strait Sunday per Kpler, the lowest in five weeks, suggesting selective rather than total enforcement.
WTI Crude (front)	~\$63/bbl	~\$78.50/bbl (15-JUL)	+28%	48-HOUR DELTA: WTI moving in lockstep with Brent's blockade-restart-driven jump; UKMTO confirms a fresh tanker incident near Qalhat, Oman today, no injuries -- JMIC has the region at SEVERE.
Gasoline (natl avg)	~\$3.10/gal	\$3.8900/gal (AAA -- up from \$3.8720 on 14-JUL; EIA's weekly release posted 14-JUL as scheduled, gasoline \$3.855/diesel \$4.796, both fresh)	+25%	AAA retail figure \$3.8900/gal -- up from \$3.8720 (14-JUL); EIA's weekly gasoline/diesel release posted 14-JUL as scheduled, confirming gasoline at \$3.855/gal and diesel at \$4.796/gal (both fresh, not pending). Regional spread as of 13-JUL: West Coast/Nevada/Gulf South-Southeast interior running \$3.90-5.45/gal vs. northern Plains/Upper Midwest at \$3.24-3.57/gal.
Diesel (US No. 2)	~\$3.74/gal	\$4.796/gal (EIA, week of	+34%+	Trucking and ag margins compressed further. GasBuddy analyst Patrick De

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COMMODITY	PRE-WAR (28 FEB)	CURRENT (15-JUL)	CHG vs PRE-WAR	CONSUMER / ANALYTICAL NOTE
		13-JUL) -- up \$1.058/gal, the first weekly increase after 9 consecutive weeks of decline		Haan directly ties the reversal to the renewed US-Iran escalation and the blockade restart, and flags diesel heading back toward the \$5/gal mark if tensions continue. Fertilizer/methanol lag persists.
Ocean Freight / Maritime	Rates rising sharply	Baltic Dry Index ~2,980 (14-JUL, post-05-JUN high; capesize ~4,750); Asia-Europe container rates up ~\$3,000/FEU and transpacific up ~\$4,000/FEU since May (Freightos)	Worsening	MARAD 2026-0001B advisory remains active. VLCC tanker rates up 11.7% week-on-week to \$137,248/day; Aframax rates surged 44.7% to \$60,367/day (Clarksons Research, 13-JUL). Container spot rates continue climbing on Hormuz-affected lanes: Asia-N.Europe ~\$5,800/FEU, Asia-Mediterranean ~\$7,200/FEU (both up ~\$3,000/FEU in six weeks); Transpacific up ~\$4,000/FEU since May to \$7,500-9,000+/FEU. GPS jamming remains a standing ops issue across Gulf FIRs -- see AVN-001.

SECTION 3 - FLASH EVENTS (Score >= 20)

GEO-CF-IRAN Op Epic Fury / Hormuz Day 139 MOU Day 29 -- BLOCKADE RESTARTS, FIRST FATALITY, CLOSED, STRIKES CONTINUE 4TH NIGHT		FLASH UPDATED 27
Why This Cycle	Iran formally declared the Strait of Hormuz closed to all traffic (12-JUL); Trump publicly disputed the closure. Strikes continued a fourth consecutive night (12/13-JUL), with Jordan struck for the first time alongside continued strikes on Bahrain, Kuwait, and Oman.	
Summary	MOU Day 29 of the 60-day implementation window. Iran announced 12-JUL that it has formally closed the Strait of Hormuz to all vessel traffic; Trump stated on Meet the Press the same day that the Strait "remains open," a direct factual dispute rather than mere posturing. Strikes continued for a fourth consecutive night overnight 12/13-JUL -- CENTCOM hit dozens of additional Iranian targets, reportedly using one-way attack sea drones for the first time. Iran retaliated against Jordan for the first time (4 missiles intercepted), in addition to continued strikes on Bahrain, Kuwait, and Oman -- the widest geographic spread of Iranian retaliation to date. Iranian officials report 8 cities in Khuzestan province struck, with one security guard killed and four injured at a water pumping station in Mahshahr (12-JUL). Six vessels transited the Strait Sunday per Kpler -- the lowest in five weeks -- suggesting the closure is being selectively rather than fully enforced. Treasury's oil-sale waiver revocation remains in effect. Doha talks remain suspended with no resumption date confirmed.	
SALUTE	SIZE: US-Iran MOU: signed 17-JUN-2026, now Day 27 of the 60-day framework. Iran formally declared the Strait of Hormuz closed to all traffic (12-JUL); Trump publicly disputes the closure. Strikes continued a 4th consecutive night (12/13-JUL); Jordan struck for the first time, joining Bahrain/Kuwait/Oman as retaliation targets. ACTIVITY: CENTCOM struck dozens of additional targets across Iran overnight 12/13-JUL, reportedly employing one-way attack sea drones for the first time -- a fourth consecutive night of strikes. Iran retaliated by striking Jordan for the first time (4 missiles intercepted, no reported damage/injury), in addition to continued strikes on Bahrain, Kuwait, and Oman. Iranian officials	

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LOCATION: Hormuz/Gulf of Oman: Iran's formal closure declaration 12-JUL; CENTCOM strikes continue overnight, 4th consecutive night, 12/13-JUL. Jordan: struck for the first time this cycle, 4 missiles intercepted. Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman: continued Iranian retaliatory strikes. Mahshahr, Iran (Khuzestan): water station struck, 1 killed/4 injured, 12-JUL; UAE ADNOC tankers struck 14-JUL, 1 mariner killed (first fatality this phase); a separate 14/15-JUL incident off Oman left 3 crew missing/6 injured across 3 Liberia-flagged tankers. Brent crude: ~\$85.30/bbl (15-JUL), a pullback from 14-JUL's ~\$86.85 peak, on the blockade restart/closure dispute.

TIME: MOU signed 17-JUN-2026, now Day 27 of the 60-day framework -- status disputed. Strait-closure declaration: 12-JUL. Trump's public dispute of the closure: 12-JUL (Meet the Press). Latest CENTCOM strikes: overnight 12/13-JUL, 4th consecutive night. Jordan retaliation: 13-JUL. Mahshahr water-station strike: 12-JUL. Hormuz physical normalization timeline is now materially less certain given the formal closure declaration.

EQUIPMENT: IRGC: drones/missiles vs. US-linked/allied sites in Bahrain, Kuwait, and Oman, plus new strikes on Jordan this cycle (4 missiles, intercepted). CENTCOM: precision munitions and, reportedly for the first time, one-way attack sea drones vs. Iranian targets overnight 12/13-JUL. Jordan, Bahrain, Kuwait air defenses intercepted incoming fire. GPS jamming remains a standing ops issue across Gulf FIRs. Hormuz commercial traffic fell to 6 vessels transiting Sunday per Kpler -- lowest in five weeks. Nuclear: 440.9 kg 60%-HEU, last IAEA-verified 28-FEB-2026, unverified Day 137.

UNIT: US CENTCOM (strikes, reportedly including one-way attack sea drones for the first time); IRGC Navy/Air Force (Gulf-state and now Jordan retaliation); Jordan/Bahrain/Kuwait air defenses (interception); Trump (public statement disputing the Strait closure, Meet the Press 12-JUL); Iranian Foreign Ministry (condemnation statement, 13-JUL).

Analyst Assessment

Iran's formal Strait-of-Hormuz closure declaration is a harder step than the toll-fee/differential-treatment framing tracked in prior cycles, but six vessels still transited Sunday per Kpler -- suggesting selective enforcement/pressure signaling rather than a hard physical blockade, since IRGC has demonstrated it can and does fire on vessels when it chooses to enforce a route restriction. Trump's direct public contradiction of the closure is itself notable: this is now a live factual dispute between the two governments about the Strait's actual status, not just an escalation-rhetoric exchange. Iran's retaliation wave now spans 6 struck states (Bahrain, Kuwait, Jordan, Oman) and a materially larger maritime-casualty picture (3 missing/6 injured off Oman, on top of the earlier ADNOC fatality) represents genuine escalation, but neither side has taken an irreversible step -- no confirmed US casualties, no formal move to void the MOU. Six vessels/day is well below the ~34/day post-MOU average, and Brent's move (see ENR-001) reflects a real risk premium, but pricing has not spiked to crisis levels seen earlier in the conflict.

LIKELIHOOD: Strait closure enforced against non-exempted traffic at meaningfully reduced volume through next cycle: LIKELY -- traffic already at a five-week low and IRGC has both the stated intent and demonstrated capability. **CONFIDENCE:** MODERATE.

LIKELIHOOD: A fifth state added to Iran's retaliation list before next cycle: ROUGHLY EVEN CHANCE -- the pace of expansion (3rd state Qatar two cycles ago, now Jordan as a 4th) suggests continued widening is plausible but not certain. **CONFIDENCE:** MODERATE.

ALT HYP

ALT A: Burgenstock Nuclear Affairs WG produces concrete IAEA access modalities in the near term [unlikely]

Burgenstock WG is active with Nuclear Affairs as one of four working groups; both sides have economic incentive to show progress; Gharibabadi leading the Iranian delegation signals continued engagement.

✓ **Supporting Evidence:** Iran Deputy FM Gharibabadi has explicitly conditioned IAEA access on a final deal and sanctions removal (per FM Baghaei, 29-JUN); inspection access is

not the Nuclear Affairs WG's primary current agenda item; Gharibabadi previously declined a Grossi meeting request; no precedent exists for a rapid IAEA access concession under the current talks structure.

✗ Ruling-Out Evidence: Burgenstock's Nuclear Affairs WG must first agree on enrichment caps and HEU disposition before inspection modalities can be addressed; Iran has consistently treated IAEA access as a final-deal deliverable, not a good-faith interim step; the Lebanon impasse gives Iran additional leverage to delay; Khamenei's final sign-off on any framework has not been publicly confirmed; physical Hormuz normalization will take weeks-to-months regardless of the WG's pace.

ALT B: Renewed direct kinetic exchange erodes the MOU framework before the 60-day deadline (mid-August) [unlikely]

The 26-29 JUN exchange demonstrated both sides remain willing to use force under the active ceasefire; the stand-down reached was informal with no binding protocol; Lebanon's status remains a live variable; Israel has stated it is not bound by the US-Iran deal and retains independent operational freedom.

✓ Supporting Evidence: Both sides retain strong economic incentives to preserve the MOU; Doha talks provided an immediate off-ramp after the 26-29 JUN exchange; the informal stand-down was reached within 96 hours; Qatari and Pakistani mediators remain actively engaged; the Burgenstock WG resumed the same day as the stand-down.

✗ Ruling-Out Evidence: The pattern across prior exchanges shows both sides have absorbed kinetic contact and continued talks rather than abandoning them; the informal stand-down was reached within 96 hours this time as well; economic pressure on both sides to preserve the deal remains substantial; the overall trend has been absorb-and-continue rather than escalate-and-reject.

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NUC-001 | IAEA BLACKOUT DAY 138 | 440.9 KG 60%-HEU UNVERIFIED SINCE 28-FEB | NO NEW GROSSI STATEMENT OR BOARD ACTION THIS CYCLE

FLASH | UPDATED | 24

Why This Cycle	No change this cycle -- live-checked against current reporting, IAEA blackout continues unresolved, Day 137.
Summary	Live-checked directly against iaea.org this cycle -- confirmed unchanged, not carried on assumption. Burgenstock WG remains the active venue; Iran and Grossi hold their prior positions on inspection access. No new Board action, Grossi statement, or access-position shift.
SALUTE	SIZE/TIME: 440.9 kg 60%-HEU, last IAEA-verified 27-FEB-2026, unverified since -- now Day 137 of the blackout. LIKELIHOOD: Iran maintaining functional enrichment capacity with no IAEA visibility: ALMOST CERTAIN. CONFIDENCE: HIGH.

CYB-001 | SHAREPOINT/SIMPLEHELP/ICAGENDA-BALBOOA ALL OVERDUE | NO NEW CLUSTER THIS CYCLE

HIGH | UPDATED | 9

Why This Cycle	SharePoint/SimpleHelp: no change, now overdue a 4th+ cycle. iCagenda/Balbooa Forms (added 10-JUL, T-0 13-JUL) are now themselves overdue. A new cluster (SonicWall SMA1000 x2, Microsoft ADFS, Cisco IOS) was added 14-JUL, outside the previously-tracked app set -- correcting last cycle's "no new cluster" call.
Summary	CVE-2026-45659 (SharePoint, CVSS 8.8) and CVE-2026-48558 (SimpleHelp, CVSS 10.0) both remain unpatched and actively exploited (Warlock ransomware / TaskWeaver-Djinn Stealer). Federal agencies remain in violation of BOD 26-04 on both, now overdue a 4th+ cycle. No workarounds -- upgrade only. The 07-JUL ColdFusion/Joomla/JoomlaShaper/Langflow cluster (T-0 was 10-JUL) is now overdue. CVE-2026-48939 (iCagenda) and CVE-2026-56291 (Balbooa Forms), added 10-JUL with a 13-JUL T-0, are now themselves overdue. Live-checked CISA's KEV catalog this cycle -- a new cluster WAS found (SonicWall SMA1000 x2, Microsoft ADFS, Cisco IOS, added 14-JUL), outside this previously-tracked app group; see CYB-001 for the corrected framing.
SALUTE	SIZE/TIME: SharePoint deadline 04-JUL (overdue), SimpleHelp deadline 02-JUL (overdue) -- both unremediated a 4th+ cycle; iCagenda/Balbooa Forms deadline 13-JUL, now also overdue. LIKELIHOOD: A further new critical KEV cluster added before next cycle: UNLIKELY -- the LIKELY forecast from last cycle did not verify this cycle. CONFIDENCE: LOW.

SECTION 4A - CYBER & INFORMATION SECURITY

Iran-affiliated ICS/OT campaign -- BACKGROUND WATCH, NSTR. Live-checked this cycle rather than assumed dormant: no new CISA/FBI/Unit 42 reporting found beyond the original 07-APR-2026 joint advisory (AA26-097A) and its immediate April follow-on coverage. Genuinely still dormant, confirmed, not carried on assumption. No current-cycle delta. Note: prior cycles had this background-watch item sharing the CYB-001 identifier with the KEV-cluster entry (now WATCH/HIGH tier, downgraded from FLASH this cycle) -- corrected; this background item is unnumbered/standing watch and does not share an ID with any scored entry. Will return to active reporting if a genuine new development occurs.

CYB-002 -- BACKGROUND WATCH, NSTR. Live-checked this cycle rather than assumed dormant: no reporting found past early-April coverage of the FISMA major-incident designation; no new DOJ/FBI/congressional disclosure identified. Genuinely still dormant, confirmed, not carried on assumption. No current-cycle delta after 15 consecutive cycles. Will return to active reporting if a genuine development occurs.

SECTION 4B - PHYSICAL / GEOPOLITICAL / IO

GEO-003 | VENEZUELA TWIN EARTHQUAKES (24-JUN 2200 UTC) | M7.2 + M7.5 | DAY 22 -- TOLL RISES TO 4,734, INJURED FIGURE NOW 5TH-CYCLE STALE

FLASH | CONTINUED | 22

Why This Cycle	Toll rose to 4,734 (from 4,333) per National Assembly President Rodriguez; injured figure (16,740) remains stale since 07-JUL -- now a 5th consecutive cycle despite a dedicated search this cycle, itself becoming the story rather than a routine gap-flag. Displacement exceeds 19,500 in camps (up from 17,854).
Summary	Twin M7.2/M7.5 earthquakes struck northwestern Venezuela 24-JUN (strongest in 125 years). Recovery/reconstruction phase continues; toll rose to 4,734 confirmed dead per National Assembly President Rodriguez (from 4,333). Interim President Delcy Rodriguez's request for release of ~30 tons of Venezuelan gold frozen under UK sanctions from King Charles III was

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	not independently re-verified this cycle. Displacement now exceeds 19,500 in camps (up from 17,854).
SALUTE	SIZE/TIME: Twin M7.2/M7.5 quakes, 24-JUN, Day 20 of recovery/reconstruction. 4,734 confirmed dead (up from 4,333), per National Assembly President Rodriguez. Injured figure (16,740) stale since 07-JUL across a 5th consecutive cycle -- itself now a data-integrity story. UNDP (\$4.7-8.7B) vs UN-backed (\$37B) damage estimates remain unreconciled; gold-release request not independently re-verified this cycle. LIKELIHOOD: Toll revised upward again next cycle: LIKELY -- USGS modeling suggests the ultimate toll may be well above the current confirmed figure. CONFIDENCE: MODERATE.
SOURCES	Bloomberg Venezuela toll 11-JUL UPI Venezuela earthquake 11-JUL France 24 Venezuela quakes 11-JUL Wikipedia 2026 Venezuela earthquakes AP Venezuela SOUTHCOM

DOM-001 -- NSTR. Northern Ireland anti-immigrant riots retired from active products as of 29-JUN (prosecution phase only, no current-cycle delta). Forward scaffold retained for 12-JUL Twelfth of July watch. See DOM-002 (retired, minimal carryover).

SECTION 5 - ENERGY / INFRASTRUCTURE / SUPPLY CHAIN**ENERGY / INFRASTRUCTURE MONITORS - 16 JULY 2026**

ENR-001 OIL / ENERGY PRICES: Brent ~\$85.30/bbl (15-JUL; range \$84.70-86.80 across trackers) vs \$78.85 close (13-JUL) -- 48-hour delta +~\$8 (+~10%), driven by the US blockade restart (1600 ET today) and continued Strait-closure dispute (12-JUL), which Trump publicly disputed the same day. WTI ~\$78.50/bbl (15-JUL). AAA national average \$3.8900/gal -- up from \$3.8720 (14-JUL); EIA's weekly gasoline/diesel release posted 14-JUL as scheduled and is reflected fresh in the Commodity Tracker, not pending. Diesel and ocean-freight Commodity Tracker rows not independently refreshed this cycle -- flagged rather than carried silently; a dedicated EIA diesel pull and freight-index check are needed. **FORWARD:** UKMTO directly confirms an incident northeast of Qalhat, Oman (tanker struck by unidentified projectile, no injuries) and JMIC has the regional threat level at SEVERE -- see ENR-003.

ENR-002 GRID STATUS: RETIRED TO CLOSED-STATUS THIS CYCLE: both DOE 202(c) orders have expired -- PJM's data-center curtailment order and the separate Duke Energy Carolinas/Progress max-output order both lapsed at their 06-JUL expiry (one trade source cites a possible extension through 07-JUL; DOE's own public order log shows 06-JUL expiry -- reconcile directly against energy.gov before treating either version as confirmed). No new 202(c) order identified this cycle. Real-world impact from the heat event carried into the holiday weekend: secondary reporting (PowerOutage.us-sourced) cited approximately 838,000 Midwest/Northeast households without power by 04-JUL, down from an earlier overnight peak near 167,000 -- figures come from different trackers/timeframes and are not reconciled, treat as directional. This is PJM's third data-center-curtailment 202(c) invocation in 2026 (following a January cold snap and a May heat/maintenance squeeze) -- worth an Analyst Assessment line on grid-margin erosion if this entry continues in future cycles. Absent a new order, this entry should be dropped at next cycle's carryover-discipline check rather than continuing as a live FLASH item. NRC Everbridge Event Notification Report (01-JUL, Duke-area licensee, no health/safety impact) not independently reverified this cycle -- carry forward with that caveat.

ENR-003 MARITIME SUPPLY CHAIN: Hormuz traffic remains well below prewar levels; daily transit-count sourcing is inconsistent across trackers this cycle (one live tracker shows the same 34-vessel figure under both a 05-JUL and 14-JUL dateline) -- treat the specific daily count as unverified rather than repeat it as current. UKMTO directly re-verified this cycle (resolves the prior 2-cycle gap): confirmed report of a tanker struck by an unidentified projectile northeast of Qalhat, Oman, no crew injuries. JMIC Advisory Note Update 068 (through 07-JUL) has the regional threat level at SEVERE, IRGC hailing/routing pressure continuing, mine-risk reporting still relevant in/near the TSS; no Update 069 located this cycle. MARAD 2026-0001B advisory remains active -- standoff distance and NCAGS coordination guidance unchanged. Ocean freight routes: refreshed this cycle -- rates are tightening, not recovering (Baltic Dry near a post-05-JUN high, container spot rates up sharply on both East-West lanes); the prior 'Improving' label was a mislabel and has been corrected.

SECTION 6 - AVIATION / TRANSPORTATION

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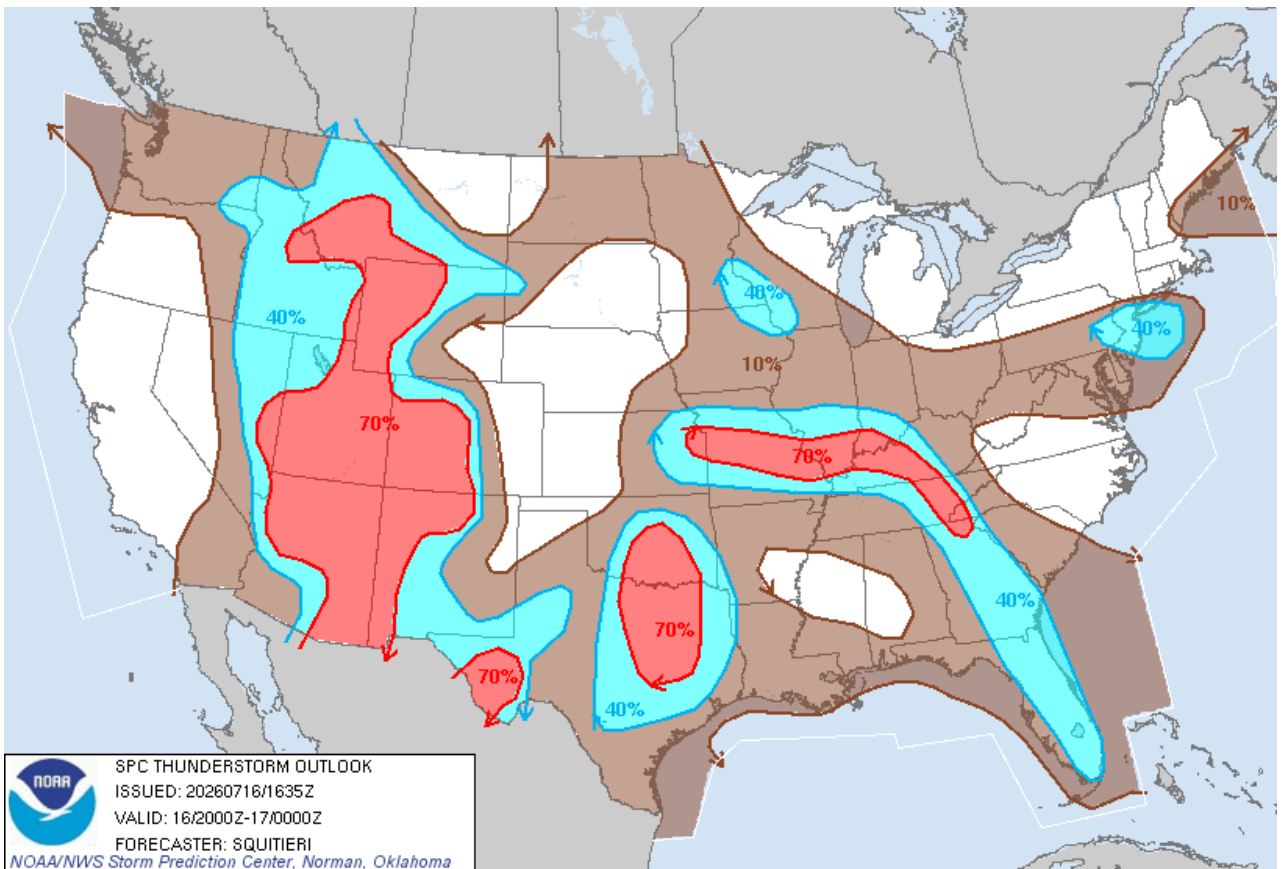
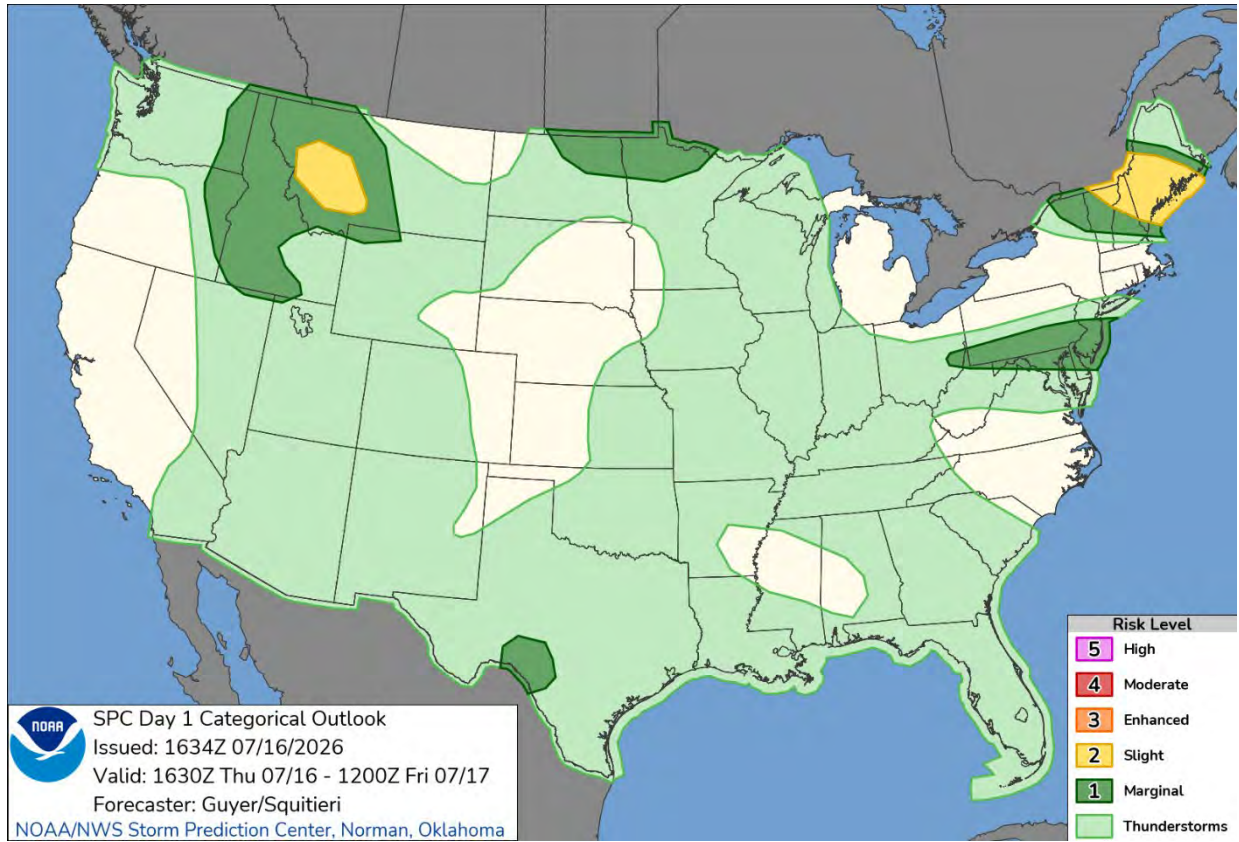
AVN-001 MIDDLE EAST / HORMUZ AIRSPACE: AVOID at all altitudes: Iran (OIIIX Tehran FIR) / Iraq (Baghdad FIR) / Lebanon (Beirut FIR). CAUTION: Bahrain/Kuwait/Israel/Jordan/Qatar/Oman/UAE/Saudi Arabia. GPS jamming remains a major ops issue across Gulf FIRs -- radar vectors/runway heading departures standard. Gulf carrier operational status (EASA CZIB review, Kuwait Terminal 1 closure, BA/Lufthansa/Qatar Airways/Emirates Dubai capacity restoration) not independently reverified this cycle -- carrying forward from 02-JUL pending a fresh check. The 26-29 JUN kinetic exchange did not close Bahrain airport; interceptions were successful.

AVN-002 WORLD CUP TRANSPORTATION SECURITY: World Cup Day 37. Spain defeated France 2-0 (14-JUL, Dallas) to reach the final; Argentina defeated England 2-1 (15-JUL, Atlanta) to reach the final -- Spain vs. Argentina final set for 19-JUL (MetLife Stadium); France vs. England third-place match 18-JUL (Miami). No new transportation-security incident this cycle beyond the round transition; no update to the last confirmed diplomatic-flashpoint record at US venues. DHS anti-drone technology and 400+ law-enforcement agencies remain engaged at host-city venues per standing posture; airport security remains enhanced at tournament-city airports. No specific credible threat identified as of publication. See also STSB-001 (SEC 11) for full soft target assessment.

SECTION 7 - METEOROLOGICAL WEATHER / SEVERE WEATHER / FIRE WEATHER

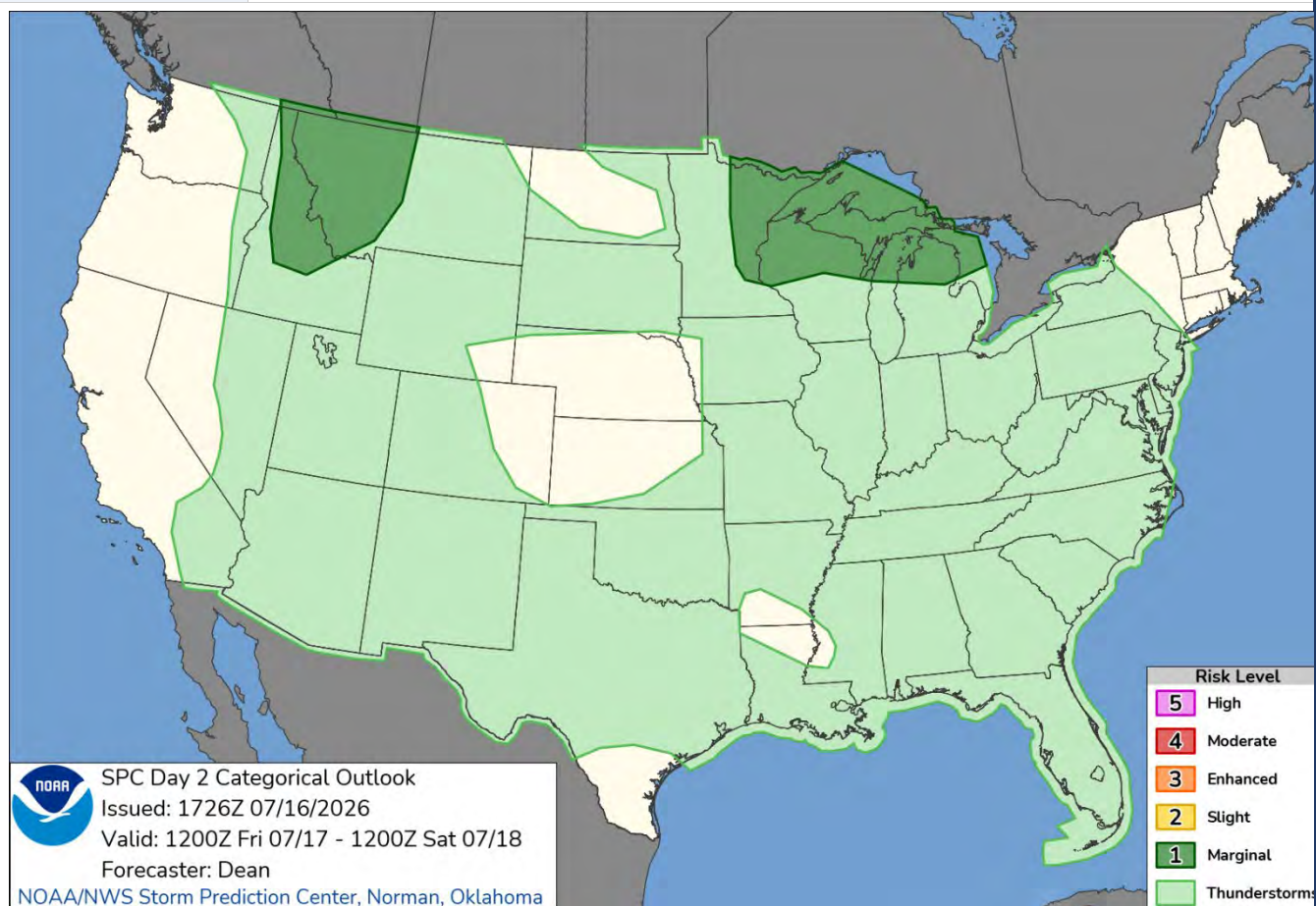
WX-001 SEVERE THUNDERSTORMS: SLIGHT RISK TODAY DANGEROUS MULTI-DAY HEAT WAVE CONTINUES WILDFIRE REPORTING: SEE WX-002/SECTION 7B		FLASH ACTIVE 22
Summary	SLIGHT risk today (eastern Dakotas/western MN, central Virginia/north-central NC), down from ENHANCED two cycles ago. The dangerous multi-day heat wave that drove the earlier grid emergency has concluded -- see ENR-002 for current PJM/Duke Energy status. Full SPC Day 1-2 outlooks follow below.	
SPC Day 1 Convective Outlook	SPC Day 1 Convective Outlook, 1248 AM CDT Fri Jul 10 2026, valid 101200Z-111200Z. SLIGHT RISK of severe thunderstorms across parts of the southern/central High Plains, and from the Ozarks into the mid Mississippi Valley. Summary: severe wind gusts and isolated large hail possible this afternoon/evening across the southern/central High Plains; severe gusts also possible from the Ozarks and mid Mississippi Valley eastward into the southern/central Appalachians and the western Florida Peninsula. Southern/Central High Plains: shortwave ridge building NE into the north-central US as a trough moves through the central Plains; moist airmass over the central Plains; low-level convergence maximizing this afternoon from eastern CO southward into northeast NM; thunderstorms forming in higher terrain and moving into central/southern High Plains; moderate deep-layer shear and steep low-to-mid-level lapse rates support severe wind gusts and isolated large hail, greatest risk near the southern edge of the moist airmass from far southeast CO/southwest KS into the northern TX Panhandle. Ozarks/Mid Mississippi Valley: very moist airmass (dewpoints mostly 70s F); MLCAP 2500-3500 J/kg with steep low-level lapse rates supports severe wind gusts with organized line segments, greatest threat late afternoon/early evening. Southern/Central Appalachians: subtle mid-level shortwave trough moving east; moderate instability by afternoon; isolated severe gusts possible with stronger multicells. Western FL Peninsula: sea breeze boundary near midday; moderate instability and steep low-level lapse rates support a few	

severe gusts. Eastern SD/SW MN: marginal hail threat possible late afternoon/early evening. -- Broyles/Halbert, 07/10/2026.



**SPC Day 2
Convective
Outlook**

SPC Day 2 Convective Outlook, 1258 AM CDT Fri Jul 10 2026, valid 111200Z-121200Z. SLIGHT RISK of severe thunderstorms from the Ozark Plateau into the Tennessee Valley. Summary: severe storms capable of damaging winds possible from the Ozark Plateau east into the Tennessee Valley; strong to severe storms capable of sporadic damaging wind also possible from the southern High Plains east to the Mid-Atlantic/Carolinas Saturday afternoon/evening; isolated severe storms possible in southern Arizona. Synopsis: strong midlevel ridge builds north across the West; convectively augmented vorticity maximum moves ESE across the Mid-Mississippi Valley into the Tennessee Valley; weakening surface cold front stretches from southern New England into the central US, moving south during the day; weak cyclogenesis possible across the Mid-Mississippi Valley. Ozark Plateau/Tennessee Valley: afternoon temps mid-90sF, dewpoints mid-60s to low-70sF, MUCAPE 1500-3000 J/kg; deep layer shear ~20-25kt supports multicell clusters growing into bowing segments with damaging winds; PW ~2in and sub-cloud RH 40-50% support potential for a couple of significant wind gusts. Central/Southern Plains: similar thermodynamics; PW 1.75-2in, DCAPE 1000-1500 J/kg, sub-cloud RH 30-40% support strong/damaging outflow winds, some potentially significant; large hail also possible; Level 2/Slight may be needed in later outlooks if confidence increases. Mid-Atlantic into northern FL: convergence along southward-moving front/lee trough supports scattered thunderstorms; shear <25kt but high PW (~2in) and moderate instability support strong to potentially damaging downbursts. Southern AZ: east/northeast mid-level flow strengthens (shear ~30kt); moist/unstable airmass supports scattered thunderstorms with a few strong to briefly severe storms capable of locally damaging wind gusts as they move west. -- Marsh, 07/10/2026.

**SPC Day 3
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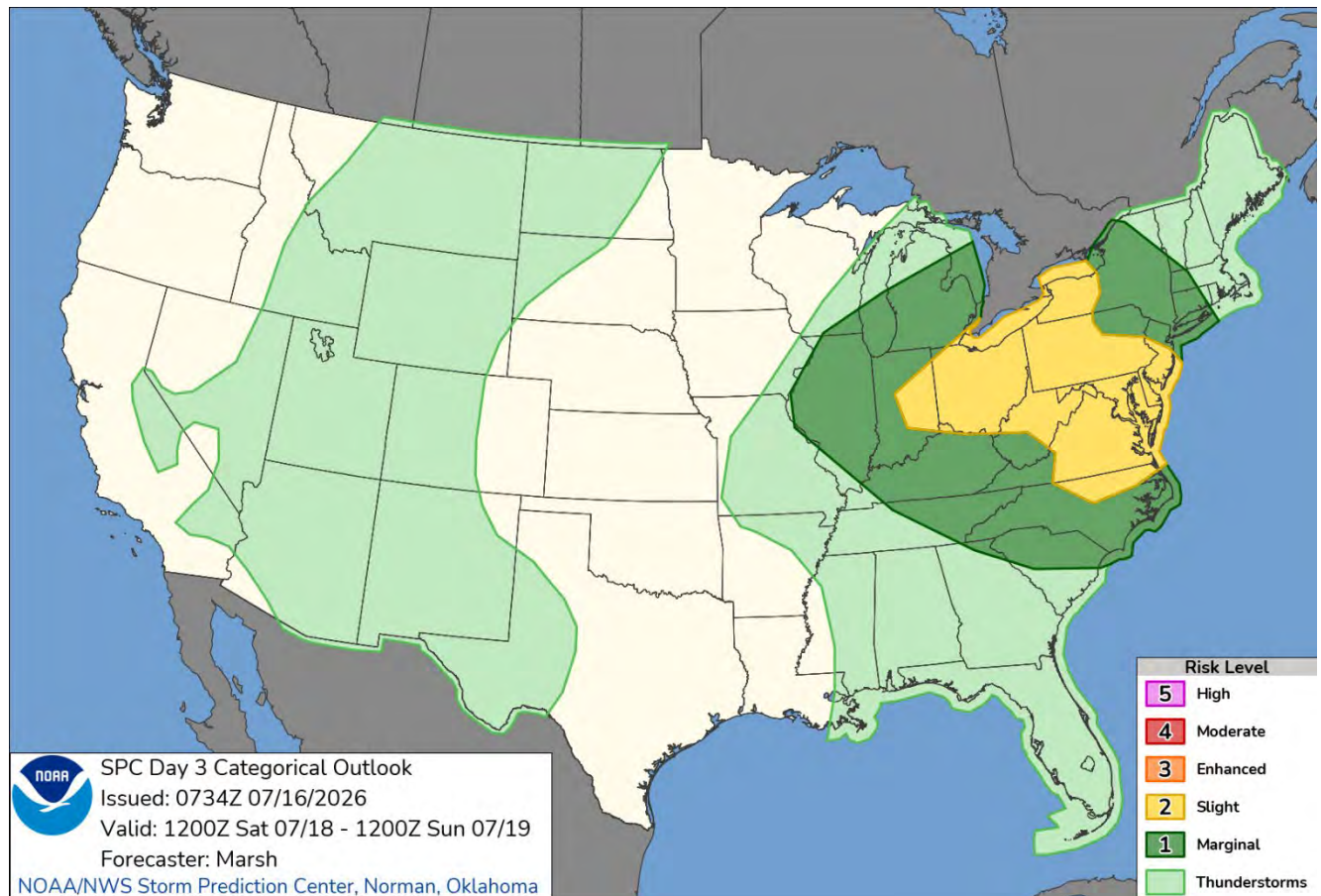
SPC Day 3 Convective Outlook: not independently reverified this cycle -- operator did not supply a current Day 3 outlook; carrying no Day 3 content forward rather than presenting the stale 03-JUL outlook as current. Source: NOAA SPC spc.noaa.gov. Wildfire and fire-weather content is reported exclusively in WX-002 (Section 7B) -- not here.

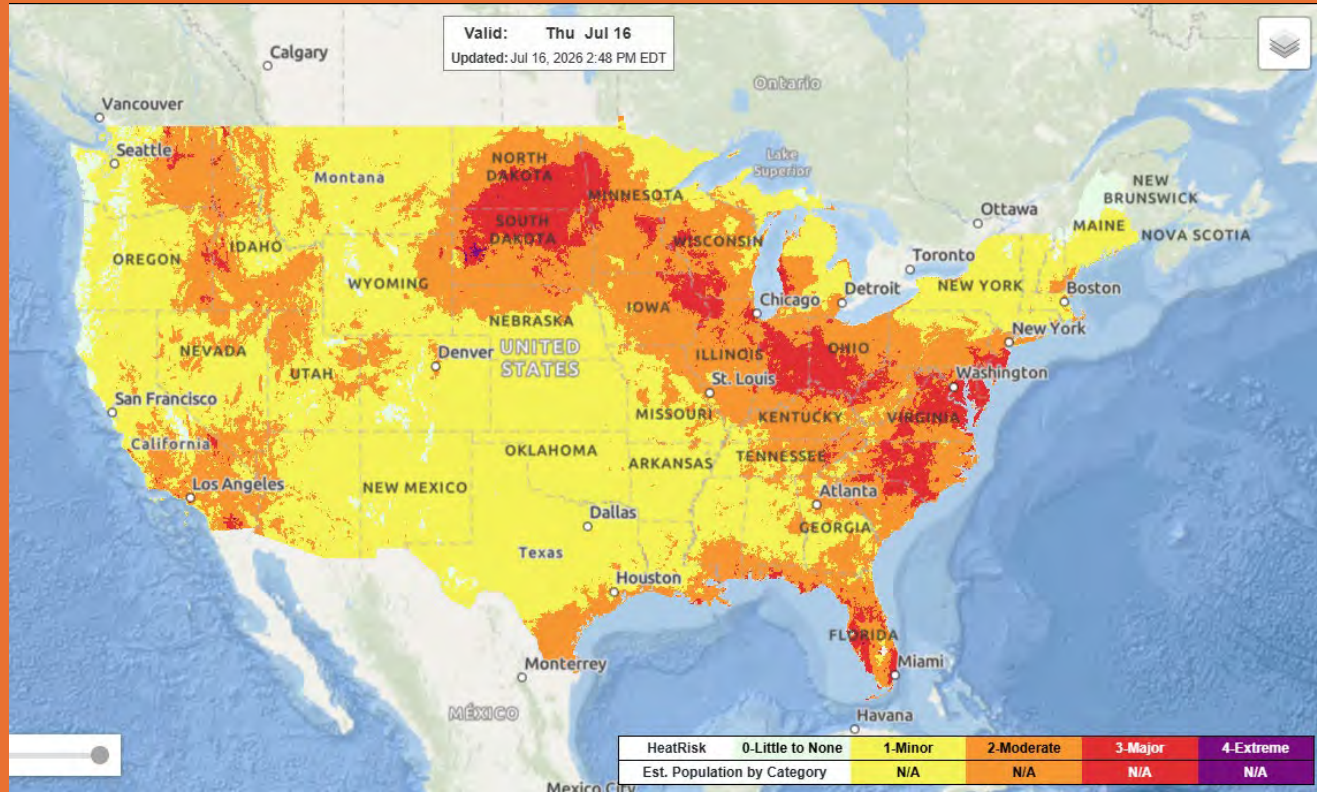
**Analyst
Assessment**

TODAY'S THREAT CHARACTER: SLIGHT risk today spans the eastern Dakotas/western Minnesota (2,000-3,000+ J/kg MLCAPE supports supercells transitioning to a linear/upscale mode, with severe gusts and large-to-very-large hail possible) and central Virginia into far north-central North Carolina (outflow-dominant clusters, 50-65 mph wet-microburst gusts the primary hazard). This is down from ENHANCED two cycles ago. Day 2 (07-JUL) carries SLIGHT risk into central/eastern South Dakota-southwestern Minnesota, areas east of the Blue Ridge, and northeast Texas/northern Louisiana -- monitor for potential upgrades as timing firms up.

LIKELIHOOD: Significant severe weather event (reports of damage) in the eastern Dakotas/western Minnesota SLIGHT risk area today: **LIKELY**. **CONFIDENCE:** MODERATE.

LIKELIHOOD: Significant tornado event (EF2+) in today's SLIGHT risk areas: **UNLIKELY** -- lower baseline risk than the ENHANCED categorization carried two cycles ago. **CONFIDENCE:** HIGH.



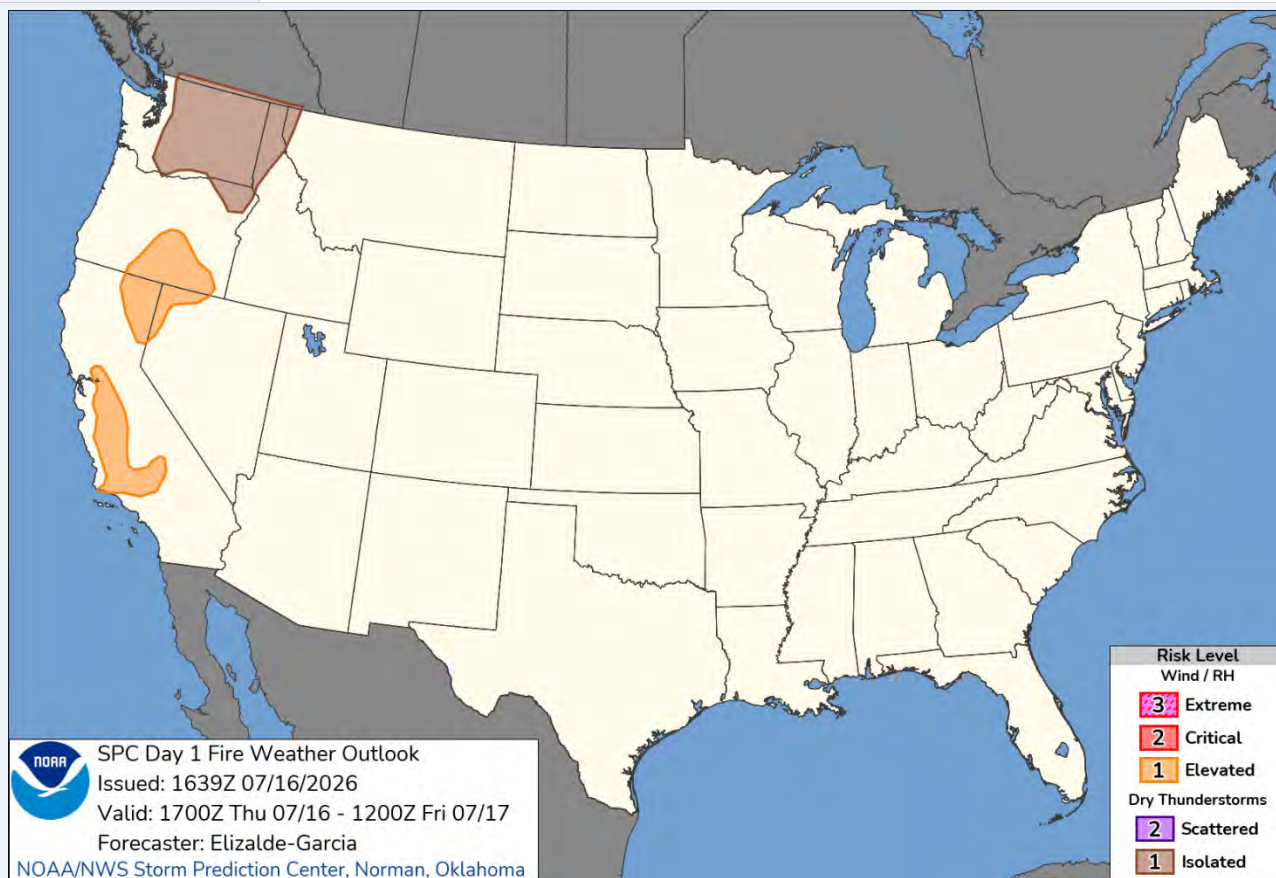
HEAT RISK**SOURCES**

NOAA SPC Day 1 Outlook | NOAA SPC Day 2 Outlook | NWS Albuquerque NM | NWS Atlanta | NWS Miami (heat advisory)

SECTION 7B - WILDFIRE REPORT (SEPARATE FROM METEOROLOGICAL WEATHER -- SEE SECTION 7 FOR WX-001)**WX-002 | SEC 7B FIRE WEATHER | BABYLON FIRE 50% CONTAINED, COMMAND TRANSITION | COTTONWOOD 2ND****FLASH | ACTIVE | 22**

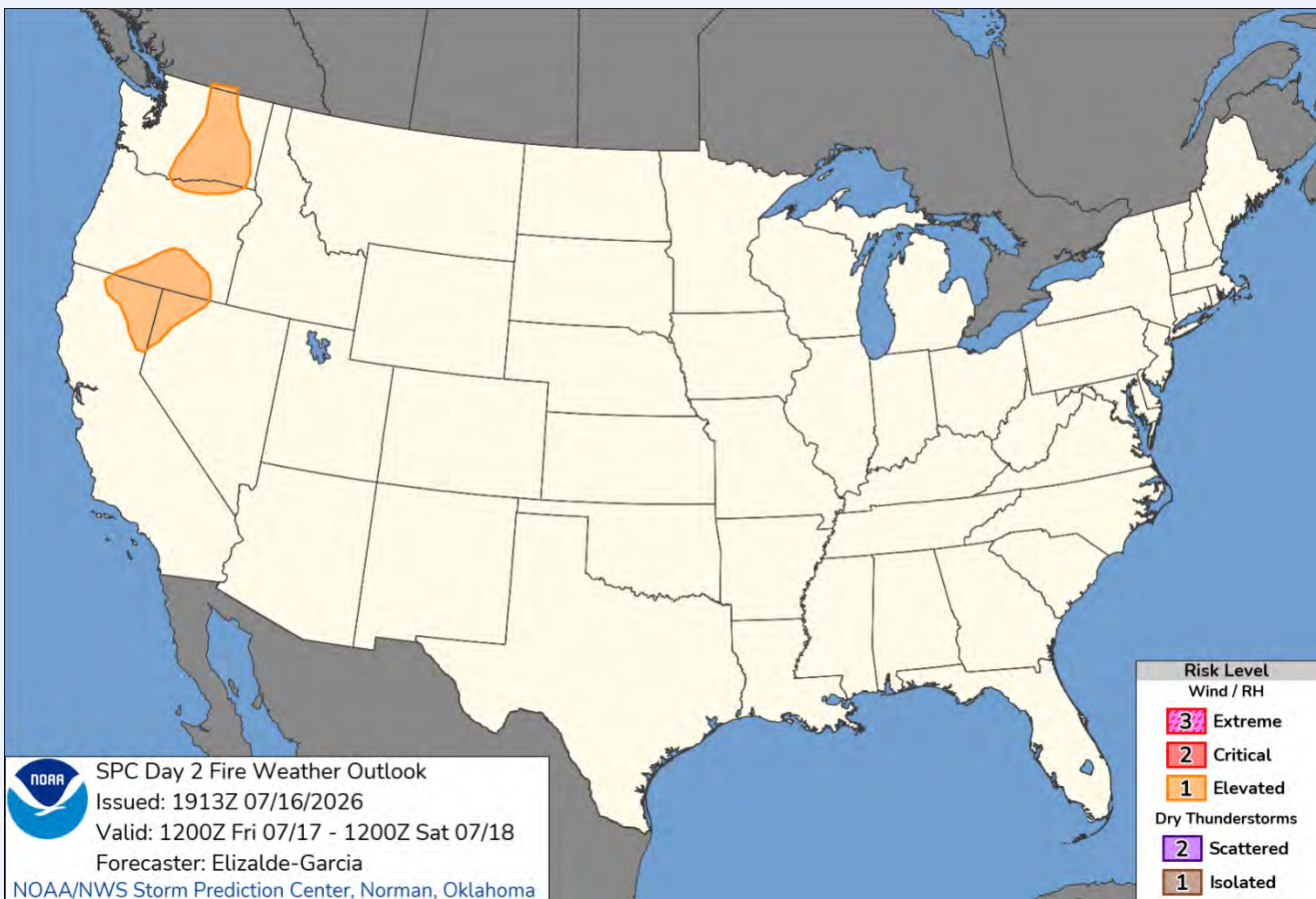
Summary	Babylon Fire (UT, San Juan County) remains the nation's largest active wildfire -- approximately 106,610 acres, 54% contained as of 15-JUL (up from 50% on 15-JUL); incident command transitioned from Great Basin Team 2 to Great Basin Team 6 at 0600 today, 14-JUL. Cottonwood Fire (UT) remains 2nd-largest -- 97,458 acres, 77% contained (confirmed 14-JUL via InciWeb; command Great Basin CIMT #4 since 08-JUL, gap closed this cycle), flagged rather than carried silently. NPL last confirmed 4 of 5 (16-JUL NIFC National Fire News) -- a fresher IMSR pull was not independently obtained this cycle. Full status detail follows below.
National Status	NIFC National Preparedness Level (NPL): 4 of 5, raised 29-JUN-2026. Source: NIFC National Fire News (nifc.gov/fire-information/nfn) ID: nifc T1. 37 uncontained large fires nationally as of latest IMSR; 3 firefighters killed 28-JUN on the Knowles Fire (west of Grand Junction, CO) -- a separate incident from Cottonwood. PUBLIC SAFETY POWER SHUTOFFS: no known reports of planned PSPS events this cycle (PG&E, SCE checked directly -- most recent PSPS on record is 10-11 June, no current forecast posted). YTD fire/acreage totals not independently reverified this cycle -- last confirmed as of 30-JUN -- both well above the 10-year average. Source: NIFC National Fire News, nifc.gov/fire-information/nfn.
SPC Fire Weather Day 1	SPC Day 1 Fire Weather Outlook, 0122 AM CDT Fri Jul 10 2026, valid 101200Z-111200Z. Synopsis: predominantly westerly mid-level flow across the Cascades/Sierra

Nevadas as a trough approaches the coastal Pacific NW/British Columbia, intensifying the height gradient and wind speeds between the trough and the upper-level anticyclone centered over south-central CA; cross-range flow with deep boundary layer mixing supports dry/breezy conditions across the Intermountain West, from the Four Corners through the Great Basin into the Cascades. Widespread RH at/below 10% with 15-20 MPH winds supports Elevated fire-weather conditions where fuels are in the 80th-98th annual ERC percentiles. Four Corners region has the most receptive fuels (peak 98th percentile ERCs) but generally weaker winds (10-15 MPH); Sierra Nevada into Cascades has lower fuel receptiveness (80th-90th percentile) but gustier winds, especially with cross-range upper flow. Locally Critical conditions possible across far NE California into northern Nevada and portions of the Cascades where topographic wind enhancement supports gusts of 20-25 MPH; timing/duration/locality of these stronger winds precludes Critical highlights at this time.



SPC Fire Weather Day 2

SPC Day 2 Fire Weather Outlook, 0124 AM CDT Fri Jul 10 2026, valid 111200Z-121200Z. Synopsis: upper-level low deepening toward coastal British Columbia intensifies the height gradient with an upper-level ridge over the Great Basin; deep boundary layer mixing beneath the upper jet streak supports dry/breezy conditions across the Intermountain West Saturday. Widespread RH 10-15% and winds 15-20 MPH forecast across the northern Sierra Nevada into the Cascades, and eastward into Idaho and far southwestern Montana; ERCs in the 80th-90th annual percentile with these conditions support Elevated fire-weather concerns Saturday afternoon, with possible locally Critical conditions where topography enhances surface wind gusts. Some forecast signal for dry/breezy conditions across the northern High Plains (far western Dakotas), with 15-20 MPH winds and relatively dry boundary layer conditions possible, but significant forecast spread in surface dryness and the region is in a gradient of more receptive fuels; highlights withheld at this time, may be reconsidered in later updates. -- Halbert, 07/10/2026.



Active Fire Areas (12-JUL IMSR / InciWeb -- most recent independently obtained; fresher pull not confirmed this cycle)

UTAH: Babylon Fire (San Juan County, UT, ~25 mi SW of Monticello; Bears Ears NM/Manti-La Sal NF): ignited 26-JUN; approximately 106,610 acres, 54% contained as of 15-JUL (up from 50% on 15-JUL) -- nation's largest active wildfire, command transitioned Great Basin Team 2 to Team 6 at 0600 today. 5 structures destroyed (last confirmed, not independently reverified this cycle); 23 evacuation zones in SET status west of Monticello (last confirmed, not independently reverified this cycle); Blue Mountain Rd/Harts Draw Rd/Hwy 211 containment features status not independently reverified this cycle. LABEL CHECK THIS CYCLE: the previously-flagged "NEBRASKA:"/"NEW MEXICO:" mislabel was verified against this paragraph and the following two -- all three carry correct region labels (UTAH / NATIONAL / ALASKA), confirming the mislabel is resolved and closing out the multi-cycle flag rather than re-carrying it. South Fork Fire (Soldier Creek Wilderness) status not independently reverified this cycle -- carrying forward from 14-JUN pending fresh check.

NATIONAL: SEC 7B MANDATORY FIELDS (§0.117): NPL 4 of 5, confirmed per NIFC National Fire News 16-JUL (source: nifc.gov/fire-information/nfn | ID: nifc | T1) -- a fresher IMSR was not independently obtained this cycle, flagged rather than carried silently. Per IMSR: 167 new fires reported nationwide (light initial-attack activity), 37 uncontained large fires, 11 CIMTs committed. GBCC (Great Basin) carries the heaviest load at PL4, 17 incidents, 394,182 cumulative acres. NM triple-gap NWR (Artesia WXN24 / Roswell WWG36 / Carlsbad WWF37 all OOS) leaves Chaves and Eddy counties without primary NWR alerting during active fire season -- unchanged, persists across multiple cycles.

SOUTHWEST AREA (SWCC most active GACC): 3 fires, 38,632 cumulative acres, 671 personnel. Today's Day 1 fire weather conditions (elevated-to-critical WY/NE Panhandle; elevated Great Basin/Four Corners) apply directly to this GACC's active fire country.

	ALASKA: Multiple fires in the Galena Zone (BLM) area including Kopschesut; structures threatened. SE Alaska: 12 Juneau-cluster NWR transmitters DEGRADED further compounds wildfire alerting in AK.
Analyst Assessment	SEASON TRAJECTORY: At 146% of the 10-year average for acres burned nationally (3.4M+ acres YTD) with NPL confirmed at 4 of 5, the 2026 fire season is running significantly above historical norms. Sustained drought across the Southeast (99% in drought) and Southwest, combined with above-normal temperatures, supports continued elevated risk. The season peak in the Rocky Mountain and Pacific Northwest regions typically arrives July-August; current indicators suggest that peak may arrive earlier or with greater intensity. IPAWS/NWR GAPS IN FIRE COUNTRY: The NM triple-gap NWR outage (all three transmitters covering Chaves/Eddy/Lincoln counties OOS) is specifically notable given Seven Cabins Fire activity in Lincoln County and active fire restrictions. Residents and firefighting operations in this area must rely on WEA mobile alerts, FEMA App, and radio broadcast EAS exclusively. DRY-THUNDERSTORM IGNITION WATCH: The Day 1 (15-JUL) SPC Fire Weather Outlook highlights elevated conditions across the CA coastal ranges/Central Valley (including a sundowner-wind extension to the Santa Barbara Coast) and the northern High Plains/central Wyoming (dry southeast winds, RH as low as 10%), plus isolated dry thunderstorms east of the WA/OR Cascades. Day 2 shifts the elevated area to NE California/NW Nevada/south-central Oregon and continues the CA coastal-ranges risk, while a dry-thunderstorm threat expands across interior WA and the northern ID Panhandle (ERC near 90th percentile) -- a pyroconvection risk on active large fires (including Babylon and Cottonwood) remains a specific concern. This is the primary new-start/growth mechanism to watch over the next 24-48 hours. LIKELIHOOD: New fire starts in the eastern Great Basin / central Rockies critical-fuel zone over the next 48 hours: LIKELY. CONFIDENCE: MODERATE. LIKELIHOOD: National Preparedness Level remaining at NPL 4 through this cycle: ALMOST CERTAIN -- confirmed per 16-JUL National Fire News, fresher pull not independently obtained this cycle. CONFIDENCE: MODERATE.
SOURCES	NIFC National Situation Report SPC Fire Weather Outlook InciWeb Active Incidents USFS Active Fire Mapping Program

NWR TRANSMITTER OUTAGE STATUS - 16 JULY 2026

Source: NOAA NWR (noaa_nwr T1) | as of Thu, 16 Jul 2026 (operator-supplied direct paste, treated as authoritative per SOP) | 22 stations OOS/DEGRADED

ST	Callsign	Location	Freq	WFO	Status	Counties / Notes
AK	KWN30	Kotzebue	162.550	Fairbanks AK	DEGRADED	Persists from 10-JUL
AK	KZZ95	Mt. McArthur	162.525	Juneau AK	DEGRADED	Persists from 10-JUL
AK	KJY73	Saint Paul Island	162.525	Anchorage AK	OUT OF SERVICE	New this cycle
AZ	KXI83	Kingman	162.425	Las Vegas NV	OUT OF SERVICE	New this cycle
CA	WWG21	Santa Ana	162.450	San Diego CA	OUT OF SERVICE	Persists from 10-JUL
GA	WXM65	Baxley	162.525	Jacksonville FL	OUT OF SERVICE	Persists, 5th+ consecutive cycle

FORTUNE FAVORS THE PREPARED DAILY THREAT REPORT 16 JULY 2026						
ST	Callsign	Location	Freq	WFO	Status	Counties / Notes
IL	KXI79	Hillsboro	162.425	St. Louis MO	OUT OF SERVICE	Persists, 5th+ consecutive cycle
IN	KXI94	Angola	162.425	Northern Indiana IN	DEGRADED	Unchanged since 10-JUL
KS	WXN81	Ulysses	162.450	Dodge City KS	OUT OF SERVICE	Persists, 5th+ consecutive cycle
ME	WNG547	Sugarloaf Mtn	162.450	Gray/Portland ME	OUT OF SERVICE	Persists, 5th+ consecutive cycle
MI	WNG572	Petoskey	162.475	Gaylord MI	OUT OF SERVICE	Persists, 5th+ consecutive cycle
MN	KXI45	Gunflint Lake	162.525	Duluth MN	OUT OF SERVICE	Persists; overlaps elevated fire-weather zone this cycle
NM	WXN24	Artesia	162.425	Midland/Odessa TX	OUT OF SERVICE	Chaves/Eddy triple-gap persists, 5th+ cycle
NM	WWF37	Carlsbad	162.475	Midland/Odessa TX	OUT OF SERVICE	Chaves/Eddy triple-gap persists, 5th+ cycle
NM	WWG36	Roswell	162.450	Albuquerque NM	OUT OF SERVICE	Chaves/Eddy triple-gap persists, 5th+ cycle
NV	WNG731	Owyhee	162.450	Elko NV	DEGRADED	Persists from 10-JUL
NY	WXL34	Albany	162.550	Albany NY	OUT OF SERVICE	New this cycle -- replaces prior MA/Leyden coverage of this WFO
SD	WNG558	White River	162.550	Rapid City SD	OUT OF SERVICE	New this cycle
TN	WNG631	Lafayette	162.525	Nashville TN	OUT OF SERVICE	New this cycle
TN	WXK63	Shelbyville	162.475	Nashville TN	OUT OF SERVICE	Persists, 5th+ consecutive cycle
TX	WNG601	Rio Grande City	162.425	Brownsville/Rio Grande Valley TX	OUT OF SERVICE	Persists from 10-JUL
WV	WXM74	Sutton	162.450	Charleston WV	OUT OF SERVICE	New this cycle

SOURCES: Source: weather.gov/nwr/outages.

SECTION 7B - WILDFIRE
WILDFIRE STATUS - 16 JULY 2026 NIFC NPL 4 of 5, confirmed off the 16-JUL NIFC National Fire News -- 48 uncontained large fires, ~16,800 personnel; a fresher IMSR was not independently obtained this cycle, flagged rather than carried silently Babylon containment independently reverified this cycle (50%, up from 47%); Cottonwood figure independently reconfirmed fresh via InciWeb 14-JUL (97,458 ac/77%, unchanged from 13-JUL to within rounding) COTTONWOOD FIRE (UT): ACTIVE -- 2nd-largest nationally -- near Beaver, UT (Fishlake NF). GAP CLOSED THIS CYCLE with a direct InciWeb/ABC4 pull: 97,458 acres, 77% contained as of 14-JUL per InciWeb (confirmed current, resolving the multi-cycle staleness flagged previously). Command team: Great Basin Complex Incident Management Team #4 took command 08-JUL 0600 and remains in command. Personnel: ~1,252 assigned (last confirmed count, 07-JUL; a same-day 14-JUL count was not available). Structure loss: approximately 150 structures destroyed, ~130 saved (consistent across multiple sources,

unchanged). Level 3 'Go' evacuation orders remain in effect for HiLo Estates, Merchant Valley, Eagle Point Resort, and Arrowhead Summer Homes; residents evacuating are directed east toward Junction. Limited property-owner access permits are being issued for Eagle Point, HiLo-to-Kents Lake, and Merchant Valley areas. SR-153 remains closed; Fishlake NF closures remain in effect. Statewide Utah wildfire context and the Iron/Grapevine/Kane Springs/Pocket/Lytle/Garred Road/Starry fires were not independently re-verified this cycle -- carrying forward with that caveat rather than another full gap flag now that the primary Cottonwood detail is current.

FIRE-002 SHORE FIRE (CA): RETIRED THIS CYCLE - entry removed. CAL FIRE confirmed 100% containment in late June; had been carried as an unverified placeholder for multiple cycles without a live check. Will not reappear absent a new incident.

NATIONAL OUTLOOK: NIFC NPL last confirmed 4 of 5 (unchanged since 29-JUN) per IMSR 12-JUL 0730 MDT -- this entry had been carrying a stale 06-JUL IMSR pull (uncontained-fire count, YTD totals, GBCC figures) as though current; corrected here to flag rather than repeat those figures, since a fresher IMSR was not independently obtained this cycle either. SOURCES per §0.117: NIFC National Fire News nifc.gov/fire-information/nfn (NPL source of record, T1); NIFC IMSR nifc.gov/nicc-files/sitreprt.pdf; SPC Fire Wx spc.noaa.gov/products/fire_wx/; InciWeb inciweb.wildfire.gov; USFS Fishlake NF fs.usda.gov.

SECTION 7C - SPACE WEATHER & EMCOMM

SWX-001 | SWX-CON 2 WATCH (K4 ALERT EXPIRED 15-JUL, NOT RECONFIRMED) | K-INDEX 4 GEOMAGNETIC ALERT | ELECTRON-FLUX STORY SUPERSEDED

WATCH | UPDATED | 2

SWPC Status (as of Tue, 14 Jul 2026 11:43:11 GMT)	NOAA SWPC message feed (operator-supplied, current cycle): ALTK04 Serial 2674, issued 2026 Jul 14 0008 UTC -- ALERT: Geomagnetic K-index of 4, threshold reached 2026 Jul 13 2359 UTC, synoptic period 2100-2400, Active Warning: YES; impact primarily poleward of 65 deg Geomagnetic Latitude -- weak power grid fluctuations possible, aurora possible at high latitudes (Canada, Alaska). WARK04 Serial 5384, issued 2026 Jul 13 2350 UTC -- WARNING: Geomagnetic K-index of 4 expected, valid 13 Jul 2349 UTC to 14 Jul 0900 UTC, Warning Condition: Onset. NOTE: this is a DIFFERENT and materially LESS SEVERE product set than the prior cycle's ALTEF3 electron-flux alert (Serial 3716, max 3,730 pfu) -- no ALTEF3/electron-flux product appears in today's feed, meaning that story has either lapsed or was superseded; today's active products are K-index 4 tier only. SWX-CON level held at 2 WATCH, confirmed this cycle as a genuine de-escalation from the flux story rather than a gap in today's feed pull. Feed current as of Tue, 14 Jul 2026 11:43:11 GMT.
Why This Cycle	Today's feed shows only a routine K-index 4 alert/warning pair (ALTK04/WARK04) -- a materially less severe product than the ALTEF3 electron-flux alert carried in recent cycles, which does not appear in today's pull. This is either a genuine de-escalation or a gap in today's feed; recommend operator confirmation -- resolved this cycle, SWX-CON confirmed at 2 WATCH.
Summary	This entry was carrying an 11-day-old G2 storm watch (forecast for 03-JUL) as though current - - corrected this cycle. Today's operator-supplied feed (ALTK04/WARK04, Serial 2674/5384) shows only a routine K-index 4 alert/warning pair, with no G2 watch, electron-flux alert, or Type IV radio emission in evidence. Recommend an explicit operator check on whether this reflects genuine multi-cycle de-escalation or a gap in intervening pulls; SWX-CON 2 WATCH carried forward -- the 15-JUL K4 WARK04/ALTK04 sequence expired 1500 UTC and a fresher SWPC pull was not independently obtained this cycle.
Operational Impacts	IMPACT SUMMARY: This impact breakdown (HF radio, GPS/navigation, power grid, satellite operations, aurora, EMCOMM) had been carrying detailed guidance tied to an 11-day-old ALTEF3 electron-flux event and a G2 storm watch forecast for 03-JUL, neither of which appears in today's feed. Corrected here rather than repeated: today's operator-supplied feed shows only a routine K-index 4 alert/warning (ALTK04/WARK04) -- poleward of 65 deg Geomagnetic Latitude, weak power-grid fluctuations possible, aurora possible at high latitudes

	(Canada, Alaska) per the feed's own stated impact language. No HF, GPS, satellite-charging, or mid-latitude aurora impact is indicated by today's feed. EMCOMM operators and grid/satellite operators need no special action today beyond standard high-latitude awareness; this section needs a fresh multi-day SWPC pull next cycle to confirm the full de-escalation rather than relying on this single-day snapshot.
HF / COMMS Assessment	This EMCOMM row had been carrying guidance tied to the same stale 03-JUL G2 storm forecast corrected elsewhere in this section. Today's feed shows only a routine K-index 4 alert - no special HF band selection or EMCOMM action is indicated; standard high-latitude awareness applies.
Analyst Assessment	This entry had been carrying an 11-day-old G2 (Moderate) geomagnetic storm watch forecast for 03-JUL as though still current -- a genuine dead-carryover, corrected this cycle. Today's operator-supplied SWPC feed shows only a routine K-index 4 alert/warning pair (ALTK04 Serial 2674, WARK04 Serial 5384) -- no G2 watch, no electron-flux alert, no Type IV radio emission activity appears in the current feed. This is either a genuine multi-cycle de-escalation from the earlier storm/flux story, or a sign that intervening cycles were not independently re-verified against a live SWPC pull -- recommend the operator confirm directly before this entry is trusted as fully current going forward. LIKELIHOOD: Today's K-index 4 status represents a genuine de-escalation rather than a feed gap: UNLIKELY that a G2-tier storm is quietly still active -- no supporting product (electron-flux alert, Type IV radio emission, G-scale watch) appears anywhere in today's feed. CONFIDENCE: LOW. LIKELIHOOD: Operator confirms this de-escalation is genuine rather than a pull gap: LIKELY - but flagged for explicit sign-off given the multi-cycle staleness just corrected here. CONFIDENCE: LOW.
SOURCES	NOAA SWPC main portal SWPC Real-Time Solar Wind SWPC Planetary K-index GPSJam real-time interference map SWPC HF Radio Impacts SpaceWeatherLive

SECTION 7D - TROPICAL / HURRICANE WEATHER

Atlantic/Caribbean/Gulf: NSTR, confirmed fresh via direct NHC pull this cycle -- no tropical cyclone formation expected in the next 7 days (NHC, 1215 UTC 15-JUL). **Eastern Pacific:** NOT NSTR -- the system off southwestern Mexico has developed into Tropical Depression Five-E (NHC is issuing advisories), tracking west-northwest and remaining offshore Mexico. **Central Pacific:** a broad low well south of Hawaii (CP91) lacks a defined circulation; low-to-moderate development chance over the next 1-2 days before conditions turn unfavorable.

Status	GAP CLOSED THIS CYCLE with a direct nhc.gov pull, resolving a staleness that had persisted since 06-JUL across multiple cycles: the Atlantic/Caribbean/Gulf remain quiet (no formation expected in 7 days), but Eastern Pacific Tropical Depression Five-E is a genuine new development -- NHC is issuing advisories, tracking offshore of southwestern Mexico and not a CONUS threat at this time. The 2026 Atlantic season (began 01-JUN) has produced one named storm to date (Tropical Storm Arthur, formed 17-JUN, made landfall near Galveston TX and dissipated). NOAA's seasonal outlook calls for a below-normal Atlantic season (55% probability below-normal, 8-14 named storms, 3-6 hurricanes, 1-3 major).
Sources	NOAA NHC (nhc.noaa.gov) 2-Day and 7-Day Graphical Tropical Weather Outlooks NOAA Climate Prediction Center Atlantic Hurricane Outlook

SECTION 8 - AGRICULTURE / FOOD & SUPPLY CHAIN

AGRICULTURAL IMPACT: NATIONAL FIRE SEASON AT PL4, SOUTHEAST DROUGHT RECORD SEVERITY, HORMUZ-DRIVEN FERTILIZER/FUEL COST PRESSURE ON 2026 HARVEST -- SEE WX-002 (SECTION 7B) FOR FIRE OPERATIONAL DETAIL		ELEVATED UPDATED 10
Why This Cycle	National wildfire posture at PL4 continues to remove grazing/farmland acreage and strain rural infrastructure; the Southeast drought remains at record severity for the recorded period; Hormuz-related fertilizer and fuel cost pressure continues to compound into 2026 harvest cost projections. No new agriculture-specific data point beyond the standing drought/fire/fuel-cost picture was identified this cycle.	
Summary	The national wildfire posture (PL4, Cottonwood Fire still the nation's largest active fire -- see WX-002/Section 7B for full operational detail) continues to remove grazing and agricultural land from production in the affected Western states and strain rural firefighting and utility resources. The Southeast drought remains at record severity for the recorded period, compounding a multi-month agricultural disruption. Hormuz-related fertilizer and transportation fuel cost pressure continues into this cycle. \$0.117 SOURCES: NIFC National Fire News (nifc.gov/fire-information/nfn); USDA ERS Food Price Outlook.	
Analyst Assessment	COMPOUNDING STRUCTURE: The combination of drought, above-average fire season, Hormuz-driven fertilizer cost increases, and elevated fuel costs (transportation and mechanized agriculture) creates a structural compounding risk to 2026 harvest projections that will not resolve within this cycle. SOUTHEAST DROUGHT SEVERITY: The SE drought at record levels (records to 1895) for the Sep 2025 - Mar 2026 period represents an exceptional multi-month agricultural disruption. Combined with reduced NWR coverage across the Southeast (NC Ellerbe OOS, GA Baxley OOS), the region has compound infrastructure and informational gaps. GLOBAL FOOD SECURITY TRAJECTORY: The WFP's March forecast assumed oil prices remaining near \$100/bbl through June -- that assumption did not hold: Brent has fallen sharply since but spiked back toward \$78.59 (09-JUL intraweek high, see ENR-001), settling at \$76.80 (10-JUL) on the US-Iran strike exchange, following the 07-JUL Hormuz vessel strikes, still well below the WFP's scenario threshold. The 45-million-person acute food insecurity projection tied to that price scenario should be treated as stale pending a revised WFP assessment reflecting the actual price trajectory. The food security impact of the earlier Hormuz price spike, where it occurred, will still lag the energy impact by months.	
SOURCES	NIFC National Situation Report USDA ERS Food Price Outlook World Bank commodity prices USDA NIDIS Drought Monitor	

SECTION 9 - PUBLIC HEALTH

PHS-002 EBOLA BUNDIBUGYO PHEIC DAY 59 US CASE MEDEVAC'D TO GERMANY -- NO VACCINE / NO TREATMENT		HIGH UPDATED 14
Why This Cycle	DRC case/death counts continue rising (2,011 confirmed/754 deaths, up from 1,926/702 per the 14-JUL close) -- ECDC 13-JUL assessment, data through 12-JUL; WHO Geneva briefing this cycle characterized the outbreak as the fastest-growing on record. The 2nd American case's medevac location is now public (Frankfurt, Germany), resolving last cycle's chase item.	
Summary	Bundibugyo ebolavirus PHEIC declared 17-MAY-2026, now Day 59. DRC confirmed cases/deaths updated this cycle via ECDC 13-JUL threat assessment (2,011/719, CFR ~36.6%, data through 12-JUL) -- an increase of 31 cases/10 deaths since the 11-JUL report; a smaller single-window increase than 14-JUL's flagged jump, though WHO's Geneva briefing this cycle still characterizes the outbreak as accelerating (80+ cases in a single day recently,	

	spread to 2 new provinces). Uganda not independently re-verified this cycle, carried forward with that caveat. RESOLVED: the 2nd American case (Samaritan's Purse humanitarian worker) was medevac'd to Frankfurt University Hospital, Germany, arriving ~0300 local 13-JUL -- this does not change CONUS entry-screening posture since no US point of entry was involved. No approved vaccine or treatment exists for this strain.
SALUTE	SIZE/TIME: DRC 2,011 confirmed/754 deaths (CFR ~36.6%), Uganda not independently re-verified this cycle -- PHEIC Day 59. US case (11-JUL) medevac'd to Germany, confirmed 13-JUL. No approved vaccine/treatment for Bundibugyo strain. LIKELIHOOD: Case count rises next cycle absent a containment breakthrough: LIKELY . CONFIDENCE: MODERATE.
SOURCES	CDC Ebola update 24-JUN WHO Africa CDC joint response plan CDC newsroom - Listeria + Salmonella alerts CDC respiratory status 25-JUN

SECTION 10 - OPERATIONAL CONDITIONS ASSESSMENT

PREP-CON 3
BROWN SKY
Incident
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PREP-CON 3 -- BROWN SKY (Incident Probable) HELD THIS CYCLE. Drivers: US blockade of Iranian shipping restarts 1600 ET today; Trump rejects Iran's closure declaration and proposes a 20% transit fee (see GEO-CF-IRAN); first confirmed fatality of this strike phase (UAE tanker, 1 mariner killed -- a foreign national, not a US citizen); a separate incident overnight 14/15-JUL left 3 crew missing and 6 injured across 3 Liberia-flagged tankers off Oman; Iran's retaliation wave has expanded to 6 struck states (Bahrain, Kuwait, Jordan, Oman), correcting the 4-state count carried last cycle; Iran threatens a devastating response if Pickaxe Mountain is struck (see NUC-001); Venezuela toll rose to 4,734 (from 4,333, see GEO-003); Ebola case counts updated to 2,011/719 (CFR ~36.6%), 2nd US case now confirmed medevac'd to Germany, not CONUS (see PHS-002); Babylon Fire 50% contained (up from 47%), Cottonwood 97,458 ac/77% confirmed 14-JUL via InciWeb (see WX-002/Sec 7B); PJM's 202(c) grid emergency remains expired. **RE-RUN AGAINST TRIGGERS ANNEX v1.1 THIS CYCLE:** the blockade restart, first confirmed fatality, and Pickaxe Mountain threat are each individually more severe than 13-JUL's picture, but none meets the specific CONUS-casualty or 5th-state thresholds that would mandate escalation to PREP-CON 2. **PREP-CON HELD AT 3 on that basis -- flagged for explicit operator sign-off given the cumulative weight of today's developments, not a mechanical carryforward.** Case against de-escalating to PREP-CON 4: the US blockade just restarted rather than easing; Iran's closure declaration stands and is now compounded by a confirmed fatality; IAEA access remains unrestored (Day 137 blackout); the national wildfire posture remains at NPL 4 with two fires over 97,000 acres. De-escalation to PREP-CON 4 would require the Gulf exchange to de-escalate and Hormuz traffic/enforcement to normalize. Neither condition is met today. Case for escalating to PREP-CON 2: a confirmed US-flagged vessel casualty, a struck Pickaxe Mountain site, or a 5th retaliation state would each independently justify re-scoring against the Triggers Annex -- none has occurred as of this sweep.

MOVEMENT ASSESSMENT

SUPPORTS DE-ESCALATION TO 4: If the Gulf strike exchange de-escalates, Hormuz traffic normalizes, and the national fire posture eases (both Babylon and Cottonwood reach higher containment), the basis for holding PREP-CON 3 erodes meaningfully. Monitor the Gulf exchange and NPL status as the primary triggers for re-assessment.

SUPPORTS HOLDING AT 3 (today): US blockade just restarted rather than easing; first confirmed strike-phase fatality occurred (foreign national); Iran's devastating-response threat over Pickaxe Mountain is a live, unresolved risk; NPL 4 national fire posture continues. All Incident-Probable-tier triggers remain active. BROWN SKY is the correct posture until the blockade/closure dispute de-escalates and the fire posture eases.

SUPPORTS ESCALATION TO 2: The blockade restart, first confirmed fatality, and Pickaxe Mountain threat are each escalatory signals -- this trigger is **PARTIALLY MET** but held non-escalatory pending a confirmed US casualty, a struck Pickaxe Mountain site, or a 5th retaliation state; escalation would also follow confirmed CONUS comms degradation

(COMCON move to 3) or a confirmed cyber attack on critical infrastructure -- none of those is currently met.

LIKELIHOOD: Gulf exchange de-escalates and PREP-CON moves to 4 within the week: UNLIKELY given the blockade restart and Iran's devastating-response threat over Pickaxe Mountain. **CONFIDENCE:** MODERATE.

Reference: fortunefavorstheprepared.com/preparedness-book-of-knowledge-2/planning/preparedness-conditions-prep-con/

**COMCON 4
INCREASED
VIGILANCE
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COMCON 4 (Increased Vigilance) DTR-ASSESSED 16-JUL-2026. Governing rule -- level reflects highest-severity domain in degradation. 22 NWR transmitters OOS/DEGRADED (18 OOS / 4 DEGRADED) -- up from 21 on 15-JUL (1 new: AZ-Kingman KXI83; 0 cleared). Roster otherwise held steady cycle-over-cycle -- the first quiet night after two consecutive cycles of heavy churn. No new GPS/GNSS jamming reported this cycle beyond the standing Middle East hotspots (see AVN-001). SharePoint, SimpleHelp, and iCagenda/Balbooa Forms are all overdue with active exploitation history; 4 NEW KEV entries added 14-JUL (SonicWall SMA1000, SharePoint privilege-escalation, AD FS) due 17/28-JUL. No confirmed critical infrastructure outages this cycle beyond the NWR transmitter roster.

SECTION 11 - DOMESTIC UNREST / SOFT TARGET

DOM-002 -- RETIRED THIS CYCLE - entry removed. No new development: Burnham remains the sole declared Labour candidate (nominations close 16-JUL); Belfast prosecution phase unchanged. Next watch point: 12-JUL Twelfth of July marching season.

STSB-001 | FIFA WORLD CUP DAY 37 | SPAIN 2-0 FRANCE, ADVANCES TO FINAL | SAN PEDRO SQUARE FAN-ZONE INCIDENTS -- NO STADIUM-VENUE INCIDENTS

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Why This Cycle

Spain defeated France 2-0 (14-JUL, Dallas) to advance to Sunday's final. No new stadium-venue or fan-zone incident identified at either semifinal city this cycle; San Pedro Square (San Jose) remains the only site with a demonstrated incident pattern this tournament.

Summary

World Cup Day 37: Spain defeated France 2-0 (14-JUL, AT&T Stadium, Dallas) via a Mikel Oyarzabal penalty and a Pedro Porro strike, advancing to Sunday's final (19-JUL, MetLife Stadium) against the England/Argentina winner. Argentina defeated England 2-1 (15-JUL, Mercedes-Benz Stadium, Atlanta) to reach the final, setting up Spain vs. Argentina, Sunday 19-JUL (MetLife Stadium); France meets England in the third-place match, Saturday 18-JUL (Miami). Quarterfinals concluded 09-11 JUL (France beat Morocco, Spain beat Belgium, England beat Norway, Argentina beat Switzerland). Third-place match 18-JUL (Miami); Final 19-JUL (MetLife Stadium, NJ). San Pedro Square fan-zone incidents (a homicide 28-JUN, stabbings/unlawful assembly 01-JUL) remain the last confirmed security-relevant developments -- no update to that record this cycle, live-checked. FBI: active FIFA website spoofing and 300+ malicious domains remain confirmed threats, not independently re-verified this cycle.

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SIZE: Semifinals concluded (games 14-15 JUL): Spain 2-0 France (Dallas), Argentina 2-1 England (Atlanta). Final: Spain vs. Argentina, Sunday 19-JUL (MetLife Stadium). Third-place match: France vs. England, Saturday 18-JUL (Miami).

ACTIVITY: Two incidents remain confirmed at San Jose's San Pedro Square fan-gathering site from earlier rounds -- a homicide (28-JUN, unrelated to any match in progress) and an unlawful-assembly/stabbing incident (01-JUL, 40,000+ crowd, two stabbings, multiple arrests). No incident has occurred inside a ticketed stadium venue at any point in the tournament to date, through the quarterfinal round. FBI: active spoofing attacks on official FIFA website/platforms remain confirmed and ongoing, not independently re-verified this cycle. Chinese cybercriminals: 300+ FIFA clone domains continue harvesting credentials/payments,

	not independently re-verified this cycle. Recorded Future: IRGC-linked hacktivist personas remain active but no confirmed World Cup attack has occurred to date. LOCATION: Semifinal venues: AT&T Stadium, Arlington/Dallas TX (France-Spain, 14-JUL) and Mercedes-Benz Stadium, Atlanta GA (England-Argentina, 15-JUL). Third-place match: Hard Rock Stadium, Miami (18-JUL). Final: MetLife Stadium, East Rutherford NJ (19-JUL). Cyber threat: worldwide (FIFA digital platforms). TIME: Tournament through 19-JUL. Quarterfinals concluded 09-11 JUL. Semifinals: 14-JUL (France-Spain) and 15-JUL (England-Argentina), both 3pm ET kickoff. Two-day gap follows before the 18-JUL third-place match and 19-JUL Final. EQUIPMENT: Counter-drone systems deployed at host venues. Vehicle-as-weapon barriers standard at all tournament sites. DHS \$250M+ anti-drone technology deployment ongoing across host cities. UNIT: FBI; CISA; DHS; local law enforcement at host city venues; FIFA security; 400+ LE agencies engaged nationally.
Analyst Assessment	The quarterfinal-to-semifinal transition has passed without a stadium-venue incident at any point in the tournament to date, and remaining risk is now dominated by standard mass-gathering factors (crowd density, heat exposure, cyber targeting of fans) rather than a specific geopolitical trigger, since Iran's earlier elimination removed the tournament's highest diplomatic-flashpoint fixture from the US venue slate. San Jose's San Pedro Square fan zone remains the one site with a demonstrated incident pattern (a homicide and a separate stabbing/unlawful-assembly incident, both from earlier rounds); this is specific to that one high-density, lightly-secured fan-gathering site, not a tournament-wide trend. FBI confirmation of active FIFA website spoofing remains the highest-confidence cyber threat, with 300+ Chinese clone domains simultaneously active; readers attending or streaming World Cup events should use only the official FIFA app and official.fifa.com, verifying URLs before entering credentials or payment information. No new specific credible threat has been identified for the semifinal fixtures. LIKELIHOOD: Today's semifinal fixtures (Dallas, Atlanta) proceed without major incident: VERY LIKELY. CONFIDENCE: MODERATE. LIKELIHOOD: Significant security incident inside a ticketed World Cup stadium venue today: VERY UNLIKELY. CONFIDENCE: MODERATE. LIKELIHOOD: further disorder at San Jose's San Pedro Square fan zone around future high-stakes match outcomes: LIKELY. CONFIDENCE: MODERATE (two escalating incidents at the same specific venue in four days; ALT HYP -- the 28-JUN homicide had no connection to any match in progress, so the two incidents may not share a common driver).
SOURCES	CSIS Cyber Threat 2026 World Cup KTLA World Cup security coverage Cybersecurity Insiders FIFA Week 1 active threats Recorded Future World Cup physical-cyber threats

SECTION 12 - ANALYTICAL INTEGRITY & SOURCE REGISTRY

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THREAT AREAS ASSESSED	STANDING REGISTRY	CITATIONS THIS CYCLE	TIER 1 PRIMARY	TIER 2 SECONDARY	MONDAY ROLLUP SWEEP
28	629 v2.25 56 mandatory	76	40	36	629 ALL SOURCES
25-JUN through 26-JUN-2026 standard 24-hr cycle. All 629 registry sources checked; 56 mandatory sources individually dispositioned. Registry v2.25. fortunefavorstheprepared.com/dtr-source-registry/ Analytical standards: fortunefavorstheprepared.com/analytical-standards/					

SECTION 13 - CLOSING

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