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⚠️ PREPAREDNESS CONDITION 3 -- BROWN SKY -- INCIDENT PROBABLE ⚠️

Op Epic Fury Day 160 | Hormuz Day 160 | MOU VOID 16-JUL | PREP-CON 3 BROWN SKY | COMCON 4 INCREASED VIGILANCE | 06 AUGUST 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 (held). See [WX-001](#) and [Section 10](#) for full detail.
Wildfire: see [WX-002 / Section 7B](#).

SWX-CON NSTR
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06 AUGUST 2026 | PREP-CON 3 BROWN SKY | COMCON 4 INCREASED VIGILANCE | SWX-CON NSTR | Op Epic Fury / Hormuz Day 160 | The announcement Washington targeted for 05-AUG did not occur; Iran and Oman have agreed the route coordinates but Tehran states the arrangement does not reopen the Strait while the US blockade of Iranian ports stands.

THE CYCLE - QUICK LOOK

- **GEO-CF-IRAN:** Iran and Oman agreed the geographical coordinates of the new transit route on 05-AUG and a joint statement is in final drafting, but Tehran states the understanding does not make the Strait safe while the US naval blockade continues. Iranian accounts on 06-AUG describe a permission regime with service fees, contradicting the no-tolls term reported by Axios. See [GEO-CF-IRAN](#).
- **NUC-001:** IAEA Blackout Day 159 - no new IAEA statement or Board action, and Pickaxe Mountain remains unstruck. Reporting that the US has expended nearly its entire long-range precision-missile stockpile bears directly on the credibility of the strike threat backing the nuclear file. See [NUC-001](#).
- **CYB-001:** CISA published the missing deadlines: CVE-2026-9198, CVE-2026-18556 and CVE-2026-34486 are all due 07-AUG, and CVE-2026-63077 (JetBrains TeamCity) was added 05-AUG with an 08-AUG deadline. CVE-2026-18577 (N-able N-central) reaches its federal deadline today. See [CYB-001](#).

- **CYB-004:** Suspected Iran-linked intrusions into water and wastewater operational technology are now reported across at least twelve states, up from the seven named in the 30-JUL federal joint advisory. Some utilities have lost remote control and reverted to manual operation; drinking water has not been affected. See CYB-004.
- **WX-002:** Spokane is no longer the defining incident. Sinlahekin (WA) grew 14,144 acres to 117,078 at 9% containment, Little Giant (WA) 11,507 acres to 70,853 at 0%, and Tartar (ID) 30,415 acres to 138,271, while national personnel rose to 28,700 and NPL holds at 5. See WX-002.
- **PHS-002 / AGR-001:** The DRC national series reached 3,874 confirmed and 1,751 deaths on data to 03-AUG, with 717 patients hospitalised in isolation. Separately, CDC expanded the Taylor Farms iceberg-lettuce cyclospora outbreak from nine states to fifteen. See PHS-002 and AGR-001.
- **GEO-002:** Two Israeli soldiers were killed in southern Lebanon, the first Israeli fatalities since the June truce, and Israel resumed strikes on Tyre district while US-mediated talks in Rome broke up three hours early. See GEO-002.

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SECTION	KEY ENTRIES / THREAT DRIVERS
SEC 2 - Market Indicators	Commodity tracker: Brent \$80.43/bbl and WTI \$76.06/bbl on 06-AUG against \$79.26 and \$75.69 on 05-AUG, both single-publisher marks. AAA has rolled over: regular \$4.0633/gal, down 3.48 cents on the week - the pass-through from the crude fall has begun.
SEC 3 - FLASH Events	GEO-CF-IRAN: Iran and Oman agreed route coordinates on 05-AUG and a joint statement is in final drafting, but the announcement targeted for that day did not happen and Tehran ties any reopening to the end of the US blockade. Sources conflict on whether transit fees apply. NUC-001: IAEA Blackout Day 159. No new IAEA statement or Board action was issued in the window and Pickaxe Mountain remains unstruck. SWX-001: The SWPC 3-Day Forecast issued 06-AUG 0030Z records a greatest observed Kp of 1 over the prior 24 hours and a greatest expected Kp of 3.67 through 08-AUG. No warning or alert has been issued since 04-AUG. SWX-CON NSTR held. WX-001: SPC Day 1 (06-AUG) carries a SLIGHT risk for southeast Kansas, northeast Oklahoma, southwest Missouri and far northwest Arkansas, with supercells and line segments capable of severe gusts and hail. Day 2 and Day 3 are MARGINAL. Fire weather Day 1 and Day 2 both read no critical areas. PHS-002: Ebola PHEIC Day 83. The DRC national series reads 3,874 confirmed and 1,751 deaths on data to 03-AUG, with 717 patients hospitalised in isolation. WHO still holds at 3,605 and 1,587 as of 30-JUL; the two series are separate and are not mixed.
SEC 4A - Cyber / Technology	CYB-001: CISA published the deadlines withheld last cycle - CVE-2026-9198, CVE-2026-18556 and CVE-2026-34486 are all due 07-AUG. CVE-2026-63077 (JetBrains TeamCity) was added 05-AUG, due 08-AUG. CVE-2026-18577 is due today. Catalogue total 1,661.
SEC 4B - Physical / Geopolitical / IO	GEO-002: Two Israeli soldiers killed in southern Lebanon, the first Israeli deaths since the June truce; Israeli strikes on Tyre district killed one and wounded twenty across two days. Rome talks ended three hours early on 05-AUG and were to resume 06-AUG. MAR-001: UKMTO logged a fresh Hormuz incident - a tanker master reported two explosions about 10 NM southeast of Kumzar, Oman, with crew and vessel safe. The Houthis claim an eighth Saudi tanker struck since 22-JUL. No update on the Minoan Pioneer or its missing crew member since 03-AUG. PHS-002: Ebola PHEIC Day 83. DRC national series 3,874 confirmed / 1,751 deaths on data to 03-AUG. AGR-001: the Taylor Farms iceberg-lettuce cyclospora outbreak expanded from nine states to fifteen on 05-AUG, with two deaths.

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SEC 5 - Energy / Infrastructure / Supply Chain	FIN-001 Brent \$80.43/bbl and WTI \$76.06/bbl on 06-AUG, up 1.23% and 1.11% on the day after three sessions of losses; Saudi Aramco cut its flagship Asian crude price. AAA regular fell to \$4.0633/gal. SC-001 MARAD 2026-001A, 2026-004 and 2026-006 all in force CENTCOM: 48 vessels redirected under the blockade since 14-JUL
SEC 6 - Aviation / Transportation	AVN-001: EASA guidance is unchanged this cycle: AVOID AT ALL LEVELS for Bahrain, Kuwait, Qatar, the UAE and the Gulf of Oman west of 58 deg E; AVOID at all altitudes for Iran (OIIX), Iraq (Baghdad FIR) and Lebanon (Beirut FIR). Kuwait FIR remains closed to overflights. The US lifted sanctions on Iraq's Fly Baghdad on 05-AUG, a regulatory easing rather than an operational one. AVN-002: NSTR. No current-cycle surface, rail or transit security incident was identified. Wildfire-driven road, area and trail closures remain in effect across eastern Washington and north-central Oregon.
SEC 7 - Meteorological / Severe Weather / Fire Weather + NWR	WX-001: SPC Day 1 (06-AUG) SLIGHT - southeast Kansas, northeast Oklahoma, southwest Missouri and far northwest Arkansas, with MLCAPE of 2000-3000 J/kg and 35-40 kt deep-layer shear supporting supercells and damaging-wind line segments into the late evening. WX-002: Sinlahekin, Little Giant and Tartar displaced Spokane as the driving incidents, each adding more than 11,000 acres in one operational period. Aaron F. Farinacci, 37, is charged with first-degree arson for causing the Old Trails Fire and is held on \$1 million bond. NPL holds at 5 of 5.
SEC 7B - Wildfire Report	WX-002: Sinlahekin (WA) reached 117,078 acres at 9% containment and Little Giant (WA) 70,853 acres at 0%; Tartar (ID) added 30,415 acres in one period to 138,271. Nationally, 94 uncontained large fires and 28,700 personnel are committed, with 5,465,682 acres burned year to date - 143% of the ten-year average. The Northwest Area holds 18,572 of those personnel across 49 incidents. Australia and New Zealand have committed an incident management team and 59 fireline personnel.
SEC 7A - Space Weather and EMCOMM	SWX-001: Geomagnetic activity is quiet. The greatest observed 3-hour Kp over the past 24 hours was 1, and no SWPC warning or alert has been issued since the K-index 4 warning that expired 04-AUG 1500Z. Greatest expected Kp is 3.67 through 08-AUG.
SEC 7D - Tropical / Hurricane Weather	North Atlantic NSTR - no formation expected through 7 days. The eastern and central Pacific outlook now carries TWO tagged areas, each at near 0% through 48 hours and 30% through 7 days, up from 20% last cycle, on a direct nhc.gov pull (issuance 06-AUG 1140Z).
SEC 10 - PREP-CON Assessment	PREP-CON 3 BROWN SKY (Incident Probable) / COMCON 4 INCREASED VIGILANCE / WX-CON 3 GUARDED with an escalation recommendation to 2 pending operator confirmation / SWX-CON NSTR
SEC 12 - Source Registry	Registry v2.25 638 total sources swept 27 of 56 mandatory live-pulled fortunefavorstheprepared.com/dtr-source-registry/

GEOGRAPHIC IMPACT INDEX

REGION / THEMATIC	KEY ENTRIES / THREAT DRIVERS
CONUS - SE Kansas / NE Oklahoma / SW Missouri / NW Arkansas	WX-001 SPC Day 1 (06-AUG) SLIGHT risk. A quasi-stationary front from far northern Oklahoma east-northeastward into south-central Missouri, dewpoints in the 60s and lower 70s F and MLCAPE building to 2000-3000 J/kg support scattered afternoon development, with 0-6 km shear of 35-40 kt giving a mixed supercell and line-segment mode into the late evening.
Israel / Lebanon	GEO-002: Two Israeli soldiers were killed and four seriously wounded by an explosion in southern Lebanon, the first Israeli fatalities since the truce that began in late June. Israel struck Tyre district through the night of 05-AUG into 06-AUG,

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	with eight wounded in Burj al-Shamali and further strikes around Mansouri after an evacuation warning.
CONUS - Mid-Atlantic into New York	SPC Day 1 (06-AUG) carries an isolated severe-gust threat from the Mid-Atlantic northward into New York, where a surface trough from the Virginia coastal plain into southeastern New York, lower to mid 70s F dewpoints and steep low-level lapse rates support a wind-damage threat by early afternoon.
CONUS - Pacific Northwest (WA / OR / N ID)	WX-002 (Section 7B): Sinlahekin, one mile west of Tonasket, reached 117,078 acres at 9% containment after growing 14,144 acres in a single operational period, with extreme fire behaviour including crowning and long-range spotting. Little Giant reached 70,853 acres at 0%. The three Spokane fires total 10,546 acres with 707 structures destroyed; about 65,000 people have been displaced since 01-AUG and no deaths or injuries have been reported.
CONUS - Water & Wastewater Sector	WX-002 CYB-004: Suspected Iran-linked OT intrusions are now reported in at least twelve states, including Michigan, Minnesota, Georgia, New Jersey and South Dakota. More than thirty Minnesota community systems were affected, and Clayton County Water Authority in Georgia, serving 300,000 customers, issued a boil-water advisory after a pressure drop.
CONUS - Nationwide Wildfire	WX-002 NPL 5 of 5, held since 18-JUL 0730 MDT - 94 uncontained large fires and 3 new large incidents; 45,184 fires and 5,465,682 acres YTD, running 128% and 143% of ten-year averages; 28,700 personnel committed nationally, 27 CIMTs and 1 NIMO.
CONUS - Nationwide (All Regions)	CYB-001 : CISA published the three deadlines withheld last cycle - CVE-2026-9198, CVE-2026-18556 and CVE-2026-34486 all due 07-AUG - and added CVE-2026-63077 (JetBrains TeamCity) on 05-AUG, due 08-AUG. CVE-2026-18577 is due today. KEV total 1,661. CYB-003 : N-able N-central compromise - attackers register Cloudflare tunnels as Windows services for persistence, surviving reboot and route revocation CYB-001 : SharePoint/SimpleHelp/iCagenda/Balbooa exploitation continues, no new campaign cluster confirmed FIN-001 : Brent \$80.43/bbl and WTI \$76.06/bbl on 06-AUG, up 1.23% and 1.11% on the day; AAA regular \$4.0633/gal, down 3.48 cents on the week as the crude fall begins to reach the pump.
Middle East / Strait of Hormuz	GEO-CF-IRAN: Iran and Oman agreed the route coordinates on 05-AUG and a joint statement is in final drafting, but the targeted announcement did not occur and Tehran conditions any reopening on the end of the US blockade. CENTCOM reports 48 vessels redirected since 14-JUL, three in the prior day. MAR-001 : UKMTO logged two explosions heard by a tanker about 10 NM southeast of Kumzar, Oman; crew and vessel safe. No Kpler transit figure is restated - at least three incompatible series remain in circulation.
Iran / Nuclear	NUC-001 IAEA Blackout Day 159 - no new IAEA statement or Board action in the window and no strike on a nuclear facility. Pickaxe Mountain remains unstruck.
DRC / Uganda	PHS-002 Ebola PHEIC Day 83: DRC national series 3,874 confirmed / 1,751 deaths on data to 03-AUG, a CFR of 45.2%, with 717 patients hospitalised in isolation. WHO holds separately at 3,605 / 1,587 (CFR 44%) as of 30-JUL. Uganda's outbreak was declared over on 28-JUL.
CONUS - 15 States (foodborne)	AGR-001 The Taylor Farms iceberg-lettuce cyclospora outbreak expanded from nine states to fifteen on 05-AUG, adding Arkansas, Iowa, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire and North Carolina to Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania and West Virginia. Two deaths, both in Michigan, are outbreak-associated.
Strait of Hormuz / Gulf of Oman	MAR-001 No new attack on a named vessel was confirmed in this window. UKMTO reported that the master of a tanker heard two explosions while transiting about 10 nautical miles southeast of Kumzar, Oman; crew and vessel were

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	reported safe with no environmental damage. The Minoan Pioneer, struck 2200Z 03-AUG, has had no published status update and its missing crew member remains unaccounted for.
Space Environment	SWX-001 Geomagnetic activity is quiet. The greatest observed 3-hour Kp over the past 24 hours was 1 and the greatest expected through 08-AUG is 3.67, both below all NOAA scales. No SWPC warning or alert has been issued since the K-index 4 warning that expired 04-AUG 1500Z.

SECTION 2 - MARKET INDICATORS

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

COMMODITY	PRE-WAR (28 FEB)	CURRENT (06-AUG)	CHG vs PRE-WAR	CONSUMER / ANALYTICAL NOTE
Brent Crude (front)	~\$66/bbl	\$80.43/bbl (06-AUG mark)	+22%	48-HOUR DELTA: Brent is marked at \$80.43/bbl on 06-AUG against \$79.26 on 05-AUG, up \$1.17 or 1.5% across the two most recent marks. Both figures are TradingEconomics CFD marks on the same series, not ICE settles, and are quoted from a single publisher deliberately: at least two publishers carried materially different Brent levels on 05-AUG and a trend cannot be built across two sources. The rebound follows three consecutive sessions of losses and coincides with Saudi Aramco cutting its flagship crude price for Asian buyers. The dislocation of the cycle is that the market is pricing a Hormuz arrangement that Tehran says does not reopen the Strait.
WTI Crude (front)	~\$63/bbl	\$76.06/bbl (06-AUG mark)	+21%	48-HOUR DELTA: WTI is marked at \$76.06/bbl on 06-AUG against \$75.69 on 05-AUG, up 1.11% on the day, on the same single-publisher series as Brent. The benchmark stands 7.97% above its level one month ago and 19.06% above the same point last year. No OPEC Basket or WTI Midland figure was obtained this cycle and neither is restated.
Gasoline (natl avg)	~\$3.10/gal	\$4.0633/gal (AAA, 06-AUG)	+31%	AAA has the national average for regular at \$4.0633/gal on 06-AUG, down 1.68 cents on the day and 3.48 cents on the week from \$4.0981. This is the first cycle in which the pump has actually followed crude down. The AAA daily series is distinct from EIA's weekly series, which holds at \$4.079 for the week ending 03-AUG and does not update until 10-AUG.
Diesel (US No. 2)	~\$3.74/gal	\$5.348/gal (EIA, 03-AUG)	+43%	EIA has US on-highway diesel at \$5.348/gal for the week ending 03-AUG,

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COMMODITY	PRE-WAR (28 FEB)	CURRENT (06-AUG)	CHG vs PRE-WAR	CONSUMER / ANALYTICAL NOTE
				up 3.5 cents week-on-week and \$1.548 year-on-year. That release does not update until 10-AUG. AAA's daily diesel series, a different scope, reads \$5.3474/gal on 06-AUG, down 1.48 cents on the day but still 0.81 cents above a week ago. Diesel is not following crude down.
Ocean Freight / Maritime	Rates elevated	War-risk premium 7.5-10% of hull value against a pre-war 1-3%	Worsening	MARAD 2026-001A, 2026-004 and 2026-006 all remain in force; 2026-006 auto-expires 22-SEP-2026. CENTCOM states US forces have assisted more than 1,000 vessels in transiting the Strait over the past three months. The Houthi campaign against Saudi tankers is the growth area rather than Hormuz: a Houthi spokesman claimed the tanker Wafa off Yanbu on 05-AUG as the eighth Saudi tanker targeted since 22-JUL, and claimed a second vessel, the Daisy, in the Gulf of Aden the same day. CBS separately carried a count of at least six over the same period; the claimant figure and the media tally do not reconcile and neither is adopted as verified.

SECTION 3 - FLASH EVENTS (Score >= 20)

GEO-CF-IRAN Op Epic Fury / Hormuz Day 160 ROUTE COORDINATES AGREED ANNOUNCEMENT MISSED TEHRAN TIES REOPENING TO END OF BLOCKADE		FLASH UPDATED 27
Why This Cycle	Iran and Oman agreed the geographical coordinates of the new transit route on 05-AUG, but the announcement Washington targeted for that day did not happen. Tehran states the understanding does not make the Strait safe while the US naval blockade of Iranian ports continues.	
Summary	Foreign ministry spokesman Esmail Baqaei said on 05-AUG that the coordinates of the route envisaged by the two sides have been agreed and that a joint statement setting out the main points is in final review and drafting, conditional on certain third parties not obstructing the process. The ministry then stated plainly that the Iran-Oman understanding cannot by itself mean the Strait has become safe, because the factors making it insecure - the US naval blockade and other measures against Iran - still exist. The terms are disputed between the parties describing them. Axios and CBS sources describe a 60-day arrangement with inbound traffic through Iranian waters, outbound through Omani waters, no tolls or fees, and mine clearance of the median lane within 30 days. Two regional officials briefing AP said service fees would be charged for security and environmental protection. On 06-AUG Behnam Saeedi, first secretary of the Iranian parliament's National Security and Foreign Policy Commission, said the talks are in no way about reopening the Strait, that transiting vessels would need permission, could not be military, and would pay service fees. IRNA on 06-AUG framed the mechanism as a new security model replacing sixty years of passage at will, not a reopening. Sustainment has become a public issue. Reuters reported first, and CBS confirmed with two sources, that the United States has expended virtually all of its Army Tactical Missile Systems and Precision Strike Missiles during Operation Epic Fury, with Patriot	

and THAAD interceptors consumed faster than industry can replace them. President Trump denied the reporting on 06-AUG and said leakers would be prosecuted. The Pentagon did not dispute the underlying consumption, stating instead that the force has what it needs. **Blockade accounting.** CENTCOM stated on 05-AUG that 48 vessels have been redirected since the blockade resumed on 14-JUL, three of them in the preceding 24 hours, with two boarded and two disabled - the boarding and disabling figures unchanged since the M/T Charminar on 25-JUL. CENTCOM also states US forces have assisted more than 1,000 vessels transiting the Strait over three months and that the southern route remains free and open. Internally, the UN human rights chief said on 05-AUG that at least 56 people have been executed on national-security charges since 19-MAR with more than 100 others at risk, Iran's intelligence ministry announced 21 arrests on alleged Mossad links in Kerman province on 06-AUG, and President Pezeshkian said communication with Supreme Leader Mojtaba Khamenei is currently very difficult.

SALUTE

SIZE: No announced US strikes inside Iran through 06-AUG, an eighth consecutive night. 48 vessels redirected under the US blockade since 14-JUL, three in the last 24 hours. 21 arrests announced in Kerman province on alleged Mossad links.

ACTIVITY: Iran and Oman agreed route coordinates and moved a joint statement to final drafting, while Iranian officials publicly narrowed what the arrangement means. The announcement targeted for 05-AUG did not occur. Reporting on US long-range missile depletion entered the public record and was denied by the President.

LOCATION: Strait of Hormuz: route coordinates agreed between Tehran and Muscat. Kerman province, Iran: 21 arrests. Southern Lebanon: see GEO-002. Red Sea and Gulf of Aden: Houthi attacks on Saudi tankers, see Section 2.

TIME: Baqaei coordinates statement 05-AUG. AP and Axios term reporting 05-AUG. Saeedi denial and IRNA framing 06-AUG. CENTCOM blockade figure 05-AUG. Trump munitions denial 06-AUG. No announced US strike inside Iran 30-JUL through 06-AUG.

EQUIPMENT: US: no strike package announced in the window; reporting indicates near-exhaustion of ATACMS and Precision Strike Missiles. Iran: transit permission control asserted over both corridors; mine clearance of the median lane is a term of the draft rather than a completed act.

UNIT: Iranian Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Baqaei); Iranian Parliament National Security and Foreign Policy Commission (Saeedi); IRNA; USCENTCOM; the White House; Omani mediation channel; UN Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights.

Analyst Assessment

The gap this cycle is not between Washington and Tehran but between what the draft says and what Tehran says the draft does. Iran has agreed the mechanical terms - coordinates, lanes, a joint statement - while its foreign ministry, its parliament and its state news agency all separately framed the result as a permission regime rather than a restored right of transit, with reopening conditioned on an end to the US blockade that is not in the draft. The no-tolls provision, the one term Washington has publicly insisted on, is contradicted by two Iranian and two regional accounts. The missile-depletion reporting matters because the strike threat is the only instrument holding Iran to any of this, and its credibility is now a matter of public dispute.

LIKELIHOOD: Renewed US strikes inside Iran before the next cycle: unlikely -- an instrument is in final drafting and the strike pause has held eight nights, but the terms remain contested and Trump has repeated the threat. **CONFIDENCE:** MODERATE.

LIKELIHOOD: A joint Iran-Oman statement is published before the next cycle: roughly even chance -- Baqaei describes it as in final review and drafting, but the same announcement was targeted for 05-AUG and did not appear. **CONFIDENCE:** LOW.

ALT HYP

ALT A: The arrangement reopens the Strait to normal commercial transit within the 60-day term [unlikely]

SUPPORT

Coordinates are agreed, a joint statement is in final drafting, the US has paused strikes for eight nights, and CENTCOM says the southern route is already free and open with more than 1,000 vessels assisted.

	DISCONFIRM	Tehran states explicitly that the understanding does not make the Strait safe while the US blockade stands; an Iranian lawmaker says the talks are not about reopening at all; the fee question is unreconciled; mines in the median lane are uncleared.
	CURRENT STATUS	Coordinates agreed, terms disputed, no signature. Assessed unlikely, confidence MODERATE.
	ALT B: Iran is converting the Strait into a permanent permission-based regime under cover of an interim deal [likely]	
	SUPPORT	IRNA describes a new security model replacing sixty years of passage at will; Saeedi describes permission, exclusion of military vessels and service fees; the draft gives Iran coordination rights over outbound traffic in Omani waters, which it did not hold before February.
	DISCONFIRM	The arrangement is time-limited to 60 days with a permanent regime to be negotiated separately between Oman and Iran; no tolls are in the reported draft; Iran has an economic interest in traffic resuming.
	CURRENT STATUS	Every Iranian description of the mechanism this cycle is narrower than the Western description of it. Assessed likely, confidence MODERATE.
SOURCES	Axios, 05-AUG CBS News live coverage, 05-AUG and 06-AUG CNN, 05-AUG and 06-AUG Al Jazeera, 05-AUG IRNA via CBS/AFP, 05-AUG and 06-AUG USCENTCOM, 05-AUG Reuters, 04-AUG UN OHCHR, 05-AUG	

NUC-001 IAEA BLACKOUT DAY 159 NO NEW IAEA STATEMENT OR BOARD ACTION PICKAXE MOUNTAIN UNSTRUCK		FLASH UPDATED 24
Why This Cycle	No IAEA statement or Board action was issued in the window and no nuclear facility was struck. Reporting that US long-range precision munitions are near exhaustion bears directly on the coercive instrument behind the nuclear file.	
Summary	The blackout is unchanged at Day 159, with no IAEA access to any struck enrichment facility. The Agency assesses Iran's enriched-uranium stockpile remains in country and largely under rubble at the struck sites. Nuclear talks are described by Washington as a follow-on to a Hormuz arrangement that has not been signed.	
SALUTE	SIZE/TIME: 440.9 kg of 60%-enriched UF ₆ , last IAEA-verified 27-FEB-2026 and unverified for 160 days, sufficient for roughly ten weapons if further enriched to 90%. Pickaxe Mountain has never been inspected and was not struck in the 29-30 JUL wave.	
Analyst Assessment	The blackout remains the longest-running unresolved element of the conflict and it is still outside the negotiating frame rather than inside it. Washington's sequencing puts the nuclear file after a Hormuz instrument that did not arrive on its own target date, which pushes the file further out. The munitions reporting is the material change this cycle: the threat of renewed strikes is what has kept the nuclear question live, and that threat's sustainability is now publicly contested. Nothing in the window moved the physical situation at any facility.	
ALT HYP	ALT A: Denuclearisation enters a negotiating agenda as a substantive item rather than rhetoric [unlikely]	
	SUPPORT	Trump has repeatedly named the nuclear programme alongside Hormuz and said Iran cannot have a weapon; US officials describe nuclear talks as the intended sequel to a strait arrangement.

	DISCONFIRM	Iran denies any negotiating track with the United States and says its talks are bilateral with Oman and confined to shipping; no forum exists in which the item could be tabled; Iran has consistently treated IAEA access as a final-deal deliverable rather than an interim step.
	CURRENT STATUS	Day 159, no access, no IAEA statement, no confirmed negotiating forum. Assessed unlikely, confidence MODERATE.
	ALT B: Iran has covertly resumed enrichment despite the absence of visibility [unlikely]	
	SUPPORT	The Agency has no access to any struck facility and cannot confirm status; Pickaxe Mountain has never been inspected and Israeli officials allege expanded activity there; 440.9 kg of 60%-enriched material remains unverified since 27-FEB.
	DISCONFIRM	The US Director of National Intelligence and Iran's ambassador to the IAEA independently state that enrichment has not resumed; the IAEA reports no satellite evidence of renewed enrichment at Natanz or Fordow; roughly 6,000 centrifuges are assessed damaged or destroyed.
	CURRENT STATUS	No evidence of resumed enrichment, and no visibility either. Assessed unlikely, confidence LOW.

CYB-001 CVE-2026-18577 FEDERAL DEADLINE TODAY THREE 04-AUG DEADLINES PUBLISHED, ALL 07-AUG NEW TEAMCITY KEV		HIGH UPDATED 9
Why This Cycle	CISA published the remediation deadlines withheld last cycle: CVE-2026-9198, CVE-2026-18556 and CVE-2026-34486 are all due 07-AUG. CVE-2026-63077 (JetBrains TeamCity) was added on 05-AUG with an 08-AUG deadline, and CVE-2026-18577 reaches its federal deadline today.	
Summary	CVE-2026-18577 is an authentication bypass in the N-able N-central remote monitoring and management platform and is an incomplete patch for CVE-2026-18556, which CISA catalogued the following day with a 07-AUG deadline - so the original flaw now falls due one day after its own successor. The KEV catalogue stands at 1,661 entries on catalogue version 2026.08.05, pulled directly this cycle. CVE-2026-63077 in JetBrains TeamCity is the only genuinely new addition in the window. Cisco FMC CVE-2026-20316 passed its 01-AUG deadline and is now five days overdue; Fortinet CVE-2025-68686 is due 10-AUG.	
SALUTE	SIZE/TIME: One new KEV in the window: CVE-2026-63077, JetBrains TeamCity, added 05-AUG, due 08-AUG. Deadlines now published for the 04-AUG three, all 07-AUG. CVE-2026-18577 due today, 06-AUG. Cisco FMC CVE-2026-20316 five days overdue. KEV catalogue total 1,661, version 2026.08.05.	
Analyst Assessment	The deadline gap flagged last cycle is closed, and closing it produced an oddity worth naming: the incomplete patch was catalogued a day before the flaw it failed to fix, so an administrator working the deadline list in order will remediate the successor first. The N-able exposure remains the most consequential item because of position rather than severity - a compromised RMM server converts one intrusion into access across every managed endpoint. TeamCity is the new addition and sits in build infrastructure, which is the same class of problem one layer further left. Federal agencies face four deadlines across three calendar days, the last of which falls on a Saturday.	
ALT HYP	ALT A: A further KEV addition occurs before the next cycle [likely]	

SUPPORT

CISA added entries on 03-AUG, 04-AUG and 05-AUG in consecutive days; Cisco, Fortinet, Microsoft, N-able and JetBrains are all under active exploitation pressure.

DISCONFIRM

Additions have historically run at three to four per week rather than daily; no further vendor advisory carrying evidence of active exploitation was published in the window.

CURRENT STATUS

Catalogue total 1,661 on version 2026.08.05, pulled directly this cycle. Assessed likely, confidence MODERATE.

ALT B: The N-able flaw is exploited against a US federal network on or before its deadline today [roughly even chance]**SUPPORT**

Exploitation is already confirmed in the wild against managed service providers; compromise of an RMM server cascades to every managed endpoint behind it; the deadline expires today, so any unpatched federal instance is at its maximum exposure now.

DISCONFIRM

No federal compromise has been reported; N-able describes the confirmed victim set as limited; BOD 26-04 prioritises exactly this class of publicly exploited flaw.

CURRENT STATUS

Due today, exploitation confirmed in the wild, no reported federal compromise. Assessed roughly even chance, confidence MODERATE.

SECTION 4A - CYBER & INFORMATION SECURITY**CYB-004 -- IRAN-LINKED WATER AND WASTEWATER OT CAMPAIGN, NOW TWELVE STATES.**

Intrusions into water and wastewater operational technology that federal investigators suspect are Iran-linked have now been reported in at least twelve states, against the seven named in the 30-JUL joint FBI, EPA and CISA advisory. Named states include Michigan, Minnesota, Georgia, New Jersey and South Dakota; more than thirty Minnesota community water systems were affected. In Georgia, the Clayton County Water Authority, serving 300,000 customers in the Atlanta area, reported a water pressure drop that forced a boil-water advisory, with service restored within hours. Several utilities have lost remote monitoring and control and reverted to manual operation, and in some cases attackers reached pumps, valves and pressure control directly. Officials state drinking water has not been affected. No formal attribution has been made; the tradecraft resembles the 2023 CyberAv3ngers campaign against internet-facing PLCs using default credentials. The advised mitigations are unchanged: disconnect OT from the internet, change default and vendor-set credentials, and place controllers behind a firewall.

CYB-003 -- N-ABLE DOWNSTREAM MANAGED-ENDPOINT EXPOSURE. The operational significance of CVE-2026-18577 is not the RMM server but what sits behind it. A compromised N-central instance gives an attacker the vendor's own Take Control channel into every managed customer endpoint, which is a supply-chain position rather than a single-target one. The indicator detail carried in prior cycles - published attacker IP addresses and their attribution to commercial VPN exit nodes - was not re-verified against a vendor advisory this cycle and is not restated. What is confirmed and current is the deadline structure: CVE-2026-18577 falls due 06-AUG and its incomplete-patch predecessor CVE-2026-18556 on 07-AUG, so an administrator clearing the list in date order remediates the successor first. Organisations running N-central should treat every managed endpoint as in scope until the hotfix is confirmed applied and the Cloudflared persistence service is cleared.

GEO-002 | ISRAEL / LEBANON | FIRST ISRAELI FATALITIES SINCE THE JUNE TRUCE | ROME TALKS CUT SHORT

FLASH | NEW | 21

Why This Cycle	Two Israeli soldiers were killed and four seriously wounded in southern Lebanon, the first Israeli deaths since the truce that began in late June. Israel resumed strikes on Tyre district and issued its first evacuation warning in weeks while US-mediated talks were under way in Rome.								
Summary	Israel's military confirmed on 06-AUG that two soldiers were killed by an explosion in southern Lebanon and four more seriously wounded. Israel had begun strikes on 05-AUG, describing them as a response to a Hezbollah violation of the ceasefire, and warned residents of Mansouri to evacuate - the first such warning in weeks. Lebanon's National News Agency reported airstrikes and artillery on Tyre district continuing into the morning of 06-AUG, with eight wounded at Burj al-Shamali and three strikes in and around Mansouri. Lebanon's health ministry reported one killed and twelve wounded at Tebnine on 05-AUG. The strikes ran concurrently with the third round of US-mediated Israel-Lebanon talks in Rome on implementation of the 26-JUN agreement, under which Israeli forces withdraw in phases and the Lebanese army deploys in exchange for Hezbollah disarmament. Israel asked for the 05-AUG session to end three hours early, its delegation head blaming Lebanese leaks; the talks were due to resume on 06-AUG for a third and final day. Hezbollah had issued no statement at the cutoff.								
SALUTE	SIZE/TIME: Two Israeli soldiers killed and four seriously wounded, confirmed 06-AUG. Lebanese casualties reported by the health ministry and NNA: one killed and twelve wounded at Tebnine 05-AUG, eight wounded at Burj al-Shamali overnight. Strikes began the afternoon of 05-AUG and continued into the morning of 06-AUG across Tyre district.								
SOURCES	Israel Defense Forces via AP, 06-AUG Lebanon National News Agency, 06-AUG Lebanese Ministry of Public Health, 05-AUG AFP via CBS News, 05-AUG and 06-AUG CNN live coverage, 06-AUG								
Analyst Assessment	The northern front is reopening while attention is on the Strait, and the sequencing is the significant part: the strikes and the first fatalities landed in the middle of the only functioning negotiating track between the two governments. A ceasefire that has held since late June has now produced casualties on both sides within 24 hours, and Israel walked out of a session early. For US preparedness the relevant read-through is that Hezbollah is the one Iranian-aligned actor that has stayed largely out of the Hormuz confrontation, and a Lebanon escalation removes that restraint at the moment a Hormuz instrument is being drafted.								
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	DISCONFIRM	Israel framed the action explicitly as a response to a specific ceasefire violation; it continued to negotiate the following day; no reserve call-up or ground movement has been reported.
	CURRENT STATUS	Two days of strikes concentrated on one district, talks continuing. Assessed unlikely, confidence MODERATE.

MAR-001 -- HORMUZ AND RED SEA MERCHANT SHIPPING. UKMTO reported that the master of a tanker heard two explosions while transiting the Strait of Hormuz about 10 nautical miles southeast of Kumzar, Oman; the crew and vessel were confirmed safe with no environmental damage reported. Iran has fired on vessels it says failed to follow authorised routes since taking de facto control of the Strait. No status update has been published on the Minoan Pioneer, struck 2200Z 03-AUG northeast of Al Khasab, and its missing crew member remains unaccounted for. The more active theatre is the Red Sea: a Houthi military spokesman claimed the Saudi tanker Wafa off Yanbu on 05-AUG as the eighth Saudi tanker targeted since the declared blockade began on 22-JUL, and claimed a second vessel, the Daisy, by ballistic missile in the Gulf of Aden the same day. CBS carried a count of at least six over the same window; the claimant total and the media tally do not reconcile and neither is adopted here as verified. No Kpler transit figure is restated: at least three incompatible Hormuz series remain in circulation.

SECTION 5 - ENERGY / INFRASTRUCTURE / SUPPLY CHAIN

ENERGY / INFRASTRUCTURE MONITORS - 06 AUGUST 2026

ENR-001 OIL / ENERGY PRICES: Brent is marked at \$80.43/bbl and WTI at \$76.06/bbl on 06-AUG, up 1.23% and 1.11% respectively on the day, after three consecutive sessions of losses. Both are single-publisher CFD marks rather than exchange settles and are quoted from one source deliberately, since publishers diverged materially on 05-AUG. Saudi Aramco cut its flagship crude price for Asian buyers, which is consistent with an expectation of improving regional supply. No OPEC Basket, WTI Midland, natural gas, RBOB or heating oil figure was obtained this cycle and none is restated.

ENR-002 GRID / PUBLIC SAFETY POWER SHUTOFFS: Avista's Public Safety Power Shutoffs and fire-damage outages across eastern Washington, northern Idaho and eastern Oregon date from 01-AUG. No current customer-outage or restoration figure was obtained this cycle and the prior cycle's count is deliberately not restated. What is confirmed and current: Avista's 8-K states the company's facilities were not involved in starting any of the Spokane fires, that transmission damage in West Spokane has reduced system capacity and may cause periodic outages as repairs proceed, and that natural gas restoration requires individual premises inspection and relighting. Treat any specific outage count seen elsewhere as unverified against this cycle.

MAR-001 MARITIME SUPPLY CHAIN: See MAR-001 in Section 4B for the Kumzar explosions report and the Red Sea tanker claims. No Kpler Hormuz or Bab el-Mandeb transit count is restated this cycle: at least three incompatible Kpler-derived series are in circulation and a trend cannot be built across them. CENTCOM's blockade accounting is the one maritime count with a single authoritative publisher this cycle - 48 vessels redirected since 14-JUL, three in the preceding 24 hours.

SECTION 6 - AVIATION / TRANSPORTATION

AVIATION / TRANSPORTATION MONITORS - 06 AUGUST 2026

AVN-001 MIDDLE EAST / HORMUZ AIRSPACE: No change to EASA guidance this cycle. Conflict Zone Information Bulletins remain AVOID AT ALL LEVELS for Bahrain, Kuwait, Qatar, the UAE and the Gulf of Oman west of 58 deg E, and AVOID at all altitudes for Iran, Iraq and Lebanon. Kuwait FIR remains closed to

overflights and GNSS interference across Gulf FIRs persists as a standing condition. The one change in the window is regulatory rather than operational: the US Treasury lifted sanctions on Iraq's Fly Baghdad and two of its aircraft on 05-AUG, retaining the designation on the individual identified as its former owner. Note that the Beirut FIR advisory now sits over an active exchange - see GEO-002.

AVN-002 SURFACE / RAIL / TRANSIT: NSTR. No current-cycle surface, rail or transit security incident was identified. Wildfire-driven road, area and trail closures remain in effect across eastern Washington and north-central Oregon, including evacuations on the Sinlahekin, Little Giant, Kaiser Canyon and Grasshopper incidents.

SECTION 7 - METEOROLOGICAL WEATHER / SEVERE WEATHER / FIRE WEATHER

WX-001 | SLIGHT RISK TODAY - SOUTHERN PLAINS AND OZARKS | SUPERCELL AND LINE-SEGMENT WIND HAZARD

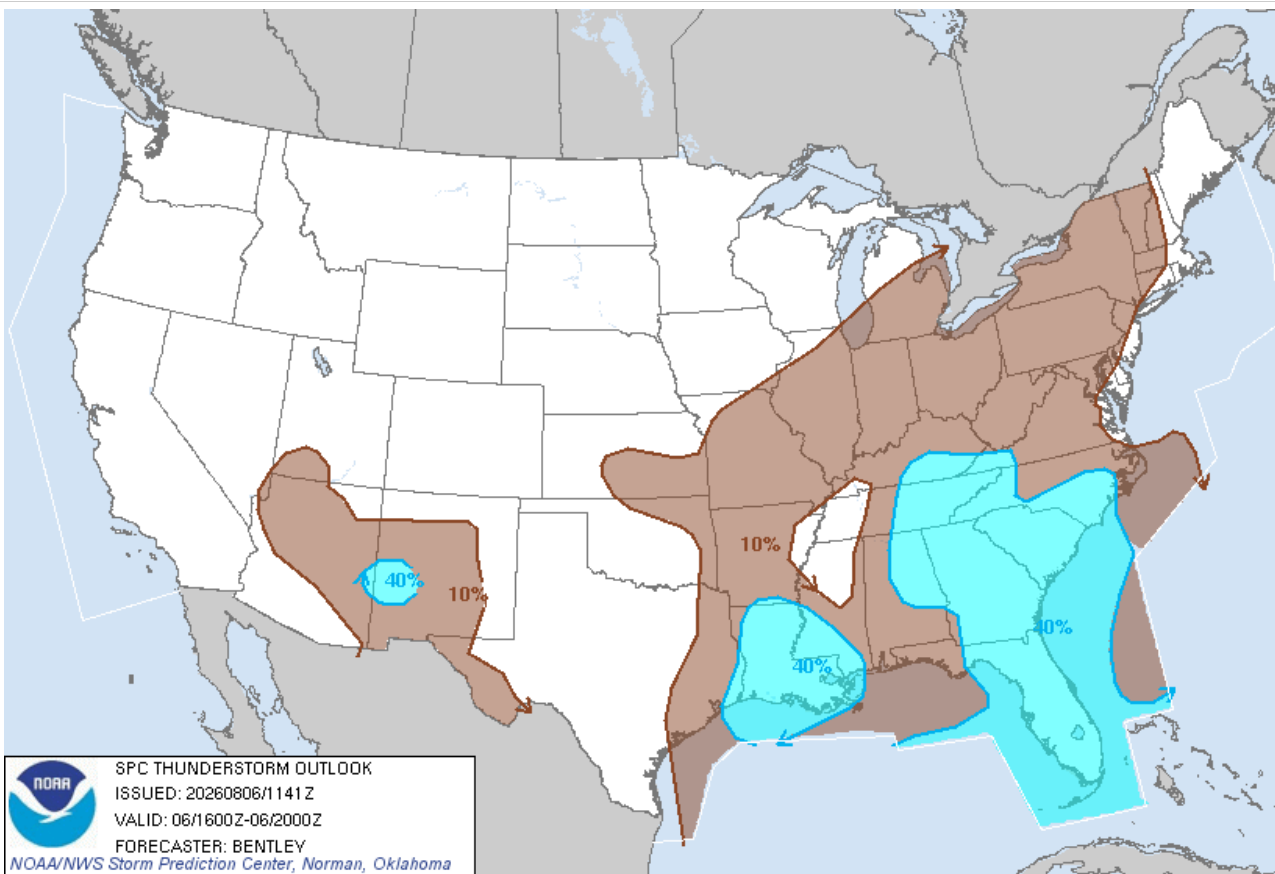
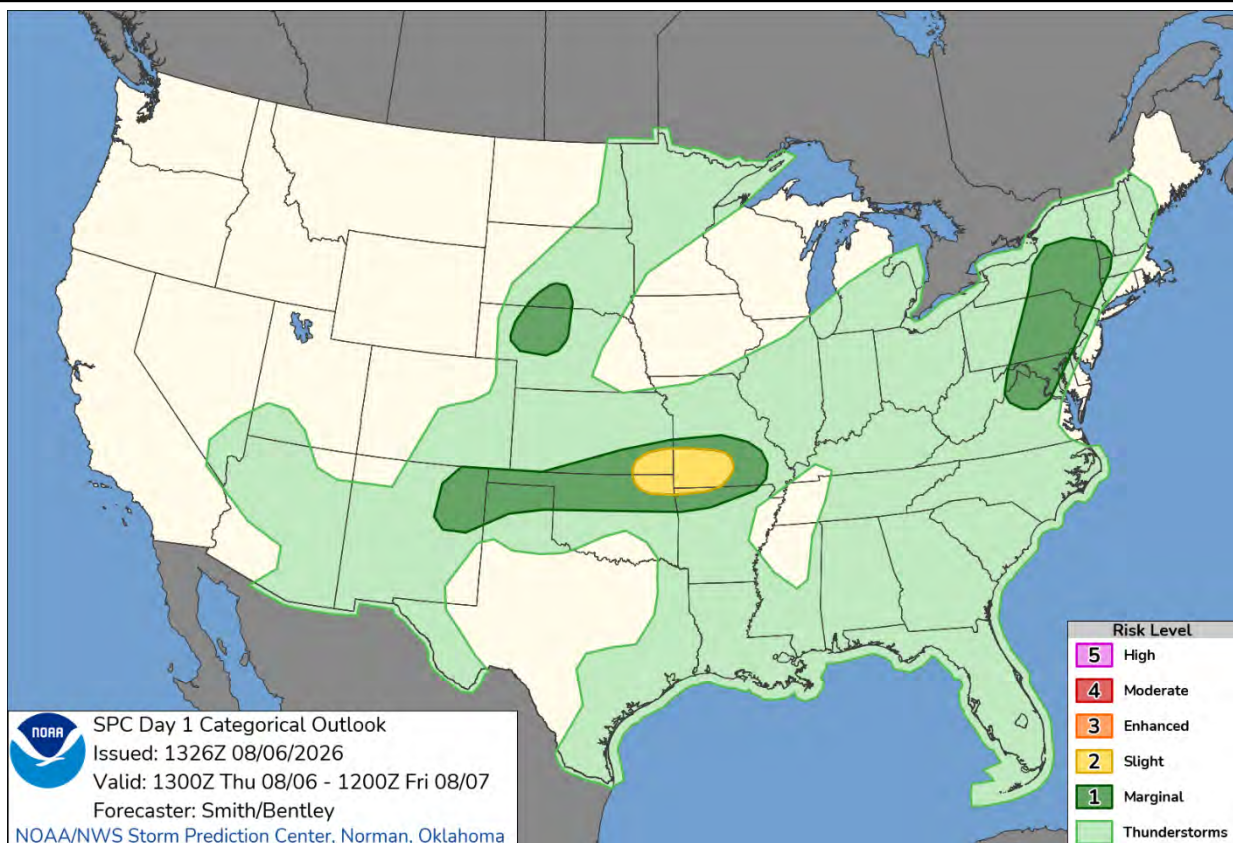
FLASH | ACTIVE | 20

Summary

SLIGHT risk today (06-AUG) across parts of southeast Kansas, northeast Oklahoma, southwest Missouri and far northwest Arkansas. An upper trough moves east toward the mid Mississippi Valley while a quasi-stationary front lies from far northern Oklahoma east-northeastward into south-central Missouri, with dewpoints in the 60s and lower 70s F. Daytime heating builds MLCAPE into the 2000-3000 J/kg range along the front, and low-level convergence focuses scattered development from southern Kansas into southwest Missouri during the afternoon, moving southeast into northern Oklahoma and far northwestern Arkansas by early to mid evening. A separate isolated severe-gust threat runs from the Mid-Atlantic northward into New York, and a third area of possible isolated severe gusts covers western Nebraska into southern South Dakota.

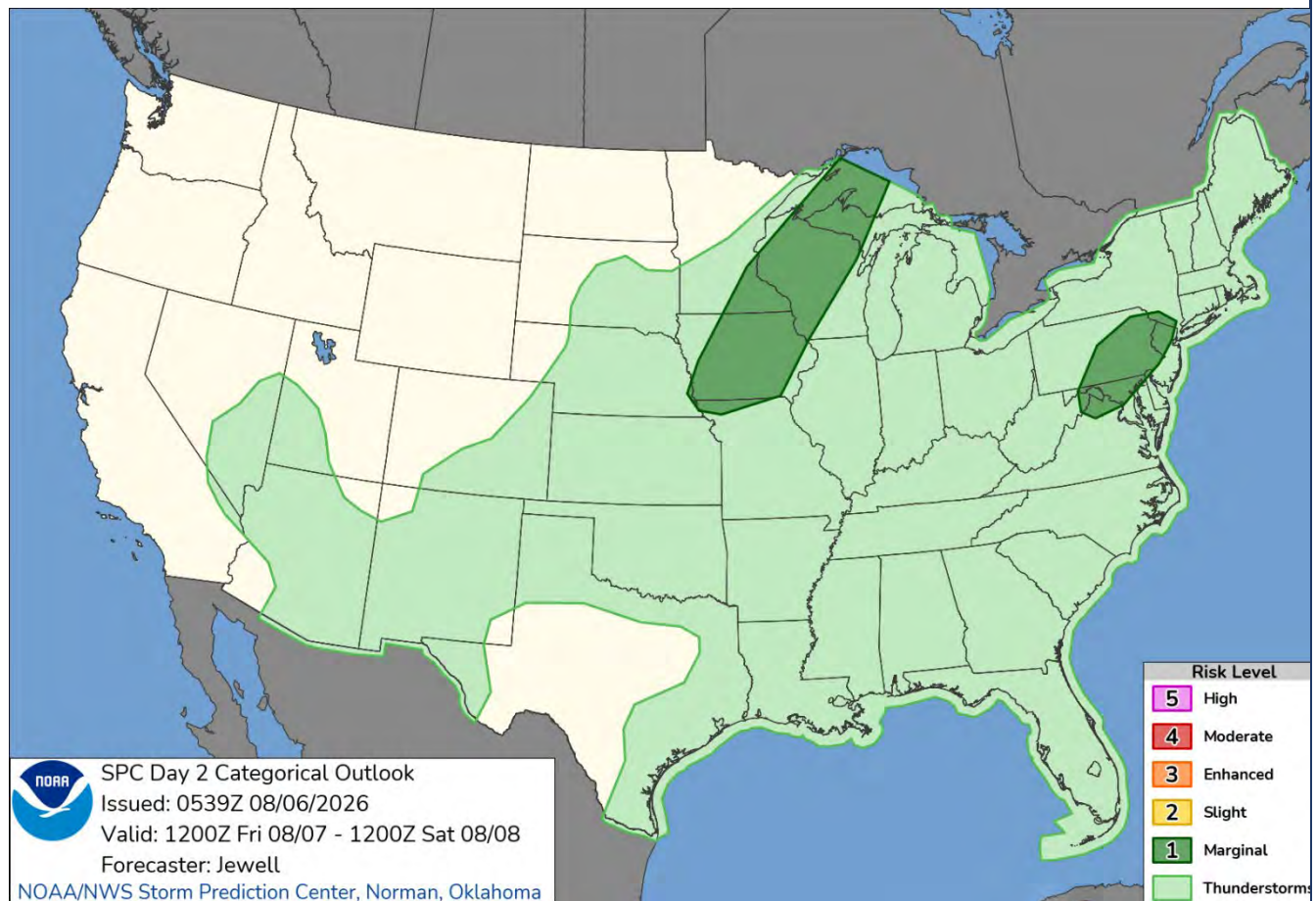
SPC Day 1 Convective Outlook

SPC Day 1 Convective Outlook, 1246 AM CDT Thu Aug 06 2026, valid 061200Z-071200Z. SLIGHT RISK of severe thunderstorms across parts of southeast Kansas, northeast Oklahoma, southwest Missouri and far northwest Arkansas. Thunderstorms with severe wind gusts and hail will be possible this afternoon and evening over parts of the Great Plains and Ozarks; isolated severe gusts will also be possible from the Mid-Atlantic northward into New York. RAP forecast soundings near the front early this evening carry 0-6 km shear of 35-40 kt with 0-3 km lapse rates near 8 C/km, supporting a mixed mode of supercells and multicell line segments. Forecasters Broyles and Supinie.



**SPC Day 2
Convective
Outlook**

SPC Day 2 Convective Outlook, 1239 AM CDT Thu Aug 06 2026, valid 071200Z-081200Z. MARGINAL RISK over parts of the upper Mississippi Valley and parts of the Northeast. A few strong to severe storms may occur from Iowa across Wisconsin into Upper Michigan on Friday with damaging gusts and isolated marginal hail; other storms may produce locally damaging gusts over parts of the Northeast. Forecaster Jewell.

**SPC Day 3
Convective
Outlook**

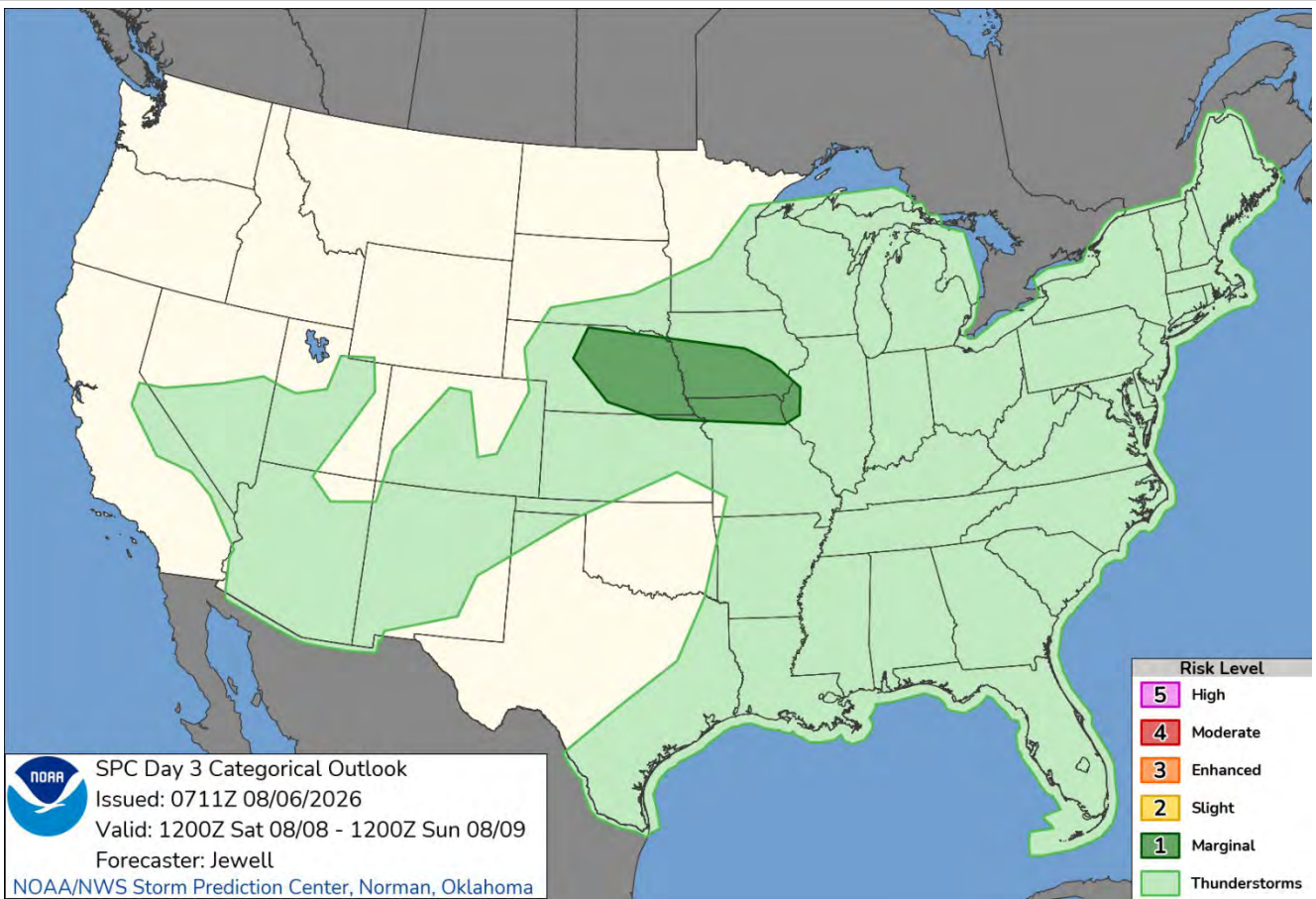
SPC Day 3 Convective Outlook, 0211 AM CDT Thu Aug 06 2026, valid 081200Z-091200Z. MARGINAL RISK from Nebraska into parts of Iowa and northern Missouri. A corridor of damaging winds may develop Saturday afternoon and evening, potentially organising into an MCS fed by a strengthening southerly low-level jet. Scattered afternoon storms are again likely over much of the eastern states within a high precipitable-water environment. Forecaster Jewell.

**Analyst
Assessment**

TODAY'S THREAT CHARACTER: A genuine upgrade rather than a relabelling. SPC moved from three separate MARGINAL areas on 05-AUG to a single SLIGHT area today, and the mechanism is different: a frontal focus with 2000-3000 J/kg MLCAPE and 35-40 kt deep-layer shear supports organised modes, where the 05-AUG areas were pulse-and-microburst driven. Both supercells and line segments are forecast, so hail and damaging wind are in play rather than wind alone.

LIKELIHOOD: Reports of damaging wind gusts within the SLIGHT area today: likely -- SPC forecasts a mixed supercell and line-segment mode with a persistent severe threat into the mid to late evening. **CONFIDENCE:** MODERATE.

LIKELIHOOD: A significant tornado within the SLIGHT area today: very unlikely -- SPC's discussion names severe gusts and hail as the hazards and does not identify a tornado mode. **CONFIDENCE:** MODERATE.



ALT HYP

ALT A: The SLIGHT area is upgraded to Enhanced before the event [unlikely]**SUPPORT**

MLCAPE is forecast into the 2000-3000 J/kg range with 35-40 kt of deep-layer shear, which supports supercells; SPC notes the threat could persist into the mid to late evening.

DISCONFIRM

SPC describes a mixed mode with a primarily wind-damage threat from line segments rather than a corridor of significant severe; large-scale ascent is not identified as strong.

CURRENT STATUS

SLIGHT, issued 1246 CDT 06-AUG. Assessed unlikely, confidence MODERATE.

ALT B: The Mid-Atlantic and New York gust threat produces more damage reports than the Plains SLIGHT area [roughly even chance]**SUPPORT**

MLCAPE peaks in the 2000-3000 J/kg range there as well, with steep low-level lapse rates and dewpoints in the lower to mid 70s F; the corridor is far more densely populated, so reports scale with exposure rather than with meteorology alone.

DISCONFIRM

SPC placed the Mid-Atlantic and New York area at MARGINAL rather than SLIGHT and describes the threat as isolated; there is no surface boundary to focus development.

CURRENT STATUS

Two areas, different tiers, both wind-dominant. Assessed roughly even chance, confidence LOW.

SOURCESNOAA SPC Day 1 Convective Outlook | NOAA SPC Day 2 Convective Outlook | NOAA SPC Day 3 Convective Outlook | NWS Wichita KS | NWS Springfield MO | weather.gov**SECTION 7B - WILDFIRE REPORT (SEPARATE FROM METEOROLOGICAL WEATHER -- SEE SECTION 7 FOR WX-001)****WX-002 | SEC 7B FIRE WEATHER | SINLAHEKIN 117,078 ACRES, THREE INCIDENTS ADD 11,000+ EACH | NPL 5 OF 5****FLASH | ACTIVE | 24****Summary**

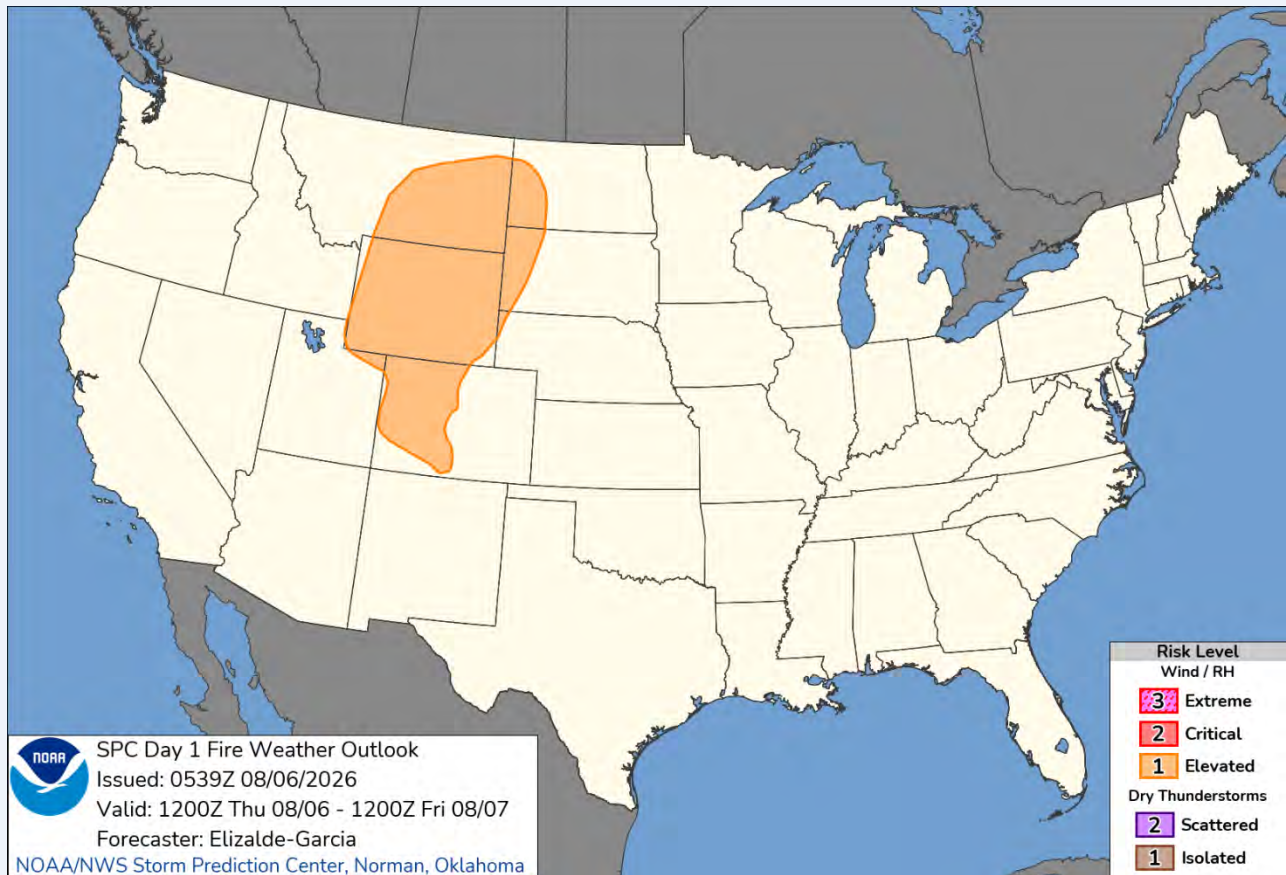
The Pacific Northwest picture has changed shape. Spokane is no longer the driving incident: Sinlahekin, one mile west of Tonasket, reached 117,078 acres at 9% containment after adding 14,144 acres in a single operational period with extreme fire behaviour including crowning, group torching and long-range spotting. Little Giant, thirty miles northwest of Leavenworth, reached 70,853 acres at 0% containment after adding 11,507. Outside the Northwest, Tartar in Idaho added 30,415 acres to 138,271 at 41% containment and Widemouth 2 in Utah added 16,218 to 84,409 at 0%. The three Spokane fires total 10,546 acres with 707 structures destroyed - Old Trails 3,621 acres and 570 structures, Autumn Lane 5,869 and 80, Fairview 1,056 and 57. Aaron F. Farinacci, 37, was arrested on 03-AUG and charged with first-degree arson for causing the Old Trails Fire, and is held on \$1 million bond with a court date on 06-AUG; investigations into Autumn Lane and Fairview continue. About 65,000 people have been displaced since 01-AUG, fourteen previously unaccounted-for people have been located, and no deaths or injuries have been reported.

National Status

NIFC National Preparedness Level (NPL): 5 of 5, the maximum, held since 18-JUL 0730 MDT and confirmed on the IMSR of 05-AUG pulled directly this cycle. Source: nifc.gov/fire-information/nfn.

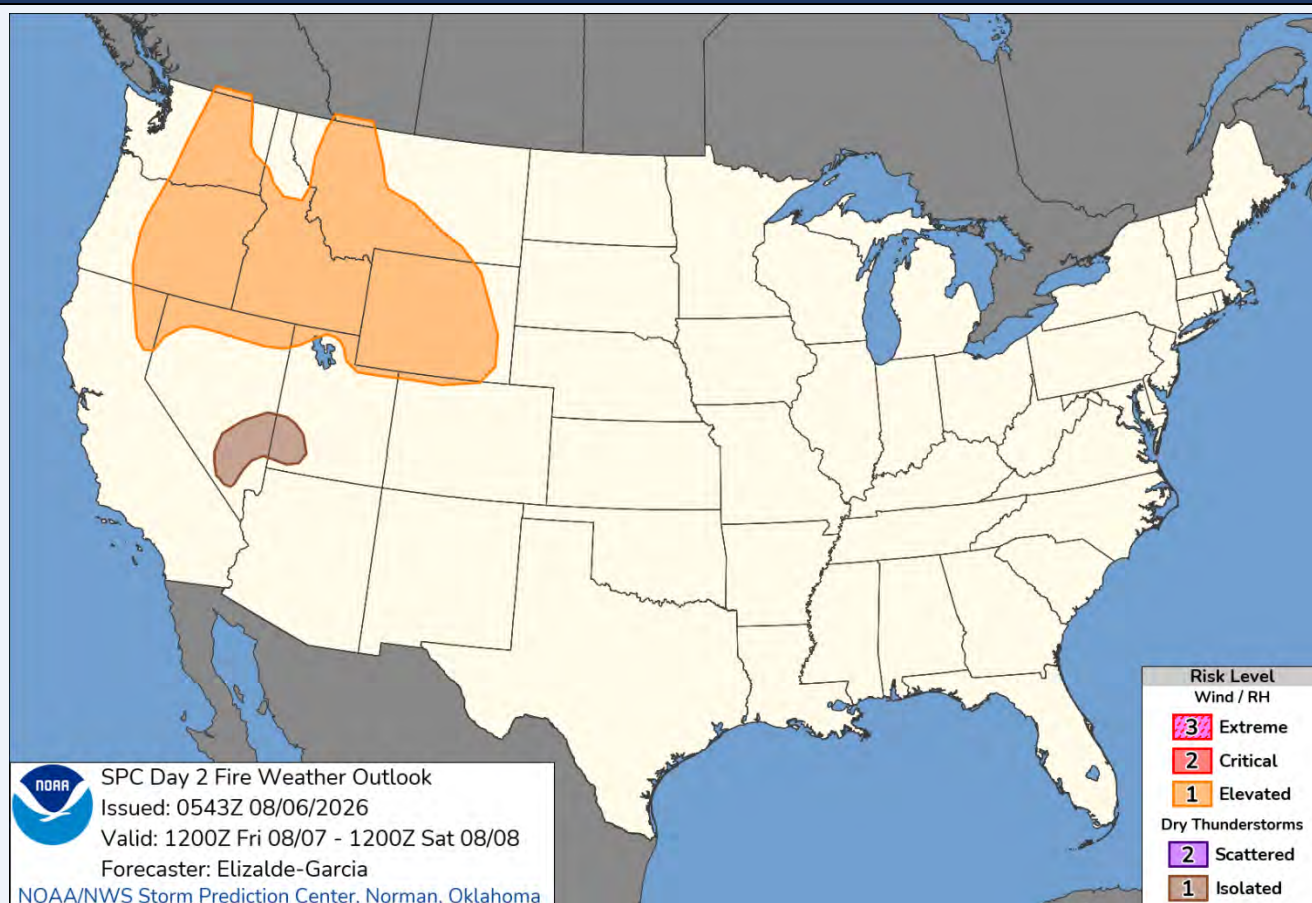
SPC Fire Weather Day 1

SPC Day 1 Fire Weather Outlook, 1239 AM CDT Thu Aug 06 2026, valid 061200Z-071200Z. NO CRITICAL AREAS. Elevated highlights are maintained across portions of the Colorado Plateau into the northern Plains where ERCs run at the 80th to 95th percentile and NDVI shows a significant 30-day decrease in live green vegetation. Ahead of a cold front entering eastern Montana between 18-00Z, highs reach 90+ F with RH below 20% and west-northwesterly winds of 15-20 mph. Isolated mixed wet and dry thunderstorms are possible across far southern Nevada and Utah into northwest Arizona. Forecaster Elizalde-Garcia.



SPC Fire Weather Day 2

SPC Day 2 Fire Weather Outlook, 1243 AM CDT Thu Aug 06 2026, valid 071200Z-081200Z. NO CRITICAL AREAS. Elevated conditions are forecast across much of the Northwest, where a prolonged dry airmass has pushed forecast annual ERCs past the 95th to 98th percentiles and terrain-driven winds with 10-20% RH over exceptionally dry fuels favour new starts and will affect active fires. Isolated Dry Thunderstorm highlights have been introduced across southern Nevada and southwestern Utah, where PWATs of 0.8 inches or less limit precipitation efficiency over fuels made receptive by several hot, dry days. California valleys reach 100+ F with 5-15% RH but lack the sustained wind duration for a highlight. Forecaster Elizalde-Garcia.



Active Fire Areas (NIFC IMSR 05-AUG 0730 MDT, pulled directly this cycle)

NORTHWEST AND INTERMOUNTAIN LEADERS: Sinlahekin (WA-NES) 117,078 acres, 9% contained, +14,144 in one period, 1,560 personnel. Little Giant (WA-OWF) 70,853 acres, 0% contained, +11,507, 1,506 personnel. Kaiser Canyon (WA-COA) 136,713 acres, 48% contained. Modrite (WA-NES) 51,836 acres, 35% contained. Tartar (ID-BOD) 138,271 acres, 41% contained, +30,415 - the largest single-period growth on the board. Widemouth 2 (UT-FIF) 84,409 acres, 0% contained, +16,218. Nationally the largest incidents are in Oregon: Big Grass 346,678 acres at 35%, Rowe Creek Complex 325,265 at 57%, Coleman Creek 278,128 at 32%.

NATIONAL: SEC 7B MANDATORY FIELDS (§0.117): NPL 5 of 5, held since 18-JUL 0730 MDT per NIFC (source: nifc.gov/fire-information/nfn). 94 uncontained large fires, 3 new large incidents and 3 large fires contained in the period; initial attack activity light at 97 fires; 27 CIMTs and 1 NIMO committed; 28,700 personnel nationally, up 1,252. Year to date 45,184 fires and 5,465,682 acres, 128% and 143% of ten-year averages. Cumulative acres on active incidents 3,260,932 - a narrower scope than the year-to-date total. 7-Day Significant Fire Potential, per the SPC fire weather outlooks of 06-AUG: no critical areas on Day 1 or Day 2, with Elevated across the Colorado Plateau into the northern Plains and, on Day 2, much of the Northwest at ERCs above the 95th percentile.

INTERNATIONAL AND MILITARY AUGMENTATION: one 15-member incident management team and 59 fireline management personnel from Australia and New Zealand are assigned to the Northwest Area. Four MAFFS C-130 airtankers are deployed - two from the 302nd Airlift Wing at Klamath Falls, Oregon, and one each from the 153rd and 146th Airlift Wings at Redding, California. The Northwest Area holds 49 incidents, 2,276,209 cumulative acres and 18,572 personnel.

NWR COVERAGE NOTES - NO HIGH-GAP ALERT THIS CYCLE: Six multi-station clusters exist on today's roster - Alaska (3), New Mexico (3), Georgia, Minnesota, Tennessee and Texas (2 each) - and none of them overlaps an active severe-weather or wildfire hazard area this cycle, so no HIGH-GAP ALERT is raised. Stated positively: Oklahoma, Missouri and Arkansas, the three states inside today's SLIGHT risk, have no

	transmitters out of service; Kansas has one (Ulysses WYN81), but it lies well west of the risk area under the Dodge City WFO. Washington, Oregon and Idaho, the wildfire theatre, are also clear. New York's single outage (Albany WXL34) sits under today's isolated Mid-Atlantic to New York gust threat and is the one gap worth watching, but a single station is not a cluster.								
Analyst Assessment	SEASON TRAJECTORY: At 45,184 fires and 5,465,682 acres burned nationally year to date, running 128% and 143% of ten-year averages with NPL held at 5 of 5 since 18-JUL, the season remains well above historical norms and the acreage ratio moved five points in one reporting period. NIFC states its own SIT/209 year-to-date total is a known underestimate, so treat 5,465,682 as a floor rather than a measurement. WHERE THE FIRE ACTUALLY IS: The framing carried into this cycle was wrong and is corrected here. The Spokane fires, at 10,546 acres, are not among the fifteen largest incidents in the country; their significance is structural loss and displacement in an urban interface, not area. The incidents driving national resource demand are Sinlahekin, Little Giant, Tartar and Widemouth 2, each of which added more than 11,000 acres in one operational period, against a national total of three new large incidents. FIRE-WEATHER TRAJECTORY: Fire weather is quiet on paper and the fires are not. SPC carries no critical areas on Day 1 or Day 2, yet four incidents each added five figures of acreage in a single period. The Day 2 discussion is the one to watch: ERCs across the Northwest are forecast past the 95th to 98th percentile, which means fuel dryness rather than wind is now the governing variable, and a highlight-free forecast does not imply a benign one. LIKELIHOOD: New significant fire starts driven by a critical fire-weather event over the next 48 hours: unlikely -- SPC Day 1 and Day 2 Fire Weather Outlooks both read NO CRITICAL AREAS. CONFIDENCE: MODERATE. LIKELIHOOD: National Preparedness Level remaining at 5 through the next cycle: almost certain -- 94 uncontained large fires, 28,700 personnel committed and international augmentation in place. CONFIDENCE: HIGH.								
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	CURRENT STATUS	NPL 5 of 5 held since 18-JUL. Assessed very unlikely, confidence HIGH.

NWR TRANSMITTER OUTAGE STATUS - 06 AUGUST 2026

Source: NOAA NWR (noaa_nwr T1) | as of Thu, 06 Aug 2026 1125 UTC (operator-supplied timestamped feed, treated as authoritative per SOP) | 21 stations OOS/DEGRADED (18 OOS / 3 DEGRADED) across 13 states

ST	Callsign	Location	Freq	WFO	Status
AK	KWN30	Kotzebue	162.550	Fairbanks AK	DEGRADED
AK	WXJ62	Nome	162.550	Fairbanks AK	OUT OF SERVICE
AK	KJY73	Saint Paul Island	162.525	Anchorage AK	OUT OF SERVICE
CA	WWG21	Santa Ana	162.450	San Diego CA	OUT OF SERVICE
GA	WXM65	Baxley	162.525	Jacksonville FL	OUT OF SERVICE
GA	WXJ72	Summerville	162.450	Peachtree City GA	OUT OF SERVICE
IL	KXI79	Hillsboro	162.425	St. Louis MO	OUT OF SERVICE
IN	KXI94	Angola	162.425	Northern Indiana IN	DEGRADED
KS	WXN81	Ulysses	162.450	Dodge City KS	OUT OF SERVICE
MI	WNG572	Petoskey	162.475	Gaylord MI	OUT OF SERVICE
MN	KXI45	Gunflint Lake	162.525	Duluth MN	OUT OF SERVICE
MN	WXK41	Rochester	162.475	La Crosse WI	OUT OF SERVICE
NM	WXN24	Artesia	162.425	Midland/Odessa TX	OUT OF SERVICE
NM	WWF37	Carlsbad	162.475	Midland/Odessa TX	OUT OF SERVICE
NM	WWG36	Roswell	162.450	Albuquerque NM	OUT OF SERVICE
NV	WNG731	Owyhee	162.450	Elko NV	DEGRADED
NY	WXL34	Albany	162.550	Albany NY	OUT OF SERVICE
TN	WNG631	Lafayette	162.525	Nashville TN	OUT OF SERVICE
TN	WXK63	Shelbyville	162.475	Nashville TN	OUT OF SERVICE
TX	WWG40	Bay City	162.425	Houston/Galveston TX	OUT OF SERVICE
TX	WNG601	Rio Grande City	162.425	Brownsville/Rio Grande Valley TX	OUT OF SERVICE

SOURCES: weather.gov/nwr/outages

SECTION 7B - WILDFIRE

NPL 5 of 5, held since 18-JUL. 94 uncontained large fires, 3 new large incidents, 27 CIMTs and 1 NIMO committed, 28,700 personnel committed nationally. 45,184 fires and 5,465,682 acres year to date, 128% and 143% of ten-year averages.

SINLAHEKIN FIRE (WA): ACTIVE, 9% contained, 117,078 acres one mile west of Tonasket - up 14,144 acres in a single operational period, with extreme fire behaviour including crowning, group torching and long-

range spotting. Numerous residences and communication infrastructure threatened; evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

LITTLE GIANT FIRE (WA): ACTIVE, 0% contained, 70,853 acres thirty miles northwest of Leavenworth - up 11,507 acres in one period, extreme fire behaviour with crowning and long-range spotting, 1,506 personnel committed.

SPOKANE AREA FIRES (WA): ACTIVE, 0% contained. Old Trails 3,621 acres, Autumn Lane 5,869, Fairview 1,056 - 10,546 acres combined with 707 structures destroyed. Aaron F. Farinacci, 37, charged 03-AUG with first-degree arson for causing the Old Trails Fire, held on \$1 million bond; the Autumn Lane and Fairview causes remain under investigation. About 65,000 people displaced, no deaths or injuries reported.

SECTION 7C - SPACE WEATHER & EMCOMM

SWX-001 SWX-CON NSTR GEOMAGNETIC FIELD QUIET, KP 1 OBSERVED		WATCH UPDATED 4
Why This Cycle	Geomagnetic activity has fallen to quiet. The greatest observed Kp dropped from 4 to 1 across the cycle and SWPC has issued no warning or alert since 04-AUG.	
SWPC Status	NOAA SWPC 3-Day Forecast, issued 2026 Aug 06 0030 UTC. Greatest observed 3-hour Kp over the past 24 hours: 1, below NOAA Scale levels. Greatest expected 3-hour Kp for Aug 06 to Aug 08: 3.67, below NOAA Scale levels. No G1 (Minor) or greater geomagnetic storms are expected and no significant transient or recurrent solar wind features are forecast. Solar radiation observed by GOES-18 over the past 24 hours was below S-scale thresholds, with S1-or-greater probability at 1% on each of the three days. The most recent SWPC warning product remains WARK04 serial 5398 of 04-AUG 0810 UTC, which EXPIRED at 04-AUG 1500 UTC and was not extended; it is reproduced nowhere in this product as an in-force item.	
Summary	The partial-halo CME from the 30-JUL long-duration M1.9 flare in Active Region 4492 has fully passed. The field has decayed from the G2 peak of two cycles ago through K4 to a quiet observed Kp of 1, and the three-day forecast peaks at 3.67 on 07-AUG - unsettled at worst and below the Kp 5 threshold that defines G1. SWPC's rationale states no significant transient or recurrent solar wind features are forecast, meaning no coronal-hole high-speed stream is expected to lift activity either.	
Operational Impacts	IMPACT SUMMARY: IMPACT SUMMARY: No geomagnetic impact is stated at this level: no induced-current effect, no aurora advisory, no satellite drag or spacecraft orientation impact, and no radiation storm. The impact language carried in prior cycles derived from the expired K-index 4 warning and does not apply to a quiet field. SWX-CON is held at NSTR.	
HF / COMMS Assessment	No R-scale radio blackout is in force and none is forecast. At an observed Kp of 1 there is no HF propagation impact from geomagnetic activity; the high-latitude HF fading advised during the G2 period ended two cycles ago. Operators should treat HF conditions as governed by ordinary ionospheric and solar-flux factors this cycle, not by geomagnetic disturbance.	
Analyst Assessment	This is the cleanest space-weather picture in more than a week and the cycle's discipline point is what was removed rather than what was added. The K-index 4 warning of 04-AUG expired that afternoon and was not extended, so no SWPC warning or alert is in force; a retrieval timestamp on an archived message is not an issuance time, and nothing in this section is carried forward from it. On the underlying physics, a forecast peak of 3.67 with no transient or recurrent solar wind features means there is no identified driver for escalation over the forecast window. LIKELIHOOD: Conditions remain below G1 through the next cycle: very likely -- observed Kp is 1, the forecast peak is 3.67, and SWPC identifies no transient or recurrent solar wind feature. CONFIDENCE: HIGH.	

	LIKELIHOOD: Escalation to G2 or above before the next cycle: very unlikely -- no Earth-directed CME has been identified and no warning or alert has been issued in two days. CONFIDENCE: HIGH.	
SOURCES	NOAA SWPC main portal SWPC Real-Time Solar Wind SWPC Planetary K-index GPSJam real-time interference map SWPC HF Radio Impacts SpaceWeatherLive	
ALT HYP	ALT A: Conditions remain below G1 through the next cycle [very likely]	
	SUPPORT	Observed Kp has fallen to 1; the driving CME has passed and been absorbed; SWPC forecasts no significant transient or recurrent solar wind features and no warning has been issued since 04-AUG.
	DISCONFIRM	The forecast rises to 3.67 on 07-AUG rather than staying flat, so the field is not entirely settled; coronal-hole effects can develop inside a three-day window.
	CURRENT STATUS	Observed Kp 1, expected peak 3.67 through 08-AUG, no active products. Assessed very likely, confidence HIGH.
	ALT B: Activity re-escalates to G1 or above before the next cycle [very unlikely]	
	SUPPORT	The forecast is not flat - Kp rises to 3.67 late on 07-AUG - and recurrent streams can lift activity without a new eruption.
	DISCONFIRM	Peak Kp during the event reached 5.67 and has decayed to an observed 1; the CME has passed; SWPC explicitly forecasts no significant transient or recurrent solar wind features.
	CURRENT STATUS	Quiet field, no active products, no identified driver. Assessed very unlikely, confidence HIGH.

SECTION 7D - TROPICAL / HURRICANE WEATHER

North Atlantic NSTR this cycle - tropical cyclone formation is not expected during the next 7 days. The eastern and central Pacific outlook now carries TWO tagged areas rather than one, each at near 0% through 48 hours and 30% through 7 days, up from 20% last cycle.

Status	Direct nhc.gov pull this cycle. North Atlantic, Caribbean and Gulf of America outlook issued 800 AM EDT Thu Aug 6 2026 (forecaster Reinhart): formation not expected through 7 days. Eastern and central North Pacific outlook issued 500 AM PDT Thu Aug 6 2026 (forecaster Berg): a broad area of low pressure could form by early next week over the western east Pacific and move westward at 10 to 15 mph toward or into the central Pacific basin, near 0% through 48 hours and 30% through 7 days; separately, an area of low pressure is forecast to form well offshore of southwestern Mexico late this weekend or early next week and drift west-northwestward, also near 0% through 48 hours and 30% through 7 days. No tropical cyclone is active in any basin. The Atlantic basin is clear; the Pacific basins are not, and the seven-day probabilities rose by ten points this cycle.
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

AGR-001 TAYLOR FARMS ICEBERG LETTUCE CYCLOSPORA OUTBREAK EXPANDS FROM NINE STATES TO FIFTEEN TWO DEATHS		HIGH NEW 18
Why This Cycle	CDC expanded what it describes as the largest known cyclosporiasis outbreak from nine states to fifteen on 05-AUG, adding Arkansas, Iowa, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire and North Carolina. Two deaths, both in Michigan and both in people with underlying conditions, are outbreak-associated.	
Summary	The outbreak is traced to shredded iceberg lettuce sourced from central Mexico and supplied by Taylor Farms de Mexico, which issued a voluntary recall on 17-JUL covering all central-Mexico iceberg lettuce, distributed to restaurants and retail in 27 states and including Marketside-brand product sold at Walmart. The majority of cases trace to lettuce served at Taco Bell. The fifteen states are Arkansas, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania and West Virginia. CDC has not published a national case total for the fifteen-state footprint; the last published outbreak-linked figure was 1,947 laboratory-confirmed cases with at least 98 hospitalisations at the nine-state stage, and that figure is scope-labelled here rather than presented as current. Missouri's health department reported 1,095 cases as of 02-AUG, close to double its previous week. Cyclospora cases have been reported in at least 47 states this year from all sources, most of them unrelated to this outbreak. Illness typically begins about a week after exposure, with a range from two days to more than two weeks. Recalled product carried Best-if-Used-By dates from 18-JUL to 03-AUG and should be past shelf life, which shifts the risk from ongoing exposure to case ascertainment.	
Analyst Assessment	SCALE AND SCOPE: A parasitic outbreak that has produced two deaths and at least 98 recorded hospitalisations across fifteen states, from a single recalled product line, is the most significant domestic food-safety event of the season and is still growing in reported footprint rather than in fresh exposure. AGRICULTURAL INPUT PICTURE: Separately on the input side, the national fire posture holds at NPL 5 of 5 with 5,465,682 acres burned year to date, weighted heavily toward the Northwest Area, where the exposure is rangeland and livestock rather than row crop. INPUT COST TRAJECTORY: Crude has partially rebounded to \$80.43 Brent, but the input that actually drives agricultural margins is diesel, and EIA holds it at \$5.348/gal for the week ending 03-AUG, up \$1.548 year-on-year and still rising week-on-week while gasoline falls. Diesel is not following crude down, so the de-escalation trade has not yet reached the farm gate.	
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 83 DRC NATIONAL SERIES 3,874 CONFIRMED / 1,751 DEATHS		HIGH UPDATED 16
Why This Cycle	The DRC national series moved to 3,874 confirmed cases and 1,751 deaths on data to 03-AUG, up 126 cases and 94 deaths since the 01-AUG figure. The WHO series is unchanged at 3,605 and 1,587 as of 30-JUL and has not been re-published.	
Summary	Bundibugyo ebolavirus PHEIC declared 16-MAY-2026, now Day 83. Two separate series are in circulation and are never mixed here. The DRC national series, reported on 04-AUG with data to 03-AUG and carried by ECDC, reads 3,874 confirmed cases and 1,751 deaths, a crude CFR of 45.2%, with 717 patients hospitalised in isolation. The WHO series, last published in Disease Outbreak News 614 with data to 30-JUL, reads 3,605 confirmed and 1,587 deaths, a crude CFR	

	of 44%, across five provinces and 49 health zones with active transmission in 33 of them; Ituri accounts for 88% of confirmed cases and 82.6% of deaths. Epidemiological week 30 remains the worst week of the outbreak at 567 cases and 296 deaths. CDC assesses this as the second-largest Ebola outbreak on record and the fastest-spreading; it passed its first thousand confirmed cases within 40 days of response activation against roughly 235 days in 2018. Uganda's Ministry of Health declared its outbreak over on 28-JUL at 20 confirmed cases and 2 deaths, twelve days after the last patient was discharged and with the last confirmed case on 21-JUN. US entry restrictions for travellers recently in the DRC, and certain travellers from Uganda and South Sudan, were continued by an order issued 13-JUL for 30 days, which places the renewal decision inside the coming week.																
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SOURCES	WHO Disease Outbreak News DON614 (30-JUL) ECDC Ebola epidemiological update (04-AUG) ACLED Great Lakes conflict monitoring CDC Bundibugyo virus guidance																
Analyst Assessment	The gap between the two series is now the story. The national series has moved 269 cases and 164 deaths beyond the WHO figures over four days, which means the WHO update, when it lands, will register a step change rather than a trend. At a CFR above 45% on the national series the deaths are tracking cases proportionally, so this is transmission rather than a detection artefact. The 717 patients currently in isolation is the operationally useful number: it sizes the bed, staff and PPE demand that is actually in place today rather than the cumulative burden.																
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SECTION 10 - OPERATIONAL CONDITIONS ASSESSMENT

PREP-CON 3
BROWN SKY
 Incident
 Probable

PREP-CON 3 -- BROWN SKY (Incident Probable) HELD THIS CYCLE**MOVEMENT ASSESSMENT**

SUPPORTS DE-ESCALATION TO 4: The US strike pause has held eight consecutive nights, route coordinates are agreed and a joint statement is in final drafting. If an instrument is published and transit normalises, the case for 4 becomes strong.

SUPPORTS HOLDING AT 3 (today): Tehran states the arrangement does not reopen the Strait while the blockade stands, the fee terms are contradicted between parties, and suspected Iran-linked intrusions into US water utilities have widened from seven states to twelve.

SUPPORTS ESCALATION TO 2: Not met. No CONUS casualty and no strike on Pickaxe Mountain. The water-sector intrusions are the closest approach to the escalation criterion this cycle: they are confirmed and widening, but formally unattributed and without impact on drinking water.

LIKELIHOOD: PREP-CON moves to 4 within the week: roughly even chance -- an instrument is in final drafting and the pause has held eight nights, but Tehran has publicly decoupled the arrangement from reopening. **CONFIDENCE:** MODERATE.

WX-CON ESCALATION RECOMMENDATION - LOCAL CALL: this cycle continues to recommend WX-CON move from 3 GUARDED to 2, and the basis has strengthened for a third consecutive cycle. Four separate incidents each added more than 11,000 acres in a single operational period under a no-critical-areas fire-weather forecast, national personnel committed rose 1,252 to 28,700 with international augmentation in place, the year-to-date acreage ratio moved from 138% to 143% of the ten-year average in one reporting period, and NPL has held at 5 of 5 since 18-JUL. The federal emergency declaration for six Washington counties and three tribal nations remains in force. The tier change is an operator decision and is not applied in this product.

COMCON 4
INCREASED
VIGILANCE
OPERATOR
CONFIRMED

COMCON 4 (Increased Vigilance) held. No CONUS communications degradation was identified this cycle. Geomagnetic activity has fallen to a quiet field at observed Kp 1 with no SWPC warning or alert in force and no R-scale radio blackout, so the space-weather contribution to COMCON is nil. The argument for holding rather than reducing to 5 is terrestrial: 21 NWR transmitters are out or degraded across 13 states, and suspected Iran-linked intrusions into utility operational technology have widened to twelve states, several of which have lost remote monitoring and control.

SECTION 11 - DOMESTIC UNREST / SOFT TARGET

DOMESTIC UNREST / SOFT TARGET -- NSTR THIS CYCLE. No qualifying domestic soft-target attack, mass-casualty incident or civil-disorder event was identified in the 05-AUG to 06-AUG window. The one domestic criminal matter bearing on another entry is the Spokane arson prosecution, carried in WX-002 rather than duplicated here. Standing posture is unchanged: no DHS National Terrorism Advisory System bulletin was issued or amended in the window.

SECTION 12 - ANALYTICAL INTEGRITY & SOURCE REGISTRY

ANALYTICAL INTEGRITY STANDARD - APPLIED TO THIS PRODUCT

No Epistemic Cowardice. When evidence supports a finding, we state the finding. We do not substitute hedges, attribution-laundering, or filler phrasing for assessments the evidence justifies. Genuinely mixed evidence is stated directly with the split explained. This applies to all state actors equally.

No Gatekeeping. Our readers receive the same operational picture a federal practitioner would see. PREP-CON assessment is not softened for comfort. If the operational basis supports a given level, the DTR states that level.

No Dunning-Kruger Enablement. We do not publish confidence our sources cannot sustain. Every confidence level is auditable against the cited sources. Split confidence is applied when different aspects of a finding sit at different evidentiary levels.

ANTI-BIAS DISCIPLINE - SOURCE-SYMMETRIC SKEPTICISM

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ICD 203 / ICD 206 ANALYTIC STANDARDS CONFORMANCE (SOP v5.57 §0.113)

This product is produced in conformance with ICD 203 (Analytic Standards) and ICD 206 (Sourcing Requirements for Disseminated Analytic Products). Standards applied this cycle: (1) Likelihood and confidence are stated as separate dimensions on every forward judgement, using only the §0.55 likelihood ladder. (2) Every scored entry carries at least two alternative hypotheses with supporting and disconfirming evidence. (3) Sourcing is stated inline with retrieval dates. (4) 27 of 56 mandatory sources were live-pulled this cycle. (5) Seven figures are withheld for want of provenance or unreconciled source conflict rather than carried forward unverified; each is named in the reporting-window note above. (6) The operator supplied two NWR transmitter lists this cycle; the timestamped 06-AUG 1125 UTC feed (21 stations across 13 states) is used as authoritative and the untimestamped list is discarded, per the standing rule. (7) Where a claimant figure and a media tally disagree - the Houthi tanker count - both are reported and neither is adopted as verified.

Full Analytical Methodology: fortunefavorstheprepared.com/analytical-standards/

THREAT AREAS ASSESSED	STANDING REGISTRY	CITATIONS THIS CYCLE	TIER 1 PRIMARY	TIER 2 SECONDARY	MONDAY ROLLUP SWEEP
33	638 v2.25 56 mandatory	58	33	19	638 ALL SOURCES

05-AUG 1600Z through 06-AUG-2026 1600Z, a standard 24-hour cycle. Registry v2.25 carries 638 sources; 27 of 56 mandatory sources were live-pulled this cycle and 2 (repeaterbook, radioreference) were dispositioned by category as standing-reference rather than event feeds. Direct primary pulls this cycle: CISA KEV catalogue JSON (version 2026.08.05), NIFC Incident Management Situation Report of 05-AUG 0730 MDT, NOAA SWPC 3-Day Forecast and alerts feed, NHC text outlooks for all three basins, AAA daily fuel gauge, EIA weekly gasoline and diesel update, and the operator-supplied NWR outage feed and SPC convective and fire-weather outlooks. Figures deliberately withheld this cycle for source-conflict or staleness: Kpler Hormuz transit counts, Avista customer-outage totals, Baltic Dry and container spot rates, OPEC Basket and WTI Midland, and the WPC Excessive Rainfall Outlook.

SECTION 13 - CLOSING

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