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

Op Epic Fury Day 166 | Hormuz Day 166 | MOU VOID 16-JUL | PREP-CON 3 BROWN SKY | COMCON 4 INCREASED VIGILANCE | 12 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
Source: NOAA SWPC swpc.noaa.gov

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PREP-CON Baseline	PREP-CON 3 -- BROWN SKY COMCON 4 -- INCREASED VIGILANCE WX-CON 3 GUARDED (escalation to 2 recommended - operator call, third consecutive cycle, see Section 10) SWX-CON NSTR
Version	SOP v5.64 Addendum Registry v2.25 (18 of 56 mandatory live-pulled this cycle; sweep declared INCOMPLETE - see Section 12) 7 of 10 gate scripts run, 3 absent from disk - see Section 12

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12 AUGUST 2026 | PREP-CON 3 BROWN SKY | COMCON 4 INCREASED VIGILANCE | SWX-CON NSTR | Op Epic Fury / Hormuz Day 166 | Four tropical systems are now designated across three basins, with CP93 at 90 percent through 48 hours and the Central Pacific Hurricane Center directing Hawaiian interests to monitor closely, while Indiana runs a live flash-flood event under an SPC outlook that de-escalated to Slight.

THE CYCLE - QUICK LOOK

- **GEO-CF-IRAN:** Not re-checked in this window - no Iranian, Omani or US statement was re-pulled and no figure from the 11-AUG entry is restated. The Strait remains closed to normal traffic on Day 166. See
- **NUC-001:** IAEA Blackout Day 165 - not re-checked in this window, and the file is static for a sixth consecutive cycle. See
- **CYB-001:** The cataloguing pause has ended: three KEV entries were added 11-AUG, taking the catalogue from 1,662 to 1,665 on version 2026.08.11. Two carry a 14-AUG deadline, including an unauthenticated remote denial-of-service in Cisco Secure Firewall ASA and FTD. See
- **CYB-004:** The water and wastewater OT campaign remains unchecked for a seventh consecutive cycle and still owes its own entry code. No figure is restated; it stands last confirmed 04-AUG. See

- **WX-002:** Uncontained large fires rose from 98 to 104 with 12 new large fires, and Sinlahekin has re-entered the extreme-behaviour list alongside Wrights Spring, Little Giant and Big Grass. Figures are the NIFC 11-AUG edition, which runs a day behind publication and is labelled as such throughout. See
- **PHS-002:** Neither Ebola series was re-pulled this cycle. Both are carried with explicit as-of labels: DRC national 4,053 confirmed and 1,850 deaths to 07-AUG, WHO 3,605 DRC confirmed and 1,589 deaths total to 30-JUL. See
- **TROP-001:** Four tropical systems are now designated across three basins - CP93 at 90 percent through 48 hours with a Central Pacific Hurricane Center directive to Hawaiian interests, AL92 at 80 percent, AL93 already producing gale-force winds and EP99 at 70 percent. No named storms anywhere, which is not the same statement as clear water. See

SECTION INDEX

SECTION	KEY ENTRIES / THREAT DRIVERS
SEC 2 - Market Indicators	Commodity tracker: Brent \$88.76/bbl on 12-AUG, down 0.17% on the day and up 6.55% on the month. AAA regular \$4.0360/gal, up 2.44 cents on the day and reversing a week of declines. EIA on-highway diesel \$5.257/gal for the week ending 10-AUG, down 9.1 cents. US SPR crude below 300 million barrels, lowest since 1983.
SEC 3 - FLASH Events	GEO-CF-IRAN: Tehran hardened its terms. Araghchi says Iran is not in direct talks with Washington and conditions reopening on the US lifting the naval blockade, granting sanctions relief and paying compensation. Trump says Washington is low-keying it. A tanker operated by ADNOC was attacked inside the Strait over the weekend and Houthi forces claimed an attack on the Jazan refinery; both are single-source at cutoff. NUC-001: IAEA Blackout Day 165. Not re-checked in this window; no IAEA statement or Board action identified and Pickaxe Mountain remains unstruck. Static for a sixth consecutive cycle. SWX-001: SWPC noaa-scales at 12-AUG 1159Z reads R0, S0 and G0. The G1 indicated for today by the previous cycle did not verify. No warning or alert has been issued since 15-JUL, so no product is in force and none is reproduced. SWX-CON NSTR held. WX-001: SPC AC 120514 carries a SLIGHT risk from the northern and central Plains to the lower Ohio Valley, valid 121200Z-131200Z - a de-escalation from ENHANCED. The operational story is not the tier: Indiana carries 30 active NWS alerts including 10 Flash Flood Warnings across 18 counties. The WPC Excessive Rainfall Outlook was not pulled for a fifth consecutive cycle. PHS-002: Ebola PHEIC Day 89. Neither series was re-pulled this cycle. DRC national 4,053 confirmed and 1,850 deaths to 07-AUG; WHO 3,605 DRC confirmed and 1,589 deaths total to 30-JUL. Both carried with explicit as-of labels, never mixed.
SEC 4A - Cyber / Technology	CYB-001: three KEV additions on 11-AUG end the four-day pause, taking the catalogue from 1,662 to 1,665 on version 2026.08.11. CVE-2026-20349 (Cisco Secure Firewall ASA/FTD, unauthenticated remote denial of service) and CVE-2026-72898 (Metabase, unauthenticated SQL injection to administrator) both fall due 14-AUG; CVE-2026-68820 (Microsoft WinSock AFD, local privilege escalation) falls 25-AUG. Nothing is due today.
SEC 4B - Physical / Geopolitical / IO	TROP-001 : four designated tropical systems across three basins. CP93 at 90 percent through 48 hours approximately 1,050 mi ESE of Hawaii, with a CPHC directive to Hawaiian interests to monitor closely; AL92 at 80 percent west-southwest of Cabo Verde; AL93 at 50 percent east-northeast of Bermuda, already producing gale-force winds; EP99 at 70 percent. No named storms in any basin. MAR-001: A tanker operated by Abu Dhabi National Oil Company was attacked inside the Strait of Hormuz over the weekend of 08-09 AUG; Houthi forces separately claimed an attack on Saudi Arabia Jazan refinery. Both single-source at cutoff. UKMTO returned navigation only on the live pull and no advisory list was extracted. No update on the Minoan Pioneer since 03-AUG. PHS-002: Ebola PHEIC Day 89. DRC national series 4,053 confirmed and 1,850 deaths to 07-AUG; WHO 3,605 DRC confirmed and 1,589

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	deaths to 30-JUL. Neither re-pulled this cycle. AGR-001 was not re-checked and is last confirmed 05-AUG.
SEC 5 - Energy / Infrastructure / Supply Chain	FIN-001 Brent \$88.76/bbl on 12-AUG (Trading Economics, live pull); WTI not re-pulled so no spread is computed. AAA regular \$4.0360/gal, up 2.44 cents on the day. EIA diesel \$5.257/gal for the week ending 10-AUG. US SPR below 300 million barrels, lowest since 1983. SC-001 MARAD advisories not re-pulled; carried last-confirmed 06-AUG. No CENTCOM vessel-redirection figure restated. No Kpler transit count restated - at least three incompatible series remain in circulation.
SEC 6 - Aviation / Transportation	AVN-001: EASA Conflict Zone Information Bulletins were not re-pulled and are carried last-confirmed 06-AUG - 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, Iraq and Lebanon, Kuwait FIR closed to overflights. AVN-002: Seven airports in Colombia suspended operations following the M7.4 earthquake - see TROP-001. No US surface, rail or transit security incident was identified this cycle. Wildfire-driven road and area closures remain in effect across Oregon and Washington.
SEC 7 - Meteorological / Severe Weather / Fire Weather + NWR	WX-001: SPC AC 120514 SLIGHT - northern and central Plains to the lower Ohio Valley, with severe gusts and hail over the High Plains and damaging gusts and isolated hail across the Midwest and Ohio Valley. A live flash-flood event is running in Indiana. WX-002: Big Grass (OR) is now the largest incident nationally at 541,079 acres. Wrights Spring (OR) and Little Giant (WA) are in extreme fire behaviour with evacuations, road closures and threats to homes and critical infrastructure. NPL holds at 5 of 5. NWR roster rebuilt to 23 affected transmitters; no HIGH-GAP alert.
SEC 7B - Wildfire Report	WX-002: Wrights Spring, Little Giant, Big Grass and Sinlahekin all in active or extreme fire behaviour. Nationally 104 uncontained large fires and nearly 30,000 personnel, with 6,428,813 acres year to date at 156% of the ten-year average. 240 soldiers deployed to the Modrite Fire. NIFC 11-AUG edition.
SEC 7A - Space Weather and EMCOMM	SWX-001: R0, S0 and G0 at 12-AUG 1159Z. The G1 indicated for today did not verify. No SWPC warning or alert since 15-JUL; nothing is in force and nothing is reproduced.
SEC 7D - Tropical / Hurricane Weather	FOUR DESIGNATED SYSTEMS across three basins. No named storms anywhere, which is not the same statement as clear water. CP93 is at 90% through 48 hours approximately 1,050 mi ESE of Hawaii with a CPHC directive to Hawaiian interests; AL92 80%, AL93 50% with gale-force winds, EP99 70%. See TROP-001.
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 18 of 56 mandatory live-pulled this cycle GATE INCOMPLETE: 3 of 10 audit scripts absent from disk fortunefavorstheprepared.com/dtr-source-registry/

GEOGRAPHIC IMPACT INDEX

REGION / THEMATIC	KEY ENTRIES / THREAT DRIVERS
CONUS - Indiana / Ohio Valley (FLASH FLOOD)	WX-001 Indiana carries 30 active NWS alerts at 1200Z including 10 Flash Flood Warnings, 6 Flood Warnings, 6 Flood Advisories and 5 Flood Watches across 18 counties, extending into Carroll and Gallatin KY and Hamilton OH. SPC has de-escalated the convective tier to SLIGHT.
Hawaii / Central Pacific / Tropical Atlantic	TROP-001 CP93 90 percent through 48 hours, CPHC directive to Hawaiian interests; separate M5.2 earthquake 42 km ESE of Naalehu at 12-AUG 0348Z, PAGER green, no tsunami, not causally linked to CP93.

REGION / THEMATIC	KEY ENTRIES / THREAT DRIVERS
CONUS - Appalachia / Virginia / Mid-Atlantic (SLIGHT)	SPC AC 120514 places the SLIGHT tier from the northern and central Plains to the lower Ohio Valley, so the Mid-Atlantic leg carried on 11-AUG is not repeated. The hazard here has shifted from wind to rainfall rate: Indiana holds 10 Flash Flood Warnings across 18 counties, extending into Carroll and Gallatin KY and Hamilton OH.
CONUS - Pacific Northwest (WA / OR / N ID)	WX-002 (Section 7B): Wrights Spring (OR), Little Giant (WA), Big Grass (OR) and Sinlahekin (WA) are all exhibiting active or extreme fire behaviour per the NIFC 11-AUG edition, with evacuations and closures in effect and homes, communities and critical infrastructure threatened. The Northwest holds 45 of the 104 uncontained large fires nationally, and 240 soldiers are deployed on the Modrite Fire.
CONUS - Water & Wastewater Sector	CYB-004 CYB-004: as of 12-AUG the water and wastewater OT campaign is unchecked for a SEVENTH consecutive cycle. The CISA advisories page has not been successfully pulled since before 06-AUG and no state count, utility name or system total is restated. Last confirmed 04-AUG. It still requires its own entry code.
CONUS - Nationwide Wildfire	WX-002 NPL 5 of 5 as of 18-JUL-2026 0730 MDT - 104 uncontained large fires and 12 new large fires; 46,305 fires and 6,428,813 acres YTD, running 126% and 156% of ten-year averages; nearly 30,000 personnel committed nationally; 240 soldiers on the Modrite Fire. NIFC 11-AUG edition.
CONUS - Nationwide (All Regions)	CYB-001 : three KEV additions on 11-AUG ended the four-day pause, catalogue 1,662 to 1,665 on version 2026.08.11. CVE-2026-20349 (Cisco Secure Firewall ASA/FTD) and CVE-2026-72898 (Metabase) both due 14-AUG; CVE-2026-68820 (Microsoft WinSock AFD) due 25-AUG. Nothing due today. CVE-2026-18577 remains an incomplete-patch follow-on to CVE-2026-18556, both deadlines elapsed 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/Balboa exploitation continues, no new campaign cluster confirmed FIN-001 : Brent \$88.76/bbl on 12-AUG, down 0.17% on the day; WTI not re-pulled and no spread computed. AAA regular \$4.0360/gal on 12-AUG, up 2.44 cents on the day against \$4.0116 on 11-AUG
Middle East / Strait of Hormuz	GEO-CF-IRAN: Tehran hardened its terms. Araghchi says Iran is not in direct talks with Washington and conditions reopening on the US lifting the blockade, sanctions relief and compensation. Trump says Washington is low-keying it. No CENTCOM figure is restated this cycle.
Iran / Nuclear	NUC-001 IAEA Blackout Day 165 - not re-checked in this window; no IAEA statement or Board action identified and no strike on a nuclear facility. Pickaxe Mountain remains unstruck.
DRC / Uganda	PHS-002 Ebola PHEIC Day 89: neither series re-pulled this cycle. DRC national 4,053 confirmed and 1,850 deaths to 07-AUG; WHO 3,605 DRC confirmed and 1,589 deaths total (CFR 44%) to 30-JUL. The two are never mixed.
CONUS - 15 States (foodborne)	AGR-001 Unchecked in the 12-AUG window as well, a second consecutive cycle without verification. The Taylor Farms cyclospora outbreak stands last confirmed 05-AUG. No state count, case count or death toll is restated. Last confirmed 05-AUG.
Strait of Hormuz / Gulf of Oman	MAR-001 Not re-checked in the 12-AUG window and no UKMTO pull was attempted. Last confirmed 11-AUG: a tanker operated by Abu Dhabi National Oil Company was attacked inside the Strait over the weekend of 08-09 AUG and Houthi forces claimed an attack on Saudi Arabia Jazan refinery. Both are single-source at cutoff and neither is independently confirmed. UKMTO returned navigation only on the live pull, so no advisory list was extracted and no incident count is stated. No update on the Minoan Pioneer or its missing crew member since 03-AUG.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.

REGION / THEMATIC	KEY ENTRIES / THREAT DRIVERS
Space Environment	SWX-001 All three NOAA scales read zero at 12-AUG 1159Z: R0 none, S0 none, G0 none. The G1 indicated for today by the previous cycle did NOT verify. SWPC has issued no warning, watch or alert since 15-JUL, so no product is in force and none is reproduced here.

SECTION 2 - MARKET INDICATORS

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

COMMODITY	PRE-WAR (28 FEB)	CURRENT (12-AUG)	CHG vs PRE-WAR	CONSUMER / ANALYTICAL NOTE
Brent Crude (front)	~\$66/bbl	\$88.76/bbl (12-AUG mark)	+22%	48-HOUR DELTA: Brent is marked at \$88.76/bbl on 12-AUG, down 0.17% on the day and up 6.55% over the month, on the Trading Economics series pulled live this cycle. EIA reported US crude inventories up 17.4 million barrels last week, the biggest weekly build since early 2023.
WTI Crude (front)	~\$63/bbl	NOT RE-PULLED (WTI)	+21%	48-HOUR DELTA: WTI was not re-pulled this cycle. The last mark captured was \$81.99/bbl as of 11-AUG on the same series; it is not restated as current.
Gasoline (natl avg)	~\$3.10/gal	\$4.0360/gal (AAA, 12-AUG)	+31%	AAA has the national average for regular at \$4.0360/gal on 12-AUG against \$4.0091 on 10-AUG, a 48-hour delta of PLUS 2.69 cents. Both ends are AAA marks captured directly, so the comparison is same-publisher and same-scope. This is a DIRECTION REVERSAL: prices fell through the preceding week and rose 2.44 cents in the last 24 hours alone. Week-ago \$4.0801 and month-ago \$3.8761. AAA diesel reads \$5.3575, up from \$5.3213. NOTE FOR THE READER: AAA's own site headline states that lower crude prices are driving the national average down, which contradicts the daily direction in its own table; the table figures are reported here and the discrepancy is flagged rather than reconciled. Brent and WTI were NOT re-pulled this cycle and no crude mark is restated.
Diesel (US No. 2)	~\$3.74/gal	\$5.257/gal (EIA, 10-AUG)	+43%	EIA has US on-highway diesel at \$5.257/gal for the week ending 10-AUG, pulled live this cycle, down 9.1 cents on the week from \$5.348 and 150.3 cents above a year ago. Regional series: East Coast \$5.193, New England \$5.514, Central Atlantic \$5.535, Lower Atlantic \$5.034, Midwest \$5.181, Gulf Coast \$5.044. This closes a two-cycle carry-

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COMMODITY	PRE-WAR (28 FEB)	CURRENT (12-AUG)	CHG vs PRE-WAR	CONSUMER / ANALYTICAL NOTE
				forward.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 advisories were not re-pulled for a third consecutive cycle and are carried as last-confirmed 06-AUG: 2026-001A, 2026-004 and 2026-006, with 2026-006 auto-expiring 22-SEP-2026. No CENTCOM assistance or vessel-redirection figure is restated, as none was re-verified this cycle.

SECTION 3 - FLASH EVENTS (Score >= 20)

GEO-CF-IRAN Op Epic Fury / Hormuz Day 166 NOT RE-CHECKED IN THIS WINDOW		FLASH UPDATED 27
Why This Cycle	Tehran hardened its terms rather than closing toward agreement, adding compensation for war damages to its conditions and refusing direct talks with Washington. A tanker was attacked inside the Strait over the weekend.	
Summary	Iranian Foreign Minister Abbas Araghchi stated that Tehran is not currently in direct talks with the United States, citing breaches of the June interim deal, and that any reopening of the Strait requires Washington to lift the naval blockade of Iranian shipping, lift sanctions and provide compensation for war damages. Oman-mediated discussion of a transit route is reported to be continuing. President Trump said Washington was now low-keying it and indicated he was prepared to let economic pressure on Iran intensify rather than order fresh military strikes. Over the weekend of 08-09 AUG a tanker operated by Abu Dhabi National Oil Company was attacked inside the Strait, and Houthi militants claimed an attack on Saudi Arabia Jazan refinery; both reports are single-source at this cutoff and neither is independently confirmed. 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. No CENTCOM vessel-redirection figure is restated this cycle; none was re-verified and a stale operational count is a wrong fact rather than a stale paragraph	
SALUTE	SIZE: No US strike activity inside Iran was re-verified this cycle and no consecutive-night count is restated. A tanker operated by Abu Dhabi National Oil Company was attacked inside the	

Strait over the weekend of 08-09 AUG and Houthi forces claimed an attack on Saudi Arabia Jazan refinery; both are single-source at cutoff. Trump has signalled he will let economic pressure run rather than strike again.

ACTIVITY: Not re-checked in the 12-AUG window. Last confirmed 11-AUG: Tehran hardened its terms rather than closing toward an agreement, with Foreign Minister Araghchi stating Iran is not holding direct talks with Washington and reiterated that reopening requires the US to lift its naval blockade of Iranian shipping, provide sanctions relief and pay compensation for war damages. Trump said Washington is now low-keying it and signalled he would allow economic pressure to intensify rather than launch fresh strikes. A tanker operated by Abu Dhabi National Oil Company came under attack inside the Strait, and Houthi militants claimed an attack on Saudi Arabia Jazan refinery.

LOCATION: Strait of Hormuz, closed to normal traffic on Day 166; route coordinates agreed between Tehran and Muscat per 05-AUG reporting. Kerman province, Iran: 21 arrests. Southern Lebanon: not re-checked in this window, last confirmed 06-AUG. Red Sea and Gulf of Aden: Houthi attacks on Saudi tankers, see Section 2.

TIME: NOT RE-PULLED IN THIS WINDOW. Last confirmed 11-AUG: Araghchi remarks and Trump response reported 10-AUG and 11-AUG; ADNOC tanker attack and Jazan refinery claim over the weekend of 08-09 AUG, both single-source. Strait closed to normal traffic on Day 166. No CENTCOM blockade figure and no strike-pause night count are stated.

EQUIPMENT: US: no strike package was re-verified in the 12-AUG window and no munitions-stockpile claim is restated. Iran: transit permission control asserted over both corridors; mine clearance of the median lane remains a term of a draft rather than a completed act.

UNIT: As of 12-AUG: Iranian Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Araghchi); the White House; Pakistani Ministry of Defence as third-party characterisation only; Omani mediation channel; Abu Dhabi National Oil Company; Ansar Allah (Houthi) media claims.

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: unlikely. **CONFIDENCE:** MODERATE. Renewed US strikes inside Iran before the next cycle - Trump has signalled he will let economic pressure intensify rather than strike again, but the terms remain contested and Tehran is refusing direct talks. No consecutive-night pause count is stated; none was re-verified in this window. **CONFIDENCE:** MODERATE.

LIKELIHOOD: unlikely. **CONFIDENCE:** LOW. A joint Iran-Oman statement is published before the next cycle - Tehran has added compensation to its terms and refused direct talks, and an announcement targeted for 05-AUG 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

Oman-mediated talks on a transit route are reported to be progressing and Trump has signalled patience rather than escalation. No strike-pause night count and no CENTCOM vessel-assistance figure are restated; neither was re-verified in this window.

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	No primary source was re-pulled in the 12-AUG window. Trading Economics commodity note, 12-AUG live pull, carries the Pakistani characterisation. Last-confirmed basis: Washington Post 10-AUG, Reuters 10-AUG, Trading Economics 10-AUG and 11-AUG. Prior-cycle sourcing (Axios, CBS, CNN, Al Jazeera, IRNA, USCENTCOM, UN OHCHR, all 04-06 AUG) is not re-cited: those items were not re-pulled and the claims they supported have been withdrawn rather than carried	

NUC-001 IAEA BLACKOUT DAY 165, NOT RE-CHECKED THIS WINDOW		WATCH NO DELTA 24
Why This Cycle	Not re-checked in this window - no IAEA source was re-pulled. The file is static for a sixth consecutive cycle	
Summary	The blackout is unchanged at Day 165	
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 165, no access, no IAEA statement, no confirmed negotiating forum.

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 | KEV CATALOGUE | THREE ADDITIONS, PAUSE ENDED | TWO DUE 14-AUG**HIGH | UPDATED | 9****Why This Cycle**

Three KEV entries were added on 11-AUG, ending the four-day cataloguing pause: the catalogue moved from 1,662 to 1,665 on version 2026.08.11. Two carry a 14-AUG deadline and nothing falls due 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, catalogued the day after. Both deadlines have elapsed, so the pairing is a compliance finding rather than a forward task, but the exposure persists for any operator who applied only the first fix. The KEV catalogue stands at 1,665 entries on version 2026.08.11, released 11-AUG 1859Z and pulled directly this cycle. Three entries were added 11-AUG, ending the four-day pause. Nothing falls due today; CVE-2026-20349 and CVE-2026-72898 both fall due 14-AUG. CISA BOD 26-04 remains the governing required-action framework.

SALUTE

SIZE/TIME: SIZE/TIME: Three KEV additions on 11-AUG take the catalogue from 1,662 to 1,665 on version 2026.08.11, released 11-AUG 1859Z, ending the four-day cataloguing pause reported last cycle. **ACTIVITY:** CVE-2026-20349, Cisco Secure Firewall Adaptive Security Appliance and Secure Firewall Threat Defense, a heap inspection vulnerability allowing an unauthenticated remote attacker to force an unexpected device reload and cause denial of service, due 14-AUG. CVE-2026-72898, Metabase, a SQL injection allowing an unauthenticated remote attacker to inject arbitrary SQL into the application database and obtain administrator access to the instance, due 14-AUG. CVE-2026-68820, Microsoft Windows Ancillary Function Driver for WinSock, a use-after-free allowing an authorised attacker to elevate privileges locally, due 25-AUG. **LOCATION:** US federal civilian executive branch agencies under BOD 26-04, with equivalent exposure for any operator of the named products. **UNIT:** CISA. **EQUIPMENT:** Cisco Secure Firewall ASA and FTD, Metabase, Microsoft Windows. **TIME:** nothing falls due today; two deadlines fall 14-AUG.

Analyst Assessment

The pause ended and the shape of what arrived is the point. Two of the three additions carry a 14-AUG deadline, a three-day remediation window against the 21-day norm, which is CISA signalling urgency rather than routine cataloguing. The Cisco item is the one to action first: it is unauthenticated, remote, and targets a perimeter security appliance, so the failure mode is that the device protecting the network becomes the means of taking it down. The Metabase flaw is unauthenticated to administrator on an analytics platform that typically holds broad database credentials, which makes it a lateral-movement problem rather than a single-application one. The incomplete-patch chain from last cycle stands: CVE-2026-18577 exists because the fix for CVE-2026-18556 did not work, and an administrator who patched once against the first advisory remains exposed to account takeover.

ALT HYP**ALT A: A further KEV addition occurs before the next cycle [likely]**

SUPPORT

Three entries were added on a single day after a four-day gap, and CISA assigned three-day deadlines to two of them; the catalogue has now grown by nine entries in eight days.

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 1,665 on version 2026.08.11, pulled directly this cycle. LIKELIHOOD: likely. CONFIDENCE: MODERATE.

ALT B: A KEV-listed flaw with an elapsed or imminent deadline is exploited against a US federal network before the next cycle [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, NOT RE-CHECKED. Not re-checked in this window. The CISA advisories page was not successfully pulled and no figure from the 06-AUG entry is restated - not the state count, not the affected-system totals, not the named utilities. The campaign stands last confirmed 04-AUG on the joint FBI, EPA and CISA advisory of 30-JUL as expanded. It continues to owe its own entry code rather than sitting as a clause here, an item open since the 06-AUG handoff.

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.

SECTION 4B - PHYSICAL / GEOPOLITICAL / IO

TROP-001 | TROPICAL | FOUR DESIGNATED SYSTEMS, THREE BASINS | CP93 AT 90 PERCENT

FLASH | NEW | 21

FORTUNE FAVORS THE PREPARED DAILY THREAT REPORT 12 AUGUST 2026							
Why This Cycle	Four systems carry designations across three basins this cycle, against zero designated systems on the 10-AUG issuance. CP93 has moved from 50 to 90 percent through 48 hours and the Central Pacific Hurricane Center has added an explicit instruction to Hawaiian interests.						
Summary	CP93 (ACPN50 PHFO 121142, 200 AM HST 12-AUG): a low approximately 1,050 miles east-southeast of the Hawaiian Islands, moving west-northwest at 10 to 15 mph, formation chance 90 percent through 48 hours and 90 percent through 7 days. CPHC states a tropical depression or storm is expected to form within the next day or so and that interests in the Hawaiian Islands should closely monitor the progress of this system. AL92 (ABNT20 KNHC 121151, 800 AM EDT 12-AUG): a tropical wave approximately 900 miles west-southwest of the Cabo Verde Islands, 80 percent through 48 hours and 80 percent through 7 days, with a tropical depression likely to form while it moves west to west-northwestward. AL93: a low approximately 1,050 miles east-northeast of Bermuda with an elongated circulation and convection displaced to the east, 50 percent through 48 hours, already producing an area of gale-force winds to its south and east; NHC expects it to reach cooler water Thursday, ending formation chances. EP99 (ABPZ20 KNHC 121142): a low midway between Hawaii and the west coast of Mexico, 70 percent through 48 hours, with less favourable conditions expected late this week. There are no named storms in any basin.						
SALUTE	SIZE/TIME: SIZE: Four designated systems - CP93 90/90, AL92 80/80, AL93 50 percent through 48 hours, EP99 70 percent through 48 hours. ACTIVITY: CP93 and EP99 forecast to reach depression status within roughly 24 hours; AL92 likely to become a depression over the central tropical Atlantic; AL93 producing gale-force winds and forecast to dissipate over cooler water Thursday. LOCATION: central North Pacific east-southeast of Hawaii; central tropical Atlantic west-southwest of Cabo Verde; central subtropical Atlantic east-northeast of Bermuda; east Pacific midway Hawaii to Mexico. UNIT: NHC Miami; CPHC Honolulu. TIME: outlooks issued 121142Z, 121151Z and 121142Z, all 12-AUG. EQUIPMENT: no US watch or warning is in force for any of the four systems at this cutoff.						
SOURCES	NHC Tropical Weather Outlook ABNT20 KNHC 121151 and ABPZ20 KNHC 121142, direct nhc.gov pulls this cycle CPHC Tropical Weather Outlook ACPN50 PHFO 121142, direct pull this cycle						
Analyst Assessment	The tracked item is CP93, and the reason is the directive rather than the percentage. A 90 percent formation chance at 48 hours is a forecast; an explicit CPHC instruction to Hawaiian interests to monitor closely is an operational signal, and it appeared this cycle where it did not exist two days ago. The separate M5.2 earthquake 42 km east-southeast of Naalehu at 0348Z is unrelated to CP93 and no causal connection is implied, but the two land on Hawaiian preparedness in the same 24 hours and readers with Hawaii exposure should treat that as a combined planning problem rather than two coincidences. The Atlantic pair matters differently: AL92 at 80 percent is a classic Cabo Verde-track system worth tracking for the long run into the basin, while AL93 is already producing gale-force winds and will be gone by Thursday, which makes it a marine hazard today and a non-event by the weekend.						
ALT HYP	ALT A: CP93 reaches depression or storm status within 48 hours [very likely] <table> <tr> <td>SUPPORT</td><td>CPHC puts formation at 90 percent through 48 hours and states a depression or storm is expected within the next day or so; environmental conditions are assessed as conducive; the system has held together while tracking west-northwest at 10 to 15 mph.</td></tr> <tr> <td>DISCONFIRM</td><td>Associated shower and thunderstorm activity was still described as disorganised at issuance, and a 90 percent forecast is not a certainty.</td></tr> <tr> <td>CURRENT STATUS</td><td>CP93 at 90 percent through 48 hours with a CPHC monitoring directive. LIKELIHOOD: very likely. CONFIDENCE: HIGH.</td></tr> </table> ALT B: A US watch or warning is issued for the Hawaiian Islands before the next cycle [unlikely]	SUPPORT	CPHC puts formation at 90 percent through 48 hours and states a depression or storm is expected within the next day or so; environmental conditions are assessed as conducive; the system has held together while tracking west-northwest at 10 to 15 mph.	DISCONFIRM	Associated shower and thunderstorm activity was still described as disorganised at issuance, and a 90 percent forecast is not a certainty.	CURRENT STATUS	CP93 at 90 percent through 48 hours with a CPHC monitoring directive. LIKELIHOOD: very likely. CONFIDENCE: HIGH.
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CURRENT STATUS	CP93 at 90 percent through 48 hours with a CPHC monitoring directive. LIKELIHOOD: very likely. CONFIDENCE: HIGH.						

	SUPPORT	CP93 is forecast to become a depression or storm within roughly 24 hours and is tracking toward the islands; CPHC has already directed Hawaiian interests to monitor closely, which is the step that normally precedes a watch.
	DISCONFIRM	The system remains approximately 1,050 miles east-southeast of the islands and is moving at only 10 to 15 mph, so the distance alone puts any watch decision beyond the next cycle; no watch or warning is in force at this cutoff.
	CURRENT STATUS	No watch or warning in force; system approximately 1,050 miles out. LIKELIHOOD: unlikely. CONFIDENCE: MODERATE.

MAR-001 -- HORMUZ AND RED SEA MERCHANT SHIPPING. A tanker operated by Abu Dhabi National Oil Company came under attack inside the Strait of Hormuz over the weekend of 08-09 AUG, and Houthis separately claimed an attack on Saudi Arabia Jazan refinery. Both reports are single-source at this cutoff and neither has been independently confirmed. The UKMTO live pull returned navigation only, so no advisory or incident list was extracted this cycle and no incident count is stated. There is still no update on the Minoan Pioneer or its missing crew member since 03-AUG.

SECTION 5 - ENERGY / INFRASTRUCTURE / SUPPLY CHAIN

ENERGY / INFRASTRUCTURE MONITORS - 12 AUGUST 2026

ENR-001 OIL / ENERGY PRICES: Neither Brent nor WTI was re-pulled in this window and no crude mark is computed. Brent is marked at \$88.76/bbl on 12-AUG (Trading Economics, live pull); WTI was not re-pulled and no WTI mark is restated, so no Brent-WTI spread is stated this cycle. AAA has the national average for regular at \$4.0360/gal on 12-AUG, up 2.44 cents on the day and reversing a week of declines, with diesel at \$5.3575. US Strategic Petroleum Reserve crude remains below 300 million barrels, the lowest level since 1983.

ENR-003 -- GRID / MIDWEST DERECHO OUTAGES (NEW ENTRY THIS CYCLE): NOAA SPC preliminarily assessed the system that swept from Iowa into Indiana on Tuesday 11-AUG as a DERECHO. A 99 mph gust was recorded at Gary, Indiana, with numerous personal weather station reports of 80 mph or more, and two tornadoes touched down just south of Chicago. Per poweroutage.us as reported by the Associated Press on Tuesday evening, more than 600,000 customers lost power across Illinois and Indiana, with Lake and Porter counties in Indiana and Will County in Illinois hardest hit, and at least 250,000 further customers were out in Ohio - more than 850,000 in total. CASUALTIES: a resident of Roseville, Ohio died during a health emergency when first responders could not reach them through flooded roads (Governor Mike DeWine); sixteen incarcerated people were hospitalised, one by helicopter, after lightning struck the Grafton Reintegration Center southwest of Cleveland (Ohio Department of Corrections). All flights were temporarily stopped at both major Chicago airports. Dayton set a daily rainfall record at 2.07 inches, breaking a 1915 mark. PER-UTILITY FIGURES ARE WITHHELD: no reliable current breakdown for AEP Ohio, Duke Energy Ohio or South Central Power was obtained. The only provider-level data retrieved is an at-onset snapshot stamped 11-AUG 1824 ET which is contradicted by the statewide figure and fails its own arithmetic, and aggregators diverge 27-fold on Indiana at the same timestamp, so one named publisher is cited and no trend is built across them.

FORWARD: NWS forecasts multiple rounds of rain causing Ohio Valley flood hazards through early Friday; DeWine stated this is not something that will end tonight. ENR-002 PUBLIC SAFETY POWER SHUTOFFS: not re-pulled for a third consecutive cycle. Avista Public Safety Power Shutoffs and fire-damage outages across

MAR-001 MARITIME SUPPLY CHAIN: A tanker operated by Abu Dhabi National Oil Company came under attack inside the Strait of Hormuz over the weekend of 08-09 AUG, and Houthis separately claimed an attack on Saudi Arabia Jazan refinery. Both are single-source at this cutoff and neither has been independently confirmed. No Kpler Hormuz or Bab el-Mandeb transit count is restated: at least three incompatible Kpler-derived series remain in circulation and R-5 forbids building a trend across them. No CENTCOM vessel-redirection figure is restated either, as none was re-verified this cycle.

SECTION 6 - AVIATION / TRANSPORTATION

AVIATION / TRANSPORTATION MONITORS - 12 AUGUST 2026

AVN-001 MIDDLE EAST / HORMUZ AIRSPACE: EASA Conflict Zone Information Bulletins were not re-pulled for a third consecutive cycle and are carried as last-confirmed 06-AUG: 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 (OIIX), Iraq (Baghdad FIR) and Lebanon (Beirut FIR), with the Kuwait FIR 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 is unchanged; the southern Lebanon exchange was not re-checked in this window and is last confirmed 06-AUG.

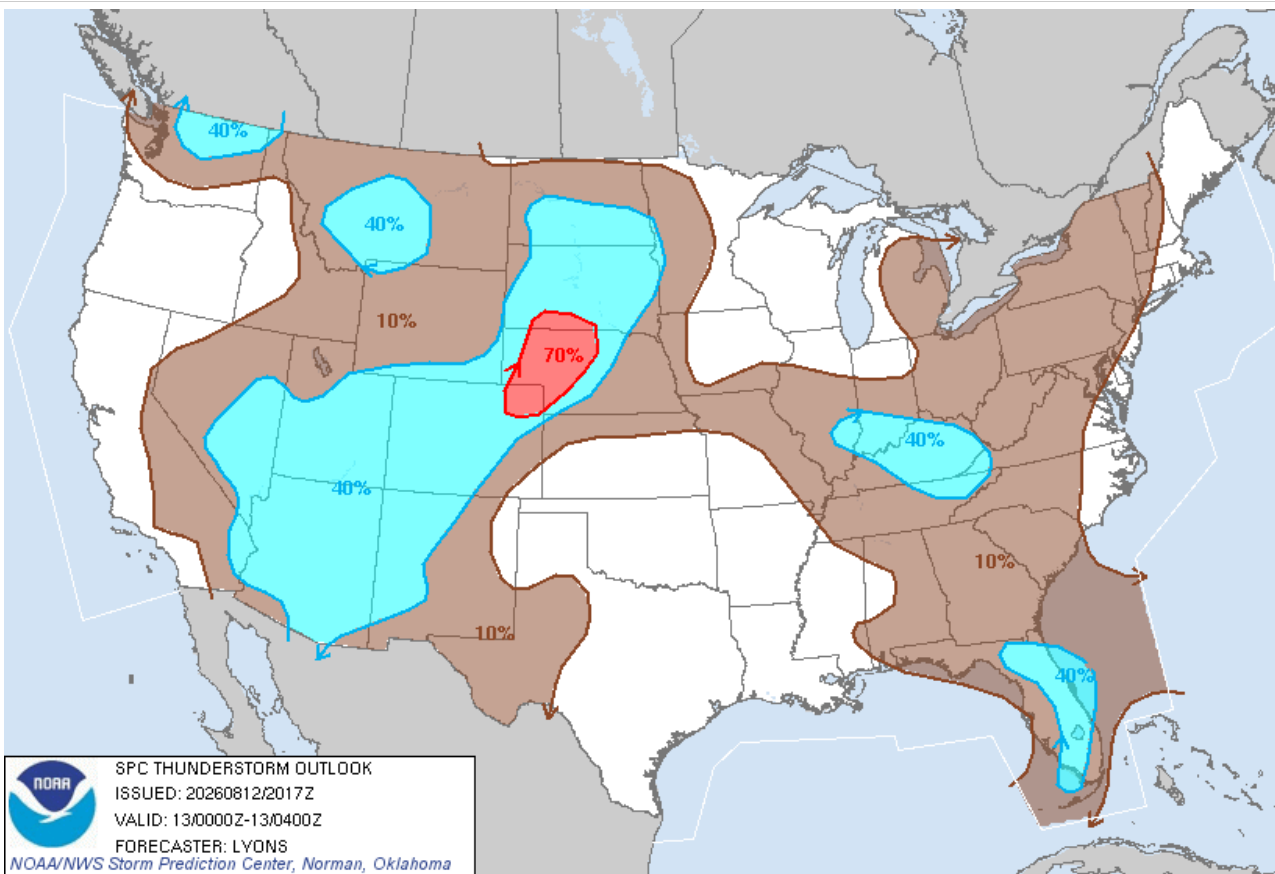
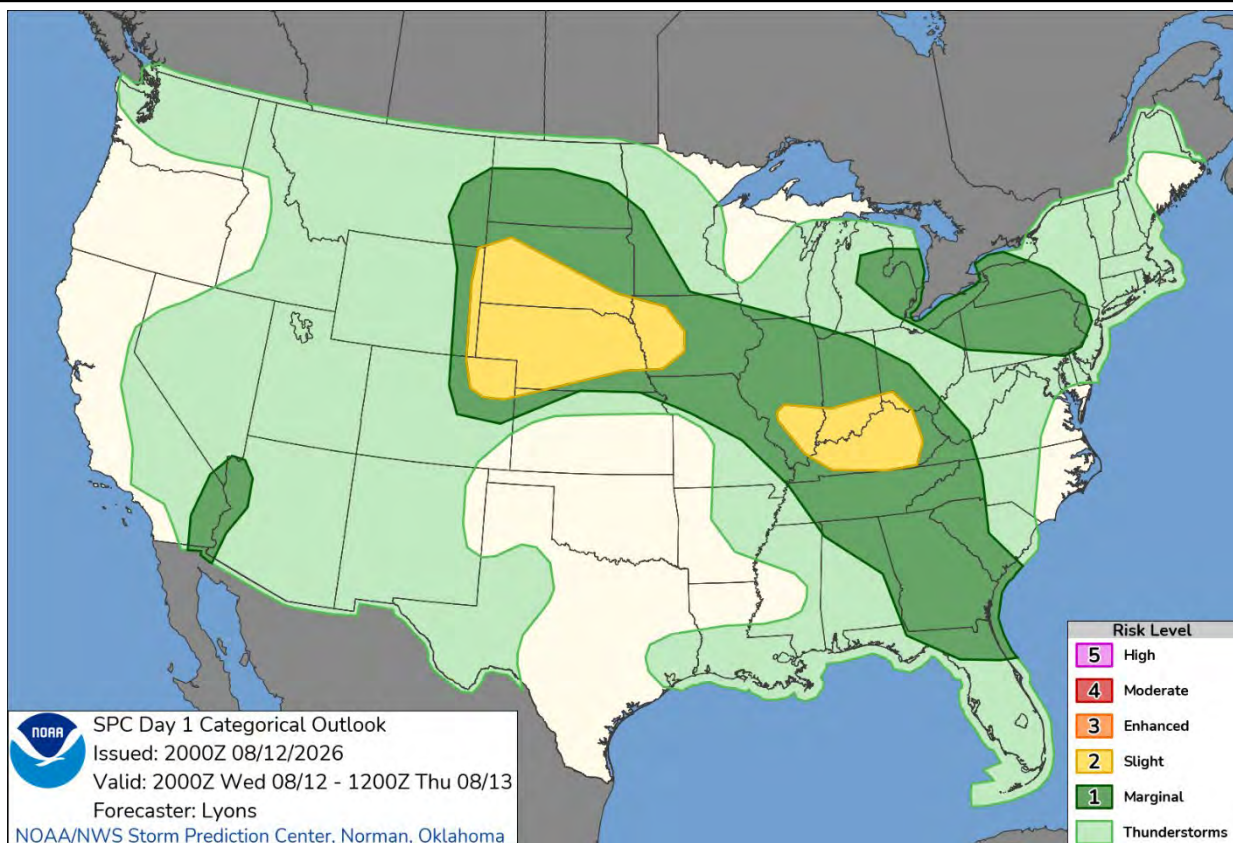
AVN-002 SURFACE / RAIL / TRANSIT: No US surface, rail or transit security incident was identified this cycle. Seven airports in Colombia suspended operations after the M7.4 earthquake - see TROP-001. Wildfire-driven road, area and trail closures remain in effect across Oregon

SECTION 7 - METEOROLOGICAL WEATHER / SEVERE WEATHER / FIRE WEATHER

WX-001 | SLIGHT RISK, BUT A LIVE FLASH-FLOOD EVENT IS RUNNING IN INDIANA

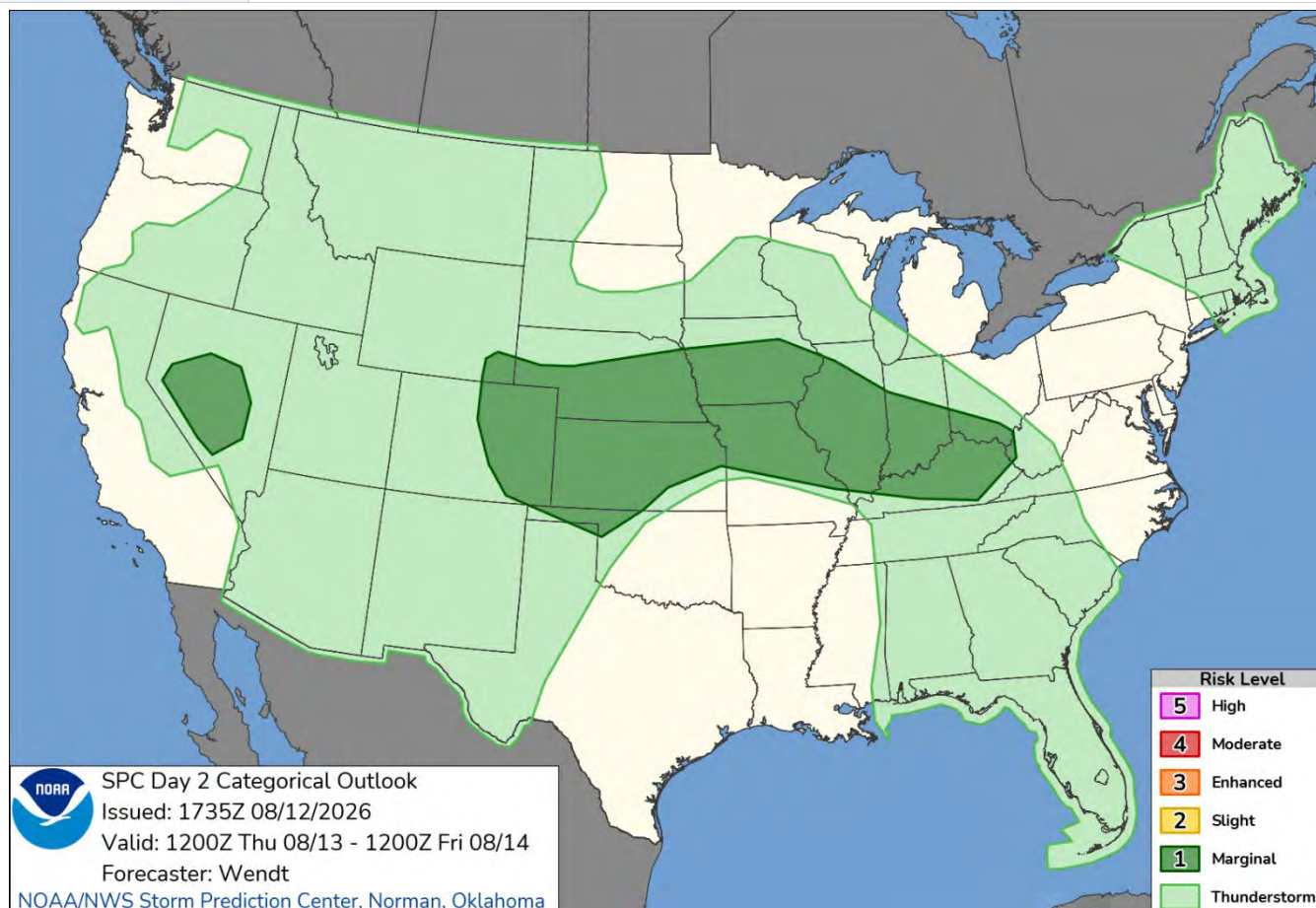
FLASH | ACTIVE | 20

Summary	A derecho swept from Iowa into Indiana yesterday and today is its tail. SPC has de-escalated from ENHANCED to SLIGHT because the convective peak has passed, not because the hazard has, and Indiana is running 10 Flash Flood Warnings with the Ohio Valley flood threat forecast through early Friday. See ENR-003 for the grid and casualty picture.
SPC Day 1 Convective Outlook	SPC Day 1 Convective Outlook, SPC AC 120514, 1214 AM CDT Wed Aug 12 2026, valid 121200Z-131200Z. SLIGHT RISK of severe thunderstorms from the northern and central Plains to the lower Ohio Valley. Severe gusts and hail are possible this afternoon and evening across parts of the central and northern High Plains, with damaging gusts and isolated hail also possible across the Midwest and Ohio Valley. SPC notes one or more MCSs migrating through enhanced northwesterly flow aloft amid a very moist and unstable airmass is possible again today across the Midwest toward Tennessee. LIVE HAZARD PICTURE, api.weather.gov active alerts pulled 12-AUG 1200Z: Indiana carries 30 active alerts including 10 Flash Flood Warnings, 6 Flood Warnings, 6 Flood Advisories and 5 Flood Watches across Dearborn, Ohio, Switzerland, Delaware, Henry, Randolph, Franklin, Ripley, Decatur, Rush, Fayette, Union, Wayne, Fountain, Parke, Tippecanoe, Vermillion and Warren counties, extending into Carroll and Gallatin counties in Kentucky and Hamilton County in Ohio. Illinois carries 12 alerts including 3 Severe Thunderstorm Watches, 2 Severe Thunderstorm Warnings over Rock Island and Henry counties and adjacent Iowa, 4 Heat Advisories and 2 Extreme Heat Warnings.



**SPC Day 2
Convective
Outlook**

SPC Day 2 Convective Outlook: not re-pulled in this window. The Day 2 and Day 3 tiers are withheld rather than restated from a prior issuance.

**SPC Day 3
Convective
Outlook**

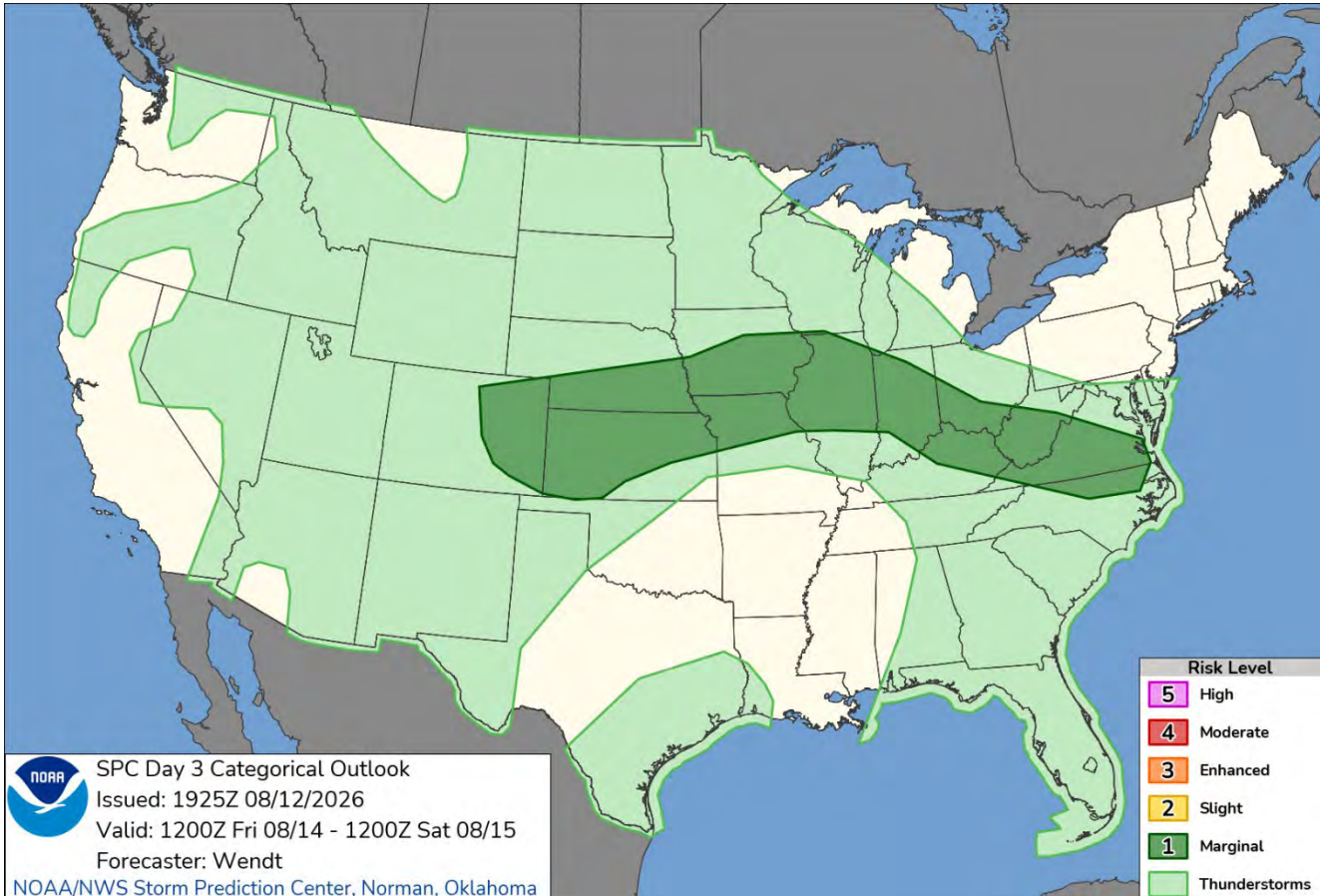
WPC Mesoscale Precipitation Discussion 1023, issued 1120 AM EDT 12-AUG, valid 121519Z-122100Z, pulled live this cycle - closing a gap that had run four consecutive cycles. Areas affected: southern Nevada, southwestern Utah and northern Arizona, concerning heavy rainfall with flash flooding possible. WPC states convection developing in an anomalously moist airmass will increase through late morning into early afternoon, with the heaviest and slower-moving storms possibly producing flash flooding through 21Z. Precipitable water 1.2 to 1.8 inches, mixed-layer CAPE 500-1000 J/kg rising to 1000-1500 J/kg, CAM guidance indicating patchy QPF maxima of 1-3 inches, greatest over northwestern Arizona. WPC specifically flags burn scars, arroyos and other vulnerable terrain. Attention WFOs Flagstaff, Phoenix and Salt Lake City. **COVERAGE INTERSECTION:** St. George, Utah (WWF51) entered the NWR outage roster this cycle and sits inside this outlook area. Note this product covers the Southwest, not the Ohio Valley, so the Indiana flash-flood event is captured through live NWS warnings rather than through a WPC outlook.

**Analyst
Assessment**

TODAY'S THREAT CHARACTER: The convective tier fell and the operational hazard did not, because the tier is measuring the wrong day. Yesterday SPC preliminarily assessed a DERECHO running Iowa into Indiana, with a 99 mph gust at Gary, two tornadoes south of Chicago, more than 850,000 customers out across four states, one death in Ohio and sixteen lightning casualties at a prison near Cleveland - see ENR-003. Today SPC reads SLIGHT because the convective peak has moved east, while the water that derecho put on the ground is still working through the Ohio Valley and NWS forecasts flood hazards there through early Friday. A practitioner keying decisions to the SPC categorical tier would read today as a de-escalation when it is day two of a multi-day event. The 11-AUG move from ENHANCED to SLIGHT today

LIKELIHOOD: very likely. **CONFIDENCE:** MODERATE. Additional flash-flood warnings across the Ohio Valley today - 10 are already in force in Indiana and SPC forecasts further MCS development across the Midwest toward Tennessee. **CONFIDENCE:** MODERATE.

LIKELIHOOD: unlikely. **CONFIDENCE:** MODERATE. A significant tornado within the SLIGHT area today - SPC names severe gusts and hail as the hazards and identifies no dominant tornado mode. **CONFIDENCE:** MODERATE.

**ALT HYP****ALT A: SPC upgrades any part of the SLIGHT area before the end of the period [unlikely]****SUPPORT**

A very moist and unstable airmass is in place with enhanced northwesterly flow aloft, SPC expects one or more MCSs, and the live warning count in Indiana is already high.

DISCONFIRM

SPC set the ceiling at SLIGHT at 1214 AM CDT with the hazard framed as gusts and isolated hail rather than a wind-damage corridor; the active flood threat is a rainfall-rate problem the convective categorical scale does not measure.

CURRENT STATUS

SLIGHT, issued 1214 AM CDT 12-AUG. **LIKELIHOOD:** unlikely. **CONFIDENCE:** MODERATE.

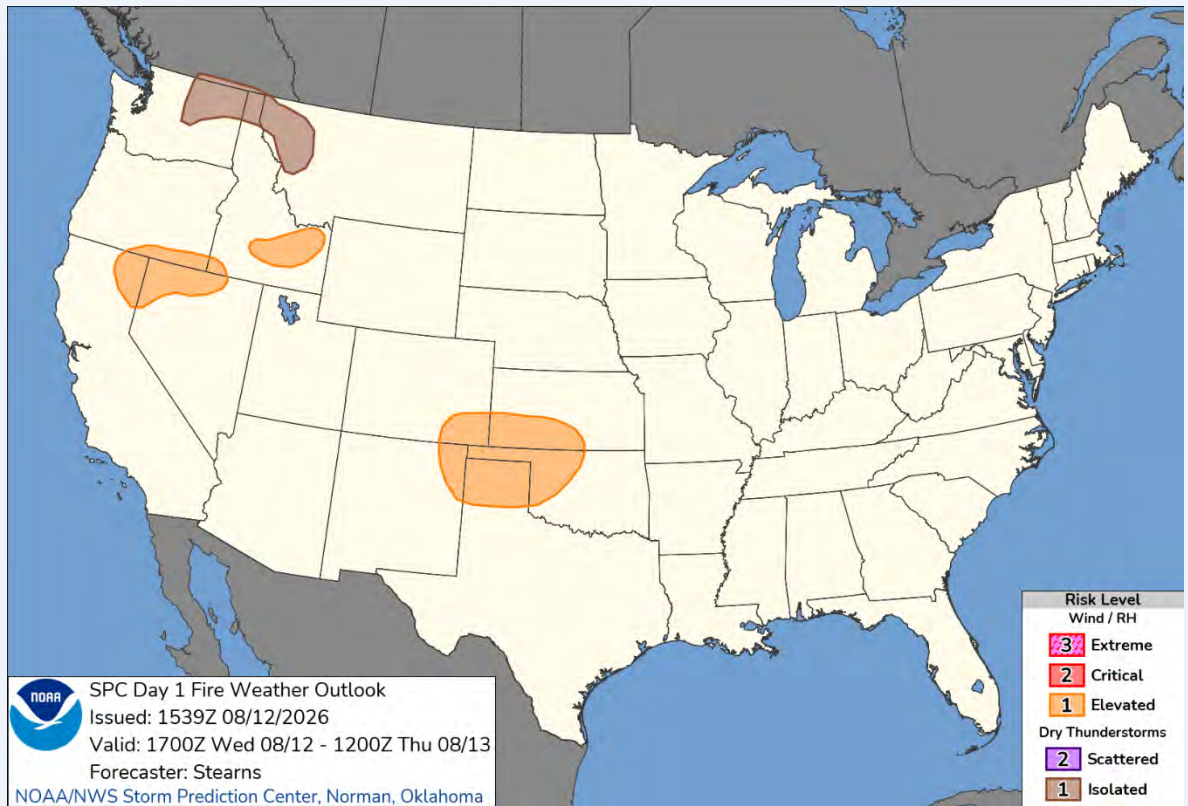
ALT B: The multi-day flood threat, rather than any new convection, produces the cycle-defining impact [very likely]**SUPPORT**

Ten Flash Flood Warnings and 12 further flood products are in force across 18 Indiana counties, on ground saturated by a derecho; NWS forecasts multiple rounds of rain causing Ohio Valley flood hazards

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		through early Friday; Ohio has already recorded a flood-related death where responders could not reach the patient. The threat extends int
	DISCONFIRM	SPC still forecasts severe gusts and hail across the central and northern High Plains, where a damaging-wind event remains possible independent of the Ohio Valley flooding.
	CURRENT STATUS	Convective tier down, flood warnings up. LIKELIHOOD: likely. CONFIDENCE: MODERATE.
SOURCES	NOAA SPC Day 1 Convective Outlook NOAA SPC Day 1 Fire Weather Outlook (FNUS21 KWNS 120551) NOAA SWPC noaa-scales NWS Indianapolis IN NWS Wilmington OH NWS Louisville KY weather.gov	

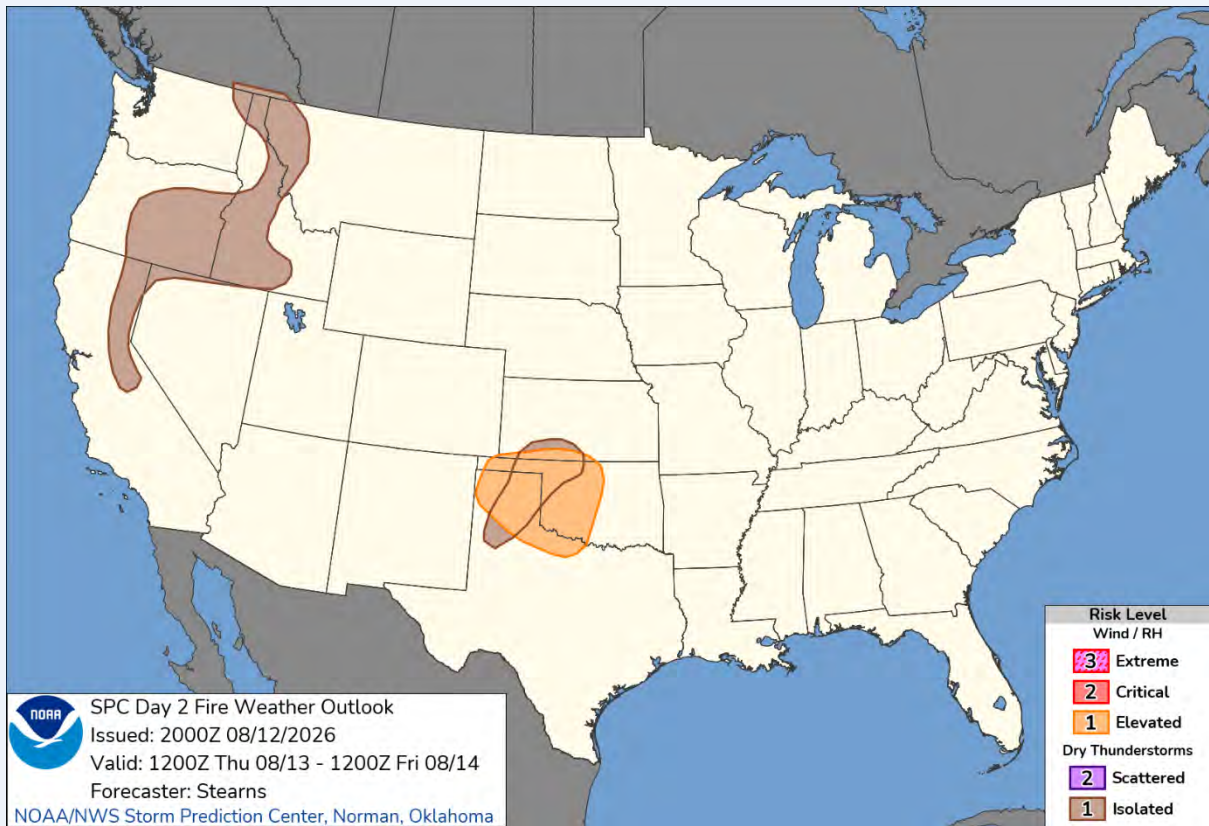
SECTION 7B - WILDFIRE REPORT (SEPARATE FROM METEOROLOGICAL WEATHER -- SEE SECTION 7 FOR WX-001)

WX-002 SEC 7B FIRE WEATHER FOUR INCIDENTS IN ACTIVE OR EXTREME BEHAVIOUR NPL 5 OF 5		FLASH ACTIVE 24
Summary	Uncontained large fires rose from 98 to 104 and Sinlahekin has re-entered the extreme-behaviour list, joining Wrights Spring, Little Giant and Big Grass. All national figures are the NIFC 11-AUG edition, which runs a day behind publication and is labelled as such rather than restated as current.	
National Status	NIFC National Preparedness Level (NPL): 5 of 5, the maximum, as of 18-JUL-2026 0730 MDT, confirmed on the NIFC National Fire News page pulled directly this cycle (11-AUG edition).	
SPC Fire Weather Day 1	SPC Day 1 Fire Weather Outlook, FNUS21 KWNS 120551, 1251 AM CDT Wed Aug 12 2026, valid 121200Z-131200Z. A mid-level trough pivots into the Pacific Northwest today as the western ridge shifts east. Moisture advection, falling H500 heights and increasing instability will promote thunderstorm development across northern Washington, the Idaho Panhandle and northwestern Montana this afternoon and evening. Dry and breezy conditions between that trough and monsoon moisture across the southern Intermountain West will promote elevated fire weather concerns across portions of northeastern California, northwestern Nevada and the Upper Snake River Plain.	



**SPC Fire Weather
Day 2**

SPC Day 2 Fire Weather Outlook: not re-pulled in this window. Withheld rather than restated from a prior issuance.



Active Fire Areas (NIFC National Fire News, 11 AUGUST 2026 edition, pulled directly this cycle at 1200Z; the 12-AUG edition had not published)

NORTHWEST AND INTERMOUNTAIN LEADERS: Wrights Spring (OR), Little Giant (WA), Big Grass (OR) and Sinlahekin (WA) are all exhibiting active or extreme fire behaviour per NIFC, with evacuations and closures in effect and homes, communities and critical infrastructure threatened. State totals on the 11-AUG edition: Washington 20 fires and 547,098 acres; Utah 3 fires and 139,891 acres, including Widemouth 2 at 122,759 acres and 30% contained 2 mi SW of Kanosh; Montana 9 fires and 41,063 acres; Minnesota 5 fires and 65,128 acres, all Superior National Forest; New Mexico 4 fires and 4,899 acres. Autumn Lane (WA) is 5,764 acres at 89% contained. Per-incident acreages for the other named incidents were not individually re-pulled this cycle and are not restated.

NATIONAL: SEC 7B MANDATORY FIELDS (0.117): NPL 5 of 5, as of 18-JUL-2026 0730 MDT per NIFC (source: nifc.gov/fire-information/nfn). 104 uncontained large fires, 142 new fires and 12 new large fires reported in the prior period, nearly 30,000 personnel assigned to incidents nationally. 46,305 fires and 6,428,813 acres year to date (1/1/26-8/11/26), 126% and 156% of ten-year averages. 7-Day Significant Fire Potential: NIFC reports continued dry and breezy conditions with locally elevated risk in northeast California, southern Idaho and Wyoming, and isolated to scattered mixed wet/dry thunderstorms from the eastern Sierra to the West Slope. All figures from the NIFC National Fire News 11-AUG edition.

NORTHWEST CONCENTRATION: the Northwest remains the nation's most active fire area, holding 45 of the 104 uncontained large fires. **MILITARY AUGMENTATION:** 240 soldiers from the 1st Battalion, 23rd Infantry Regiment, 7th Infantry Division, based at Joint Base Lewis-McChord, are deployed in support of wildland fire operations on the Modrite Fire, with an Incident Management Organization assigned to support the military contingent.

NWR COVERAGE NOTES - NO HIGH-GAP ALERT THIS CYCLE: Four multi-station clusters exist on today's roster - Georgia, Minnesota and New Mexico with three each and Alaska with two - and none meets the two-part test. Minnesota and New Mexico were raised as candidates by the roster tool on state-level overlap and both were rejected on hand-check. **MINNESOTA:** all five large fires are Superior National Forest incidents in the far northeast around Ely, Winton and Lac la Croix; of the three affected transmitters only Gunflint Lake serves that theatre, Aitkin is central and Rochester is southeastern under the La Crosse office. Minnesota carried ZERO active NWS alerts at 1200Z. **NEW MEXICO:** Artesia, Carlsbad and Roswell all serve the southeast under Midland/Odessa and Albuquerque, while all four large fires are north, central or southwest - Pecos Wilderness, 36 mi east of Albuquerque, 39 mi northwest of Mimbres and 20 mi northeast of Seboyeta. New Mexico's active alerts are a Flood Watch and an Air Quality Alert, neither a HIGH-GAP trigger. **GEORGIA:** three stations but no large fires and outside the convective risk area. **UTAH:** St. George enters the roster this cycle but sits in the far southwest corner while all three Utah large fires are central or northern, Widemouth 2 near Kanosh being roughly 120 miles away; Utah carried zero active alerts. **SINGLE-STATION NOTE - THE GAP THAT MATTERS THIS CYCLE:** Angola, Indiana is DEGRADED while Indiana runs 30 active NWS alerts including 10 Flash Flood Warnings across 18 counties. It is a single station and does not meet the alert threshold, but it is the most operationally significant coverage gap on the roster. Hillsboro, Illinois is out under 3 Severe Thunderstorm Watches, 2 Warnings and 6 heat products, and Gunflint Lake, Minnesota is out over five active Superior NF fires. **STATE THE CLEAR:** Ohio and Kentucky sit under the flood and convective threat with no transmitters out of service, and Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, Colorado, Wyoming, Arizona, Oklahoma and Florida all carry active large fires with no transmitters out of service. Virginia and Tennessee-Lafayette cleared this cycle; Utah entered.

Analyst Assessment

SEASON TRAJECTORY: At 46,305 fires and 6,428,813 acres burned nationally year to date (1/1/26-8/11/26), running 126% of the ten-year average on starts and 156% on acres, with NPL held at 5 of 5 since 18-JUL. The acreage ratio held at 156% for a second cycle while the uncontained count rose from 98 to 104

WHERE THE FIRE ACTUALLY IS: Sinlahekin is back. The 11-AUG cycle wrote the Sinlahekin framing out as superseded; NIFC now lists it among four incidents in active or

extreme fire behaviour alongside Wrights Spring, Little Giant and Big Grass. Superseded is not retired, and an incident dropping out of the lead is not the same as an incident being contained.

FIRE-WEATHER TRAJECTORY: Fire weather is no longer quiet on paper either. Unlike the previous two cycles, the SPC fire weather product now carries elevated concerns across northeastern California, northwestern Nevada and the Upper Snake River Plain, plus thunderstorm development over northern Washington, the Idaho Panhandle and northwestern Montana, which introduces a lightning-ignition pathway directly over the most active geographic area.

LIKELIHOOD: roughly even chance. **CONFIDENCE:** MODERATE. New significant fire starts driven by fire weather in the next 48 hours - SPC carries no critical areas but forecasts elevated conditions across three western regions plus thunderstorm development over the Northwest. **CONFIDENCE:** MODERATE.

LIKELIHOOD: almost certain. **CONFIDENCE:** HIGH. National Preparedness Level remaining at 5 through the next cycle - 104 uncontained large fires, nearly 30,000 personnel committed, four incidents in active or extreme behaviour and military augmentation now deployed. **CONFIDENCE:** HIGH.

SOURCES

NIFC National Situation Report | SPC Fire Weather Outlook | InciWeb Active Incidents | USFS Active Fire Mapping Program

ALT HYP

ALT A: Growth on the Northwest leaders is arrested within 72 hours as fire weather stays sub-critical [unlikely]

SUPPORT

The 12-AUG SPC Day 1 Fire Weather Outlook carries no critical areas but does flag elevated fire weather across northeastern California, northwestern Nevada and the Upper Snake River Plain, plus thunderstorm development over northern Washington, the Idaho Panhandle and northwestern Montana; nearly 30,000 personnel are committed nationally.

DISCONFIRM

Wright's Spring and Little Giant are both in extreme fire behaviour under a no-critical-areas fire weather forecast, with evacuations, road closures and threats to homes and critical infrastructure; NICC has issued two new fuels and fire behaviour advisories this cycle, for Southwest Idaho and Eastern Nevada/Central Utah.

CURRENT STATUS

Four incidents each adding more than 11,000 acres under a sub-critical forecast. Assessed unlikely, confidence MODERATE.

ALT B: National Preparedness Level drops below 5 before the next cycle [very unlikely]

SUPPORT

Three large fires were contained in the latest reporting period and uncontained large fires fell from 99 to 94; the national fire-weather picture carries no critical areas.

DISCONFIRM

104 uncontained large fires and 12 new large fires; nearly 30,000 personnel committed; four incidents in active or extreme fire behaviour. NIFC 11-AUG edition.

CURRENT STATUS

NPL 5 of 5 held since 18-JUL. Assessed very unlikely, confidence HIGH.

NWR TRANSMITTER OUTAGE STATUS - 12 AUGUST 2026 (operator feed, as of 12-AUG 1125Z: 22 affected, 19 out of service, 3 degraded, 15 states)

Source: NOAA NWR (noaa_nwr T1) | as of Wed, 12 Aug 2026 1125 UTC (operator-supplied timestamped feed, treated as authoritative per SOP) | 22 stations OOS/DEGRADED (19 OOS / 3 DEGRADED) across 15 states

ST	Callsign	Location	Freq	WFO	Status
AK	KWN30	Kotzebue	162.550	Fairbanks AK	DEGRADED
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	WXK71	Macon	162.475	Peachtree City GA	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	KZZ84	Aitkin	162.450	Duluth MN	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	WXK63	Shelbyville	162.475	Nashville TN	OUT OF SERVICE
TX	WNG601	Rio Grande City	162.425	Brownsville/Rio Grande Valley TX	OUT OF SERVICE
UT	WWF51	St. George	162.475	Salt Lake City UT	OUT OF SERVICE
WV	WXM74	Sutton	162.450	Charleston WV	OUT OF SERVICE

SOURCES: weather.gov/nwr/outages

SECTION 7B - WILDFIRE

NPL 5 of 5 as of 18-JUL-2026 0730 MDT. 104 uncontained large fires, 12 new large fires and 142 new fires in the prior period, nearly 30,000 personnel committed nationally. 46,305 fires and 6,428,813 acres year to date

BIG GRASS FIRE (OR): ACTIVE, 41% contained, 541,079 acres 25 miles from Jordan Valley, Vale District BLM - the largest active incident in the country. Long-range spotting. Numerous residences and communication infrastructure threatened; evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

LITTLE GIANT FIRE (WA): ACTIVE, 2% contained, 111,429 acres thirty miles northwest of Leavenworth, Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest - EXTREME FIRE BEHAVIOUR per NIFC, with evacuations, road closures and threats to homes and critical infrastructure. No current per-incident personnel figure is stated; none was re-verified in this window.

WRIGHTS SPRING FIRE (OR): ACTIVE, 0% contained, 33,970 acres two miles west of Sprague River, Fremont-Winema National Forest - EXTREME FIRE BEHAVIOUR per NIFC, with evacuations, road closures and threats to homes and critical infrastructure. The Spokane-area cluster that drove the 05-AUG and 06-AUG cycles is superseded and is not carried: Autumn Lane is 73% contained and Fairview 53%.

SECTION 7C - SPACE WEATHER & EMCOMM

SWX-001 SWX-CON NSTR ALL THREE NOAA SCALES AT ZERO		WATCH UPDATED 4	
Why This Cycle	Quiet holds a third consecutive cycle, and the G1 disturbance the previous cycle indicated for today did not materialise.		
SWPC Status	NOAA SWPC noaa-scales product, DateStamp 2026-08-12, TimeStamp 11:59:00 UTC, pulled directly this cycle. R0 none, S0 none, G0 none. Forecast R minor probability 5%, R major 1%, S probability 1%. The most recent issuance in the SWPC alerts and warnings feed remains 15-JUL, so no product is in force and none is reproduced.		
Summary	The 30-JUL CME sequence is long past and the field has been undisturbed across two cycles.		
Operational Impacts	IMPACT SUMMARY: As of 12-AUG 1159Z 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. With all three NOAA scales at zero as of 12-AUG 1159Z there is no HF propagation impact from geomagnetic activity, and no SWPC product has been issued since 15-JUL. Operators should treat HF conditions as governed by ordin		
Analyst Assessment	The discipline point this cycle is a forecast that did not verify. The 11-AUG product recorded a SWPC indication of G1 Minor for 12-AUG. G is at zero. That indication is therefore not carried forward as though it occurred, and no retrospective G1 language appears anywhere in this product - an unverified forecast restated as history is the same defect class as a stale source presented as current. LIKELIHOOD: very likely. CONFIDENCE: HIGH. Conditions remain below G1 through the next cycle - all three scales are at zero and no warning, watch or alert has been issued in 28 days. CONFIDENCE: HIGH. LIKELIHOOD: very unlikely. CONFIDENCE: HIGH. Escalation to G2 or above before the next cycle - no Earth-directed CME is identified and no warning or alert has been issued since 15-JUL. 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	All three NOAA scales read zero at 12-AUG 1159Z; SWPC has issued no warning or alert for 28 days; the G1 indicated for today did not verify.	
	DISCONFIRM	R minor probability is stated at 5%, so the forecast is not identically flat across the window.	
	CURRENT STATUS	R0/S0/G0 at 12-AUG 1159Z, no active products, no verified escalation.	

ALT B: Activity re-escalates to G2 or above before the next cycle [very unlikely]**SUPPORT**

Recurrent coronal-hole streams

DISCONFIRM

All three scales are at zero; no Earth-directed CME has been identified; SWPC has issued no product since 15-JUL; the G1 indicated for today did not verify.

CURRENT STATUS

Quiet field, no active products, no identified driver. LIKELIHOOD: very unlikely. CONFIDENCE: HIGH.

SECTION 7D - TROPICAL / HURRICANE WEATHER**FOUR DESIGNATED SYSTEMS ACROSS THREE BASINS. There are no named storms anywhere, which is not the same statement as clear water. See TROP-001 for the full entry**

Status	Direct nhc.gov and CPHC pulls this cycle. CENTRAL PACIFIC - CP93 (ACPN50 PHFO 121142, 200 AM HST 12-AUG): approximately 1,050 mi ESE of the Hawaiian Islands, moving WNW at 10-15 mph, 90% through 48 hours and 90% through 7 days, depression or storm expected within the next day or so; CPHC directs interests in the Hawaiian Islands to monitor closely. ATLANTIC - AL92 (ABNT20 KNHC 121151, 800 AM EDT 12-AUG): approximately 900 mi WSW of the Cabo Verde Islands, 80% through 48 hours and 80% through 7 days, depression likely. AL93: approximately 1,050 mi ENE of Bermuda, elongated circulation with convection displaced east, 50% through 48 hours, producing gale-force winds to its south and east, reaching cooler water Thursday. EAST PACIFIC - EP99 (ABPZ20 KNHC 121142): midway between Hawaii and the west coast of Mexico, 70% through 48 hours, less favourable conditions late this week.
Sources	NOAA NHC ABNT20 KNHC 121151 and ABPZ20 KNHC 121142 NOAA CPHC ACPN50 PHFO 121142 NOAA WPC Mesoscale Precipitation Discussion 1023, all direct pulls this cycle

SECTION 8 - AGRICULTURE / FOOD & SUPPLY CHAIN**AGR-001 | TAYLOR FARMS CYCLOSPORA OUTBREAK | NOT RE-CHECKED, LAST CONFIRMED 05-AUG****MONITOR | NO DELTA | 18**

Why This Cycle	Not re-checked in this window: the CDC outbreak page was not pulled and no case count, state count or death toll is restated. The item stands last confirmed 05-AUG and is carried only so the thread is not silently dropped.
Summary	ALL FIGURES IN THIS ENTRY ARE LAST CONFIRMED 05-AUG AND WERE NOT RE-CHECKED IN THIS WINDOW. As of that date: the outbreak was 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 let
Analyst Assessment	SCALE AND SCOPE: On figures last confirmed 05-AUG, a parasitic outbreak that had produced two deaths and at least 98 recorded hospitalisations across fifteen states AGRICULTURAL INPUT PICTURE: Separately on the input side, the national fire posture holds at NPL 5 of 5 with 6,428,813 acres burned year to date on the NIFC 11-AUG edition, weighted heavily toward the Northwest Area, where the exposure is rangeland and livestock rather than row crop.

INPUT COST TRAJECTORY: Brent is marked at \$88.76/bbl on 12-AUG, up 6.55% over the month. The input that actually drives agricultural margins is diesel, and EIA now has US on-highway diesel at \$5.257/gal for the week ending 10-AUG, down 9.1 cents on the week but still 150.3 cents above a year ago. Midwest diesel, the relevant regional series for row-crop and livestock haulage, reads \$5.181.

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 89 | NEITHER SERIES RE-PULLED THIS CYCLE

HIGH | UPDATED | 16

Why This Cycle	The DRC national series stands at 4,053 confirmed cases and 1,850 deaths on data to 07-AUG. Neither that series nor the WHO series was re-issued in this window; both are carried with explicit as-of labels rather than restated as current.	
Summary	Bundibugyo ebolavirus PHEIC declared 16-MAY-2026, now Day 89. NEITHER SERIES WAS RE-PULLED IN THIS WINDOW; both are carried with explicit as-of labels rather than restated as current. 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.	
SALUTE	SIZE/TIME: DRC national series 4,053 confirmed and 1,850 deaths on data to 07-AUG. WHO series 3,626 confirmed in total (3,605 DRC) and 1,589 fatalities on a crude case-fatality ratio of 44%, as of 30-JUL	
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.	
ALT HYP	ALT A: Reported case growth reflects improved detection rather than accelerating transmission [very unlikely]	
	SUPPORT	Decentralised testing has been expanded during the response and case counts commonly rise when laboratory capacity is added.
	DISCONFIRM	The national series added 94 deaths alongside 126 cases in the same window at a stable CFR above 45%; detection artefacts do not raise deaths proportionally.
	CURRENT STATUS	Deaths rising in proportion to cases across four days. Assessed very unlikely, confidence HIGH.

	ALT B: Conflict-driven access denial is the primary constraint on containment [likely]	
	SUPPORT	ACLED assesses spread is concentrated within conflict areas, with Allied Democratic Forces expansion in Ituri undermining health infrastructure; Ituri accounts for 88% of confirmed cases; over 120 armed groups operate across the eastern provinces.
	DISCONFIRM	Vaccine and therapeutic limitations against the Bundibugyo species are an independent constraint that would bind even with full access; treatment capacity is being expanded with UN partners rather than blocked outright.
	CURRENT STATUS	Outbreak concentrated in provinces with active armed conflict, 717 currently hospitalised. Assessed likely, confidence MODERATE.

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: As of 12-AUG, Pakistan's defence minister characterises Washington and Tehran as close to an arrangement on the Strait - third-party characterisation, not a principal statement. Trump has signalled he will let economic pressure run rather than strike again, and Oman-mediated talks on a transit route are reported to be progressing. If an instrument is published and transit normalises, the case for 4 becomes strong. No strike-pause night count is stated; none was re-verified in this window.

SUPPORTS HOLDING AT 3 (today): Tehran has hardened its terms, conditioning any reopening on the US lifting the blockade, granting sanctions relief and paying compensation, and is refusing direct talks. A tanker operated by Abu Dhabi National Oil Company was attacked inside the Strait over the weekend and Houthi forces claimed an attack on the Jazan refinery. The water and wastewater OT campaign was not re-checked in this window and contributes no current basis in either direction.

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: roughly even chance. **CONFIDENCE:** LOW. PREP-CON moves to 4 within the week - talks are reported to be progressing and Washington has signalled patience, but Tehran has publicly decoupled any arrangement from reopening and has added compensation to its terms. **CONFIDENCE:** MODERATE.

WX-CON ESCALATION RECOMMENDATION - OPERATOR CALL, FOURTH CONSECUTIVE CYCLE: this cycle again recommends WX-CON move from 3 GUARDED to 2, and the basis has strengthened for a third time. NPL holds at 5 of 5; uncontained large fires rose from 98 to 104 with 12 new large fires; four incidents are in active or extreme fire behaviour with evacuations, closures and threats to homes, communities and critical infrastructure; 240 military personnel are now committed to a single incident; year-to-date acreage holds at 156% of the ten-year average. Separately, Indiana is running a live flash-flood event with 10 Flash Flood Warnings in force. The recommendation is NOT actioned unilaterally and WX-CON is held at 3 pending operator confirmation.

COMCON 4
INCREASED
VIGILANCE
OPERATOR
CONFIRMED

COMCON 4 (Increased Vigilance) held, and this cycle it is earned rather than inherited. A derecho cut power to more than 850,000 customers across Illinois, Indiana and Ohio on 11-AUG - see ENR-003 - and an outage of that scale is a communications problem as much as an electricity one, since consumer devices, cell sites on battery backup and home internet all degrade on the same clock. Angola, Indiana is DEGRADED while Indiana runs 30 active alerts including 10 Flash Flood Warnings, and Hillsboro, Illinois is out inside the same corridor - both within the derecho footprint, which is the least helpful place on the map to lose a transmitter. All three

SECTION 11 - DOMESTIC UNREST / SOFT TARGET

DOMESTIC UNREST / SOFT TARGET -- NSTR ON AN INCOMPLETE BASIS, 12-AUG WINDOW. No qualifying domestic soft-target attack, mass-casualty incident or civil-disorder event was identified in this window. This NSTR is declared on a partial sweep: ACLED, the FBI, DHS/NTAS and the CISA Commercial and Government Facilities feeds were NOT pulled this cycle. The assertion should be read as no incident surfaced rather than as a cleared search. 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

This product applies the same evidentiary standard to all state actors. Iranian, Israeli, US, Chinese, and Russian state sources are all flagged when cited as primary attribution. Single-source state-media claims are classified LOW CONFIDENCE absent multi-stream corroboration regardless of which state is the source. Loaded language is stripped from DTR narrative unless quoted with attribution. The same skepticism applied to adversary state media is applied to allied state media.

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) 18 of 56 mandatory sources were live-pulled this cycle and the sweep is declared incomplete rather than represented as complete. (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	34	22	12	638 ALL SOURCES
11-AUG 1600Z through 12-AUG-2026 1600Z, a standard 24-hour cycle. Registry v2.25 carries 638 sources; 18 of 56 mandatory sources were live-pulled. THE SWEEP IS INCOMPLETE AND IS NOT PRESENTED AS					

THREAT
AREAS
ASSESSEDSTANDING
REGISTRYCITATIONS
THIS CYCLETIER 1
PRIMARYTIER 2
SECONDARYMONDAY
ROLLUP
SWEEP

COMPLETE. Fourteen sources were pulled live: SWPC noaa-scales and alerts, SPC Day 1 Convective and Day 1 Fire Weather, NIFC National Fire News, USGS earthquake feed, NHC Atlantic and East Pacific Tropical Weather Outlooks, CPHC Central Pacific Tropical Weather Outlook, CISA KEV JSON, AAA Fuel Price Index and api.weather.gov active alerts for five states. Not reached: FAA, DOE OE-417, NRC, FERC, PJM, FCC, FDIC, Federal Reserve, State Department, OFAC, CENTCOM, White House, ACLED, ISW, CISA Advisories and ICS-CERT, FBI, DHS/NTAS, CDC HAN, Africa CDC, WHO Disease Outbreak News, NAVCEN, GPS.gov, GPSJam, NANU, MARAD, UKMTO, CME/NYMEX, Cloudflare Radar, TeleGeography, RepeaterBook, RadioReference, NIST AI RMF and WPC. The WPC Excessive Rainfall Outlook gap is now five consecutive cycles and coincided this cycle with a live flash-flood event. Separately, 3 of the 10 audit scripts called by the delivery gate - render_audit.py, provenance_ledger_audit.py and pattern_health_audit.py - are absent from disk for the fourth recorded occurrence, so the gate ran at 7 of 10 and the render surface was checked by hand.

SECTION 13 - CLOSING

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