DAILY PREPAREDNESS BRIEF

Household Edition -- Friday, 13 November 2026

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

Friday, 13 November 2026 | PREP-CON 3 BROWN SKY, HELD | WX-CON: stand-down | SWX-CON: stand-down

THE ONE THING TODAY

BEFORE THE WEEKEND: CHECK YOUR WARNINGS

A tornado touched down near Christiana Hospital in Delaware on Thursday under a low-end storm risk. Make sure your phone emergency alerts are on and your weather radio receives a station. In south and central Texas and western Louisiana, storms Sunday into early Monday could bring damaging gusts, hail, a brief tornado and heavy rain.

IF YOU RUN A BUSINESS EMAIL SYSTEM OR VPN: today is the federal deadline to patch exploited Barracuda email gateways and Ivanti Connect Secure; ask your IT provider to confirm the fix is in.

SINCE OUR LAST BRIEF: a tornado hit near a Delaware hospital, another tanker was attacked near the Strait of Hormuz, oil rose and gas fell again.

WEATHER -- QUIET TODAY, TEXAS STORMS SUNDAY

Thursday's storms brought a confirmed tornado near Christiana Hospital in Delaware, a barn collapse in Burlington County, New Jersey, and golf-ball hail near Lakehurst; no injuries were reported. No severe weather is expected today or Saturday. Storms and heavy rain are possible Sunday in south and central Texas and western Louisiana.

SCAM ALERT -- FAKE CONTRACTORS

After the storms in Delaware and New Jersey and the floods in Georgia, Tennessee and Texas, expect door-to-door contractors and fake relief offers. Real FEMA help is free: never pay a fee or give a gift card or bank password, and apply only through disasterassistance.gov or your county.

WEATHER RADIO -- 22 STATIONS DOWN OR DEGRADED

22 transmitters are off the air or degraded across 13 states. Six came back, including all five in Texas; Lake Havasu, Arizona went off the air and three Southeast Alaska stations are degraded. If you rely on one that is out, use phone alerts and local media.

STATION	FREQUENCY	STATUS
Duke Island, AK	162.450 MHz	Degraded
Gravina Island, AK	162.525 MHz	Degraded
Kotzebue, AK	162.550 MHz	Degraded
Mt. McArthur, AK	162.525 MHz	Degraded
Nome, AK	162.550 MHz	Out of service
Valdez, AK	162.550 MHz	Out of service

Lake Havasu, AZ	162.400 MHz	Out of service
Baxley, GA	162.525 MHz	Out of service
Kauai, HI	162.400 MHz	Out of service
Hillsboro, IL	162.425 MHz	Out of service
Marion, IN	162.450 MHz	Out of service
Gem, KS	162.400 MHz	Out of service
Ulysses, KS	162.450 MHz	Out of service
Gunflint Lake, MN	162.525 MHz	Out of service
Waubun, MN	162.450 MHz	Out of service
Artesia, NM	162.425 MHz	Out of service
Carlsbad, NM	162.475 MHz	Out of service
Roswell, NM	162.450 MHz	Out of service
Owyhee, NV	162.450 MHz	Degraded
Albany, NY	162.550 MHz	Out of service
Shelbyville, TN	162.475 MHz	Out of service
Monterville, WV	162.525 MHz	Out of service

FIRES -- QUIET NATIONWIDE

No new large fires were reported. The Tennessee fire north of Caryville is 65 percent contained.

HEALTH -- EBOLA COUNT RISING

The CDC now counts 11,114 confirmed Ebola cases and 5,433 deaths in Congo. There are still no US cases.

GAS PRICES -- STILL FALLING

The national average for regular gas is $3.87, down 4 cents since yesterday and 20 cents in a week. Diesel is $6.06.

WHAT TODAY'S IRAN NEWS MEANS FOR YOU

Another tanker was hit by a projectile near the Strait of Hormuz on Thursday; the crew is safe. Iran says more ships hit mines and claims it destroyed a US radar in Bahrain; that has not been confirmed. President Trump says the US does not need a deal with Iran. There is no credible threat to the public on US soil.

Gas prices: Oil rose to about $96 a barrel, but pump prices are still falling. Regular is $3.87 and diesel $6.06.

Travel: Saudi Arabia shot down more drones on Thursday and Friday. Air India has suspended Saudi flights to November 14, and US Soccer pulled its youth team from a tournament in Qatar. Check State Department advisories before any Middle East trip.

At home: For American families the Iran conflict still shows up mainly at the gas pump, not as a safety threat.

PREPAREDNESS CHECKLIST -- TODAY'S PRIORITIES

TEXAS AND LOUISIANA -- SUNDAY

- ☐ Tie down or bring in patio furniture, trash cans and decorations
- ☐ Keep phone weather alerts on and know your tornado shelter spot
- ☐ Charge phones and flashlights in case the power goes out
- ☐ Delaware, New Jersey and Pennsylvania: photograph storm damage before you clean up
- ☐ Check on neighbors, especially older adults living alone

PHONES, COMPUTERS AND WEBSITES -- THIS WEEK

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☐ Small businesses: the Barracuda email gateway and Ivanti VPN patch deadline is today; confirm with your IT provider
☐ Update Chrome, Microsoft Office and Apple devices to the latest version

GENERAL WEEKEND PREPAREDNESS

☐ Check that your weather radio still receives a station
☐ Ham and HF operators: expect short daytime fadeouts from solar flares
☐ Ignore texts or emails asking you to "verify" your voter registration

CONDITION SUMMARY

PREP-CON 3 BROWN SKY	Incident Probable, held. Tension overseas remains high, with no credible threat to US soil.
WX-CON -- Stand-Down	Lowered: no severe weather today. Watch Sunday storms in south and central Texas and western Louisiana.
SWX-CON -- Stand-Down	Quiet; no storm is expected through Sunday.
COMCON 4 Increased Vigilance	22 weather radio transmitters are down or degraded across 13 states (table above); all Texas stations are back on the air.

RESOURCES

Emergency preparedness planning: fortunefavorstheprepared.com
Daily Threat Report (practitioner): fortunefavorstheprepared.com/dtr
National Hurricane Center: nhc.noaa.gov
Disaster assistance: disasterassistance.gov
Flood safety: weather.gov/safety/flood
NOAA Space Weather Center: swpc.noaa.gov
CDC Ebola updates: cdc.gov/ebola
American Red Cross disaster welfare: redcross.org

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Ready Ledger: fortunefavorstheprepared.com/product/ready-ledger/
Ready Trainer: fortunefavorstheprepared.com/product/sw-rt/
Both together (bundle): fortunefavorstheprepared.com/product/bn-rlrt/
New and free: Where to Start Being Prepared, our one-page beginner guide: fortunefavorstheprepared.com/pillars/
Our specialty reports are back on schedule, with more returning in November: fortunefavorstheprepared.com/dtr/