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National Weather Service - New Orleans/Baton Rouge

Tropical & Heavy Rainfall Briefing

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Key Messages

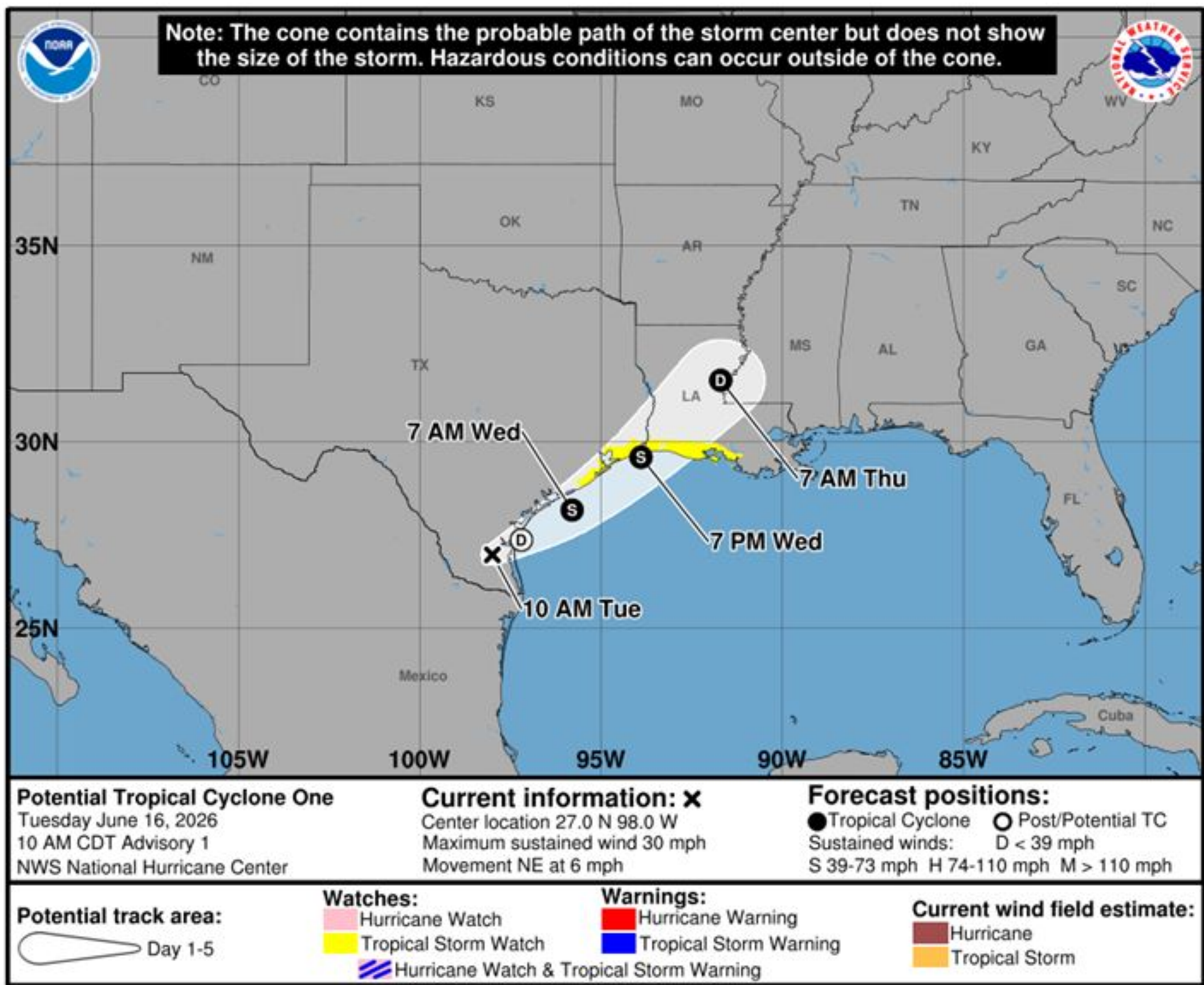
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- Monitoring for likely rises in several rivers from the heavy rain this week - visit <https://water.noaa.gov/> for the latest forecast.

Advisories Initiated on Potential Tropical Cyclone One

Tropical System Forecast to Bring Flooding Rain and Brief Tornadoes to the Local Area.

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i OVERVIEW

The National Hurricane Center has initiated advisories on Potential Tropical Cyclone One. A tropical storm is forecast to form tomorrow and make landfall near the Texas and Louisiana border.

The axis of heaviest rainfall has shifted east toward the I-10/12 corridor which increases the risk for significant flash flooding. A few tornadoes cannot be ruled out today through Friday.

! THREATS & SAFETY

- This system will bring heavy rainfall leading to flash flooding, minor coastal flooding, and a few tornadoes to the local area.
- Continue to monitor the forecast for any changes to expected impacts



Avoid flooded roadways



Have multiple ways to get warnings



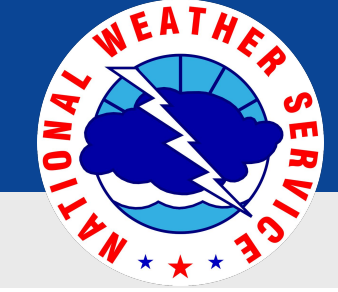
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5-Day Threat Outlook

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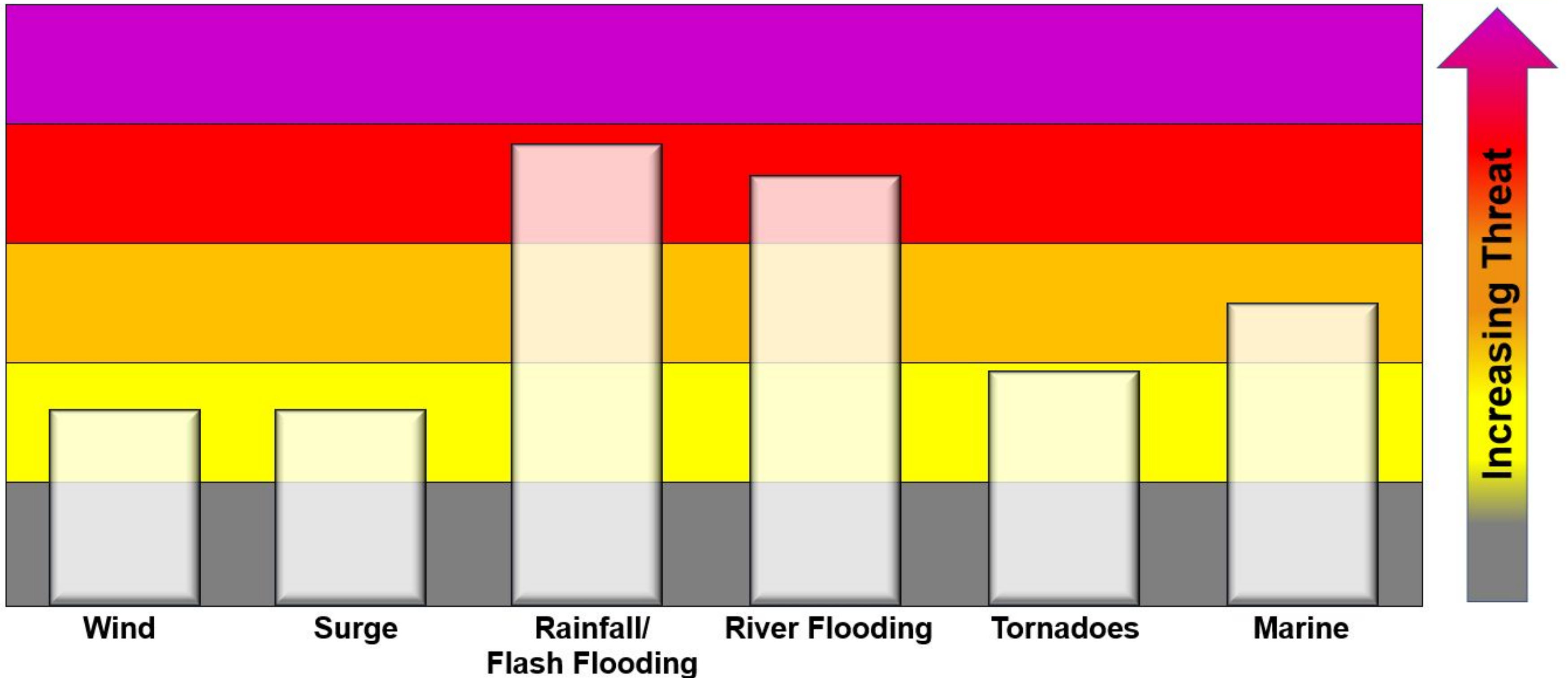
	Tuesday, June 16	Wednesday, June 17	Thursday, June 18	Friday, June 19	Saturday, June 20
Flash Flooding	Areas of Flash Flooding leading to road closures. Significant flash flooding could lead to water approaching homes and businesses.	Isolated to areas of Flash Flooding leading to road closures. Risk increasing again Wednesday afternoon into night.	Areas of Flash Flooding leading to road closures. Significant flash flooding could lead to water approaching homes and businesses.	Lingering heavy rainfall. Isolated to areas of Flash Flooding leading to road closures.	Isolated Flash Flooding possible leading to road closures.
Severe Weather Wind / Hail / Tornadoes	A few strong storms capable of 40-50 mph winds, a brief tornado or two cannot be ruled out.	Scattered strong storms capable of 40-50 mph winds, a few tornadoes cannot be ruled out.	Scattered strong storms capable of 40-50 mph winds, a few tornadoes cannot be ruled out.	A few strong storms capable of 40-50 mph winds, a brief tornado or two cannot be ruled out.	A few storms, but severe weather potential is uncertain.
Coastal Flooding	Higher than normal tides for south-facing shores.	Minor inundation 2-4 feet above normally dry ground for south-facing shores in coastal Louisiana.	Minor inundation 2-4 feet above normally dry ground for south-facing shores in coastal Louisiana.	Higher than normal tides for south-facing shores.	No coastal flooding.
Marine	Southwest winds at 15 to 20 mph with gusts up to 25 mph. Seas 2-4 feet in open gulf.	South winds at 25 to 30 mph with gusts up to 35 mph. Seas 4-7 feet in open gulf. 1-3 feet in protected waters.	South winds at 25 to 35 mph with gusts up to 45 mph. Seas 10-12 feet offshore SW LA, 6-9 feet off SE LA. 2-4 feet in protected waters.	Southwest winds at 15 to 20 mph with gusts up to 25 mph. Seas 4-7 feet in open gulf. 1-3 feet in protected waters.	Southwest winds at 10 to 15 mph with gusts up to 20 mph. Seas 3-5 feet in open gulf. 1-2 feet in protected waters.
Threat Levels	Little to None	Limited	Elevated	Significant	Extreme



PTC One Threat Levels

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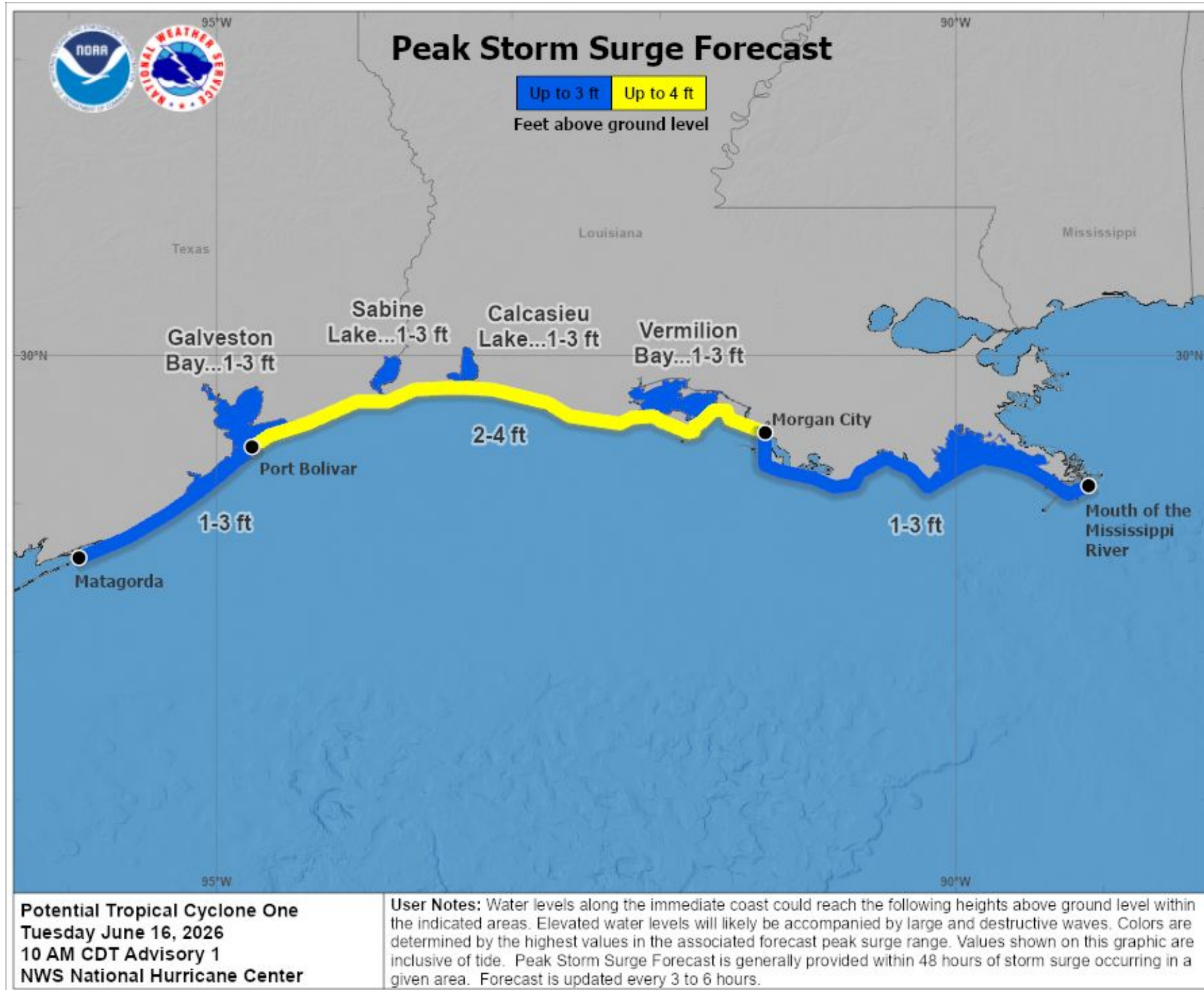
For information on specific hazards in this area, please go to <https://www.weather.gov/srh/tropical?office=lch>





Minor Coastal Flooding in SE LA

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- **Minor Coastal Flooding of 2 to 4 feet in Southwest LA and 1 to 3 feet in Southeast LA.**
- **Timing:** High tide cycles during Wednesday and Thursday.





Marine/Coastal Watches & Warnings

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- Tropical Storm Watch in effect for Sabine Pass to Morgan City until 8AM Thursday.
- Coastal Flood Warning in effect for SW LA tonight through Wednesday afternoon.
- Coastal Flood Advisory in effect for Calcasieu Lake and SE LA Wednesday morning through Wednesday evening.
- Additional coastal flood headlines probable on Thursday.





Flood Watch in Effect

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In effect now through 7PM Thursday for western/central LA and 7AM Friday for SE LA

What To Expect:

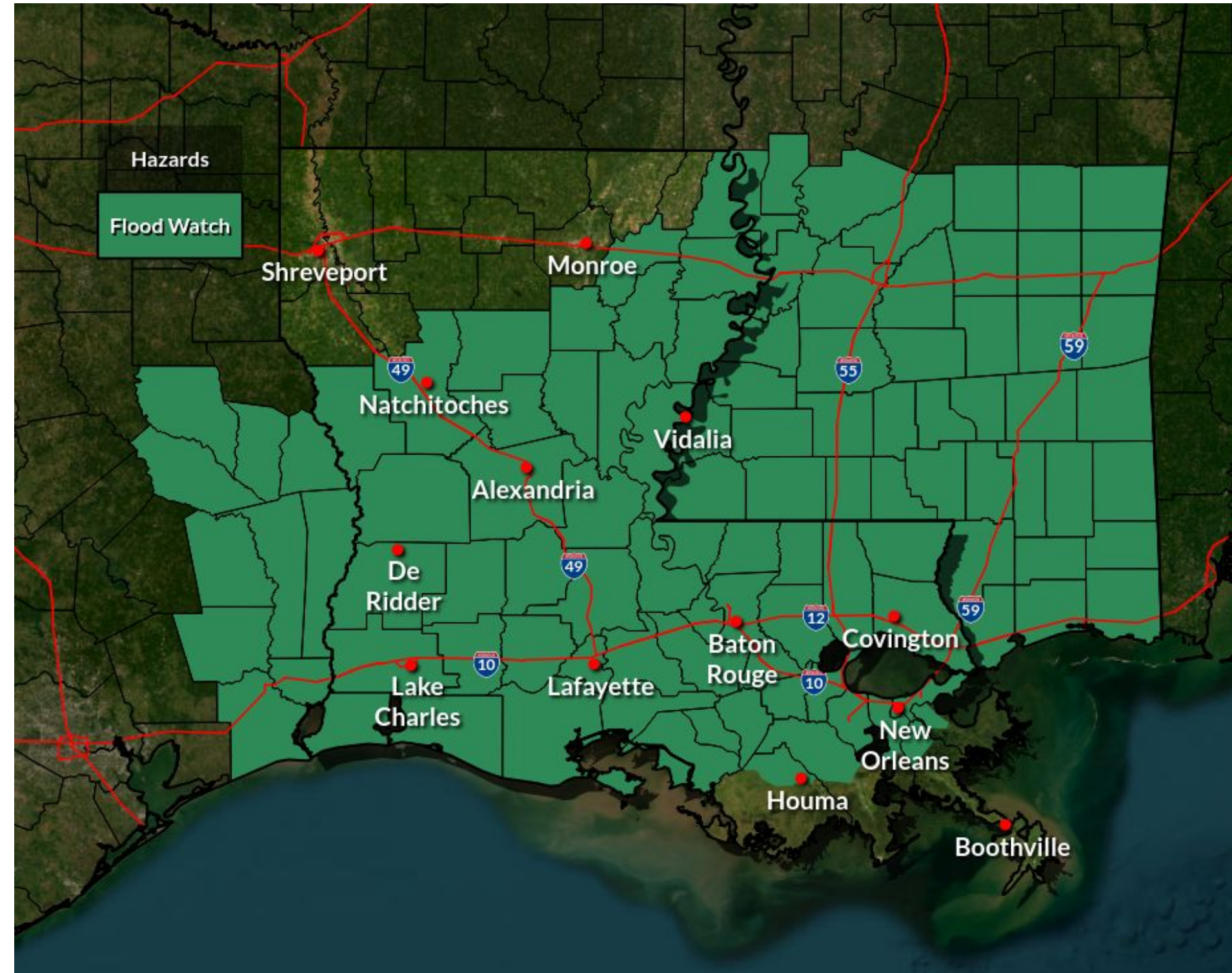
- Multiple rounds of scattered to numerous storms are expected today thru Friday.
- Intense rain rates and repeated training of storms over the same areas could lead to flash flooding.

Where:

- All of southeast Louisiana and south Mississippi excluding the immediate Louisiana coast.

Safety:

- Avoid driving through flooded areas
- Never drive around barricades!
- Be extremely careful traveling at night!



Potentially Significant Flash Flooding this Week

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Multiple rounds of heavy rainfall likely through Friday with potential for life-threatening flash flooding.

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What, When and Where:

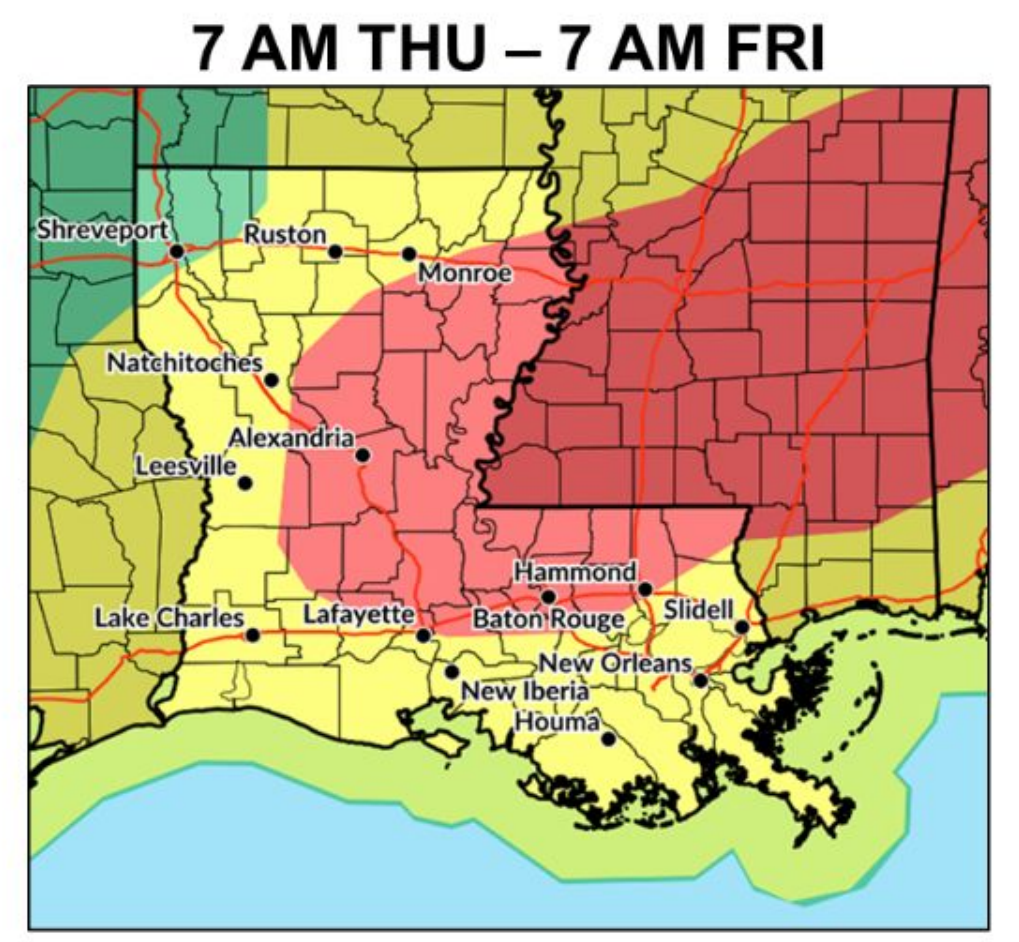
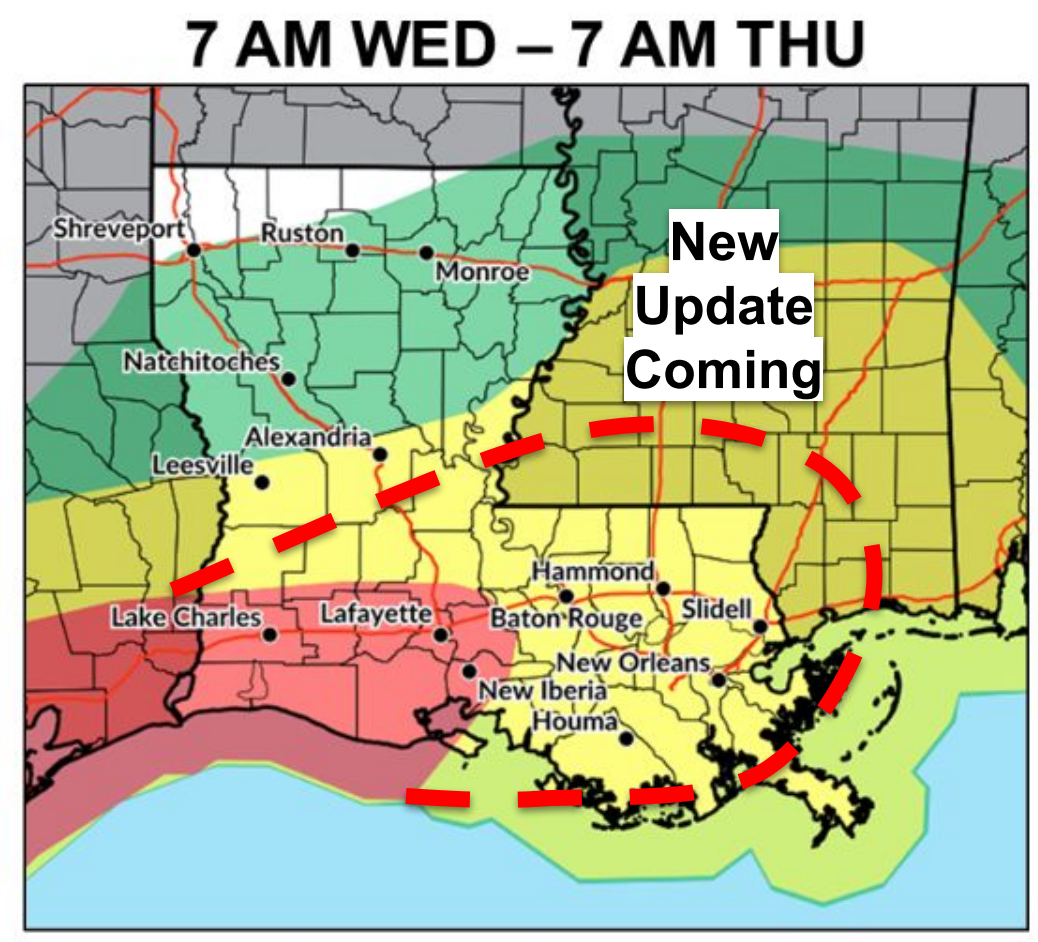
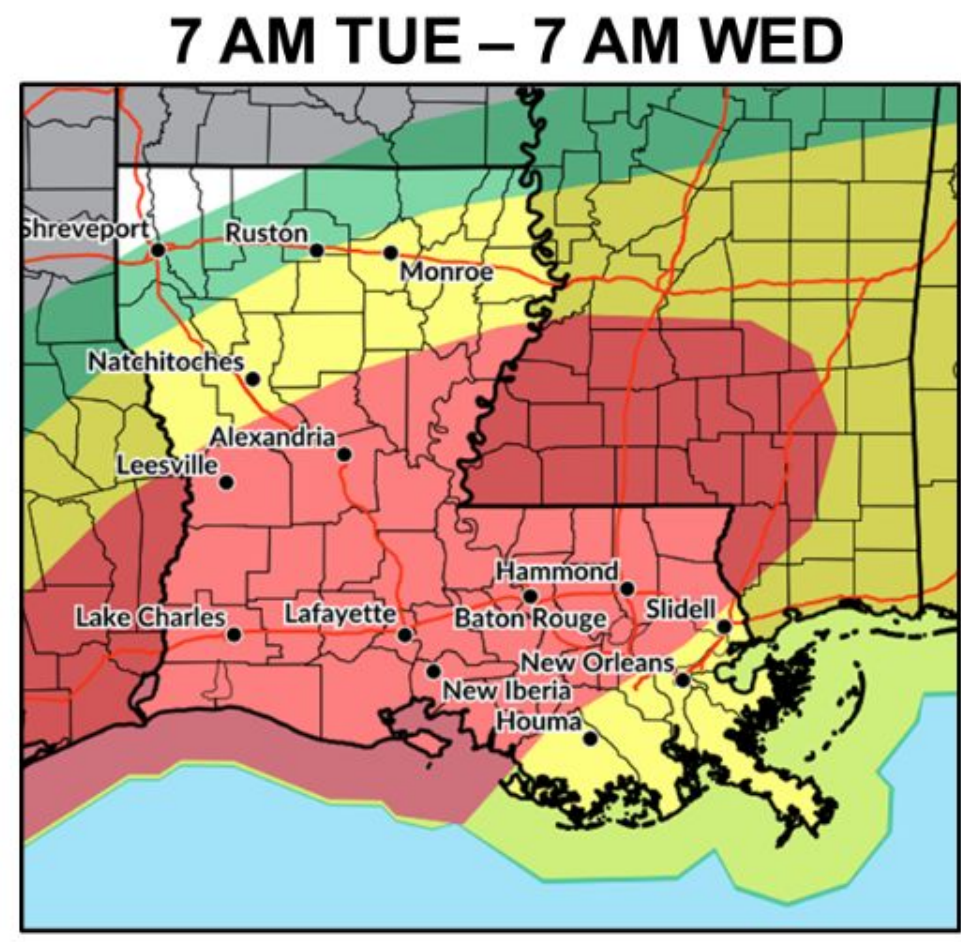
1 - Marginal
Localized Flash Flooding

2 - Slight
Areas of Flash Flooding, Especially in Urban Areas

3 - Moderate
Flash Flooding Likely, Potentially with Significant Impacts

4 - High
Widespread Flash Flooding, Potentially with Significant Impacts

Max Threat Level 3 of 4



Threats and Impacts

- Rainfall rates in excess of 2-3 inches per hour.
- Ponding of water in low lying and poor drainage areas likely.
- Consecutive days of rainfall will increase risk for significant flash flooding.
- Significant flash flooding could threaten some structures.

Safety



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Excessive Rainfall Outlook - Friday

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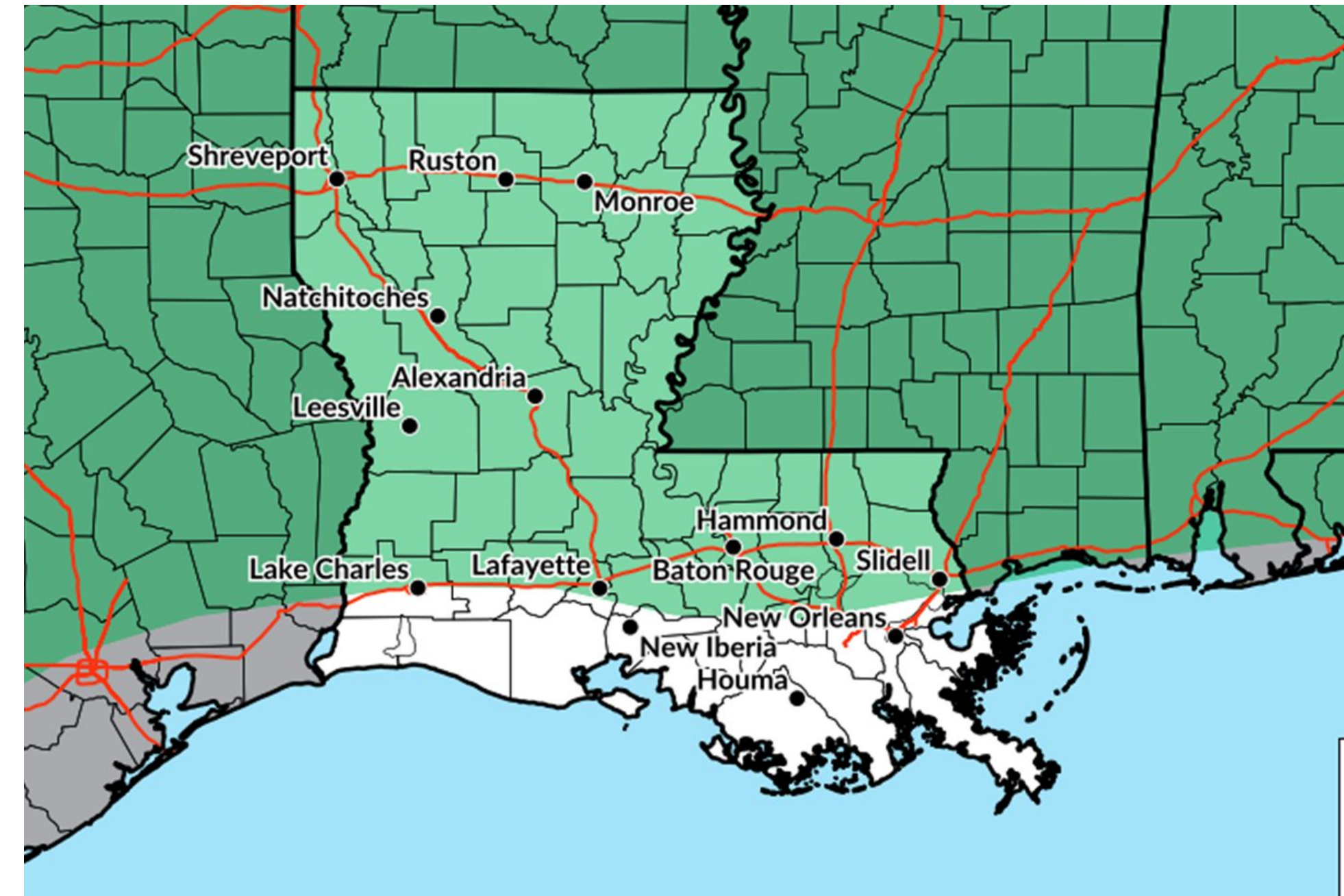
- There is a **Slight Risk** (Threat level 2 out of 4) for all southeast Louisiana roughly along and north the I-10/I-12 corridor as well as south Mississippi. **Marginal Risk** for south of the I-10/I-12 corridor.
- **Main threats:** Intense rainfall rates of 2-5"/hr and training storms over the same areas quickly leading to flash flooding.





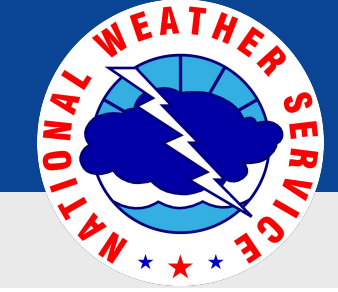
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- There is a **Marginal Risk** (Threat level 1 out of 4) for all areas on Friday.
- **Main threats:** Isolated Flash Flooding leading to road closures. Lingered river flooding.





Forecast Total Rainfall thru Friday

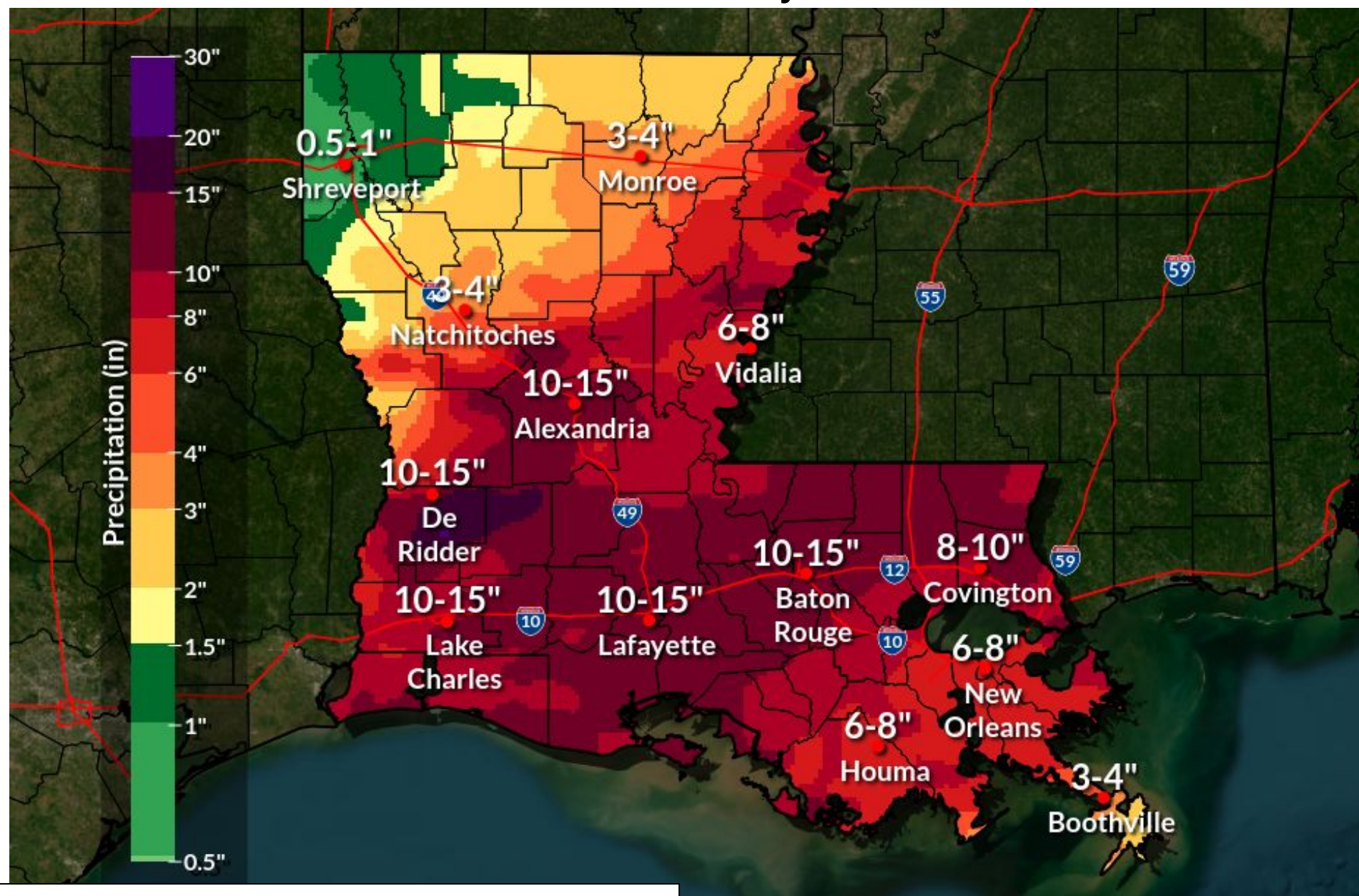
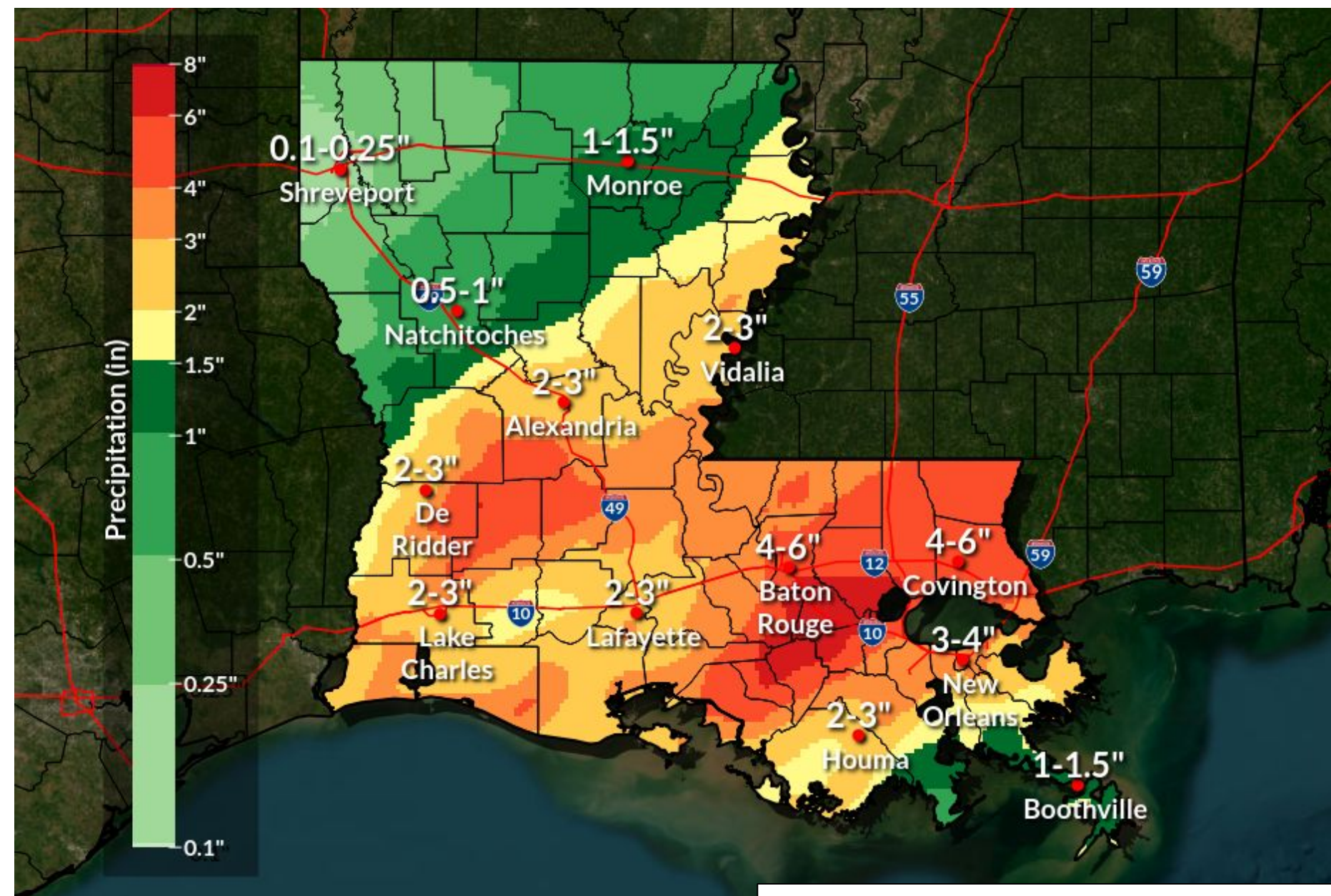
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Most Likely Rain Totals

4-7" of additional rainfall through 7PM Friday with localized amounts up to 8" along/north of I-10/12. Lower totals in coastal SE LA and NW LA.

Reasonable Worst Case Rainfall Forecast

It is unlikely that everywhere will see values this high, but a few places could see up to 20" of rain through 7AM Saturday.

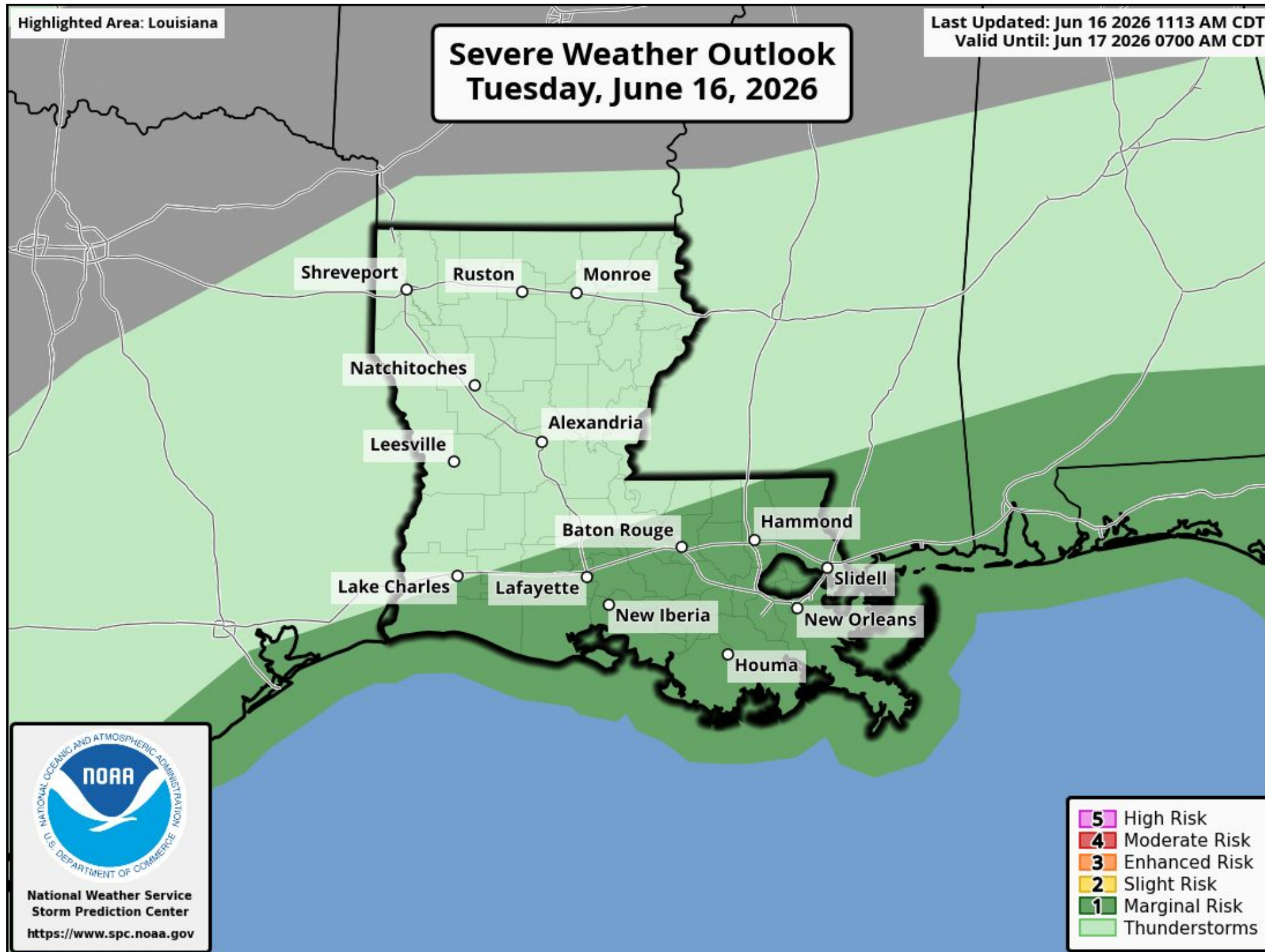


Additional shifts of highest totals to the southeast are possible through tomorrow.



Severe Weather Outlook - Today

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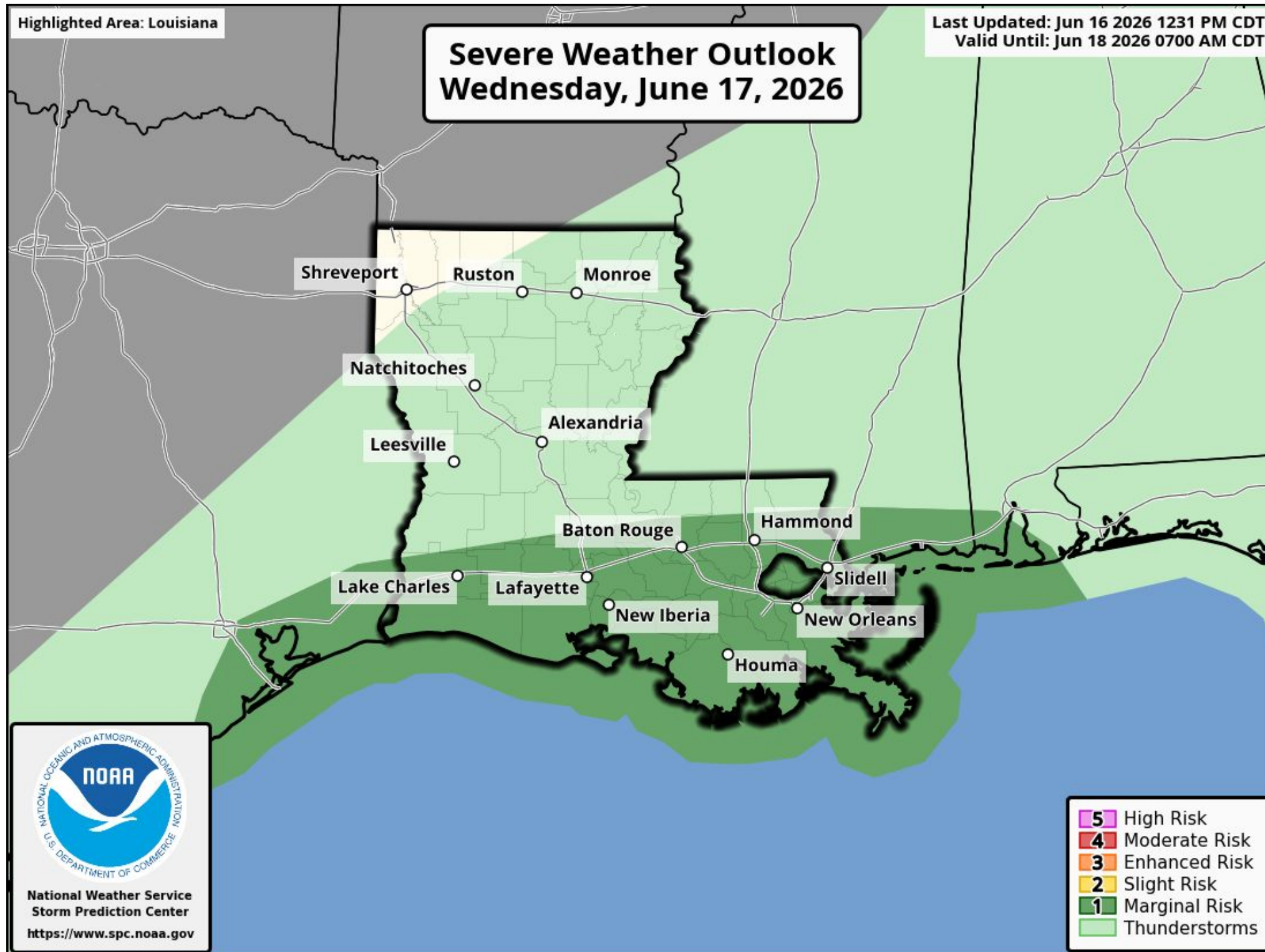


- There is a **Marginal Risk** (Threat level 1 out of 5) generally along and southeast of a line from Tylertown to Zachary to Breaux Bridge.
- **Main threats:** Isolated damaging wind gusts and a tornado or two cannot be ruled out.
- **Timing:** Mainly this afternoon. Diminishing tonight.



Severe Weather Outlook - Tomorrow

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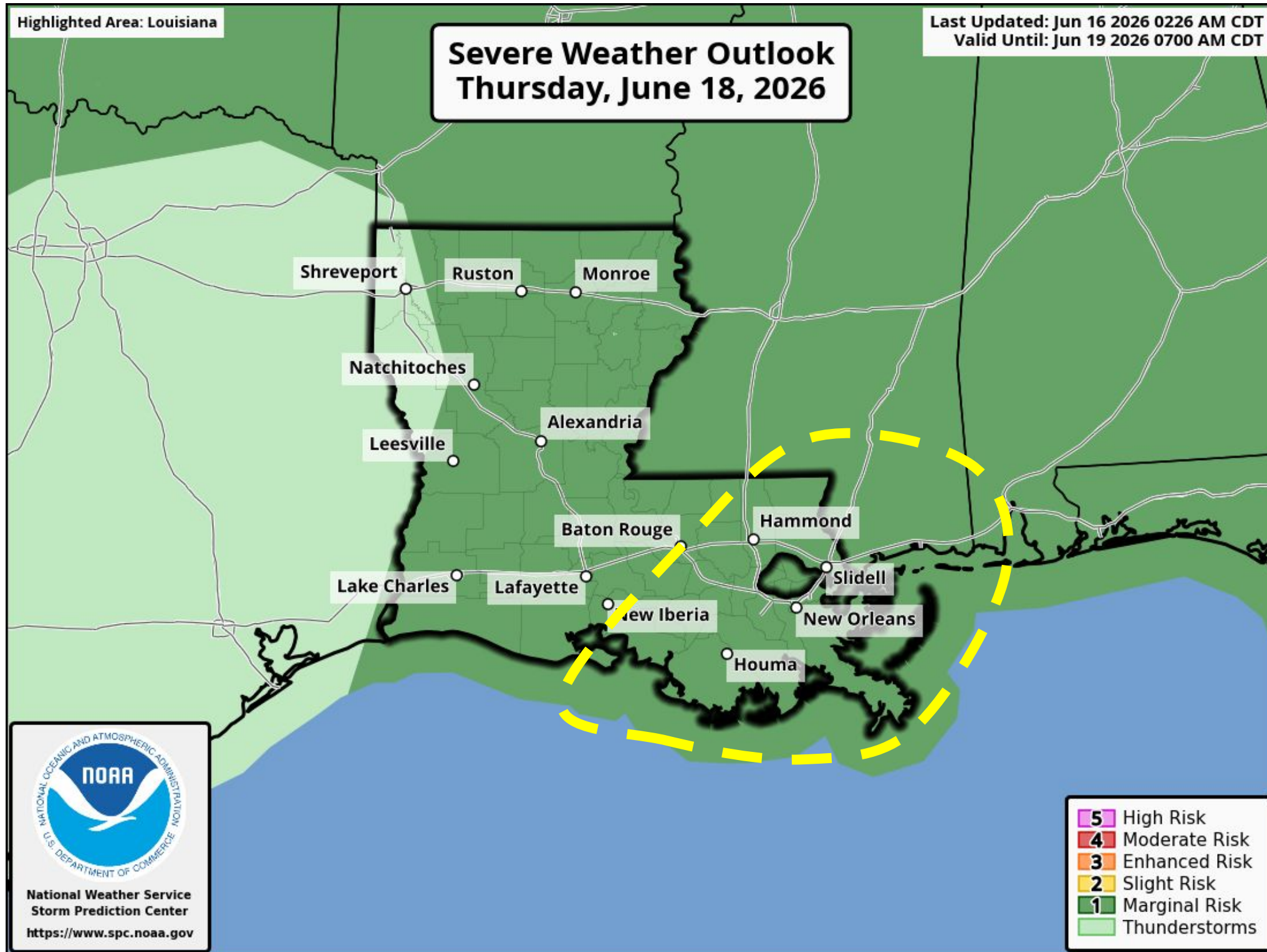


- There is a **Marginal Risk** (Threat level 1 out of 5) generally along and south of the I-10/12 corridor on Tuesday.
- **Main threats:** Isolated damaging wind gusts and brief tornado cannot be ruled out.
- **Timing:** Midday Wednesday through Wednesday night.



Severe Weather Outlook - Thursday

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- There is a **Marginal Risk** (Threat level 1 out of 5) for all areas on Wednesday.
- **Main threats:** Isolated damaging winds gusts and a few brief tornadoes cannot be ruled out. Potential for slight risk within yellow dashed area.
- **Timing:** Early morning through Thursday afternoon.



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