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October 13 - October 16

Heavy Rainfall and Severe Weather

Situational Awareness Briefing

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Key Points:

- The highest rain chances will be across the Big Bend, Lower Trans-Pecos, and much of the Permian Basin of west Texas.
- **Average rainfall totals of 1–3 inches are expected for these areas.**
- **Isolated locations will receive 3+ inches.**
- Flash flooding (especially in urban and low-lying areas) is the main concern. A few storms may also produce localized damaging winds and small hail.
- Excessive runoff from heavy rainfall may trigger rapid water-level rises in local creeks, rivers, and normally dry arroyos.



Timing:

- Multiple rounds starting tonight through Friday:
- ◆ Round 1: This evening -> Wednesday morning
 - ◆ Round 2: Wednesday evening -> Thursday morning
 - ◆ Round 3: Thursday evening -> Friday morning



Forecast Confidence:

- **Medium** for location of heaviest rainfall
- **Medium** for rainfall amounts
- **Low** for damaging winds



Flood Watch

Turn around. Don't drown.
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 This Evening through Friday Morning



Presidio Valley and Big Bend northward
into the Trans-Pecos and Permian Basin of
west Texas



Rainfall amounts of 1 to 3 inches, with
isolated amounts 3+ inches possible where
storm training occurs

IMPACTS:



URBAN-STREET
FLOODING



HEAVY RAIN



FLASH
FLOODING



What to Do:



Prepare for heavy rain that could
produce flooding and flash flooding

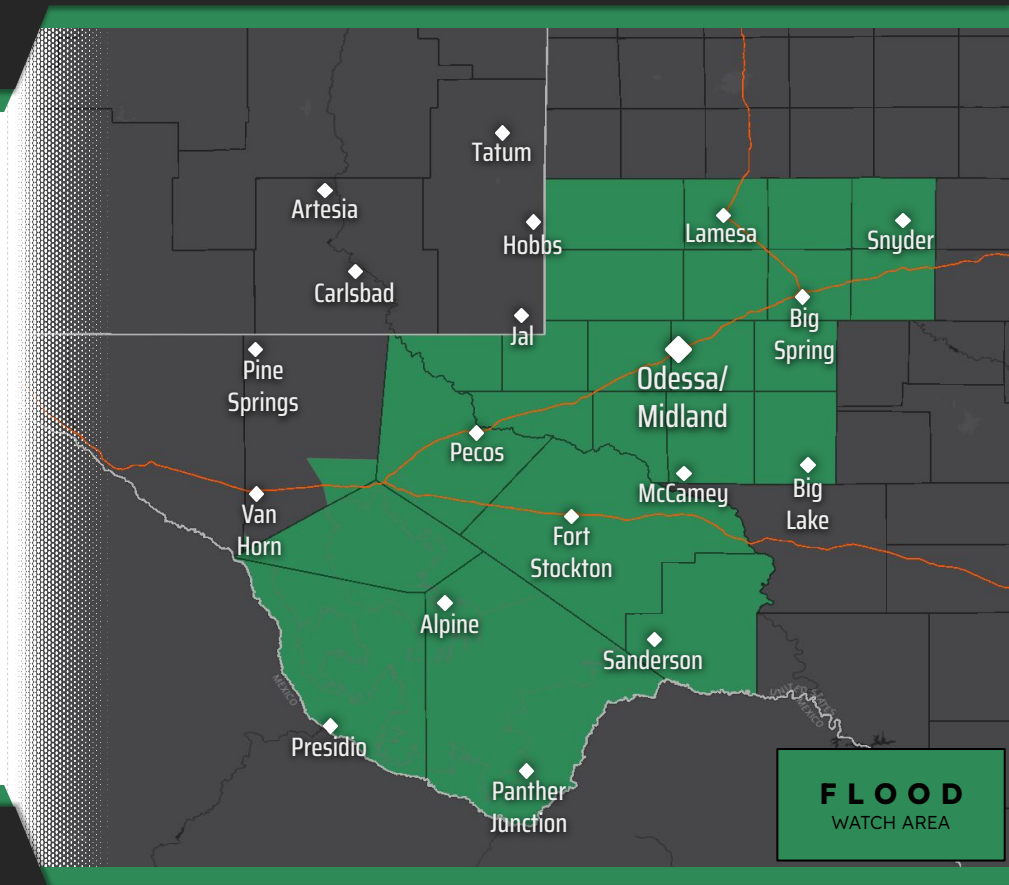
Drive carefully as wet roads
could lead to hydroplaning



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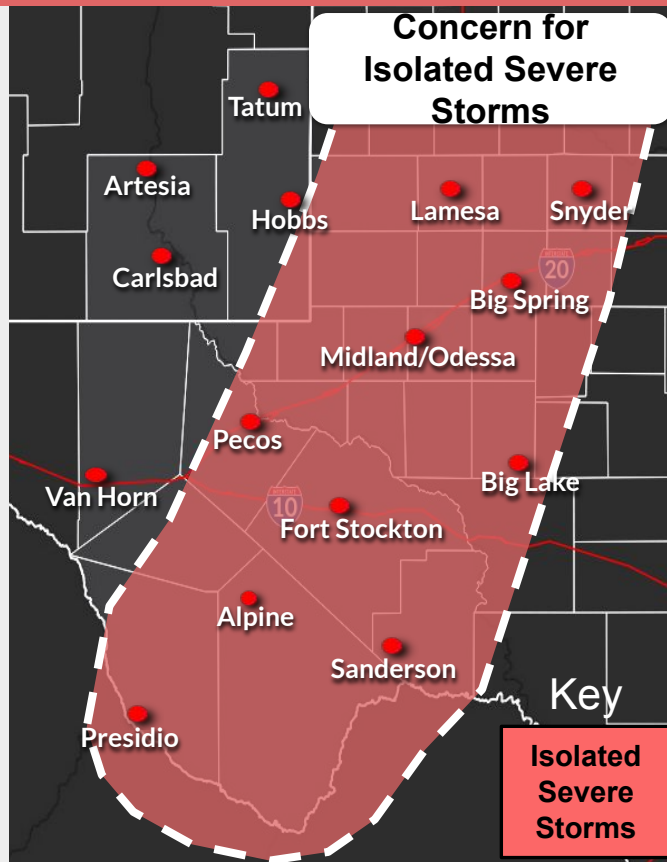
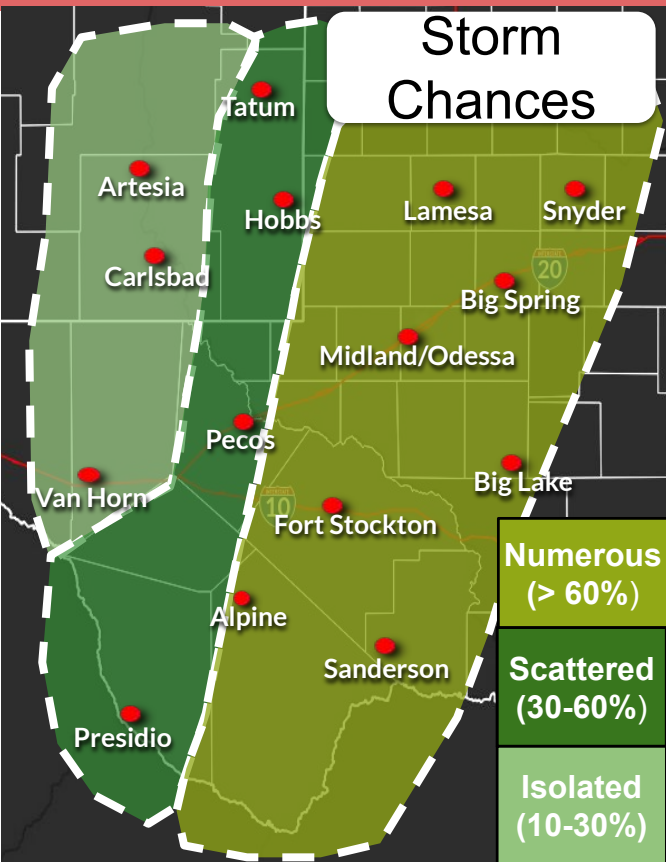
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Heavy Rainfall/Few Severe Storms This Evening



Potential Hazards:



Timing:
This Evening through
Wednesday Morning

Actions to Take:



Have multiple
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receive
warnings!



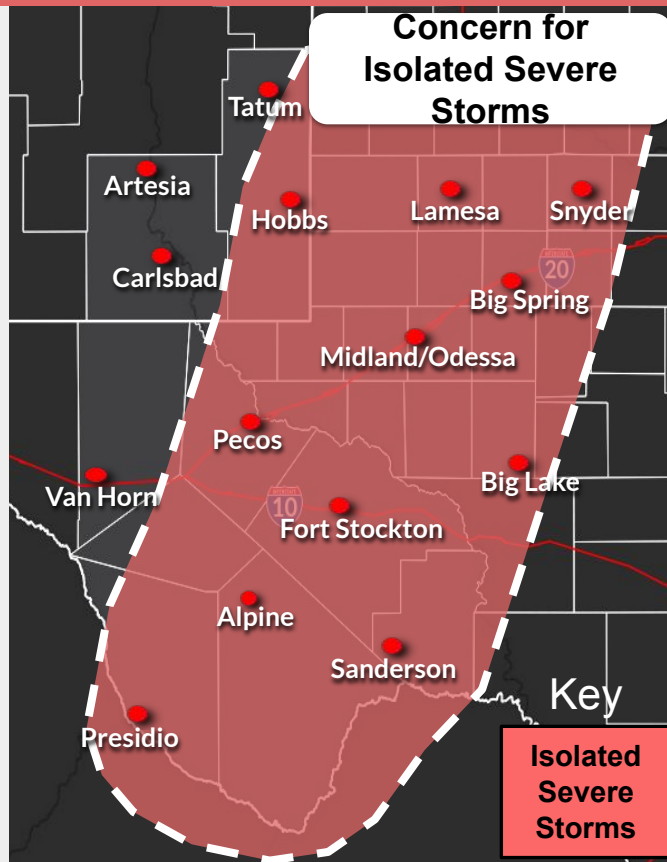
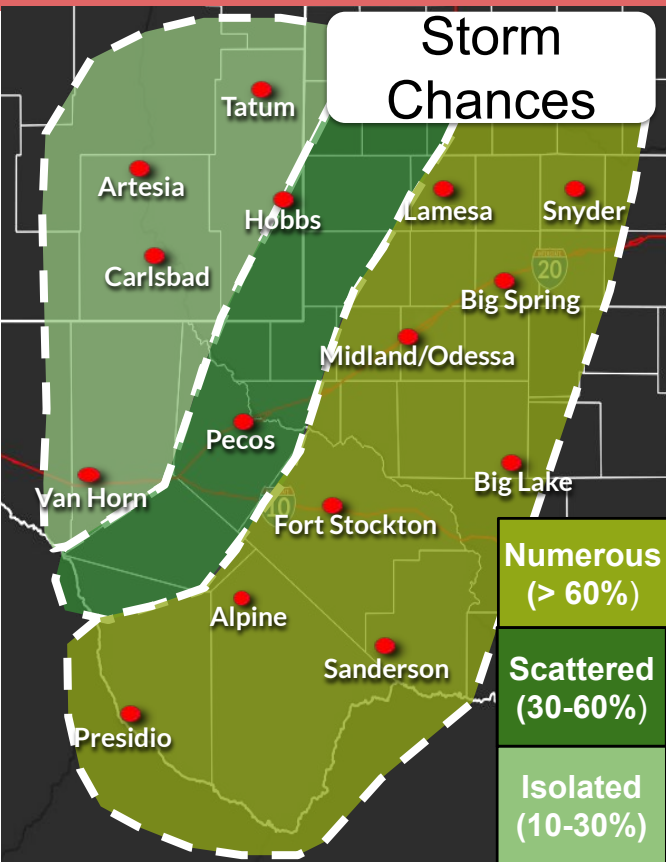
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Heavy Rainfall/Severe Storms Wednesday Evening



Potential Hazards:



Timing:
Wednesday Evening
through Thursday
Morning

Actions to Take:



Have multiple ways to receive warnings!



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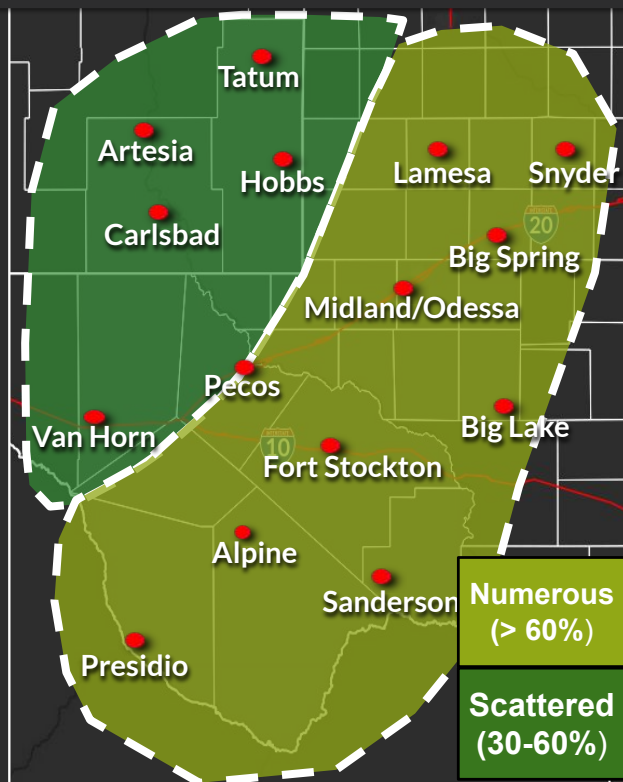
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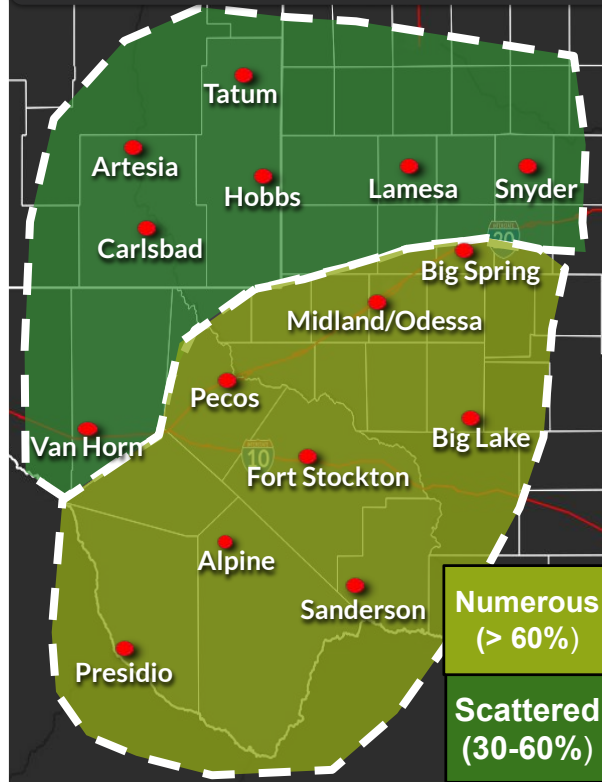
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Thursday Evening



Friday Morning



Key Points

- Greatest rain coverage across west Texas.
- Repeated heavy rainfall across these areas will increase the flash flood threat especially for low-lying, poor drainage, and urban areas.
- Showers/storms are expected to diminish throughout Friday across the region with some lingering showers possible across the mountainous regions.

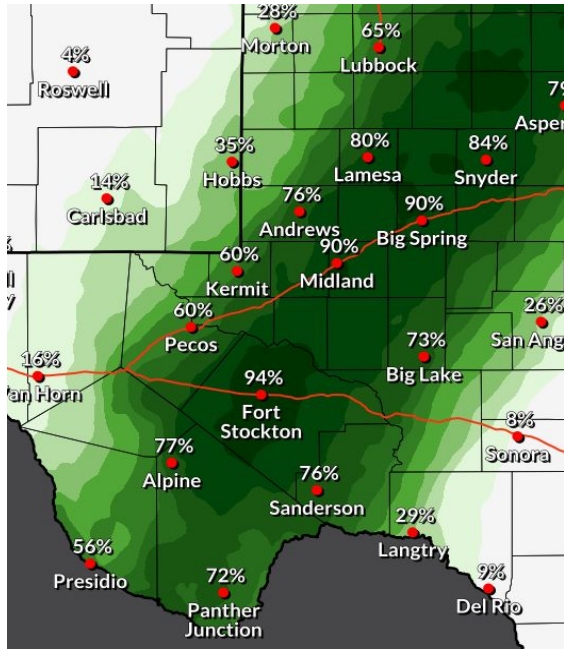


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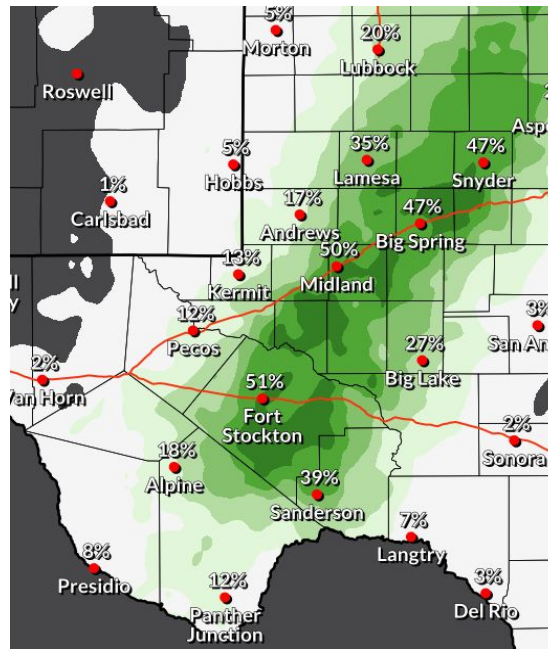
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Probability of Exceedance Through Friday

Probability > 1 Inch



Probability > 3 Inch



Key Points

- Locations from the Big Bend and Presidio Valley northward into the Permian Basin and Lower Trans-Pecos have the best chance of seeing 1-3 inches of rain (very isolated amounts up to 5 inches).
- Showers and storms will tend to train one after another, so the highest rainfall totals will tend to occur in narrow bands.
- Because the highest rainfall will occur in narrow bands, exceedance probabilities may shift slightly to the east or west in future forecast packages.



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