

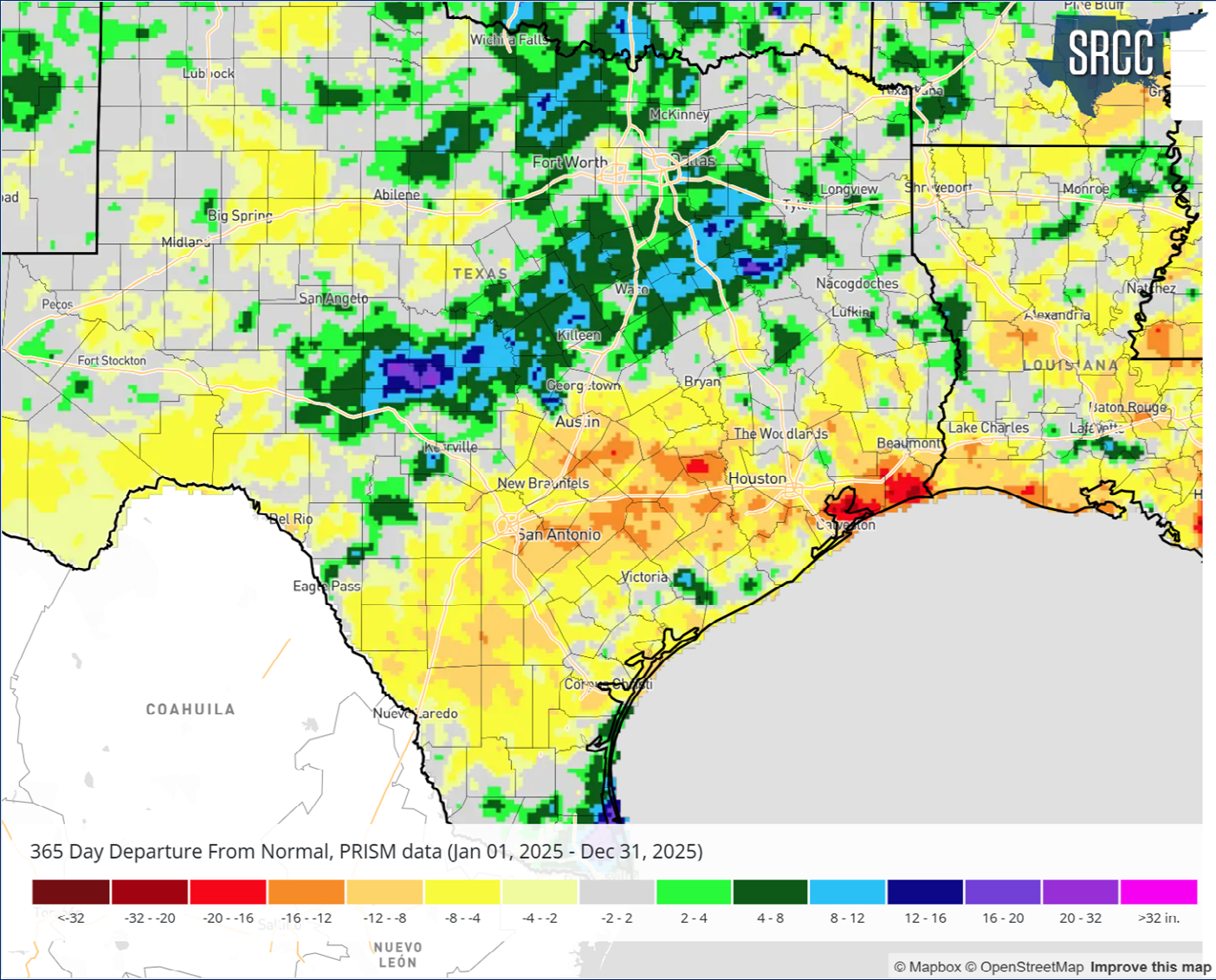


Spring and Summer Weather Outlook

March 26, 2026

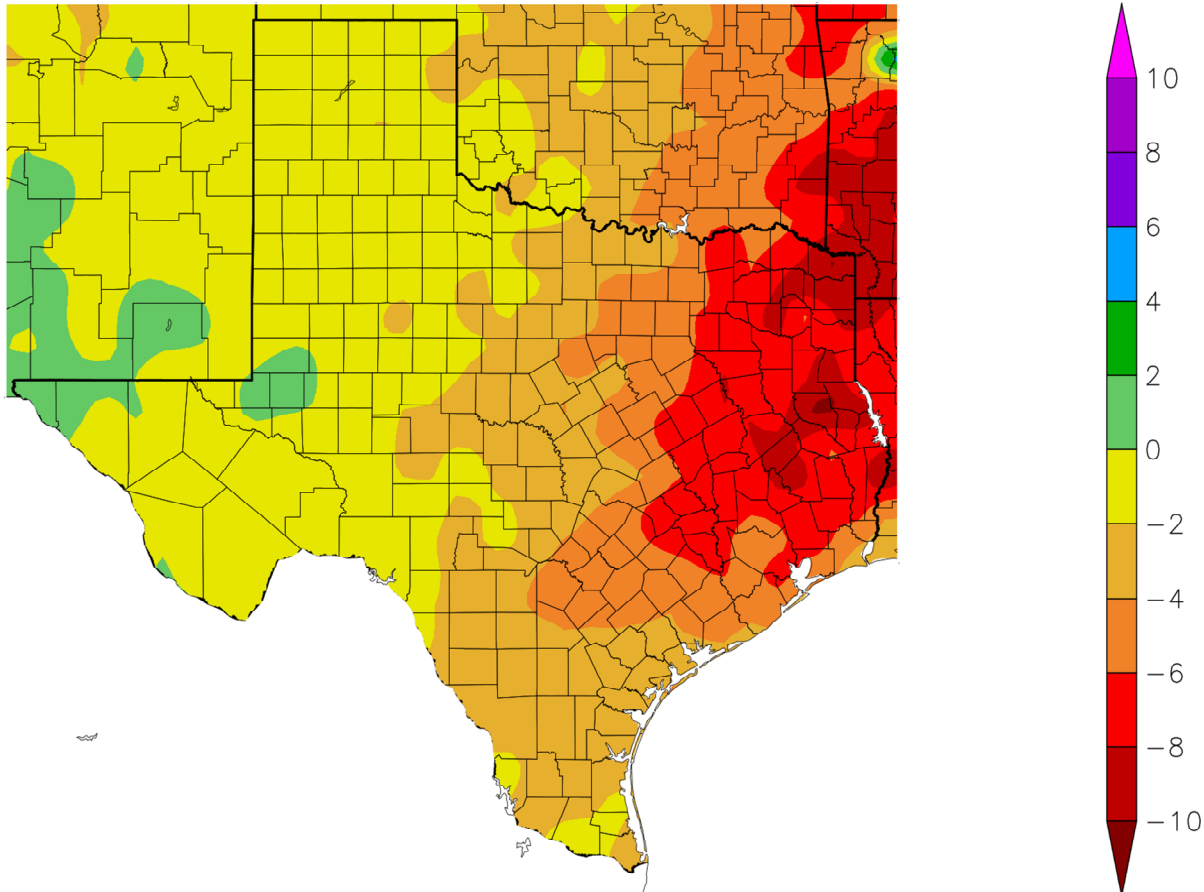


2025 Rainfall Departure From Normal

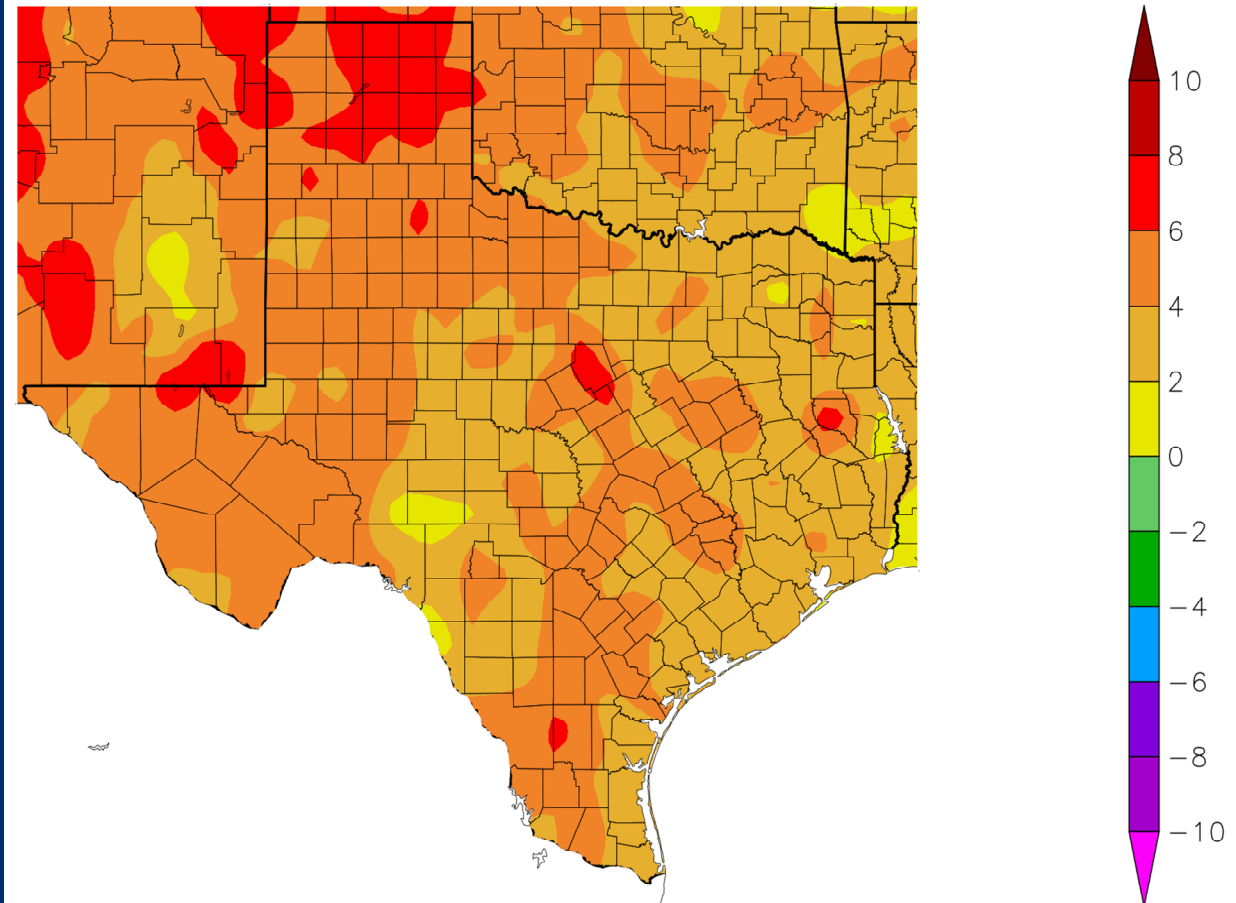


Rainfall and Temperature Departure From Normal

Departure from Normal Precipitation (in)
12/1/2025 - 2/28/2026



Departure from Normal Temperature (F)
12/1/2025 - 2/28/2026



Rainfall Dec. 1, 2025-Feb. 28, 2026 (Inches)

- Brownwood 2.34
- Llano 1.00
- Junction 0.89
- Fredericksburg 0.89
- Austin 2.19
- La Grange 2.72
- Bay City 5.04

U.S. Drought Monitor

Texas

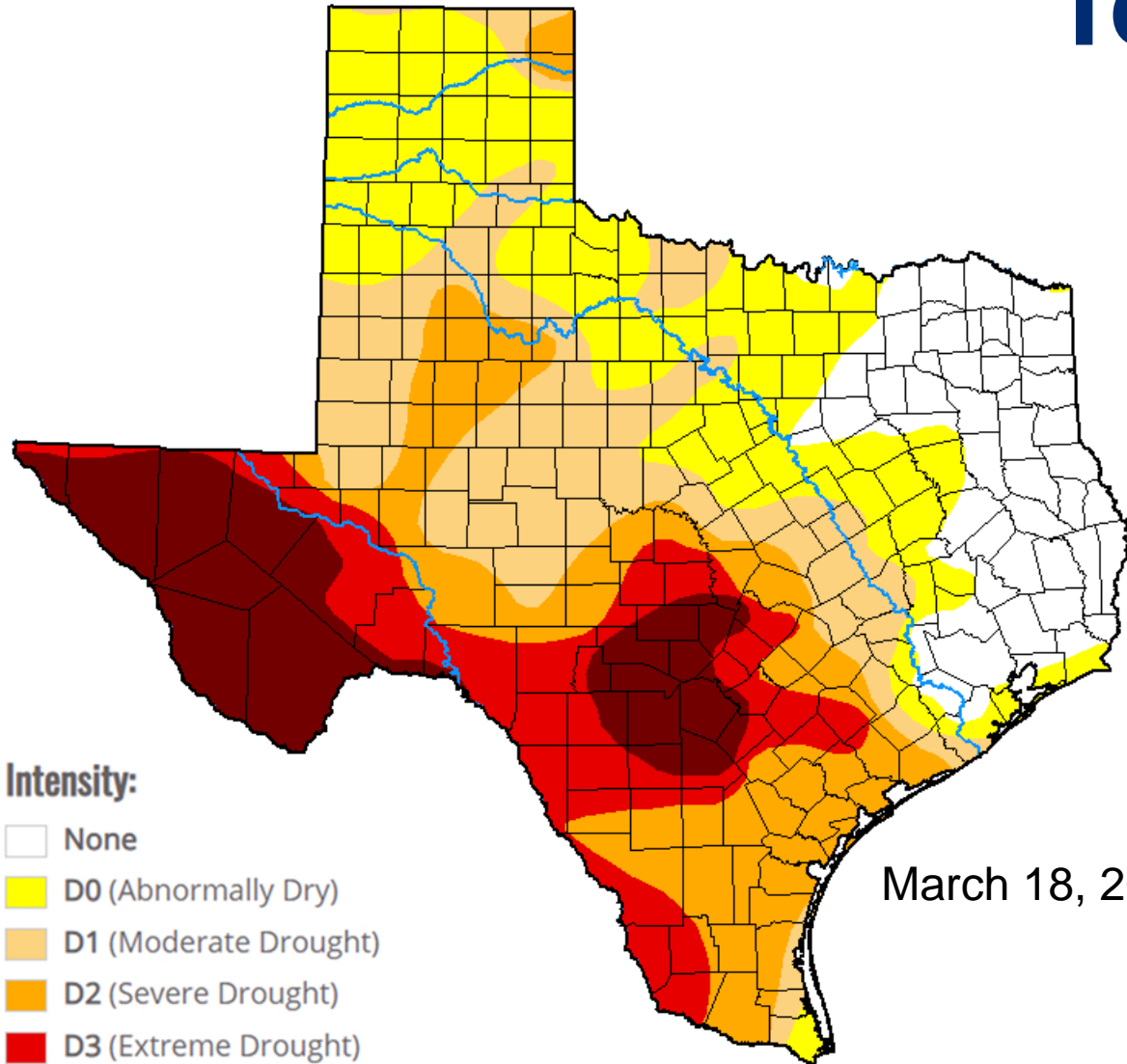
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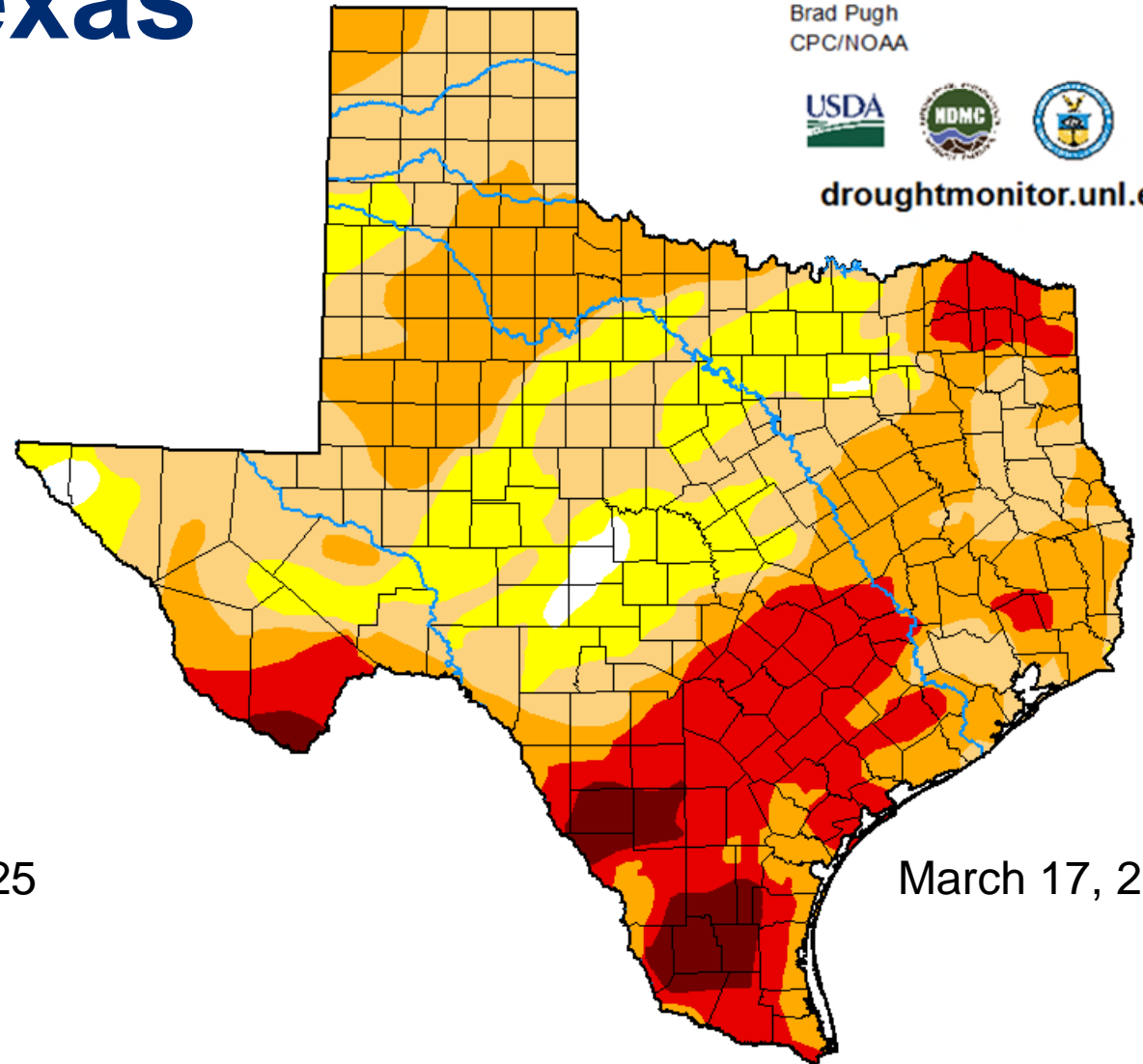
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March 18, 2025



March 17, 2026

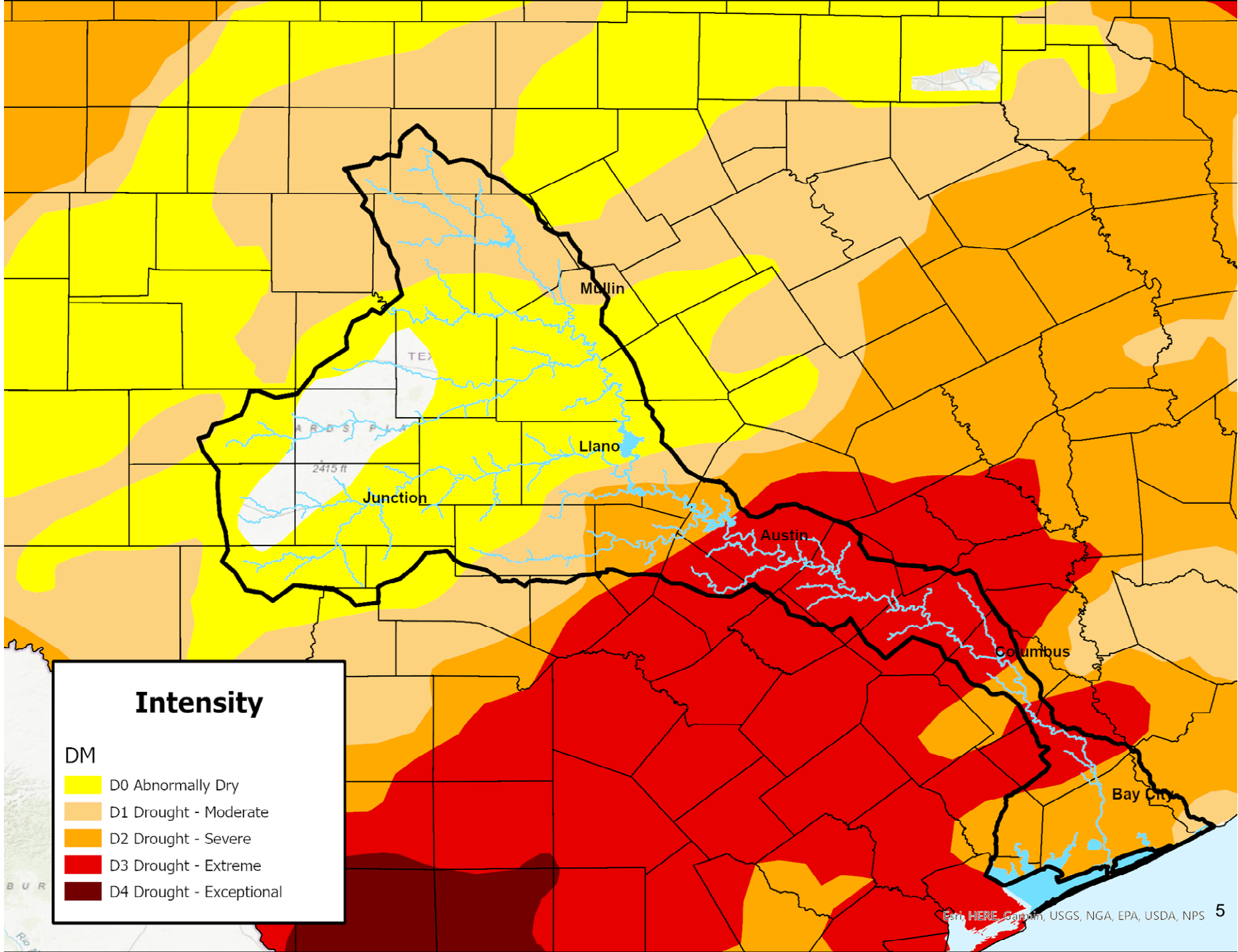
Intensity:

- None
- D0 (Abnormally Dry)
- D1 (Moderate Drought)
- D2 (Severe Drought)
- D3 (Extreme Drought)
- D4 (Exceptional Drought)
- No Data

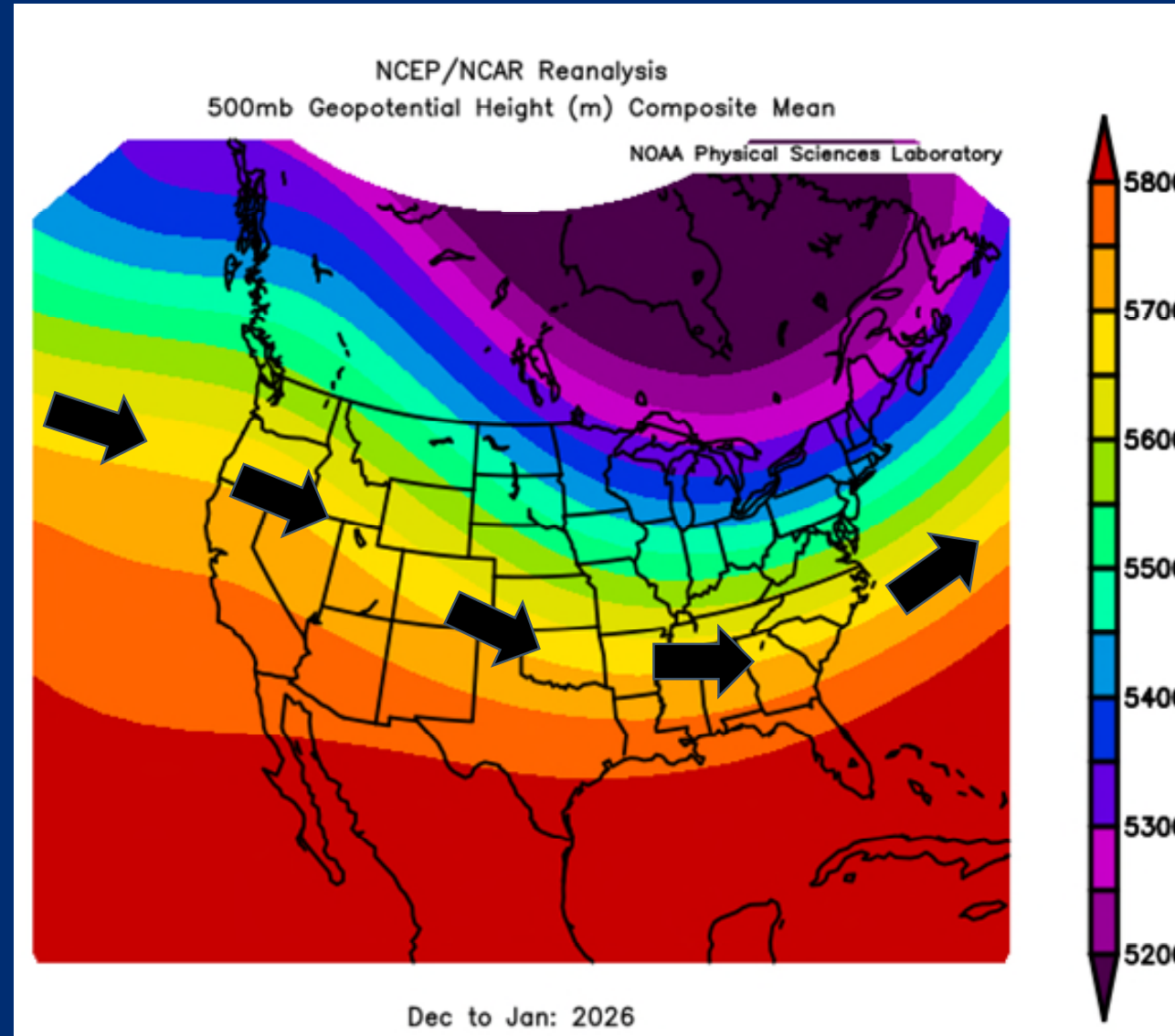
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Lower Colorado River Basin

As of March 17, 2026

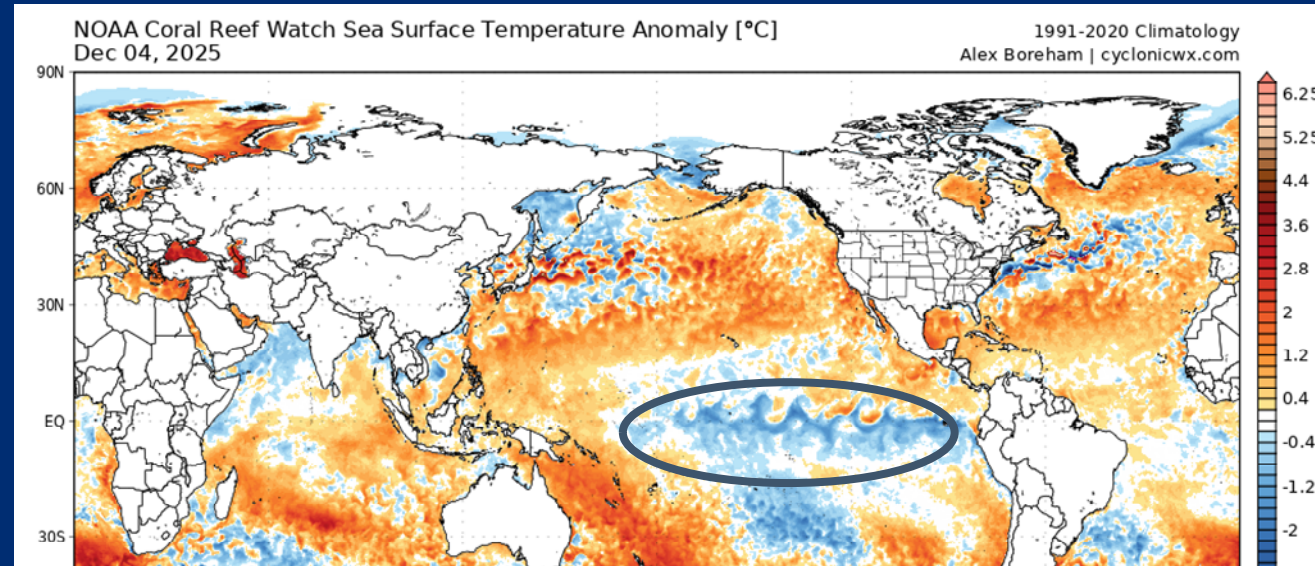


This Winter's Jet Stream Pattern

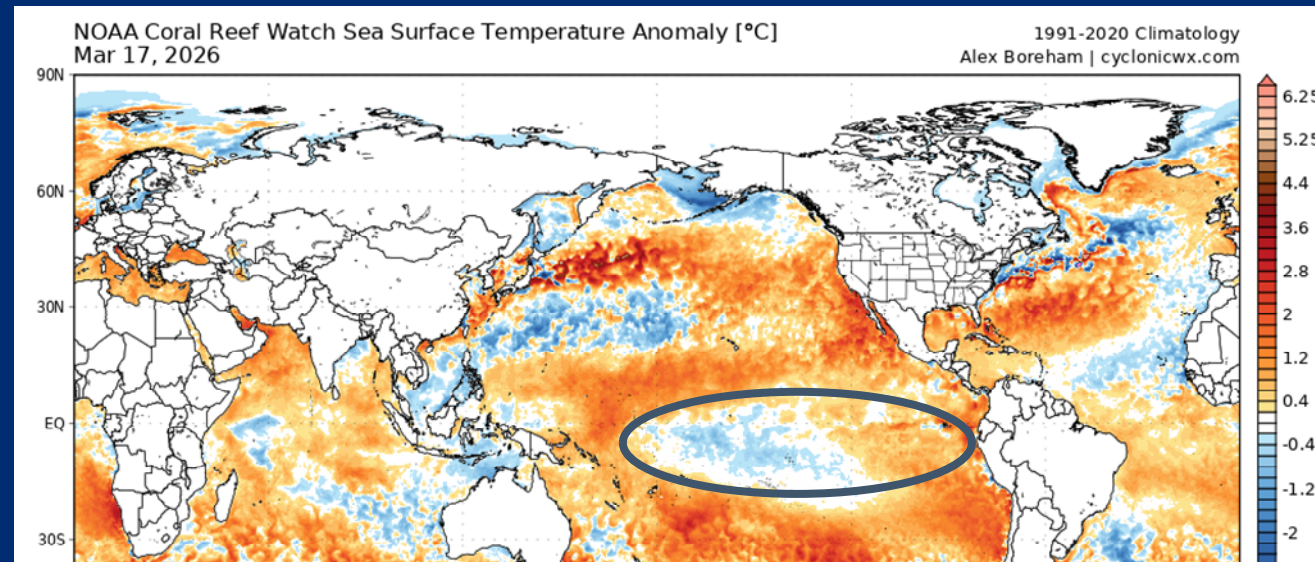


La Niña is Quickly Fading

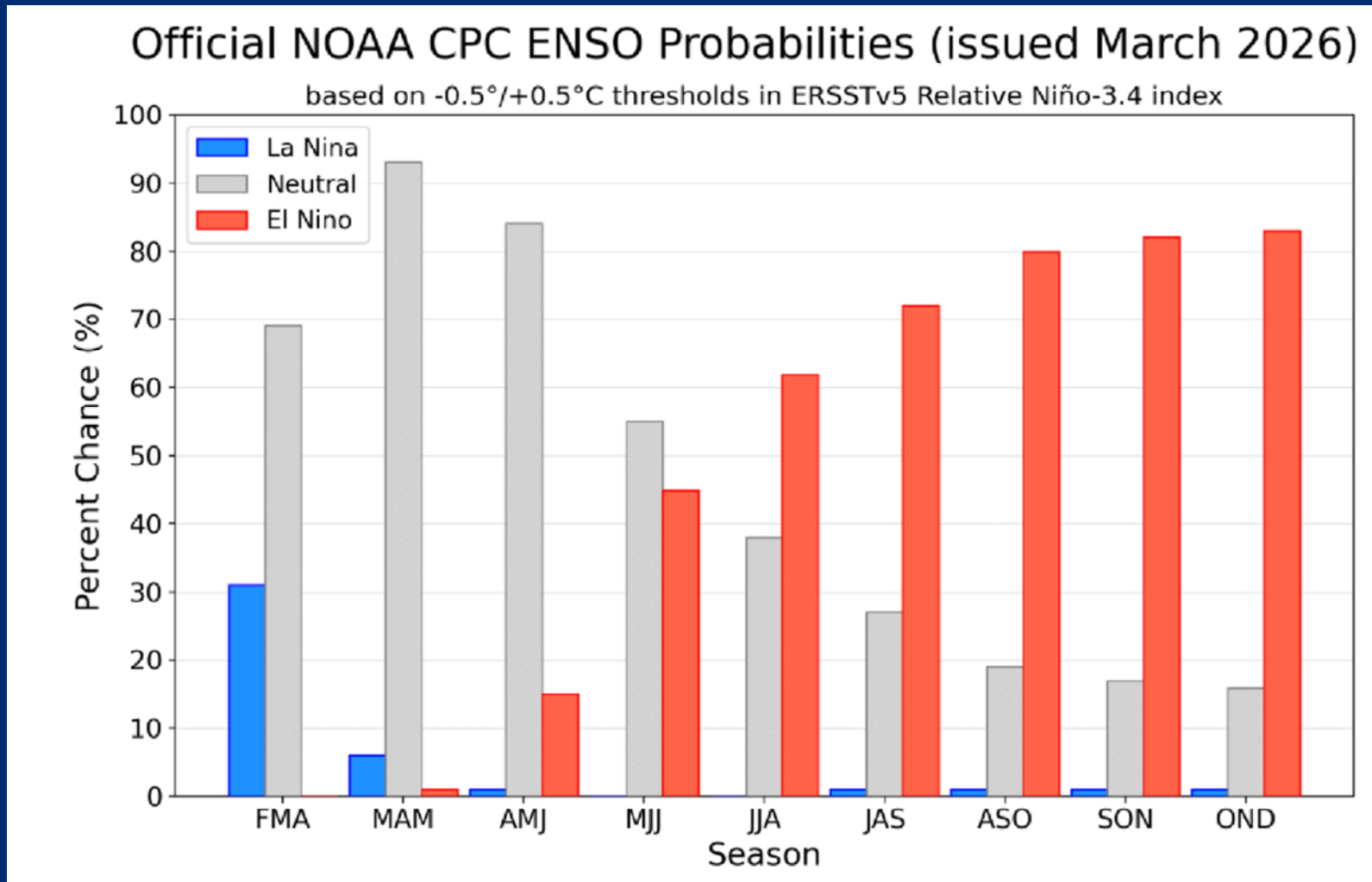
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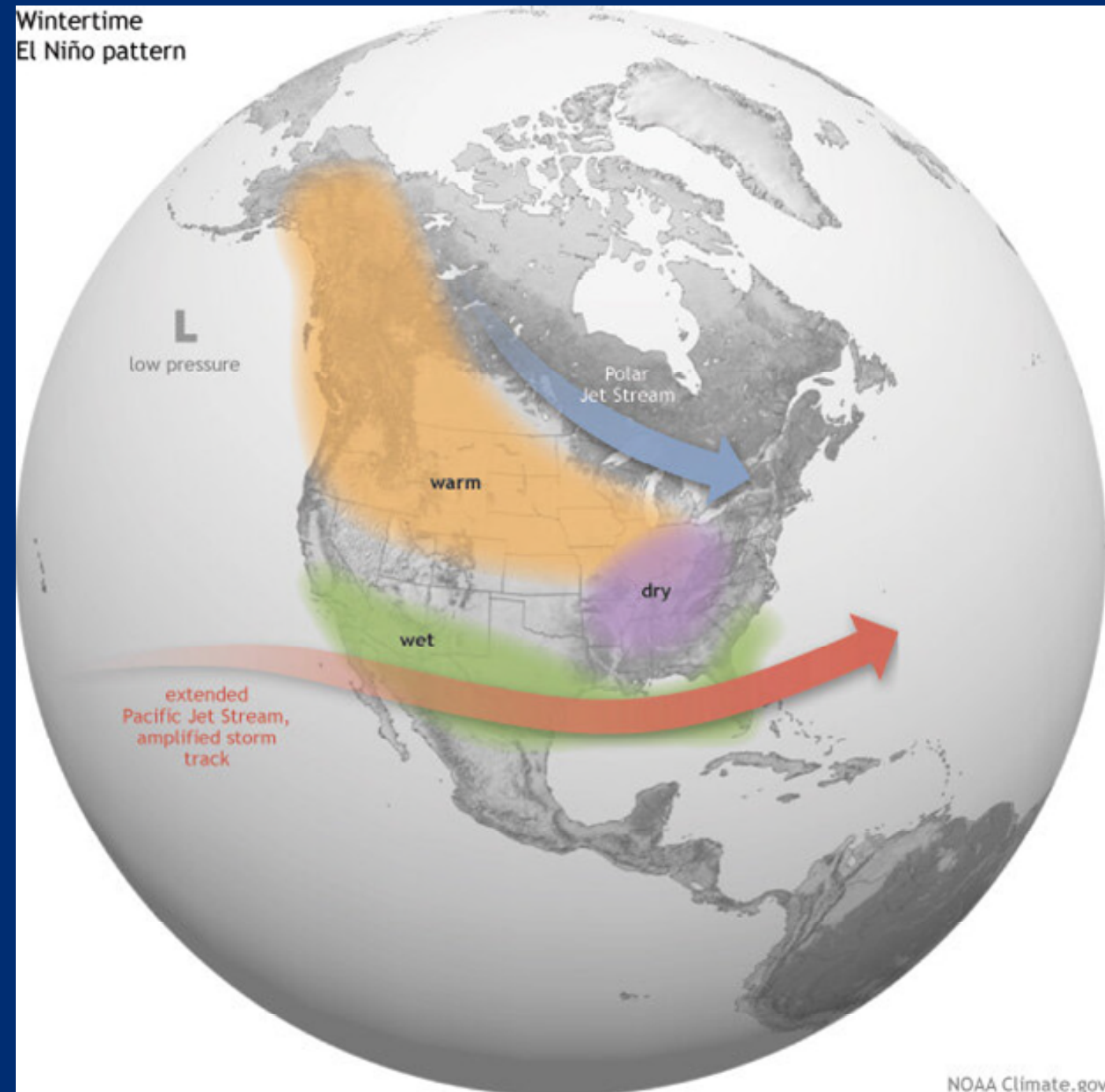
Increasing Probabilities for El Niño



FMA: February, March, April
MAM: March, April, May
AMJ: April, May, June
MJJ: May, June, July
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ASO: August, September, October
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OND: October, November, December

Wintertime
El Niño pattern

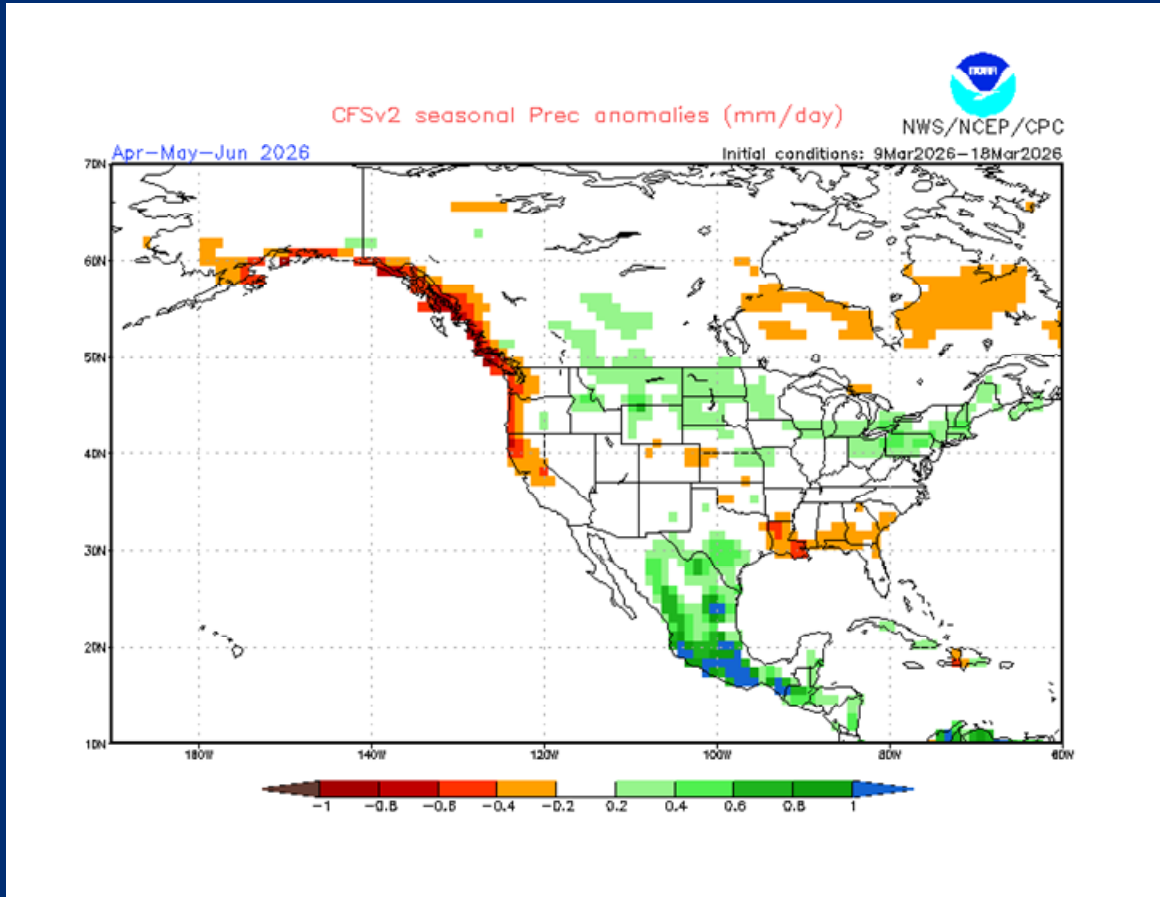
A Typical El Niño Pattern



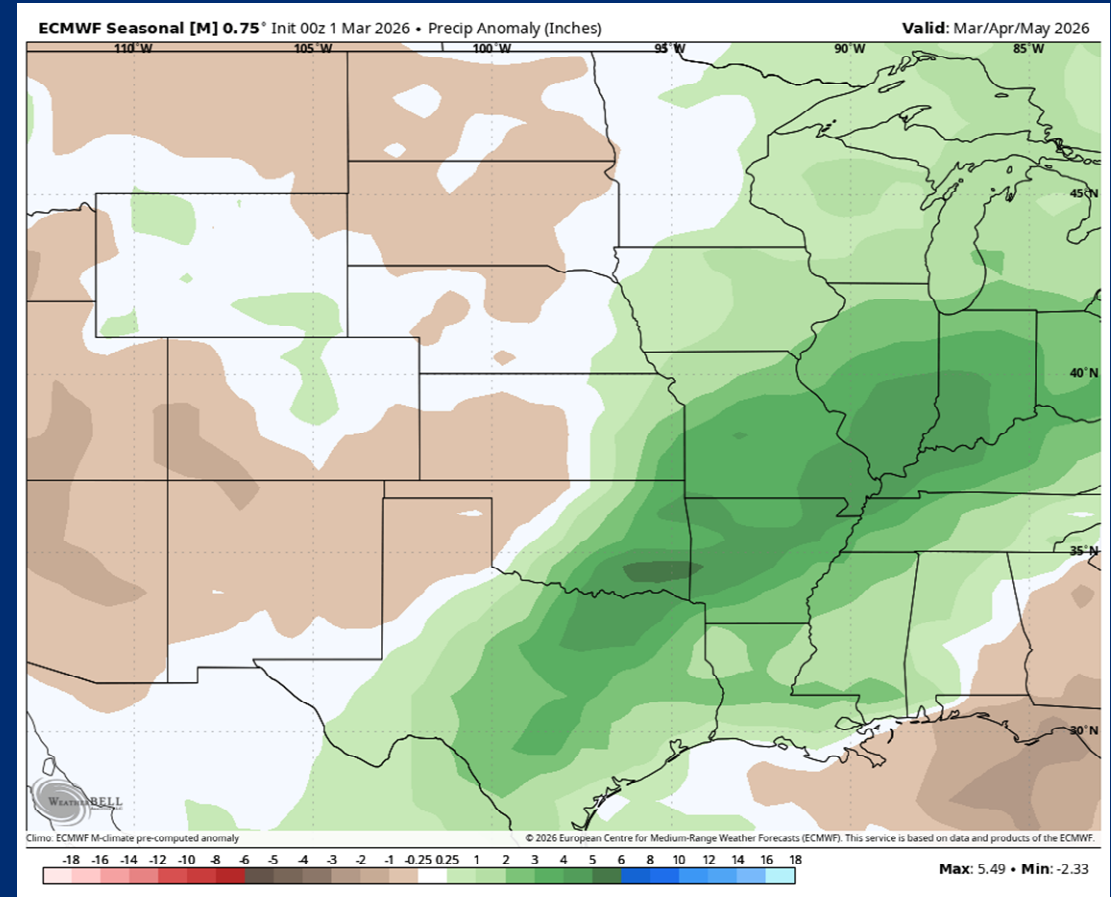
El Niño Years Occurring Since 2000

- 2002-2003
- 2004-2005
- 2006-2007
- 2009-2010
- 2014-2016
- 2018-2019
- 2023-2024 – this El Niño did not produce typical rains

April, May and June Rainfall Outlook

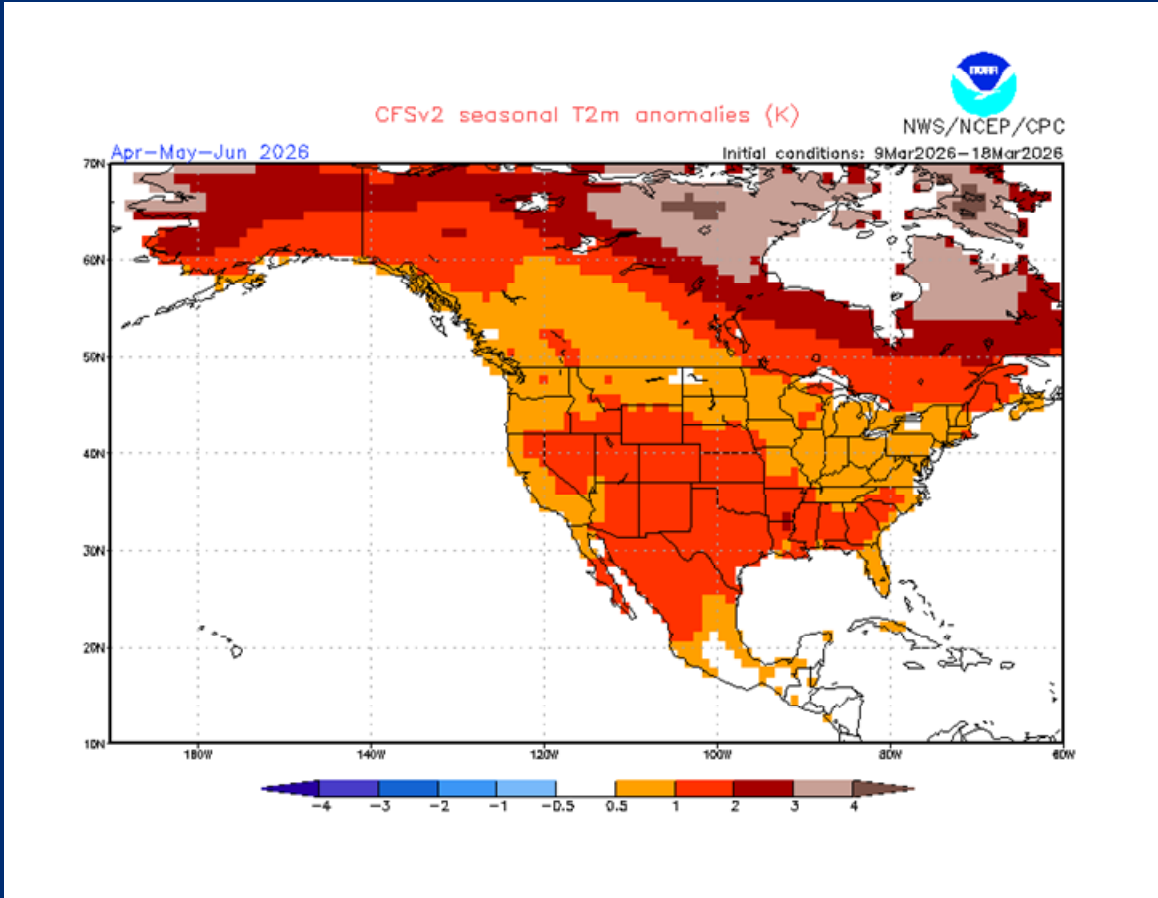


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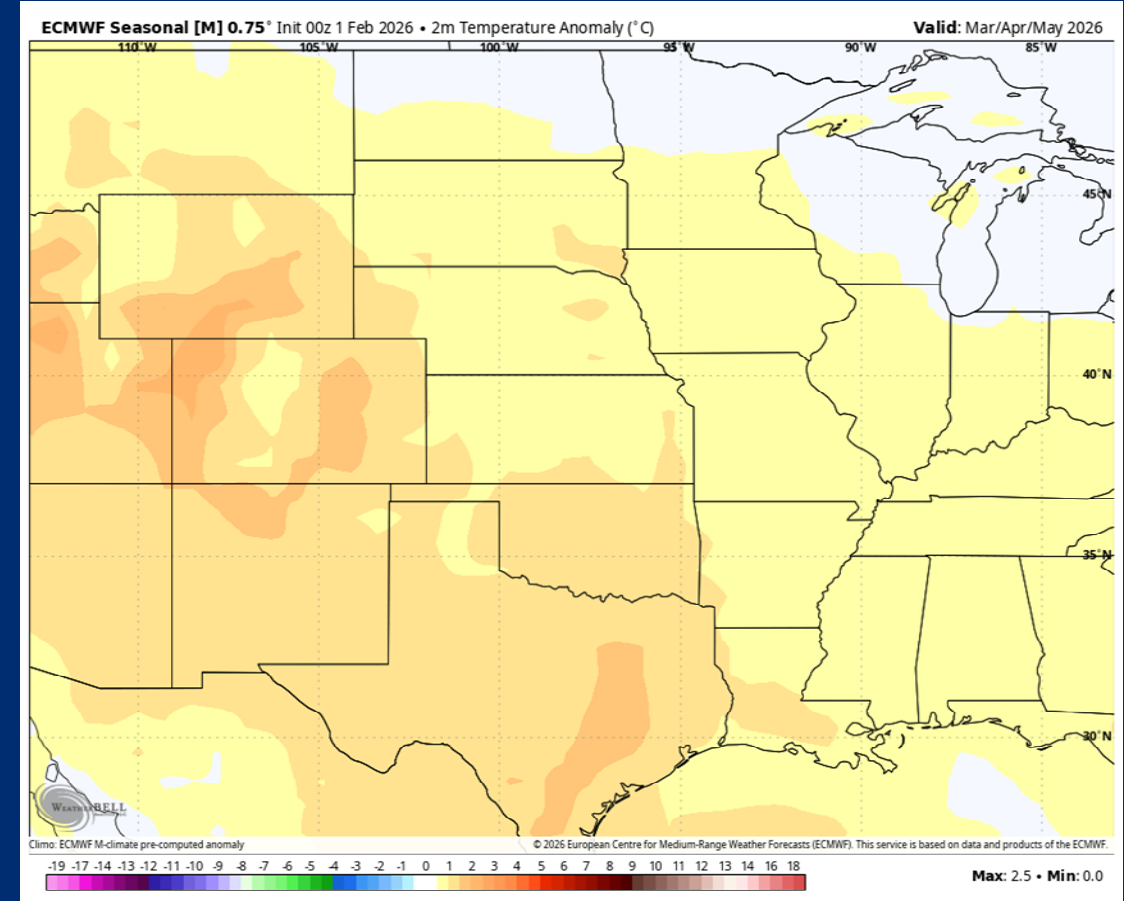


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April, May and June Temperature Outlook

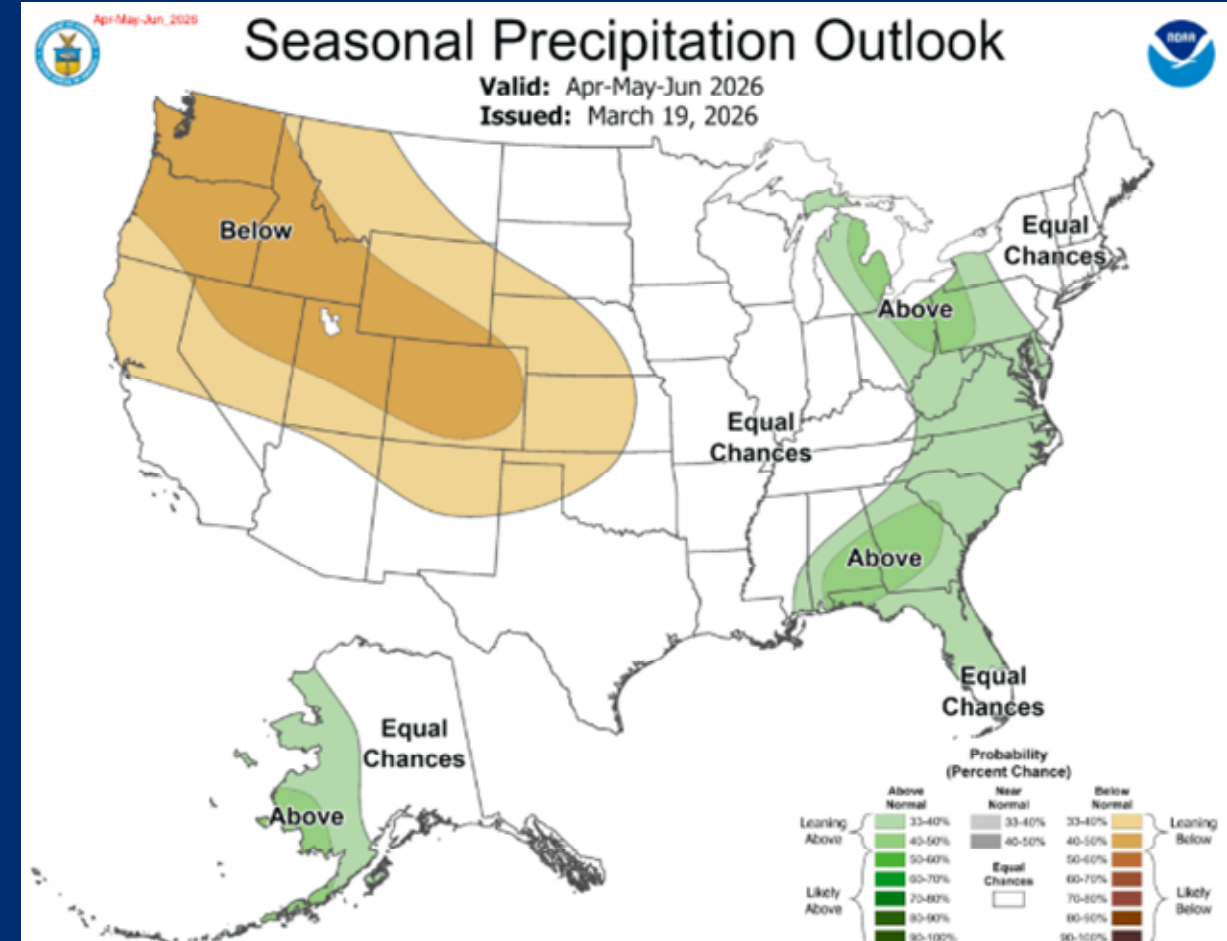
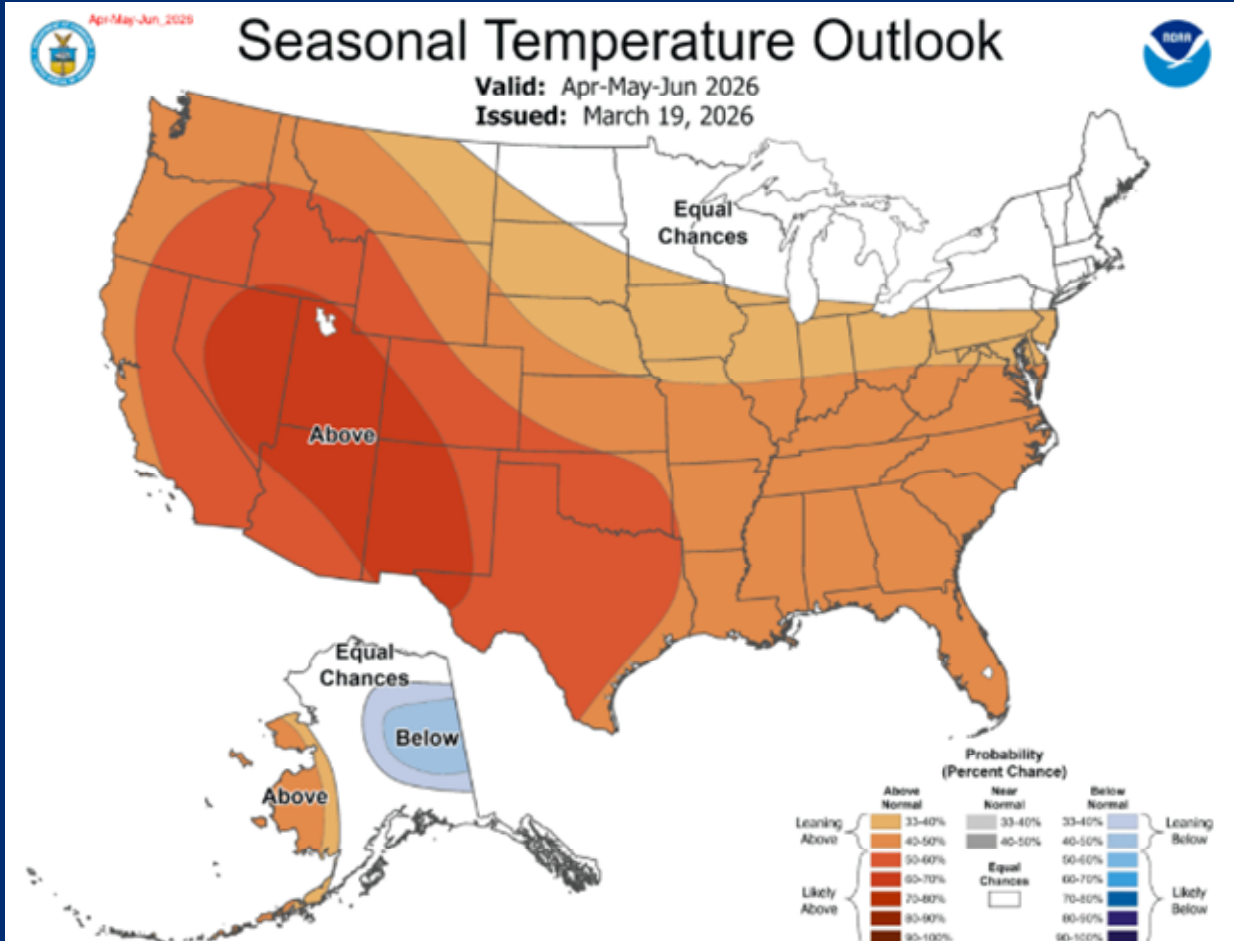


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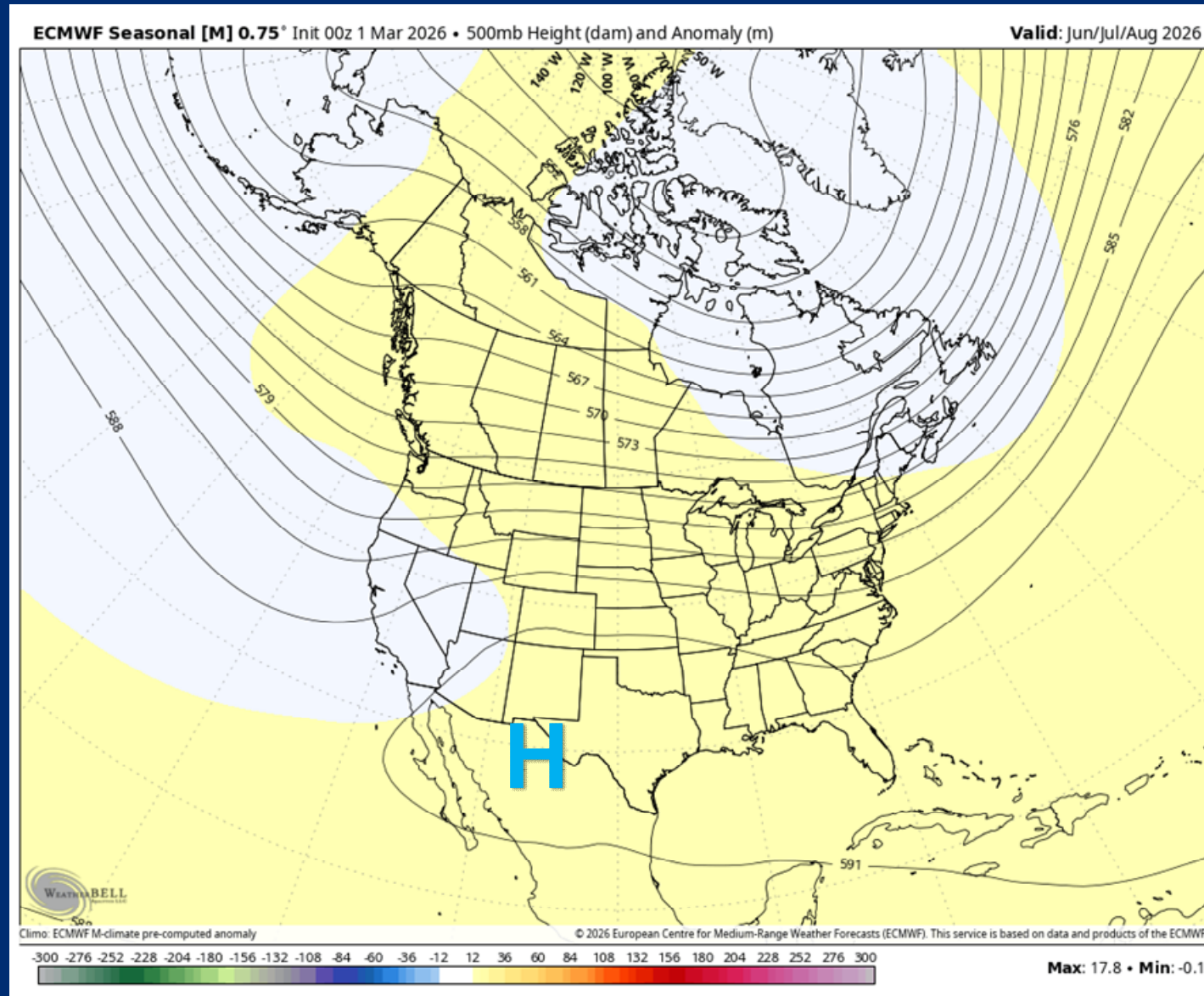


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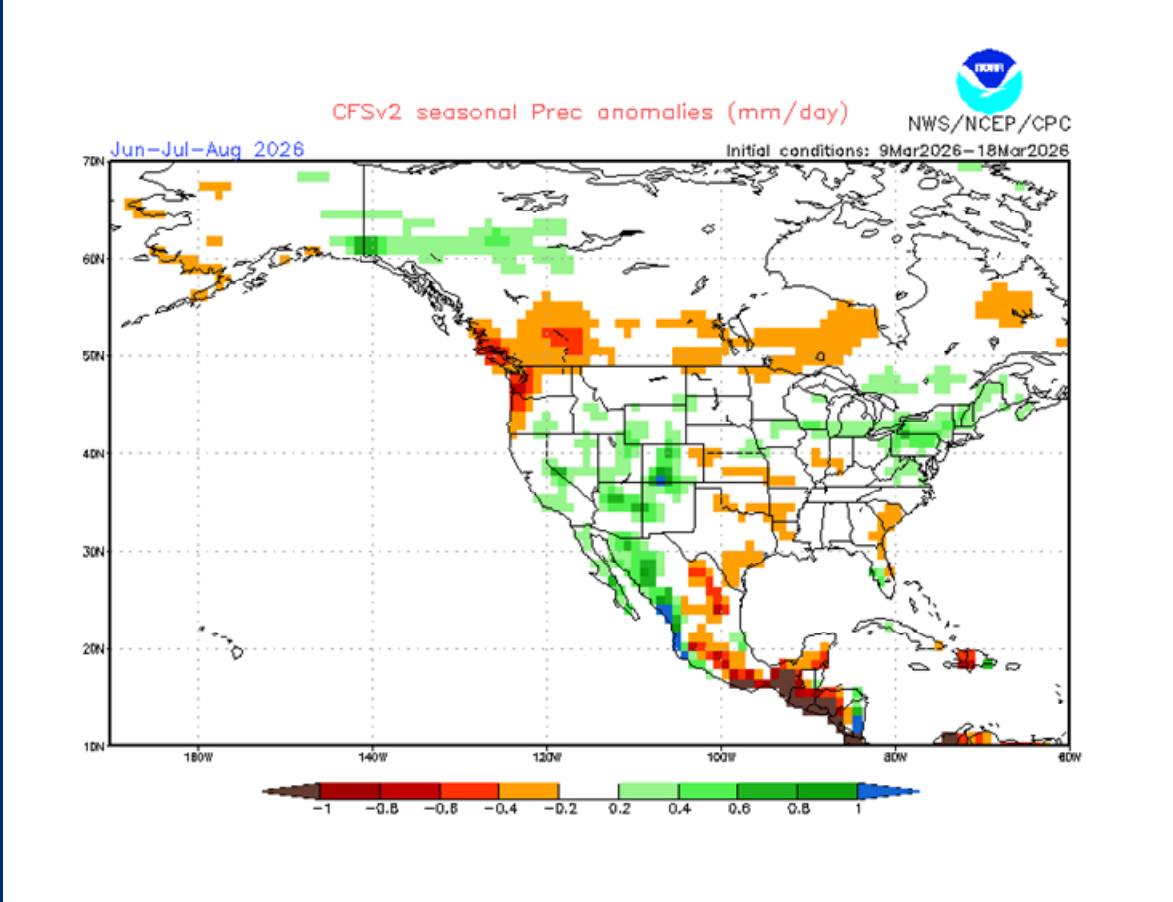
NOAA's Outlook for April, May and June



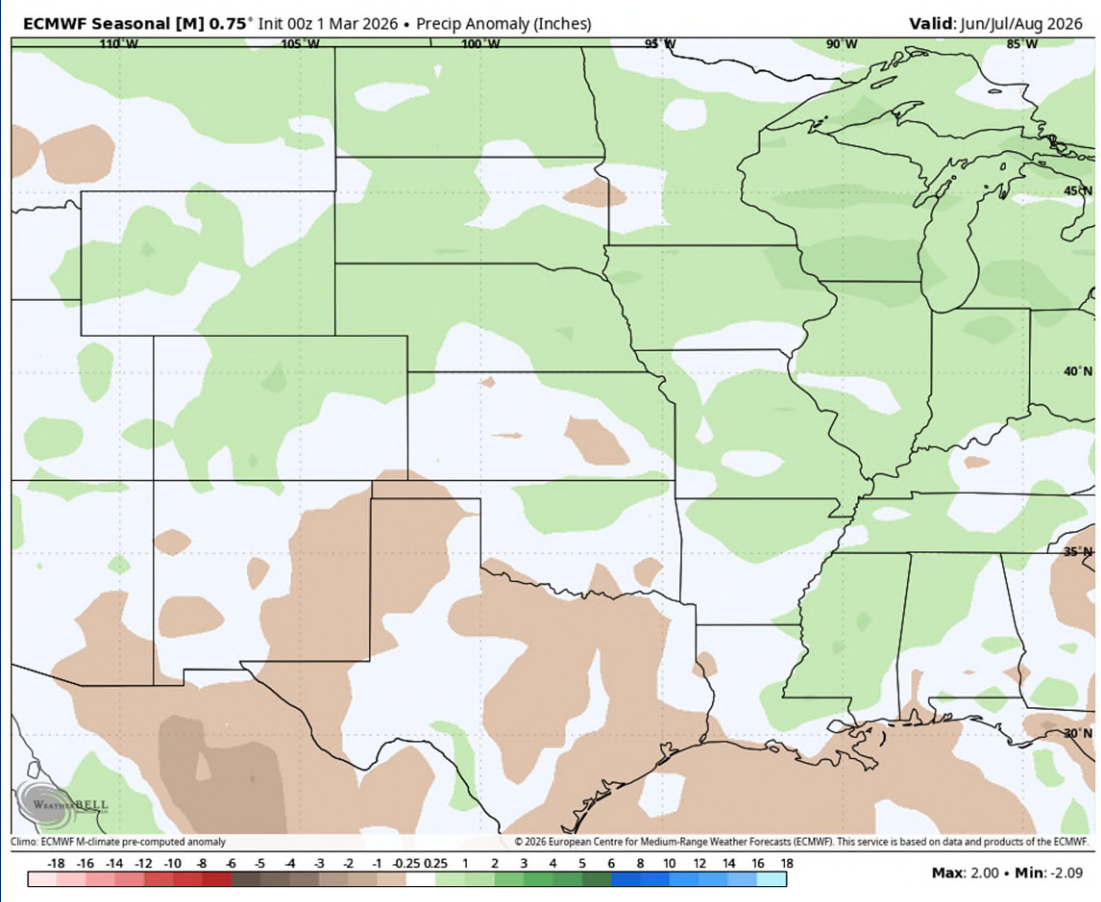
Forecast Position of Summer's Heat Dome



June, July and August Rainfall Outlook

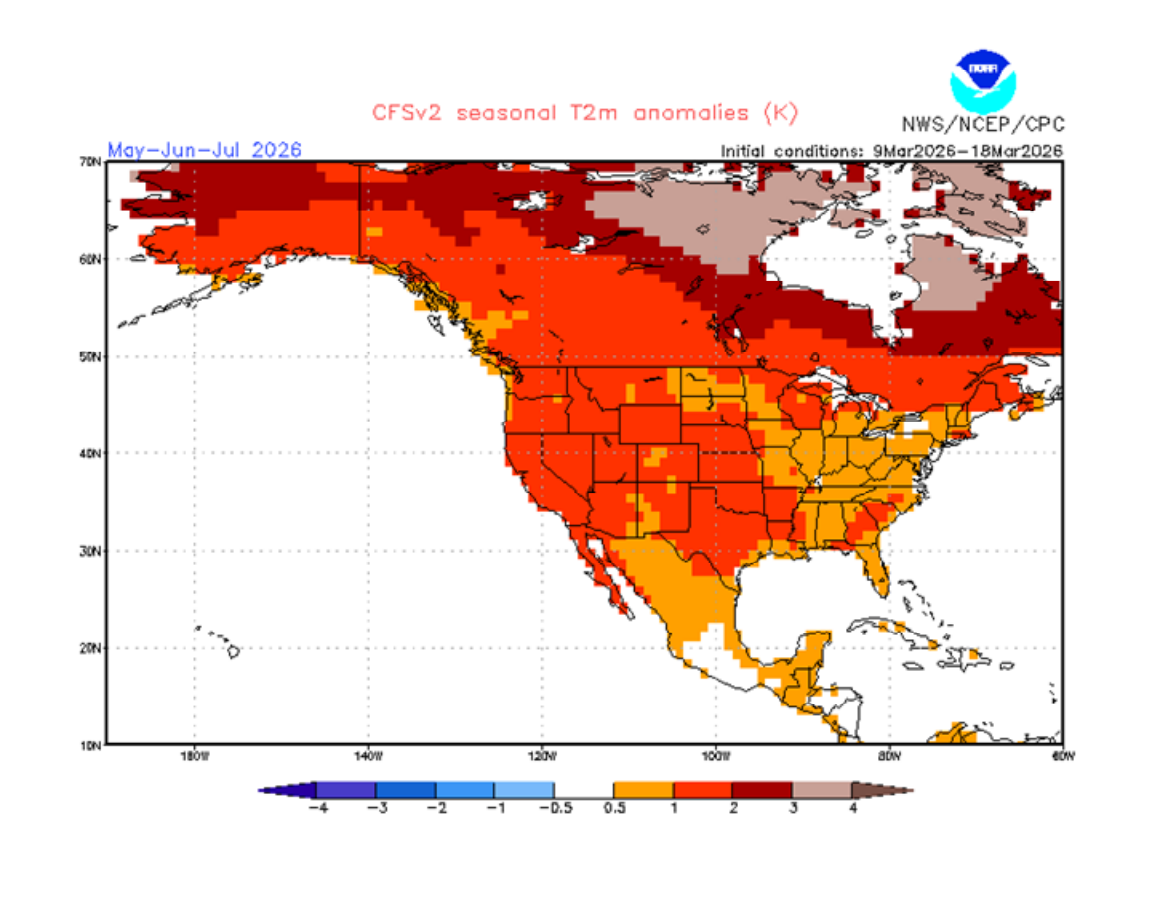


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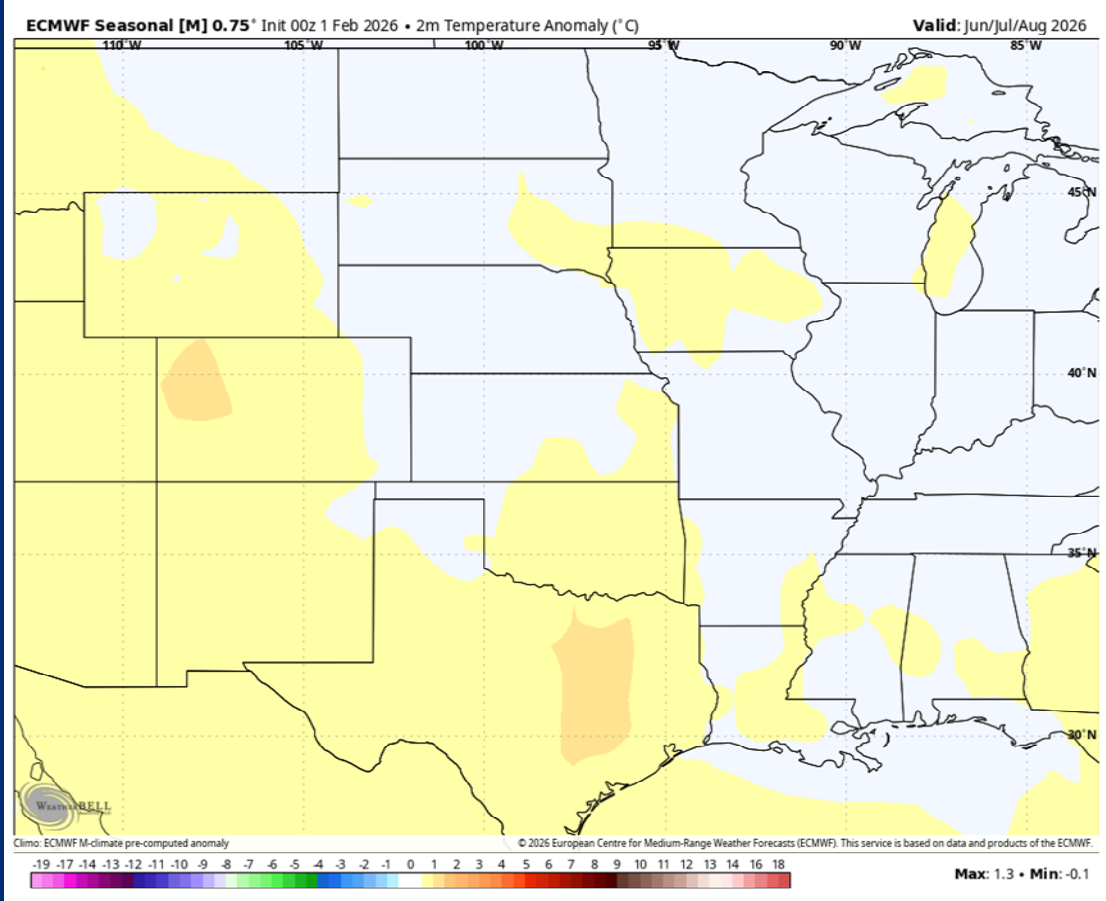


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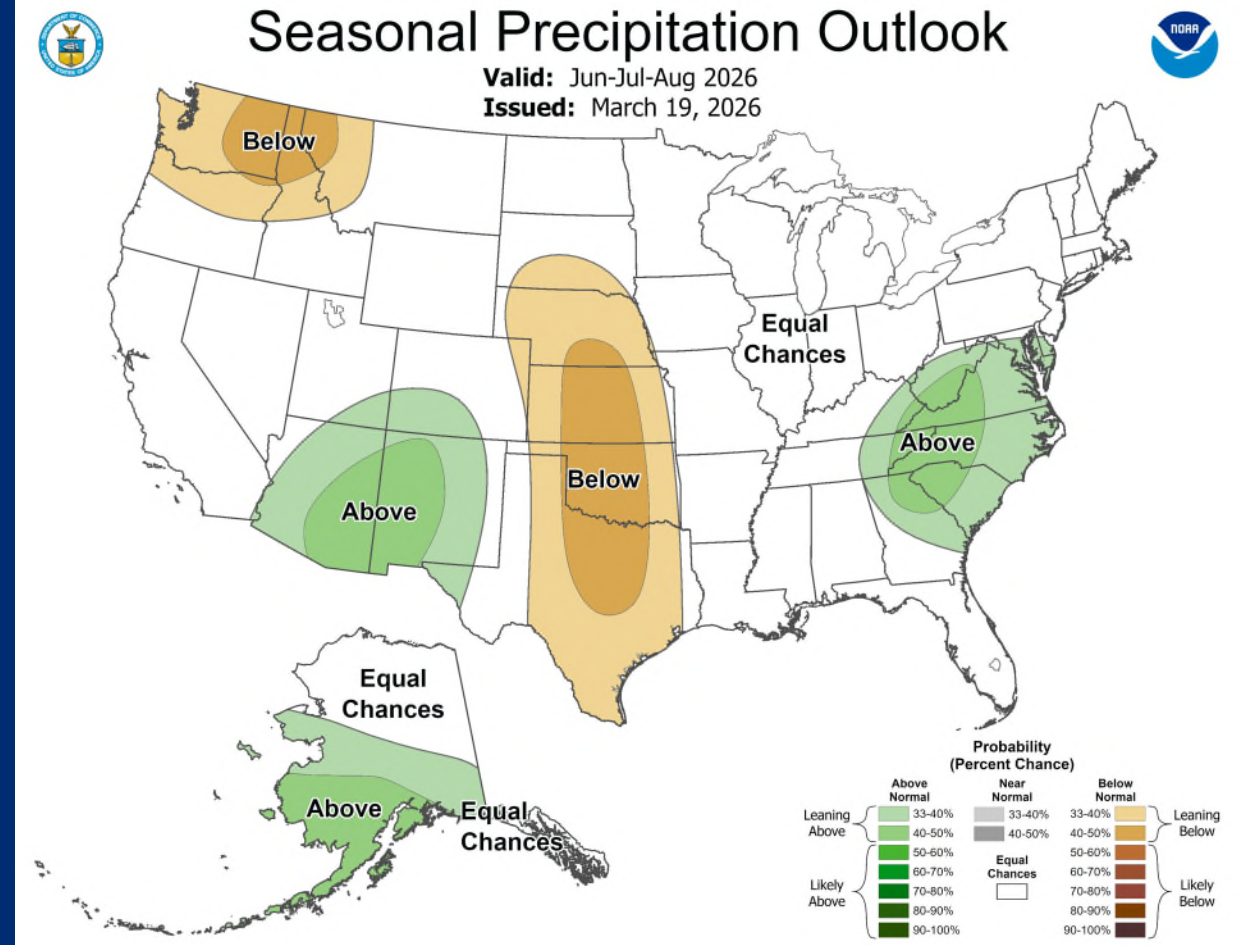
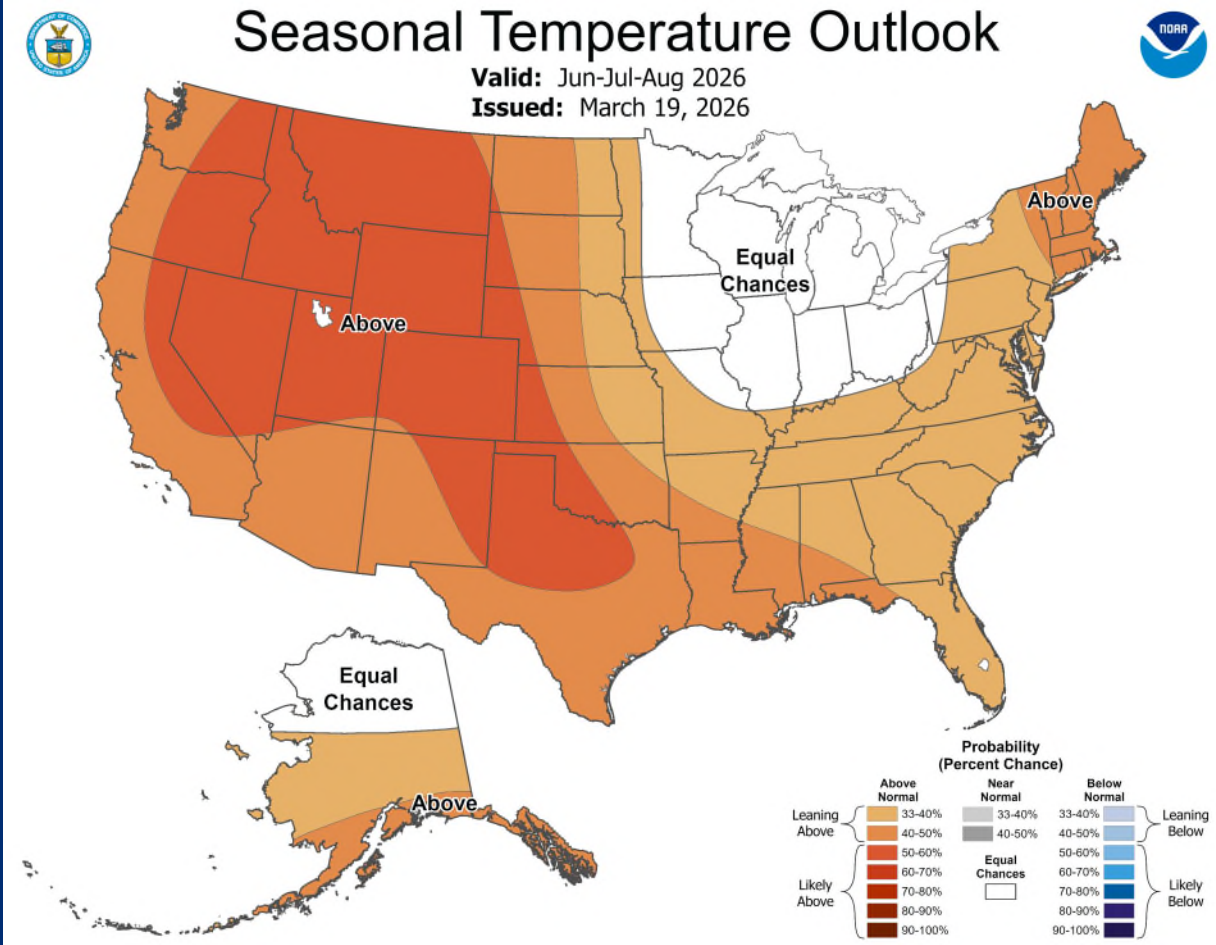


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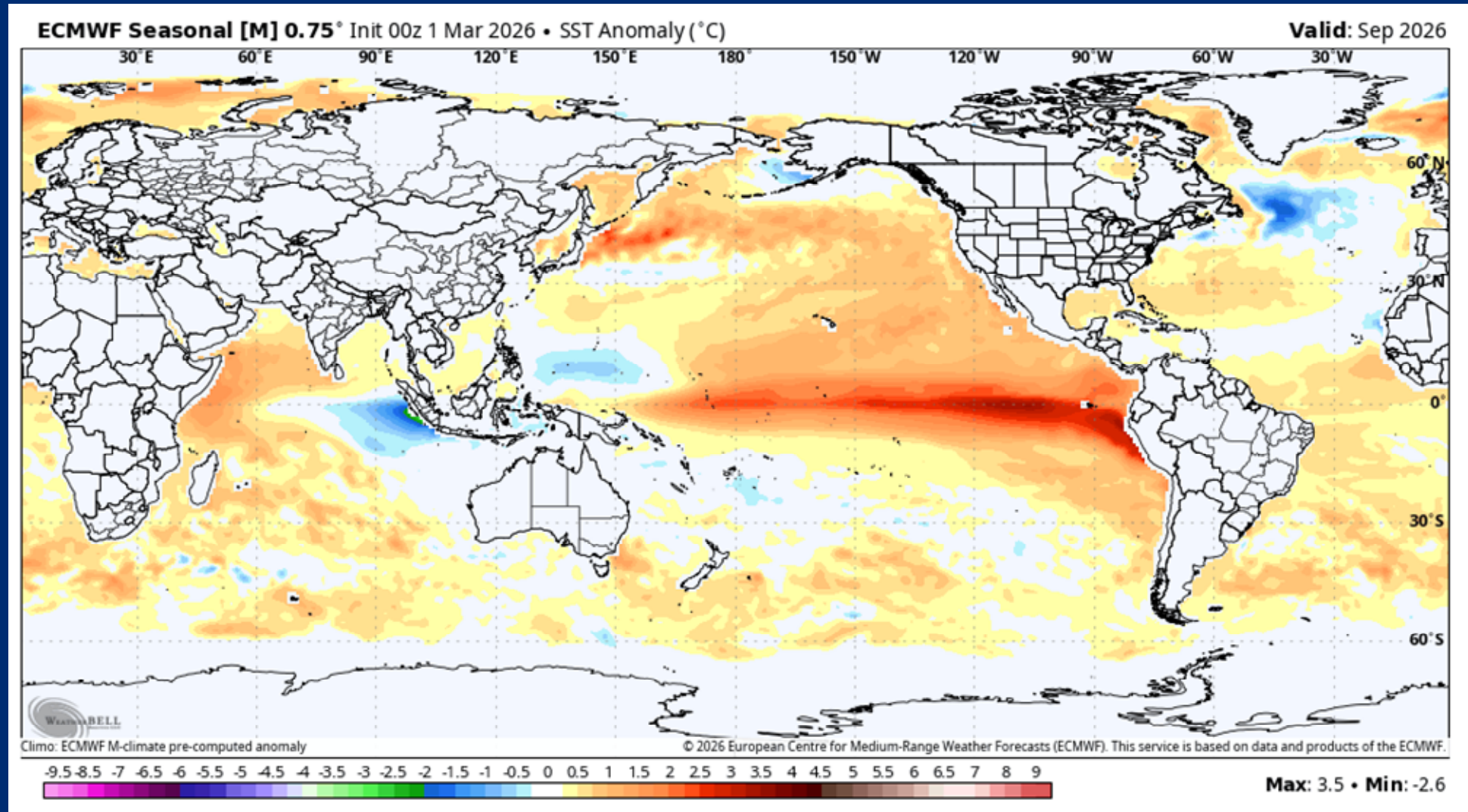


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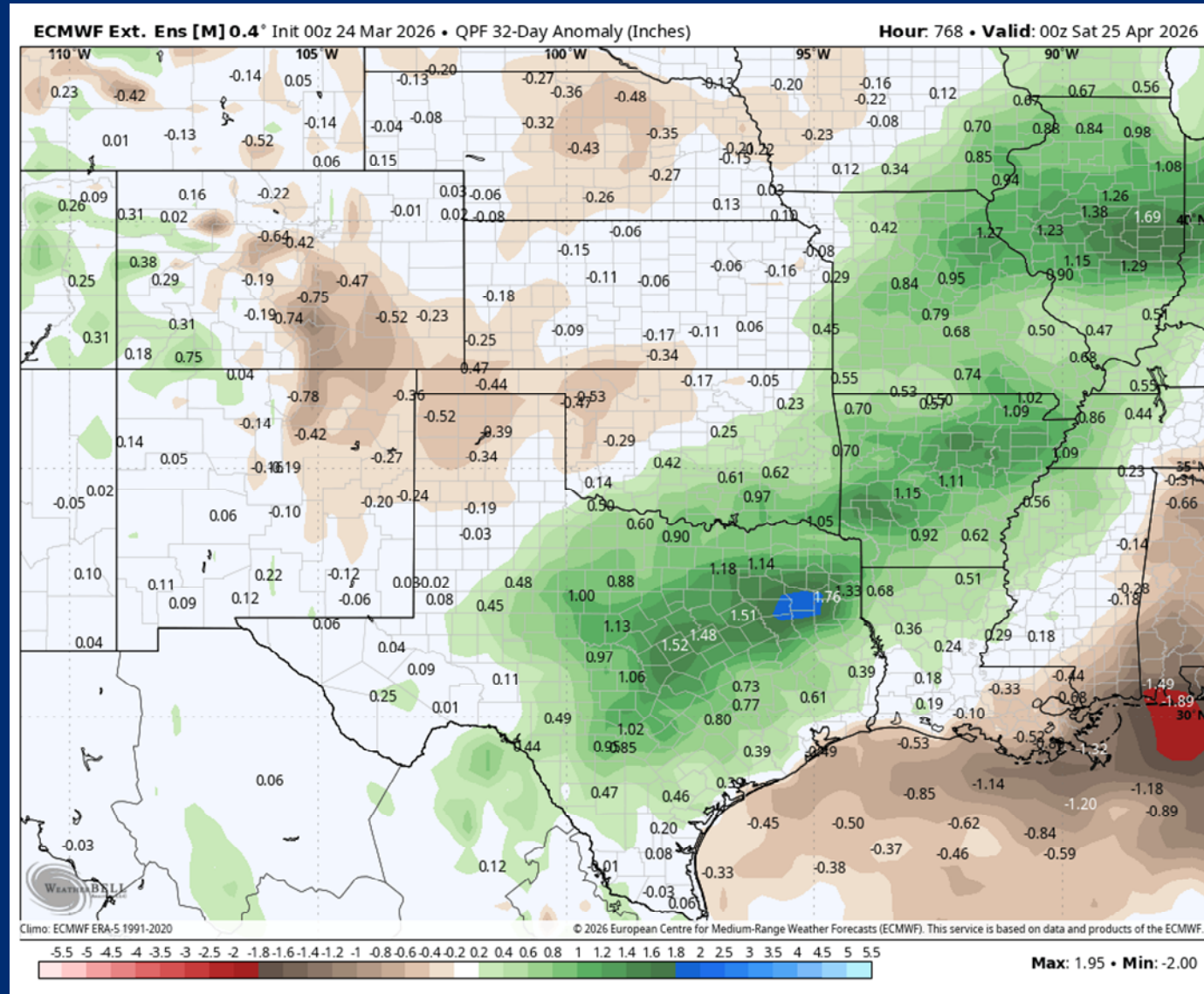
NOAA's Outlook for June/July/August



Less Hurricane Activity This Summer?



Rainfall Forecast through April 25th



Spring and Summer Weather Outlook

- A trend toward near-normal rainfall expected beginning in April, continuing through June
- Slightly drier-than-normal rainfall expected this summer
- Warmer-than-normal temperatures predicted this spring and summer
- A hotter summer than what occurred in 2024 and 2025
- El Niño is forecast to develop this summer
- A potential for heavier rains this fall

