

HURRICANE HANNA BRIEFING

4:30 PM CT Saturday, July 25, 2020

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What has changed: Life-threatening storm surge continues.

Locations removed from Hurricane Warning.

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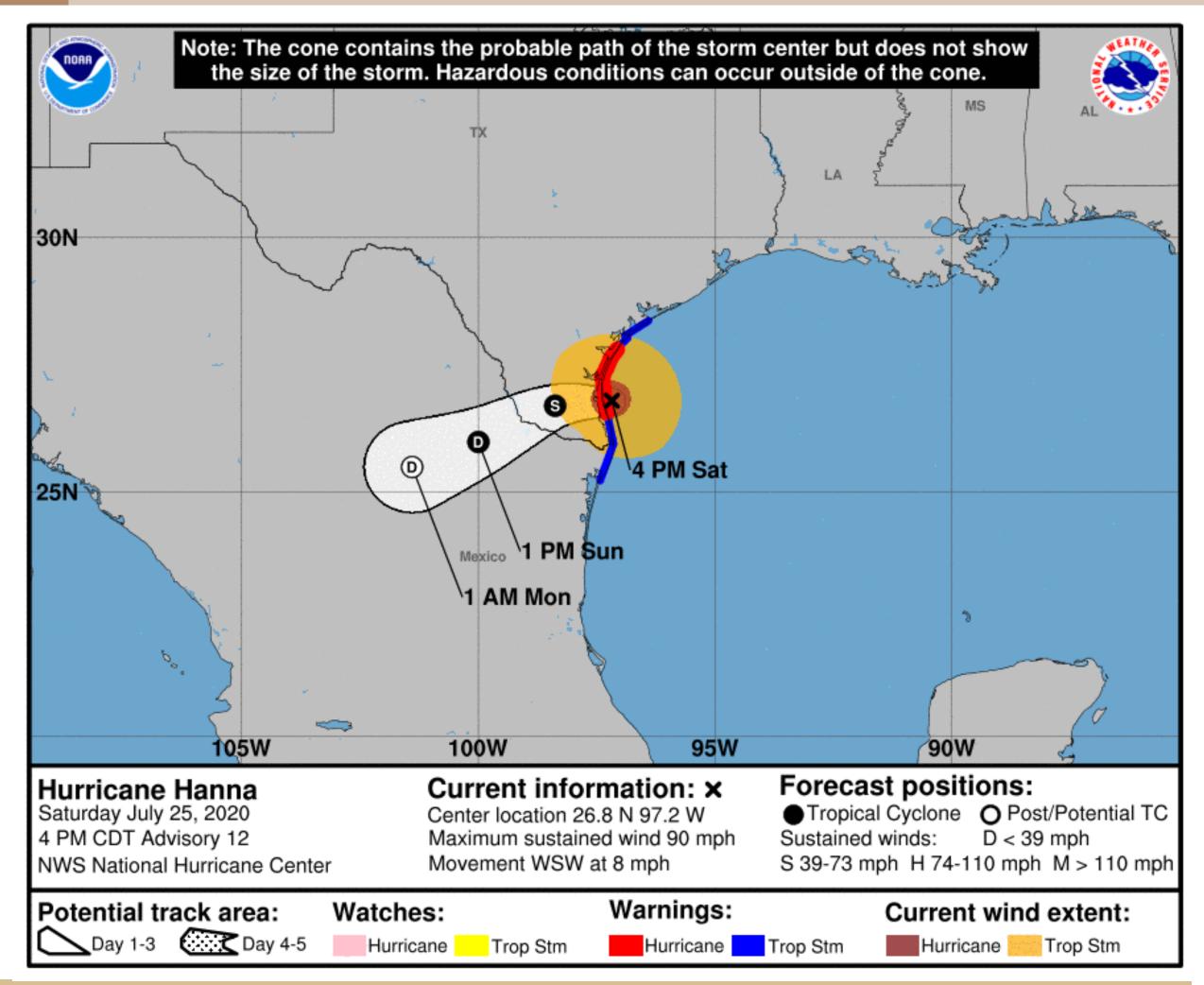
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Situation Overview

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NOTE: Do not focus on the exact track. Impacts can occur well outside the area enclosed by the cone.

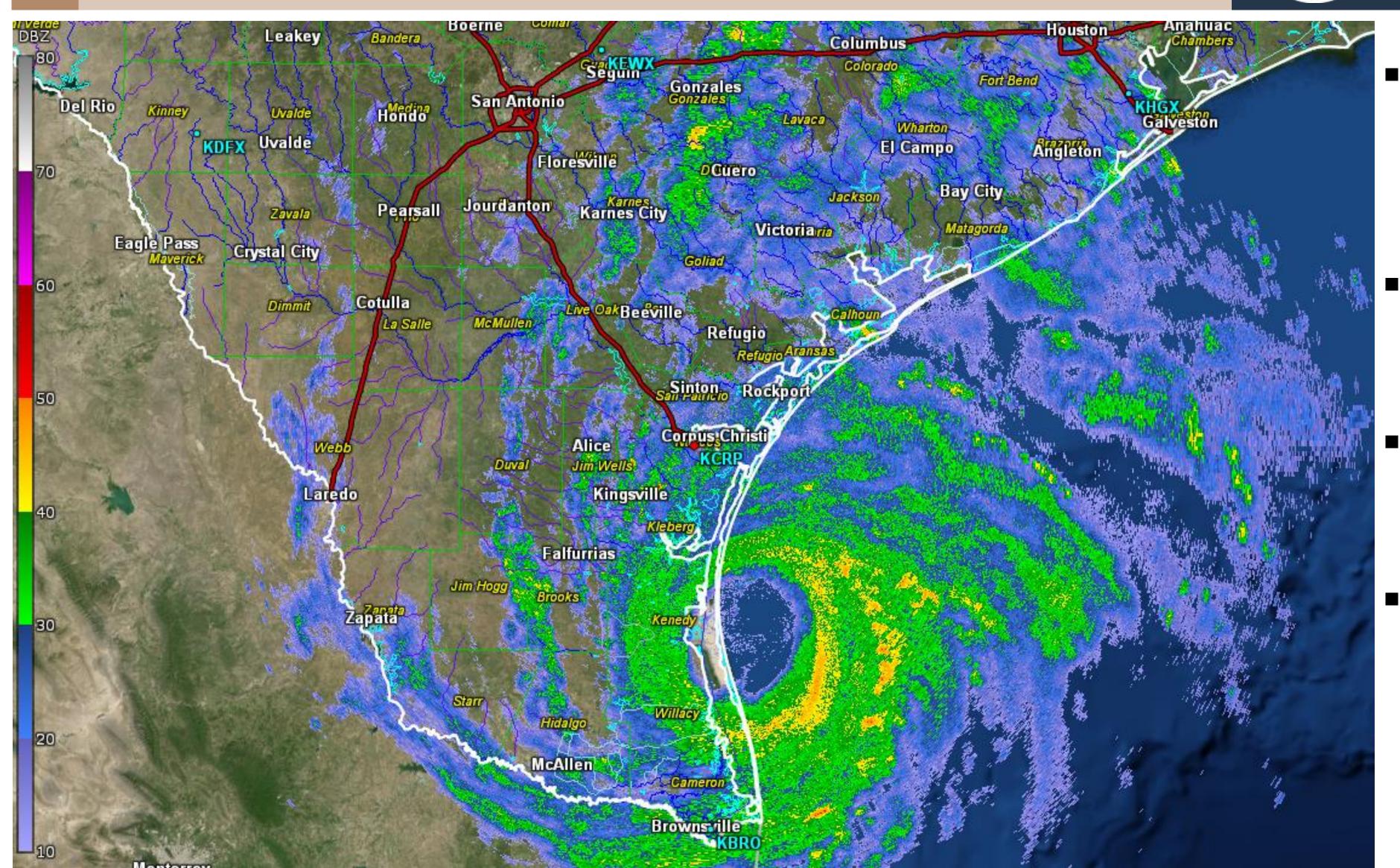
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Current Radar: 4:16 PM CT

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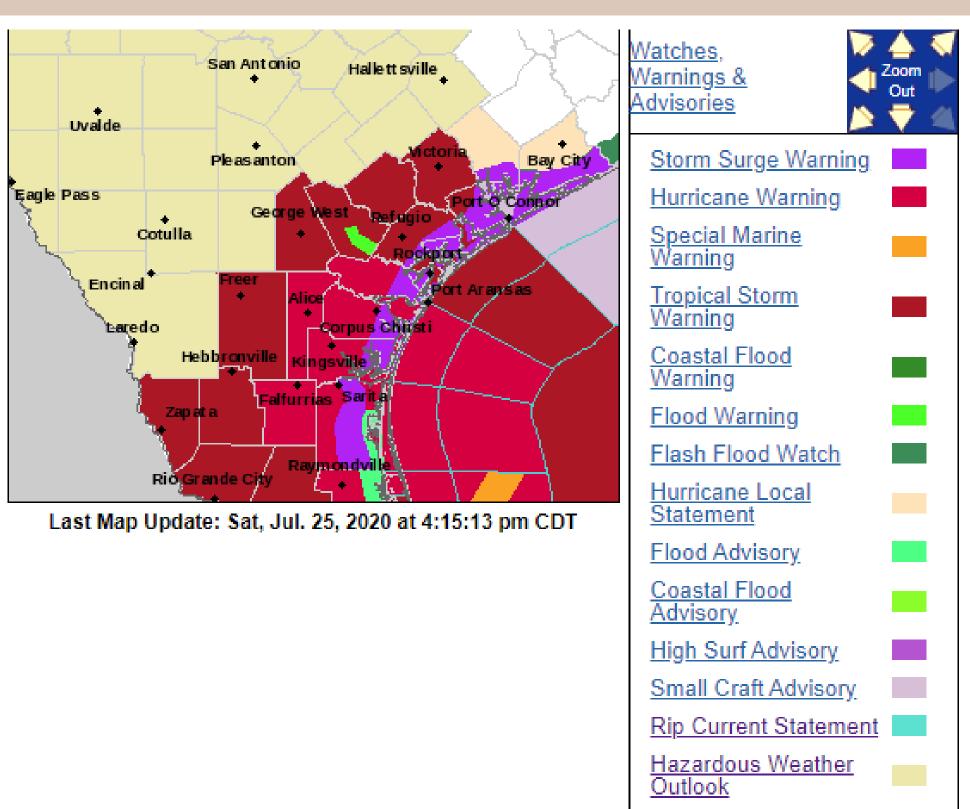
- Hanna is located about 70 miles southeast of Corpus Christi
- Maximum sustained winds of 90 MPH
- Currently moving westsouthwest at 8 MPH
- Note: Landfall is declared by the National Hurricane Center when the surface center of a storm reaches a coastline

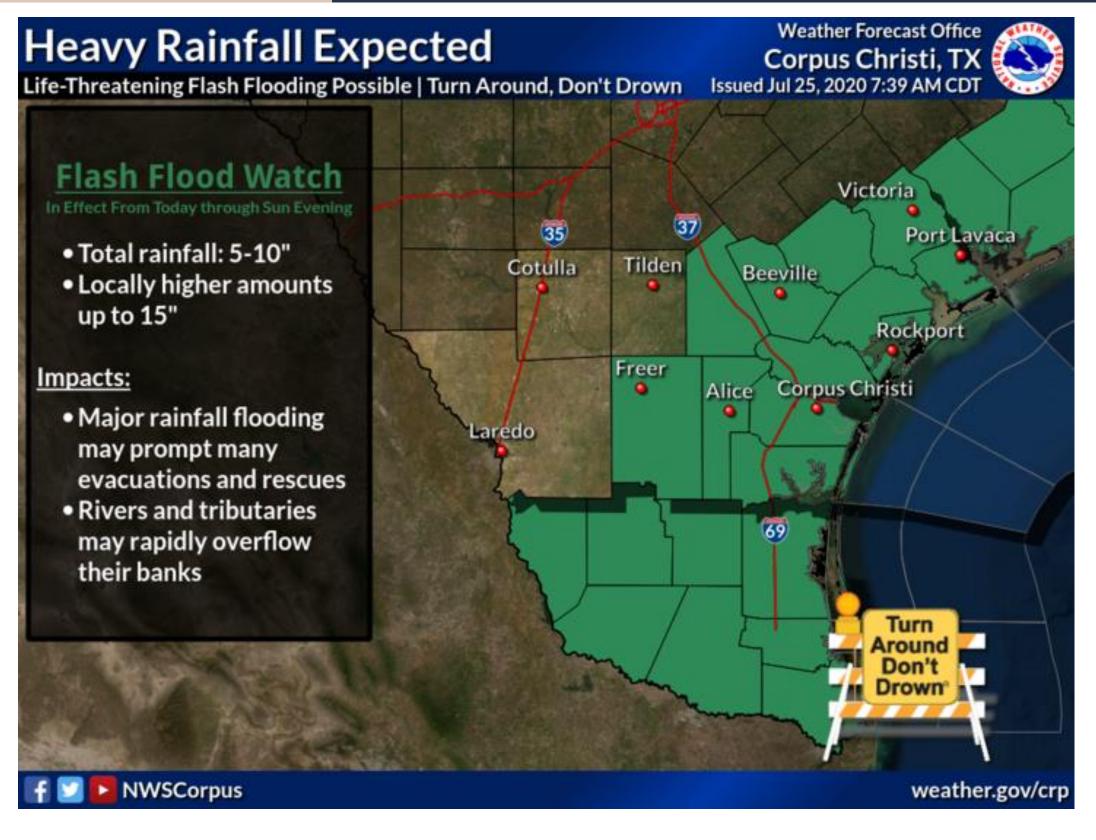
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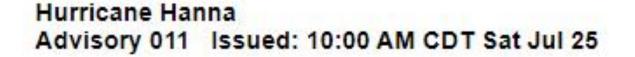


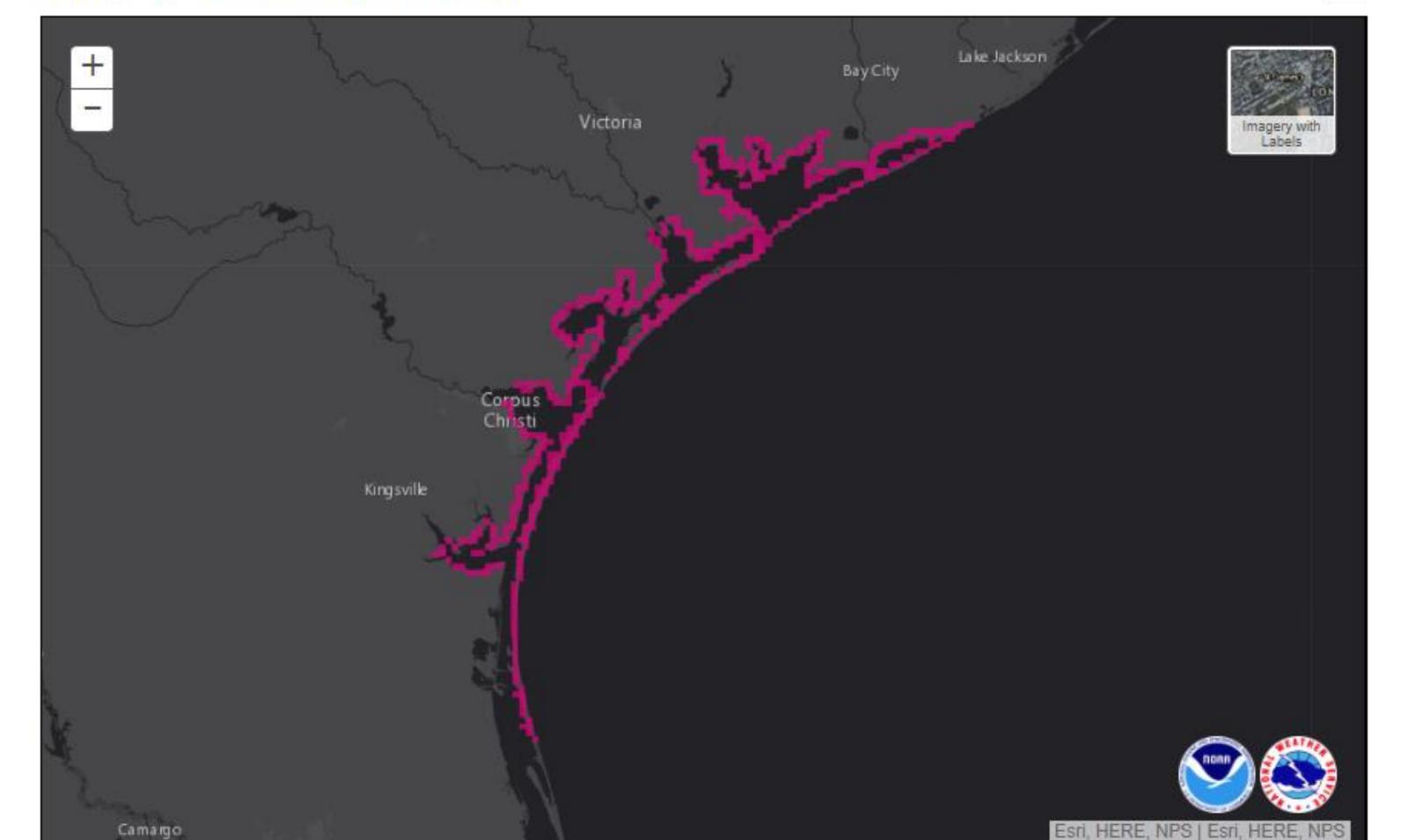


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Storm Surge Warning

Storm Surge Watch

Most Likely Time of Arrival

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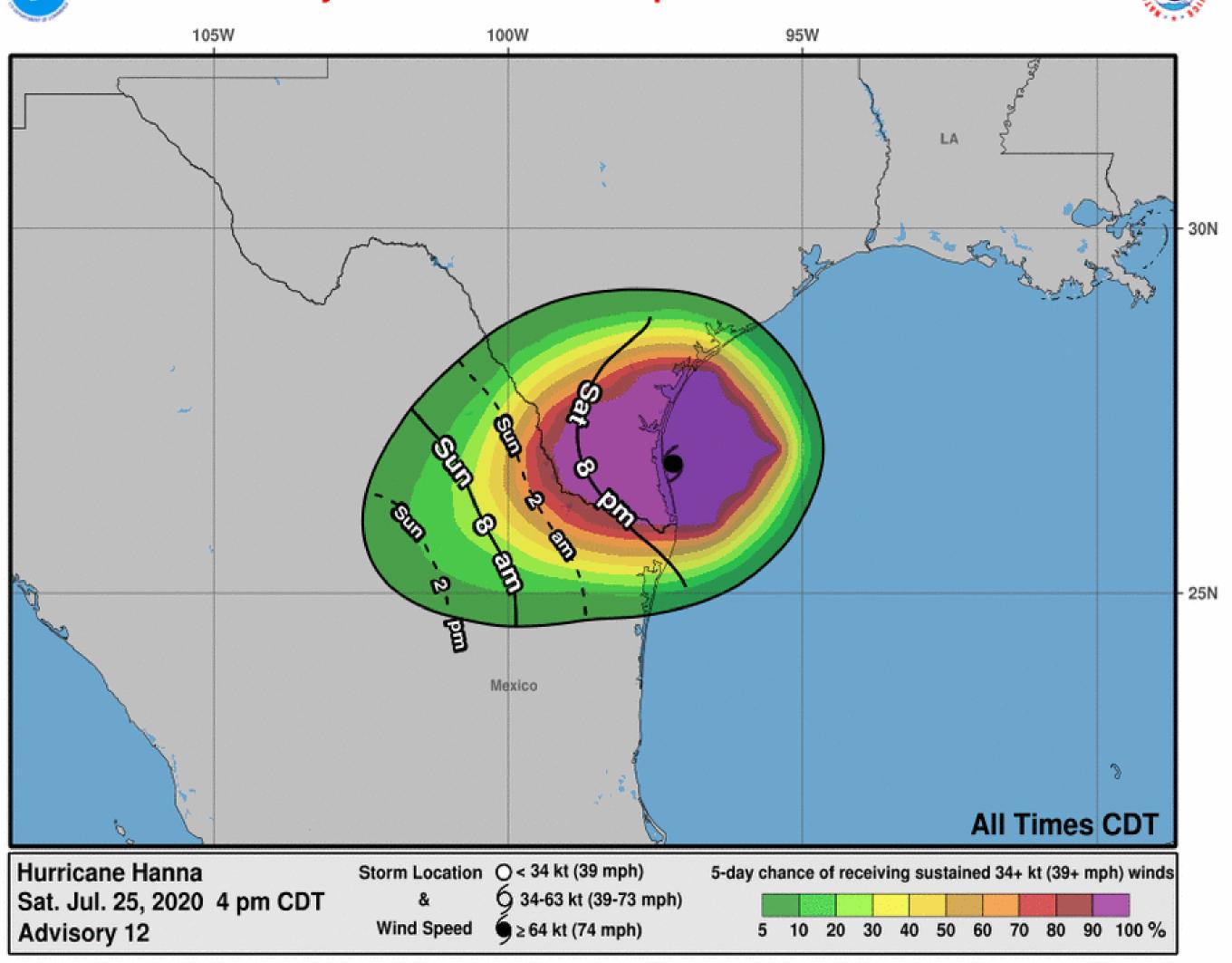


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Most Likely Arrival Time of Tropical-Storm-Force Winds





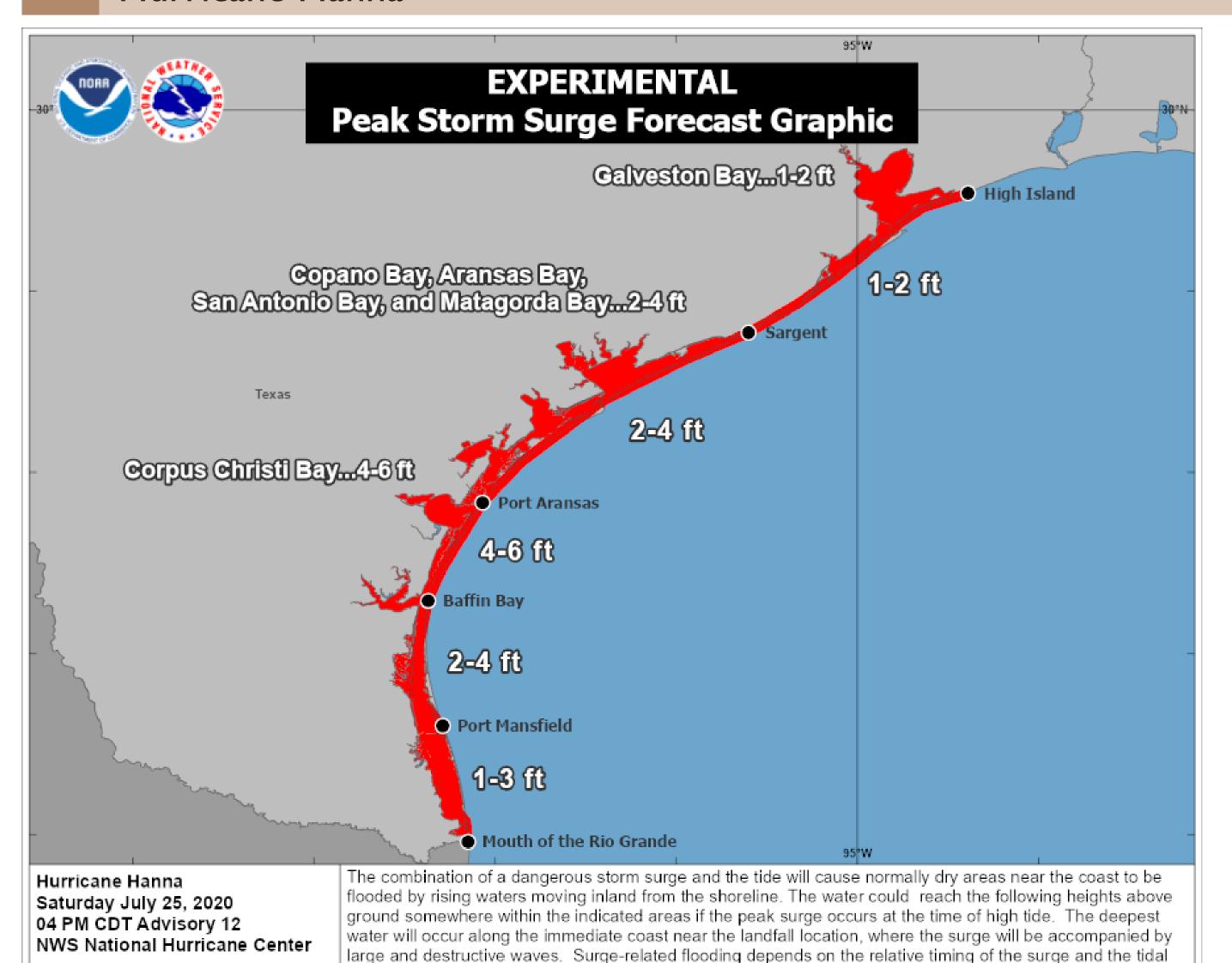
- Tropical-Storm-Force winds have already been observed across most of the southern Coastal Bend and will most likely reach portions of the Rio Grande Plains this evening
- Tropical-Storm-Force winds will most likely end this evening along the coast and early Sunday morning closer to the Rio Grande
 - Winds may last as late as early Sunday morning along the coast and Sunday morning for areas along the Rio Grande

Potential Storm Tide Impacts

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cycle, and can vary greatly over short distances.

Storm Surge:

- A Storm Surge Warning remains in effect, expecting some adjustments by the next advisory
- 4 to 6 feet of inundation (water above ground level, AGL) possible along beaches and bays south of Port Aransas
- 2 to 4 feet of inundation AGL north of Port Aransas
- Wave run-up will contribute to damaging surge along the Gulf-facing beaches
- High tide times today:

Bob Hall Pier: 7:14 PM

Nueces Bay: 4:49 PM

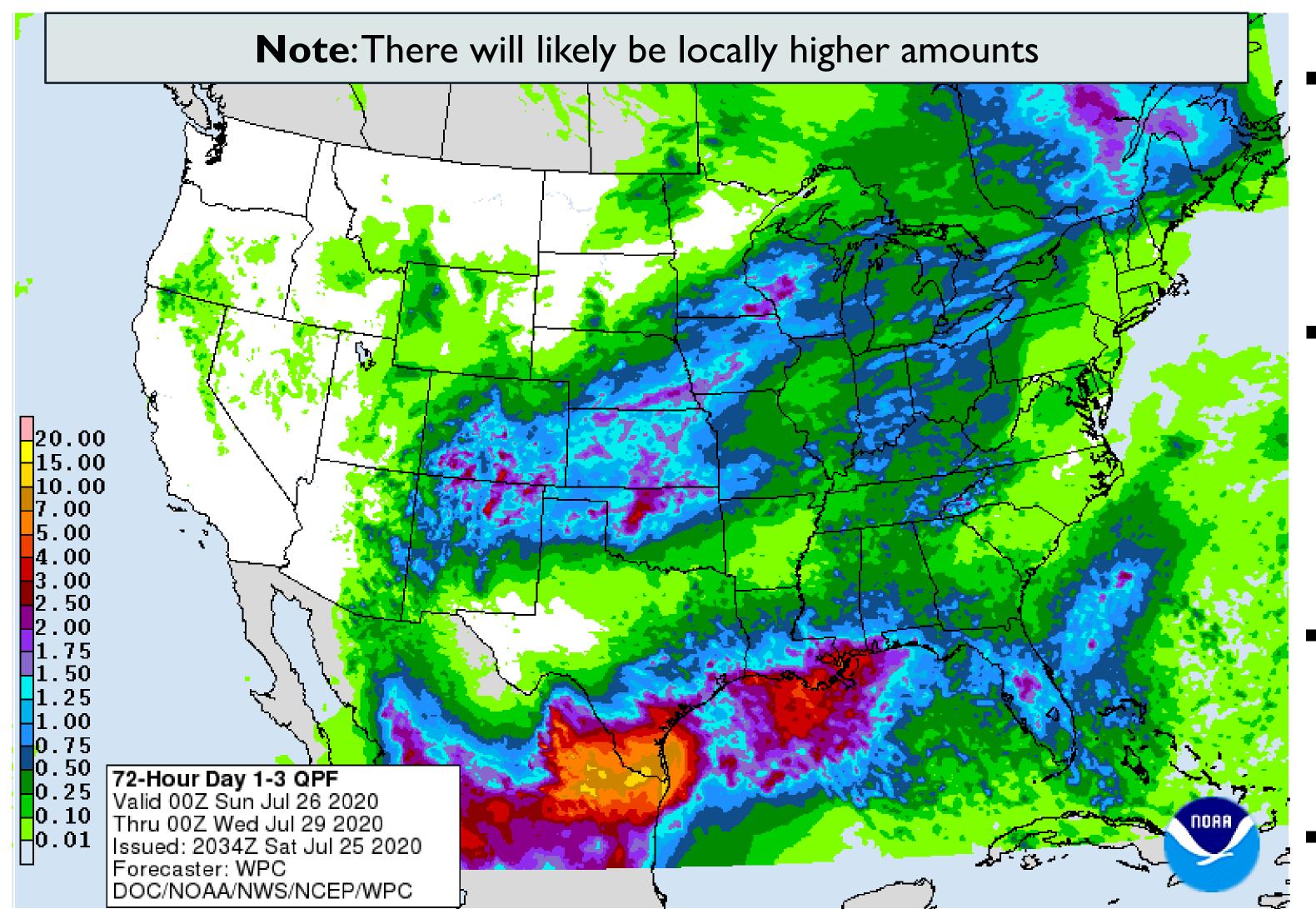
Port Aransas: 7:24 PM

Expected Storm Total Rainfall

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- Storm Total rainfall forecast valid tonight through Tuesday
 - Periods of heavy rain still expected through Sunday
- 5 to 10" of rain possible across South Texas with isolated totals higher amounts of 15"
 - The map to the left does not indicate where isolated higher amounts may occur
- Hanna's slow movement will help increase rainfall amounts, which could be significant and dangerous flooding may result
- Impacts could include several evacuations and the flooding of some structures

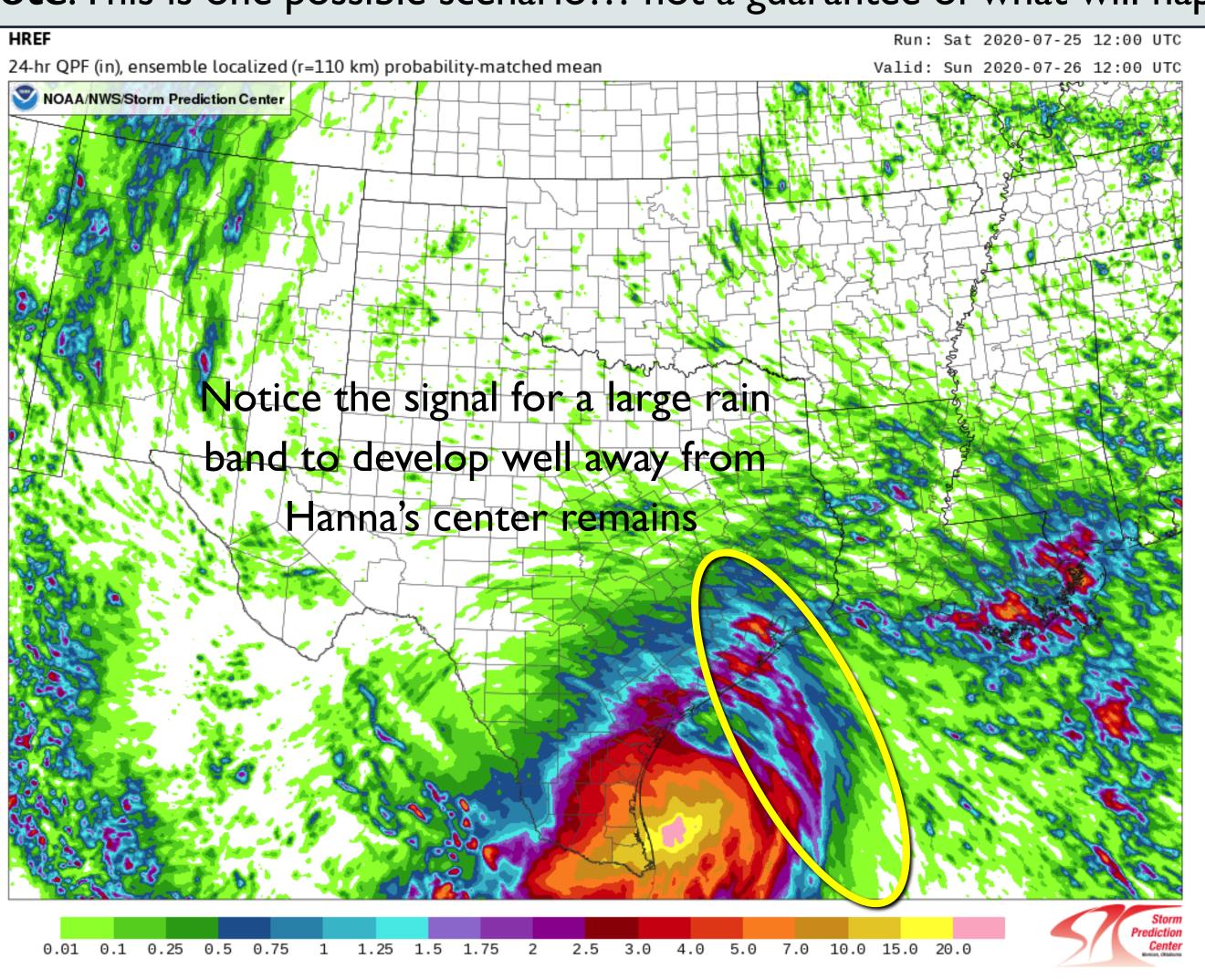
Rain Bands Can Extend Well Away from Hanna

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Note: This is one possible scenario... not a guarantee of what will happen



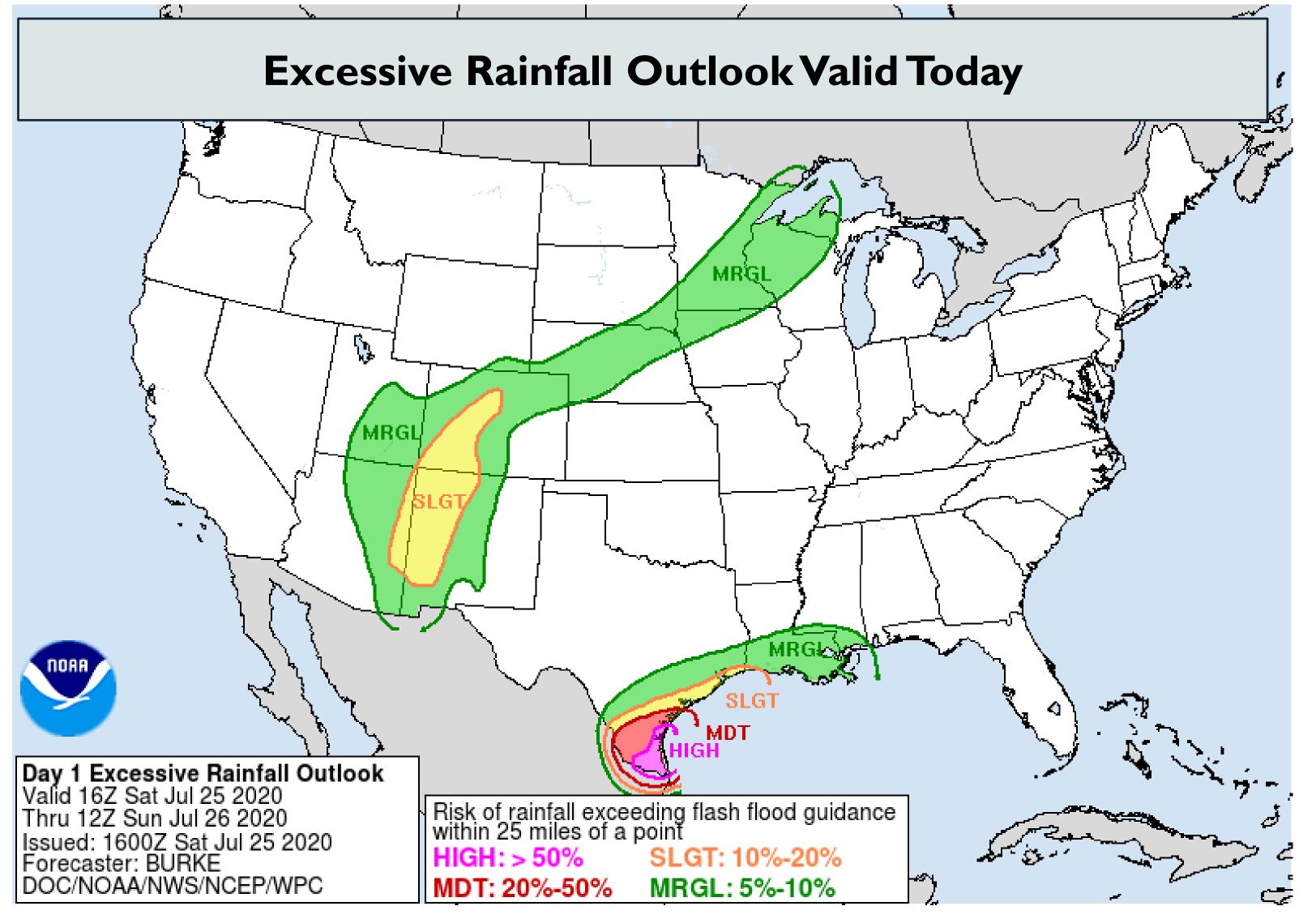
- The image to the left shows some of the highest rain amounts that could be possible through Sunday morning
- Even though Hanna's track remains to the south, rain bands capable of heavy rainfall will be possible well away from Hanna's center tonight and Sunday
 - These bands could be where those localized higher amounts occur
- This means areas that do not see the strongest winds from Hanna still receiving flooding impacts

Excessive Rainfall Outlook

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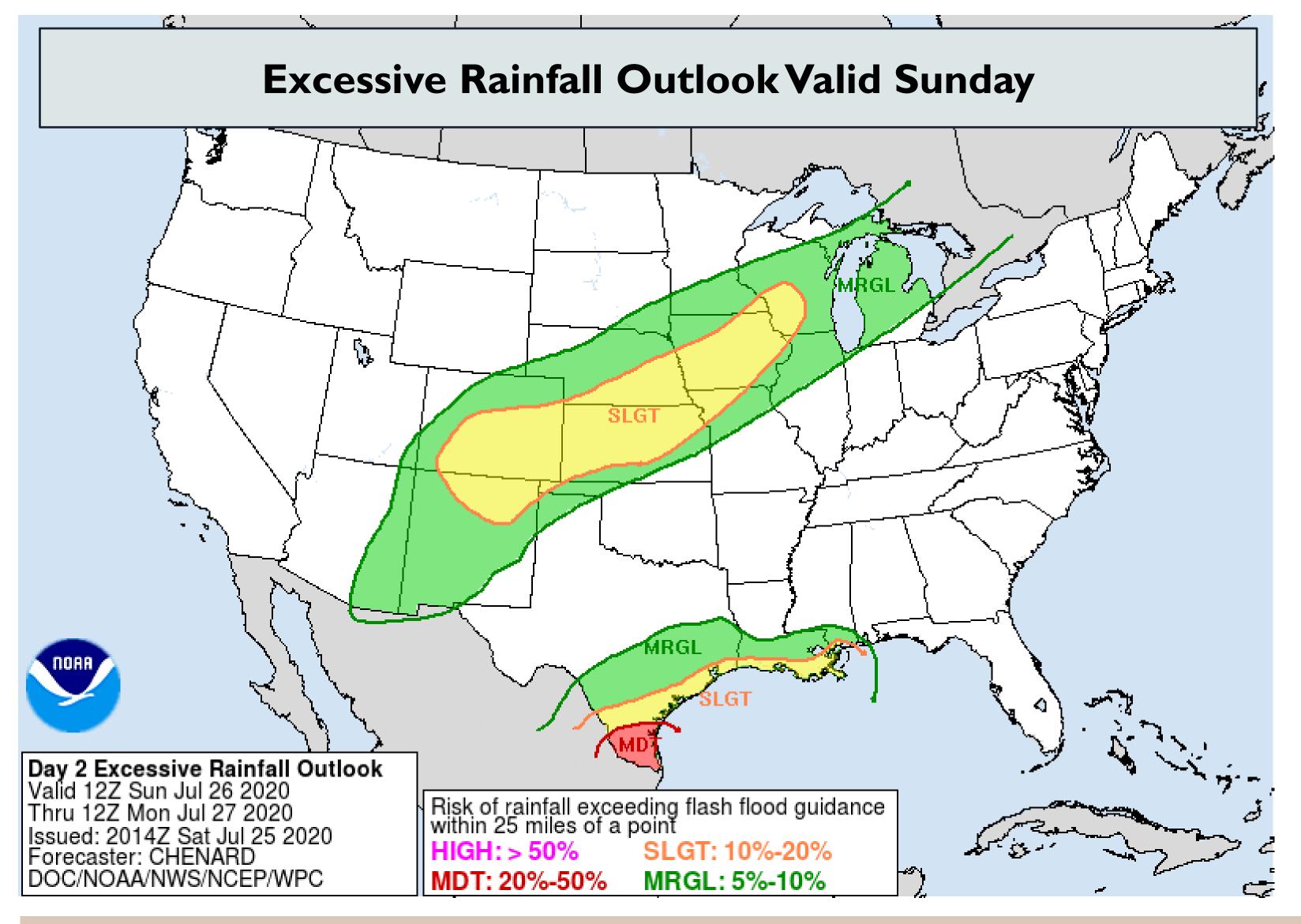
- The Flash Flood threat will continue for most of South Texas through tonight with the **highest risk** along the coast south of Corpus Christi Bay.
- Will have to watch for the development of rain bands with Hanna tonight
- Remember... heaviest rainfall often occurs at night!

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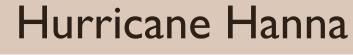
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- Still the potential for rain bands to develop on Sunday!

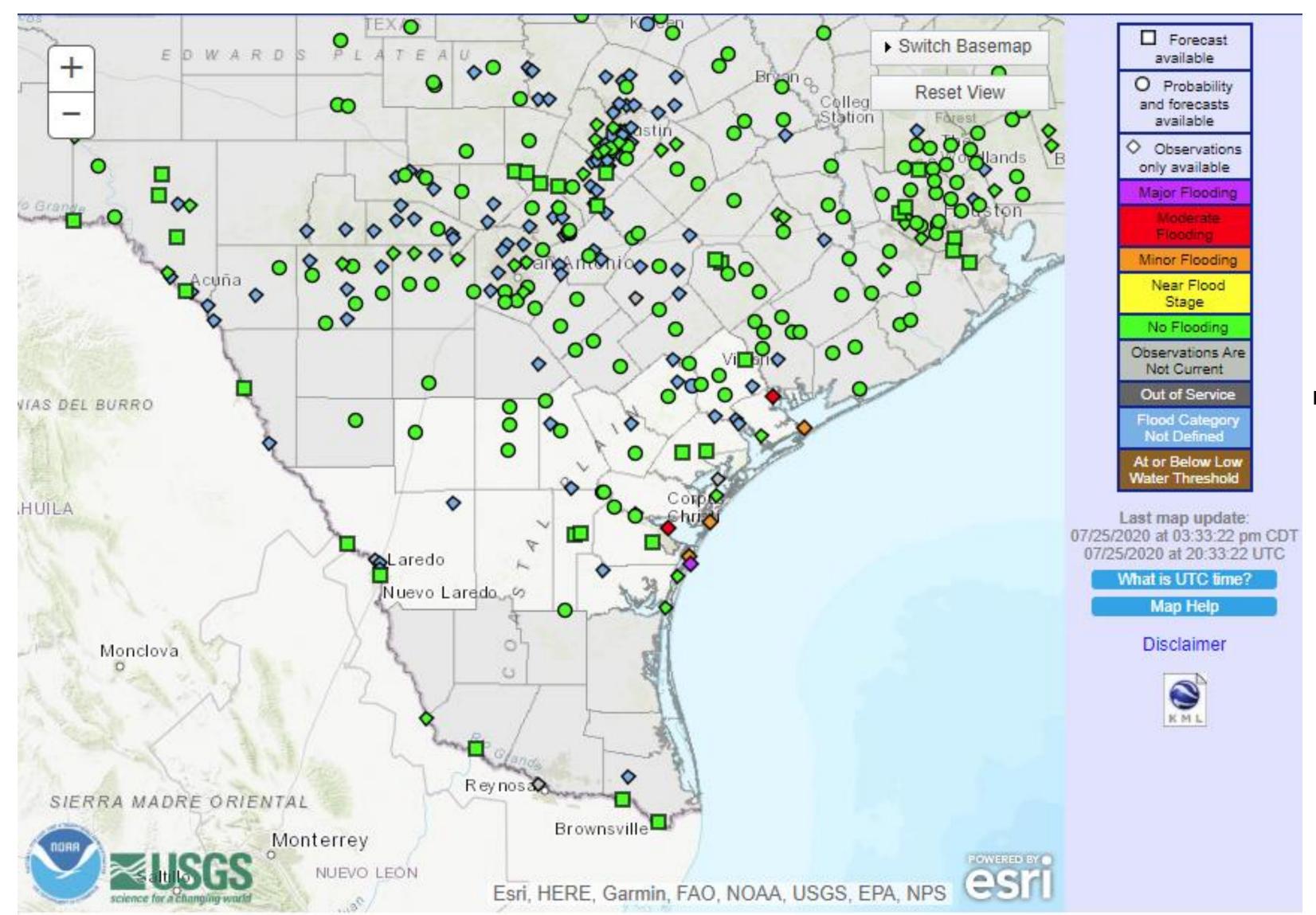
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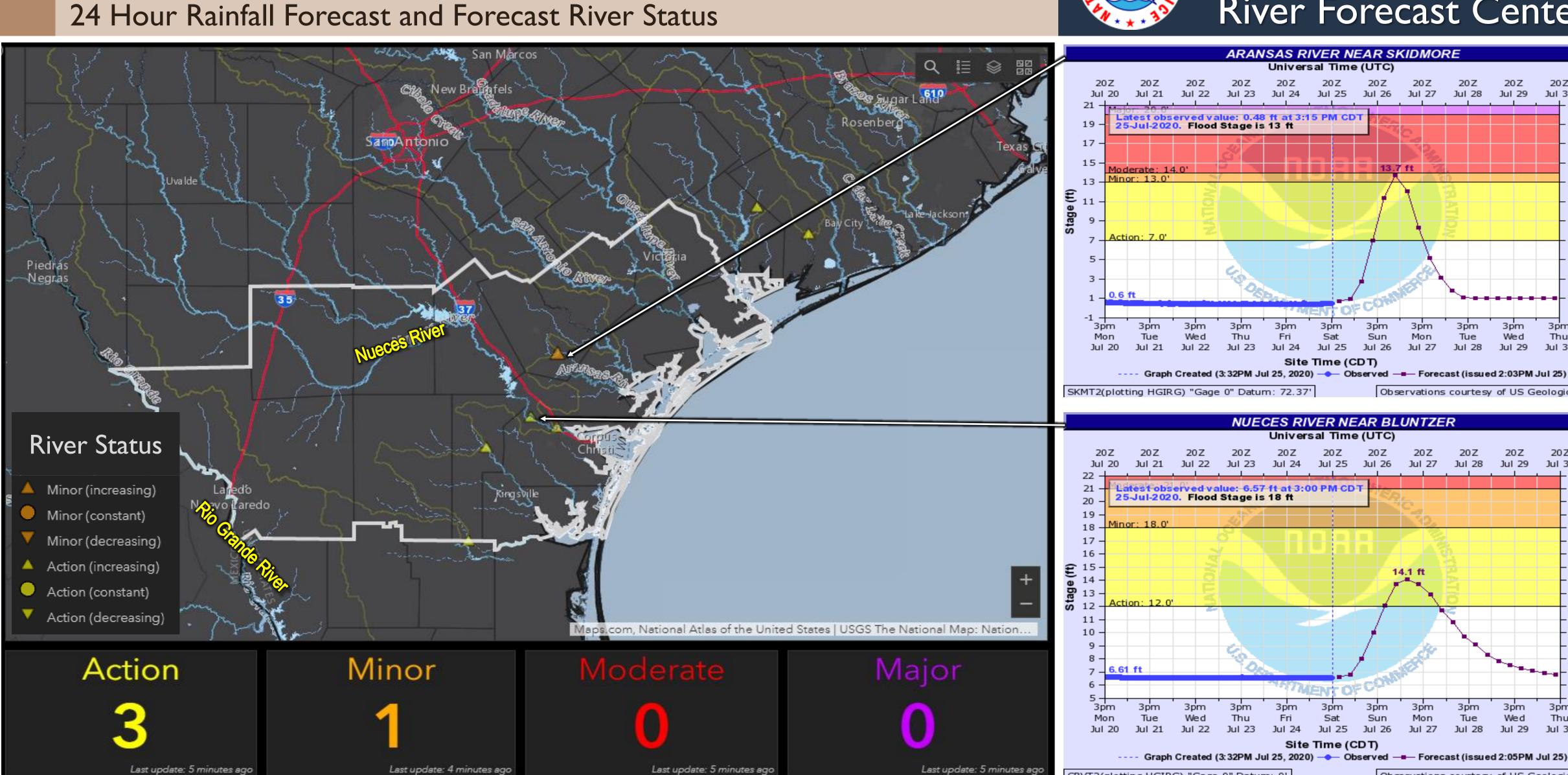
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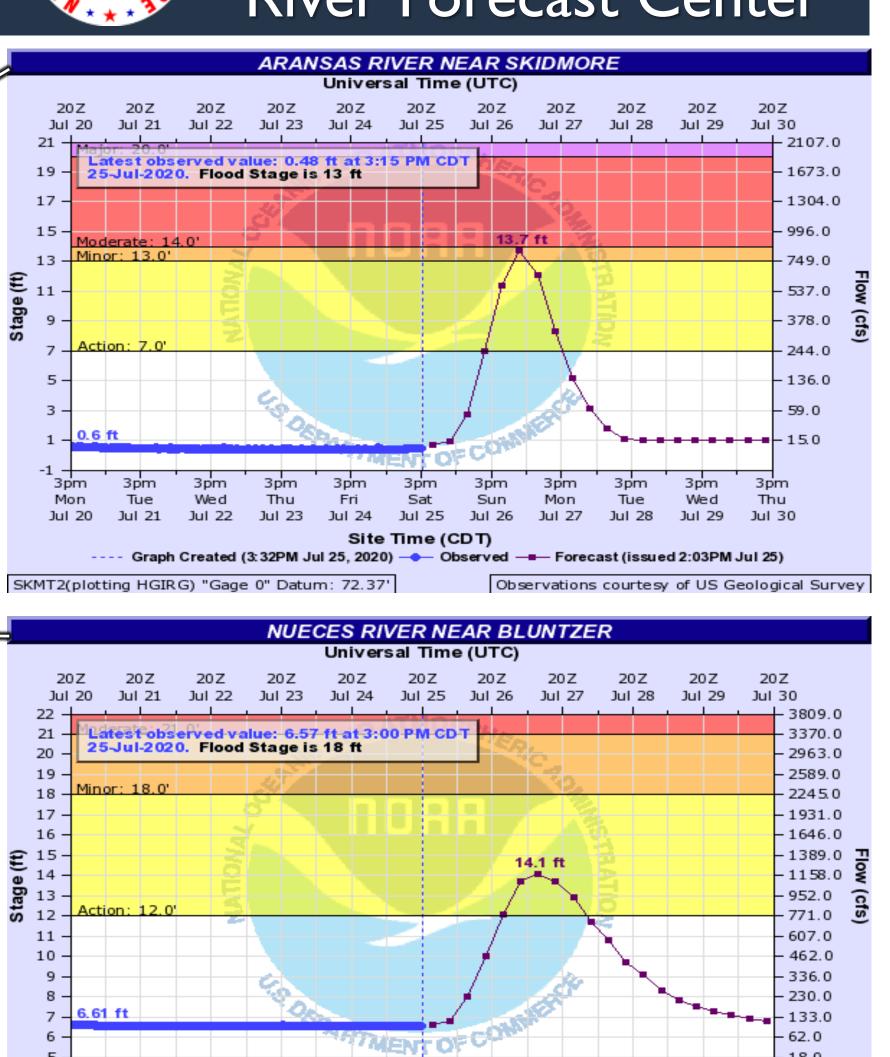
Coastal tide gauges continue to show minor to major flooding from storm surge

Hurricane Hanna's River Impacts





West Gulf River Forecast Center



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CBVT2(plotting HGIRG) "Gage 0" Datum: 0'

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Site Time (CDT)

Jul 25 Jul 26

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Observations courtesy of US Geological Survey

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Tropical Weather Outlook

Active in Central Atlantic



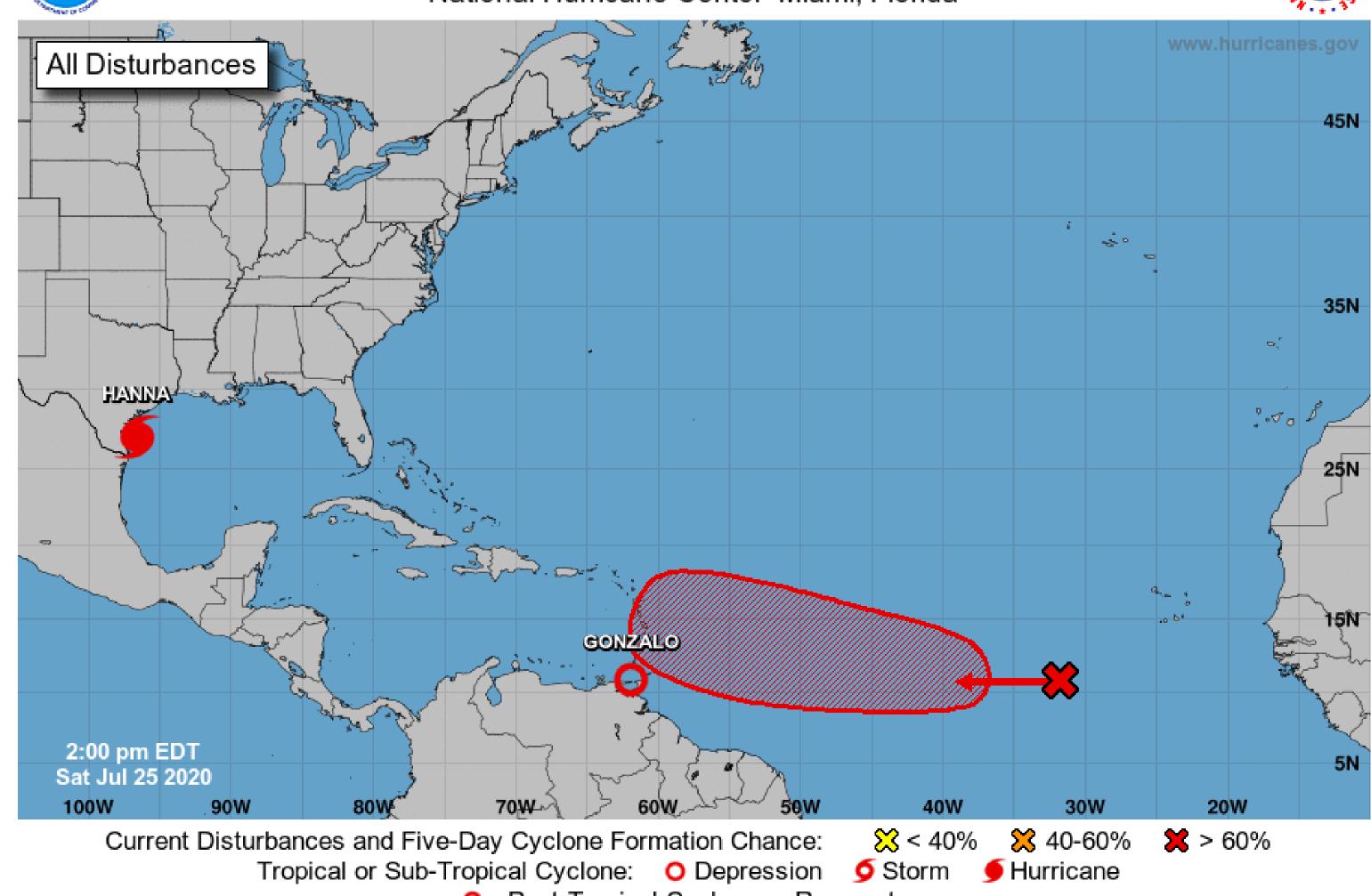
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Five-Day Graphical Tropical Weather Outlook

National Hurricane Center Miami, Florida





- Still other systems to watch after Hanna departs
 - TD Gonzalo
 - Tropical Wave in central Atlantic... note that development chances have increased since the last briefing

It is too soon to know any impacts to South Texas at this time from these systems!

Post-Tropical Cyclone or Remnants

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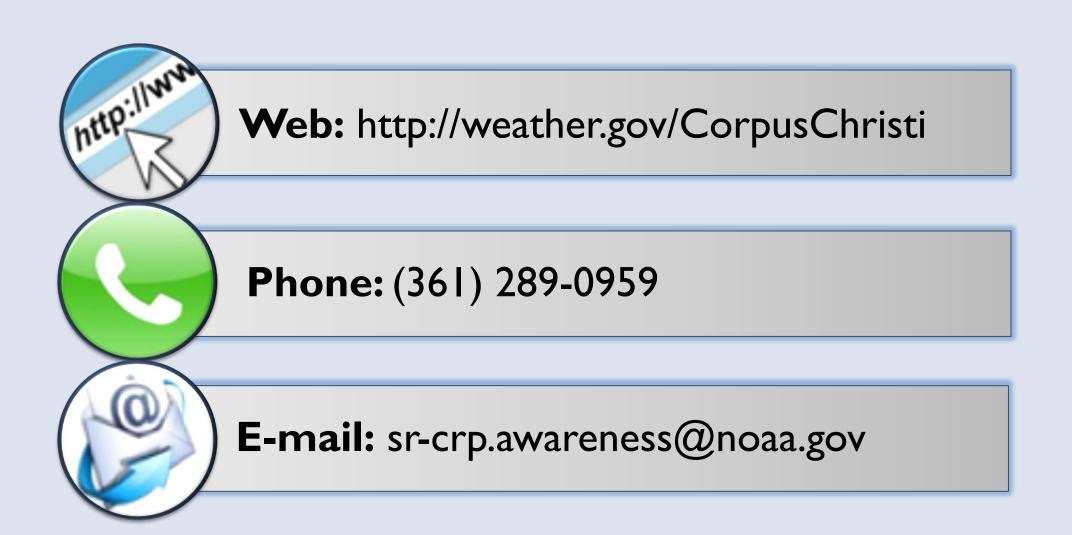
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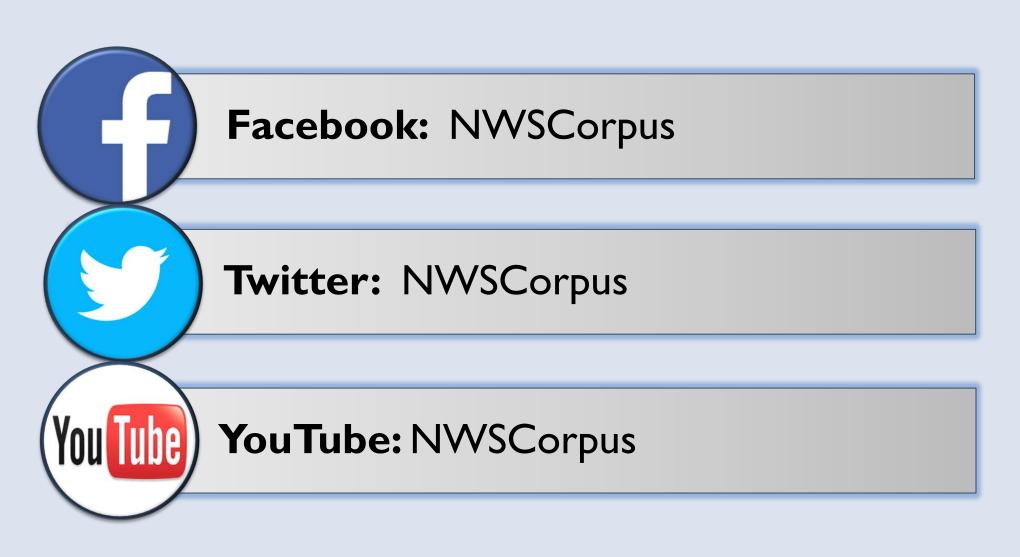
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