2025 Fire Season Outlook

Winter Wrap-Up and What's Ahead

Tuesday, June 3

Reno, NV

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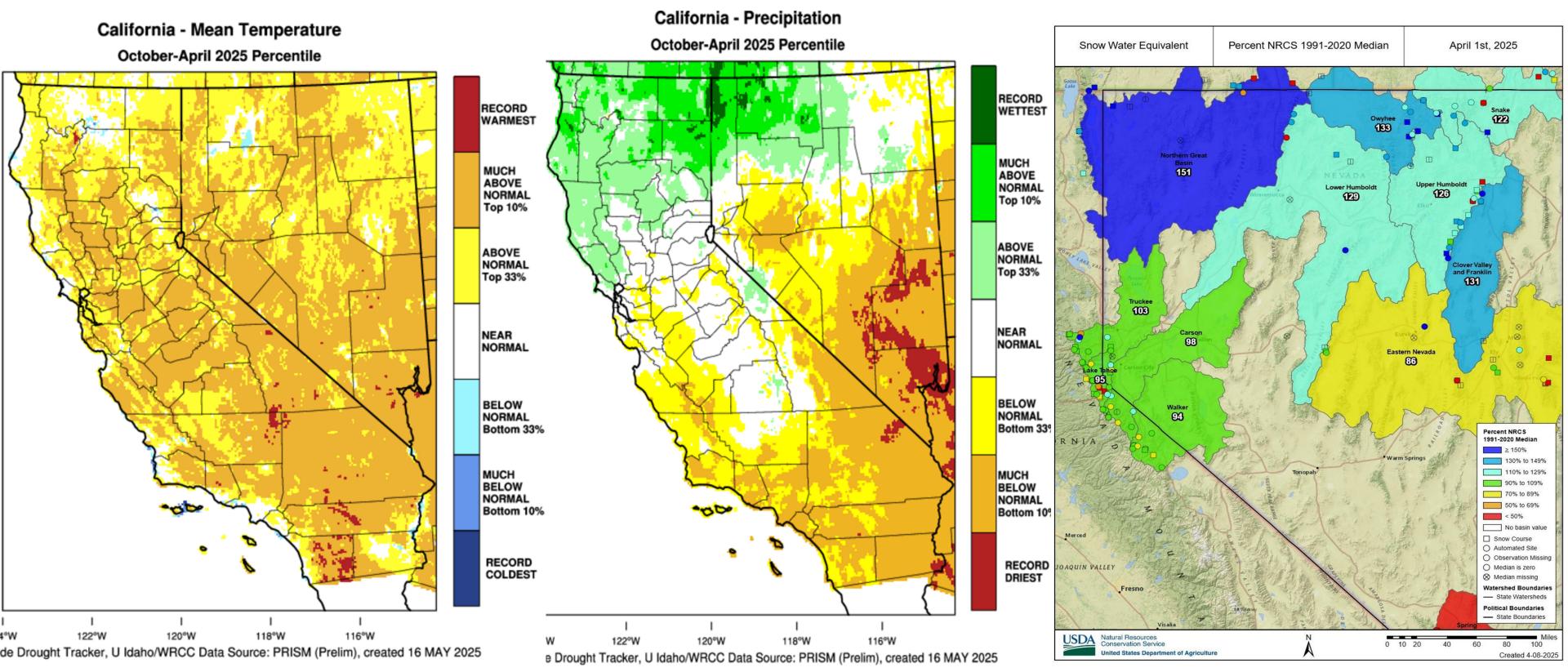


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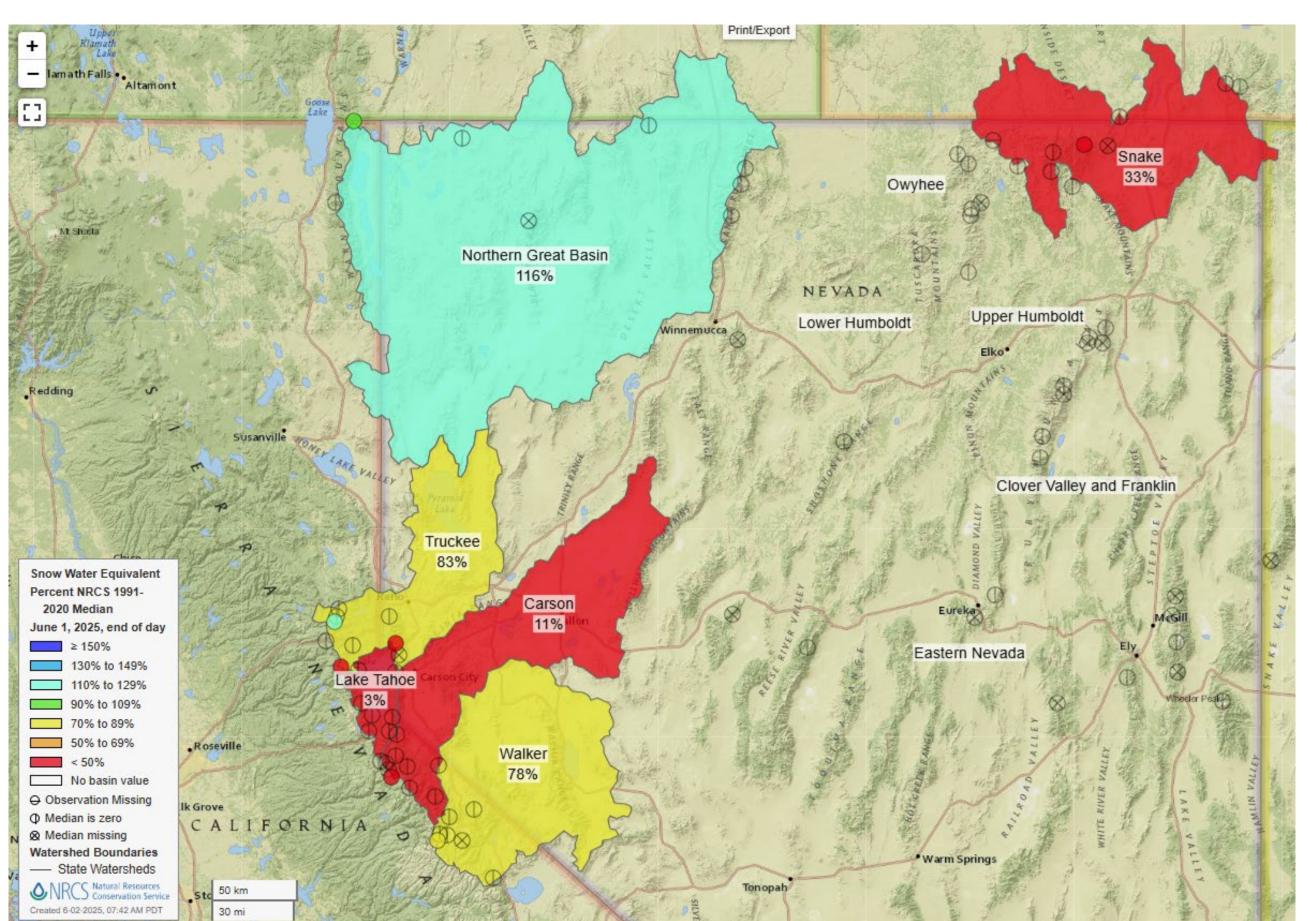
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Regional Snowpack Conditions

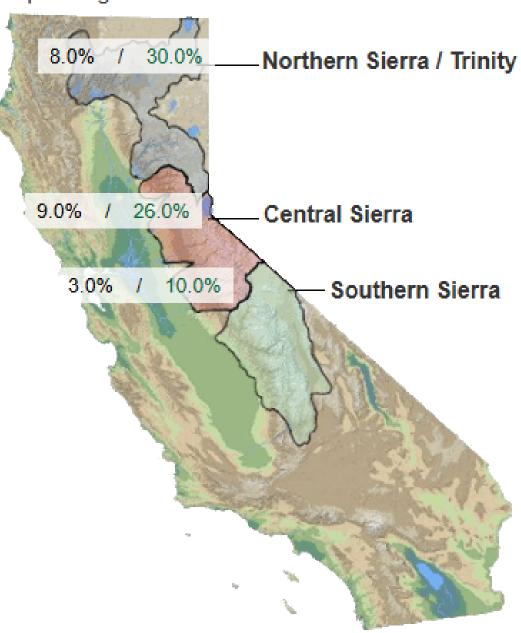


Snow Water Equivalents

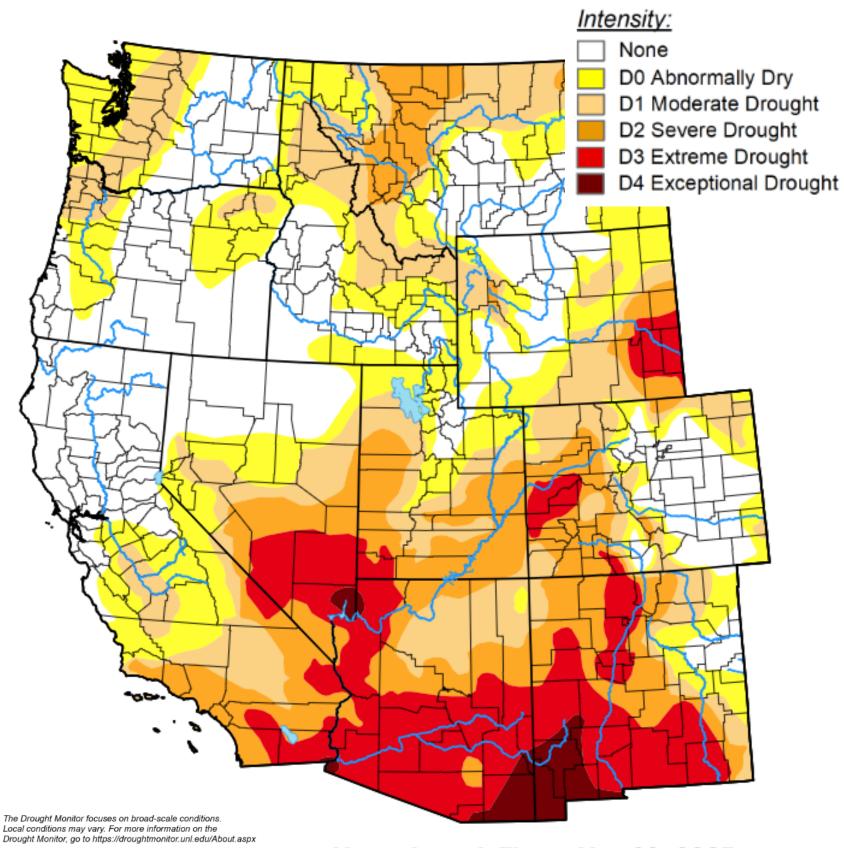
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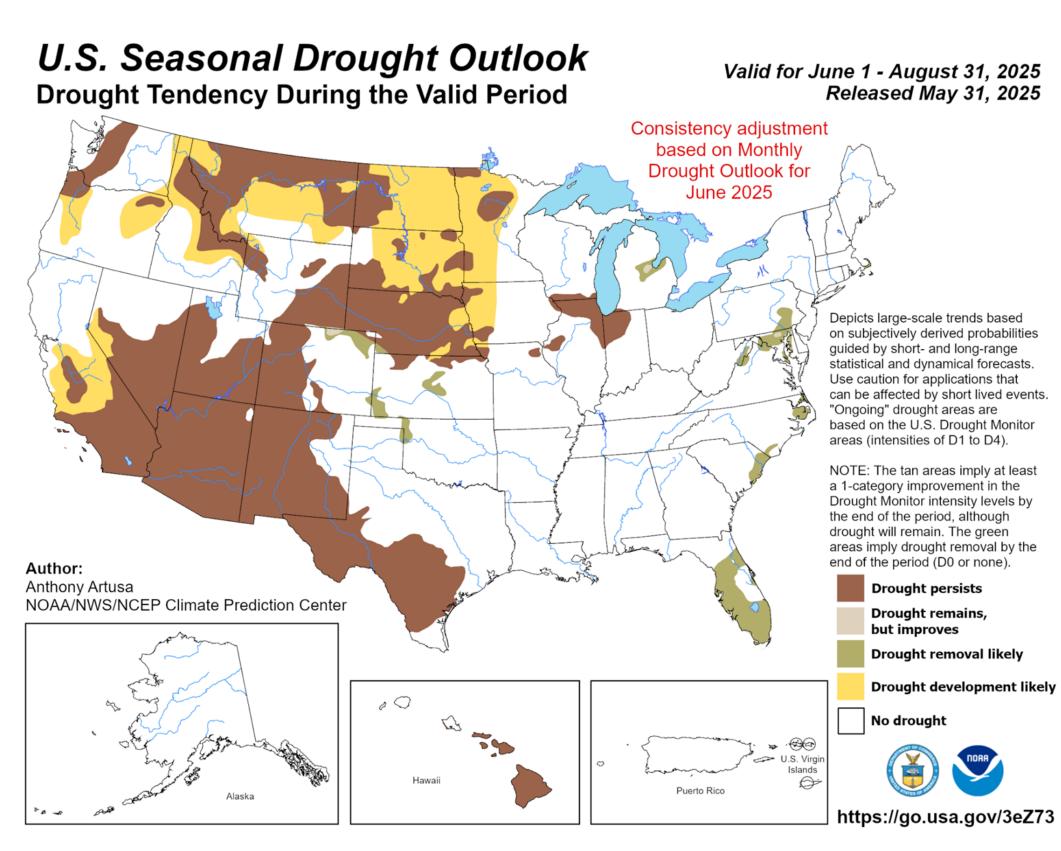
Data For: 29-May-2025

% Apr 1 Avg. / % Normal for this Date



How's the Drought Status?





Map released: Thurs. May 29, 2025

droughtmonitor.unl.edu

Data valid: May 27, 2025 at 8 a.m. EDT



Weather Risk Outlook: When Should I Freakout?

	Monday, Jun 2	Tuesday, Jun 3	Wednesday, Jun 4	Thursday, Jun 5	Friday, Jun 6	Saturday, Jun 7	Sunday, Jun 8
Rain	Isolated PM showers & lightning →					Trending drier →	
Wind	Typical PM breezes →						
Flooding	Fast and cold flows from high elevation melting, no flooding →						
Lightning	10-20% chance Mono- Mineral	15% chance Mono/Mineral →					
Unusual Temperatures	Not as hot but still above average →				10-15° above average, minor to moderate HeatRisk →		
Fire Weather	Dry and warm but no significant wind →					Warmer temps but less chance for lightning →	

What Does This Mean?
Color integrates impact
potential and forecaster
confidence levels.

No worries

Low freakoutness



Moderate freakoutness



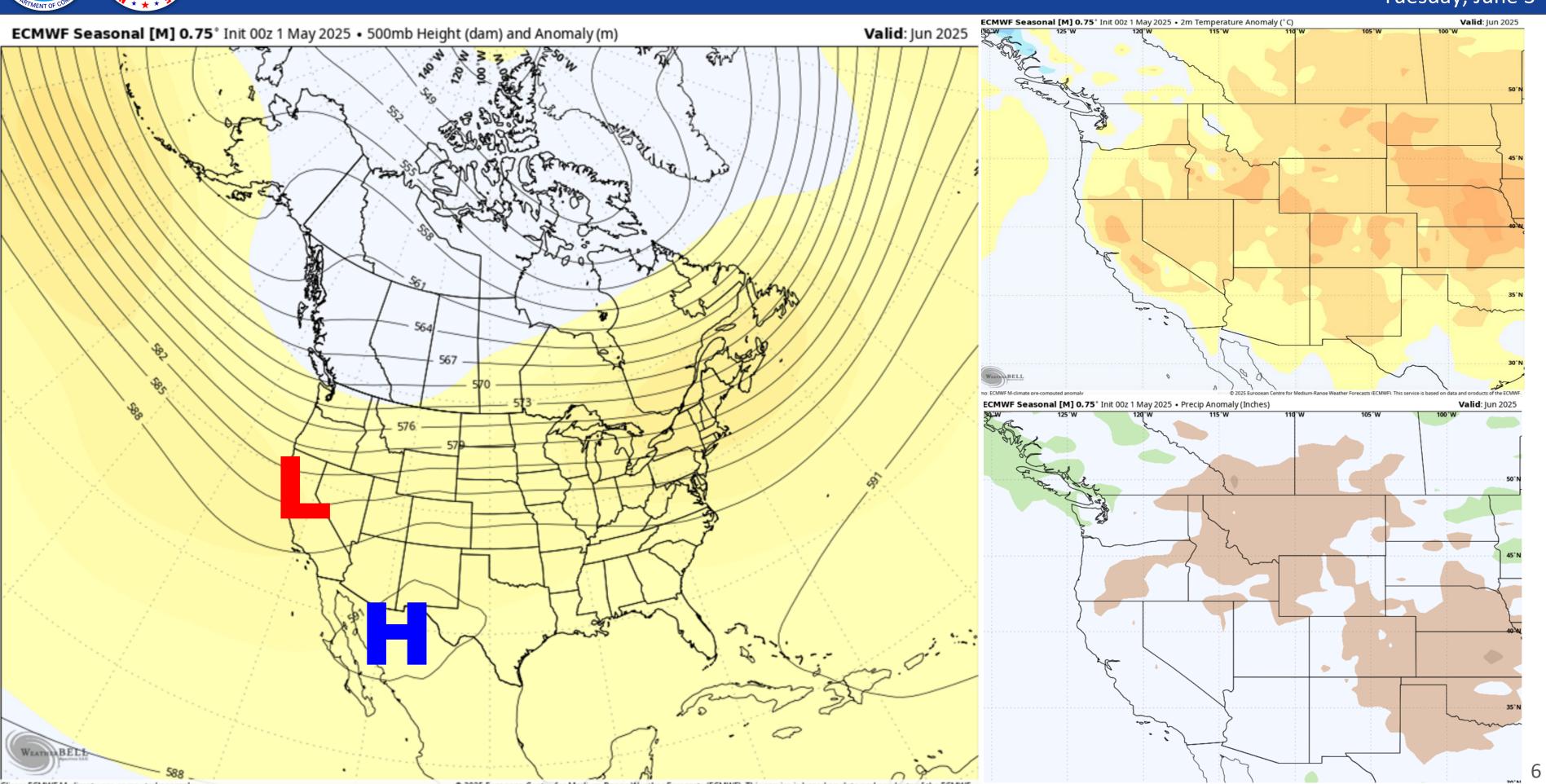
High freakoutness



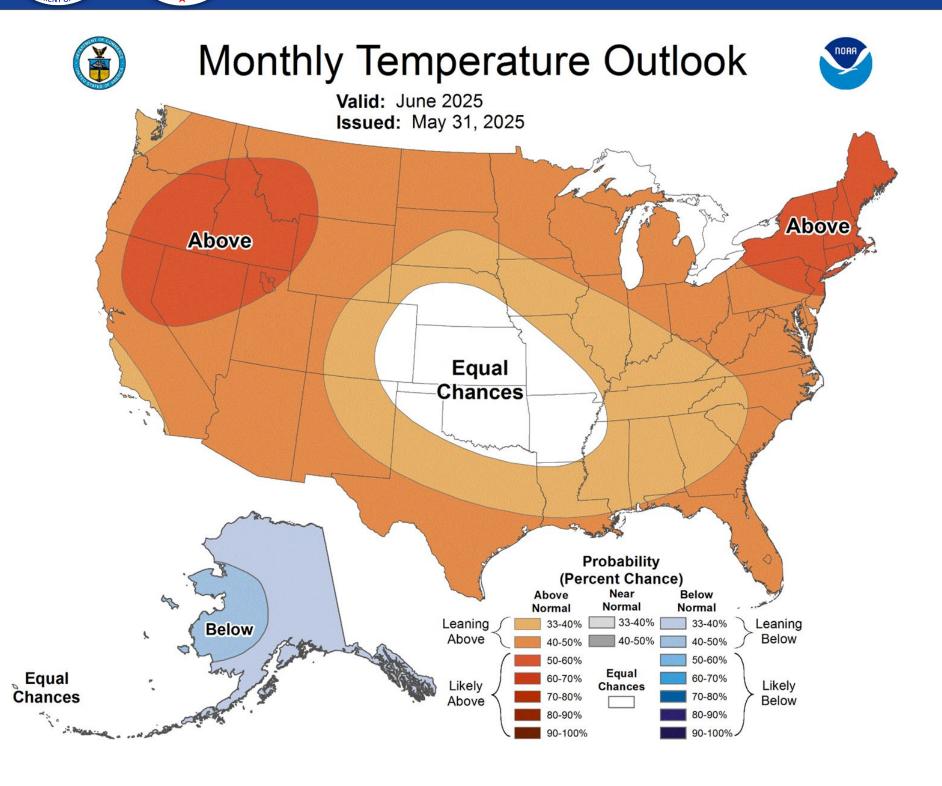


Above average temperatures, trending drier than average.

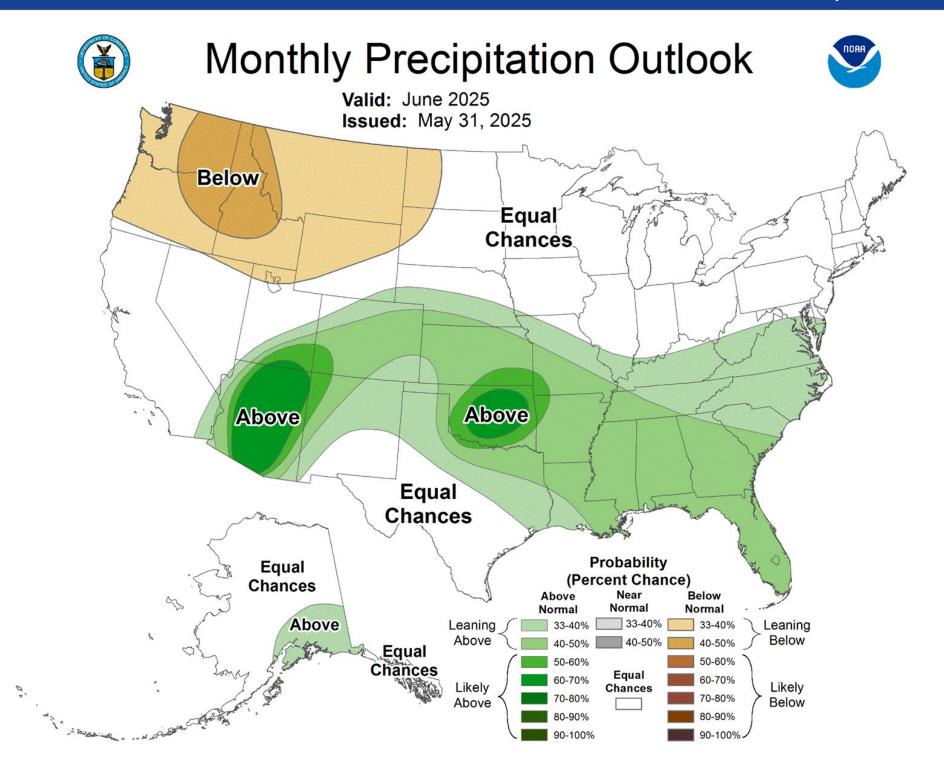




Official CPC Outlook: June



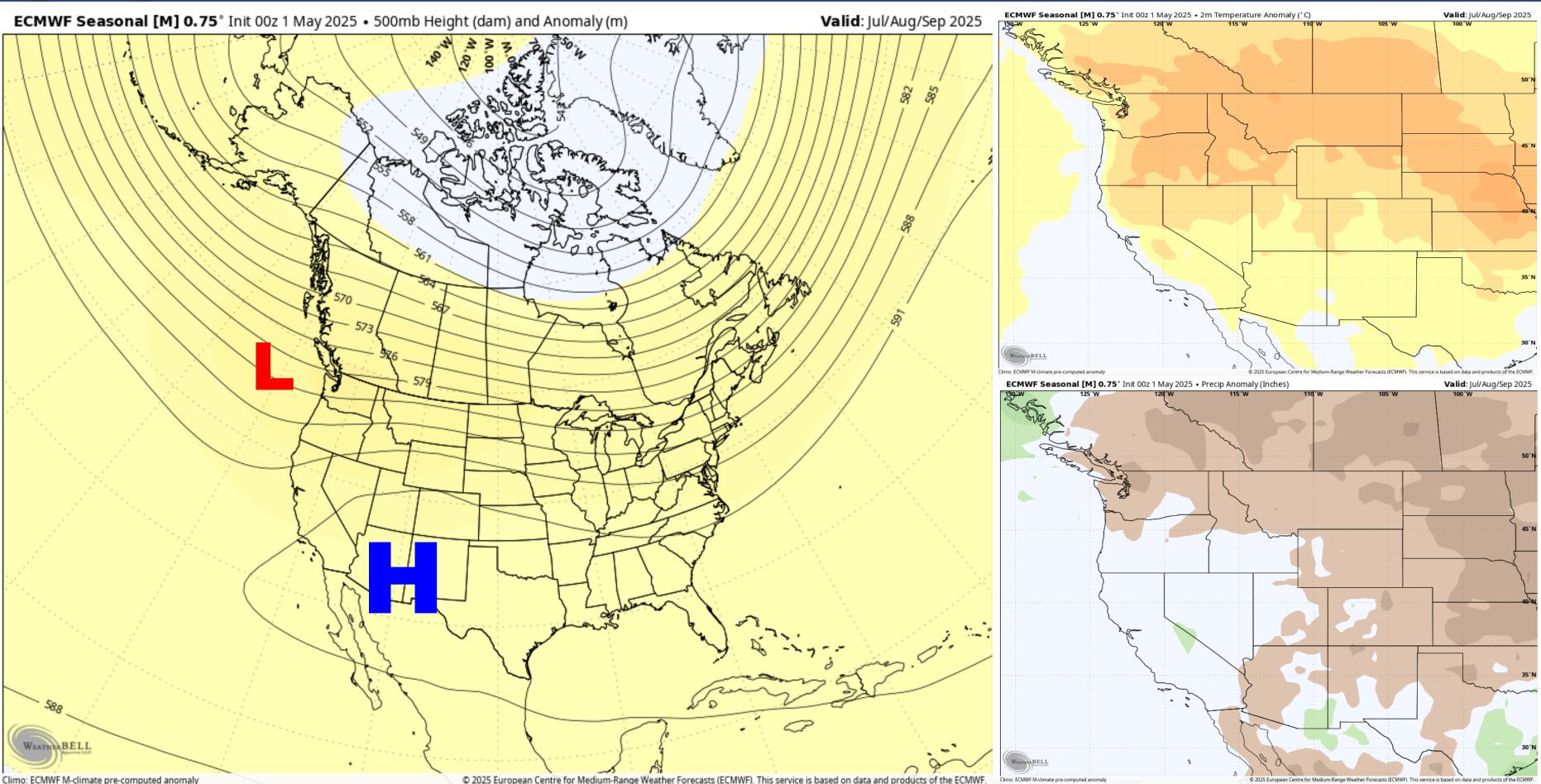
- Strong signal for a warmer than normal June.
- "Bullseye" of higher probabilities over Great Basin.



- No clear tilt in precipitation regionally.
- Strong signal for a wetter than normal June in Arizona, but this is not due to the Monsoon.



Outlook for July-August-September

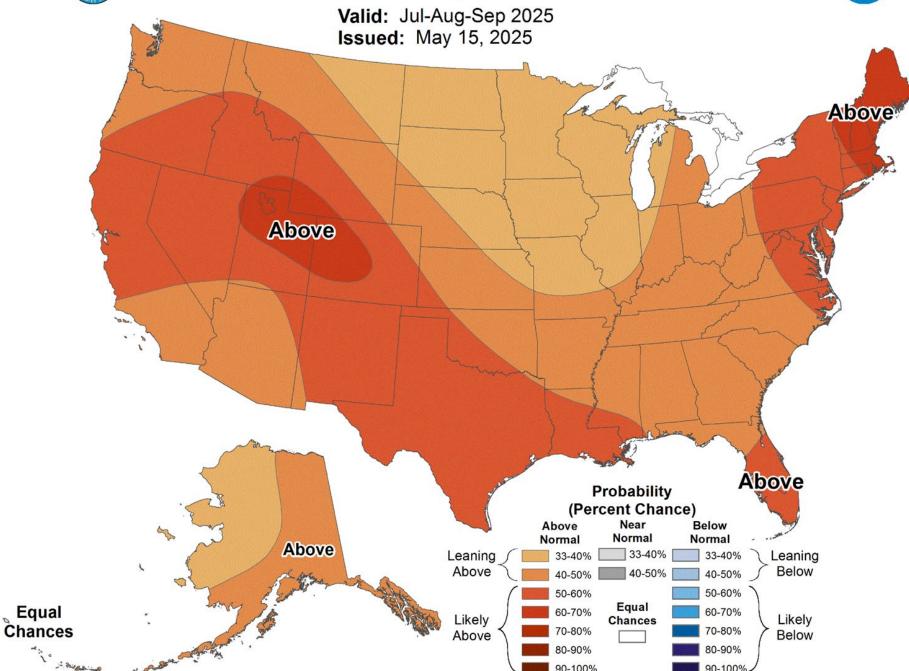




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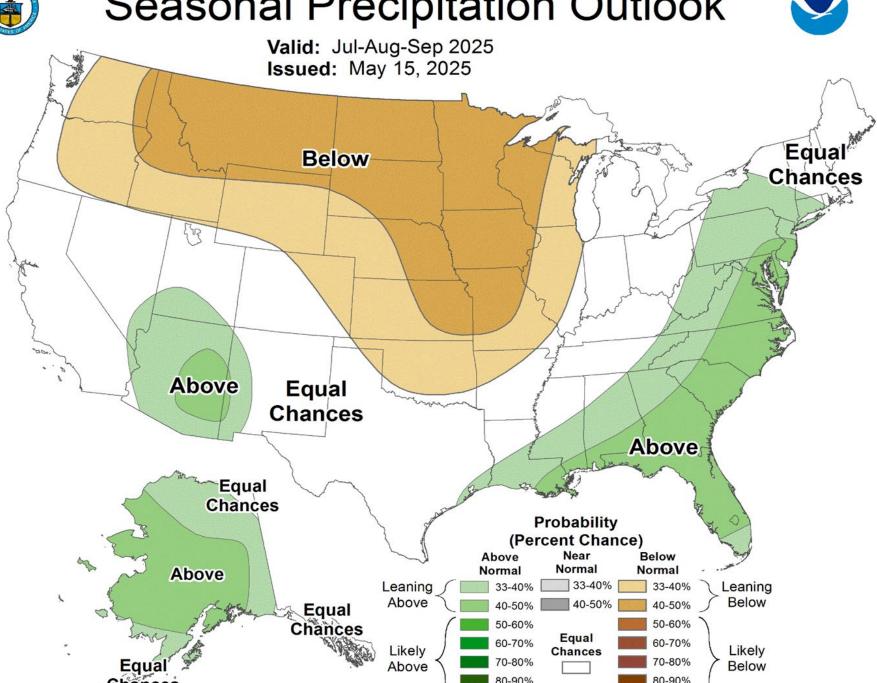
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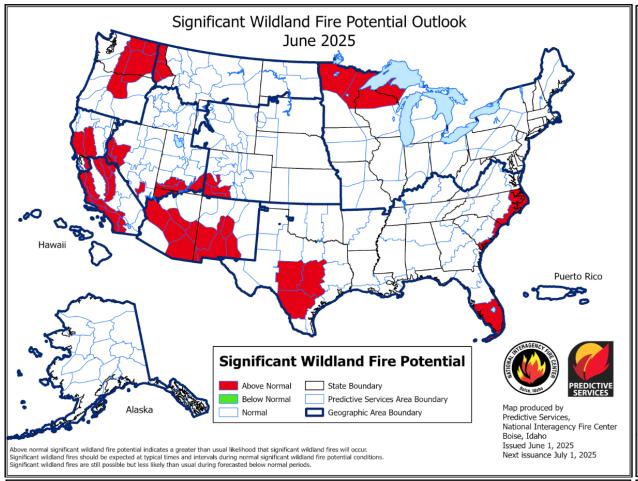


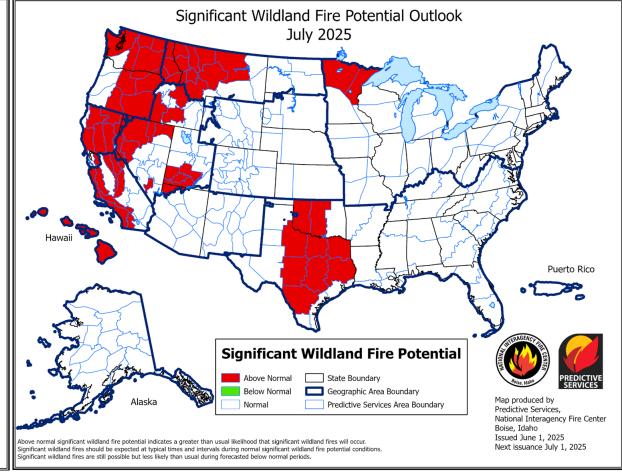
- Swath of drier than normal conditions across northern tier of the Lower 48.
- Wet, stormy weather favored in the Southwest as the Monsoon becomes more active.



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Official Wildfire Outlooks: June - September





Significant Wildland Fire Potential Outlook August 2025 Significant Wildland Fire Potential Puerto Rico Significant Wildland Fire Potential Above Normal Below Normal Robornal Robo



Significant Fire Potential Outlook Key Points

- Above normal in June in W. Nevada into Sierra foothills where grass & brush fields are quickly drying.
 - → Wind events will remain a concern in June.
- Widespread above normal potential by July, continues into September.
- Monsoon is expected to arrive on time or a little late, and is leaning towards being unusually active.
 - → Likely means we'll see more lightning events compared to last summer.
- September maintains above normal potential as we see more frequent wind events.

That's a Wrap. Any questions?



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