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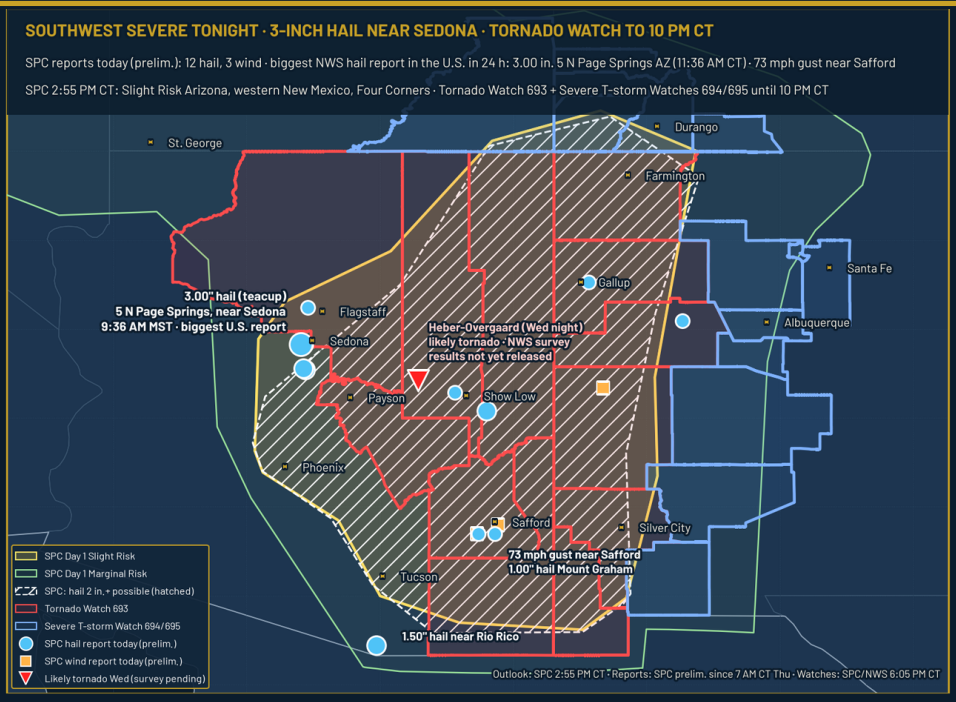
WEATHER REPORT

Southwest Severe Storms Tonight: 3-Inch Hail Near Sedona, Tornado Watch to 10 PM CT · Moderate Flood Risk for SW Colorado and Southern Utah · Vance Near Hurricane Strength · Josephine Final Advisory

Thursday evening, October 22, 2026 · Issued 6:30 PM CT

SOUTHWEST SEVERE TONIGHT

The biggest NWS hail report in the U.S. in the last 24 hours: **3.00-inch hail** (teacup size) 5 miles north of **Page Springs, near Sedona, AZ**, at 9:36 AM MST (NWS Flagstaff). SPC has a **Slight Risk** (level 2 of 5) tonight for Arizona, western New Mexico and the Four Corners, with large hail, damaging wind and a few tornadoes. **Tornado Watch 693** and Severe Thunderstorm Watches 694 and 695 run until **10 PM CT**.



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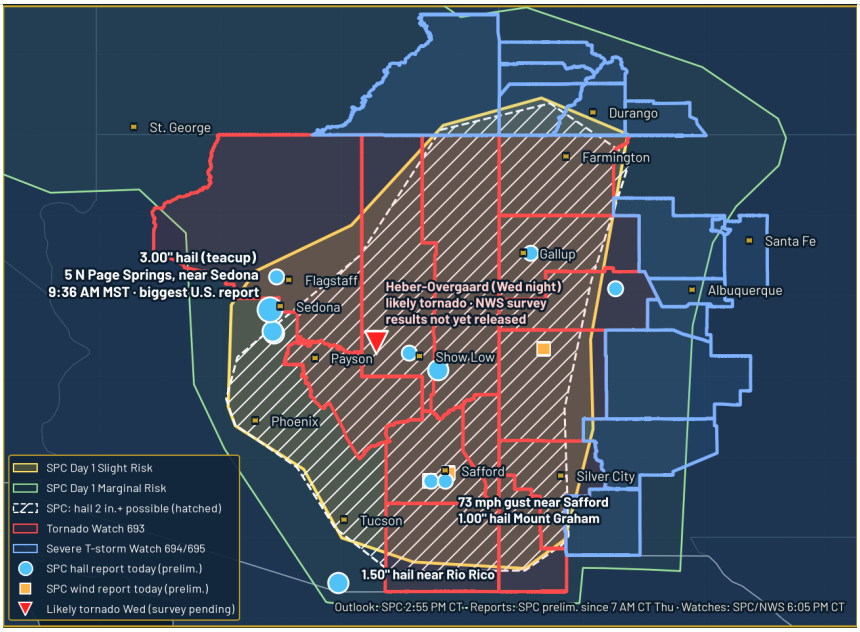


Also tonight: WPC keeps a **Moderate Risk** of flash flooding for **southwest Colorado and southern Utah**, with 17 Flood Watches and 9 Flash Flood Warnings in the West. **Tropical Storm Vance** is forecast to become a hurricane tonight and a major hurricane Saturday, offshore of Mexico. **Josephine** is now post-tropical and heading out to sea. Illinois: no alerts.

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1 · Southwest severe storms tonight (lead)

Item	Official (SPC, NWS; times CT unless noted)
Today's hail	**3.00 in.** (teacup) 5 mi N of **Page Springs**, west of Sedona, at 9:36 AM MST (11:36 AM CT), with a funnel cloud reported at the same spot (NWS Flagstaff). **1.50 in.** at **Camp Verde** (9:15 AM MST), 3 E **McNary** (1:45 PM MST) and 5 SW **Rio Rico** (3:37 PM MST). **1.00 in.** at Linden, West Sedona, Bellemont, Mount Graham, 9 S Safford, and San Fidel and Red Rock, NM. **12 hail reports** since 7 AM CT (SPC preliminary)
Wind	**73 mph** gust 3 SE of Safford (personal weather station, 2:30 PM MST); large pine trees down 14 S of Pima; 70 mph gust 1 N of Quemado, NM (SPC preliminary)
Tonight	**SPC Day 1 (2:55 PM CT): Slight Risk** (level 2 of 5) for Arizona, western New Mexico and the Four Corners; no change to the main risk area at the afternoon update. Hail 15% with a hatched area for **hail 2 inches or larger**; tornado 5% over eastern Arizona and far western New Mexico; wind 15%. **SPC MD 2402 (5:01 PM CT):** large hail, severe gusts and a tornado possible for a couple more hours; most probable peak hail 1.5 to 2.5 in.; the threat moves northeast into the White Mountains and southwestern New Mexico this evening
Watches	**Tornado Watch 693** (northern and eastern Arizona, western New Mexico) until 8 PM MST = **10 PM CT**: a couple tornadoes, hail to 2 in., gusts to 70 mph. **Severe Thunderstorm Watch 694** (central and southwest New Mexico, incl. Albuquerque and Santa Fe) and **695** (southwest Colorado, southeast Utah) until 9 PM MDT = **10 PM CT** (SPC). 11 Severe Thunderstorm Warnings were active at 6:05 PM CT
Heber-Overgaard	NWS Flagstaff warned for a radar-indicated **tornado** at Heber-Overgaard, 7:02 to 7:30 PM MST (9:02 to 9:30 PM CT) Wednesday. The Heber-Overgaard fire chief reports 20 to 30 buildings affected and one person with minor injuries (KTAR News). **Still not confirmed:** as of 6:05 PM CT, NWS had not published survey results and SPC has not logged a tornado report



Map: HailDataHub from the SPC Day 1 outlook (2:55 PM CT), SPC preliminary storm reports since 7 AM CT and NWS watch counties (api.weather.gov).

Timeline

- **5:20 AM MST:** 1-inch hail at Linden; **9:15 to 9:36 AM MST:** 1.5-inch hail at Camp Verde, then 3-inch hail and a funnel cloud near Page Springs, west of Sedona
- **10:10 AM MST:** Tornado Watch 693; **1:45 to 3:37 PM MST:** 1.5-inch hail at McNary and Rio Rico, 73 mph gust near Safford; Severe Thunderstorm Watches 694 and 695 by 2:55 PM MDT
- **Tonight:** storms shift northeast into the White Mountains, western New Mexico and the Four Corners; all watches end at 10 PM CT (SPC)

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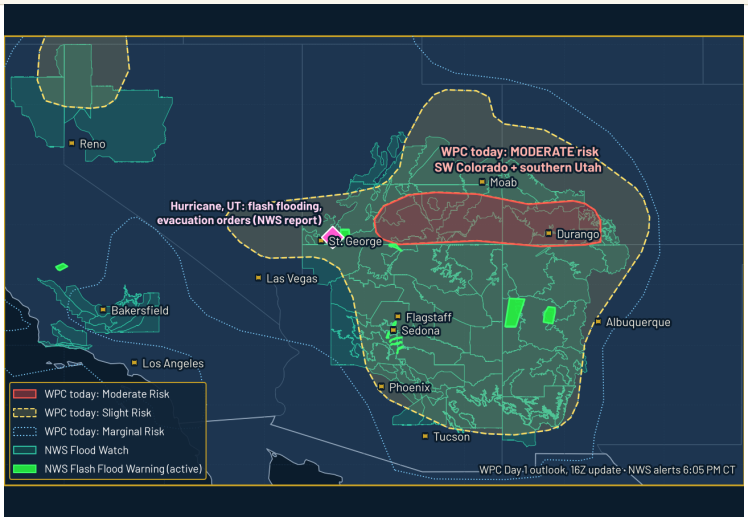
Who's in the path tonight

- **Slight Risk and the hatched area for 2-inch hail:** Phoenix, Mesa, Tucson, Payson, Globe, Show Low, Heber, Winslow, Holbrook, Springerville, Safford, Chinle and Window Rock, AZ; Gallup, Farmington and Silver City, NM
- **Slight Risk:** Flagstaff, Sedona and Cortez, CO; **Marginal Risk:** Prescott, Sierra Vista, Kayenta, Page, Albuquerque, Socorro, Durango and St. George

Impacts: hail big enough to dent cars and break windshields and skylights; downed trees and power outages. **What changed since this morning (8:15 AM CT):** the biggest hail report moved from 2.00 in. near Glendale (Wed) to **3.00 in. near Sedona** (today); SPC expanded the Slight Risk north to the Four Corners at 11:41 AM CT; Severe Thunderstorm Watches 691 and 692 expired and were replaced by Tornado Watch 693 and Watches 694 and 695; the Heber-Overgaard survey is still pending.

2 · Southwest flooding: Moderate Risk tonight

Item	Official (WPC, NWS)
WPC today	**MODERATE Risk** (level 3 of 4) for **southwest Colorado** (San Juan Mountains) and **south-central and southeastern Utah**, through 7 AM CT Friday (WPC Day 1, 16Z update). 3 to 4 inches of rain in the San Juans, locally over 5 inches (a 10 to 50 year event for 24 hours). Rain rates up to 1 to 2 inches per hour from central Arizona into west-central New Mexico. New at the update: a Slight Risk for southeastern Oregon, northwestern Nevada and far northeastern California
Warnings now	**9 Flash Flood Warnings** at 6:05 PM CT: Sedona, Oak Creek and Page Springs; Lake Montezuma and Verde Lakes; Fossil Creek; Lees Ferry (NWS Flagstaff); Gallup, Zuni Pueblo and Grants, NM (NWS Albuquerque); Zion National Park and Springdale, UT (NWS Salt Lake City); western Fresno County, CA. **19 Flood Warnings**, incl. Chinle Creek, Moenkopi Wash and the Little Colorado River
Flood Watches	**17 NWS Flood Watches** from California to Colorado: the foothills northeast of Phoenix and Gila County to 1 AM CT; Flagstaff, Grand Canyon and the Navajo Nation to 1 AM CT; southern Utah incl. Zion, Bryce and Capitol Reef to 1 AM CT; southwest Colorado and southeast Utah to 1 PM CT Friday; the eastern San Juans to 7 PM CT Friday; western New Mexico to 7 AM CT Friday; Bakersfield, Reno and northern Washoe County. **3 Flash Flood Watches** in central Idaho tonight into Friday
Today	**Hurricane, Utah:** flash flooding along Gould Wash; Hurricane Police ordered evacuations of homes along the wash (NWS Salt Lake City storm report). The Virgin River at Virgin rose from 400 to 4,290 cubic feet per second; the Escalante River set an event peak of 1,660 cfs (USGS gauges via NWS). Minor flooding of 5 to 10 homes near South Fork, CO (NWS Pueblo)



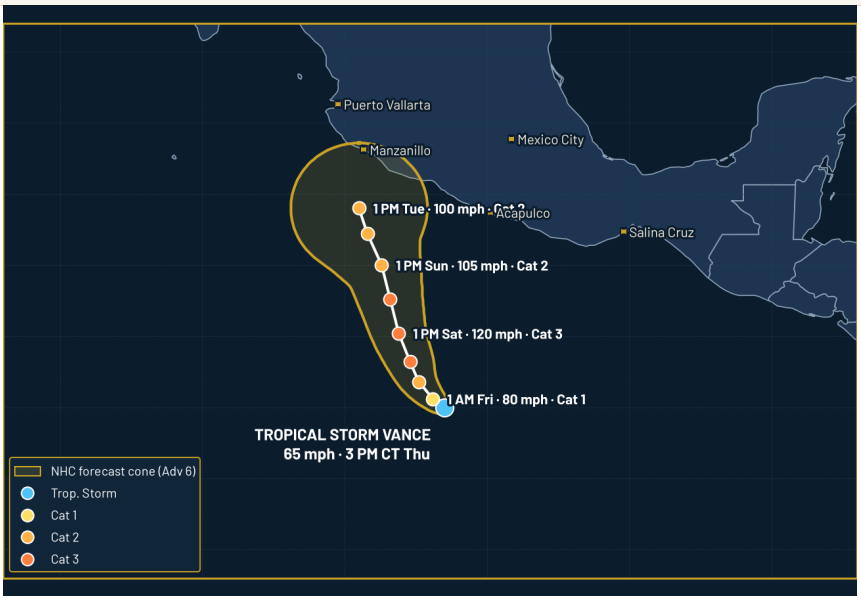
Map: HailDataHub from the WPC Day 1 Excessive Rainfall Outlook (16Z update) and NWS alerts (api.weather.gov).

Who's in the path: Durango, Silverton, Telluride, Pagosa Springs, Cortez, Moab, Monticello, Blanding and Escalante; Zion, Bryce, Capitol Reef and Canyonlands; Sedona, Flagstaff and the Navajo Nation. **What changed since this morning:** Flood Watches went from 16 to 17 and Flash Flood Warnings from 2 to 9; WPC added a Slight Risk in the interior Northwest; the watch for Cave Creek, Fountain Hills and Apache Junction ends at 7 PM CT.

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3 · Tropics: Vance near hurricane strength, Josephine wraps up

System	Official
Tropical Storm Vance (E. Pacific)	**NHC Advisory 6 (3 PM CT): 65 mph**, 994 mb, about 490 mi SSW of Acapulco, 650 mi SSE of Manzanillo, moving WNW at 5 mph. Tropical-storm-force winds extend 90 miles. Forecast: **hurricane tonight** (80 mph by 1 AM CT Friday), about 115 mph by 1 AM CT Saturday and a peak near **120 mph** (major hurricane) Saturday afternoon, moving slowly north-northwest and staying offshore. No coastal watches or warnings; swells reach southern and southwestern Mexico this weekend into next week, with life-threatening surf and rip currents. Next advisory 9 PM CT
Post-Tropical Cyclone Josephine (Atlantic)	**NHC Advisory 5 (4 PM CT), the final NHC advisory:** 65 mph, 988 mb, about 235 mi ESE of Nantucket, 335 mi SSW of Halifax, NE at 17 mph. Now a powerful extratropical low, forecast to have hurricane-force winds tonight or early Friday over the open ocean, staying south of Nova Scotia and Newfoundland. U.S. effects: minor to locally moderate coastal flooding on the Mid-Atlantic coast at high tide through the rest of the week, plus life-threatening surf and rip currents. NWS: Coastal Flood Warning for Hatteras Island until 7 PM CT; Coastal Flood Advisories from Florida to New Jersey
Atlantic and Central Pacific	A trough ESE of Bermuda: 10% in 48 hours and 7 days (NHC 1 PM CT). A low may form near the Date Line WSW of Johnston Atoll late this weekend: near 0% in 48 hours, 30% in 7 days (NHC/CPHC)
Typhoon Champi (W. Pacific)	**JTWC Warning 034 (4 PM CT):** 95 kt (about **110 mph**), gusts about 130 mph, near 21.9N 124.3E at 1 PM CT, moving NW at 10 mph. Forecast about 90 mph off northeastern Taiwan by Friday afternoon. Taiwan's Central Weather Administration has a land warning in effect. No U.S. land threat



Map: HailDataHub from the NHC Advisory 6 forecast cone for Vance (3 PM CT).

What changed since this morning: Vance went from 50 to 65 mph (Adv 4 to Adv 6) and is now forecast to become a hurricane tonight; Josephine went from subtropical storm to post-tropical, with NHC's final advisory at 4 PM CT; the Hatteras Coastal Flood Warning now ends at 7 PM CT; Champi eased from about 120 to 110 mph.

4 · Winter check

- **Western Alaska:** 4 Blizzard Warnings from early Friday into Saturday (NWS Fairbanks) for the interior Seward Peninsula, Shishmaref and the Bering Strait coast, the southern Seward Peninsula coast and the western Arctic coast; Winter Storm Warnings for the western and central Brooks Range, Noatak and upper Kobuk valleys from Friday evening into Monday; Coastal Flood Warning for the Yukon Delta coast and High Wind Warnings from Friday
- **Montana:** Winter Weather Advisories Friday into early Saturday for the Little Belt, Highwood, Elkhorn, Boulder, Gallatin and Madison ranges, Bears Paw, the Snowy and Judith mountains and the Butte/Blackfoot region; High Wind Warnings Friday for Fergus, Toole, Liberty and Hill counties (NWS Great Falls, Missoula, Billings)
- **Illinois and the Midwest:** no active NWS alerts in Illinois as of 6:05 PM CT

5 · Top Weather Stories (verified)

1) 3-inch hail near Sedona: the biggest NWS hail report in the country in the last 24 hours fell west of Sedona this morning, with more severe storms and a Tornado Watch across Arizona and New Mexico tonight (NWS Flagstaff, SPC).

2) Heber-Overgaard damage: local officials report 20 to 30 buildings affected and one minor injury from Wednesday night's likely tornado; NWS survey results are still pending (Heber-Overgaard Fire District via KTAR News, NWS).

3) Flash flooding in southern Utah: evacuation orders along Gould Wash in Hurricane, Utah, as WPC keeps a Moderate flood risk for southern Utah and southwestern Colorado (NWS Salt Lake City, WPC).

4) Vance and Josephine: Vance is forecast to become a hurricane tonight and a major hurricane Saturday, offshore of Mexico; Josephine got its final NHC advisory as a powerful post-tropical low (NHC).

5) Champi near Taiwan, Storm Austen in the UK: JTWC has Champi at about 110 mph east of Taiwan, under a Taiwan land warning; the Met Office has an Amber wind warning for Cornwall, Devon and the Isles of Scilly, 1 to 10 AM BST Friday (7 PM CT tonight to 4 AM CT Friday), with Storm Boelo bringing yellow wind warnings for the northern UK this weekend (JTWC, Met Office).

Checked and left out: a widely shared 185 mph figure for Champi (outdated; JTWC is 95 kt).

6 · What customers should do

- **Arizona, western New Mexico and the Four Corners tonight:** keep cars in a garage or covered lot until the watches end at 10 PM CT; if a Severe Thunderstorm or Tornado Warning is issued, go inside, away from windows
- **Utah, Colorado, Arizona, New Mexico and Nevada:** never drive into a flooded road, wash or low-water crossing; stay out of slot canyons and dry washes; know your way to higher ground
- **Outer Banks and Mid-Atlantic beaches:** move vehicles away from high-tide flooding and stay out of the surf
- **After hail, wind or flood damage:** photograph roofs, siding, windows and vehicles from several angles before cleanup, note the date and time, keep receipts, make only temporary repairs, then call your insurer. Stay away from downed power lines

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