

Severe Weather Season Is Here. A Good Time for a Quick Check-In

As conditions shift into storm, heat, and lightning season, now is the time to confirm your alerts, thresholds, and communication workflows are fully operational before your first event.

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What We're Watching This Month

Across much of the country, we're beginning to see the seasonal shift into more active conditions, including:

- Increasing lightning activity
 - Rising heat and humidity levels
 - Early indicators of elevated wildfire risk in some regions
- As these patterns develop, having reliable, local data becomes even more important for day-to-day awareness and planning.



Supporting Decisions in the Field

We're excited to welcome a new station at Santa Fe Tree Company in Alachua County, FL.

With access to real-time, hyper-local weather data, their team is able to:

- Monitor changing conditions throughout the day
- Stay ahead of lightning and heat risk
- Make more informed decisions in the field

It's a great example of how organizations are using localized weather data to support both safety and daily operations.

A Quick Reminder on Lightning Alerts

With lightning season approaching, it's a good time to double-check that your alerts are set up the way you expect.

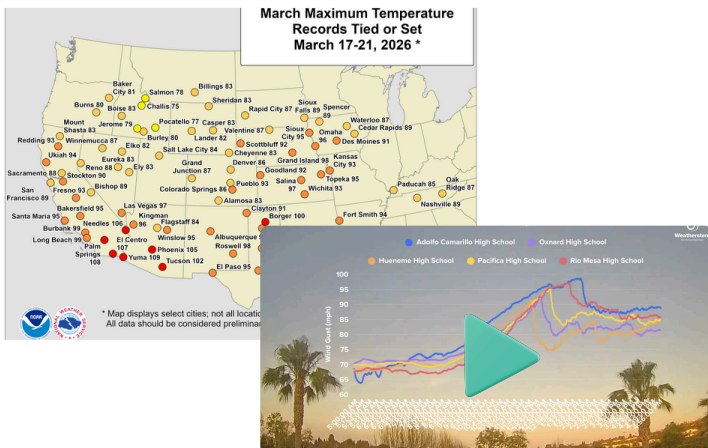
The Practical Lightning Assistant helps ensure:

- Alerts are delivered to the right people
- Distances and thresholds match your protocols
- Notifications come through clearly when conditions change

If you haven't reviewed your settings recently, it may be worth a quick look before your first event.

[Review Alerts](#)

March Maximum Temperature Records Tied or Set March 17-21, 2026 *



Early Heat Trends to Watch

A record-breaking March heat wave across the Western U.S., combined with low snowpack, is pointing toward the potential for an early and active wildfire season.

For teams in higher-risk areas, this is a good time to:

- Review heat-related thresholds
- Monitor longer-term trends
- Plan ahead for extended periods of elevated conditions

 Live online Webinar

Hot, Dry, and Dangerous: Navigating Heat, Drought & Wildfire Season

Join veteran meteorologists Jessica Arnoldy and Allison Clow as they explore how to monitor and respond to extreme heat, drought, and wildfire risk.



JESSICA ARNOLDY
Meteorologist

ALLISON CLOW
Meteorologist

 April 21, 2026

 11 AM - 12 PM EST

Stay Up to Date

We share regular updates on developing weather patterns, seasonal risks, and what to watch for in the weeks ahead.

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Upcoming Webinar: Heat, Drought & Wildfire Risk

We're hosting a session focused on how these conditions develop and what to watch for as the season progresses.

Topics include:

- Key indicators to monitor
- How risks evolve over time
- Practical ways to stay ahead of changing conditions

[Register for the Webinar](#)

Extra Support When Conditions Become Active

During more active weather periods, some teams find it helpful to have an extra layer of support for monitoring conditions and interpreting data in real time. Weatherstem's operational support can provide:

- Pre-event briefings
- Real-time guidance during active conditions
- Additional context to support decision-making

This is especially useful during active events when multiple decisions are happening at once.



A Different Way to See Changing Conditions

At the University of Central Florida, Bright is being used inside the Emergency Operations Center to provide a simple, visual way to recognize changing conditions.

By translating weather data into color-based signals, teams can:

- Quickly understand current risk levels
- Improve awareness across staff in the room
- Reduce the chance of missed alerts

It's an approach some teams are exploring as an additional layer of situational awareness.