# Weekly Weather Briefing 

 "Another Monsoon Burst"NWS Albuquerque August 11, 2014

## Most Recent Temperatures

## Temperatures As Of: 8/11/2014 4 PM EDT




## Chiseling Away at Drought!

June 24, 2014


August 5, 2014


49\% decrease in areas classified as severe drought or worse!

## intensity:

## Precipitable Water (Moisture) Trends

Precipitable water, measured in inches, is the depth of water in a column of the atmosphere if all the water in that column were precipitated as rain.


## Active Week: 5-Day Total Rainfall Forecast



## Total Rainfall through Wednesday PM

2-Day Total Precipitation Forecast - Through August 13, 2014 8:00 PM EDT


Upper Level Forecast Chart (Image is Moisture)

## Tonight



Tonight: Upper high to strengthen and drift northward over SW Colorado. Steering winds generally from east to west, but very weak especially the northern $1 / 2$ of state.

## Upper Level Forecast Chart

## (Image is Moisture)

Tuesday


Tuesday: Upper high to gradually shift east and south, but more important feature is tropical low that will approach southern AZ. Watch for significant increase in storm coverage SC and much of the west.

## Upper Level Forecast Chart

## (Image is Moisture)

## Wednesday



Upper Level Forecast Chart (Image is Moisture)


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Friday


Friday: High pressure aloft continues to shift westward.
This will allow drier air to work into NC/NW areas, and provide general drying trend. Most active areas across the east and south.

Upper Level Forecast Chart (Image is Moisture)

## Weekend Outlook

## Saturday



## Sunday



Weekend: Latest extended forecast charts suggest a sub-par thunderstorm crop over central and northern areas, with the best opportunities across the south where deeper moisture will linger longest.


## 6-10 Day Precip Outlook: Aug 17-21

http://www.cpc.ncep.noaa.gov/products/predictions/610day/610prcp.new.gif


## Week at Glance

Tonight (T-storms, locally heavy rain)<br>Tuesday (Elevated FF Threat)<br>Wednesday (Elevated FF Threat)<br>$\square$<br>Thursday (Elevated FF Threat NC/NE)<br>Friday (Isold-Sct T-storms)

## Hazards \& Impacts

None
Minor

Significant
Major

## Weekend (Isold-Sct T-storms, focus south )

SYNOPSIS: An active week is in store! Typical rounds of mainly afternoon and evening thunderstorms will develop over the mountains this afternoon and again Tuesday, slowly moving toward the west or west-northwest (generally). Storms will be very slow-moving with the potential for localized flash flooding. More widespread thunderstorm activity is expected Wednesday and especially Wednesday night into Thursday as deep monsoon moisture is pulled northward by a slow-moving tropical disturbance originating over northern Mexico. Drier air is expected to move into northwest and north-central New Mexico Friday and the weekend, limiting thunderstorm coverage in these areas.

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