



# Severe Storms Today and Saturday

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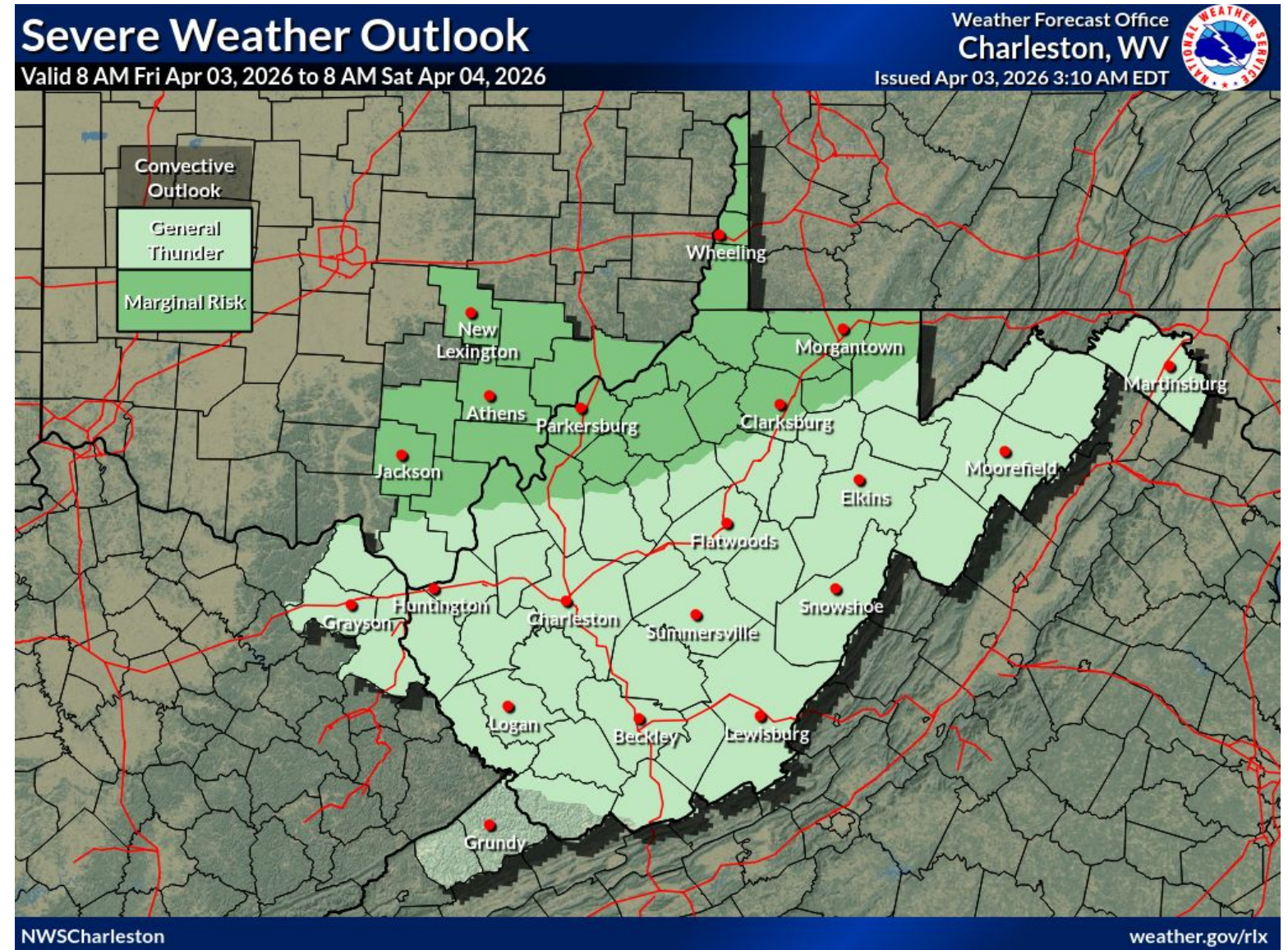
Bulk of storms expected in the afternoon and evening hours

## Decision Support Briefing

→ As of 10 AM April 3, 2026

### NEW Important Updates





- Marginal risk for severe storms across the north this Afternoon and evening.
  - Damaging wind and hail are threats
  - Bulk of storms will diminish after at sunset or just before.
- An additional round of storms expected Saturday afternoon into the overnight hours.
  - ◆ All hazards are possible (greatest risk are is SE Ohio and northern panhandle).
  - ◆ Isolated flooding possible.
- Turning cooler Sunday into next week with frost/freeze headlines possible.
- Dry with fair weather conditions for the new work week.





# Main Points

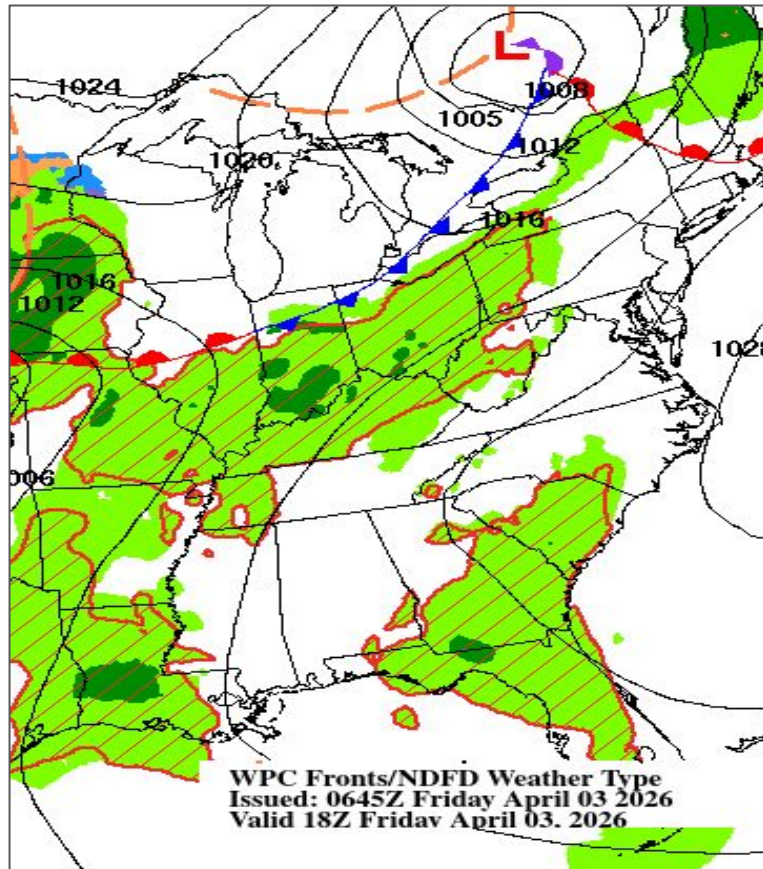
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Hazard	Impacts	Location	Timing
<b>Severe Storms</b> 	Damaging winds and large hail may cause damage to property.	SE Ohio and northern WV	This afternoon and evening
<b>Severe Storms</b> 	Damage to property	Most of the area (damaging winds and hail). Greatest risk area for severe, including tornadoes is Southeast Ohio and parts of the northern panhandle	Most of the severe is anticipated Saturday afternoon and evening. Storms continue overnight but should be less intense.
<b>Flooding / Flash Flooding</b> 	Rises possible on small creeks and streams. Rain may lead to localized flooding in poor drainage or low-lying areas.	Area wide except for the eastern panhandle	Saturday afternoon and evening
<b>Frost/Freeze</b> 	Sensitive vegetation could be damaged or killed	Parts of the lowlands	Monday-Wednesday mornings



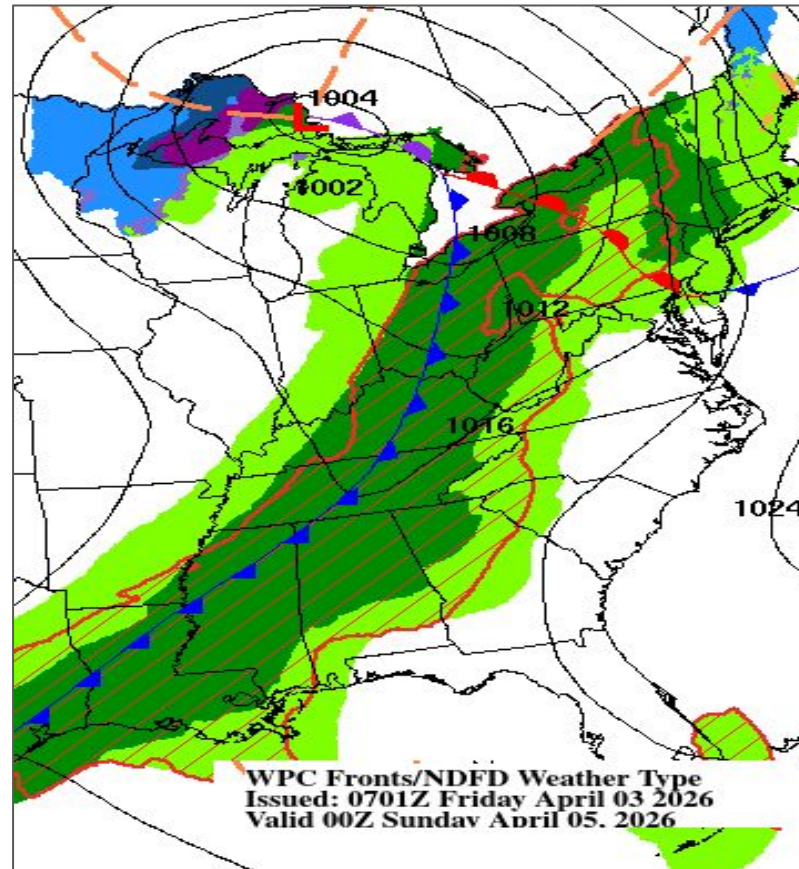
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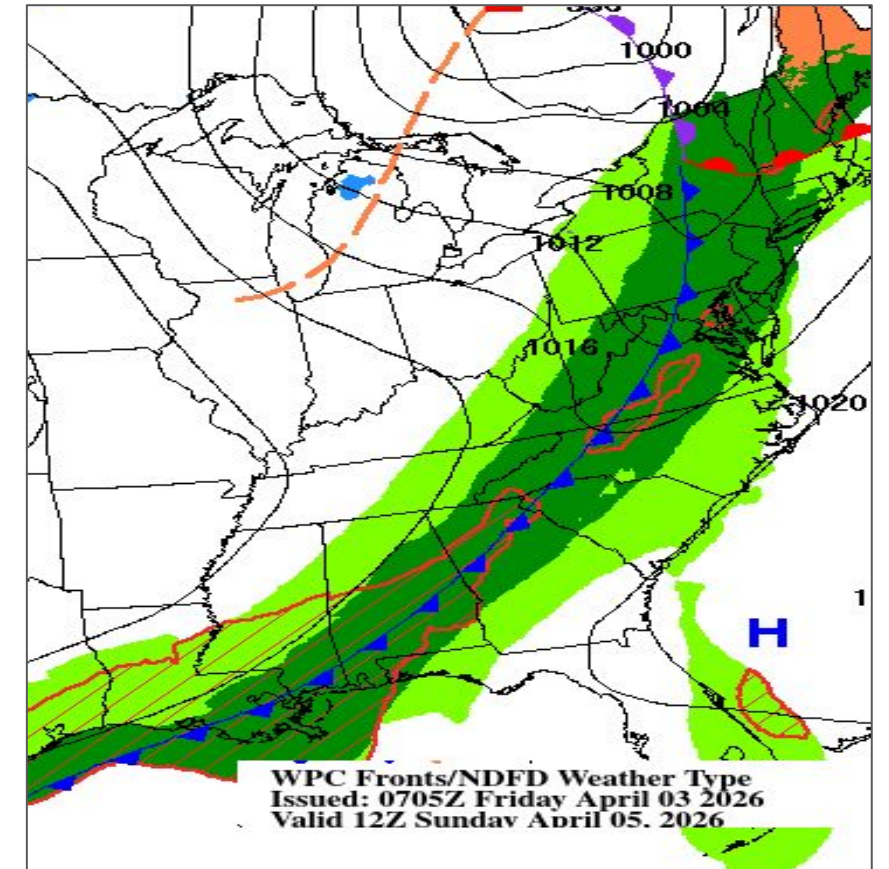
## Friday

Showers and storms. Mainly across the north.



## Saturday

Cold front arrives with showers and storms by afternoon, lingering into the overnight.



## Sunday AM

Cold front exits with showers and storms exiting.





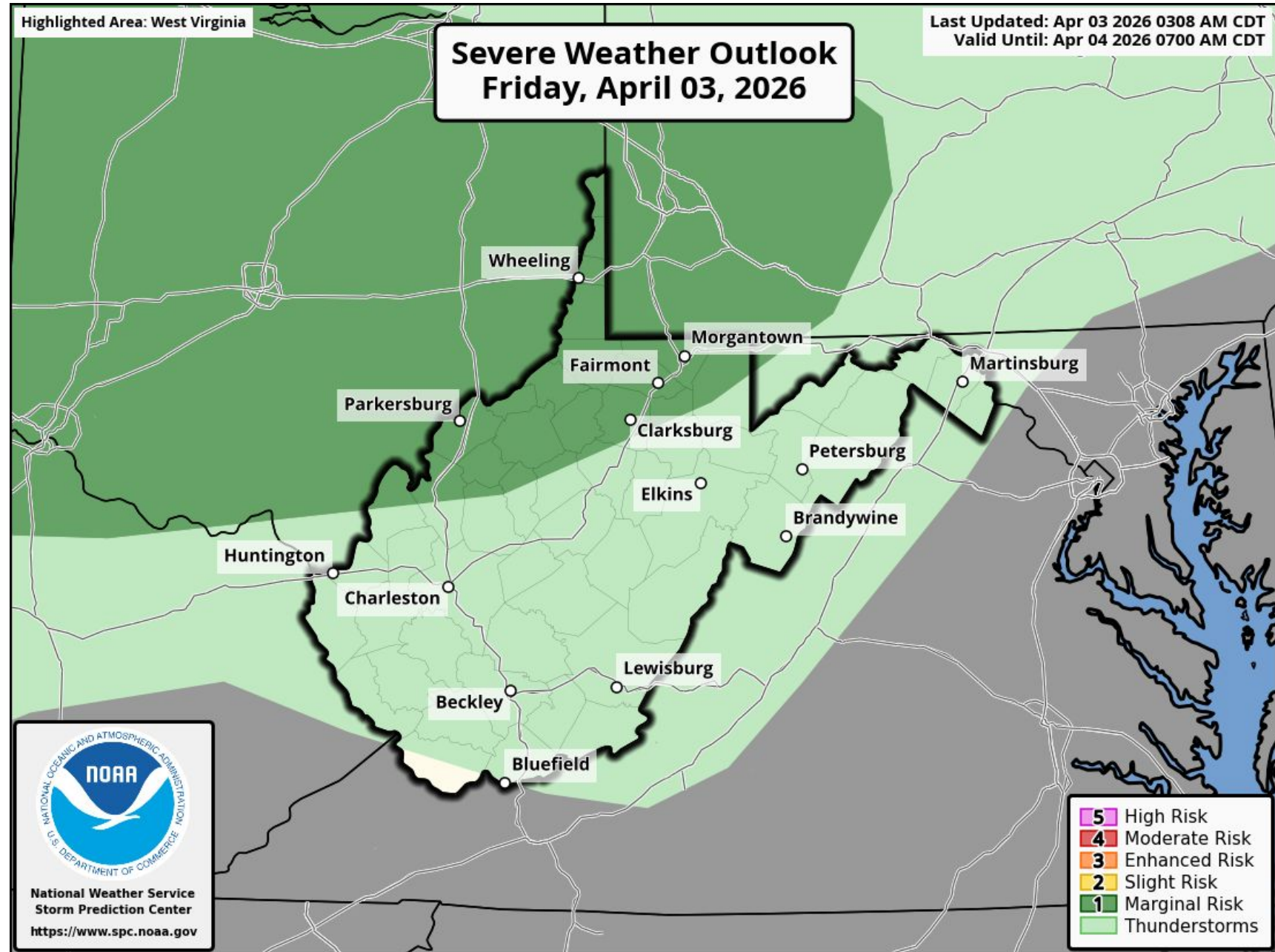
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Day 1 Outlook (Today)

## Key Points:

- Isolated severe expected across the north.
- Damaging wind and hail threat.
- Bulk of storms will diminish after sunset.



## Timing

1 PM to 6 PM Today

## Coverage

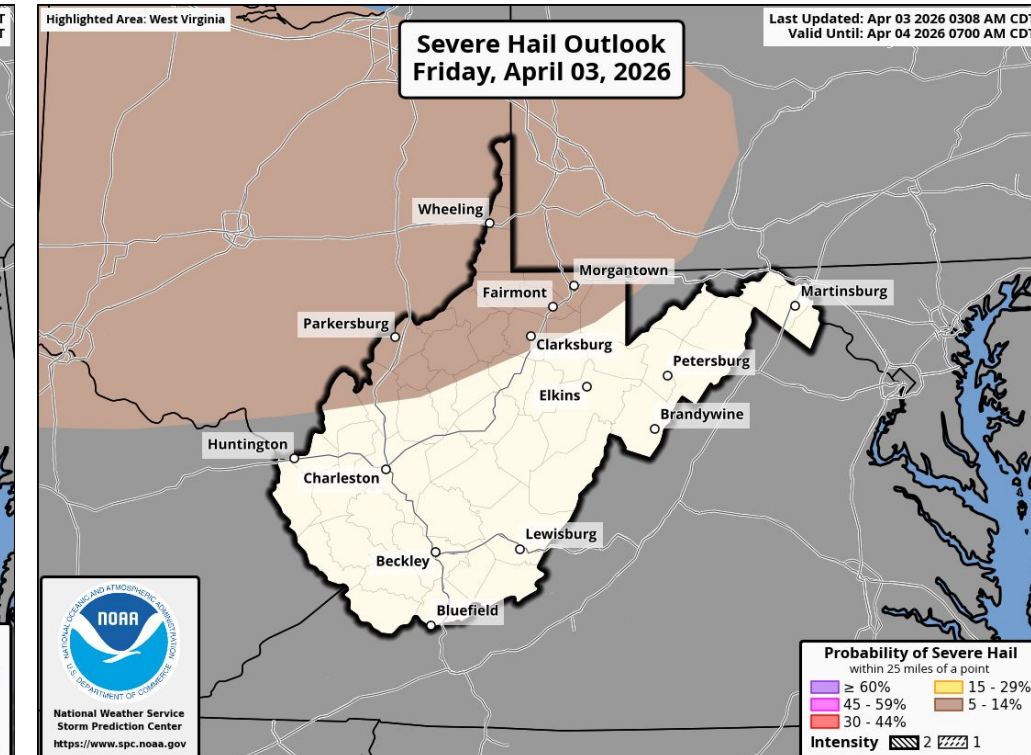
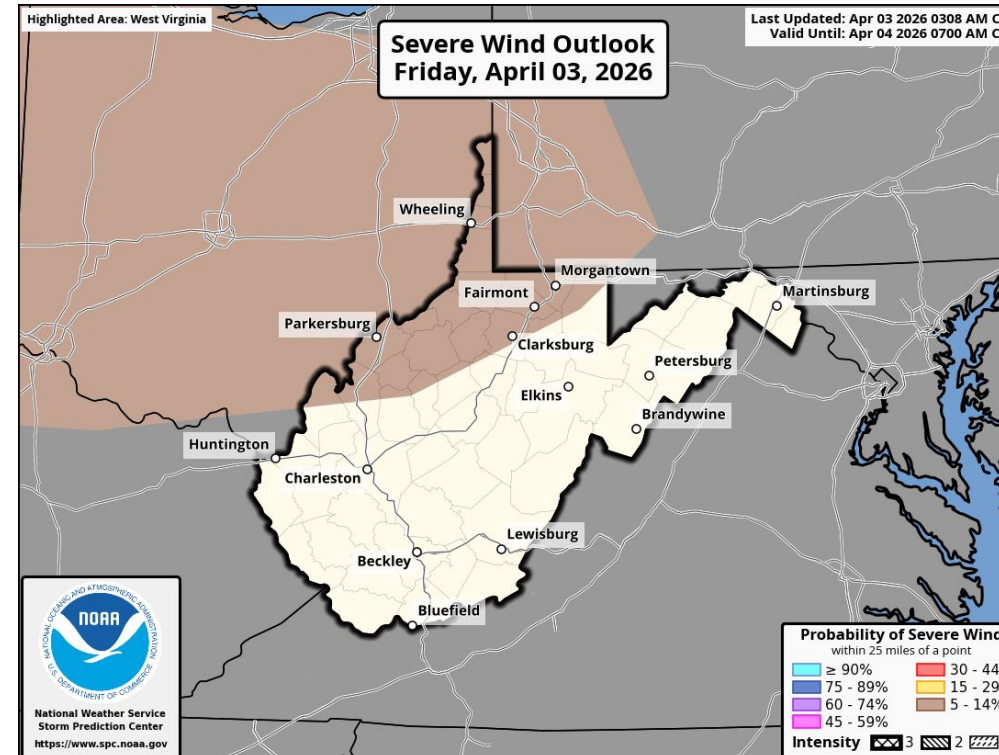
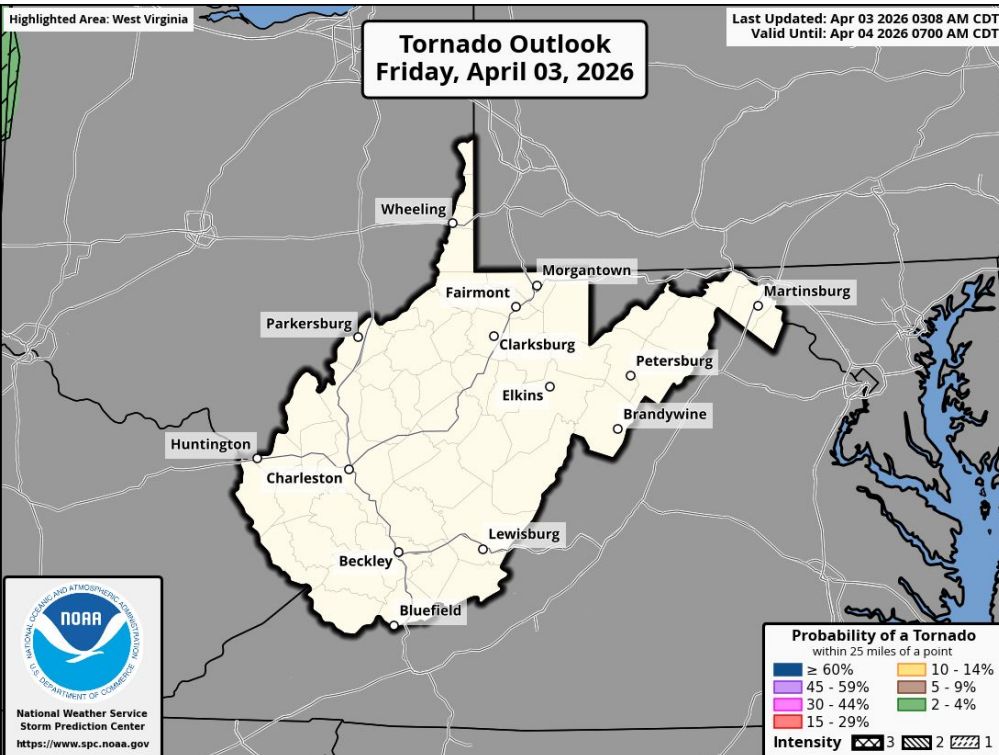
Isolated Scattered Numerous Widespread



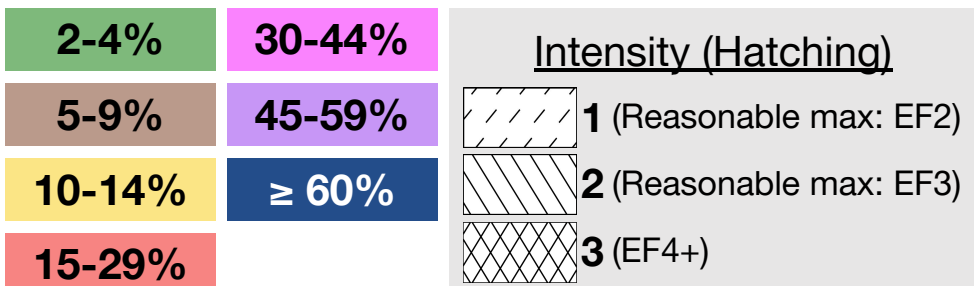
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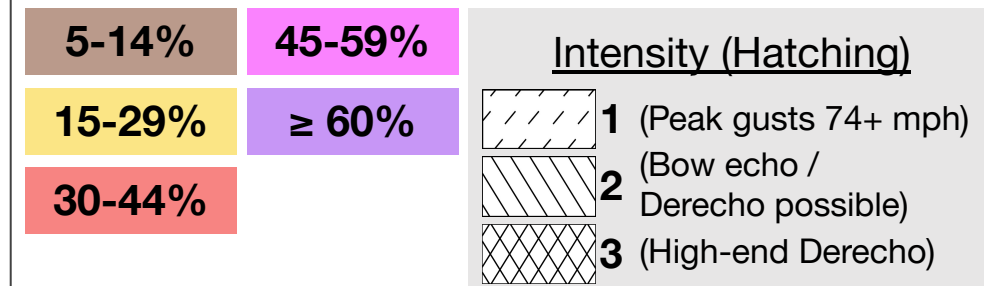
## Day 1 - Tornado, Wind & Hail Outlooks



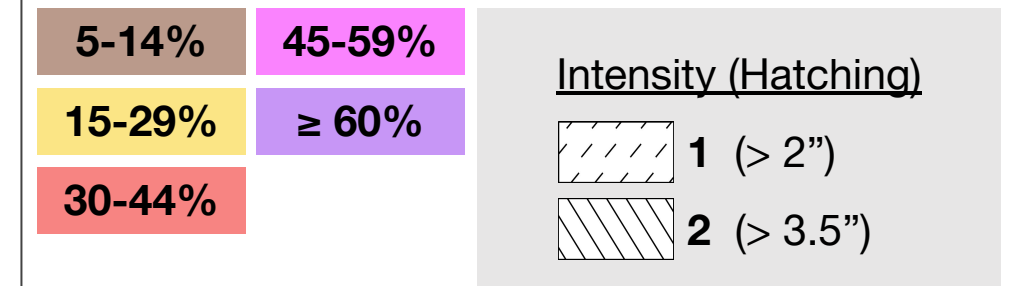
### Tornado Probability within 25 miles of a point



### Severe Wind Probability within 25 miles of a point



### Severe Hail Probability within 25 miles of a point





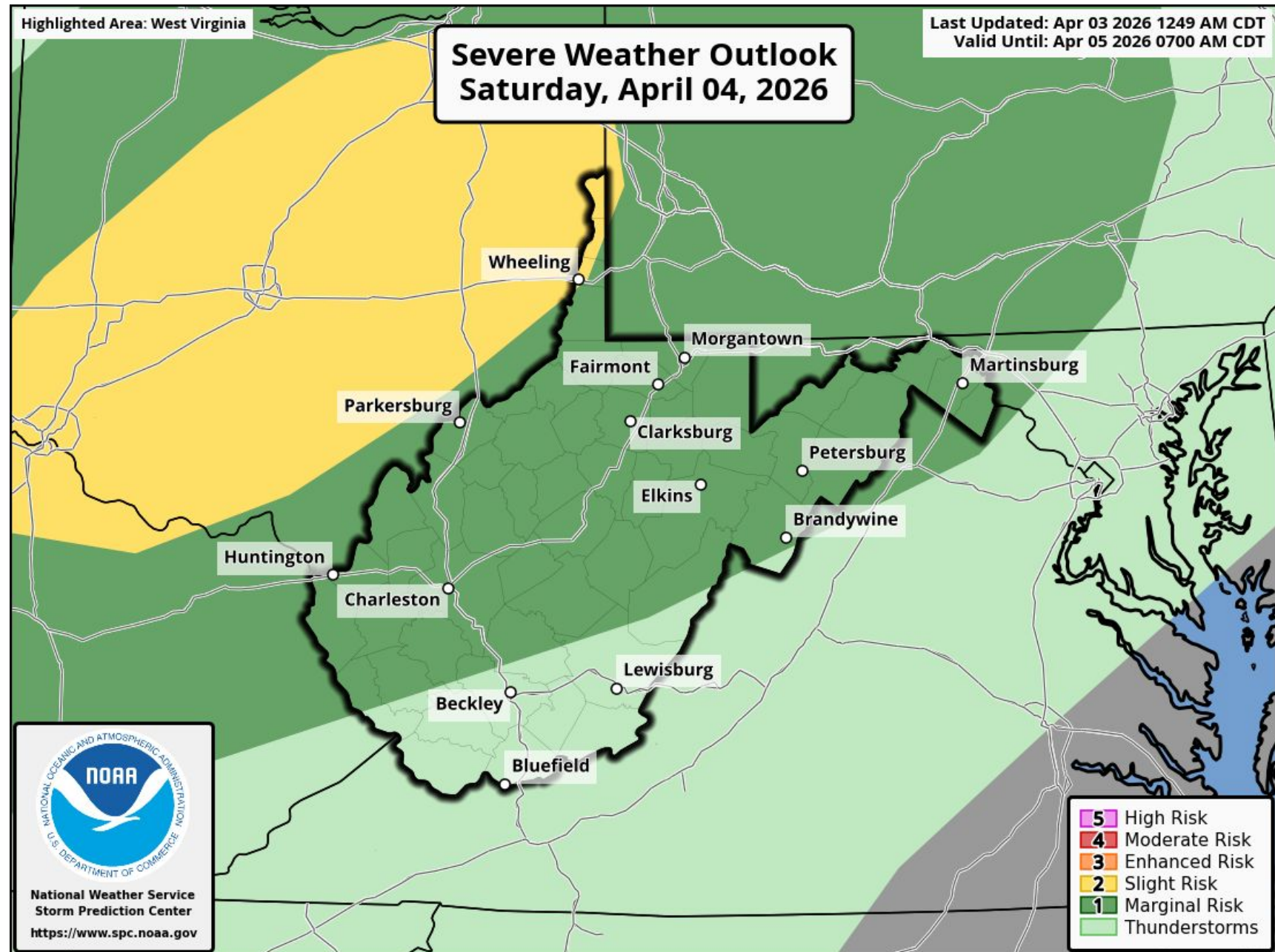
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Day 2 Outlook (Tomorrow)

## Key Points:

- Greatest Risk for Severe storms is across Southeast Ohio and northern panhandle
- An isolated tornado risk exists in the slight risk area
- Damaging winds and large hail possible across most of the area (marginal and slight risk areas)



## Timing

Mid afternoon through late evening Saturday

## Coverage

Isolated	Scattered	Numerous	Widespread
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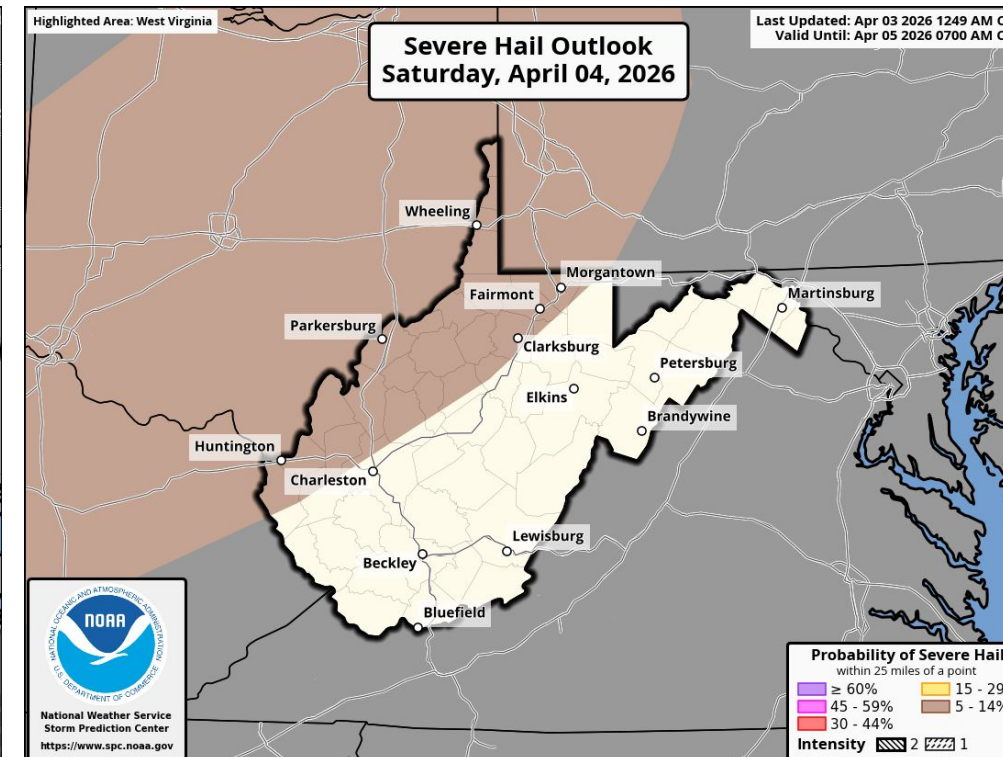
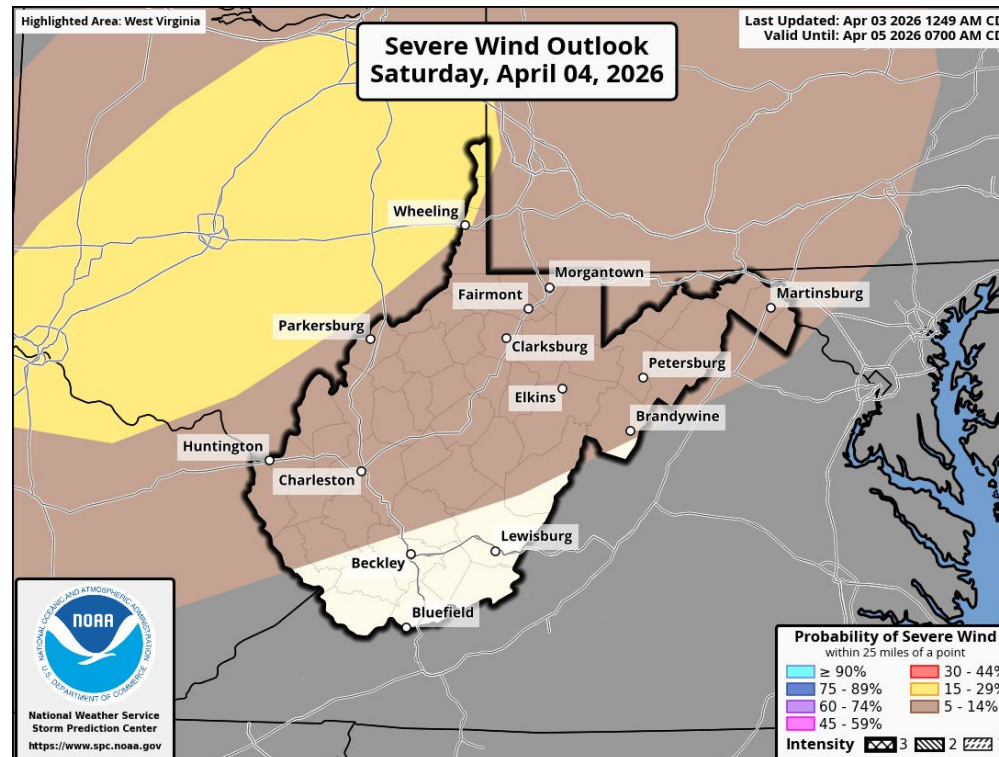
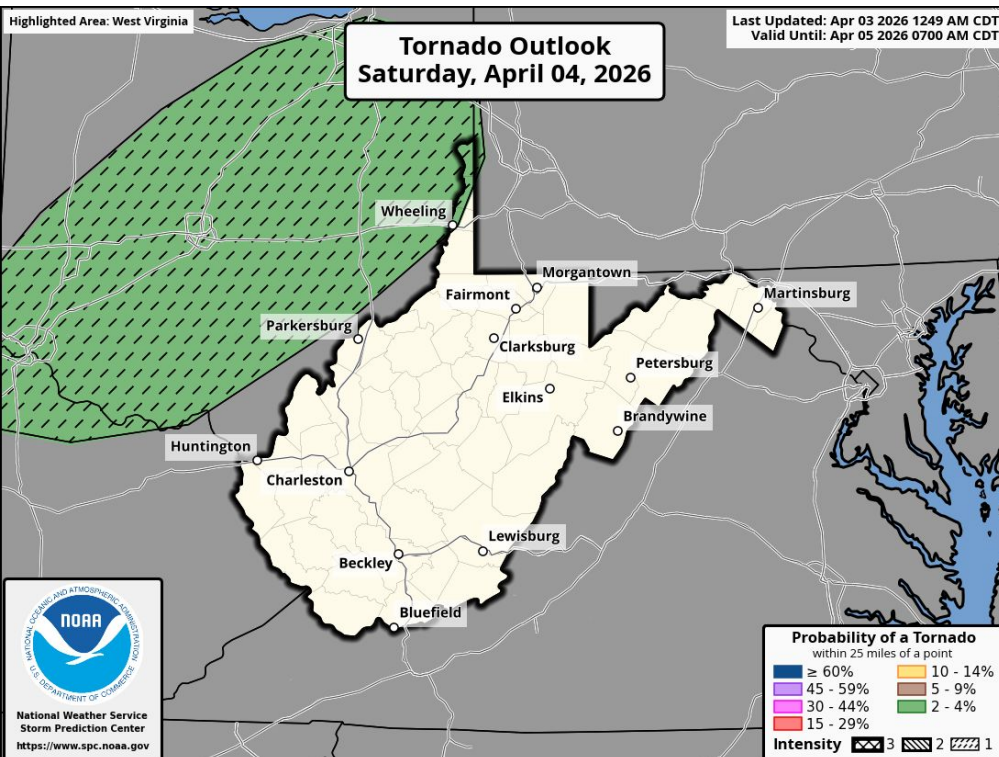


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## Day 2 - Tornado, Wind & Hail Outlooks



### Tornado Probability within 25 miles of a point

- 2-4%
- 30-44%
- 5-9%
- 45-59%
- 10-14%
- ≥ 60%
- 15-29%

#### Intensity (Hatching)

- 1 (Reasonable max: EF2)
- 2 (Reasonable max: EF3)
- 3 (EF4+)

### Severe Wind Probability within 25 miles of a point

- 5-14%
- 45-59%
- 15-29%
- ≥ 60%
- 30-44%

#### Intensity (Hatching)

- 1 (Peak gusts 74+ mph)
- 2 (Bow echo / Derecho possible)
- 3 (High-end Derecho)

### Severe Hail Probability within 25 miles of a point

- 5-14%
- 45-59%
- 15-29%
- ≥ 60%
- 30-44%

#### Intensity (Hatching)

- 1 (> 2")
- 2 (> 3.5")



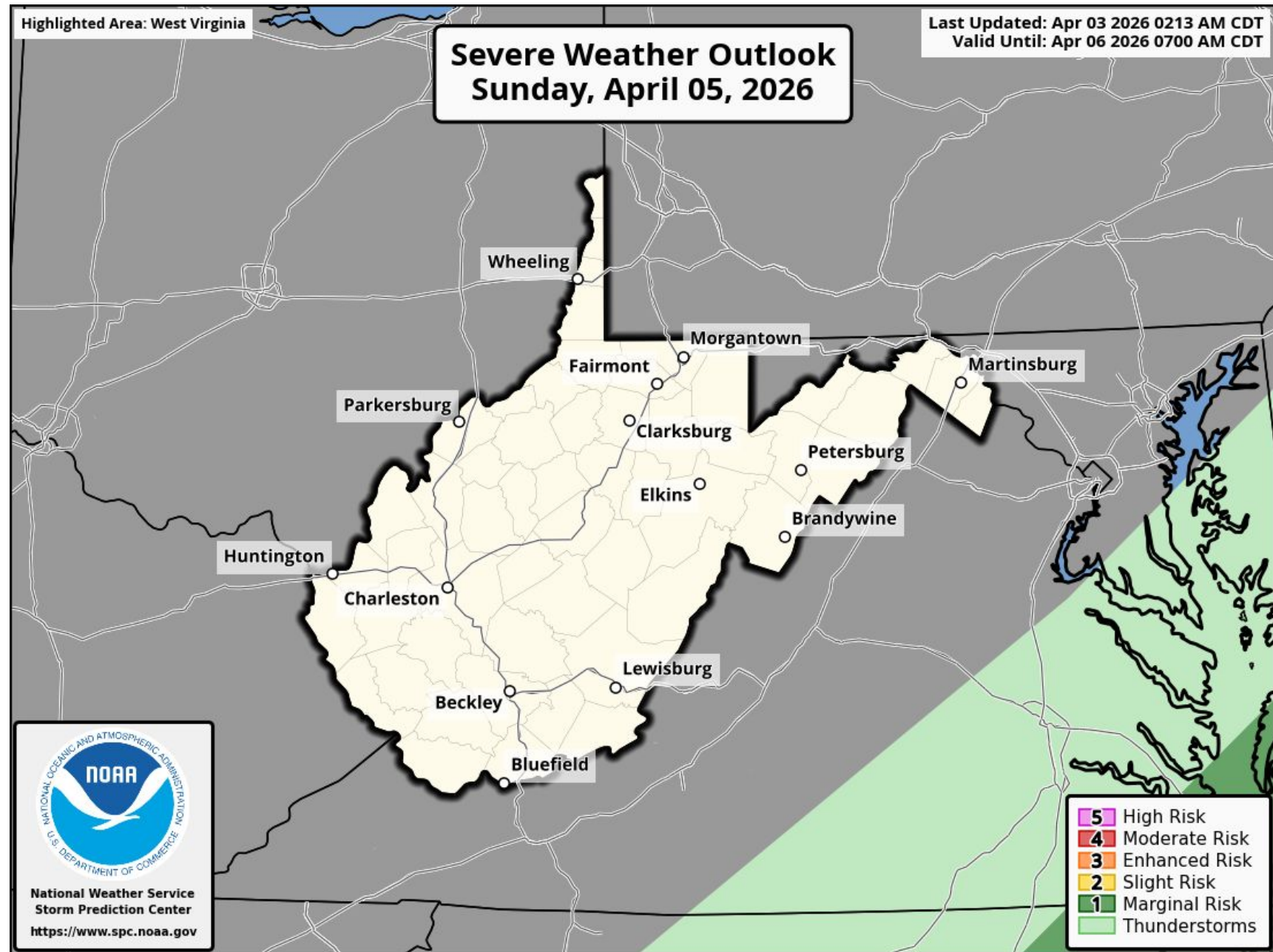
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## Day 3 Outlook

### Key Points:

→ Storms move out of the area for Sunday.





# Excessive Rainfall Outlook

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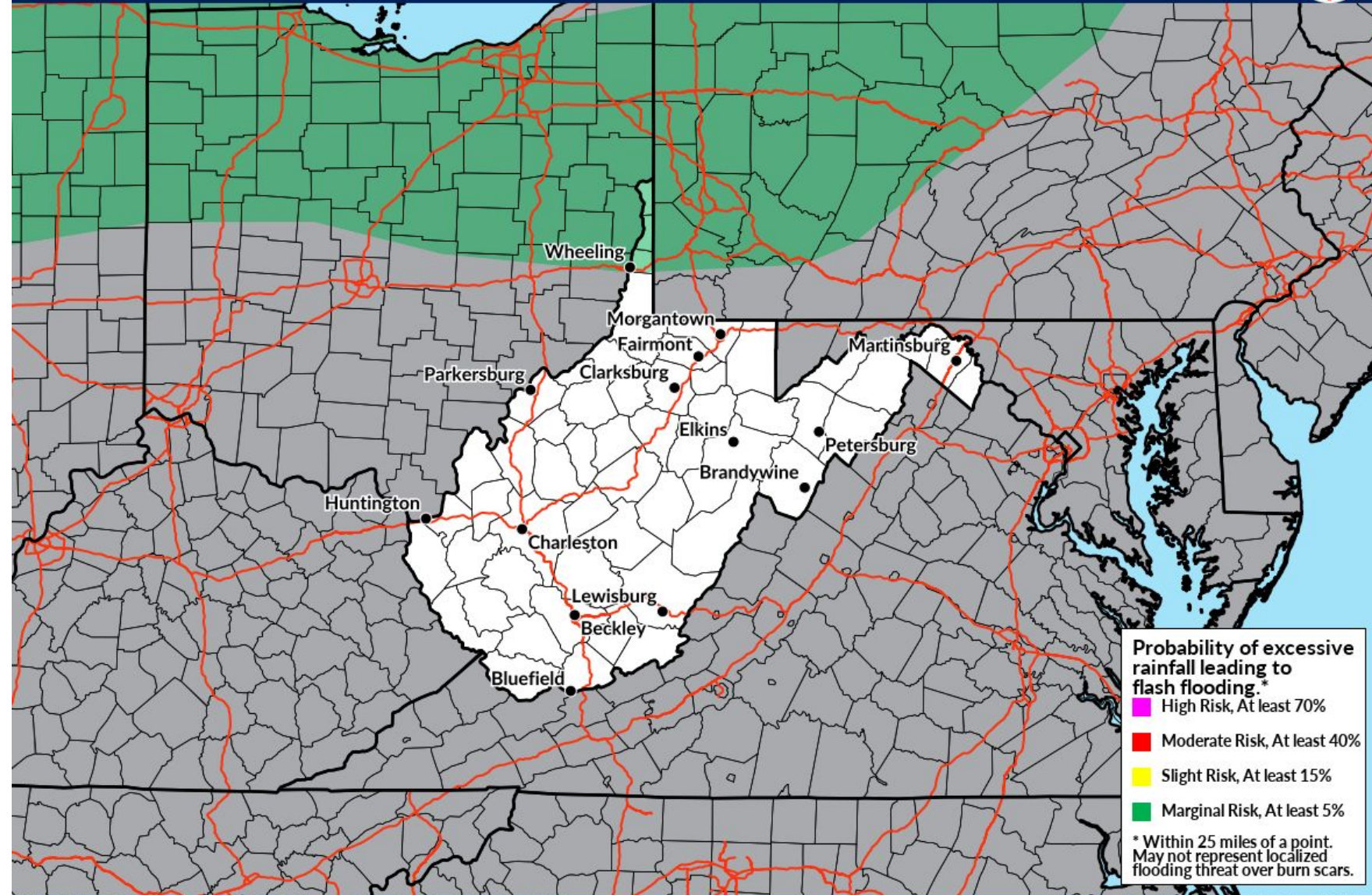
Day 1 Outlook (Today)

## Key Points:

- Isolated flooding possible across the far northern panhandle today (localized/poor drainage).
- ◆ Mainly areas that are repetitively hit by storms.

Day 1 Excessive Rainfall Outlook  
Friday, April 03, 2026

State  
West Virginia



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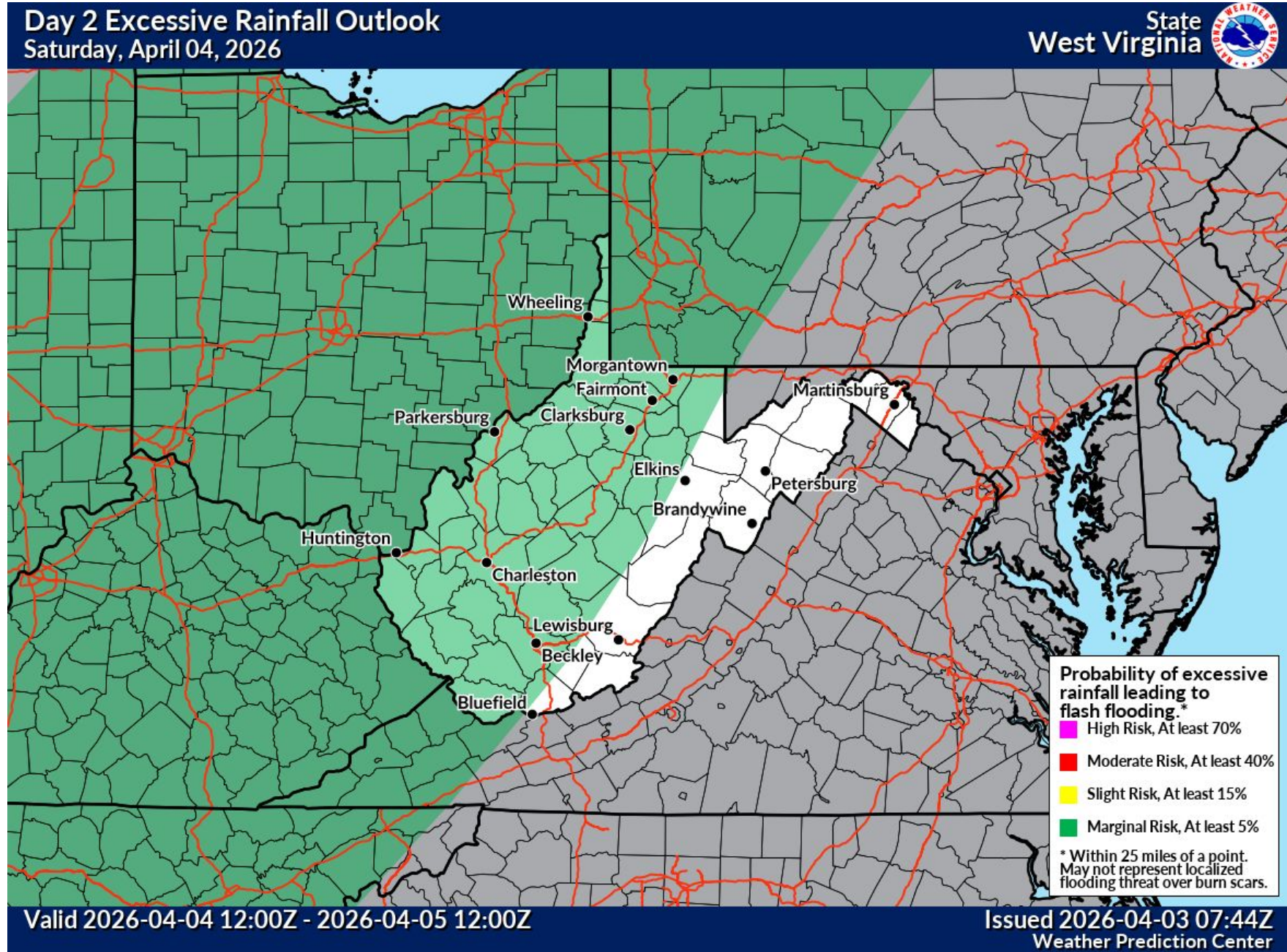
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Day 2 Outlook (Tomorrow)

## Key Points:

- Isolated flooding possible in areas that are repetitively hit by storms.
- ◆ Storm movement should be such that widespread issues are not anticipated.





# Precipitation Timing

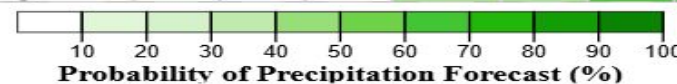
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## Key Points

- Most of the shower and storm activity today can be expected in the afternoon through late afternoon.
- Increasing chances for showers and storms in the mid/late afternoon hours Saturday into the evening hours.

### Probability of Precipitation (%) Forecast

	4/3 Fri				4/4 Sat				4/5 Sun				PoP Max				
	12pm	3pm	6pm	9pm	12am	3am	6am	9am	12pm	3pm	6pm	9pm		12am	3am	6am	9am
Ashland	40	45	30	10	10	5	10	10	50	50	100	100	100	90	90	20	98
Athens	40	60	40	30	25	10	10	10	50	50	100	100	100	80	80	15	98
Beckley	10	20	15	5	5	5	10	10	50	50	50	45	90	90	90	65	91
Bluefield	10	15	20	5	5	5	15	15	65	65	65	40	90	90	90	75	88
Charleston	25	30	25	10	10	5	5	5	35	35	70	70	95	95	95	45	97
Clarksburg	15	35	35	20	25	15	5	5	25	25	55	55	95	95	95	45	93
Clintwood	5	10	5	5	5	0	5	5	50	50	65	65	95	95	95	55	96
Elkins	10	25	30	10	15	10	20	20	50	50	50	40	90	90	90	65	88
Grayson	35	40	30	10	5	5	10	10	55	55	95	95	95	85	85	20	97
Huntington	35	45	30	10	10	5	5	5	45	45	95	95	95	95	95	25	97
Lewisburg	15	20	20	5	5	5	10	10	55	55	55	30	80	80	80	75	80
Marlinton	25	25	15	10	10	5	15	15	55	55	55	35	85	85	85	75	83
Martinsburg	10	20	25	20	15	20	25	25	45	45	45	15	60	60	80	80	82
Moorefield	15	25	25	15	10	10	20	20	40	40	40	15	70	70	75	75	73
Morgantown	15	35	30	35	35	20	15	15	30	30	50	50	95	95	95	45	93
New Lexington	50	60	45	45	40	15	10	10	55	55	95	95	95	65	65	5	96
Parkersburg	40	55	30	20	30	10	5	5	40	40	95	95	95	95	95	20	97
Snowshoe	30	30	20	10	10	5	15	15	55	55	55	35	85	85	85	75	86
Sutton	15	30	20	10	10	10	10	10	40	40	55	55	95	95	95	55	94
Terra Alta	10	35	30	25	20	15	25	25	45	45	45	40	90	90	90	60	89
Welch	10	15	10	5	5	5	5	5	50	50	50	45	90	90	90	65	91
Wheeling	35	55	35	50	55	30	10	10	35	35	85	85	100	100	100	20	98
Williamson	15	20	15	5	5	5	5	5	45	45	70	70	95	95	95	50	96



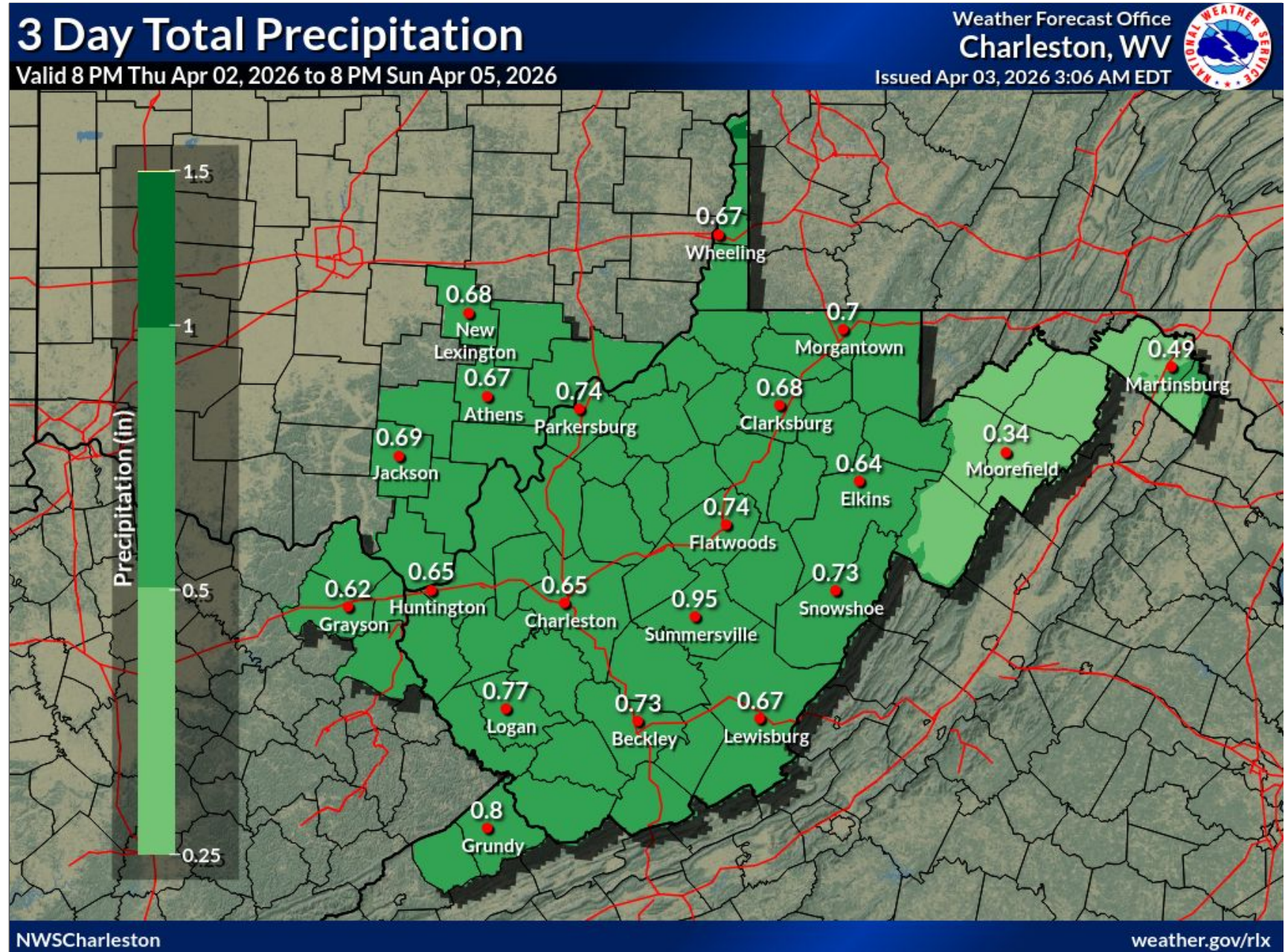


# Rainfall Outlook

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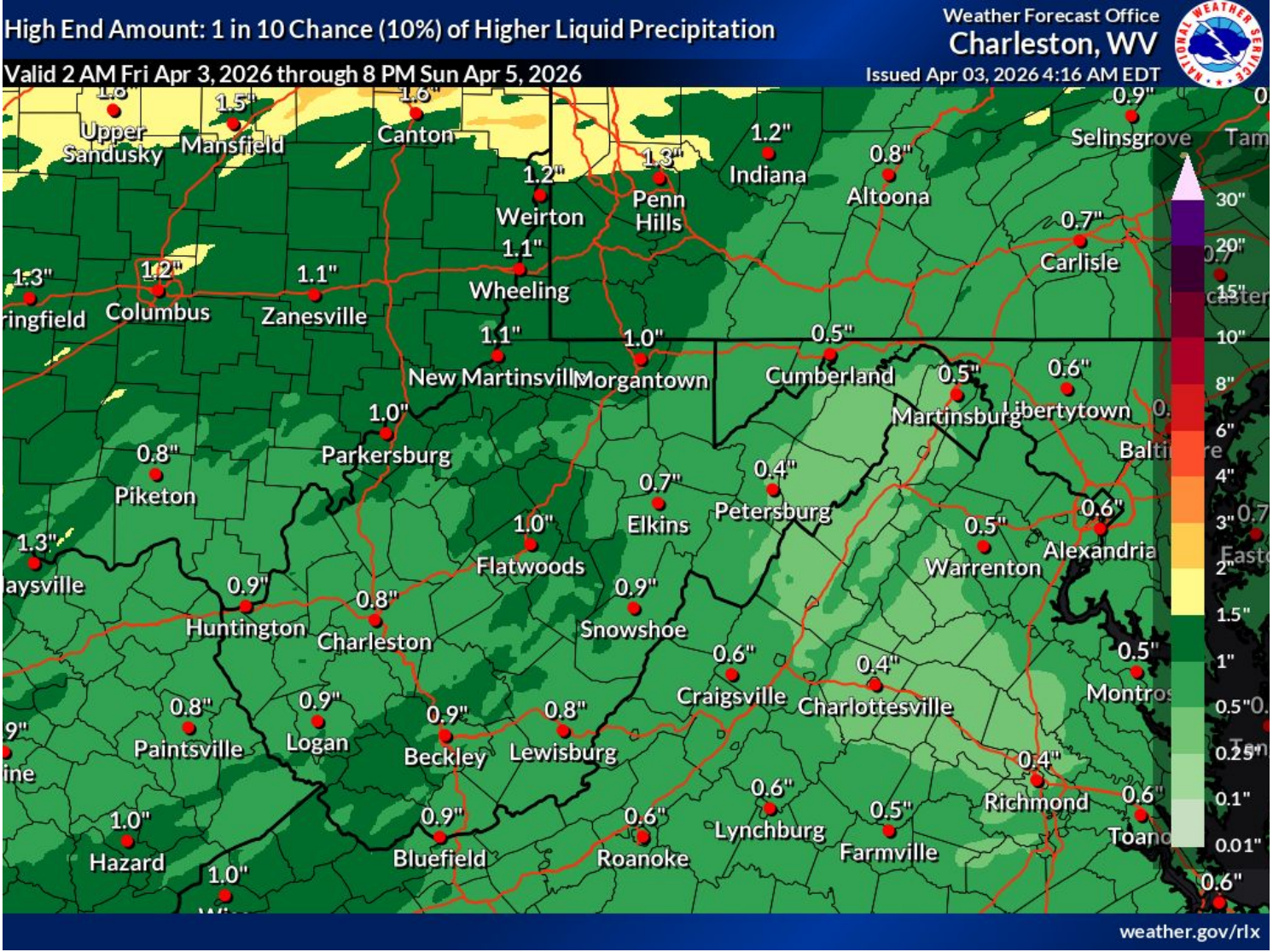
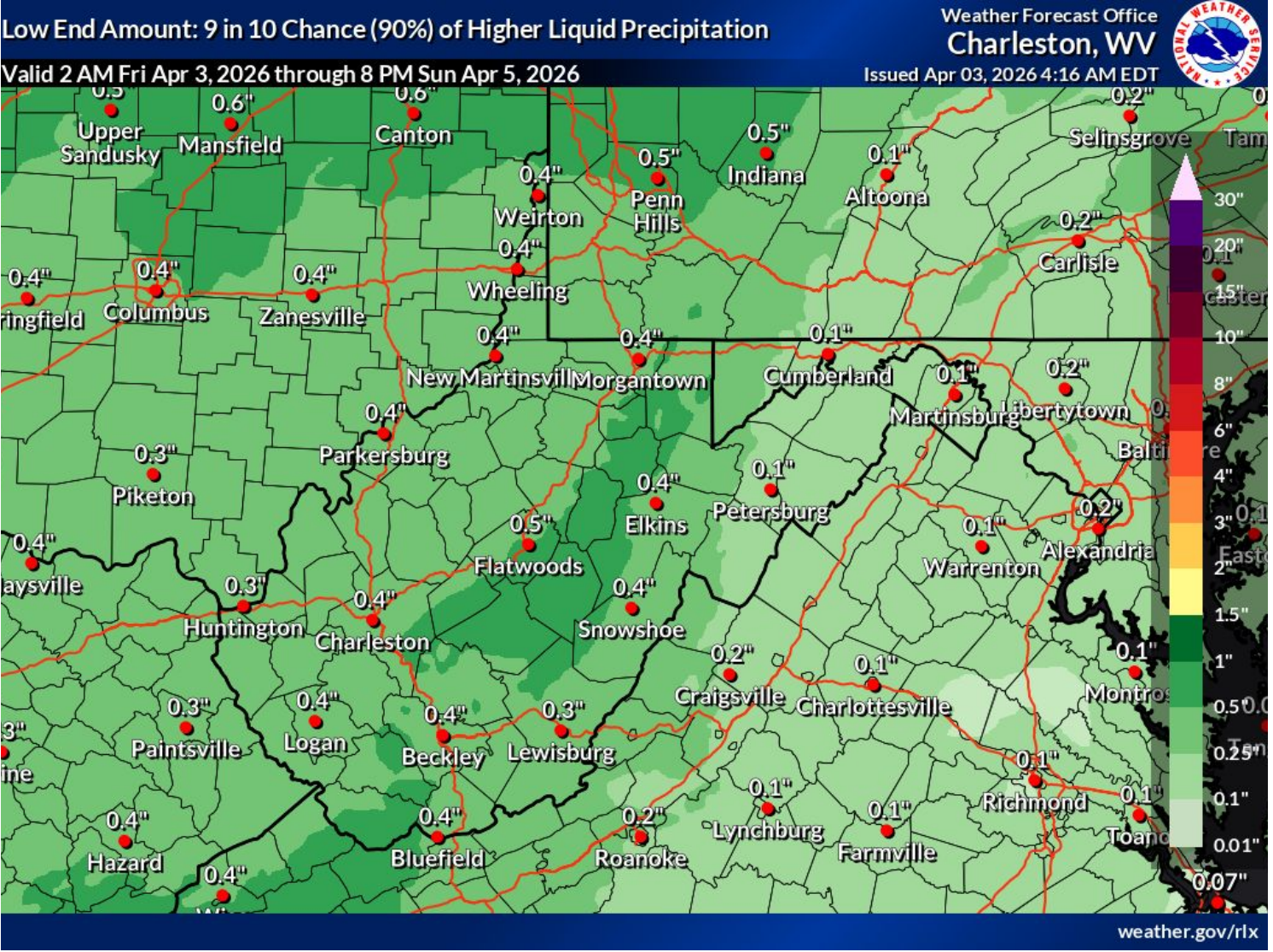
- A general half an inch to three quarters of an inch of rain is anticipated, with heavier amounts in storms.





# Lowest / Highest Rain Amounts

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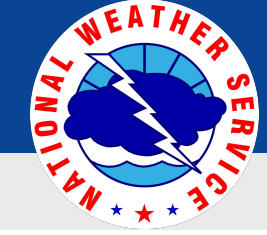


## Low End Rain Potential

→ 90% chance of exceeding this amount

## High End Rain Potential

→ Worst case scenario



# Summary of Greatest Impacts

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	Friday, Apr 3	Saturday, Apr 4	Sunday, Apr 5	Monday, Apr 6
Severe Storms	Mainly across the northern 1/3 of area today. Damaging winds and hail threats	Most of the area. Greatest risk area in Southeast Ohio and Northern Panhandle		
Flash Flooding	Northern Panhandle	Most of the area except the eastern panhandle		
Frost				Much of the lowlands into Tuesday

Risk Levels

No/None

Limited

Elevated

Significant

Extreme





# Contact & Next Briefing Information

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