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Lower Mississippi River Forecast Center

1200 CST  UCG briefing on rainfall and river flooding
30 Day Observed Rainfall Totals: 10 to 20 inches across the basin

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Weather Highlights for the Upcoming Week

• Showers and isolated thunderstorms will spread across the state late today and tonight and end early Saturday.

• A strong cold front will move into the region late Saturday with much cooler and drier air spreading into the area. Overnight freezing temperatures possible early next week.

• Temperatures moderate mid next week with another chance of rain.
Slight Risk of Severe Thunderstorms late today through tonight

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• There is a Slight Risk of severe thunderstorms across SW Louisiana.
• Marginal Risk of severe thunderstorms elsewhere over western and coastal Louisiana.
• Large Hail/Strong Wind gusts are the greatest threat.
Showers and isolated thunderstorms will spread across Louisiana later today and tonight, then diminish west to east late tonight and early Saturday.

Slight risk of severe thunderstorms across SW Louisiana early tonight. Hail/strong winds highest threat.

Heaviest rainfall over southwest LA with some amounts 1 to 1.5 inches.

Rainfall over most of the remainder area less than one inch.
A strong cold front will move through the region late Saturday and Saturday night bringing much colder and drier air to region.

Sunday through Tuesday
Highs in the upper 40s to lower 50s.
Lows in the upper 20s to lower 30s.
Late Saturday night and Sunday will likely be breezy with north wind 15 to 20 mph.
Rainfall Prediction for Wednesday and Thursday – Jan13-14

- Temperatures moderate and moisture return to region.
- Rain and showers likely across the northern Gulf of Mexico and southern sections of Louisiana.
- Heaviest Rainfall will likely be confined to the Gulf of Mexico and immediate coastal areas.
Better Chance of Below Normal Rainfall over much of MS and OH River Drainage
Continues this trend the remainder of the winter