North Dakota Bi-Weekly Drought Update

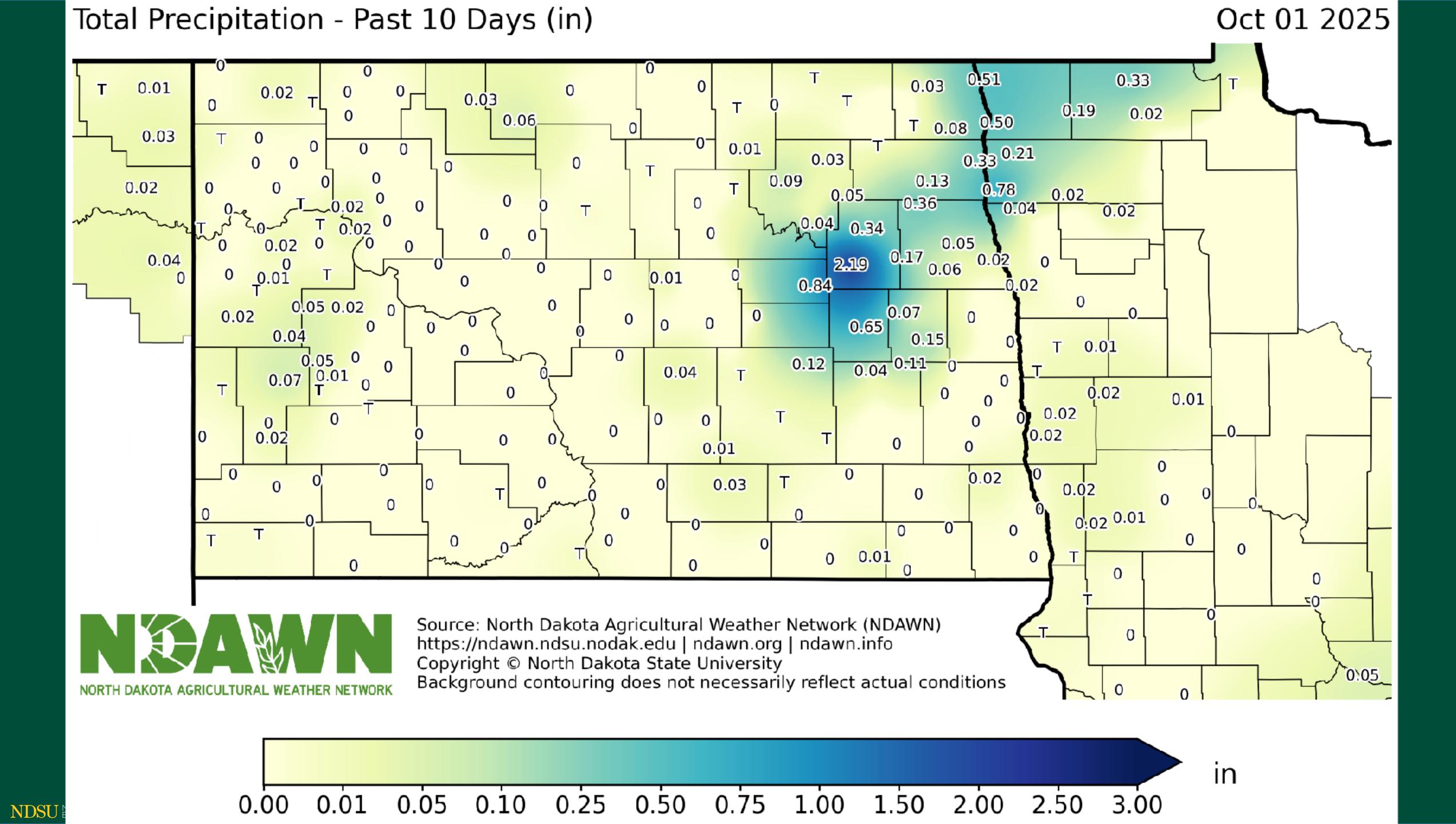
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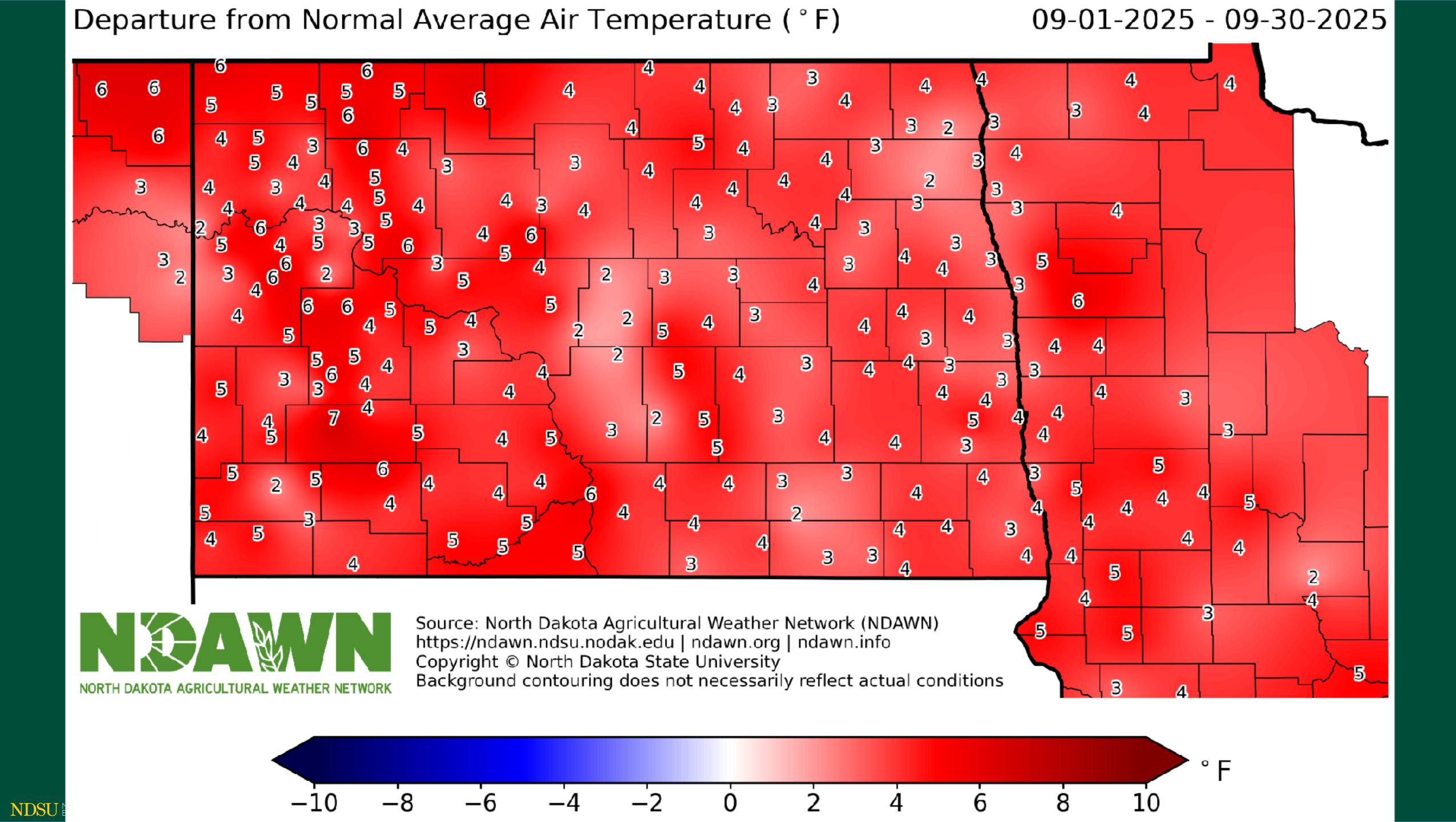








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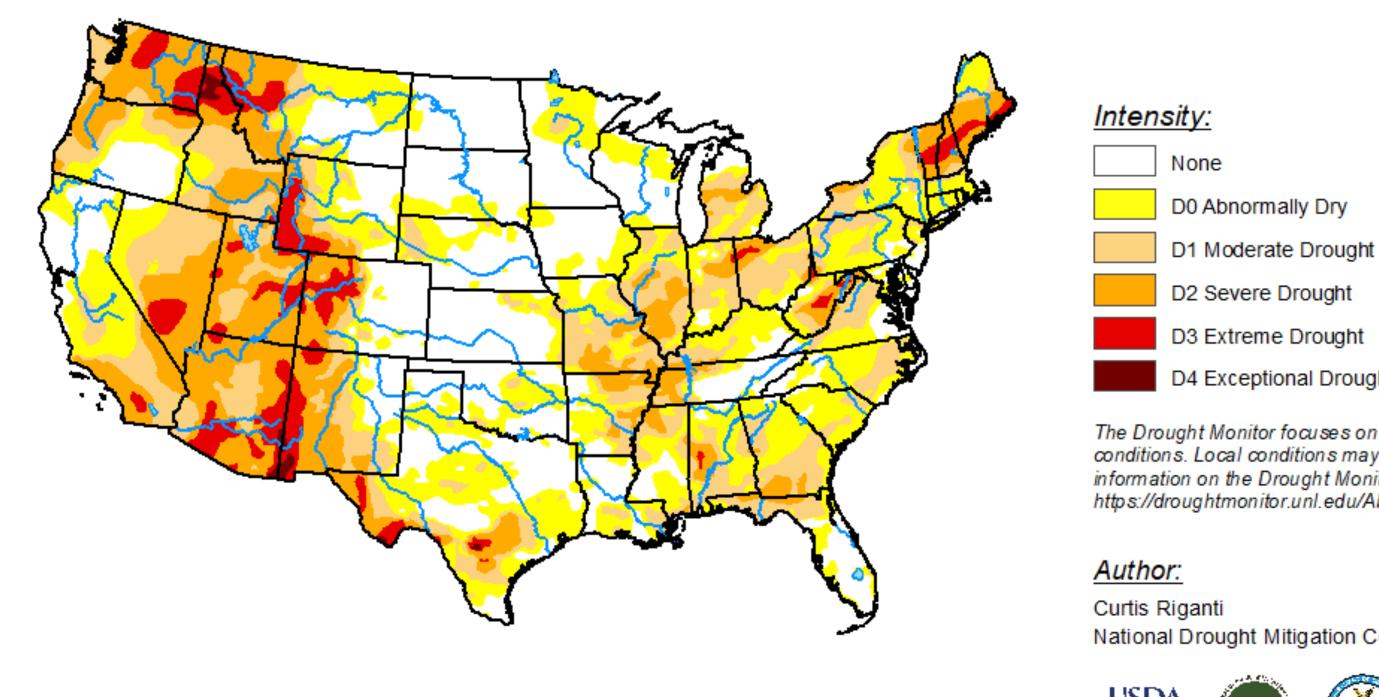


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D3 Extreme Drought

D4 Exceptional Drought

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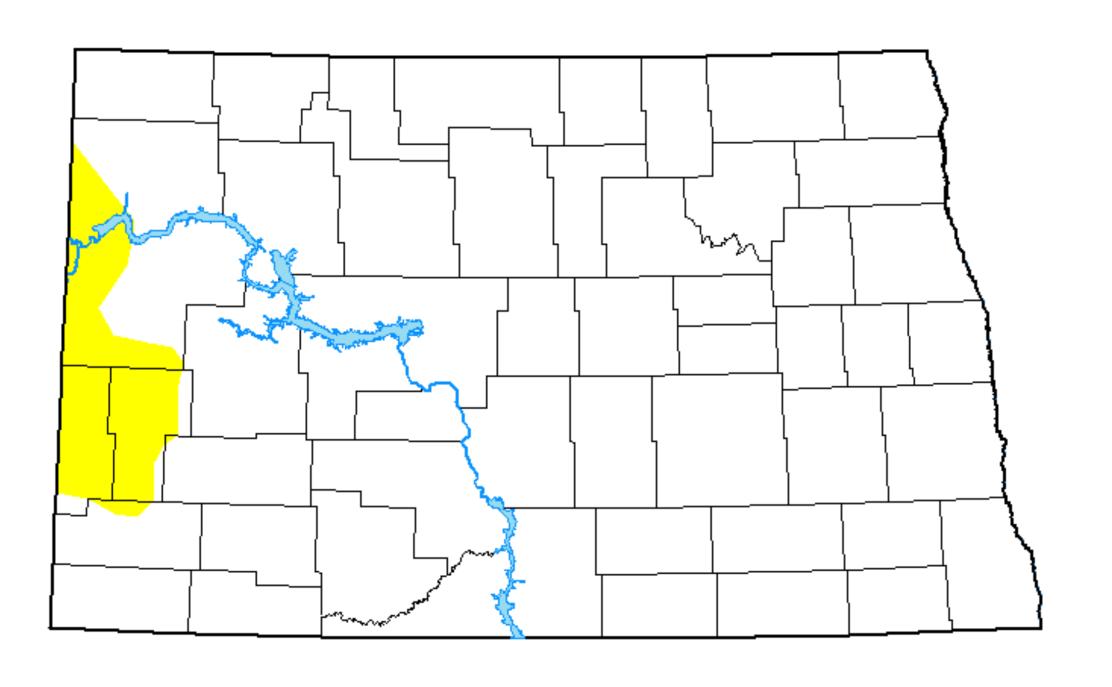
Current Drought Monitor

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Intensity:

None

D0 Abnormally Dry

D1 Moderate Drought

D2 Severe Drought

D3 Extreme Drought

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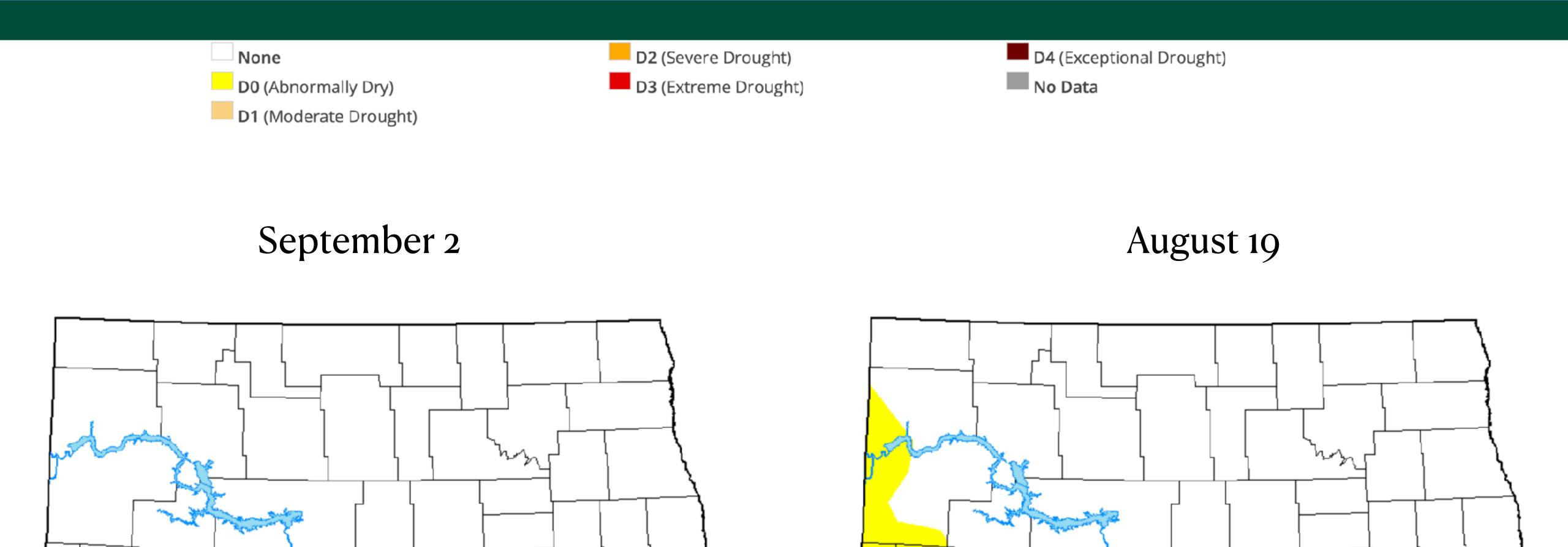






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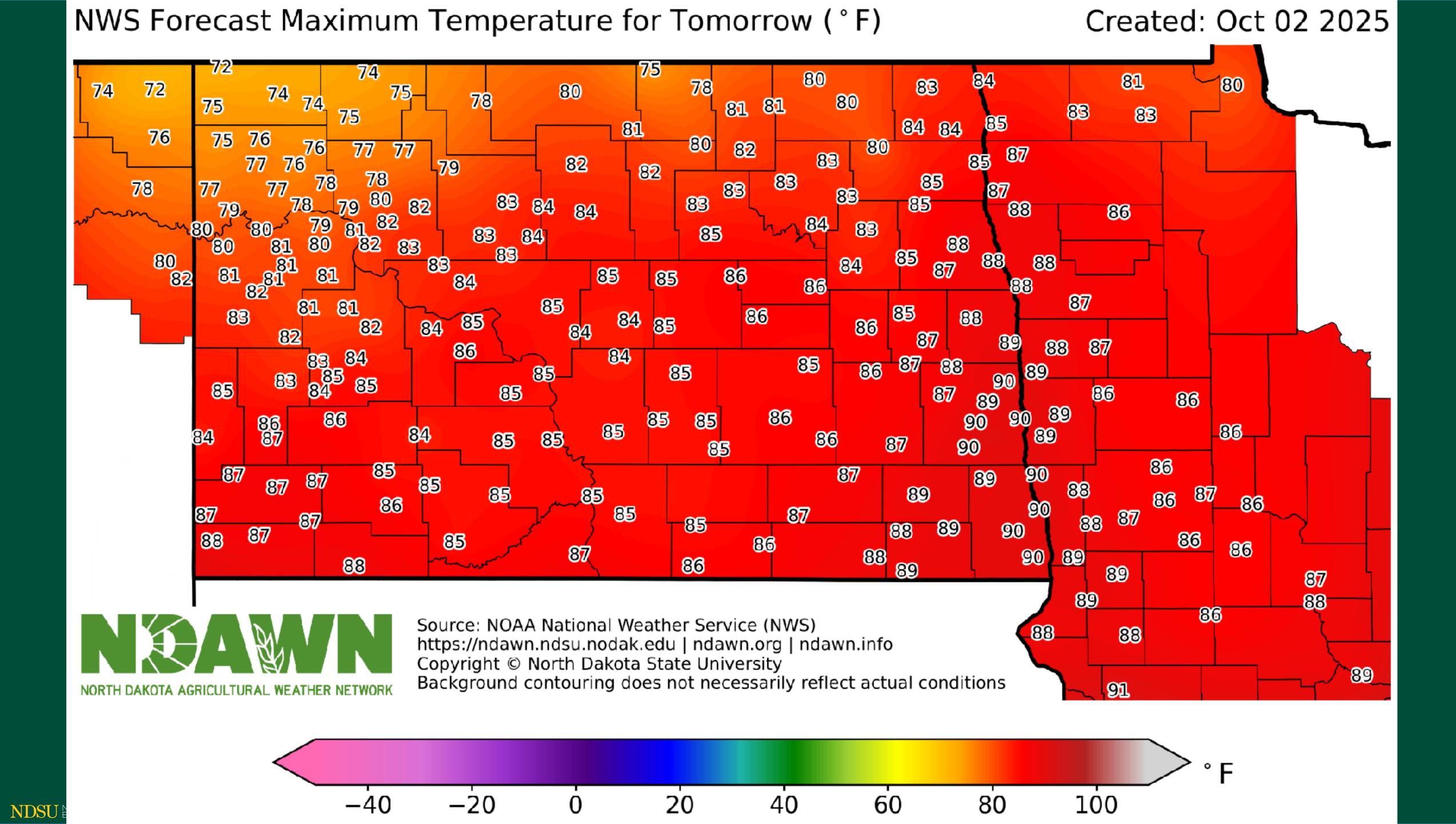
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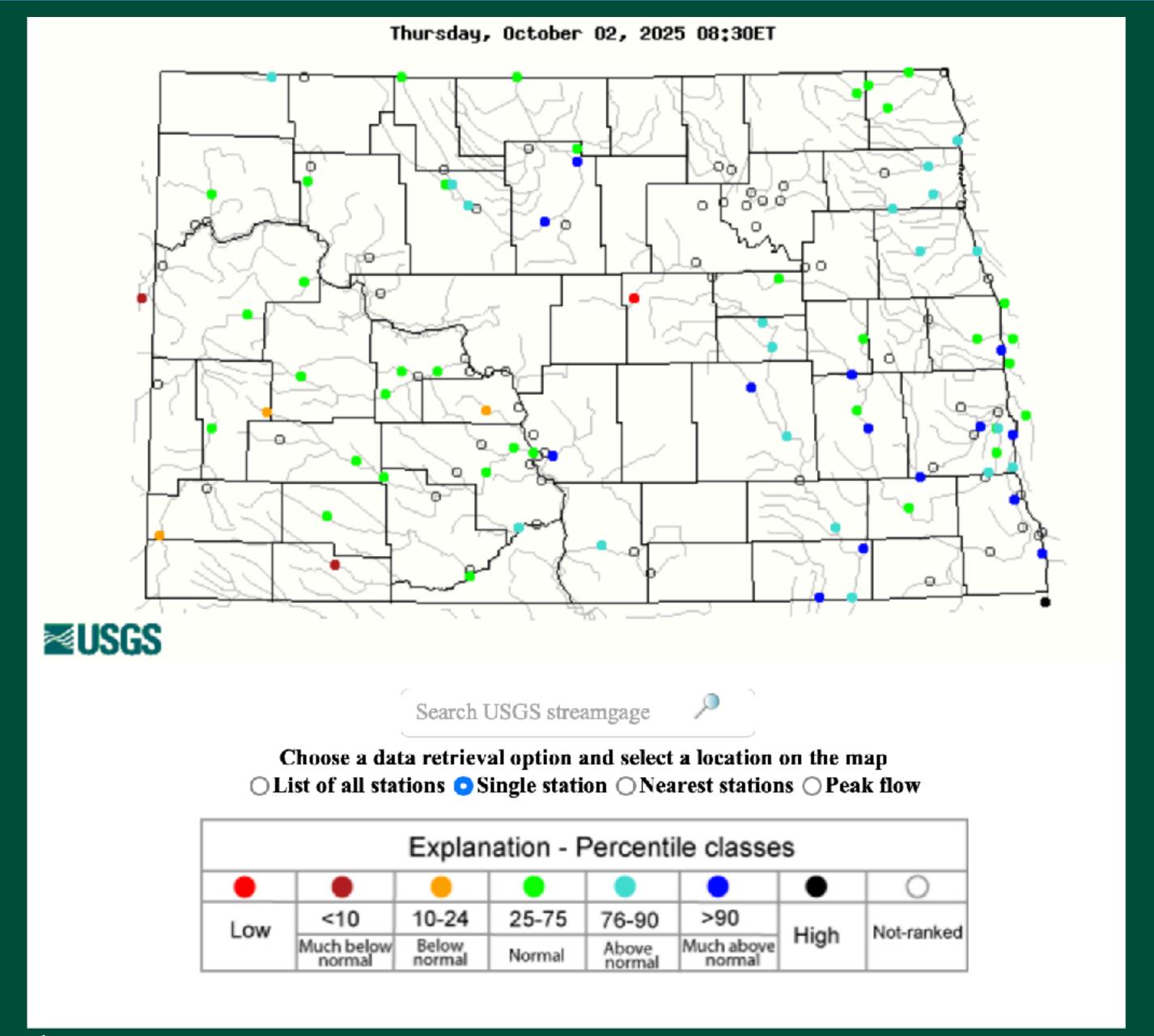
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Current	2025-09-30	94.92	5.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week to Current	2025-09-23	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago to Current	<u>2025-07-01</u>	50.05	49.95	15.83	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year to Current	<u>2024-12-31</u>	32.88	67.12	54.92	28.78	12.99	0.00
Start of Water Year to Current	<u>2024-10-01</u>	47.89	52.11	25.17	12.68	3.39	0.00
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North Dakota Categorical Percent

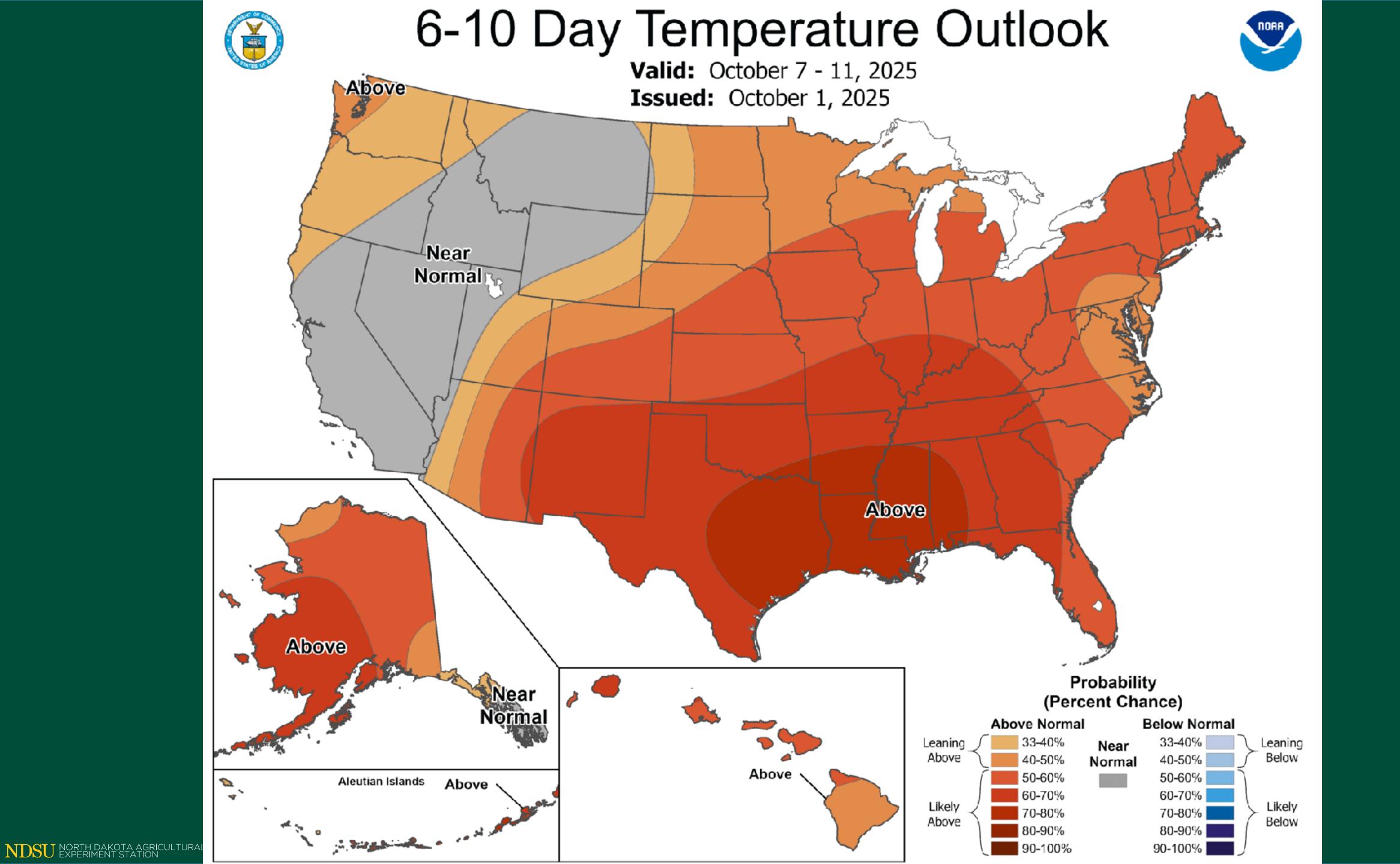
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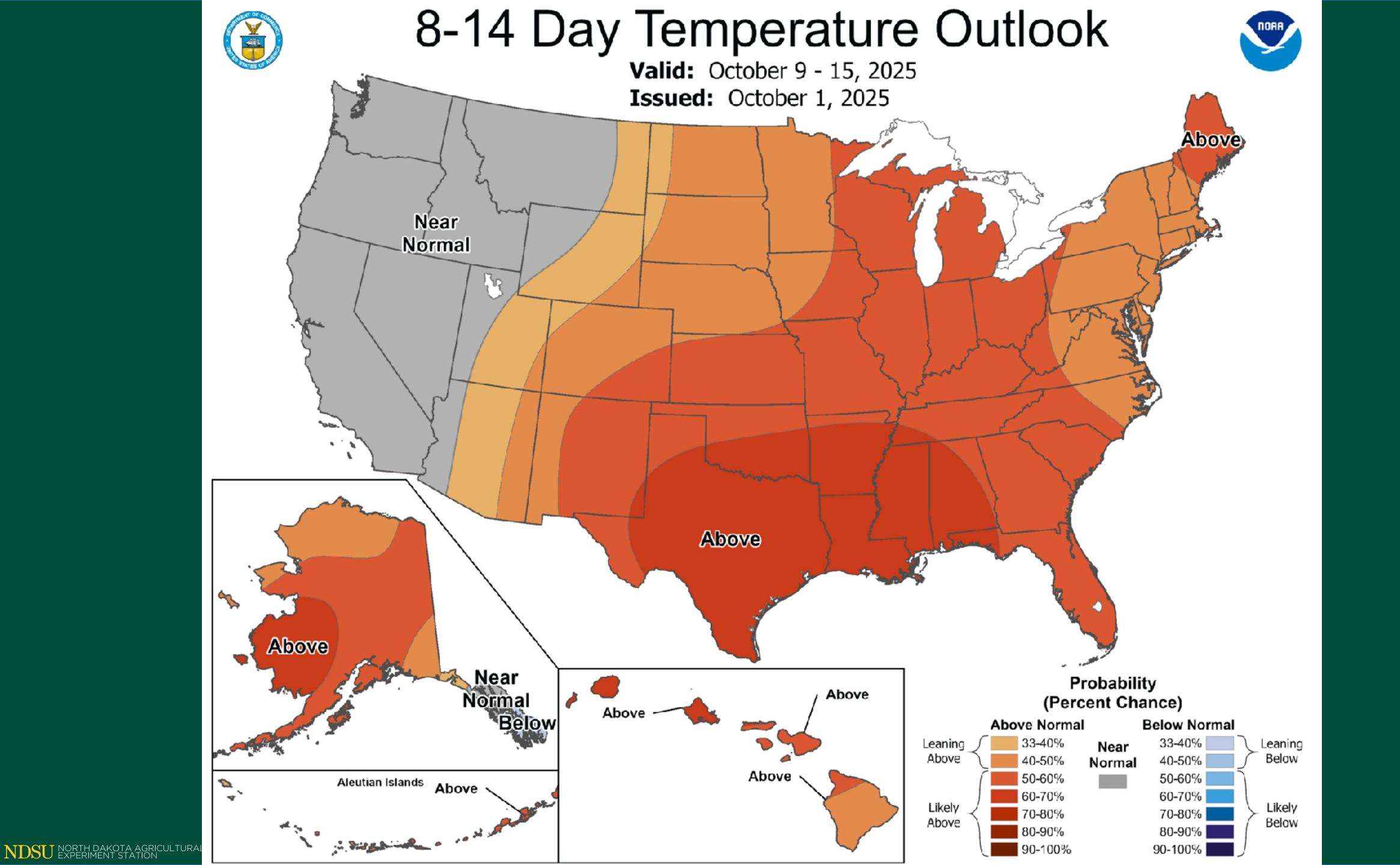
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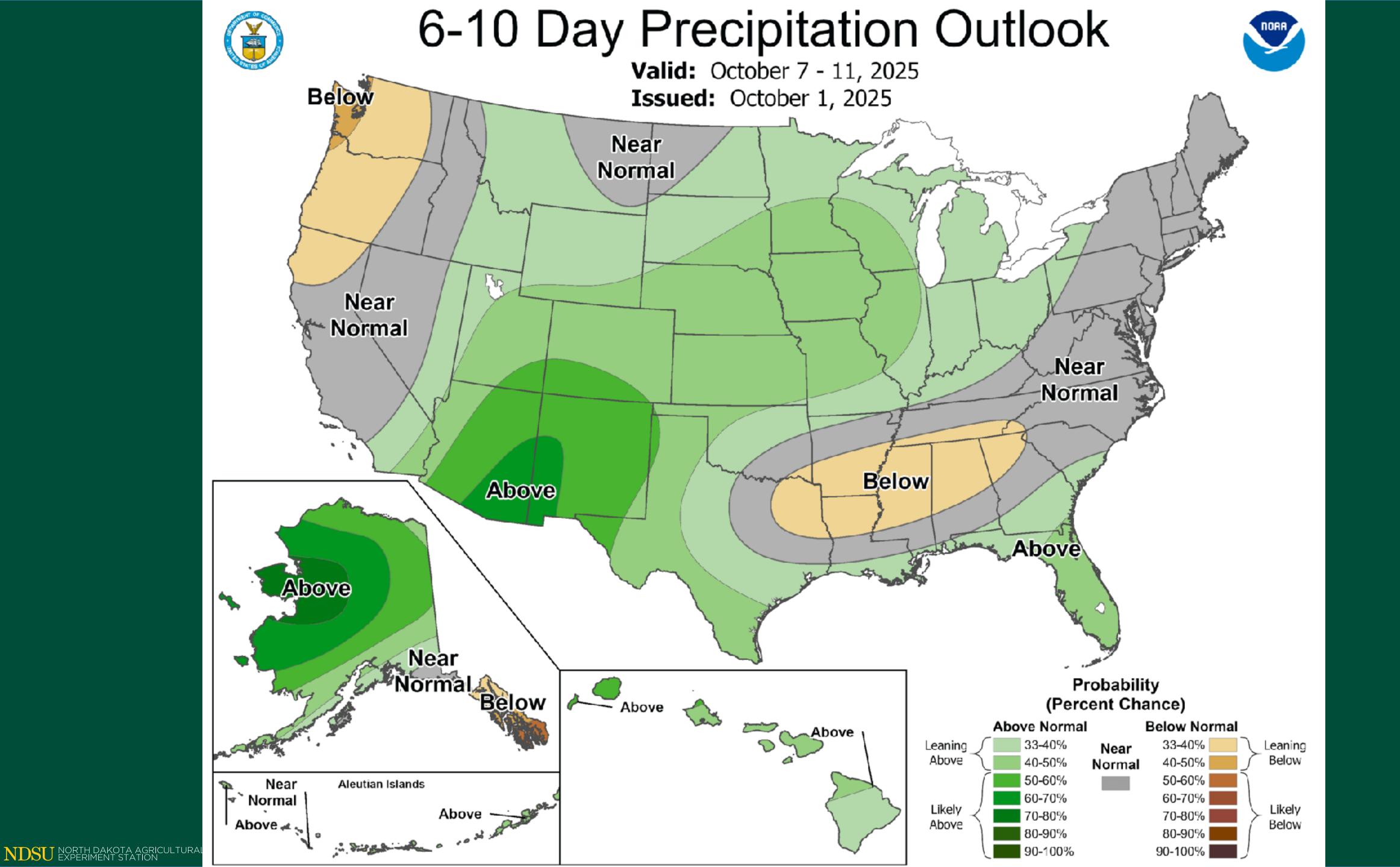


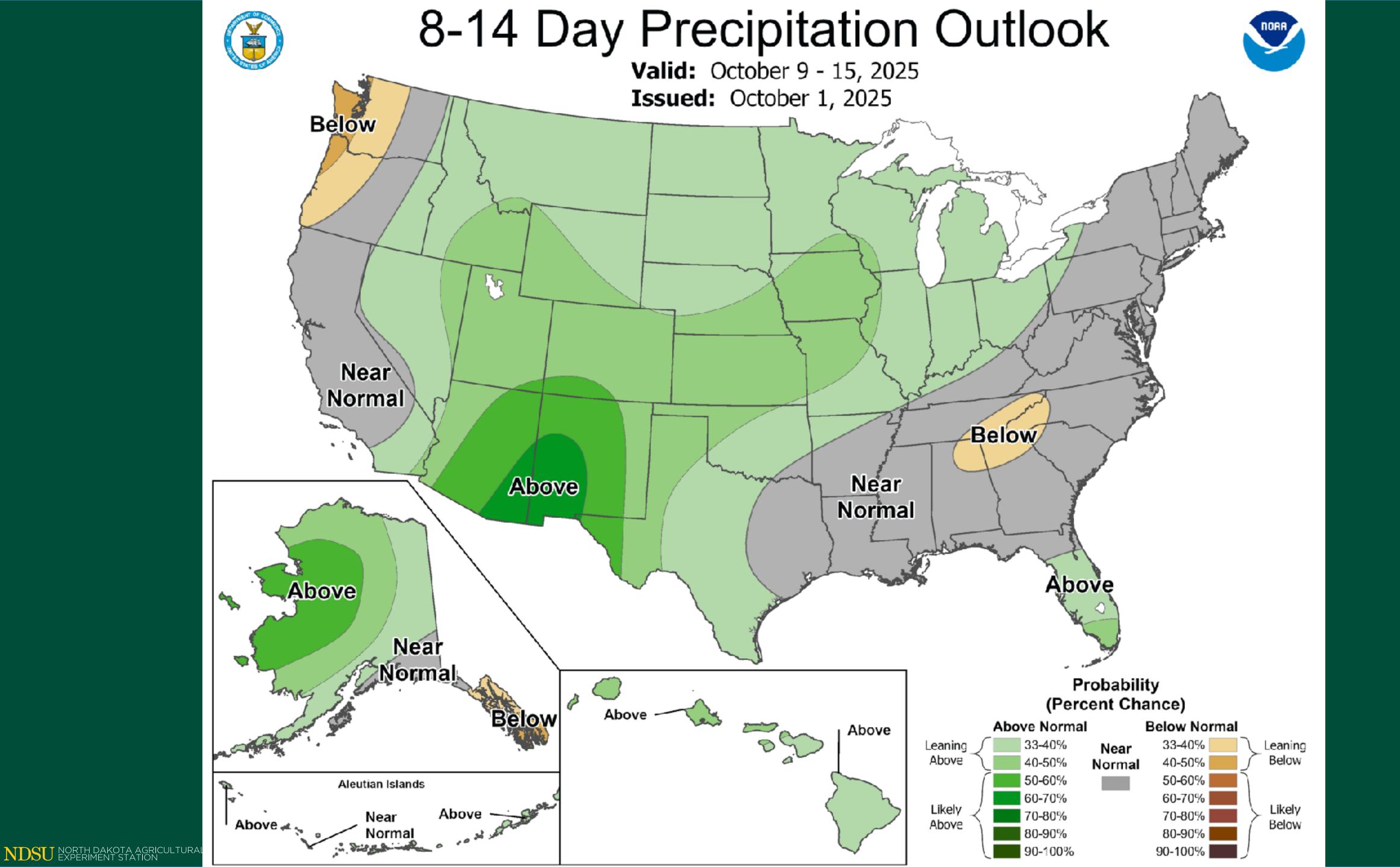


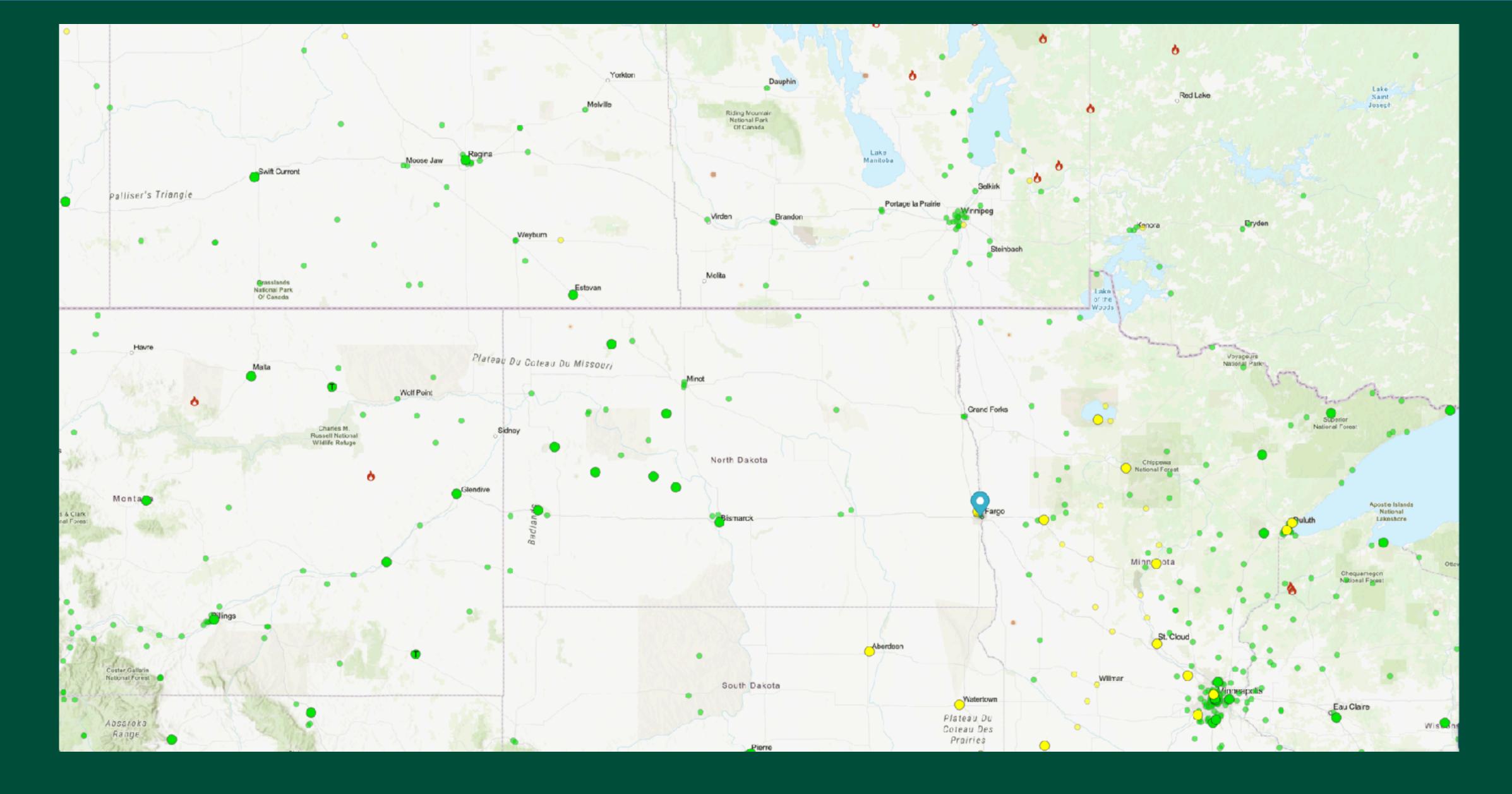
Stream Flows











Fires / Air Quality

Summary

But Abnormally Dry Parts of Western North Dakota

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Hot/Dry Next Two Days (especially East)

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Rain This Weekend

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Frost / Freeze Early Next Week