



# **Monthly Outlook Update**

## ***October 2026***

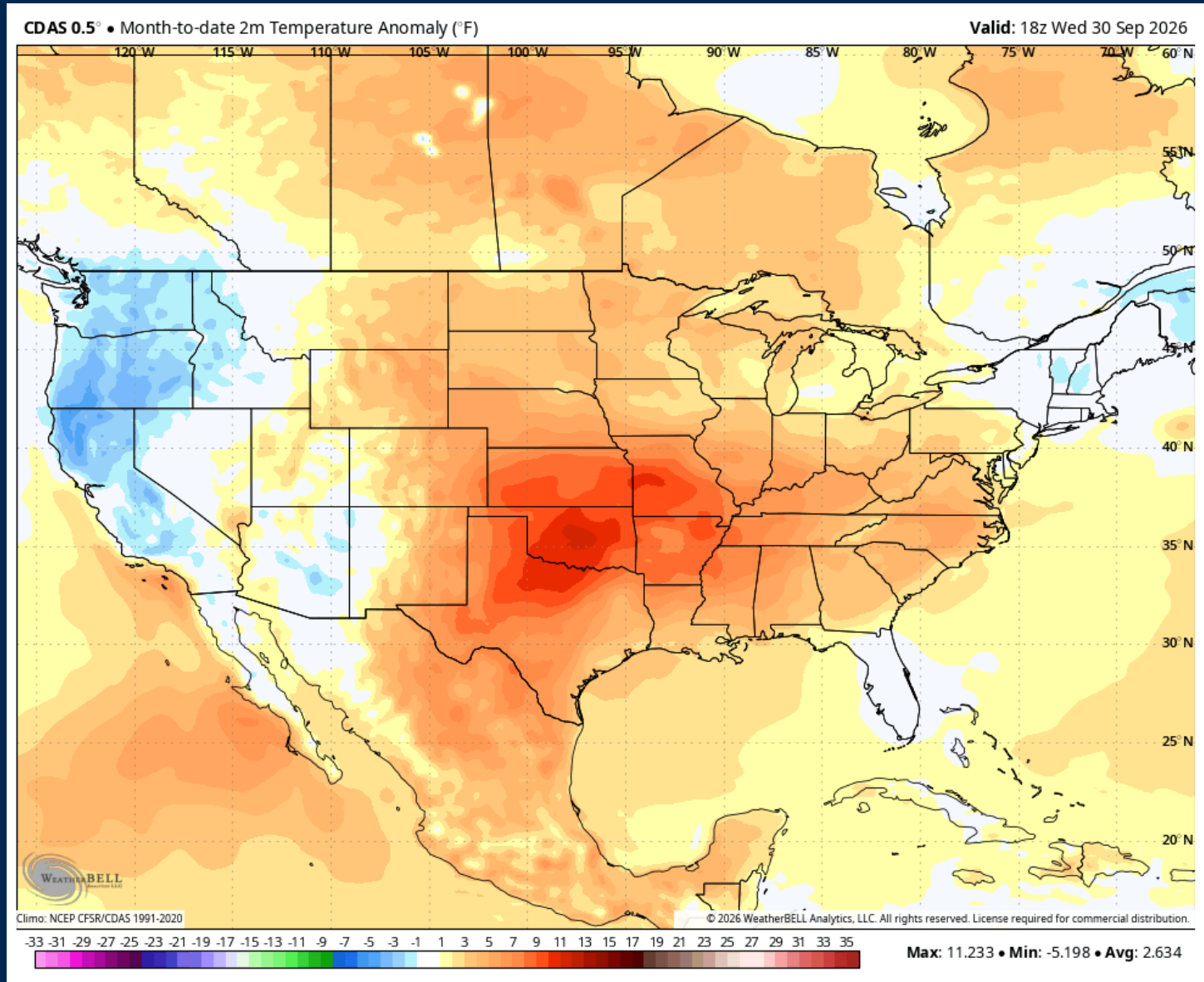
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# Long Range Discussion – *October 2026*

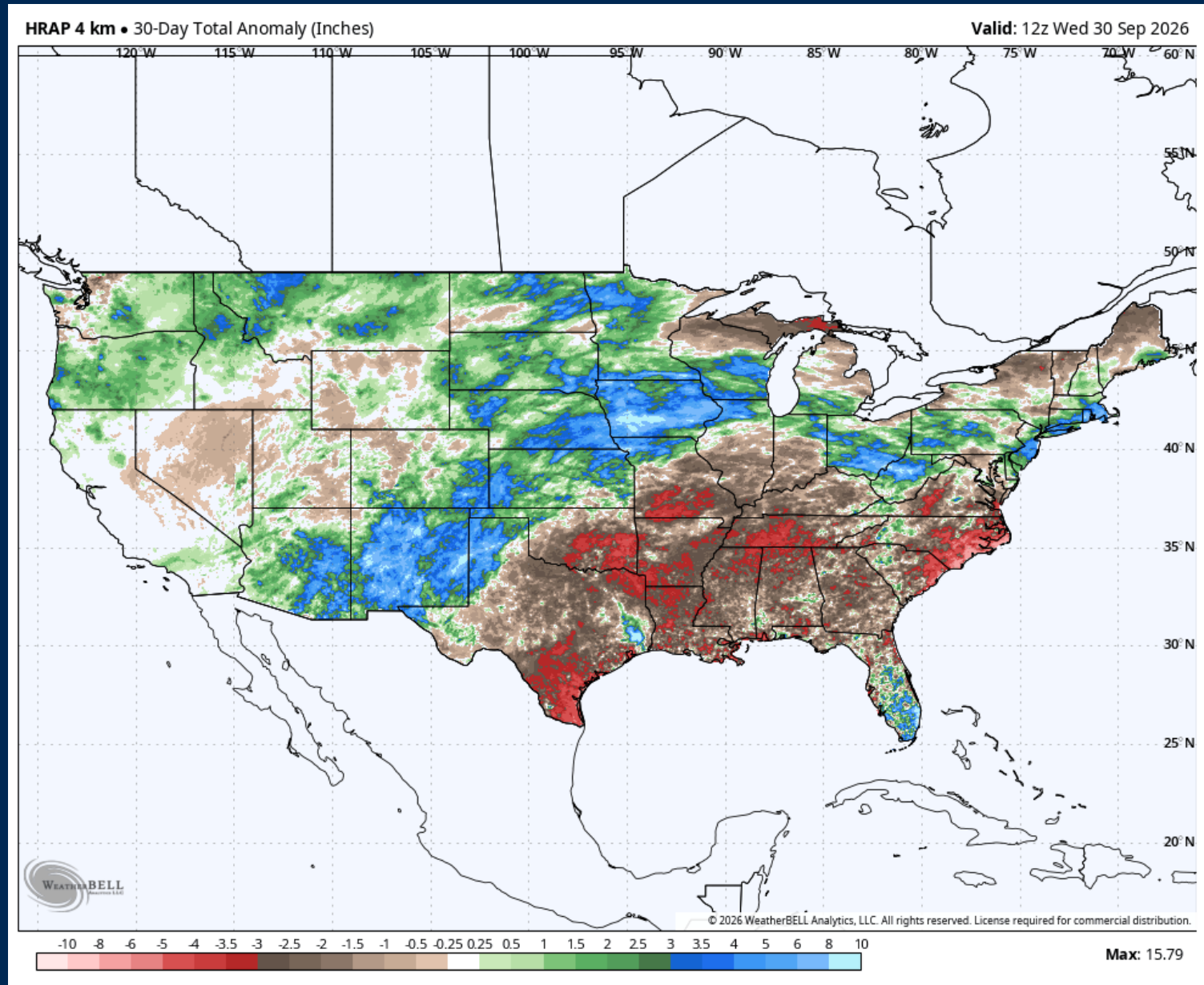
- **Highlights – September**

- Hot and much below normal precipitation across many areas of the Central and Southern Plains for the second month in a row.
- Some much-needed rain for the Southern Rockies and Desert Southwest. Heavy rain in western and northern Corn Belt. Good precipitation across Montana and into the Northern Plains.

# September Temperature Anomaly



# September Precipitation Anomaly

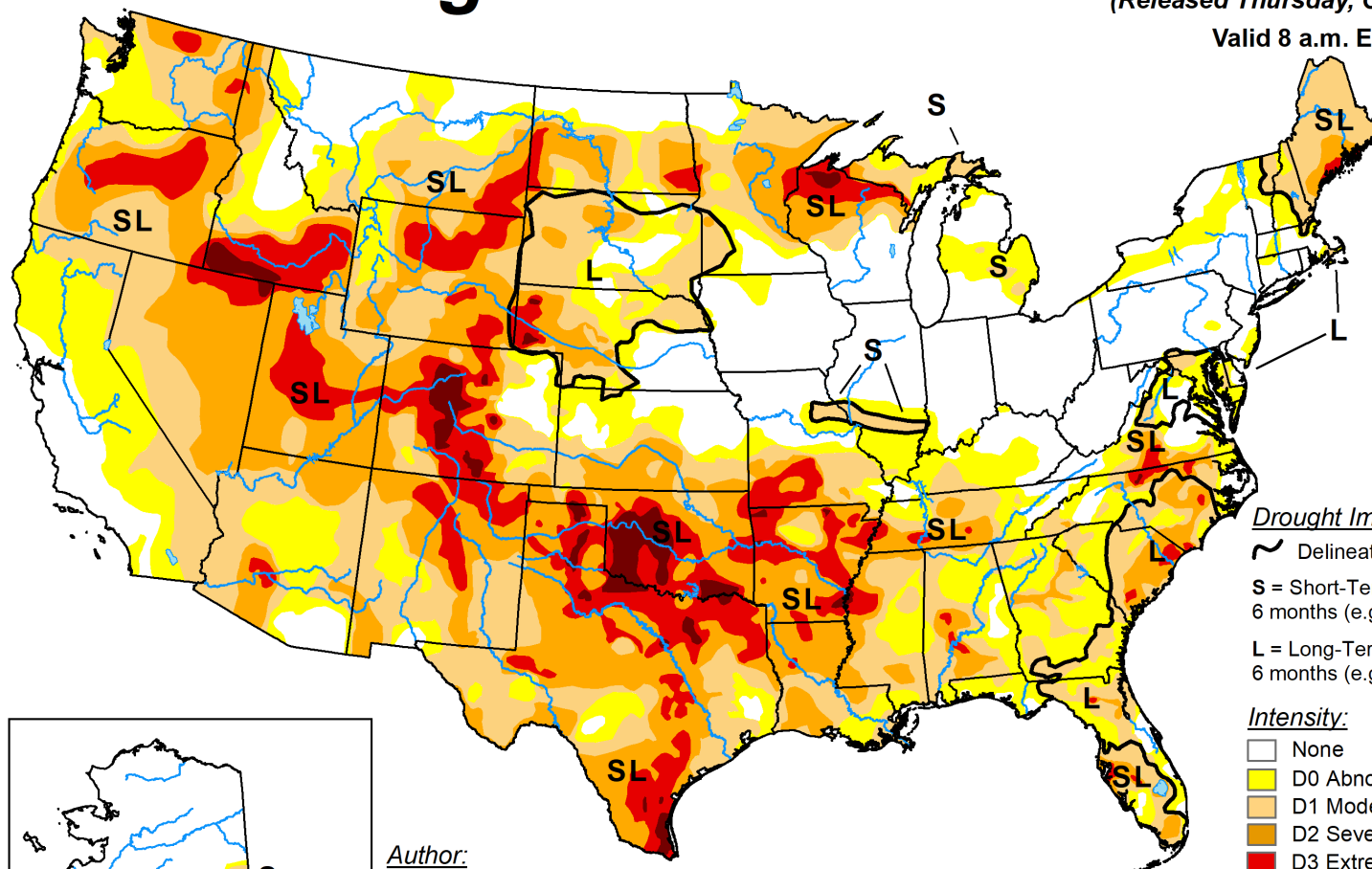


# U.S. Drought Monitor

September 29, 2026

(Released Thursday, Oct. 1, 2026)

Valid 8 a.m. EDT



## Drought Impact Types:

- ~ Delineates dominant impacts
- S = Short-Term, typically less than 6 months (e.g. agriculture, grasslands)
- L = Long-Term, typically greater than 6 months (e.g. hydrology, ecology)

## Intensity:

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme Drought
- D4 Exceptional Drought

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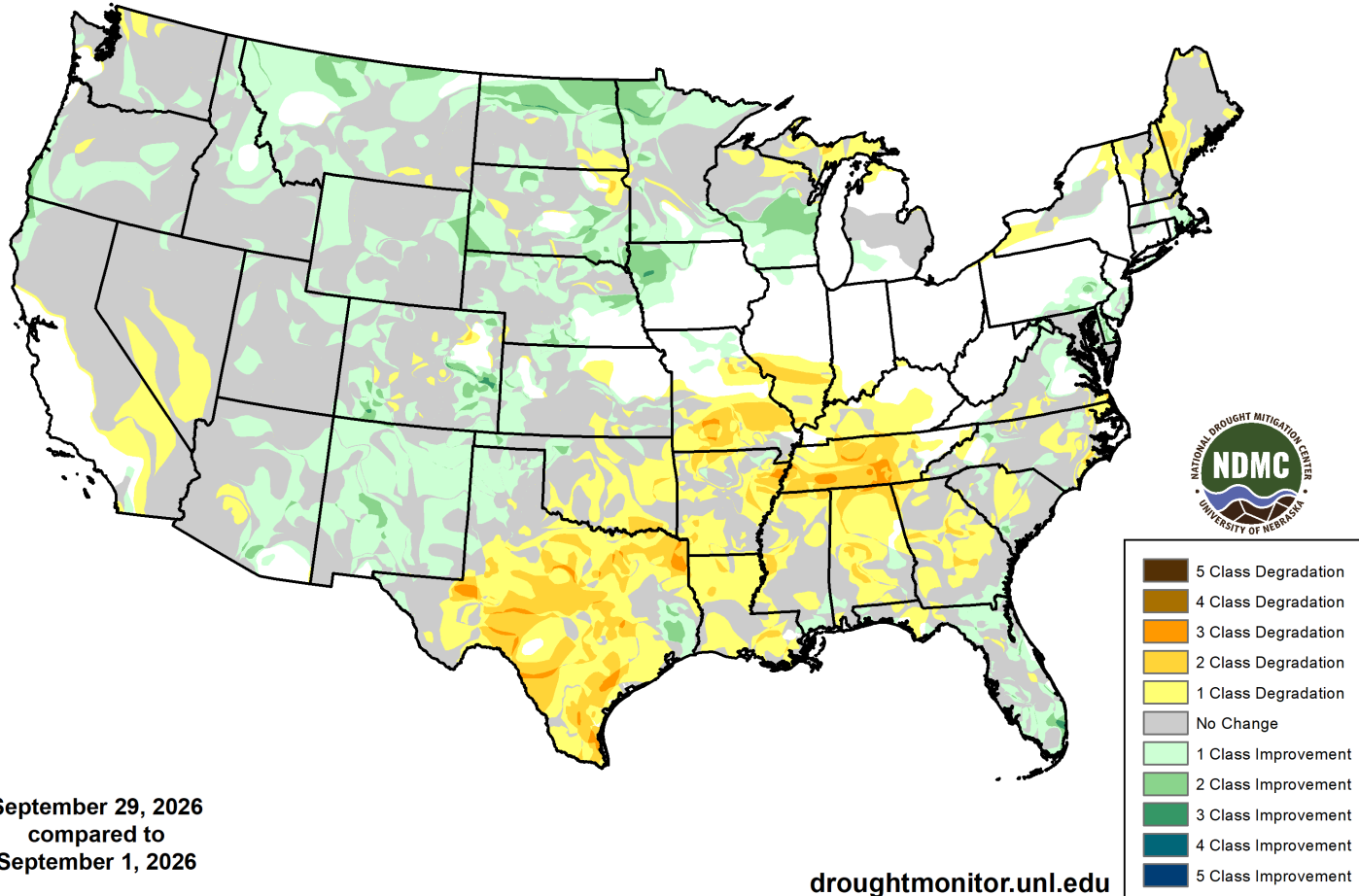
The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>



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# Drought Status Change

U.S. Drought Monitor Class Change - CONUS  
4 Week

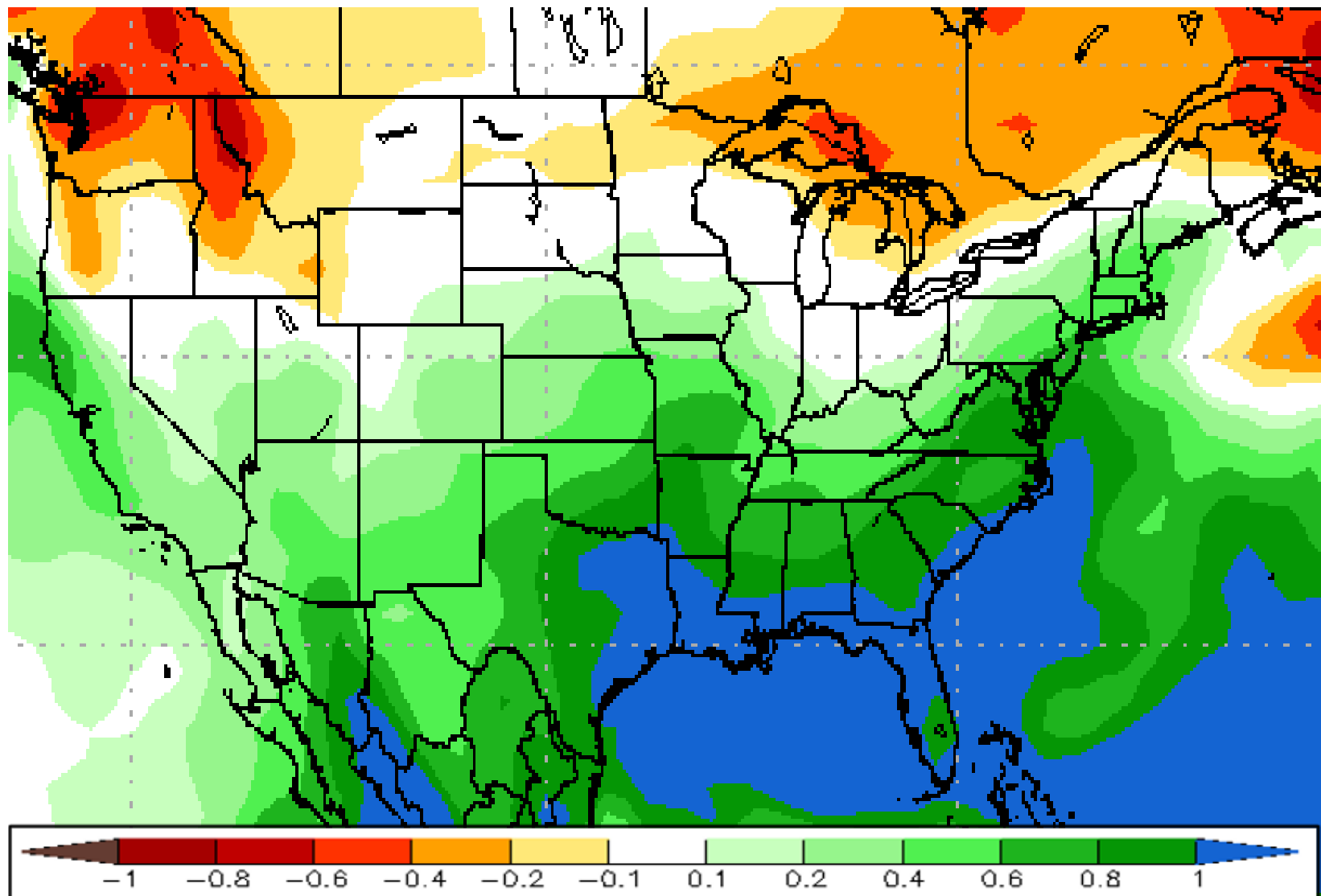


# Long Range Highlights – October

- Active tropical storm and hurricane activity may continue at times in the west and southwest.
- Tropical storm and hurricane activity may pick up in the Gulf Coast region and perhaps the Atlantic as well.
- Warmer than normal for the first half of the month before colder temperatures and more active weather for second half of the month.

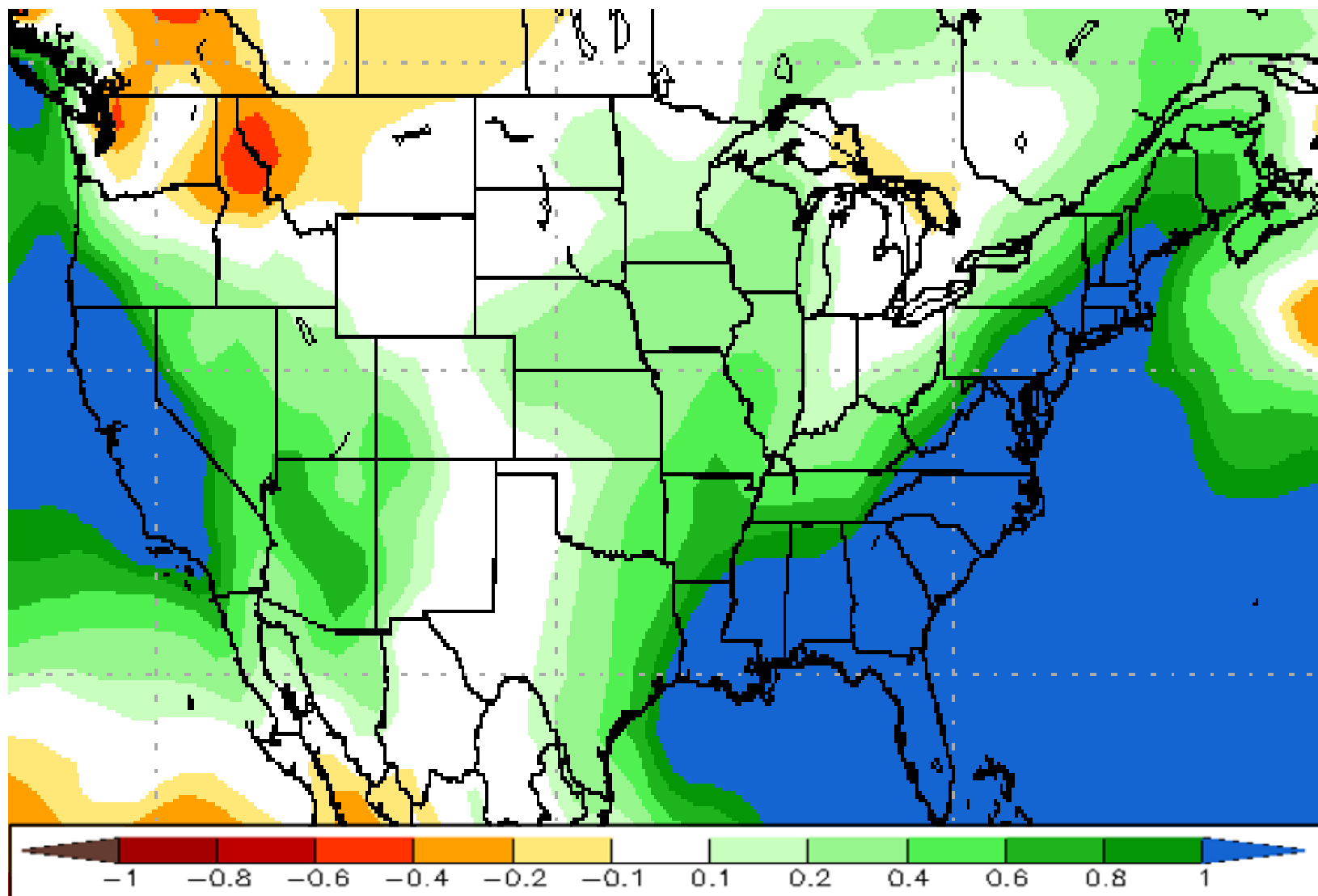
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**NMME Precipitation Forecast – November 2026 as of 10/06/2026**



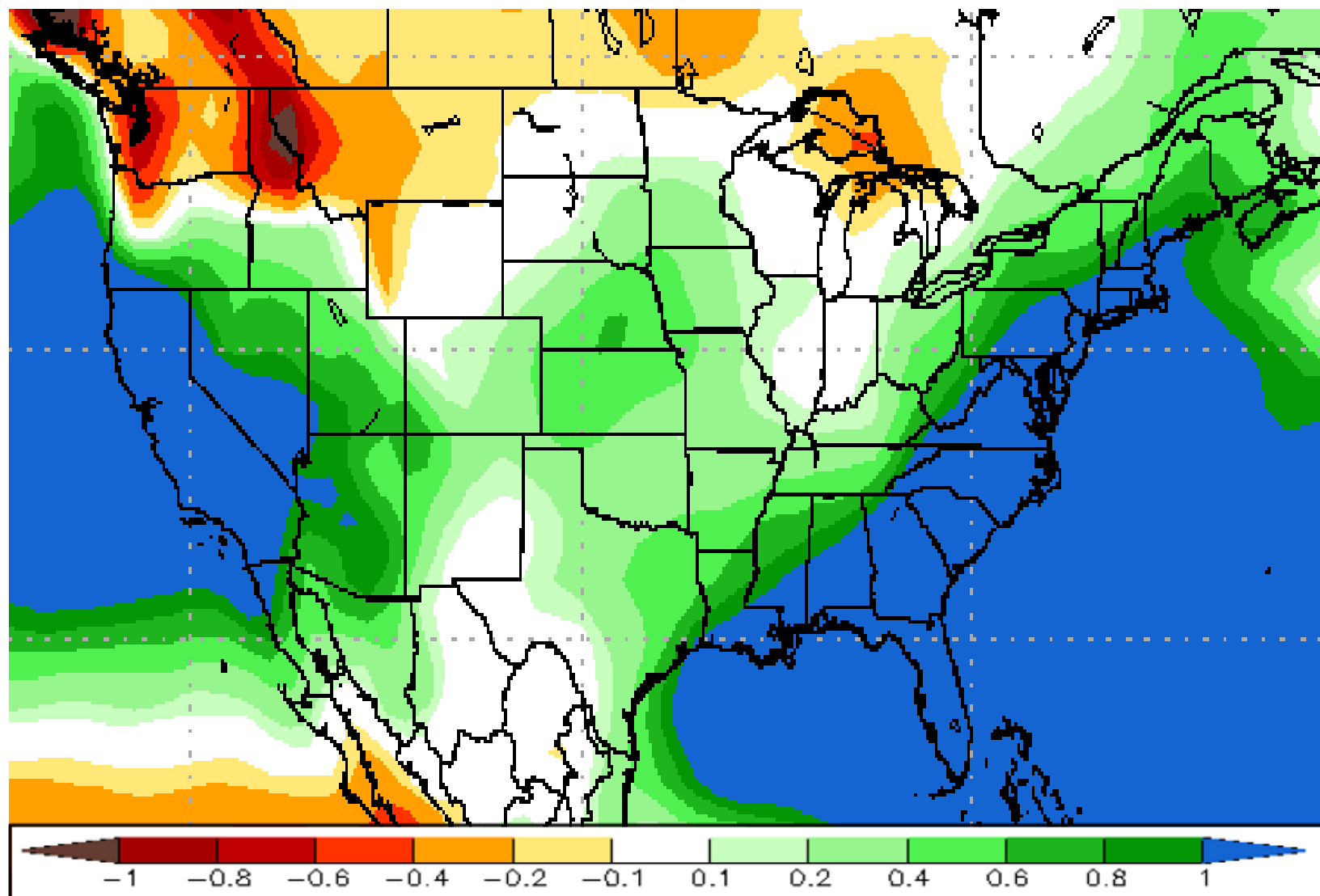
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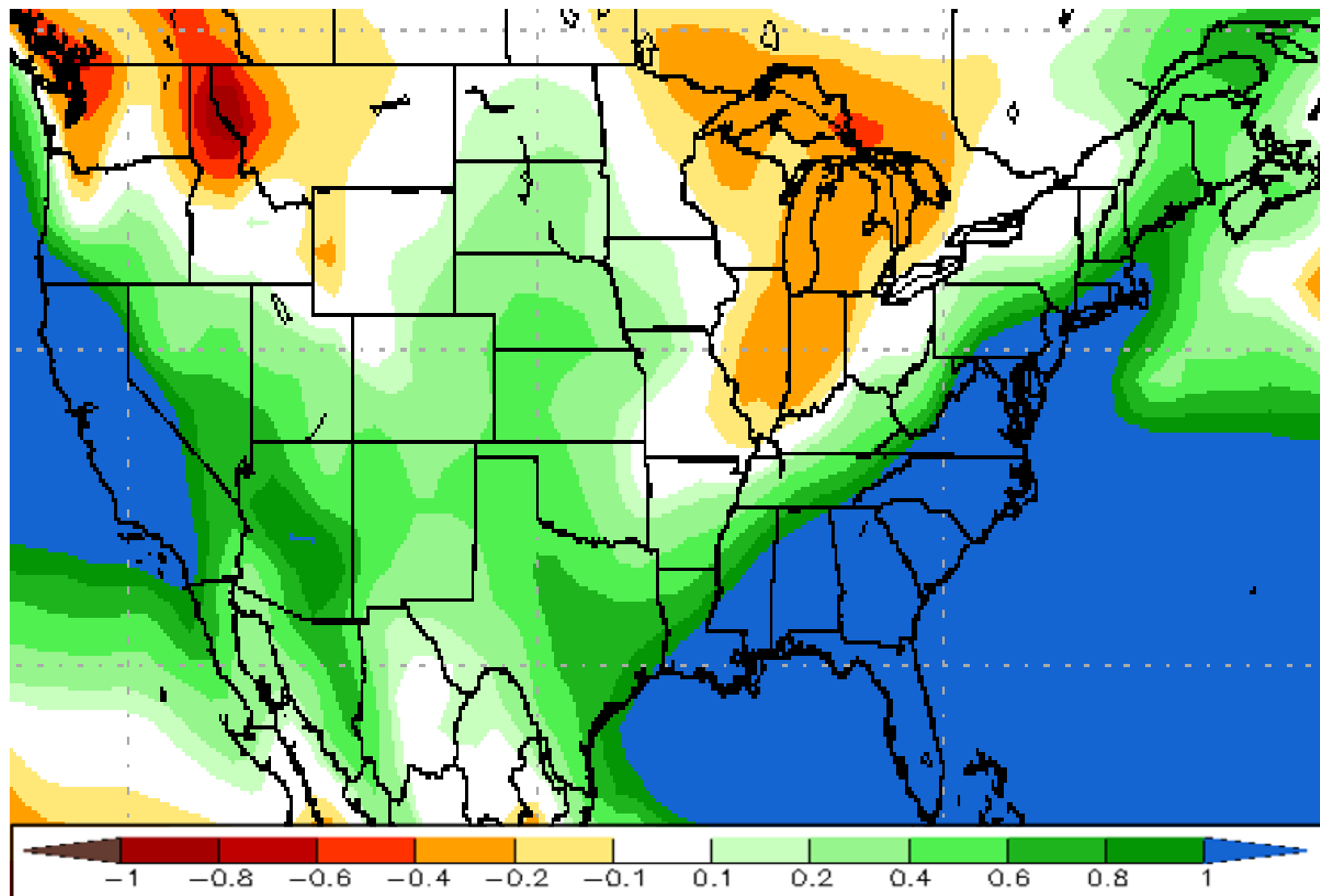
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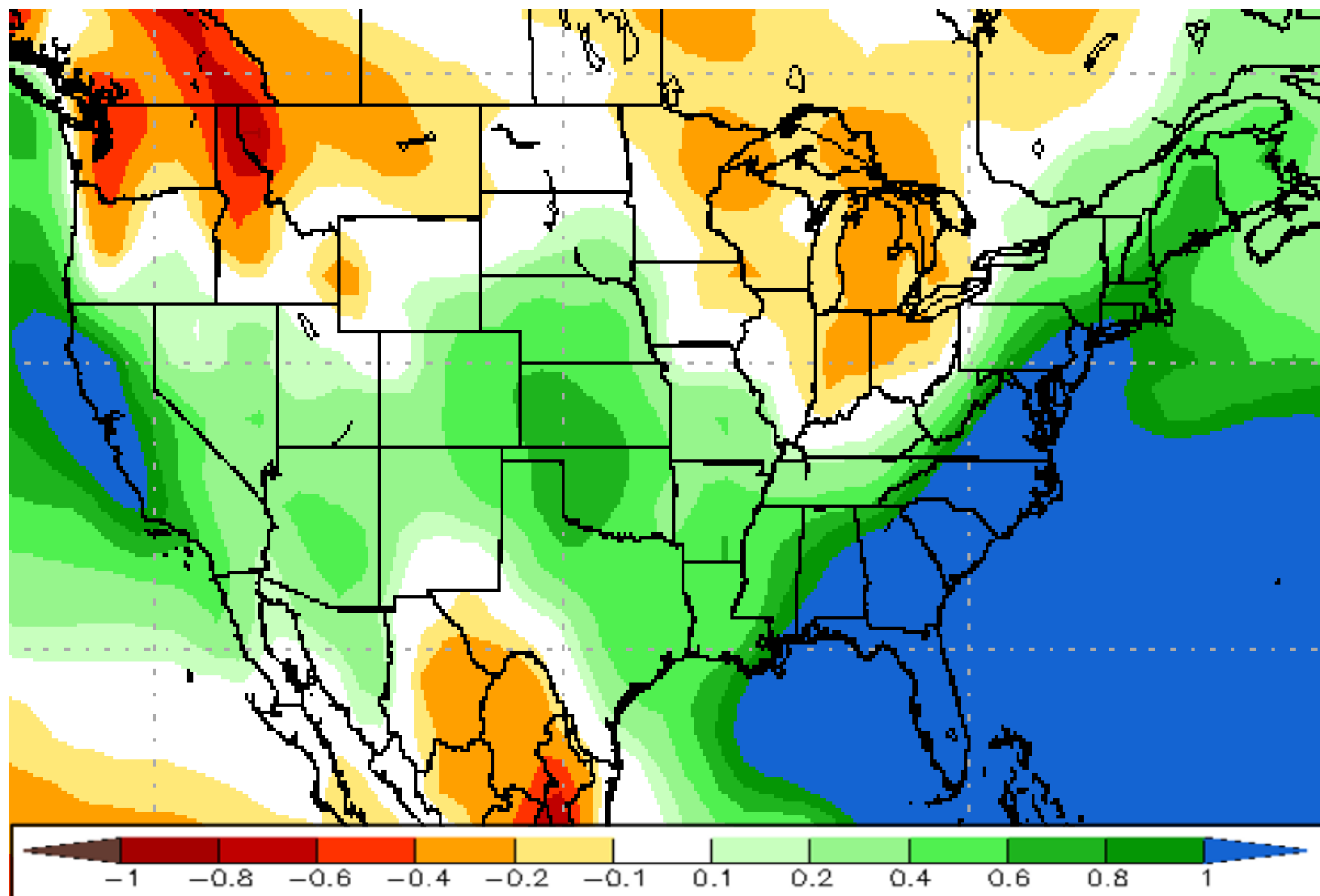
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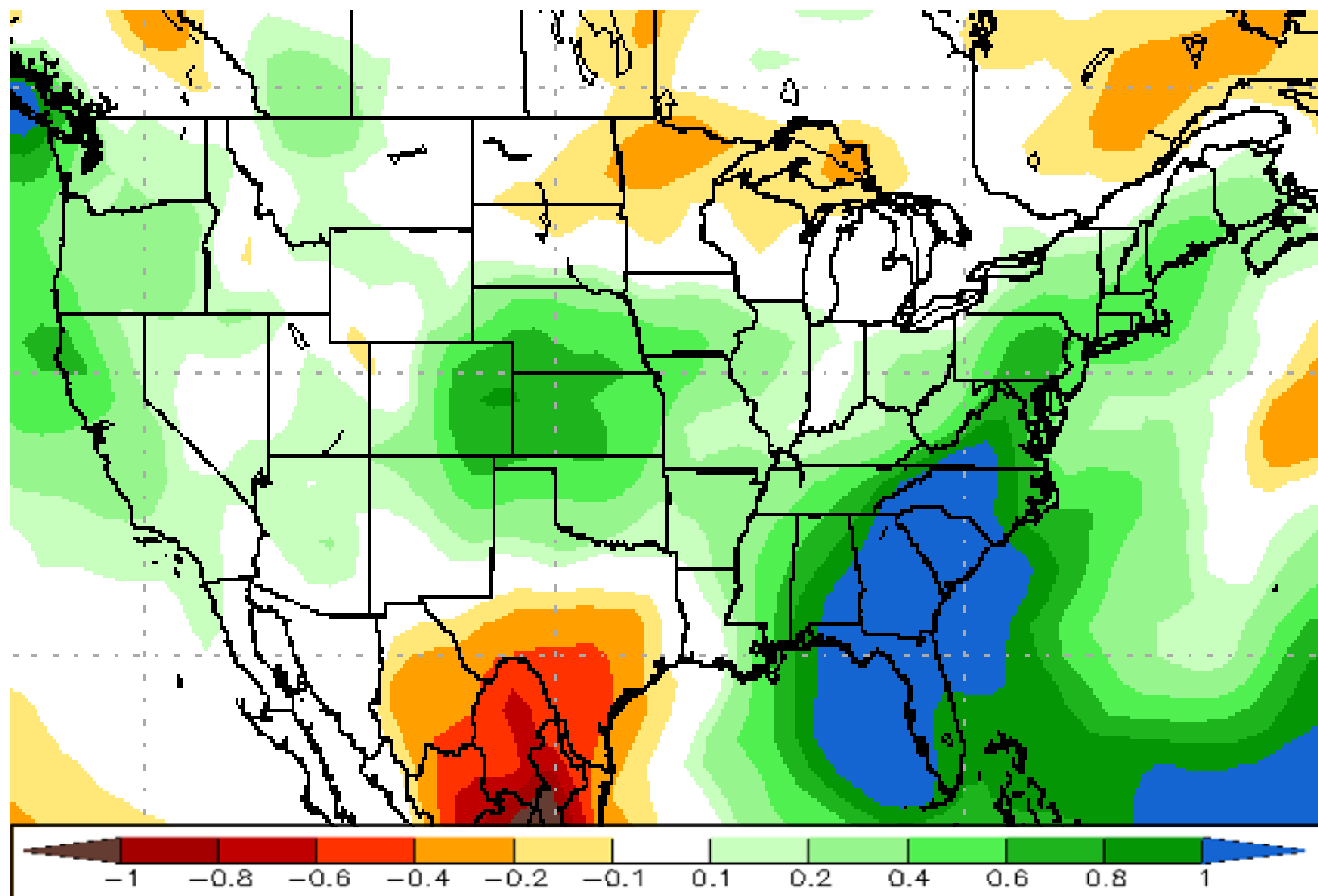
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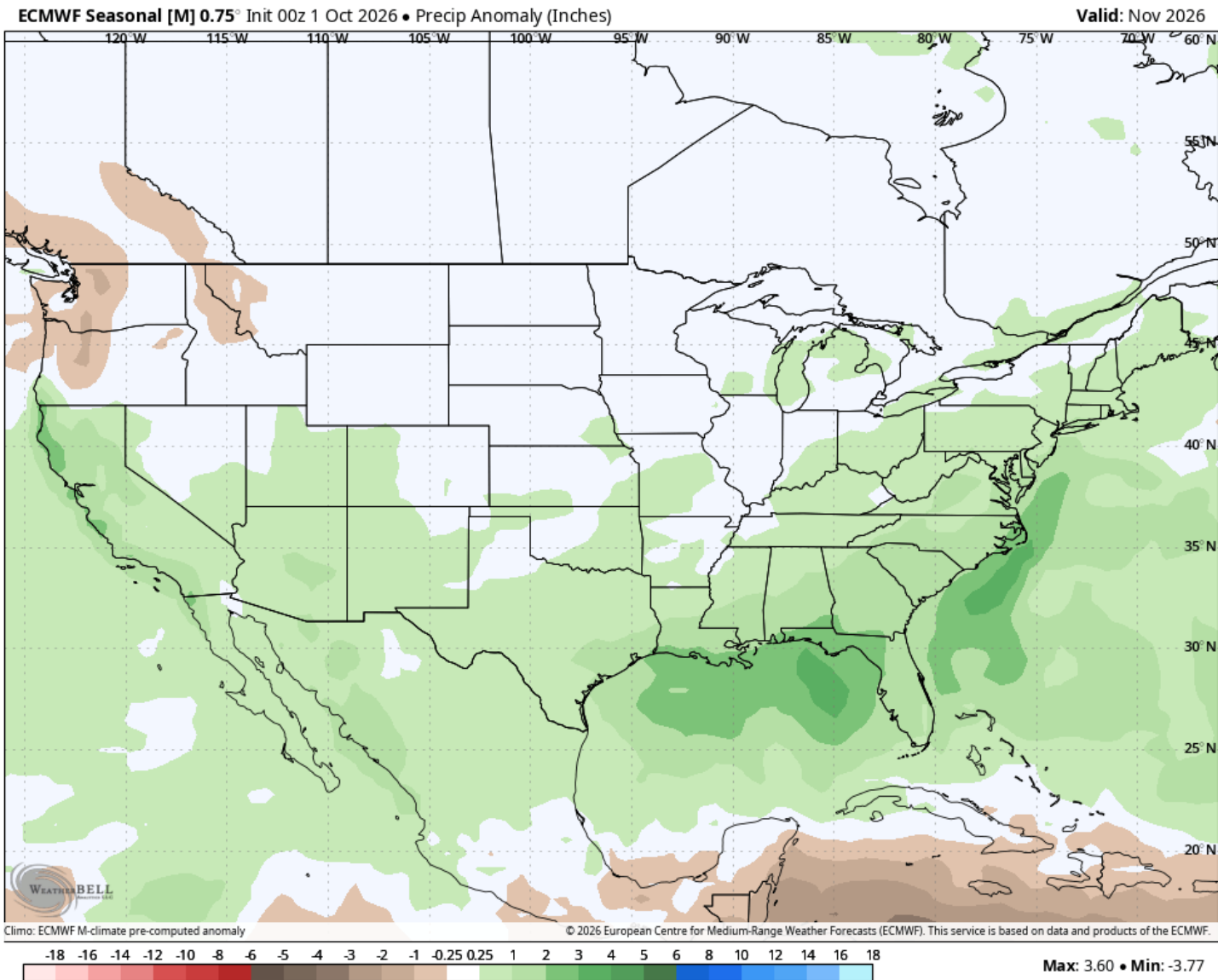
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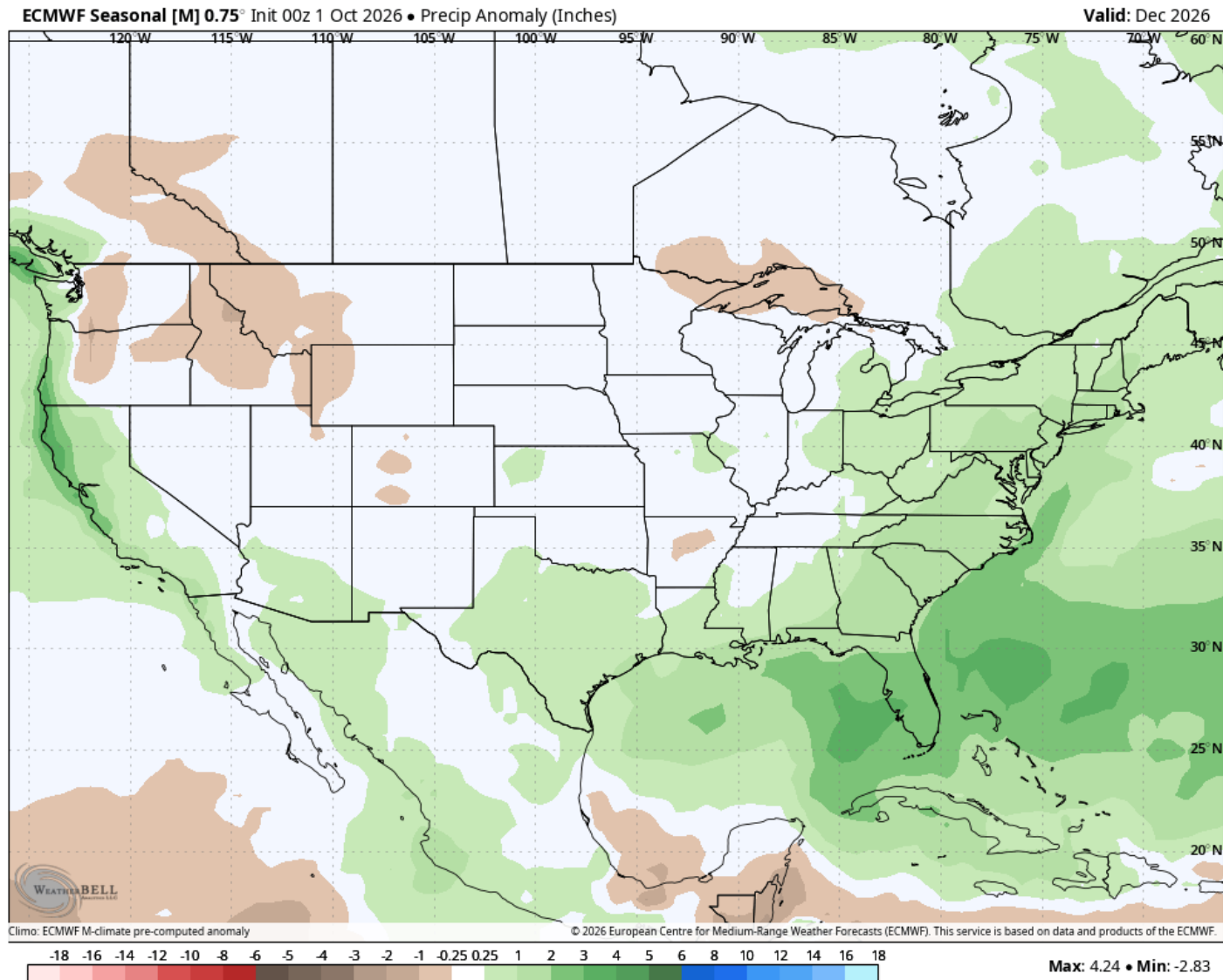
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## Euro Model Precipitation Forecast – November 2026 as of 10/06/2026



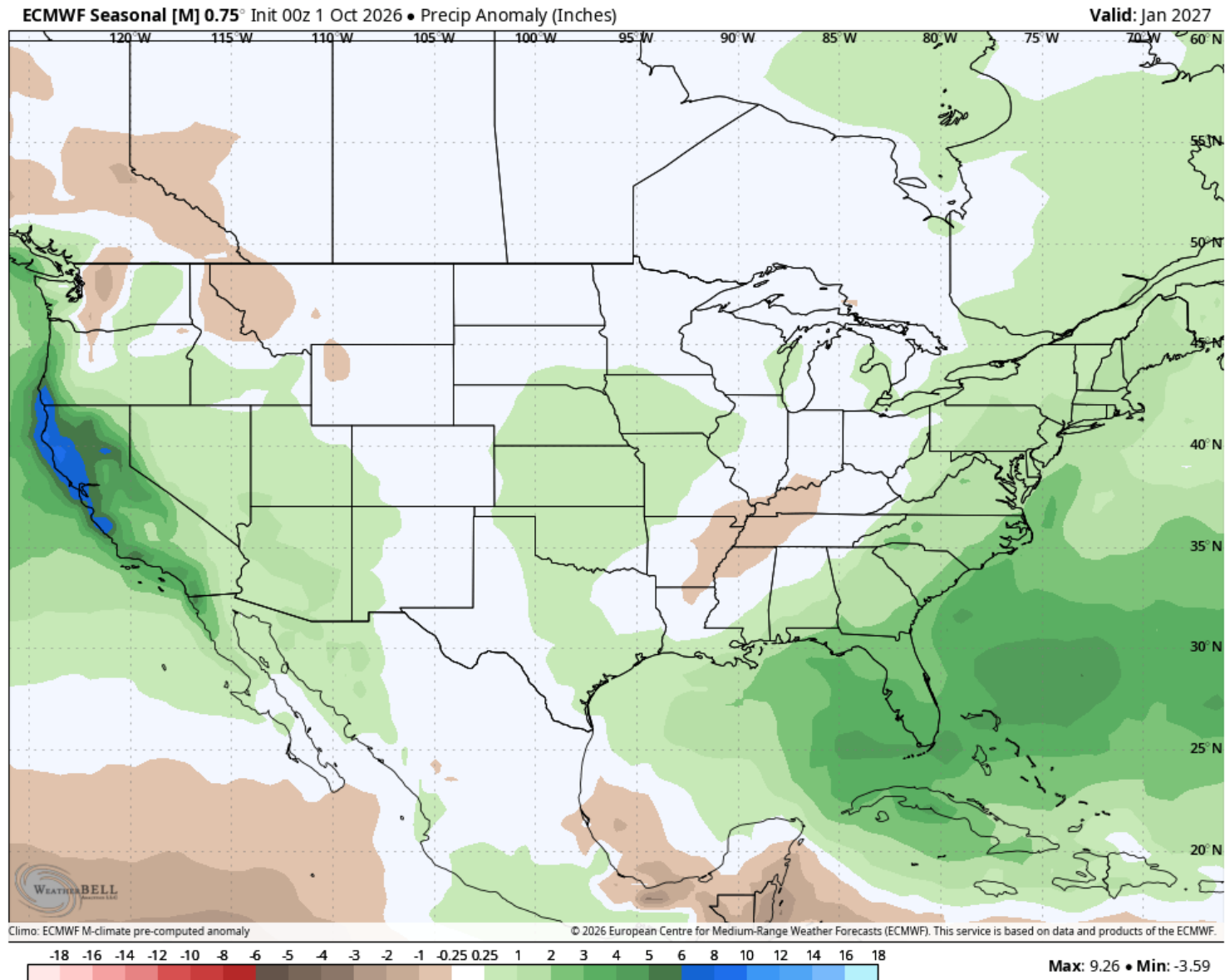
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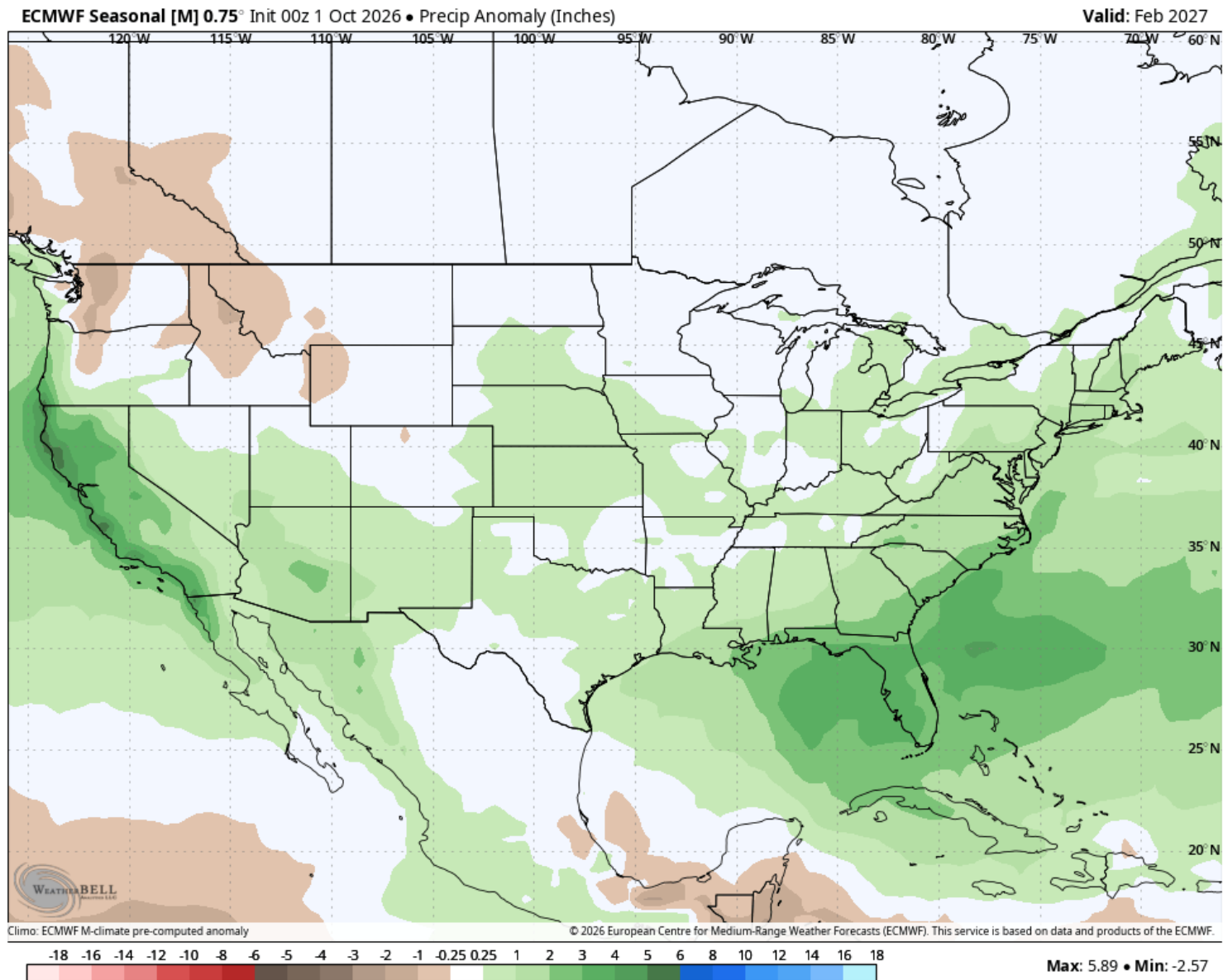
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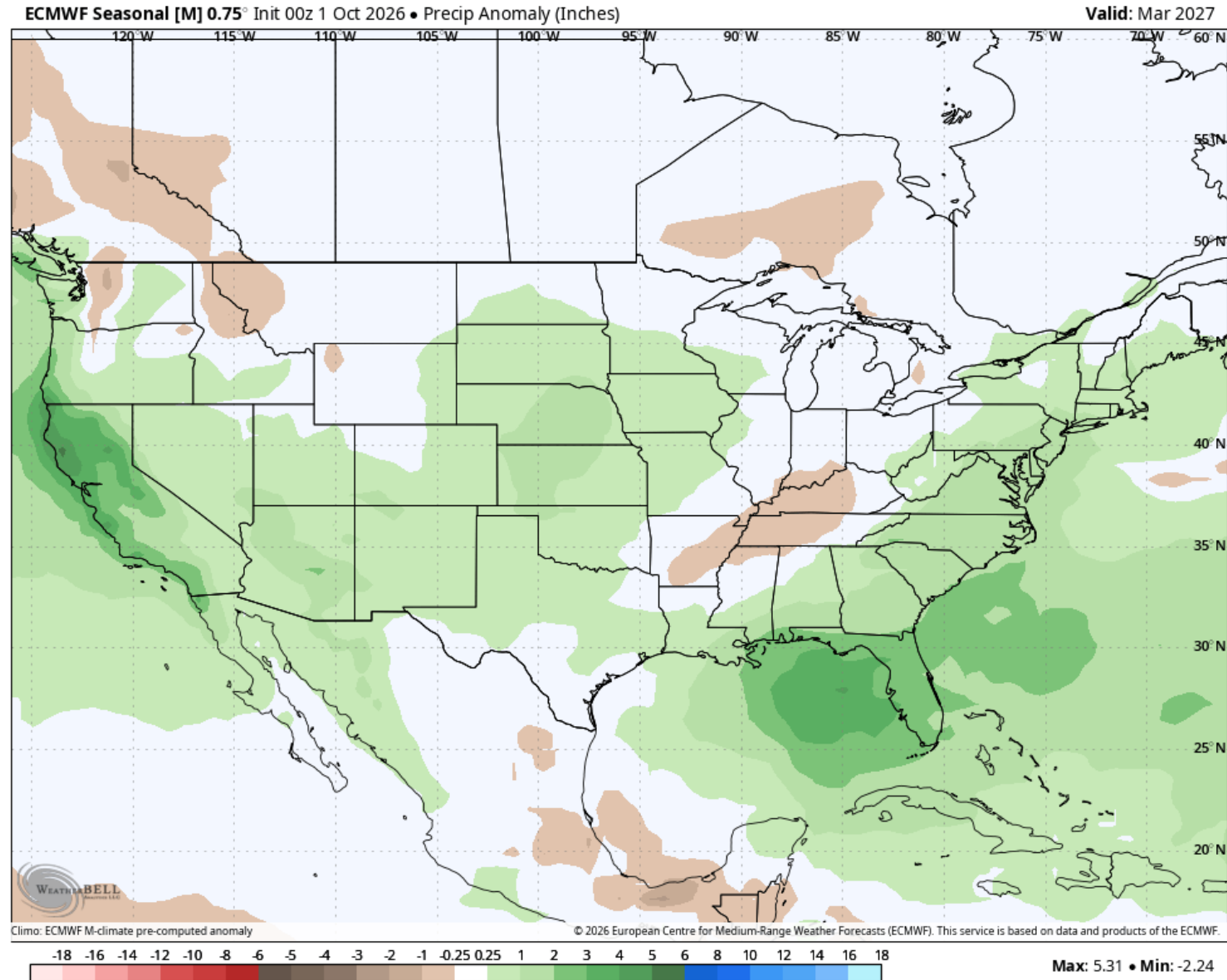
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