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Weather Forecast Office
San Francisco Bay Area
Thursday, Nov 19, 2026

Showers and isolated thunderstorms today, High Surf Advisory, Coastal Flood Advisory, Cold Weather Advisory

KEY POINTS

- **Strong winds, moderate to heavy rainfall at times with isolated thunderstorms through Thursday afternoon**
- **Impactful cold conditions Friday and Saturday morning**
- **Hazardous beach conditions with high surf expected through early Friday**
- **Coastal flooding during high tides for areas adjacent to the San Francisco and San Pablo Bays, especially next week**
- **Potential for impactful weather continues beyond the current extended forecast**

WEATHER RISK OUTLOOK

Risk levels incorporate potential impacts from weather hazards and likelihood of occurrence for a reasonable worst-case scenario.

	Thu 11/19	Fri 11/20	Sat 11/21	Sun 11/22	Mon 11/23	Tue 11/24	Wed 11/25
North Bay Santa Rosa, Napa, San Rafael	High Surf Thunderstorms Wind Rain Coastal Flood	Cold Rain Coastal Flooding	Cold Rain	Rain		Rain	Rain
San Francisco Downtown SF	High Surf Thunderstorms Wind Rain Coastal Flood	Rain Coastal Flooding	Rain	Rain		Rain	Rain
SF Peninsula Half Moon Bay, San Mateo, SFO	High Surf Thunderstorms Wind Rain	Rain	Rain	Rain		Rain	Rain
East Bay Oakland, Concord, Livermore	Thunderstorms Wind Rain	Cold Rain	Cold Rain	Rain		Rain	Rain
South Bay San Jose, Gilroy	Thunderstorms Wind Rain	Rain	Rain	Rain		Rain	Rain
Santa Cruz County Santa Cruz, Boulder Creek, Corralitos	High Surf Thunderstorms Wind Rain	Rain	Rain	Rain		Rain	Rain
Monterey & San Benito County Monterey, Salinas, Hollister	High Surf Thunderstorms Wind Rain	Cold Rain	Cold Rain	Rain		Rain	Rain

Risk Levels	Little to None	Minor	Moderate	Major	Extreme

DETAILS

North Bay	
Rain	**Impacts:** Impactful system through early today, with light rain lingering through the extended forecast. **Confidence:** Moderate
	Details: • Moderate to heavy rain leading to minor nuisance flooding. • Heavy rain on wildfire burn scars have a high risk of flash flooding along with mud and debris flows. • Roads may become impassable due to flooding or flood damage.
Wind	**Impacts:** Wind gusts of 15 to 30 mph **Timing:** Today **Confidence:** Moderate
	Details: • Strong winds may produce difficult driving conditions for high profile vehicles.
Coastal Flooding	**Impacts:** High tides will result in flooding of low-lying infrastructure, isolated road closures, and coastal erosion. Rising tides will bring water and waves farther up the beach than normal, restricting escape from beaches and coastal areas. **Timing:** Through at least Friday, greater potential as we head into King Tides **Confidence:** High
	Details: At the San Francisco tide gauge, high tide is expected to be: • 1.2 ft above normal (7.0 ft MLLW) at 7:15 AM Thursday 11/19 • 1.1 ft above normal (6.9 ft MLLW) at 7:45 am Friday 11/20 These predictions include up to 1.8 ft of surge that will enhance the astronomical tide and flooding threat. High tide varies up to 90 minutes earlier or later along the Pacific Coast and through the San Francisco Bay, respectively.
High Surf	**Impacts:** Breaking waves of 18 to 24 ft expected with occasional sets up to 30 ft waves at favored break points. Waves can sweep across the shoreline without warning, pulling people into the sea from beaches, jetties, and rocks. **Confidence:** High
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Thunderstorms	**Impacts:** Isolated thunderstorms **Timing:** Today **Confidence:** Low to Moderate
	Details: • Thunderstorms may produce gusty winds, heavy rain and graupel.
Cold	**Impacts:** Cold conditions with temperatures between 33 and 36 degrees

Timing:
Friday and Saturday mornings 1 am to 8 am
Confidence:
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Details:
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GRAPHICS

High Surf Advisory

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What

- **Large breaking waves of 18 to 24 ft** along the coast
- Up to 30 ft at favored break points
- Increased risk of sneaker waves and rip currents

Where

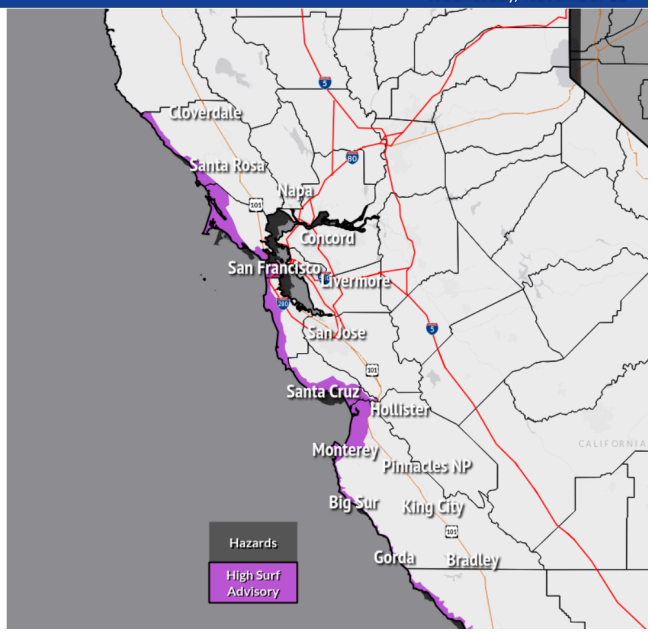
- **All beaches along the Pacific Coast**

When

- 4 PM Wednesday to 4 AM Friday

Impacts & Safety

- Waves can sweep across the shoreline, pulling people into the sea from beaches, jetties, and rocks
- Stay off of jetties, piers, rocks, and other waterside infrastructure
- Remain out of the water to avoid hazardous surf
- Never turn your back on the ocean!



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Coast Flood Advisory

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What

- Up to 1.2 ft of inundation above ground level is likely in low-lying areas near shorelines and tidal waterways

Where

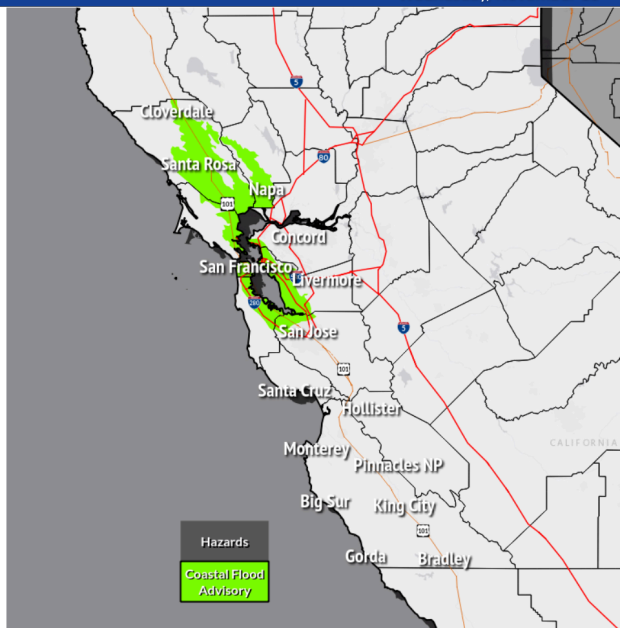
- **Bayshore locations** along the San Pablo Bay and San Francisco Bay

When

- Through 10 AM Friday
- Likely to be extended as we head into King Tides

Impacts & Safety

- If travel is required, allow extra time as some roads may be closed
- Do not drive around barricades or through water of unknown depth
- Take the necessary actions to protect flood-prone property



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Turning Colder Friday and Saturday Mornings

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What

- Cold conditions with temperatures in the low to mid 30s expected.

Where

- North Bay, Eastern Santa Clara Hills, and parts of the interior Central Coast and East Bay

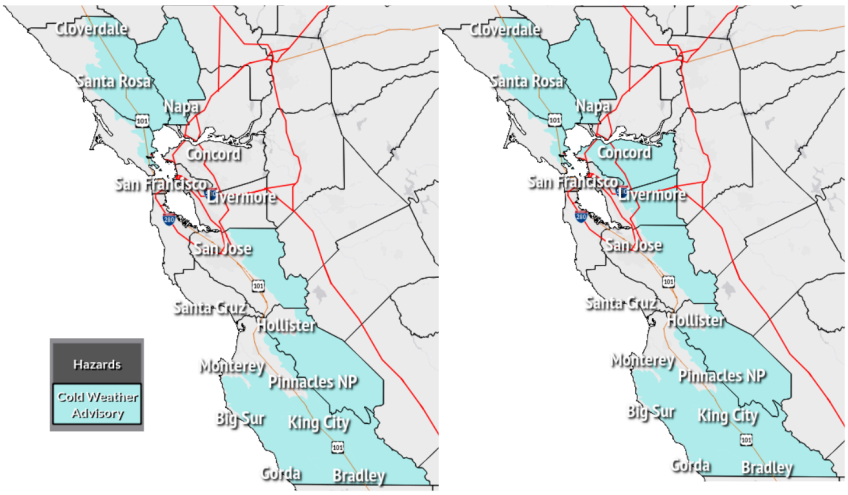
When

- Friday 1am-8am (excluding East Bay)
- Saturday 1am-8am

Impacts & Safety

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Friday Morning | **Saturday Morning**



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