## Det 3, 18th Weather Squadron

TEMPESTA PRAECURSIO

# Semi-Annual Weather Brief Winter/Spring 2018







#### **OVERVIEW**



Weather Support
Weather Webpage
Seasonal Averages
Seasonal Weather
Operational Impacts



#### **OPERATIONS**



#### **Weather Station Operating Hours**

**Hunter AAF: 24hrs Mon-Fri** 

Wright AAF: Mon-Fri (0600L-2300L) can flex down to single

shift 0600L-1600L for low manning

(Closed weekends, holidays)

Standby and Severe Weather Team (SWAT) for Inclement weather when closed for both locations

For after hours briefing support please contact 26th OWS Flight Weather Briefing cell at:

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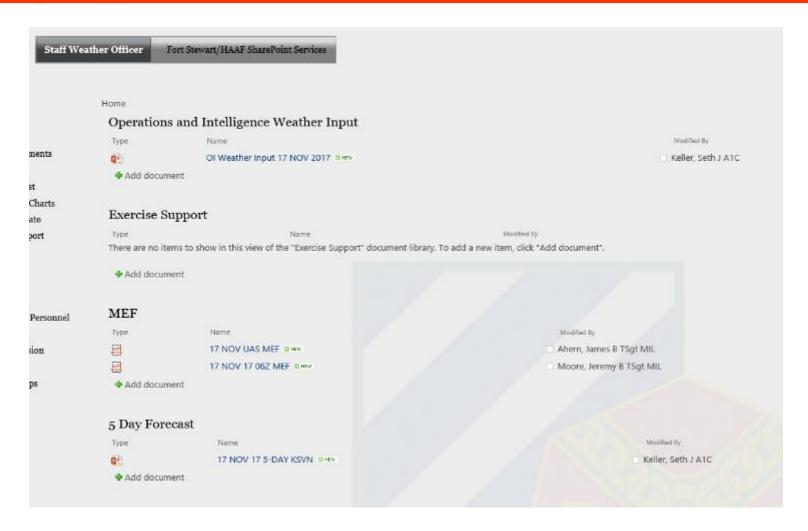
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#### **WEATHER HOMEPAGE**



#### https://sps13.stewart.army.mil/USAF/SWO/DEFAULT.ASPX





### **Planning Products**

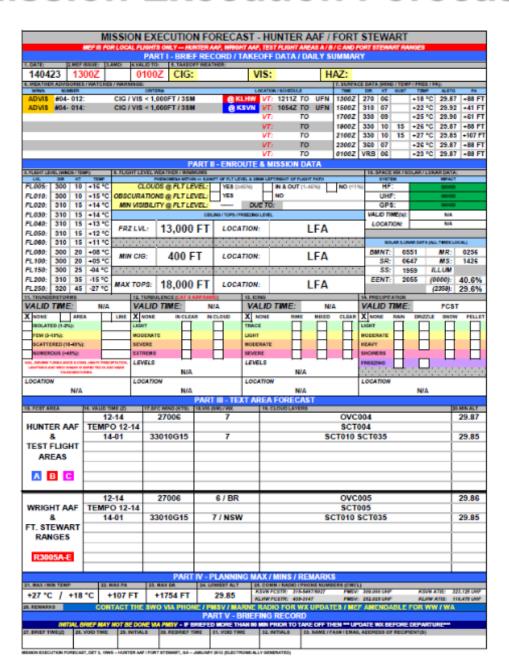


	UNCLASSIFIED											
		HUNTER AAF / FT STEWART - 5 DAY FORECAST										
				AS OF 06	00 HRS LOCAL	Wednesday, N	November 15,	2017				
	Wed 15 Nov 17		Thu 16 Nov 17		Fri 17	Nov 17	Sat 18	Nov 17	Sun 19 Nov 17			
	06L-12L 12L-00L		00L-12L 12L-00L		00L-12L 12L-00L		00L-12L 12L-00L		00L-12L	12L-00L		
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WINDS	NE 10KTS	NE 10G15KTS	N 05KTS	NW 10G15KTS	NE 05KTS	E 10G15KTS	SE 05KTS	SW 12G20KTS	NW 15G25KTS	NW 12G20KTS		
MIN CEILINGS	2000 FT	NO CIG	NO CIG	NO CIG	NO CIG	NO CIG	2500 FT	2500 FT	2000 FT	NO CIG		
MIN VISIBILITY	7 MILES	7 MILES	7 MILES	7 MILES	7 MILES	7 MILES	2 MILES	7 MILES	7 MILES	7 MILES		
PRESENT WEATHER	MOSTLY CLOUDY	PARTLY CLOUDY	FEW CLOUDS	FEW CLOUDS	CLEAR	FEW CLOUDS	FOG	MOSTLY CLOUDY	ISOLD SHOWERS	FEW CLOUDS		
TEMPERATURE	LO: 43F/06C	HI: 64F/18C	LO: 48F/09C	HI: 70F/21C	LO: 54F/12C	HI: 66F/19C	LO: 57F/14C	HI: 73F/23C	LO: 59F/15C	HI: 64F/18C		
WIND CHL/HT INDEX												
ROTARY							V	W	W	W		
FIXED WING	С						C/V	С	W/C			
GROUND OPS							V	W	W	W		
UAV	С						C/V	С	С			
	SR: 0653	SS: 1725	SR: 0654	SS: 1724	SR: 0655	SS: 1724	SR: 0656	SS: 1723	SR: 0657	SS: 1723		
LIGHT DATA	BMNT: 0558	EENT: 1820	BMNT: 0559	EENT: 1819	BMNT: 0600	EENT: 1819	BMNT: 0600	EENT: 1819	BMNT: 0601	EENT: 1818		
	MR: 0407	MS: 1606	MR: 0503	MS: 1641	MR: 0558	MS: 1716	MR: 0653	MS: 1754	MR: 0747	MS: 1834		
	ILLUM:	10.4%	ILLUM:	5.1%	ILLUM:	1.7%	ILLUM:	0.3%	ILLUM: 0.7%			

**C-CEILING V-VISIBILITY W-WIND** 



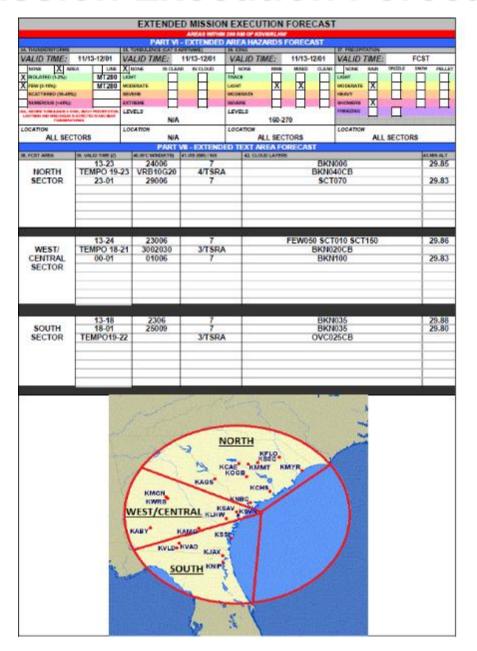
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	FT STEWART/WRIGHT AAF/EVANS AAF MISSION EXECUTION FORECAST (MEF)											
	FOR UPDATE/DEBRIEF CALL WAAF WX @ DSN 4753147 OR COMM 912-435-3147 (VHF 252.025)  AFTER 1600L CONTACT HAAF WX @ DSN 729-5467 OR COMM 912-314-5467											A (12Z - 04Z)
BRIEF TIME:			VOID TIME:			BRIEFER INITIALS: PILOT INITIALS:					AMD	
SECTION I. WRIGHT AAF TAKE-OFF / RECOVERY WEATHER												
VALID TIMES	WIND (KT) (M)	XWIND	VIS (SM)	WX	SKY CONDITION	ON TEMP	DPT	RH%	ALSTG	PA	DA	MIN CEILING
0700L / 1200Z	03006	05	7	NSW	SKC	+05° C	+04° C	93%	30.12 INS	-138	-1265	12Z - 18Z
0900L / 1400Z	06010	00	7	NSW	SKC	+10° C	+05° C	71%	30.14 INS	-157	-635	N/A
1100L / 1600Z	09010G15	07	7	NSW	SKC	+16° C	+07° C	55%	30.15 INS	-166	+136	18Z - 04Z
1300L / 1800Z	09010G15	07	7	NSW	SKC	+21° C	+07° C	40%	30.14 INS	-157	+798	N/A
1500L / 2000Z	09010G15	07	7	NSW	SKC	+19° C	+07° C	46%	30.12 INS	-184	+503	MAX TOPS
47001 / 00007	***********		_	NO.	21/2	470.0	222.2	500/	22.42.012	40.4		407 407
1700L / 2200Z	09010G15	07	7	NSW	SKC	+17° C	+09° C	59%	30.12 INS	-184	+247	12Z - 18Z
40001 104007	00040045	07	-	NOW	FFMMAF	.400.0	100.0	000/	20.40 INC	400	240	
1900L / 2400Z	09010G15	07	7	NSW	FEW015	+13° C	+10° C	82%	30.10 INS	-166	-249	N/A
24001 / 02007	06005	00	7	NSW	SCT015	+12° C	+11° C	94%	20 40 INC	-166	270	407 047
2100L / 0200Z	06005	00	- 1	NSW	301015	+12° C	+11°C	94%	30.10 INS	-100	-378	18Z - 04Z
2300L / 0400Z	06005	00	4	BR	SCT015	+12° C	+11° C	94%	30.10 INS	-166	-378	
2300L / 0400Z	00005	00	4	DIX	301013	+12°C	*11°C	9470	30.10 INS	-100	-310	N/A
		SEC	TION IL. C	URRENT WATC	HES / WARNINGS	6 / ADVISORIES all	w/in 5nm	or 25nm (	ALL TIMES	7ULU)		
	NONE	- OLC	Va		to		NONE		rice rimes	Valid		to
	NONE		Va		to		NONE			Valid		to
	NONE		Va		to		NONE			Valid		
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SECTION III. ENROUTE WEATHER     *T-STORMS	ICING VT:	T: N/A P RIME [ MXD [	□ DRIZ	VT: NA		RBULENCE & ICING,	
☐ ISOLD 1-2%         ☐ SCT 16-45%         ☐ LGT         ☐ SVR           ☐ FEW 3-15%         ☐ NMRS >45%         ☐ MDT         ☐ EXTRN           ☐ AREA         ☐ LINE         ☐ IN CLEAR         ☐ LEVELS	LGT LGT	RIME [	□ DRIZ	Z		*	
☐ FEW 3-15%         ☐ NMRS >45%         ☐ MDT         ☐ EXTRN           ☐ AREA         ☐ LINE         ☐ IN CLEAR         ☐ LEVELS	VI ☐ LGT	MXD	RAIN	IIISHWRS		*	
AREA LINE INCLEAR LEVELS					HEAVY DRECTURE A	THE RESERVE AND ADDRESS OF	
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MAX TOPS: IN CLOUD			SNO	W   G EDZNO	WIND SHEAR EXPECTED IN AND NEAR THUNDERSTORMS.		
			SLE	ET     FRZNG	***************************************		
	MIN FREEZIN	NG LVL (MSL)					
SECTION IV. FLIC	12Z	-18Z					
VALID TIME: 1200Z-1600Z VALID TIM	/IE 1600Z-2	Z-2200Z VA	LID TIME	2200Z-0400Z	120		
LEVEL DIR KTS TEMP LEVEL D	DIR KTS	TEMP LEVE	L DIR	KTS TEMP			
FL010 60 20 +13C FL010 1	100 15	+15C FL01	0 100	15 +13C	18Z	-04Z	
	100 15	+13C FL02		15 +12C	120		
	100 10	+09C FL03		10 +09C			
FL040 80 20 +10C FL040 1	100 10	+08C FL04	0 120	10 +09C	SPACE WEAT	HER IMPACTS	
	100 10	+09C FL05	0 120	10 +09C	12Z	-04Z	
	90 5	+08C FL06		5 <b>+09C</b>	HF	NO IMPACT	
	210 5	+07C FL08		5 <b>+07C</b>	UHF	NO IMPACT	
	240 15	+04C FL10		10 +04C	GP <b>S</b>	NO IMPACT	
FL120 280 20 00C FL120 2	250 15	00C FL12	0 260	15 +01C	SOLAR AND	LUNAR DATA	
FL140 290 20 -04C FL140 2	270 20	-03C FL14	0 270	20 -03C	BMNT	0601 L	
FL160 300 25 -08C FL160 2	270 20	-08C FL16	0 280	25 -08C	SUNRISE	0657 L	
FL180 300 30 -14C FL180 2	280 25	-14C FL18	0 300	25 -13C	SUNSET	1726 L	
FL220 300 35 -22C FL220 3	300 30	-19C FL22	0 310	30 -18C	EENT	1821 L	
FL240 300 35 -27C FL240 3	310 40	-25C FL24	0 320	40 -24C	MOONRISE	0600 L	
FL270 310 40 -35C FL270 3	320 50	-32C FL27	0 320	50 -31C	MOONSET	1718 L	
REMARKS:					ILLUM %	1.7%	



## **UAS Mission Execution Forecast**



			SECTION V. AREA	A FORECAST	
Forecast Area	Valid Time (Z)	SFC Wind (KTS)			MIN ALSTG
	12-16	06010	7	SKC	3012
	16-24	09010G15	7	SKC	3010
	00-03	06005	7	FEW015	3010
R3005 A/B	03-04	06005	4 BR	SCT015	3010
10000 A/B					
	12-16	06010	7	SKC	3012
	16-24	09010G15	7	SKC	3010
	00-03	06005	7	FEW015	3010
R3005 C/D	03-04	06005	4 BR	SCT015	3010
K3003 C/D					
	12-16	06010	7	SKC	3012
	16-24	09010G15	7	SKC	3010
	00-03	06005	7	FEW015	3010
R3005 E	03-04	06005	4 BR	SCT015	3010
K3003 E					

\*\*\*\*\*\*Briefing not valid until call back for initials from SWO\*\*\*\*\*\*

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#### WEATHER BRIEFINGS



- ✓ Provide Mission Execution Forecasts (MEF) for VFR local flights w/in 150nm ring of KSVN
- ✓ Provide 175-1 briefings via telephone, fax, email or in person
- ✓ 175-1's should be requested at least 2 hours prior to delivery time and prior to filing a flight plan
- ✓ Updates may be done on PMSV, but not initial briefs

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#### **PMSV**



✓ Pilot-to-Metro Service

- ✓ UHF Frequency only
- ✓ Available during duty hours only
- **✓ HAAF UHF: 309.0**
- ✓ WAAF UHF: 252.025



## WEATHER WATCHES, WARNINGS AND ADVISORIES



<u>Weather Advisory</u> - Alerts supported units to weather conditions that could affect their operations.

<u>Weather Watch</u> - Alert supported units of <u>potential</u> for hazardous weather for which they must take protective measures.

<u>Weather Warning</u> - Alert supported units to <u>existing</u> <u>or imminent</u> weather conditions that pose a hazard to life or property.



#### **SEASONAL WEATHER**



- ✓ **WINTER**: Frequent cold frontal passages, stronger winds, highest probability for turbulence and icing, minimal T-storm activity, frequent low ceiling and visibility conditions.
- ✓ **SPRING:** Frequent cold frontal passages, stronger winds, decreasing probability for turbulence and icing, increasing thunderstorm activity.



#### Percentage of Cig blo 030



% Ceiling < 3000 ft

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23Z (18L)	23	23	19	10	10	13	9	14	13	16	18	26
22Z (17L)	26	27	19	13	12	15	13	16	16	16	20	27
21Z (16L)	25	24	19	16	11	14	16	14	17	19	21	24
20Z (15L)	27	24	22	15	14	16	14	15	18	19	22	24
19Z (14L)	29	28	22	14	14	15	12	14	21	23	21	28
18Z (13L)	32	28	23	15	14	13	11	14	22	24	24	31
17Z (12L)	36	28	26	16	18	16	13	21	25	28	26	33
16Z (11L)	36	31	32	21	20	19	16	19	28	29	28	34
15Z (10L)	39	32	32	26	23	22	19	23	30	31	30	39
14Z (09L)	41	35	34	25	27	26	20	26	33	34	30	39
13Z (08L)	38	36	32	27	28	30	22	29	32	35	33	37
12Z (07L)	36	37	30	26	27	27	21	28	28	36	31	37
11Z (06L)	34	30	30	26	30	27	25	27	30	34	30	37
10Z (05L)	34	30	27	27	34	23	27	29	30	35	30	37
09Z (04L)	34	32	30	32	34	28	26	38	26	45	34	29
08Z (03L)	30	30	33	30	37	27	21	31	19	41	31	36
07Z (02L)	27	30	34	29	34	18	19	29	22	41	38	34
06Z (01L)	30	40	35	25	26	14	15	29	18	32	34	34
05Z (OOL)	26	32	26	16	20	16	12	22	16	30	29	29
04Z (23L)	24	27	20	14	18	14	14	23	19	30	24	27
03Z (22L)	27	23	20	14	12	15	6	10	13	21	19	28
02Z (21L)	22	22	21	12	10	10	4	8	13	15	16	25
01Z (20L)	22	21	22	10	13	13	7	8	14	13	18	26
00Z (19L)	22	21	21	11	12	13	9	7	14	13	21	26
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Арг	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec



#### Percentage of Vis blo 3SM



% Visibility < 3 SM

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23Z (18L)	6	7	4	4	4	7	9	13	6	3	4	10
22Z (17L)	8	Ø	5	4	ம	10	10	10	5	6	7	11
21Z (16L)	8	15)	7	7	15)	10	12	10	7	4	5)	8
20Z (15L)	7	6	7	ហ	Ю	7	13	9	ω	3	7	5
19Z (14L)	7	7	6	4	4	6	Ø	7	5	7	7	7
18Z (13L)	9	7	7	6	15)	4	2	5	3	4	5	8
17Z (12L)	11	7	7	Ø	4	4	3	7	4	5	6	9
16Z (11L)	12	Ø	00	5	4	3	2	5	6	4	6	13
15Z (10L)	17	14	10	6	4	4	3	3	00	6	10	16
14Z (09L)	23	20	15	7	6	4	4	6	11	13	20	22
13Z (08L)	30	28	24	14	13	9	10	15	23	28	30	29
12Z (07L)	32	30	29	24	30	24	22	32	39	31	32	32
11Z (06L)	38	22	29	26	37	32	31	42	40	31	30	32
10Z (05L)	29	30	20	26	34	31	28	32	29	28	29	38
09Z (04L)	35	27	19	23	29	23	20	22	17	24	27	45
08Z (03L)	34	21	17	25	28	17	11	11	22	17	30	38
07Z (02L)	32	22	16	11	22	7	13	13	19	31	33	37
06Z (01L)	42	19	20	10	16	7	7	13	13	15	22	41
05Z (OOL)	40	19	8	4	5	3	3	14	18	9	14	37
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03Z (22L)	18	7	3	5	2	4	3	3	6	4	9	23
02Z (21L)	14	8	4	2	4	2	4	2	4	4	80	20
01Z (20L)	11	7	5	3	5	6	5	3	4	3	7	10
00Z (19L)	6	6	5	3	5	9	7	7	7	2	5	8
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#### **HAZARDS TO AIRCRAFT**



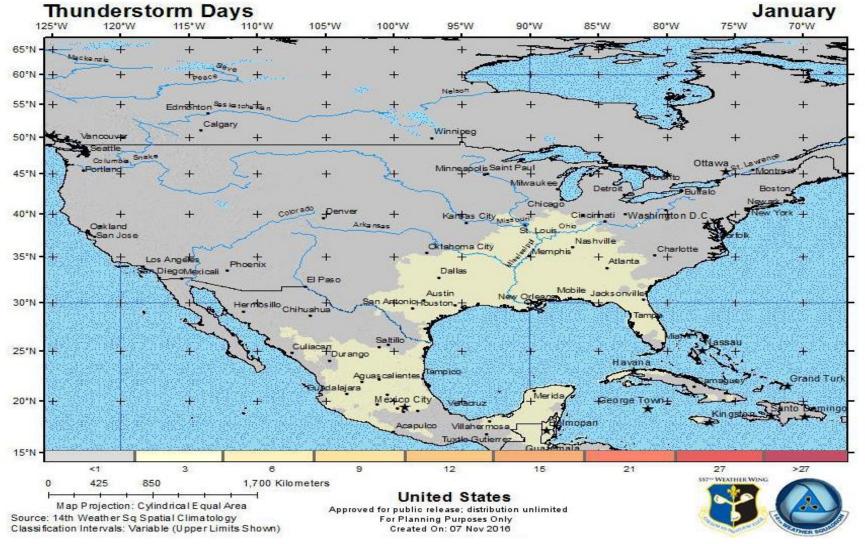


- ✓ Thunderstorms seasonal annual low but not completely ruled out
- ✓ Icing Common in winter months assoc. w/ fog and low ceilings
- ✓ Turbulence
  - decrease in thermal turbulence (heating)
  - increase in mechanical turbulence (CF)
- ✓ LLWS Increased potential for wind shear below 2,000'



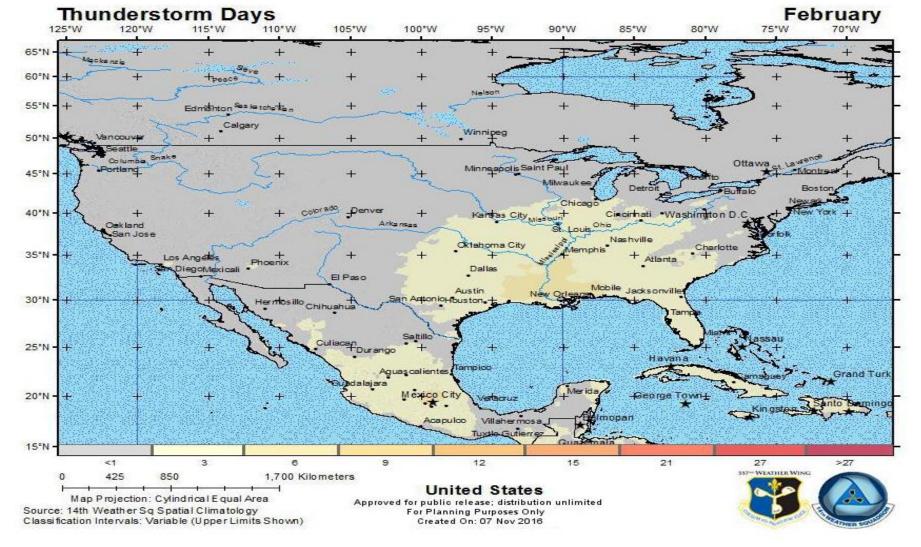
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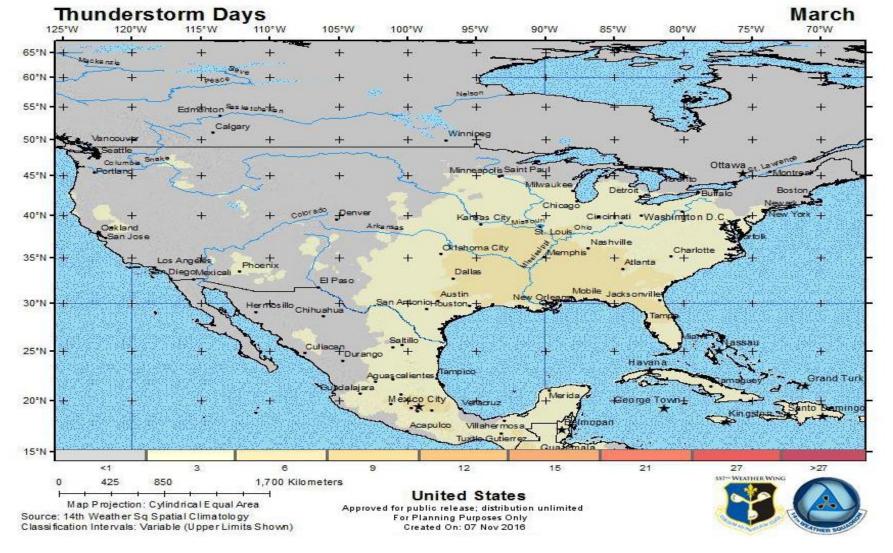






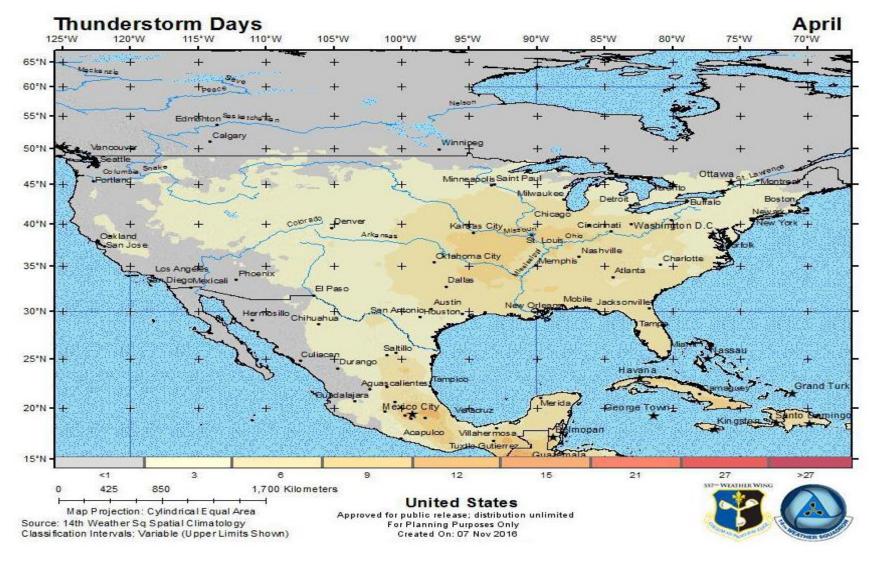






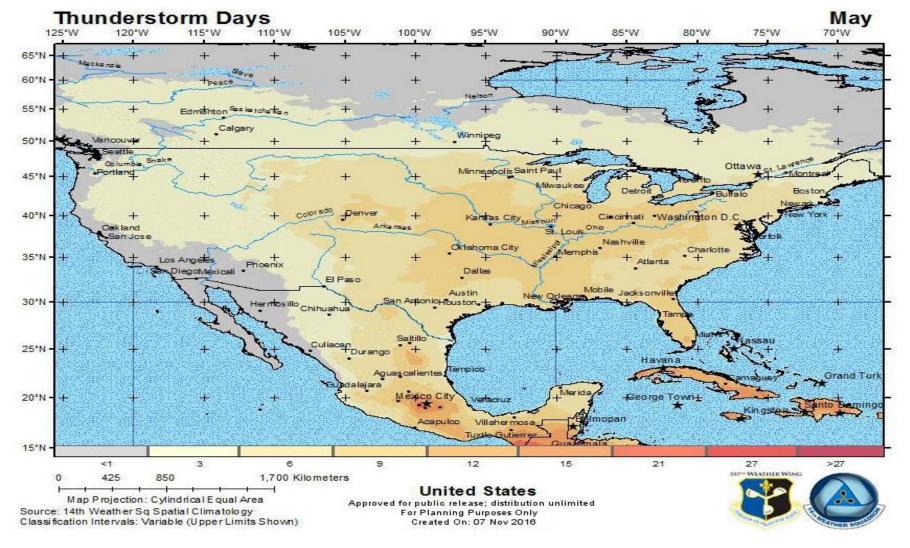














#### **ICING**



- ✓ Increases the weight of the aircraft
- ✓ Decreases lifting surface efficiency
- ✓ Destroys the efficiency of the airfoil by altering its shape (for wings or propellers)
- ✓ Effects on helicopters potentially more severe than fixed-wing because of relatively slow cruising speeds—aerodynamic effects are greatly exaggerated by icing and altered aerodynamic effects make control unpredictable



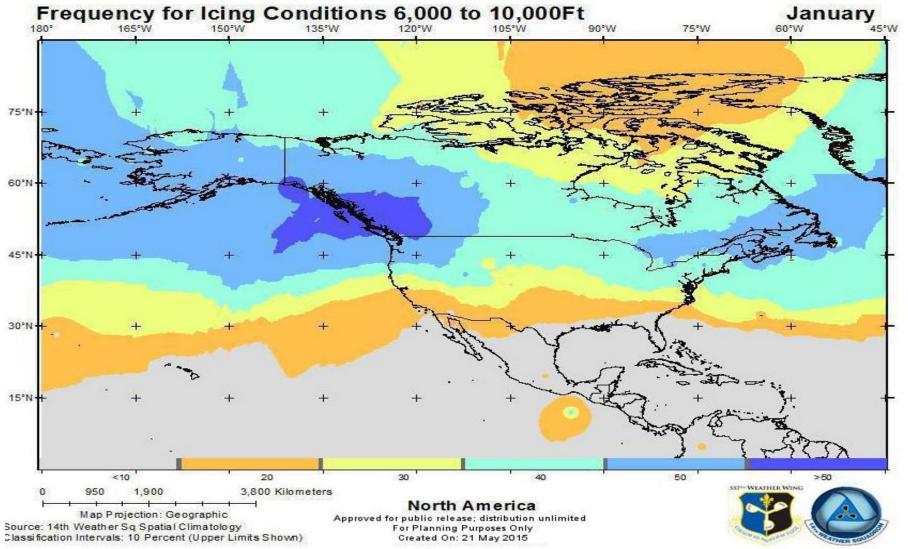
#### **ICING TYPES**



- ✓ Rime
  - -Milky, bumpy coating
  - -Usually from stable precipitation
- ✓ Clear
  - -Clear, smooth coating
  - -From cumuliform/freezing precipitation
- ✓ Mixed
  - -Combination of the above

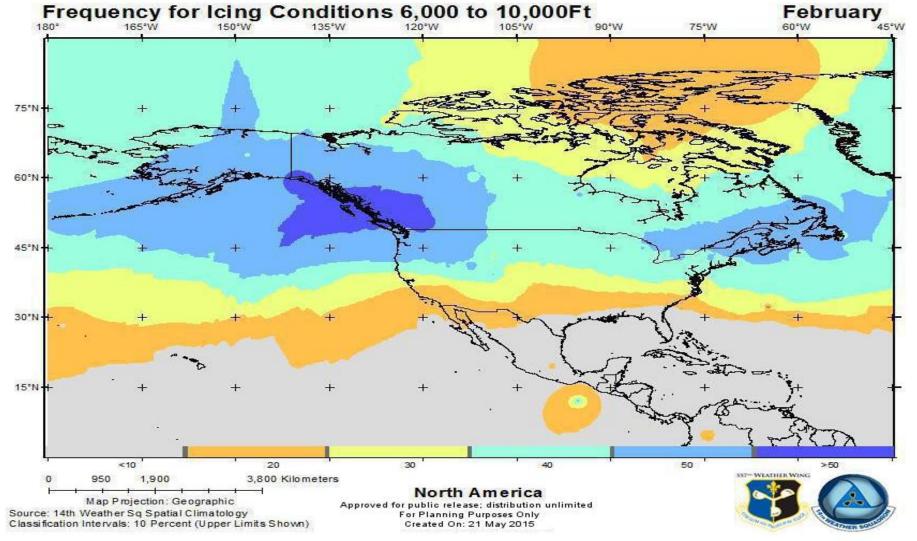






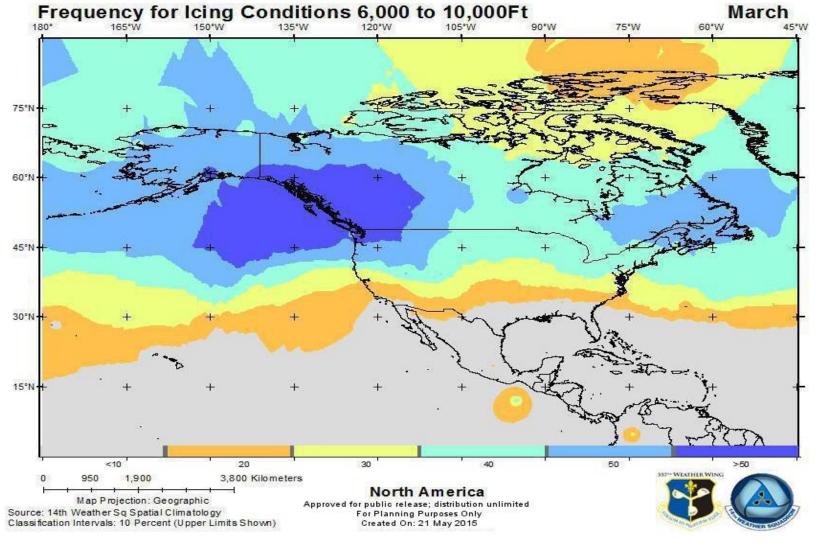














#### **TURBULENCE**



- Turbulence to aircraft is categorized by: size, weight, and speed of the aircraft.
- All forecasts (MEF/5 day, etc) are set for CAT II aircraft
- Any hazards on MEF will be re-calculated by ½ for each category difference (example):
  - ✓CAT II LGT = CAT I LGT OCNL MOD turb
- ✓ All Flight Weather Briefs (Locals, 175-1) will be specific to each aircraft



#### **TURBULENCE**



Increase in stronger winds from the West and North influence mechanical and frontal TURBC

Fast moving frontal systems can produce moderate or greater low-level turbulence

✓ Frictional effects normally limited to first 3,000-4,000 feet

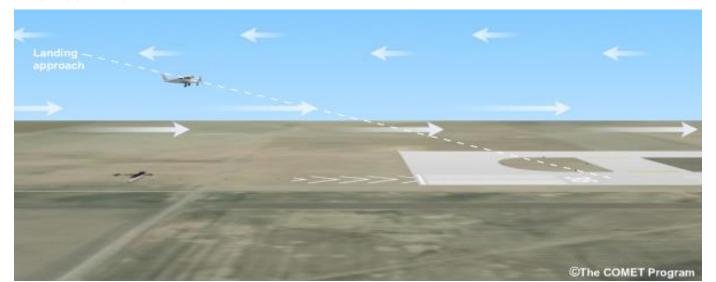




#### **LOW LEVEL WIND SHEAR**



- ✓LLWS can impact aircraft performance during both takeoff and landing.
- ✓ The most hazardous consequence is when it occurs on approach AND near the surface, after the pilot has made power adjustments to compensate for the wind







## **Any Questions?**