

YOUR 7-DAY FORECAST

Today

Humid with clouds and sunshine

80°

RealFeel: 84°

UV Index: 3

Tonight

Mostly cloudy and mild

65°

RealFeel: 67°

Saturday

Sunny to partly cloudy

83° 63°

RealFeel: 88°

UV Index: 5

Sunday

Partly sunny and pleasant

80° 64°

RealFeel: 86°

UV Index: 5

Monday

Mostly sunny

82° 56°

RealFeel: 86°

UV Index: 5

Tuesday

Sunshine and not as warm

73° 51°

RealFeel: 76°

UV Index: 5

Wednesday

Plenty of sun

74° 51°

RealFeel: 75°

UV Index: 5

Thursday

Plenty of sunshine

72° 49°

RealFeel: 73°

UV Index: 5

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The patented **AccuWeather.com RealFeel Temperature®** is the only index that includes all the weather factors that play a role in how we perceive temperature, including the effects of wind, humidity, sunshine, precipitation, pressure, and elevation. Shown are the highest and lowest values for each day. The higher the **AccuWeather.com UV Index™** number, the greater the need for eye and skin protection.

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Charlotte on Wednesday	
TEMPERATURE	
High/low	85°/68°
Normal high/low	78°/57°
Last year high/low	85°/59°
Record high	99° (2019)
Record low	36° (1899)
PRECIPITATION	
Wednesday	0.01"
Month to date (normal)	0.01" (0.24")
Year to date (normal)	45.55" (33.92")
Last year to date	36.39"
COOLING DEGREE DAYS	
Degree days are an indicator of energy needs. The more the total degree days, the more energy is necessary to cool.	
Wednesday	12
Month to date (normal)	22 (8)
Year to date (normal)	2045 (1716)
Last year to date	1774
SUN & MOON	
Sunrise today	7:21 AM
Sunset tonight	7:03 PM
Moonrise today	
Moonset today	7:51 PM

First	Full	Last	New
Oct 10	Oct 17	Oct 24	Nov 1

POLLEN INDEX

AS OF 10/2	
Grass:	Low
Trees:	Low
Weeds:	Low
Mold:	High
Source: National Allergy Bureau	

RIVER LEVELS

	Flood Stage (ft.)	7 a.m. Thursday	24-hour change
CATAWBA RIVER			
near Pleasant Gardens	11	2.39	-0.20
above Rock Hill	15	8.50	-1.74
above Catawba	58	13.27	-2.29

STEWART CREEK			
at West Morehead Street	14	1.34	-0.07
at State Street	10	0.96	-0.10

LITTLE SUGAR CREEK			
at Medical Center Drive	13.5	1.95	-0.06

LAKE LEVELS

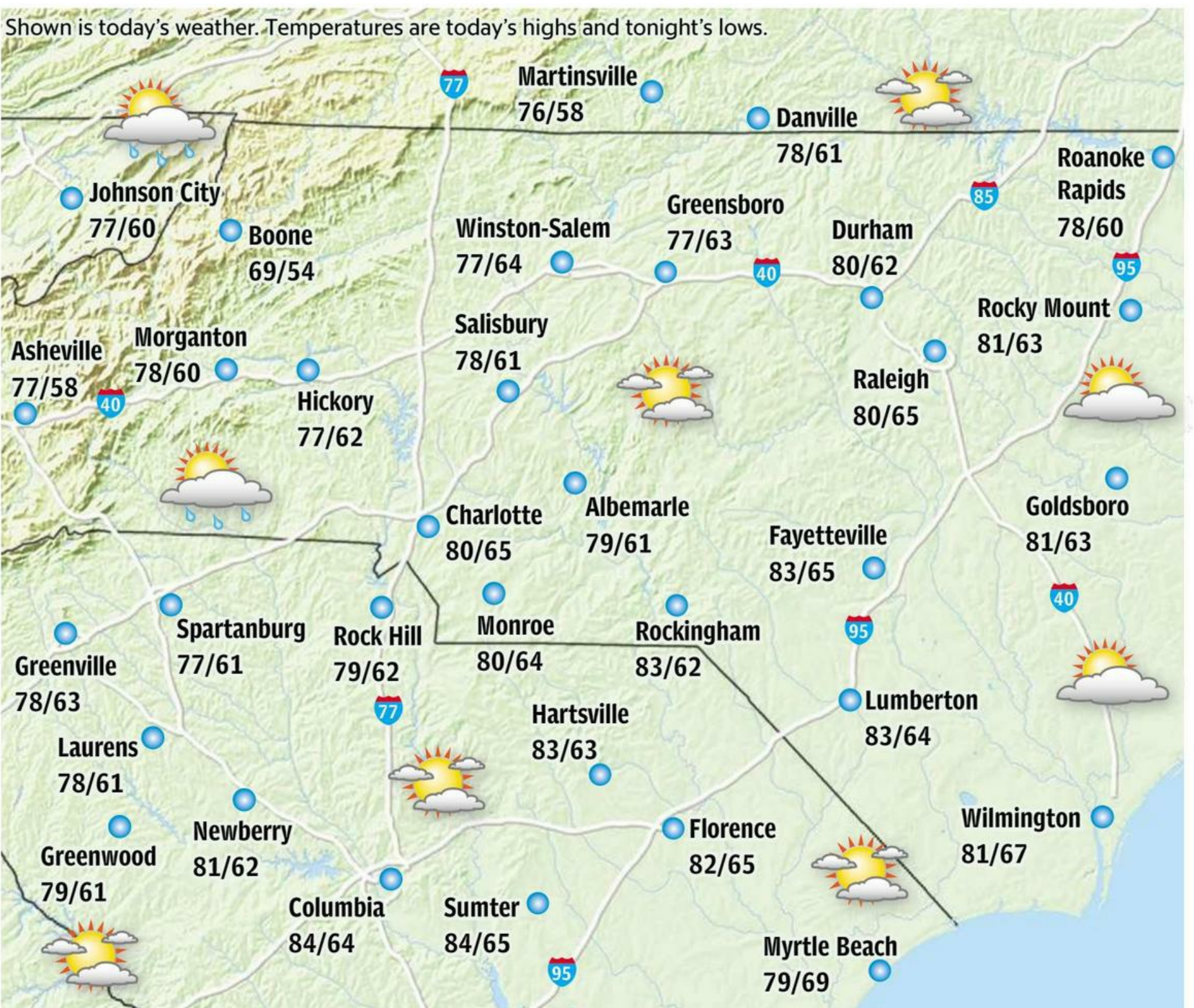
	Normal Pool (ft.)	Elevation Thursday	24-hour change
Lake Wylie	100	97.68	-0.41
Lake Norman	100	97.89	-0.44
High Rock Lake	655	N.A.	

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YOUR ACTIVITIES FORECAST

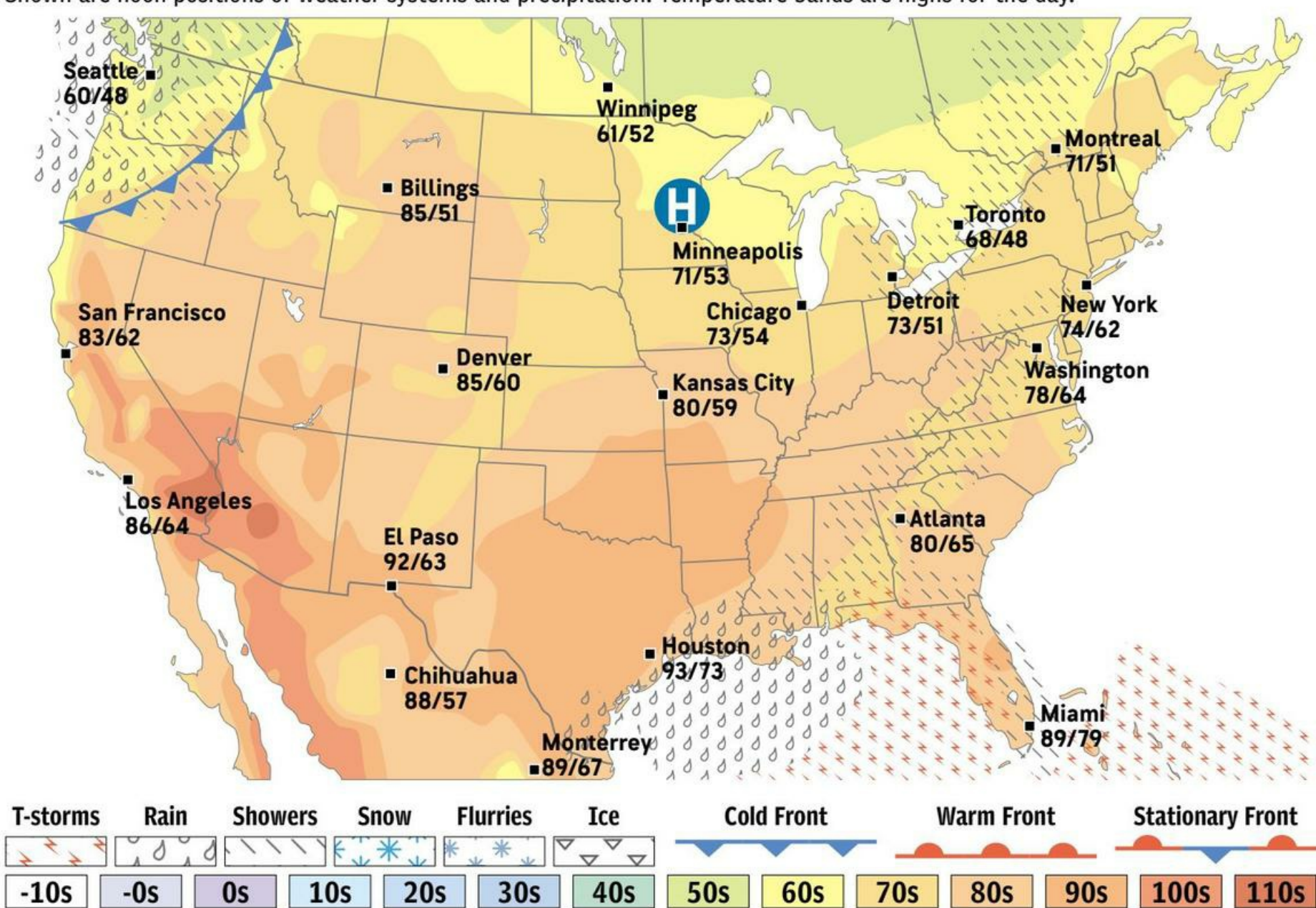
Today	Sat.	Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.
FISHING INDEX						
5	6	4	6	7	8	7
OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES INDEX						
6	9	9	9	9	9	9
HIKING INDEX						
6	9	9	9	10	10	10
GOLFING INDEX						
6	10	10	10	10	10	10

0-2: Poor; 3-4: Fair; 5-6: Good; 7-8: Very Good; 9-10: Excellent.



TODAY'S NATIONAL FORECAST

Shown are noon positions of weather systems and precipitation. Temperature bands are highs for the day.



AROUND THE NATION

	Today			Saturday		
City	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Anchorage	51	39	r	48	41	c
Atlanta	80	65	pc	85	67	pc
Boston	71	59	pc	69	54	s
Chicago	73	54	pc	78	62	s
Dallas	93	69	s	93	70	pc
Denver	85	60	s	90	46	s
Detroit	73	51	pc	68	57	s
Honolulu	89	74	pc	87	72	sh
Indianapolis	79	54	s	80	60	s
Kansas City	80	59	s	89	56	s
Las Vegas	102	75	s	99	72	s
Los Angeles	86	64	pc	90	61	s
Miami	89	79	sh	89	78	t
Nashville	87	63	s	86	61	s
New Orleans	81	75	r	81	74	t
New York City	74	62	pc	75	57	s
Orlando	90	74	t	85	73	t
Philadelphia	78	62	pc	78	55	s
Phoenix	111	80	s	110	78	s
St. Louis	84	62	s	88	70	s
Salt Lake City	89	60	s	83	56	s
San Francisco	83	62	pc	84	65	s
Seattle	60	48	r	63	48	pc
Washington, DC	78	64	pc	78	58	s

	Today			Saturday		
City	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Acapulco	84	76	r	83	75	r
Amsterdam	58	40	pc	60	47	s
Baghdad	94	68	pc	97	69	pc
Berlin	58	44	sh	57	44	c
Bogota	67	48	sh	68	49	c
Cairo	87	69	s	86	70	s
Calgary	69	37	pc	60	42	pc
Dublin	60	56	c	59	53	r
Geneva	57	45	pc	58	42	pc
Havana	89	74	t	86	74	t
Hong Kong	86	74	c	86	77	s
Jerusalem	83	62	s	83	66	s
Johannesburg	73	43	s	76	48	s
Lisbon	77	66	pc	76	66	pc
London	63	45	pc	63	55	pc
Madrid	78	51	pc	80	57	pc
Mexico City	71	55	r	72	57	sh
Moscow	56	48	pc	54	39	r
New Delhi	97	77	s	96	76	s
Paris	62	42	s	64	51	pc
Rome	69	56	sh	69	51	s
Stockholm	55	37	pc	54	41	pc
Sydney	75	65	pc	82	60	c
Tokyo	86	70	c	75	70	pc

Weather(W): s=sunny, pc=partly cloudy, c=cloudy, sh=showers, t=thunderstorms, r=rain, sf=snow flurries, sn=snow, i=ice

AROUND THE WORLD

‘The nation has your back’: Biden joins Cooper for Helene flyover, promises recovery aid

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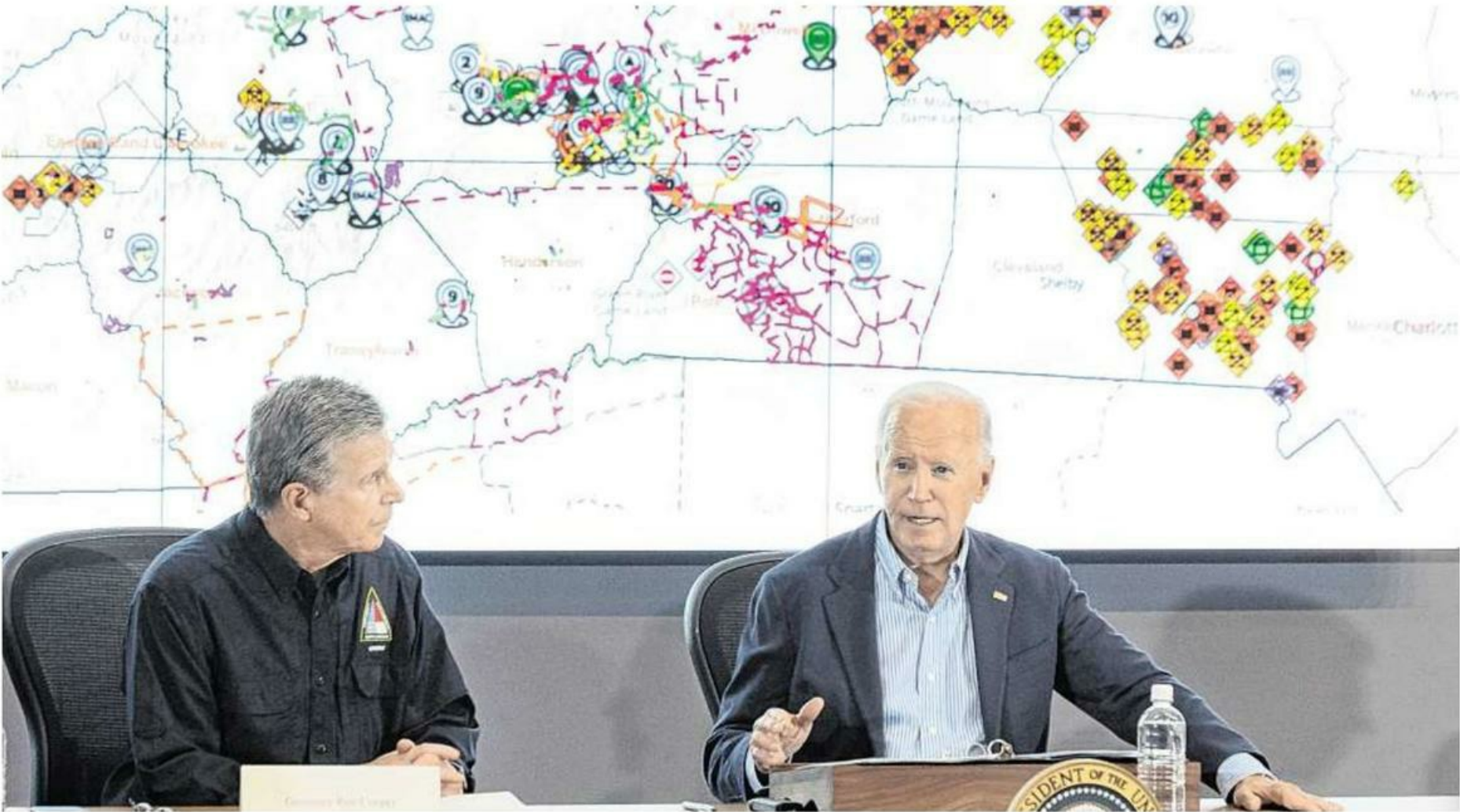
After taking an aerial tour of damage inflicted by Tropical Storm Helene in Western North Carolina on Wednesday, President Joe Biden visited North Carolina's Emergency Operations Center in Raleigh to promise that the federal government will continue to help with the state's recovery.

"The United States, the nation, has your back. The nation has your back. We're not leaving until you get back on your feet completely," Biden said to a roomful of emergency management officials and members of the National Guard.

Gov. Roy Cooper told Biden about challenges ranging from washed-out bridges and roads to damaged water systems and electrical grids to lost homes and businesses.

"An entire region of our state is still in a dangerous situation," Cooper said.

Earlier Wednesday, Biden approved additional federal resources for the response, including up to 1,000 active duty U.S. Army soldiers from Fort



President Joe Biden speaks while getting a briefing on the response to Hurricane Helene at the N.C. Emergency Operations Center in Raleigh on Wednesday. N.C. Gov. Roy Cooper sits to the left.

Liberty and 22 aircraft. "Simply put, we've got the capabilities to get the job done and we're going to get it done as fast as possible," Biden said.

Biden also said he'd approved a request Wednesday from Cooper to cover all of the costs of debris removal for the next six months. And 50 StarLink satellite links have been deployed, Biden said, with more on the way.

"Folks, it's going to cost us billions of dollars. It's going to cost billions of

dollars to deal with this storm and all the communities affected, and Congress has an obligation to ensure that states have the resources they need," Biden said.

NC Emergency Management Director Will Ray told Biden that North Carolina still has about 350,000 people without power, five days after Helene barreled through. Ray said 24 North Carolina search-and-rescue teams are working in Western North Carolina, along with 13 from other

states and 18 from the federal government. Those teams have had more than 5,000 interactions — from rescues to evacuations to shelter inspections — since Helene response began.

"The teams continue to do really incredible work in some pretty austere conditions," Ray said.

North Carolina is also operating 26 aircraft in Western North Carolina that have airlifted more than 700,000 pounds of supplies, Ray added.

Biden said that since

becoming president in 2017, he'd flown over so many downed trees that they would cover an area larger than the state of Maryland, largely from wildfires.

"I've seen a lot, but looking at Asheville and just imagining what it must have been like sitting along those rivers and streams as all of that rain came down ... You could see homes that were removed clearly from one side of the river, down the river, to the other side of the river," Biden said.

Biden thanked Cooper and South Carolina Gov. Henry McMaster, a Republican, for focusing on the response instead of prioritizing politics. Tuesday, Biden called former President Donald Trump a liar after Trump said he was hearing reports that Cooper and Biden, both Democrats, were not helping parts of the state where large proportions of Republicans live.

"In a moment like this, we put politics aside. Or at least we should put it all aside, and we have here. There are no Democrats or Republicans, only Americans," Biden said.

Biden closed by saying it is clear that the climate

crisis is having an impact in the United States, including strengthening storms like Helene. Those storms like Helene are going to get stronger and stronger as oceans continue to warm, he said.

"Nobody can deny the impact of the climate crisis anymore," he said. "At least I hope they don't. They must be brain-dead if they do."

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