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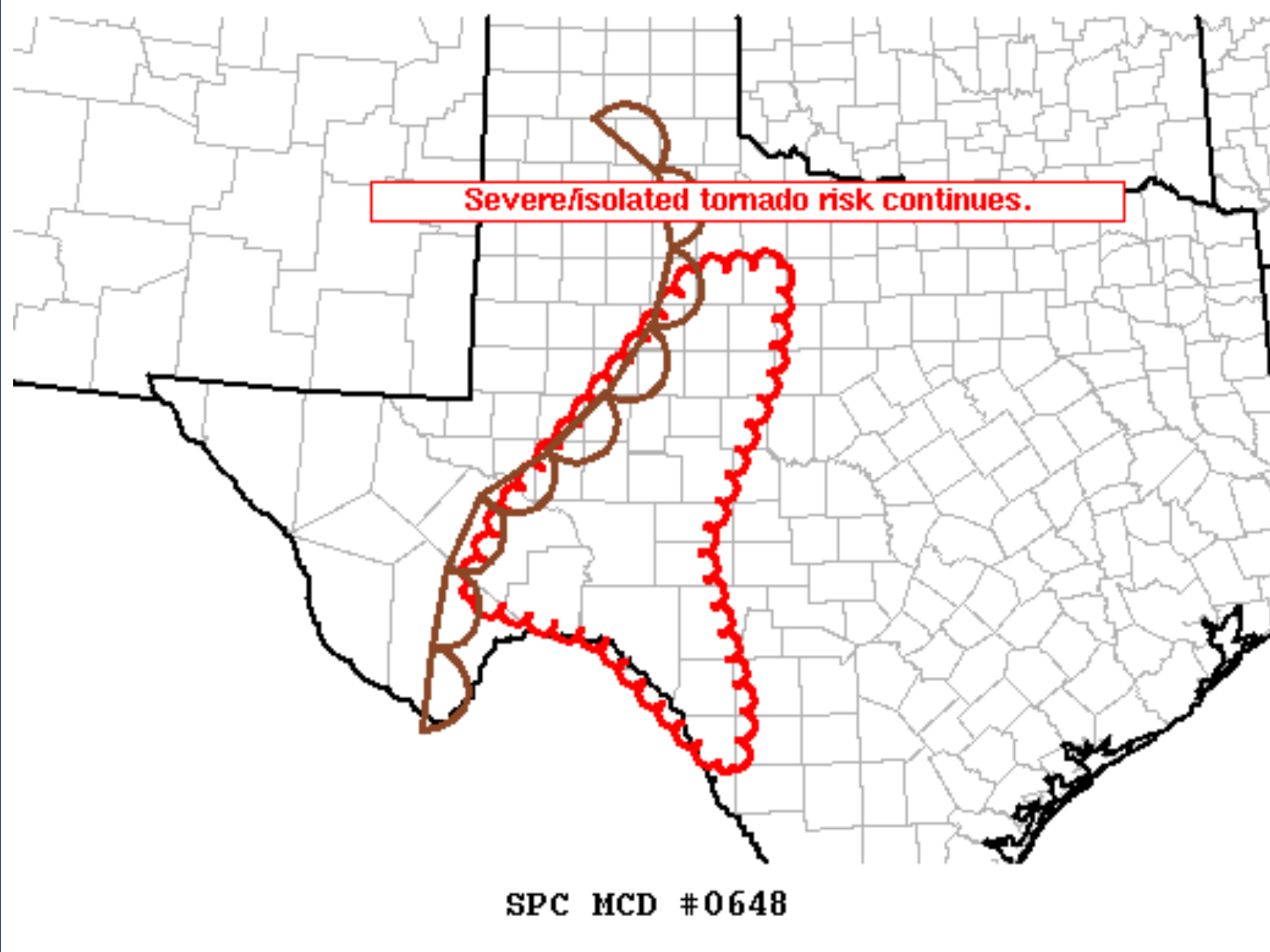
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Mesoscale Discussion 0648
 NWS Storm Prediction Center Norman OK
 0716 PM CDT Wed May 04 2022

Areas affected...portions of west central and southwestern Texas

Concerning...Tornado Watch 178...

Valid 050016Z - 050215Z

The severe weather threat for Tornado Watch 178 continues.

SUMMARY...Severe-weather potential -- mainly in the form of large hail at this time -- continues across portions of the watch area.

DISCUSSION...Latest radar loop shows three distinct areas of strong/severe storms ongoing at this time -- one west/northwest of Sweetwater TX, another over the Pecos County vicinity, and one near Del Rio.

The Sweetwater area and Pecos County vicinity storms are occurring just ahead of a fairly well-defined dryline, and as such, remain well-contained within the watch. Risk for large hail will continue over the next couple of hours, along with some risk for damaging wind gusts, and possibly a tornado.

Meanwhile, the Del Rio area convection is terrain-induced, with additional storms ongoing west of the river over northern Mexico. Greatest risk appears to be large hail and locally damaging wind gusts at this time, and risk may spread east of Val Verde County into Kinney and possibly Maverick Counties over the next 1 hour or so.

..Goss.. 05/05/2022

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