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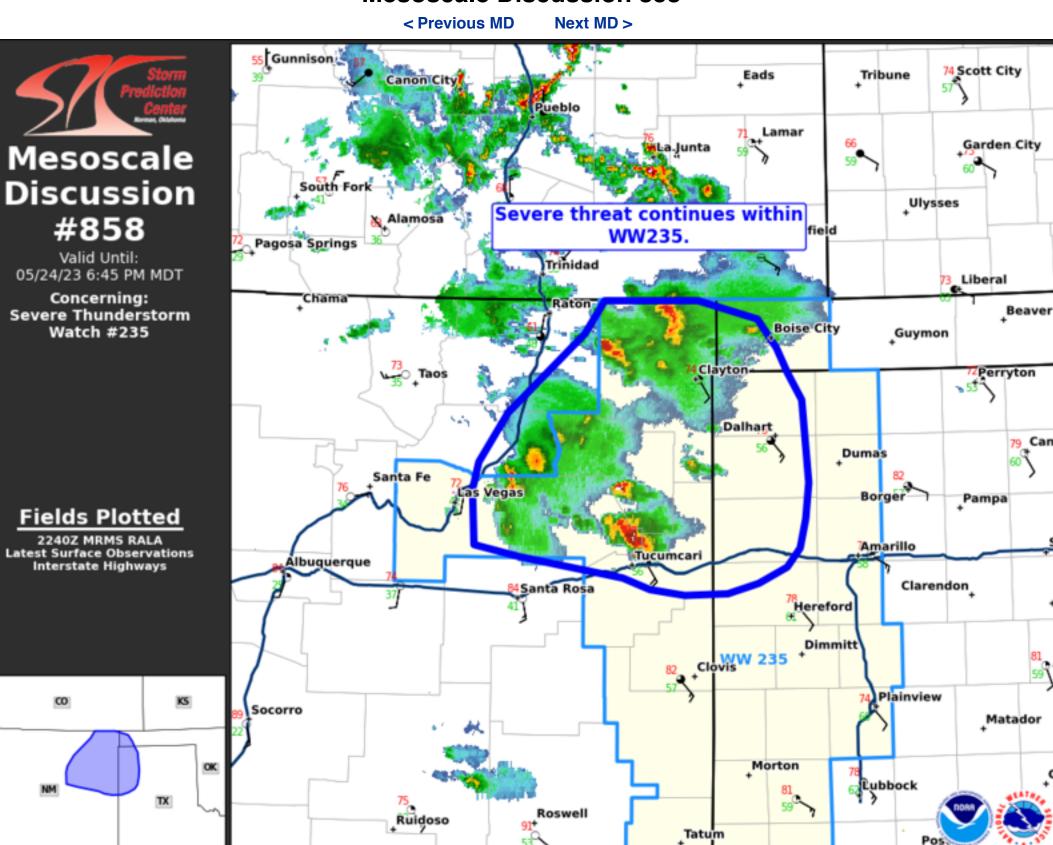
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Areas affected...northeastern New Mexico and western Oklahoma and Texas Panhandles

Concerning...Severe Thunderstorm Watch 235...

Valid 242243Z - 250045Z

The severe weather threat for Severe Thunderstorm Watch 235 continues.

SUMMARY...Severe threat continues within WW235. Large hail and gusty winds continue to be the main hazards with ongoing storms.

DISCUSSION...Storm development has been ongoing across portions of northeastern New Mexico into southern Colorado. Storms are mixed mode with semi-discrete and clustered supercells ongoing. Mode within this region will likely be dictated by boundary interactions and storm mergers, as thunderstorms continue to develop and move toward the Texas border through the evening. The axis of most favorable instability and deep-layer shear remains across the Texas/New Mexico border. Storms may become more organized as they move within this regime, with large hail and gusty winds as the main concern in the near term.

CAM guidance consensus suggests a broken line may develop toward the evening, with embedded supercell structures. Around 02-03z, a low-level jet will develop across southwestern Texas into the Texas Panhandle. The increase in surface flow will lead to more curved low-level hodograph shape and increasing potential for a tornado or two, if storm mode can maintain embedded supercell circulations. Should more upscale growth occur, the main threat may shift to damaging winds.

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