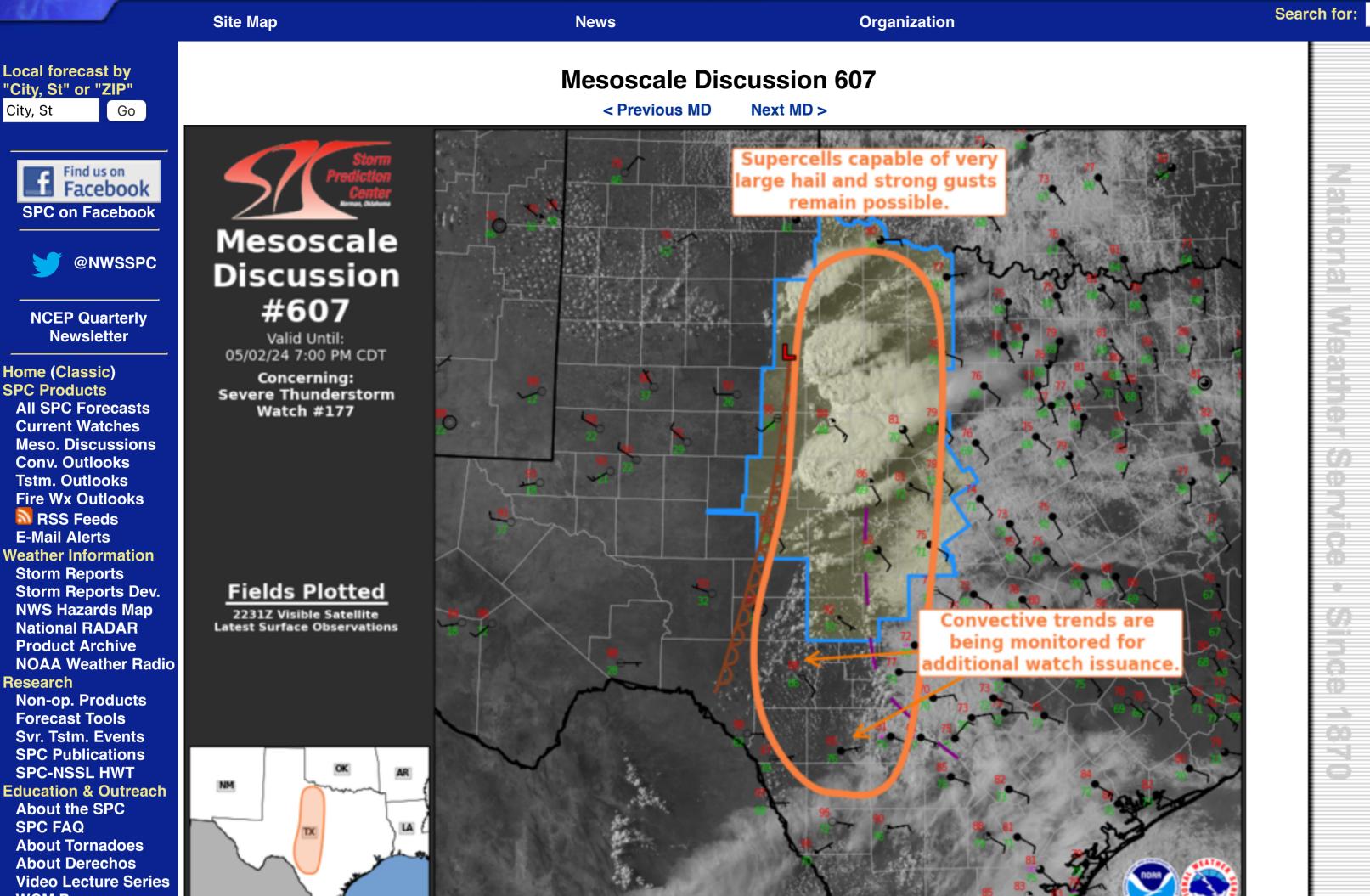
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Areas affected...Northwest TX into Southwest TX into the TX Hill Country

Concerning...Severe Thunderstorm Watch 177...

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The severe weather threat for Severe Thunderstorm Watch 177 continues.

SUMMARY...Supercells capable of very large hail up to 2-3" in diameter and gusts up to 75 mph remain possible. Additional development is possible over the Texas Hill Country and trends will be monitored for additional watch issuance.

DISCUSSION...Regional radar imagery depicts two mature supercells, one in King County and the other farther south in Runnels County. Visible satellite imagery reveals several attempts at additional development between these two mature storms. Environmental conditions support supercells and the general expectation is for the newer development to mature. Primary severe risk with these storms is very large hail around 2" to 3" in diameter. A few damaging gusts up to 75 mph are possible as well.

Farther south (from southwest TX into the TX Hill Country), cumulus has been gradually deepening, although convective initiation/lightning has not been realized. The mesoscale environment in this area will be influenced by a westward-moving outflow boundary, which could provide the additional lift needed for convective initiation. Large to very hail is possible with new updrafts. However, cooler temperatures behind the outflow could act as a deterrent for sustained development, and the overall longevity/severity of this newer development is uncertain. Some initiation is possible south of Severe Thunderstorm Watch 177, and convective trends will be monitored closely in this area for additional watch issuance.

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