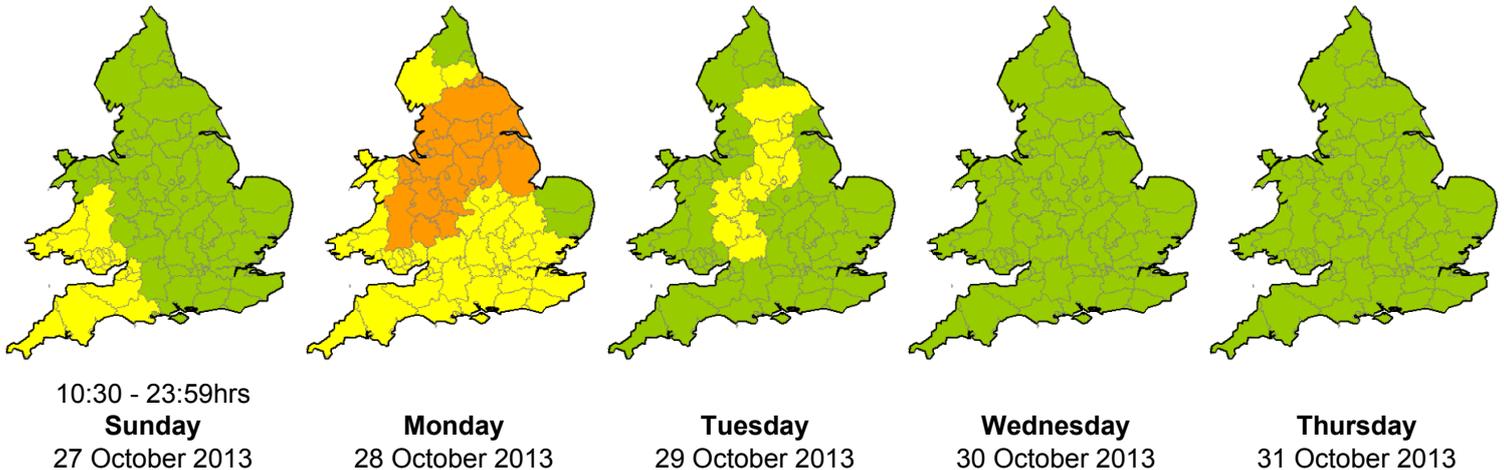


Flood Guidance Statement 10:30hrs Sunday 27 October 2013

Our assessment of daily flood risk for England and Wales, working with flood forecasting teams in the Environment Agency and Natural Resources Wales is below.



There is MEDIUM risk of significant disruption from surface water flooding on Monday in the counties coloured amber. Here there is also a LOW risk of significant disruption from river flooding on Monday.

By late Sunday and into Monday there is a LOW risk of surface water flooding in all counties coloured yellow and a LOW risk of river flooding in parts of south-west England, Wales and central and northern England. There is a continued LOW risk of river flooding in parts of central and northern England on Tuesday. There is also a LOW coastal flood risk in parts of southern England on Monday.

General overview of flood risk

Late on Sunday persistent heavy rain, accompanied by exceptionally strong winds, moves into south-west England and south Wales before spreading across most of England and Wales on Monday morning. There is a MEDIUM surface water flood risk in the counties coloured amber in the map on Monday. There is a LOW surface water flood risk in all areas coloured yellow on Sunday and Monday in the maps above. Furthermore there is a LOW river flood risk in Devon, Cornwall and South Wales on Sunday. On Monday this river flood risk extends into other parts of Wales and south-west England and also parts of central, north-east and north-west England. The LOW risk of river flooding extends into Tuesday for parts of central and northern England as shown in the maps above.

Large waves and strong winds also bring a LOW coastal/tidal flood risk during Monday for parts of the English Channel coast, especially the west Dorset coastline.

For all other areas across the next five days, the overall flood risk remains VERY LOW.

Assessment of flood risk

Surface water

Late on Sunday evening persistent heavy rain moves into south-west England and South Wales before spreading across most of England and Wales on Monday morning. This rainfall will be accompanied by exceptionally strong winds which may exacerbate any flooding impacts, for example leaf litter and wind blown debris blocking drainage gullies.

There is a medium likelihood of significant impacts from surface water flooding on Monday in the counties coloured amber bringing an overall MEDIUM surface water flood risk. Here typical impacts may include flooding to parts of communities and significant disruption to transport routes, including roads and railways. See areas of concern map for more detail.

There is a low likelihood of significant impacts from surface water flooding in all areas coloured yellow on Sunday and Monday in the maps above. This brings a LOW surface water flood risk in these areas, possible impacts may include flooding to parts of communities and significant disruption to transport routes, including roads and railways where any flooding occurs.

Elsewhere, and at other times, the surface water flood risk is VERY LOW.

Please see area of concern map for further details.

Rivers

Late on Sunday evening persistent heavy rain moves into south-west England and south and west Wales before spreading across most of England and Wales on Monday morning. This rainfall will be accompanied by exceptionally strong winds which may exacerbate any flooding impacts, for example fallen trees impeding river flows. There is a medium likelihood of minor impacts from river flooding in Devon, Cornwall and South Wales on Sunday. This brings a LOW river flood risk in these areas, with typical impacts including minor disruption to travel, roads and perhaps flooding of individual properties.

On Monday there is a low likelihood of significant disruption from river flooding coincident with the counties coloured amber for surface water flooding. Typical impacts may include flooding of parts of communities and significant disruption to transport routes, including roads and railways where any flooding occurs. Significant impacts are most likely in small catchments.

On Monday there is also a very low likelihood of significant impacts from river flooding in the rest of Wales, south-west, central, north-east and north-west England. This brings a LOW river flood risk in these areas, with typical impacts possibly including flooding to parts of communities and significant disruption to transport routes, including roads and railways where any flooding occurs. Significant impacts are most likely in small catchments.

In parts of central and northern England the LOW river flood risk for a medium likelihood of minor impacts extends into Tuesday as some of the larger rivers will be slower to respond to Monday's rainfall.

Elsewhere, and at other times, the river flood risk is VERY LOW.

Please see area of concern map for further details.

Coastal / tidal

Despite being in a period of neap tides, the coastal / tidal flood risk is LOW from late on Sunday evening into Monday morning for parts of the English Channel coastline.

Exceptionally strong winds and large waves bring a low likelihood of significant disruption for some communities along the west Dorset coast. More generally, there is a medium likelihood of minor flooding disruption along the coast from Hampshire to Kent with individual properties or roads in coastal locations affected by spray and/or wave over-topping.

Whilst isolated instances of minor spray and wave over-topping will also be possible for Pembrokeshire, Ceredigion and parts of the north-west of England on Sunday and Monday, the overall coastal flood risk is VERY LOW here.

Elsewhere, and at other times, the coastal / tidal flood risk is VERY LOW.

Groundwater

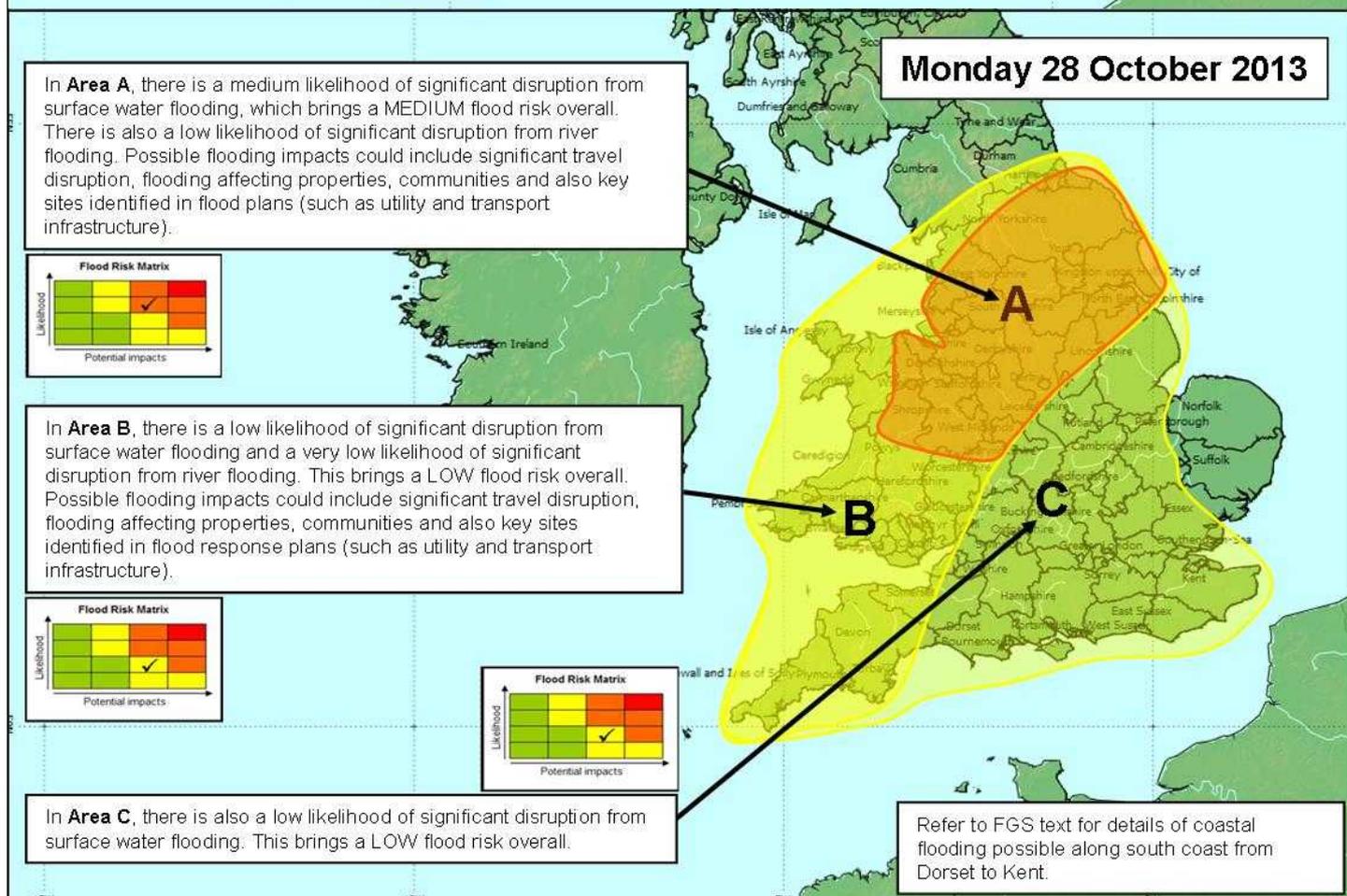
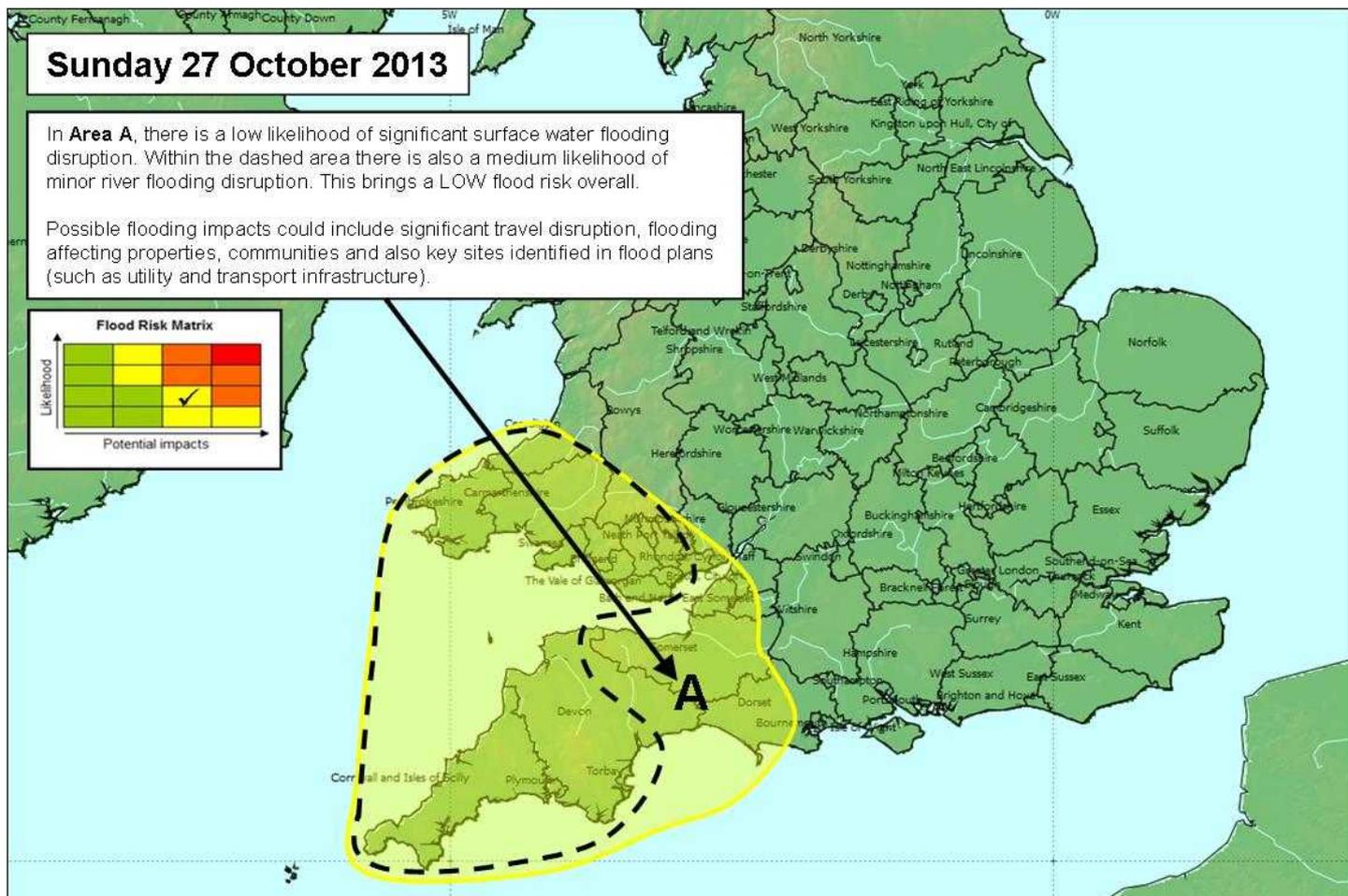
The groundwater flood risk is VERY LOW for the next 5 days.

Warnings and Alerts in force in England and Wales at 10:30hrs

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Flood Alerts	7

Severe Weather (click here)	
Warnings	Yes
Alerts	No

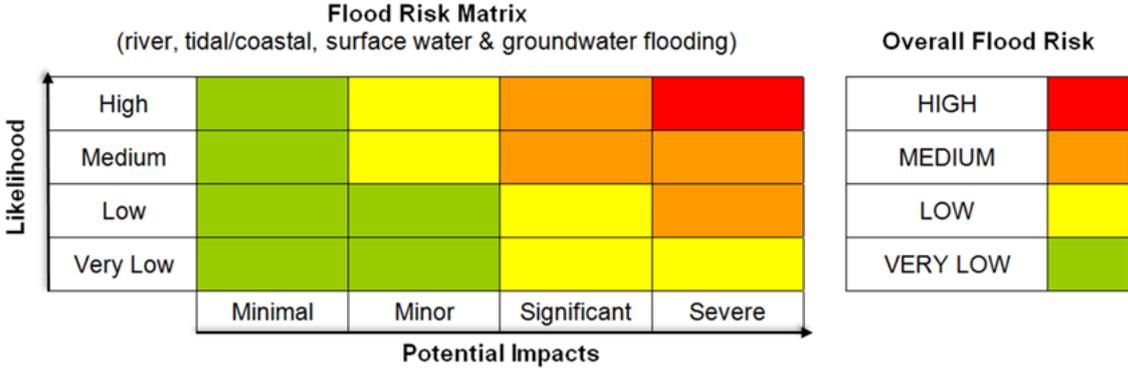
Specific areas of concern



Next statement due: 16:00hrs Sunday 27 October 2013

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All times are local.



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