



# LEAVING THE 'COMPUTER' BEHIND

TRILOGY COMPUTER CLUB

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# Background

- We travel up to 6 months/yr.
- Motorhome is comfortable and well stocked but space is at premium. Travel by air - 1 bag each.
- Being connected to the internet is very important.
- Internet via Verizon MiFi, Campground/Hotel WiFi, or Cellular Data Provider (e.g. GigSky).
  - Web surfing
  - Quicken
  - Photo sharing
  - TV and media
  - Travel and Financial Apps



# Equipment

- Used to lug MacBook Pro.
- Now only take iPad Pro with Smart Keyboard.
- USB chargers and USB Battery Pack.
- Bluetooth speaker, Apple TV, bluetooth headphones.



# Size Matters



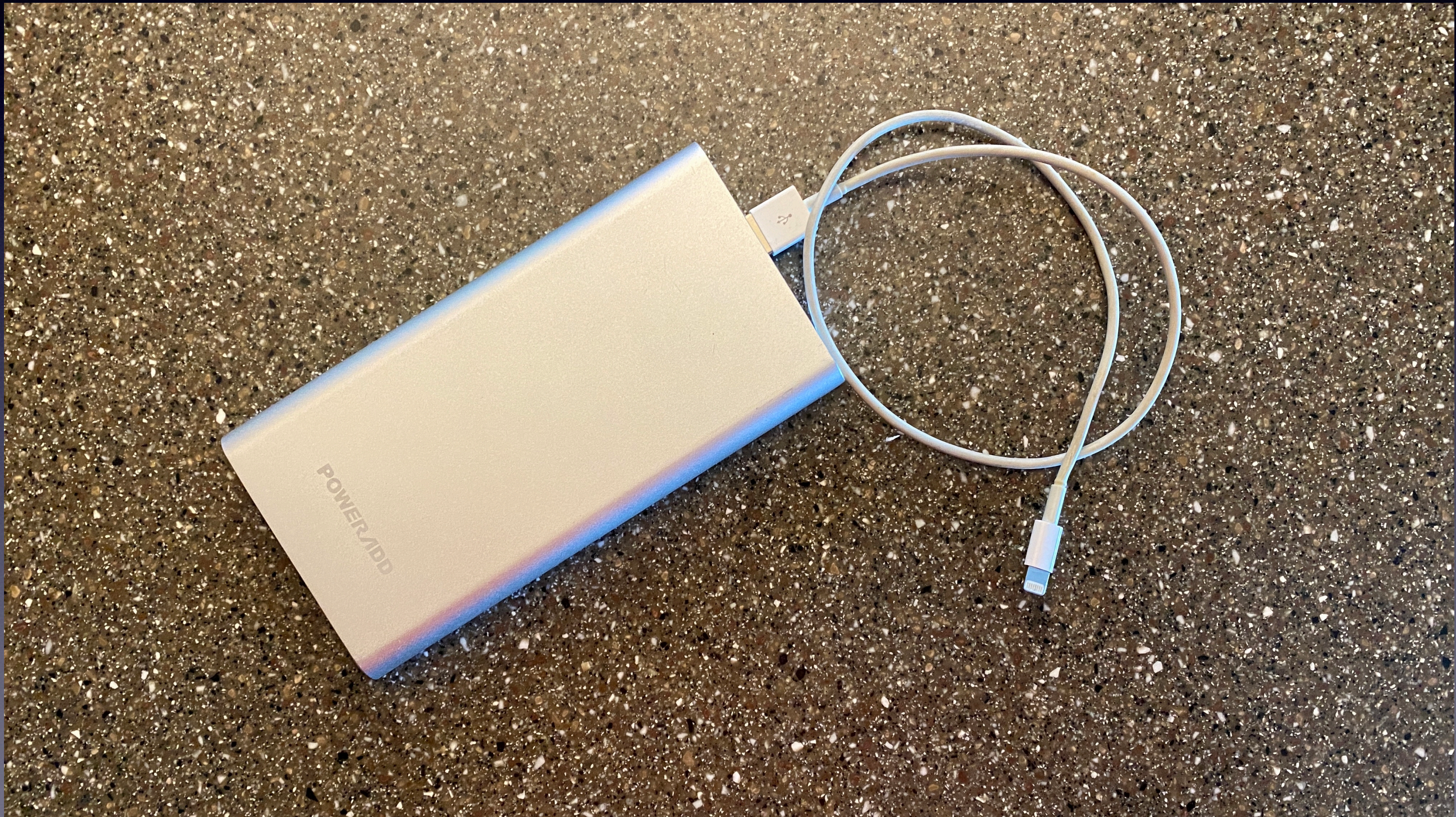


# Chargers Too





# USB Battery Pack Option





# Key Apps

## Mac-like:

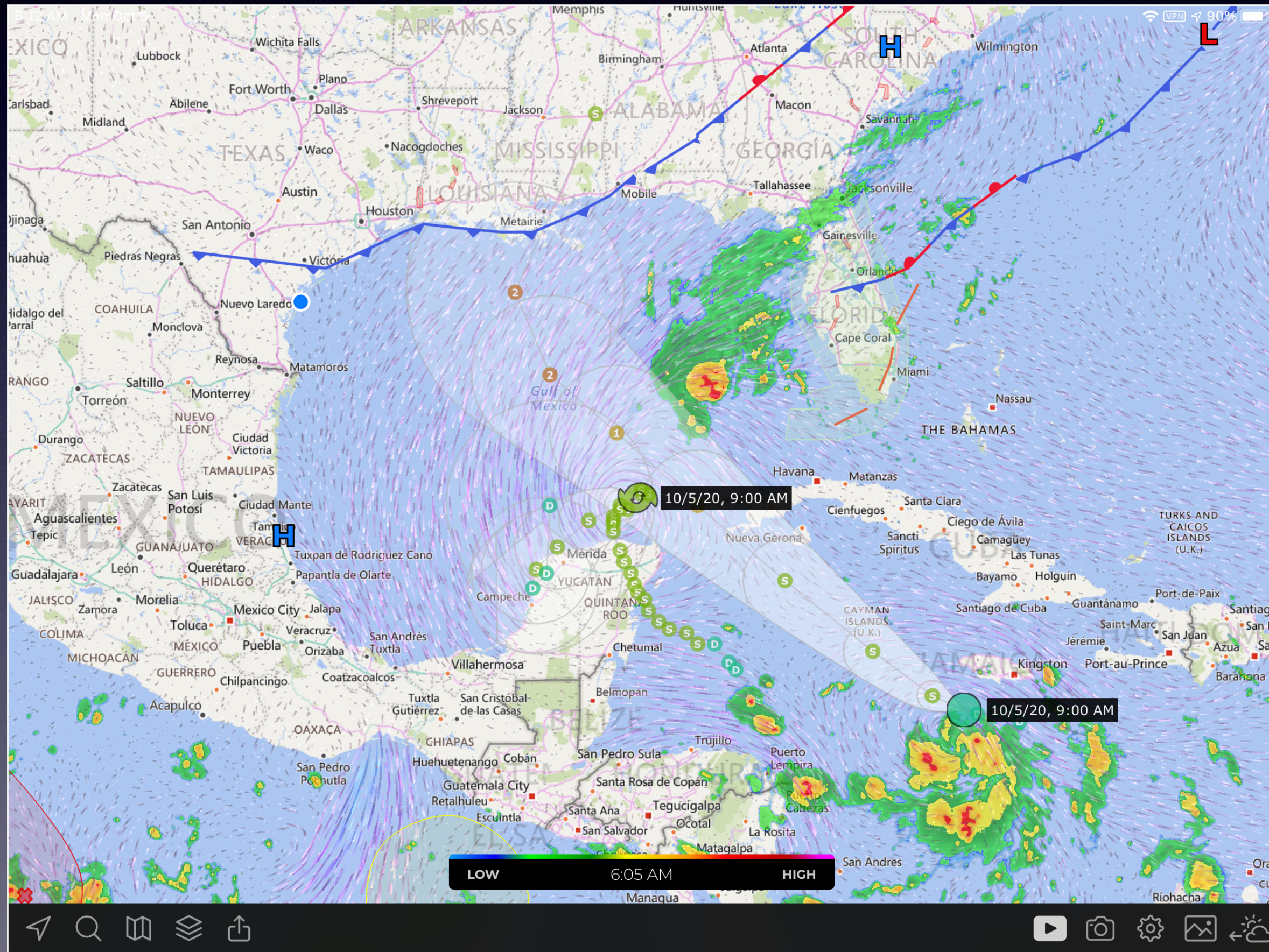
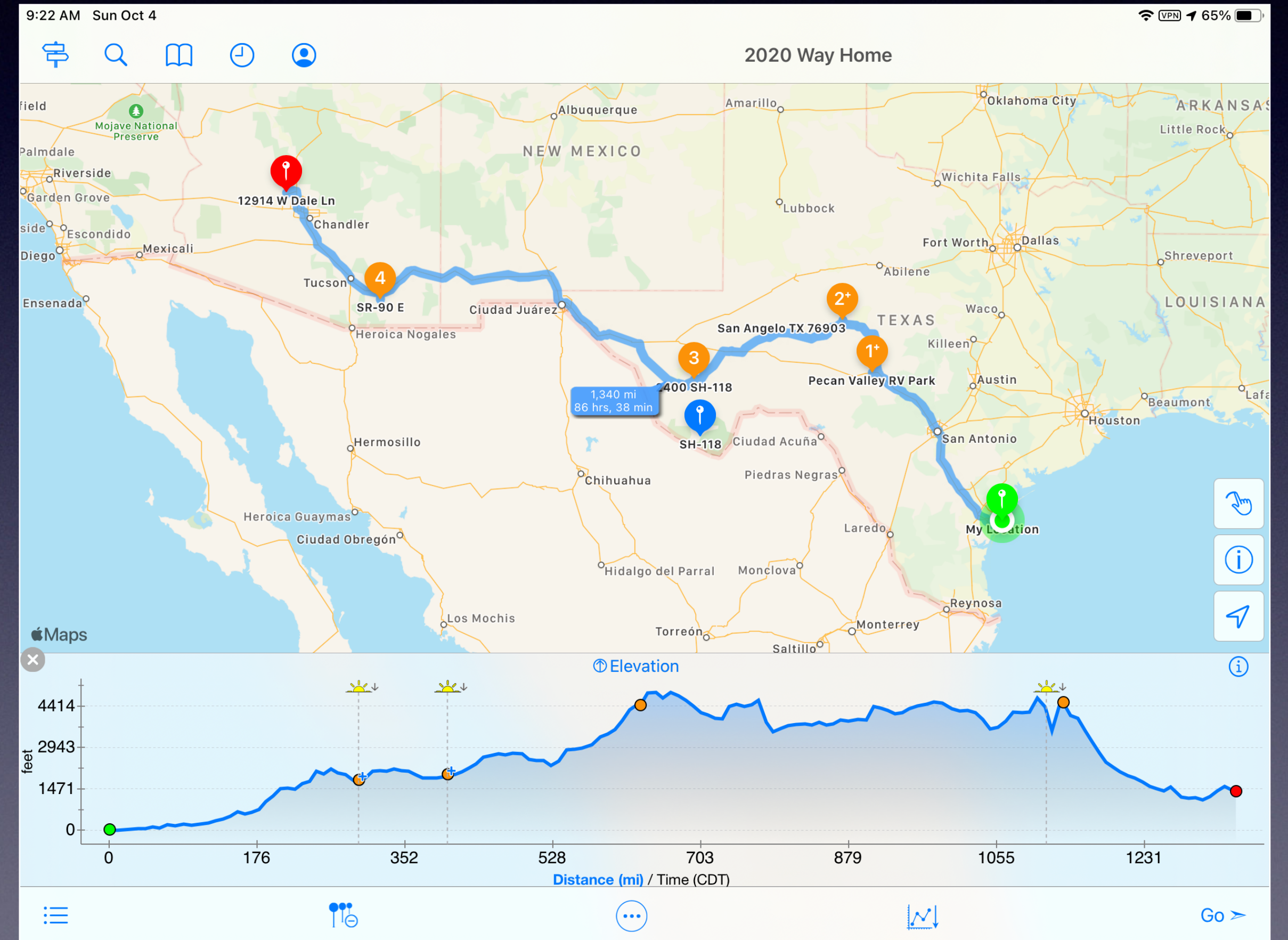
- Safari (synced Bookmarks & PW's)
- Photos
- Mail
- Calendar
- Notes
- 'Office' suite
- Files

## 3rd Party:

- Zoom
- Financial & Shopping
- Allstays (RV)
- InRoute (Navigation)
- Weather and Radar

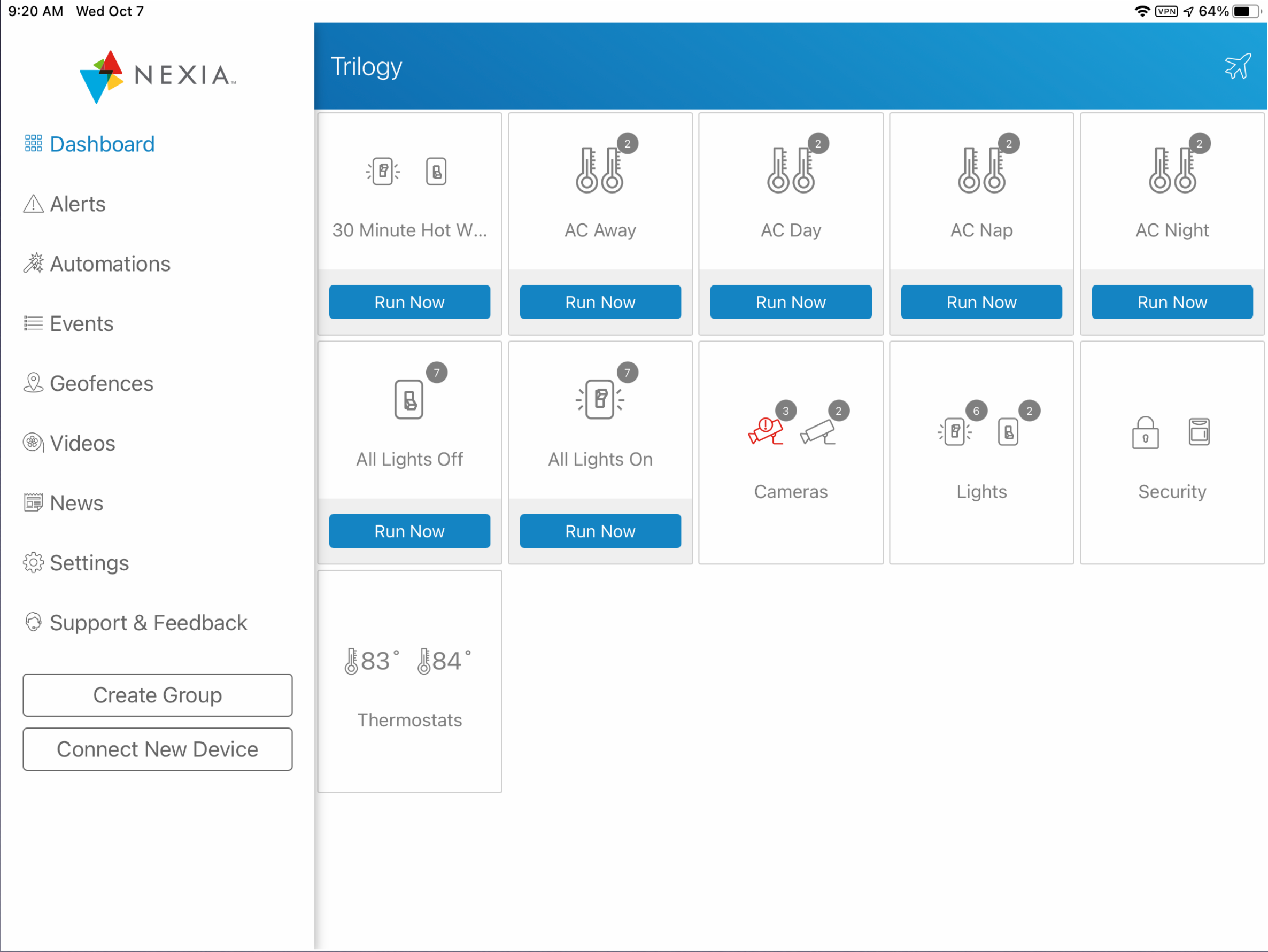
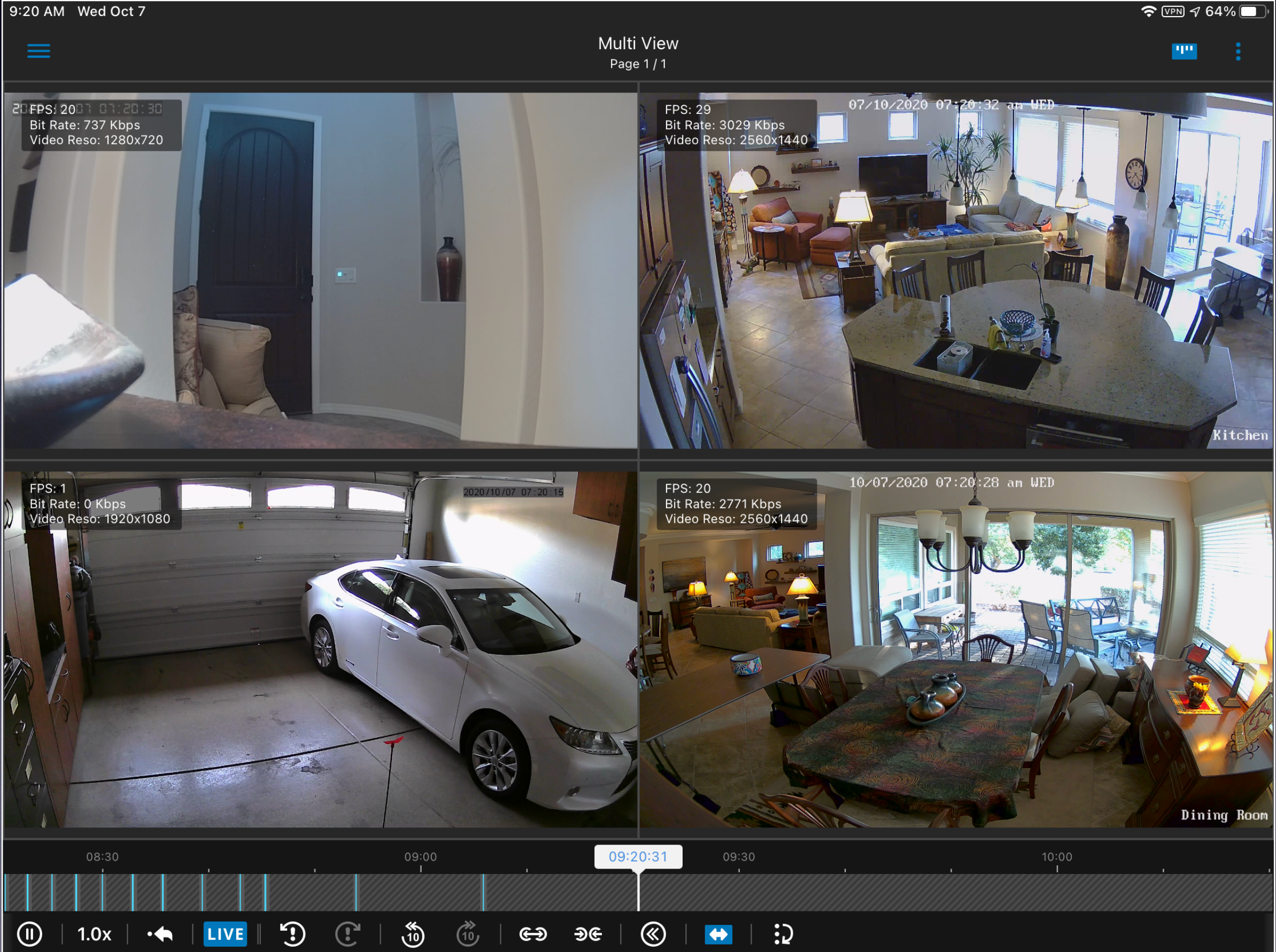


# Travel Apps



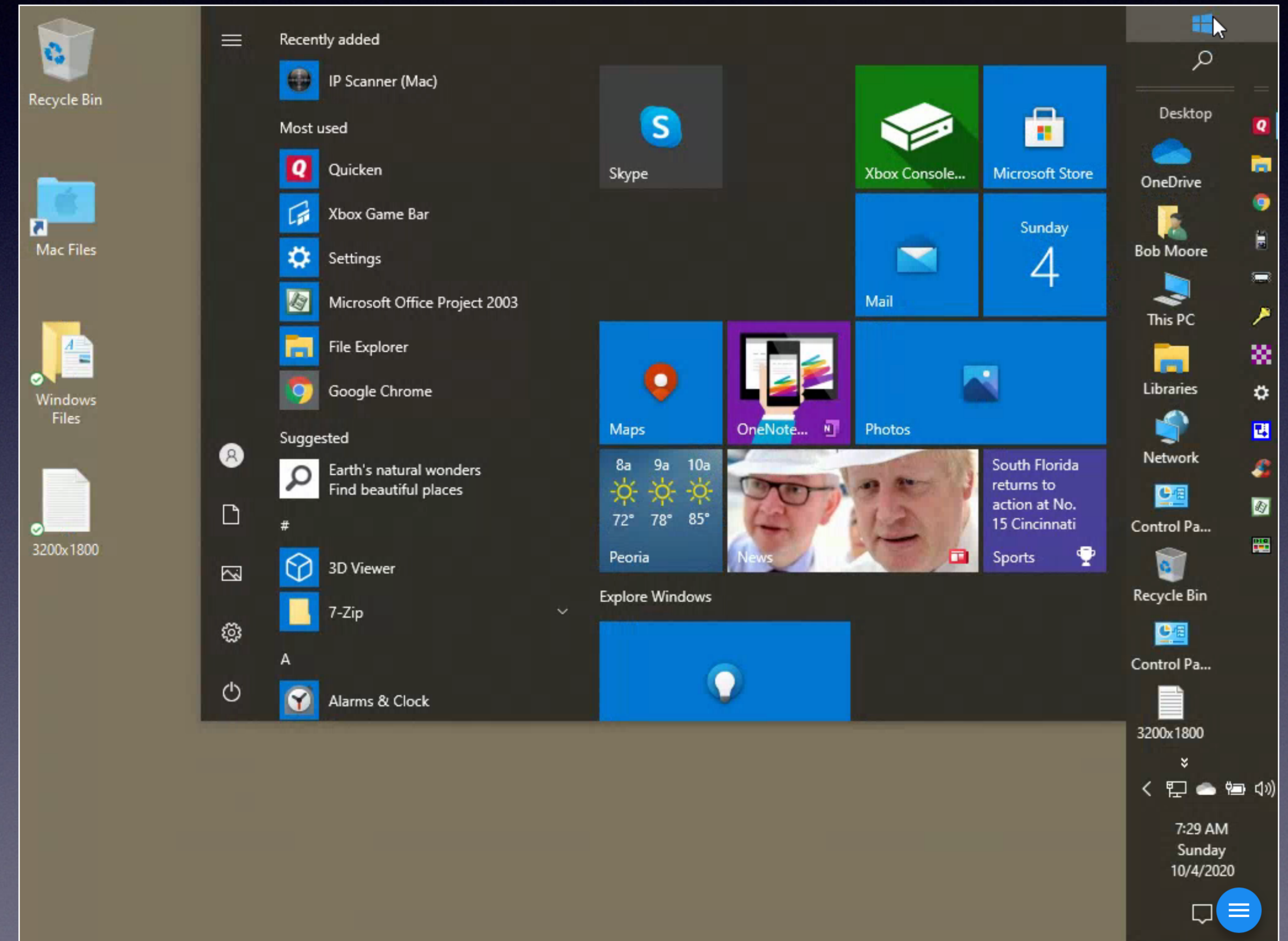


# Keep an Eye on Home





# VNC to Home Computer



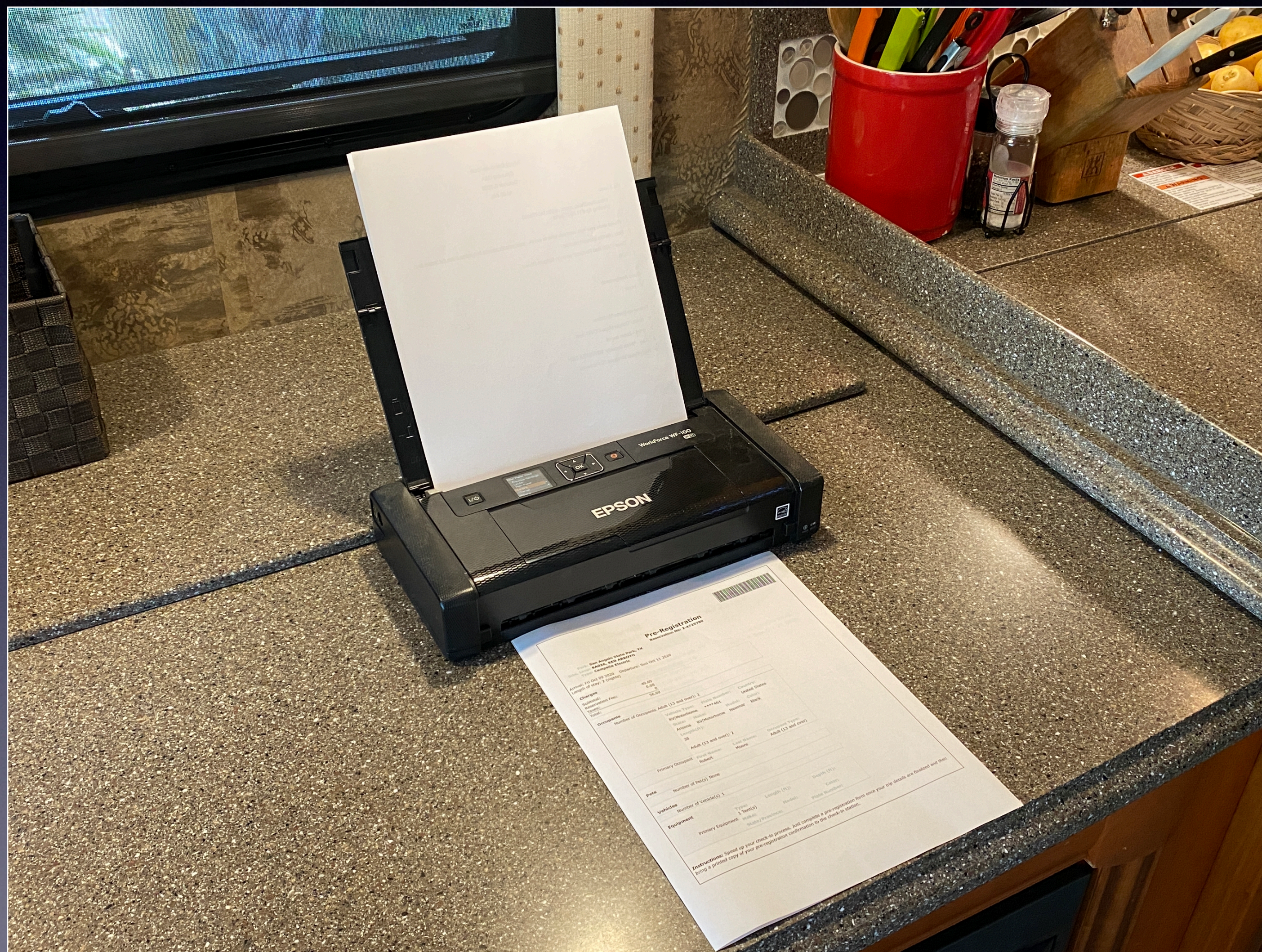


# Video Conferencing



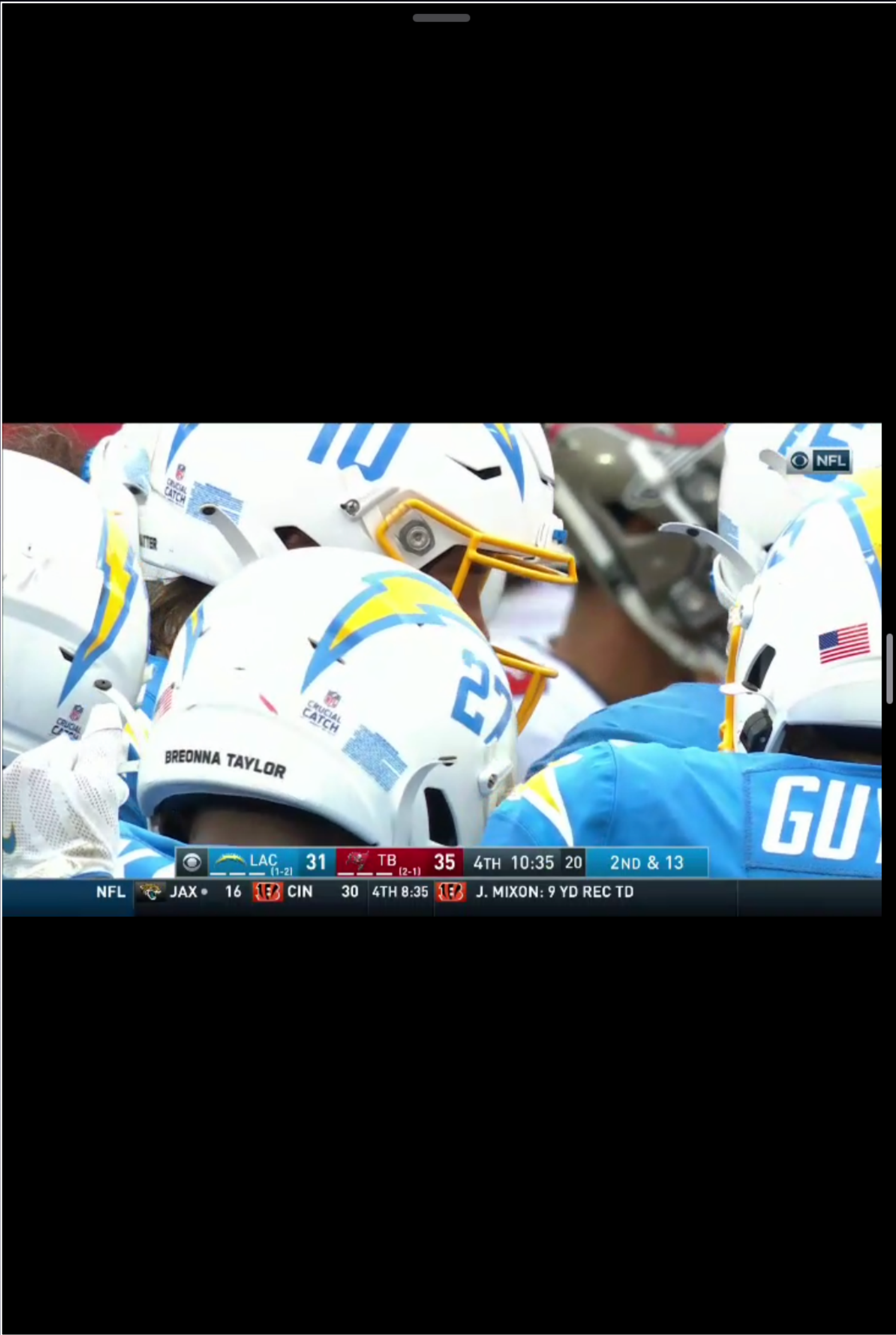


# Portable Printer via WiFi





# Side by Side Apps



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### Alaska coronavirus Q&A: How can active cases be declining if daily counts remain high? Should I get a flu shot if I have COVID-19?

Annie Berman

#### By borough or Census Area

COVID-19 cases involving Alaska residents

As of noon Sunday, Oct. 4

Total confirmed cases: **8,405**

Change from

\* State updated total from previous days

Four deaths occurred out of state



# Tablet versus Computer

## What is Better

- Size, weight, portability
- Power consumption (important when dry camping)
- 'Instant on' no boot/startup
- Battery life, options, and charging
- Built in LTE Data Connection
- Travel and weather apps
- Apps more secure than browser based connection?

## What is as Good

- Web (iCloud) services
- Responsiveness
- Printing
- VNC to computer
- Security
- Keyboard and mouse

## What is not as Good

- Screen size
- Zoom (screen sharing)
- Sophisticated photo and video editing.
- Specialty apps (Quicken)
- Difficult to 'spoof' your location for streaming video.



# Bottom Line

- Better than expected. Could do everything I wanted to do.
- Really like portability and 'instant on'.
- Will not bother taking a 'computer' on a short/medium trip.
- Tablet instead of a computer? It could work for most people.