

NFL Section Manager Report September 10, 2017

Storm Wind Fields Arrival Timing: Start of Tropical Storm Winds (39 MPH+) around 3PM today, continuing and increasing to highest sustained wind peak around 7-8AM Monday, decreasing and clearing around 3PM Monday afternoon – HOWEVER, storm “bands” will be earlier and may remain later. Potential wind gusts are estimated around 50-70 MPH, but could be higher. Tornado possibility is higher today than Monday. Rainfall amounts could reach as high as 10-15” with isolated higher totals of 20” possible in the Peninsula over the next 24 hours.

REMEMBER – THIS IS MOTHER NATURE. This storm will do what it wants.

Summary of Information:

- Volusia County is under a mandatory evacuation of the entire beachside peninsula, low-lying (flood prone) areas, and mobile home parks.
- A countywide curfew will be in place beginning at 9 p.m. tonight. Once the storm passes, public safety officials will advise when the curfew will end.
- The bridges will be locked down as conditions deteriorate. Officials anticipate this to be after 9 a.m. today (the threshold is sustained 39 mph winds). An announcement will be sent once this decision has been made.
- Once the storm passes, law enforcement will determine when it is safe to open the bridges. If there is limited access due to damage from the storm, beachside residents will need a photo identification and a utility bill or other document as proof of residency. An announcement will be sent once this dedication is made.
- Daytona Beach EOC and Citizen Call in Center (386-671-5555) are fully activated and will remain activated until further notice.
- The Volusia County EOC and Citizen Information Center are open 24 hours until further notice. (VolCo CIC Number is 866-345-0345).
- Volusia County Shelter list – Volusia County has opened shelters throughout the County today - <https://www.volusia.org/services/public-protection/emergency-management/pin/shelters.stml>. If planning to stay at a public shelter, go there now! Most shelters are already full, or near capacity.
- Volusia County Public Schools are closed thru Tuesday (re-opening on Wednesday) - check the Volusia County School Board page for updates: <http://myvolusiaschools.org/Pages/default.aspx>

Storm Summary

Irma

- At 7am EDT Saturday, Hurricane Irma was moving northwest at 8 mph with maximum sustained winds of 130 mph, making Irma a category 4 storm on the Saffir-Simpson hurricane wind scale.
- Irma is expected to maintain strength as it crosses the Florida Straits this morning, but it is now expected to remain a category 4 storm as it approaches Southwest Florida.
- On the current forecast track, Irma is crossing the Lower Keys this morning and will then move along or near the Florida West Coast this afternoon through Monday morning.
- The forecast then brings Irma into the Big Bend of Florida and southwestern Georgia late Monday morning through Monday evening.
- The forecast track again shifted slightly westward in this advisory as Irma has yet to make a north-northwest turn, potentially bringing Irma’s center through eastern portions of Leon County around noon on Monday.
- Tropical Storm force winds extend out 220 miles from the center, and hurricane force 80 miles, meaning a large portion of the Peninsula and Big Bend may experience hurricane force winds and much

of the state will at least feel tropical storm conditions.

Florida Outlook:

- Nearly all of the Florida Peninsula and Florida Panhandle will feel impacts from this system.
- A Hurricane Warning is now in effect for all Florida counties east of the Apalachicola River, including Lake Okeechobee and Florida Bay.
- A Storm Surge Warning is now in effect from the Ochlockonee River southward around the Florida Peninsula to North Miami Beach and from Jupiter Inlet to Fernandina Beach, including the Florida Keys and Tampa Bay.
- A Tropical Storm Warning is in effect for Bay, Calhoun, Gulf, Holmes, Jackson, Walton, and Washington counties.
- Rainfall amounts could reach as high as 10-15" with isolated higher totals of 20" possible in the Peninsula. Lesser amounts of 4-9" are expected in the Big Bend and less than that in the Panhandle.
- Flash Flood Watches are in effect for the entire Peninsula and Big Bend.
- Significant river flooding is expected in the coming days in many rivers of Central and Southwest FL.
- Life-threatening storm surge will be impacting the West Coast of Florida today, especially SW FL.
- Isolated tornadoes are possible in the outer bands of Irma and will spread northward tonight and tomorrow. A Tornado Watch is in effect for South Florida, with additional tornado watches possible today for Central and Northeast Florida.

PROTECT YOURSELF. DON'T DEPEND ON "SOMEONE ELSE" FOR YOUR PERSONAL SAFETY!!

Next Advisory will be Sunday, September 10, 2017 at approximately 1800 (6PM) hours EDT (after NOAA/NHC/NWS 0800 EDT updates)

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God Bless all of you. Good luck.

Please stay safe - AND AGAIN, THANK YOU FOR WHAT YOU DO!

EVERYONE COUNTS!

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