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Tropical Storm Isaias · Florida flooding · California heat · Rachel

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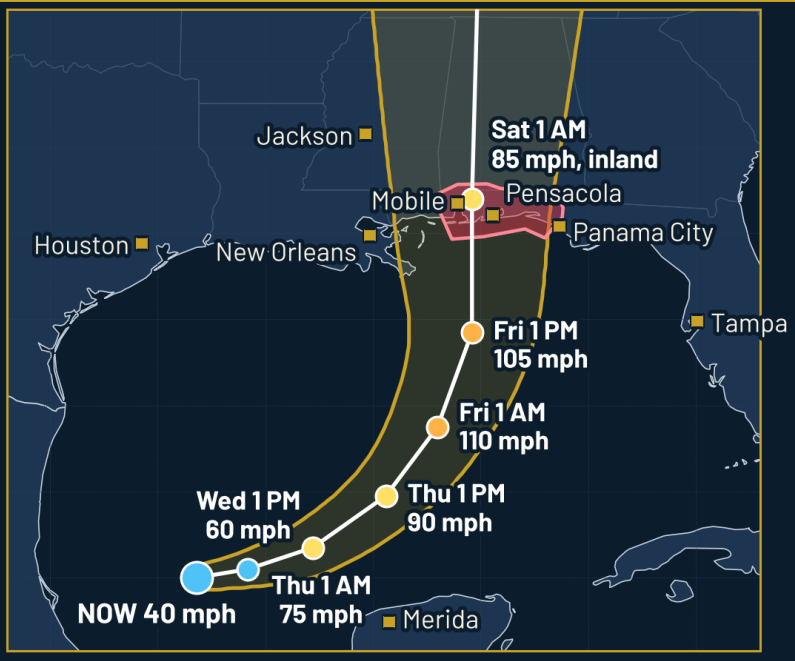
NEW: TROPICAL STORM ISAIAS FORMS IN THE GULF

NHC Advisory 3 (4 AM CT Wed): Tropical Depression Nine became Tropical Storm Isaias, 40 mph, 1004 mb, about 580 miles southwest of the mouth of the Mississippi River. Rapid strengthening is forecast: a hurricane by early Thursday and 110 mph (Category 2) by early Friday over the central Gulf, then an approach to the northern Gulf Coast on Friday. No coastal watches or warnings yet; NHC says Hurricane and Storm Surge Watches will likely be required later today.

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TROPICAL STORM ISAIAS

NHC Advisory 3 · 40 mph · hurricane forecast by Thursday · no watches yet



Tropical Storm Isaias

NHC Advisory 3, 4 AM CT Wed

Now: 40 mph, 1004 mb

Rapid strengthening forecast

Hurricane by 1 AM CT Thursday

Peak 110 mph (Category 2) by 1 AM CT Friday, central Gulf

No watches yet. NHC: Hurricane and Storm Surge Watches likely today. Louisiana to the Fla. Panhandle: have your hurricane plan in place

- NHC forecast track
- NHC cone (center path)
- WPC Moderate Risk of flooding rain, Fri

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Tropical Storm Isaias leads this morning. A Flood Watch remains in effect for northeast Florida until 5 PM CT today. Extreme Heat Warnings cover Southern California, Death Valley and parts of Arizona after more record highs on Tuesday, including Escondido at 105°. Hurricane Rachel holds at 80 mph, far from land.

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1 · Tropical Storm Isaias: rapid strengthening forecast

Key point: No watches or warnings yet, but NHC says Hurricane and Storm Surge Watches will likely be required for part of the northern Gulf Coast later today. Residents from Louisiana to the Florida Panhandle should make sure their hurricane plan is in place. Do not focus on the exact track line.

Item	NHC Advisory 3 (4 AM CT Wed)
Max sustained winds	40 mph (65 km/h), tropical storm
Minimum pressure	1004 mb (29.65 in)
Location	22.0°N 94.1°W, about 285 mi west of Progreso, Mexico, and 580 mi southwest of the mouth of the Mississippi River
Movement	East-northeast at 8 mph. A turn to the northeast and north is expected Thursday and Friday.
Strength forecast	Rapid strengthening over the next day or two. Expected to become a hurricane by Thursday.
Track (NHC)	Expected to pass north of the Yucatan Peninsula on Thursday and approach the U.S. northern Gulf Coast on Friday. The track shifted east from the previous forecast, and NHC says track confidence is below average.
Watches and warnings	None in effect. Hurricane Watches will likely be required for part of the U.S. northern Gulf Coast later today.
NHC key message	There is an increasing risk of dangerous wind and storm surge impacts along portions of the northern Gulf Coast. Hurricane and Storm Surge Watches will likely be required later today.
Rain (NHC)	2 to 4 inches through Thursday along coastal parts of the Bay of Campeche. From Friday through the weekend, 3 to 6 inches, locally up to 10 inches, from far southeastern Louisiana to the Florida Panhandle; 1 to 3 inches, locally 5, across much of the Southeast as far north as the Tennessee Valley and the Carolinas. Flash and urban flooding, plus isolated river flooding, will be possible.
Surf (NHC)	Swells reach the Yucatan Peninsula Thursday and spread toward the Gulf Coast late this week, likely causing life-threatening surf and rip currents.
Size	Tropical-storm-force winds extend up to 45 miles from the center. NHC expects the wind field to expand near landfall, with rain and wind reaching far from the center on the east side.
Next advisory	10 AM CT Wednesday.

Isaias forecast (NHC Advisory 3)

When (CT)	Position	Max winds	Strength
Wed 1 PM	22.2°N 92.9°W	60 mph	Tropical storm
Thu 1 AM	22.7°N 91.4°W	75 mph	Category 1
Thu 1 PM	23.9°N 89.7°W	90 mph	Category 1
Fri 1 AM	25.5°N 88.5°W	110 mph	Category 2 (peak)
Fri 1 PM	27.7°N 87.7°W	105 mph	Category 2
Sat 1 AM	30.8°N 87.7°W	85 mph	Inland, southwestern Alabama
Sun 1 AM	38.2°N 87.5°W	30 mph	Post-tropical, inland

Forecast points from the NHC forecast discussion, converted to CT. Forecasts several days out can be off by a wide margin.

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Chance of tropical-storm-force winds within 5 days (NHC)

Location	Chance	Location	Chance
Pensacola, Fla.	56%	Montgomery, Ala.	34%
Whiting Field, Fla.	54%	Gulfport, Miss.	31%
Destin, Fla.	47%	Apalachicola, Fla.	29%
Mobile, Ala.	47%	Buras, La.	21%
Panama City, Fla.	45%	New Orleans, La.	11%

Chance of hurricane-force winds: Pensacola 9%, Whiting Field 8%, Panama City 7%, Mobile 6%, Destin 5%, Gulfport 4%. From the NHC Wind Speed Probabilities issued with Advisory 3.

Other areas	Status (NHC Tropical Weather Outlooks)
Atlantic (7 AM CT Wed)	No other formation expected during the next 7 days.
Invest 92E, eastern Pacific (7 AM CT Wed)	South of southern Mexico: 90% in 48 hours, 90% in 7 days. Expected to become a tropical depression within a day or so. Heavy rain is forecast for parts of southern and southwestern Mexico this week.
South of Guatemala	Near 0% in 48 hours, 30% in 7 days (up from 20%).
Central Pacific	No formation expected in the next 7 days.

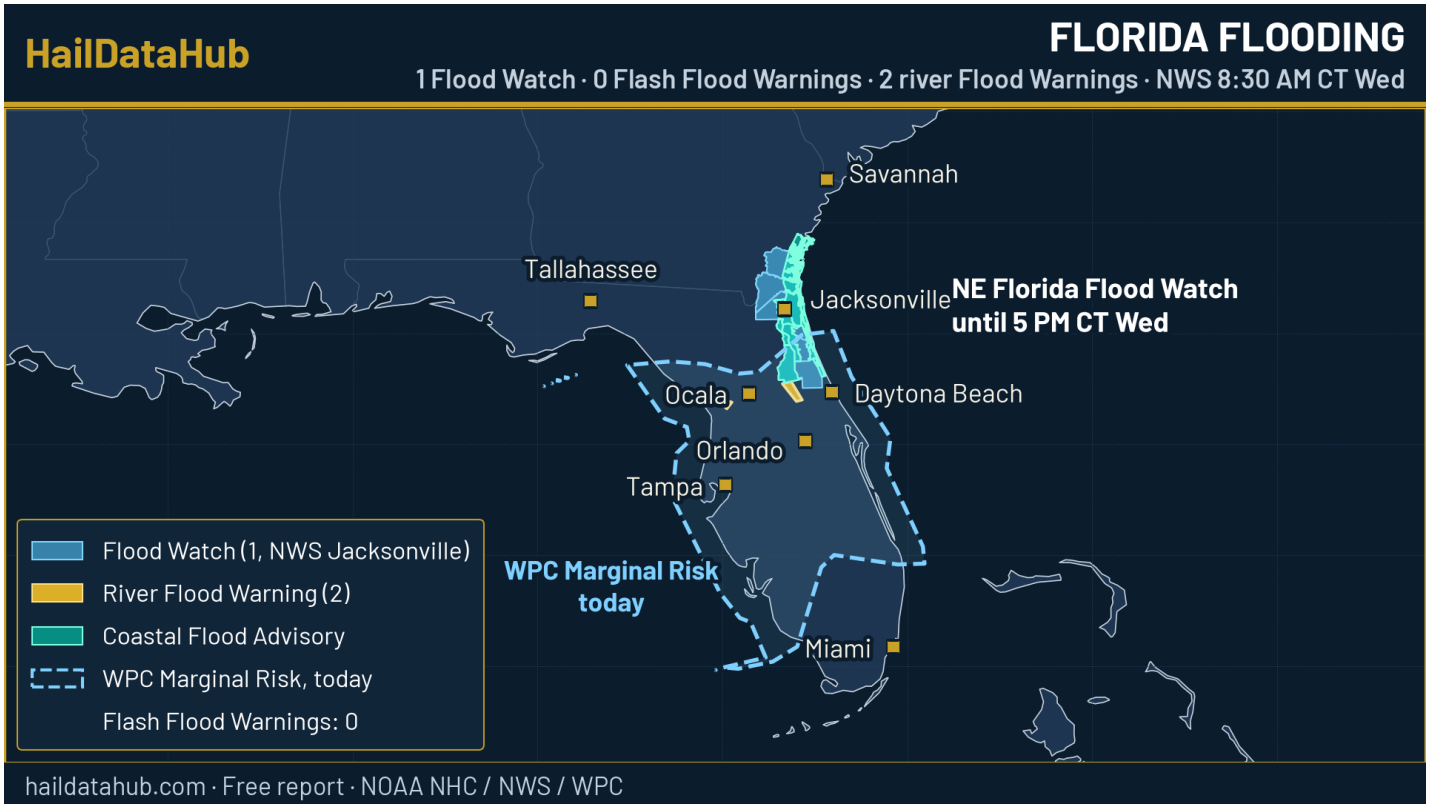
2 · Florida and Gulf Coast flooding

Key point: The bigger flood threat arrives with Isaias on Friday. WPC has a Moderate Risk (level 3 of 4) of flooding rain for far southern Alabama, including Mobile, and the western Florida Panhandle. Never drive into floodwater.

Item	Status (8:30 AM CT Wed, NWS and WPC)
Flood Watch	1 in Florida, from NWS Jacksonville: northeast Florida, until 5 PM CT today.
Flash Flood Warnings	0 in effect.
Flood Warnings, Florida	2 river Flood Warnings: Citrus, Levy and Marion counties (NWS Tampa Bay) and Lake and Volusia counties (NWS Melbourne).
Flood Warnings, Midwest rivers	6: Iowa 5, Kansas 1. Separate river flooding, not linked to Florida.
Today and Thursday (WPC Days 1 and 2)	Marginal Risk of flooding rain for much of the Florida Peninsula today and much of Florida on Thursday.
Friday (WPC Day 3)	Moderate Risk for far southern Alabama, including Mobile, and the western Florida Panhandle, with a Slight Risk expanded well to the north. WPC says the Moderate Risk may shift east and expand north into central Alabama and possibly western Georgia.
Saturday (WPC Day 4)	Three Slight Risk areas: northern Mississippi, western Tennessee and far northwestern Alabama; the southern Appalachians; and the Carolina coast.
Coast	Coastal Flood Advisories for northeast Florida beaches and the St. Johns River basin, plus the Georgia and Carolina coasts.

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Map: HailDataHub. NWS Flood Watch, Flood Warning and Coastal Flood Advisory areas at 8:30 AM CT Wednesday; WPC Day 1 Marginal Risk outline.

3 · California heat

MORE RECORDS TUESDAY: ESCONDIDO 105°, BURBANK 101°

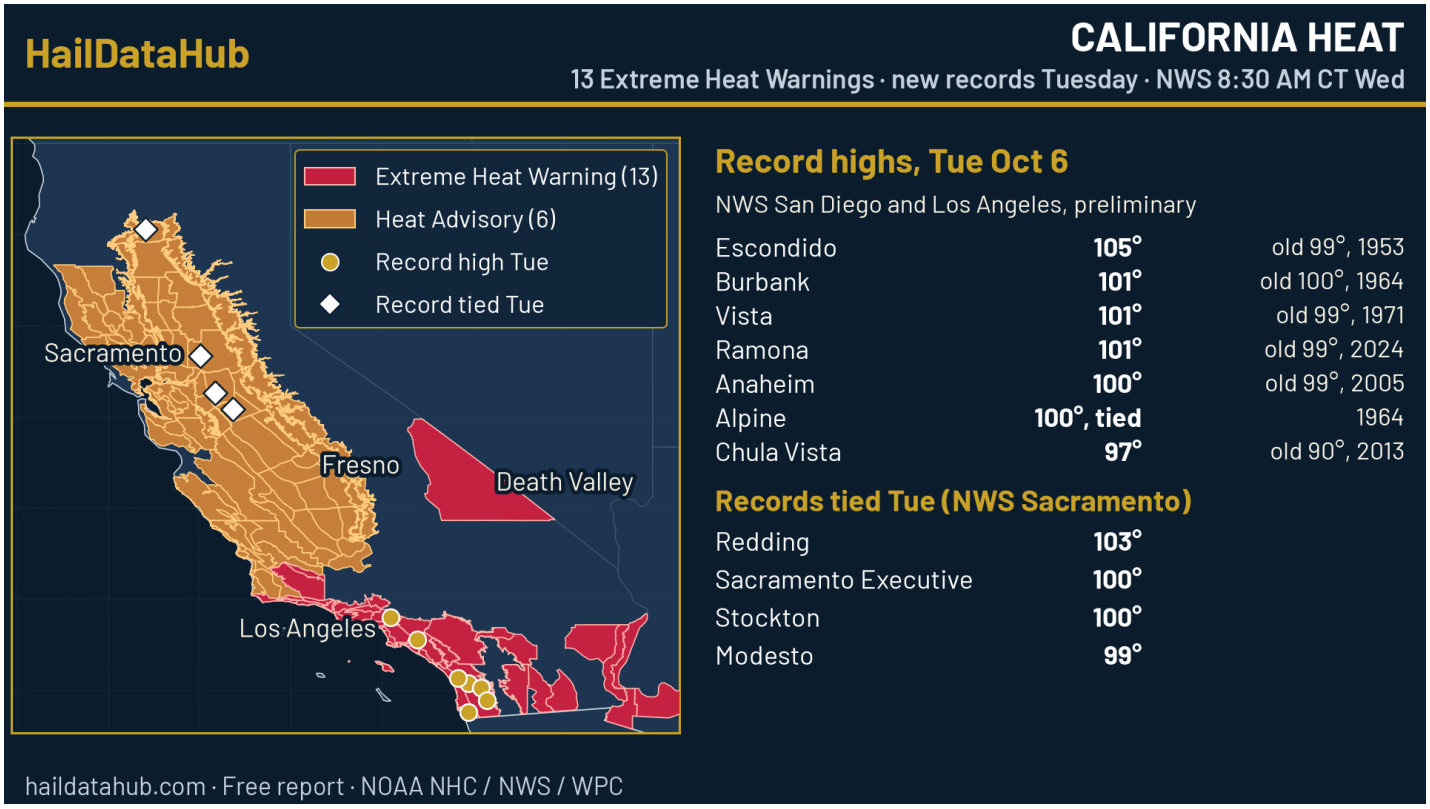
NWS Record Event Reports (preliminary): Escondido 105° (old 99°, 1953), Burbank 101° (old 100°, 1964), Vista 101°, Ramona 101°, Anaheim 100° and Chula Vista 97° set new record highs on Tuesday. Alpine, Redding, Sacramento Executive, Stockton and Modesto tied records.

Item	Status (NWS)
Record highs, Tue Oct 6 (NWS San Diego)	Escondido 105° (old 99°, 1953) · Vista 101° (old 99°, 1971) · Ramona 101° (old 99°, 2024) · Anaheim 100° (old 99°, 2005) · Chula Vista 97° (old 90°, 2013) · Alpine 100° (tied, 1964)
Record high, Tue Oct 6 (NWS Los Angeles)	Burbank 101° (old 100°, 1964)
Records tied, Tue Oct 6 (NWS Sacramento)	Redding 103° (1987) · Sacramento Executive 100° (2024) · Stockton 100° (2024) · Modesto 99° (2024)
Warm nights, Tue Oct 6 (NWS San Diego)	Record warm lows included San Diego 71°, Anaheim 75°, Santa Ana 74° and Riverside 72°.
Monday recap	Downtown Los Angeles set a record 104° on Monday (old 101°, 1953).
Extreme Heat Warnings	13 in California and Arizona: Southern California coast and valleys until 10 PM CT Thursday; Coachella Valley, San Diego County deserts, Imperial County and Yuma, Ariz., noon CT today to 10 PM CT Friday; Death Valley until 10 PM CT Friday; Parker, Gila River, Palo Verde and Chuckwalla valleys on Thursday.
Heat Advisories	6 in California: Bay Area, northern San Joaquin Valley, Shasta County, interior Mendocino and San Luis Obispo County.

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Item	Status (NWS)
Coastal Flood Advisories	Los Angeles and Ventura County beaches, Catalina, Orange and San Diego coasts, and the North Bay, through Friday or early Saturday.



Map: HailDataHub. NWS heat alerts at 8:30 AM CT Wednesday; Tuesday records from NWS Record Event Reports.

4 · Hurricane Rachel: steady, far from land

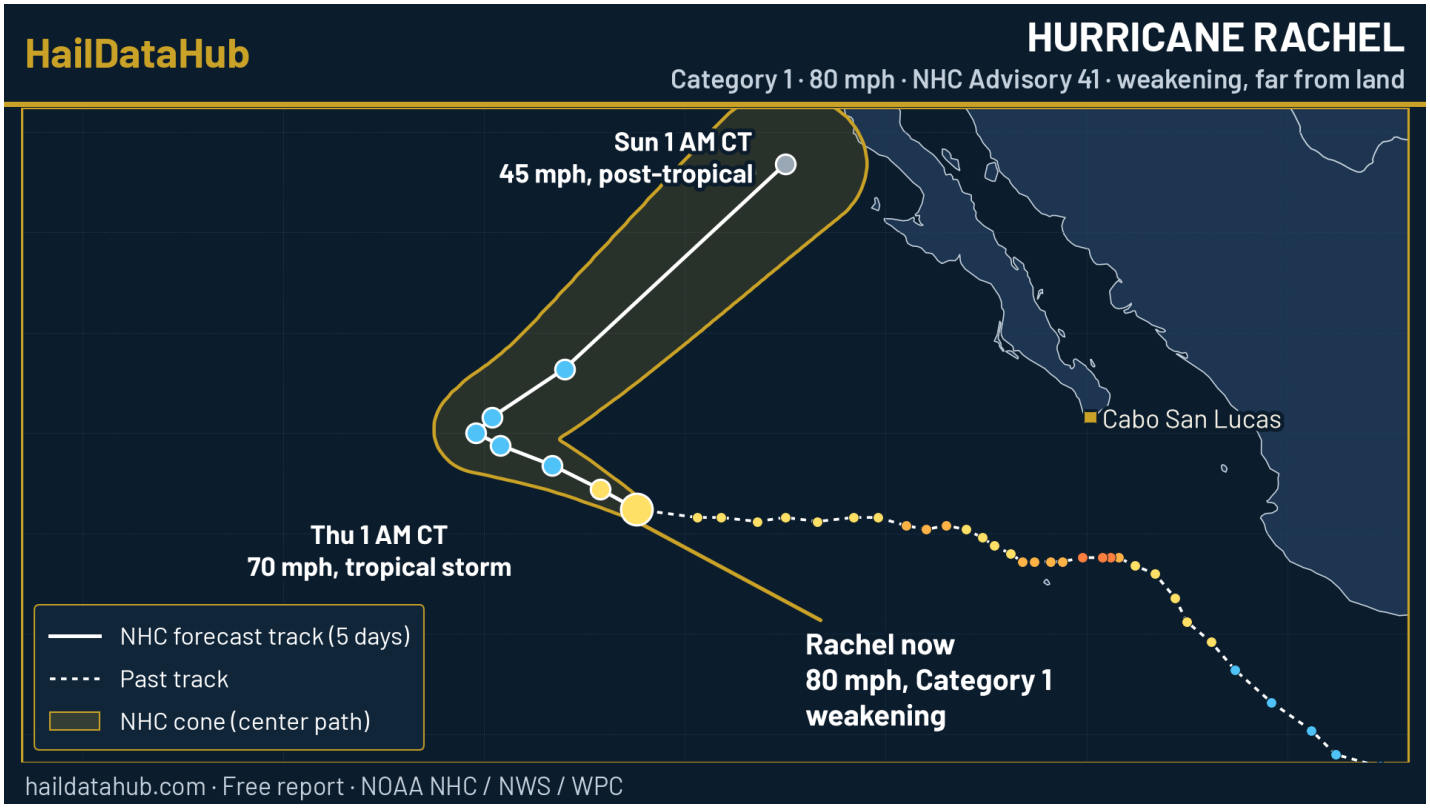
HOLDING STEADY: RACHEL

NHC Advisory 41 (2 AM PDT / 4 AM CT Wed): 80 mph, 979 mb, about 740 miles west of the southern tip of Baja California, moving west-northwest at 7 mph. Gradual to steady weakening is forecast. No coastal watches or warnings, and NHC lists no hazards affecting land. Next complete advisory 10 AM CT.

Item	NHC Advisory 41 (4 AM CT Wed)
Max sustained winds	80 mph (130 km/h), Category 1
Minimum pressure	979 mb (28.91 in)
Location	20.6°N 121.2°W, about 740 mi west of the southern tip of Baja California
Movement	West-northwest at 7 mph, then slowing before a sharp turn to the northeast late this week
Wind field	Hurricane-force winds extend up to 35 miles from the center; tropical-storm-force winds up to 140 miles.
Watches and warnings	No coastal watches or warnings in effect
Hazards affecting land	None, per NHC.
Later (WPC)	WPC says moisture from the remnants of Rachel may bring heavy rain to parts of southeastern California, southern Nevada, southwestern Utah and western Arizona on Sunday.

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Map: HailDataHub. Cone from NHC Advisory 41; forecast points from the NHC forecast discussion; past track from NHC data.

Rachel forecast (NHC Advisory 41)

When (CT)	Position	Max winds	Strength
Wed 1 PM	21.1°N 122.1°W	75 mph	Category 1
Thu 1 AM	21.7°N 123.3°W	70 mph	Tropical storm
Fri 1 AM	22.5°N 125.2°W	60 mph	Tropical storm
Sat 1 AM	24.1°N 123.0°W	45 mph	Tropical storm
Sun 1 AM	29.2°N 117.5°W	45 mph	Post-tropical

Forecast points from the NHC forecast discussion, converted to CT. NHC expects Rachel to dissipate by Monday.

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5 · Bering Sea storm: western Alaska wind and coastal flooding Thursday

Item	Status (NWS Fairbanks and Anchorage)
Coastal Flood Advisory	Bering Strait and southern Seward Peninsula coasts, 1 PM CT Thu to 7 AM CT Sat. Water 4 to 6 feet above the normal high tide line. Beach erosion expected; in Teller, parts of Front Ave. may flood, and in Nome water may approach yards in the Belmont Subdivision.
High Wind Warnings	St. Lawrence Island, gusts up to 65 mph, Thursday. Bering Strait coast and Diomede, gusts up to 60 mph, Thursday into early Friday. Shemya and Attu, and Atka and Adak, this evening into Thursday morning.
High Surf Advisories	7 along the western Alaska coast, Thursday into the weekend.
Marine	Hurricane Force Wind Warnings for Aleutian and Bering Sea waters from Attu east to Seguam, today into Thursday morning.

Also: NWS Honolulu has a Flood Watch for Kauai, Niihau and Oahu from this evening through Thursday afternoon, local time. Frost and freeze alerts in the Northeast have ended. Zero Winter Storm Warnings.

6 · Polo: recap

Polo made landfall on the Sonora coast a little east of Guaymas, Mexico, on Tuesday, Sept. 29, as a Category 1 hurricane with 75 mph winds, then weakened quickly over northwestern Mexico. NHC issued its final advisory (Advisory 38) at 10 PM CT that night, saying Polo had dissipated. Earlier, Polo peaked at 180 mph (Category 5) in the eastern Pacific, first on Sept. 22 (892 mb) and again on Sept. 25. Polo is not linked to any current U.S. flooding.

Sources

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