

5 PM EDT Thursday, July 11, 2019 Tropical Storm Barry & Invest 93L (10%)

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Atlantic Basin Satellite Image







Tropical Storm Barry remains devoid of showers or thunderstorms on the north side of the center (red circle). This is due to dry air and some northerly shear impacting the system.

TS Barry Satellite Images



Note: The cone contains the probable path of the storm center but does not show the size of the storm. Hazardous conditions can occur outside of the cone.

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Crestview

Fort Walton

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Flash Flood Watches

Rainfall totals of 3-5" are possible with localized higher amounts 6-8" are possible.
If that rainfall falls in a short period of time, flash flooding may begin.

Lynn Haven

Panama City

Cumulative Rainfall Total Next 7-Days

Inches 20 15 10 Tropical Storm Barry 168-hour Day 1-7 Rainfall Forecast (inches) Created 2:16 PM CDT Thu Jul 11 2019 Valid 7:00 PM CDT Thu Jul 11 2019 through 7:00 PM CDT Thu Jul 18 2019 ¹Local point maximum rainfall may be higher than shown. See the NHC public advisories for the latest tropical cyclone information. NOAA/NWS/NCEP/WPC

A widespread 1-3" is expected across much of the state this week. Rainfall totals of 3-5" are possible in the Panhandle with any outer bands.

THIS DOES NOT INCLUDE LOCALLY HIGHER TOTALS which could be as high as 6+" along the Gulf Coast

Higher rainfall totals may occur in the western Panhandle should the forecast track shift significantly eastward.

All Florida rivers are well below flood stage. Drought conditions continue across inland Northwest Florida.







Understanding WPC Excessive Rainfall Risk Categories

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No Area/Label	MARGINAL (MRGL)	SLIGHT (SLGT)	MODERATE (MDT)	HIGH (HIGH)
Flash floods are generally not expected.	Isolated flash floods possible	Scattered flash floods possible	Numerous flash floods likely	Widespread flash floods expected
www.wpc.ncep.noaa.gov @NWSWPC	Localized and primarily affecting places that can experience rapid runoff with heavy rainfall.	Mainly localized. Most vulnerable are urban areas, roads, small streams and washes. Isolated significant flash floods possible.	Numerous flash flooding events with significant events possible. Many streams may flood, potentially affecting larger rivers.	Severe, widespread flash flooding. Areas that don't normally experience flash flooding, could. Lives and property in greater danger.
Flash flooding near me?	$1 \leq 1 \leq 2$	(0, 0, 0)	CENTRA A	635.6 \odot
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- There is a marginal risk of excessive rainfall that could lead to some isolated flash flooding along the Gulf Coast
- Marginal flooding risks continue across parts of North Florida through the rest of this week. Depending on the track, the heavy rain threat could continue this weekend.



Flash Flood Potential Markers

In general, flash flooding could occur in the Panhandle if heavy rain in excess of 3-5" occurs in a short amount of time or 5-8" within a 24 hour period.



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Southeast River Forecast Center	•
Water Resources Regions	

1186 total gauges Show all locations in flood (0) O Gauges: Major Flooding

0 Gauges: Moderate Flooding
0 Gauges: Minor Flooding
6 Gauges: Near Flood Stage
924 Gauges: No Flooding
198 Flood Category Not Defined
14 At or Below Low Water Threshold
32 Gauges: Observations Are Not Current
12 Gauges: Out of Service

Panhandle rivers are currently at low flow and have the capacity to absorb 3-4" of runoff on average. However, if any drainage basing were to receive more than 5-8", some minor river flooding could be possible.



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NWS Threat/Impact Graphics

• Low: Threat for potential wind 39-57mph. Potential Impacts Include:

*Damage to porches, awnings, carports, sheds, and unanchored objects.

- *Tree limbs broken off.
- *Isolated power and communications outages.

Wind Threat
Potential for wind greater than 110 mph
Potential for wind 74 to 110 mph
Potential for wind 58 to 73 mph
Potential for wind 39 to 57 mph
Wind less than 39 mph

Forecast Sustained Wind Speeds and Gusts for Friday



(Fri Jul 12 2019 18Z) National Digital Forecast Database 19z issuance Graphic created-Jul 11 3:30PM EDT

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Sustained winds for the Panhandle should be in the 10-20mph range, with some gusts to 25-30mph







Storm Surge Watch/Warning Graphic*

Tropical Storm Barry Advisory 005 Issued: 10:00 AM CDT Thu Jul 11







Current Tidal Gage Readings

Tides are running about 0.5 to 1 foot above normal. These tide levels may increase to as high as 2' above normal at high tide Friday and Saturday mornings, especially closer to Pensacola. This could result in some minor coastal flooding in prone areas.





Forecast Wave Heights (feet) – Friday-Sunday



High surf, a high risk of life-threatening rip currents, and some minor beach erosion will be likely in the Panhandle late week. With spring tidal cycles, some minor coastal flooding is possible near high tide in normally prone locations.



Forecast Severe Weather Risk – Friday-Saturday



Isolated waterspouts or tornadoes will be possible in the outer bands, mainly in the western Panhandle.









Key Messages for Tropical Storm Barry Advisory 6: 4:00 PM CDT Thu Jul 11, 2019



1. There is a danger of life-threatening storm surge inundation along the coast of southern and southeastern Louisiana where a Storm Surge Warning is in effect. The highest storm surge inundation is expected between the Mouth of the Atchafalaya River and Shell Beach. Residents in these areas should listen to any advice given by local officials.

2. The slow movement of Barry will result in a long duration heavy rainfall and flood threat along the central Gulf Coast and inland through the lower Mississippi Valley through the weekend into early next week. Flash flooding and river flooding will become increasingly likely, some of which may be significant, especially along and east of the track of the system.

3. Hurricane conditions are expected along a portion of the coast of Louisiana, where a Hurricane Warning has been issued. Residents in these areas should rush their preparations to completion, as tropical storm conditions are expected to arrive in the warning area by Friday morning.



For more information go to hurricanes.gov



Five-Day Graphical Tropical Weather Outlook

National Hurricane Center Miami, Florida



Showers associated with a tropical wave located several Disturbance 1 hundred miles southwest of the Cabo Verde Islands remain disorganized. Some slight development of the wave is possible during the next day or two while it moves westward at 15 to 20 mph before environmental conditions become less favorable over the weekend. Formation chance through 48 hours...low...10 percent. Formation chance through 5 days...low...10 percent. ٠ 2.00 -25N 15N \mathfrak{Z} 1 2:00 pm EDT (10%) 5N Thu Jul 11 2019 100W 80W 70W 40W 30W 20W 90W 50W 60V ☆ < 40% **X** > 60% Current Disturbances and Five-Day Cyclone Formation Chance: X 40-60% 互 Storm Hurricane Tropical or Sub-Tropical Cyclone: O Depression Ø Post-Tropical Cyclone or Remnants

Dry Air & Saharan Dust



Summary

- At 5 p.m. EDT Thursday, Tropical Storm Barry was located about 175 miles southeast of Morgan City, Louisiana, or about 220 miles southwest of Pensacola.
- Maximum sustained winds have increased to near 40 mph.
- Additional strengthening and organization of the system is expected and it is forecast to become a hurricane Friday or Saturday.
- Barry continues moving slowly westward at around 5 mph, but a west-northwest motion is expected on Friday followed by a northwestward track by early Saturday.
- On this track, the center of Barry should move into southeastern or south-central Louisiana sometime Saturday. While models are in good agreement on a Louisiana landfall, there are a few models that are more to the east closer to Biloxi, Mississippi.
- Barry is likely to bring widespread impacts to the central Gulf Coast/Lower Mississippi Valley through Sunday or Monday.
- Elsewhere in the tropics, a tropical wave (designated as Invest 93L) located in the far eastern Atlantic near the Cabo Verde Islands is producing disorganized shower activity.
- While some slight development of the wave is possible during the next day or two while it moves westward, environmental conditions will become less favorable over the weekend as it approaches the Windward Islands.
- As a result, there is currently only a 10% (low) chance of this wave become a tropical system within the next 5 days.

Florida Outlook:

- There are <u>no</u> tropical storm, hurricane or storm surge watches in effect for Florida and Florida remains outside of the cone of error.
- Periods of heavy rain within showers and thunderstorms will be the main impact for Florida and are expected to continue each day through Monday, but higher than normal tides, high surf, and isolated tornadoes are also possible along the Panhandle coast.
- <u>Rain</u>:

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- Currently, cumulative rainfall totals of 2-4" are forecast for the central and western Florida Panhandle, with lesser amounts closer to 1-2" expected for the remainder of the state. However, some models are predicting the potential for higher amounts in the 5-8" are possible in some spots of the western Panhandle.
- Flash Flood Watches are in effect for Escambia and Santa Rosa Counties. However, an isolated case of flash flooding will be possible anywhere in Florida, particularly in urban areas with brief periods of ponding of water on roadways, or where storms repeatedly move over the same location. Additional watches could be issued with any eastward shift in the forecast track.
- The best chance of heavy rain will be Saturday and Sunday. Isolated tornadoes will be possible across the Panhandle beginning Thursday and may linger into Friday.
- <u>Coastal Impacts</u>:
 - Dangerous rip currents, high surf, and minor coastal flooding will be possible along the Panhandle coast over the next several days.
 - Coastal Flood Watches are in effect for Escambia, Santa Rosa and Okaloosa Counties where tides may run 1-2' above normal and could cause minor flooding on the ocean-facing side of barrier islands during times of high tide.
 - Breaking waves of 5-8' are expected along much of the Panhandle coast, and High Surf Advisories are in effect from Escambia County east to Gulf County.
 - Frequent life-threatening rip currents are expected to continue along the entire Florida Gulf Coast (including the western Peninsula) through at least Monday.
- <u>Tornadoes</u>:
 - Isolated waterspouts and/or tornadoes will be possible within the outer bands of PTC #2 on Saturday and Sunday in the far western Panhandle.
 The greatest threat will be further west.
- The next briefing packet will be issued Friday morning. For the latest information on the tropics, please visit the National Hurricane Center website at <u>www.hurricanes.gov.</u>



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