

## TROPICAL UPDATE

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## 11:00 AM EDT Sunday, May 17, 2020 Tropical Storm Arthur

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### **Atlantic Basin Satellite Image**



#### GOES-16 Channel 2 (visible) Reflectance at 14:47Z May 17, 2020



#### Visible Satellite: Tropical Storm Arthur

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While better organized than yesterday, the system remains asymmetrical with most of the showers and thunderstorms located east of the center.

The system is well offshore from Florida.



### Projected Path: Tropical Storm Arthur

The center of Tropical Storm Arthur is located about 250 miles east of Jacksonville, moving northnortheast at 9 mph. Maximum sustained winds are currently 45 mph. Some gradual strengthening is forecast over the next 48 hours.

Tropical Storm Warnings have been issued for the Outer Banks of North Carolina.





#### Most Likely Arrival Time of Tropical-Storm-Force Winds







### <u>Forecast</u> <u>Wave Heights</u>

Waves will remain elevated for the next day or two as Tropical Storm Arthur moves to the northeast. This will result in a high rip current risk for Northeast Florida beaches through Sunday. Conditions improve through mid-week.

### **Rain Chances This Week**



A weak cold front will move through the state on Monday before stalling across South Florida on Tuesday and Wednesday. Numerous showers and thunderstorms are expected, particularly during the afternoon and evenings. Widespread strong to severe thunderstorms are not expected, but some gusty winds, locally heavy downpours, and frequent lightning may accompany the stronger storms.

# Summary

#### **Tropical Storm Arthur**

- Hurricane Hunters found that Tropical Depression #1 strengthened into Tropical Storm Arthur overnight.
- Tropical Storm Arthur is located about 250 miles east of Jacksonville, FL, moving north-northeast at 9 mph.
- Maximum sustained winds are near 45 mph, and some gradual strengthening is forecast.
- Tropical Storm Warnings have been issued for the Outer Banks of North Carolina. Arthur will make its closest approach to North Carolina on Monday, bringing tropical storm winds and heavy rain.

#### Florida Outlook:

• Swells from Arthur will result in a moderate to high rip current risk at Northeast Florida beaches through midweek.

- There are no other areas being monitored for tropical development over the next 5 days
- The next tropics packet will be issued Monday 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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