

TROPICAL UPDATE



8:00 AM EDT Monday, August 3, 2020

Tropical Storm Isaias & Invest 94L (60%)

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Tropical Storm Isaias Monday, August 3



Overview/Recent Changes:

Isaias is moving away from Florida. Tropical Storm Warnings remain in effect for the immediate coastal areas of Northeast Florida into this afternoon, but conditions should begin to improve this afternoon as the center moves north of Jacksonville.



Southwest Atlantic – Tropical Storm Isaias



Isaias remains disorganized this morning, with the center well east of Jacksonville. All of the rain bands remain north and east of the center, with some trailing showers across far Southeast Florida.

Official Forecast Track

From the National Hurricane Center – Tropical Storm Isaias



- The center of Isaias is about 100 miles eastsoutheast of Jacksonville, moving to the north at 13 mph.
- Tropical Storm Isaias has maximum sustained winds near 70 mph. Most of these winds are occurring in the eastern half of the storm.
- Some strengthening is expected today as it moves away from Florida and towards the Carolinas.
- Tropical Storm Warnings remain in effect for coastal Northeast Florida.



Wind Watches and Warnings

In Effect Until Further Notice

Tropical Storm Warnings are in effect for: coastal Duval, coastal Flagler, coastal Nassau, and coastal St. Johns

(Tropical Storm gusts ~40 mph ongoing)

Likely cancelled sometime this afternoon





Coastal Flooding



Coastal Flood Advisory for 1-2' of minor coastal flooding along the Atlantic and Intercoastal Waterway



Forecast Wave Heights

This Week



Rough surf of 3-6' still expected into this afternoon at Atlantic beaches. Gradually improving beach conditions on Tuesday and Wednesday.



Rip Current Outlook



Rough surf and high water levels will keep the rip current risk high at Atlantic beaches through the weekend.





Rain Chances Next 3 Days



Rain chances remain lower than normal in the Panhandle.

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Tropical Weather Outlook

Possible Area of Development During the Next 5 Days (LINK)



A surface trough of low pressure, located a few hundred miles north of the northern Leeward Islands, is producing disorganized showers and thunderstorms.

Marginal environmental conditions could allow for some slow development of this system during the next several days, with a tropical depression possibly forming later this week.

This system is forecast to move northwestward at about 15 mph over the southwestern Atlantic today and on Tuesday, and then stall several hundred miles southwest of Bermuda by the middle to latter part of the week.

This system does not pose a threat to Florida over the next week at least.

The next name on the list is Josephine.

*Formation chance through 48 hrs...medium...40% *Formation chance through 5 days...medium...60%





Model Forecast Tracks

100W

Ensembles Models



90W

80W

70W

60W

50W



Overall Summary

Tropical Storm Isaias

- Isaias remains disorganized this morning, with the center located about 100 miles east-southeast of Jacksonville, FL, moving north at 13 mph.
- Maximum sustained winds are at 70 mph, with the strongest winds occurring east of the center.
- Isaias is forecast to strengthen some today as it moves away from Florida and approaches the Carolinas.
- The system will track up the East Coast of the United States over the next couple of days.
- By this afternoon, impacts form Isaias will have ended for Florida.

Invest 94L - Central Atlantic Tropical Wave

- A tropical wave northeast of the Lesser Antilles is producing some shower and thunderstorm activity as it moves northwest.
- Some slow development of this system is possible over the next few days as it stalls out southwest of Bermuda.
- The system is likely to dissipate in the Southwest Atlantic and poses no threat to Florida at this time.
- This system has a 40% (medium) chance of formation over the next 48 hours, and a 60% (medium) chance over the next 5 days.

Florida Outlook:

- Isaias continues to bring some squalls to the immediate coast of Northeast Florida, with improving conditions expected this afternoon.
- Tropical Storm Warning: coastal Duval, coastal Flagler, coastal Nassau, and coastal St. Johns
- Coastal Flood Advisory: coastal Duval, Flagler, coastal Nassau, and St. Johns
- Wind gusts from 35-50 mph are generally forecast in the tropical storm warning area
- Minor coastal flooding is expected along the Atlantic coast, the Intercoastal Waterway, and the lower St. Johns River as tides will run 1-2' above normal today
- The flood threat from Isaias is minimal in Northeast Florida, but some heavy thunderstorms may develop across Southeast Florida this afternoon.
- Elevated surf, dangerous rip currents, and pockets of significant beach erosion will be likely at all Northeast Florida beaches today and tonight.

The next briefing packet will be issued this afternoon. For the latest information on the tropics, please visit the National Hurricane Center website at <u>www.hurricanes.gov</u>.



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