

8:30 AM EDT Thursday, June 2, 2022 Invest 91L – Southern Gulf of Mexico Low (80%) Heavy Rain Likely Late This Week – South Florida

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Tropical Weather Outlook

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



A broad area of low pressure, Invest 91L, continues to

produce a large area of disorganized showers and thunderstorms over the northwestern Caribbean Sea and Yucatan Peninsula. Atmospheric and oceanic conditions are favorable for 91L to gradually develop, and is likely to become a tropical depression or storm while it moves slowly northeastward over the southeastern Gulf of Mexico during the next day or two.

Regardless of development, areas of heavy rainfall are likely to spread across southern and central Florida and the Florida Keys Friday and Saturday. These heavy rains could cause scattered to numerous flash floods across South Florida and the Florida Keys. This system should be monitored throughout the week. The first name on the list is Alex.

Tropical Storm Watches/Warnings could be required for portions of the Florida Keys and southwestern Florida Peninsula later today.

*Formation chance through 48 hours...high...80%

*Formation chance through 5 days...high...80%





Invest 91L is currently broad and disorganized with all thunderstorm activity (reds, whites, and pinks) on the eastern side. It will gradually organize over the next day or two, but most of the rain and storms are likely to remain on the eastern half of the system.



Color denotes the movement speed through the atmosphere and thin white lines denote direction. Tightly clustered white lines represent faster movement as well.



The system will move to the northeast around areas of high pressure and ahead of an approaching cold front, **bringing it near or across South Florida.** The exact track will depend on where the system specifically develops.

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Steering Currents

What is Moving the System?

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Wind Shear

Is the environment favorable for the system?

Color denotes the amount of wind shear and the lines denote how it have changed over the last 24 hours (dotted lines show decreasing shear and solid lines show increasing.



Wind shear will be high across the Gulf of Mexico over the next couple of days (as denoted by the red colors) which will **prevent significant** development of this system.

Dry Air & Saharan Dust

Is the environment favorable for the system?

Moist

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Color denotes concentration of Saharan Dust or dry, stable air.

There is plenty of moisture in place across the western Caribbean, southern Gulf of Mexico, and Florida Peninsula. Conditions that would promote a gradual development of Invest 91L.

Very Dry

ESS <----- DRY AIR (LOW/MID-LEVEL) AND/OR DUSTY SAL AIRMASS -----> MORE

Sea Surface Temperatures & Anomalies

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Is the ocean favorable for the system?

CDAS Sea Surface Temperature (°C)

Analysis Time: 00z Jun 02 2022



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Forecast Weather Maps - Track

Through the Upcoming Weekend



The heavy rain threat begins early Friday morning and continues into the day on Saturday. The low will make the closest approach to Florida on Saturday before moving offshore and away from Florida on Sunday.



Rainfall Totals Next 5 Days

Ending 8 AM ET Tuesday

120-Hour Precipitation (in) Ending Tuesday, Jun. 7, 2022 at 8 a.m. EDT



- **Through tonight**, a widespread 1-2" of rain is forecast across South Florida and along the West Coast, with more isolated totals in North Florida.
- Localized areas could see 3-4" today, but the flood threat will be localized and confined to urban areas.
- Heavier rainfall is expected in South Florida Friday and Saturday depending on the exact track of Invest 91L.
- A widespread 4-8" is currently being forecast for this weekend, with localized areas of 12+".
- These rainfall totals could increase or decrease depending on the exact track!!



Flash Flood Outlooks Fri./Sat.

From the Weather Prediction Center (LINK)



Heavy rainfall late in the week and weekend could result in flash flooding on Friday and Saturday across South Florida and the Florida Keys. Urban areas in Southeast Florida will be most at risk of impactful street flooding. Flood Watches will likely be issued later today for portions of the southern Peninsula.

Severe Weather Outlooks

From the Storm Prediction Center





Understanding Severe Thunderstorm Risk Categories

THUNDERSTORMS	1 - MARGINAL	2 - SLIGHT	3 - ENHANCED	4 - MODERATE	5 - HIGH
(no label)	(MRGL)	(SLGT)	(ENH)	(MDT)	(HIGH)
No severe*	Isolated severe	Scattered	Numerous	Widespread	Widespread
thunderstorms	thunderstorms	severe storms	severe storms	severe storms	severe storms
expected	possible	possible	possible	likely	expected
Lightning/flooding threats exist with <u>all</u> thunderstorms	Limited in duration and/or coverage and/or intensity	Short-lived and/or not widespread, isolated intense storms possible	More persistent and/or widespread, a few intense	Long-lived, widespread and intense	Long-lived, very widespread and particularly intense

As Invest 91L approaches the southern Peninsula Friday, isolated tornadoes cannot be ruled out along the Florida Keys Friday night, and over South Florida Saturday. A Marginal Risk (level 1 of 5) has been introduced.



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Five-Day Graphical Tropical Weather Outlook National Hurricane Center Miami, Florida



Shower activity associated with a weak surface trough located about 200 miles east-northeast of the northwestern Bahamas has diminished, and upper-level winds remain strong in the area.

Development of this system is not expected while it moves northeastward at 5 to 10 mph over the southwestern Atlantic during the next couple of days.

This system poses no threat to Florida.

*Formation chance through 48 hours...low...0%

*Formation chance through 5 days...low...0%



Overall Summary

Invest 91L - Southern Gulf of Mexico Low

- Invest 91L continues to develop near the Yucatan Peninsula and will move northeast toward South Florida this weekend.
- The environment over the Gulf of Mexico is favorable for gradual development, and the system is likely to become a tropical depression or storm while it moves over the southeastward over the next day or two. Heavy rain will be the main threat.
- The system will move east of Florida on Sunday and into the open waters of the Atlantic by Monday.
- The National Hurricane Center has an 80% (high) chance of development in the next 48 hours, and an 80% (high) chance of development over the next 5 days.
- Tropical Storm Watches/Warnings could be required for the Florida Keys and southwestern Florida Peninsula later today.
- If it becomes a Tropical Depression, it will be designated number "One" and if it strengthens into a Tropical Storm it will be "Alex".

<u>Bahama Low</u>

- A weak area of showers is located about 200 miles east-northeast of the Bahamas has diminished.
- Development of this system is not expected while it moves northeastward at 5 to 10 mph over the southwestern Atlantic during the next couple of days.
- The National Hurricane Center has a **0% (low) chance** of development in the next 48 hours and 5 days.
- This system poses no threat to Florida.

Florida Outlook:

- Impacts to Florida are not expected through this afternoon.
- While it is too early to determine the specifics of any impacts, if they do occur, heavy rainfall is likely to be the main threat, with gusty winds, rip currents, and waterspouts/tornadoes possible as additional threats.
- A widespread 4-8" of rain is forecast for South Florida and the Florida Keys Friday and Saturday with locally higher amounts. Flash flooding is possible, and a Flood Watch will likely be issued for the area later today.

The next briefing packet will be provided 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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