

## **Tropical Update**



## 11:00 AM EDT Saturday, June 29, 2024

## Tropical Storm Beryl Expected to Become a Major Hurricane; Medium Chances of Tropical Development Near the Yucatan Peninsula (40%) & Across the Eastern Tropical Atlantic (60%)

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## **Tropical Storm Beryl** From the National Hurricane Center (NHC)



- Location: 820 miles east-southeast of Barbados
- Maximum Sustained Winds: 65 mph
- Current Movement: W at 23 mph
- FL Watches & Warnings: None

A relatively quick westward to west-northwestward motion is expected during the next few days. On the forecast track, the system is expected to move across the Windward Islands late Sunday night and Monday. Rapid strengthening is now forecast, and Beryl is expected to become a major hurricane before it reaches the Windward Islands.



## Model Forecasts – Next 5 Days Tropical Storm Beryl



Computer model guidance this morning remains in very good agreement that Tropical Storm Beryl will maintain its general westward to west-northwestward motion over the next 2 to 3 days, with the system approaching the Windward Islands in the next 36 to 48 hours. Computer models increase in uncertainty during the 3 to 5-day timeframe in both forward speed and forecast track; however, the consensus shows Beryl moving slightly north of west over the central Caribbean Sea mid-next week.

Computer models are in very good agreement that Tropical Storm Beryl will become a Category 1 hurricane within the next 12 hours. Guidance remains in agreement that Beryl will continue to rapidly strengthen thereafter, and the system could strengthen to a Category 2 hurricane within the next 24-48 hours and strengthen to a Major Hurricane (Category 3) in the next 24-36 hours. Gradual strengthening will continue to be possible thereafter; however, strengthening upper-level winds may limit the system's overall intensity after 72 hours. Peak intensity forecasts will become clearer as Beryl moves past the Windward Islands.



## **Tropical Weather Outlook** Disturbance 1 – Invest 94L (LINK)



A broad area of low pressure is forecast to form over the Bay of Campeche tonight or early Sunday, where conditions appear generally conducive for further development. A tropical depression could form before the system moves inland again early next week over Mexico. Interests along the Gulf coast of Mexico should monitor the progress of this system. Regardless of development, heavy rainfall associated with the area of low pressure will affect portions of Central America and Mexico through early next week.

This system poses no threat to Florida.

\* Formation chance through 48 hours...medium...40%
\* Formation chance through 7 days...medium...40%



## **Tropical Weather Outlook** Disturbance 2 – Eastern Tropical Atlantic (LINK)



An area of low pressure located several hundred miles southwest of the Cabo Verde Islands is producing an area of disorganized showers and thunderstorms. Environmental conditions appear conducive for additional development of this system, and a tropical depression could form by the middle of next week while it moves generally westward at 15-20 mph across the eastern and central tropical Atlantic.

*This system poses no threat to Florida over the next 7 to 10 days, at least.* 

\* Formation chance through 48 hours...low...20%
\* Formation chance through 7 days...medium...60%

# What is Moving 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 strong area of high pressure near the Azores will provide steering for all tropical systems in the Atlantic Basin. As Invest 94L skirts west-northwestward along the western periphery of the area of high pressure, steering influences may become weaker as the system KTS. approaches the Bay of Campeche and the Gulf coast of Mexico; however, a general westward to northwestward motion is expected. This high pressure will also steer the Eastern Tropical Atlantic disturbance, on the southern periphery of the high pressure area, **Fast Moving** generally westward at 15-20 mph over the next few days. Storm Tropical Storm Beryl will be influenced by moderate steering flow across the tropical Atlantic, maintaining its forward speed of around 15-25 mph. On the southern fringe of the high pressure system, Beryl will continue its westward trajectory toward the Windward Islands this weekend and enter into the Caribbean Sea late this weekend or early next week. A lobe of high pressure extending from the parent high pressure system is showing over the southern Florida Peninsula, this too, would influence a general westward or slightly north of west motion of Beryl across the central Caribbean Sea. H **Fast Moving** Storm **Typical Moving** Berv Storm Slow Moving Storm CIMSS ENV STEERING PRODUCT: 700-850 HPA LAYER (FOR TO MSLP RANGE: 1000-1010 HPA) 1200 UTC 29JUN24



### 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.

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**HIGH Shear** 

(Unfavorable)

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(Unfavorable)

**MODERATE** 

Shear

(Neutral)

LOW Shear

(Favorable)

Moderate upper-level winds near and around Invest 94L have kept its shower and thunderstorm activity disorganized and widespread over the past several days, and the system will continue to experience wind shear as it moves west-northwestward over the Yucatan Peninsula and into the Bay of Campeche today. The system may be greeted by more favorable (weaker) upper-level winds over the Bay of Campeche and in the Southwest Gulf of Mexico later today and Sunday.

Tropical Storm Beryl and the Eastern Tropical Atlantic disturbance are residing south of the stronger upper-level winds, and conditions are forecast to be generally conducive for development. Stronger upper-level winds ahead of Beryl in the Caribbean may limit further development after 72-hours; however, weaker upper-level winds would a influence a more favorable environment for additional strengthening and trends in the upper-level wind pattern will continue to be monitored as Beryl advances westward into the Caribbean Sea this weekend and into early next week.



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# Dry Air & Saharan Dust Is the environment favorable for the system?

Moist

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

Very Dry

Invest 94L will continue to move west-northwestward within a moist airmass, conditions favorable for the system to maintain its shower and thunderstorm activity.

Tropical Storm Beryl currently remains south of a swath of a dry to very dry region of Saharan air and has remained within its envelope of moisture allowing shower and thunderstorm activity to become more organized over the past 24 hours. Ample tropical moisture will support a favorable environment for further organization and strengthening. Behind Tropical Storm Beryl, the disturbance in the Eastern Tropical Atlantic may continue to experience isolated pockets of dry in the next couple of days; however, conditions will be generally supportive of development.

Moist

Beryl



#### **Tropical Storm Beryl:**

- As of 11:00 AM EDT, the center of Tropical Storm Beryl was located about 820 miles east-southeast of Barbados and moving westward ay 23 mph.
- A relatively quick westward to west-northwestward motion is expected during the next few days. On the forecast track, the system is expected to move across the Windward Islands late Sunday night and Monday.
- Maximum sustained winds have increased to near 65 mph, and rapid strengthening is now forecast.
- Beryl is expected to become a major hurricane before it reaches the Windward Islands.
- Beryl poses no threat to Florida over the next 5-7 days, but this system will be monitored this weekend into next week.

#### Invest 94L - Western Caribbean/Southwestern Gulf of Mexico:

- · A broad area of low pressure is forecast to form over the Bay of Campeche tonight or early Sunday, where conditions appear generally conducive for further development.
- A tropical depression could form before the system moves inland again early next week over Mexico.
- Regardless of development, heavy rainfall associated with the area of low pressure will affect portions of Central America and Mexico through early next week.
- The National Hurricane Center is outlooking a medium (40%) chance of development over the next 48 hours and 7 days; this system poses no threat to Florida.

#### Eastern Tropical Atlantic Wave:

- An area of low pressure located several hundred miles southwest of the Cabo Verde Islands is producing an area of disorganized showers and thunderstorms.
- Environmental conditions appear conducive for additional development of this system, and a tropical depression could form by the middle of next week while it moves generally westward at 15-20 mph across the eastern and central tropical Atlantic.
- The National Hurricane Center is outlooking a low (20%) chance of development over the next 48 hours, and a medium (60%) chance of development over the next 7 days.
- This system poses no threat to Florida over the next 7 to 10 days, at least.

#### Florida Outlook:

- High pressure and anonymously high moisture will give way to another day of scattered to numerous sea breeze showers and thunderstorms across the state (50-85% chance of rain).
- A few thunderstorms may be strong to severe during the daytime heating hours, and capable of producing frequent lightning and gusty winds (40 to 60 mph).
- Localized flooding and ponding water will be possible along the urban corridors and low-lying/poor drainage areas of the Sunshine State as slow-moving and training thunderstorms produce locally heavy rainfall rates and downpours.
- · Heat Advisories are in effect this afternoon for the southern Florida Peninsula where temperatures will feel like 105 to 110-degrees; triple digit heat indices can be expected elsewhere.
- The next name on the list is Chris (kris).

#### The next briefing packet will be issued Sunday Morning. For the latest information, please visit the National Hurricane Center website.



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