

Tropical Update



8:30 AM EDT Sunday, October 12, 2024 Milton Recovery Weather & Riverine Flooding Eastern Tropical Atlantic Disturbance - Invest 94L (30%)

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Tropical Weather Outlook Invest 94L - Eastern Tropical Atlantic



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

Chance of development through 48 hours...low...10%

Chance of development through 7 days...low....30%





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.



Dry Air & Saharan Dust

Is the environment favorable for the system?

Very Dry

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

Moist

Dry to very dry air to the northwest and west of of Invest 94L will interact with the system and inhibit further development of the system.

Very Dry

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

GOES-16: SAHARAN AIR LAYER TRACKING PRODUCT 09:00 UTC 13 OCTOBER 2024 UW-CIMSS/NOAA-HRD

Rain Chances, High Temperatures, & Low Temperatures



Rainfall Totals – Next 7 Days From the Weather Prediction Center (WPC)

7-Day Precipitation (in) Ending Sunday, Oct. 20, 2024 at 8 a.m. EDT



- Mostly sunny and pleasant conditions expected statewide today and into the work-week.
- Isolated to widely scattered showers and thunderstorms will continue to be possible along the Eastern Peninsula and along and south of the I-4 corridor over the coming days.
- More scattered to numerous shower and thunderstorm activity can be expected across South Florida and the Keys thanks to more abundant moisture and a northward lifting frontal boundary.
- Widespread rainfall totals near 1-3" are expected across South Florida and northward along the Treasure Coast with locally higher totals upwards of 3-5" possible along the Southeast Coast and Keys.

Flash Flooding – Today From the Weather Prediction Center (WPC)



The Weather Prediction Center (WPC) is outlooking a Marginal Risk (level 1 of 4) for Flash Flooding along the Southeast Coast today as a frontal boundary lifts northward and moisture returns, allowing for scattered showers and thunderstorms across the region. Heavy downpours over the urban corridor and low-lying/poor drainage areas or within slow-moving shower or thunderstorm activity may give way to localize instances of flooding and ponding of water.

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Current & Forecast River Conditions

From the National Weather Service



Heavy and widespread rainfall from Hurricane Milton has already led to a riverine response across numerous basins extending from West-Central Florida, Central Florida and Northeast Florida. **Widespread moderate to major riverine flooding** has developed and is expected to continue for the next several days as above normal streamflows continue, and **some rivers remain above or forecast to rise to or above record flood stage**.

Major Flood Stage is ongoing along the Withlacoochee River at US-301 Trilby, Anclote River near Elfers at Little Road, Cypress Creek at SR-54, Hillsborough River (near Zephyrhills and at Morris Bridge), Alafia River at Lithia Pinecrest Road at Lithia, and St. Johns River (at Astor and near Deland). The Anclote River, Hillsborough River near Zephyrhills, Alafia River, and Little Wekiva River have crested, and water levels are forecast to gradually fall this weekend into next week. The St. Johns River at Astor has crested and will hold steady or very slowly fall over the next few weeks.

Moderate flooding is ongoing along the and <u>St. Johns River above Lake Harney</u>, which is forecast to rise into <u>Major Flood Stage</u> within the next few days, as well as along the and <u>Little Wekiva</u> <u>River near Altamonte Springs</u>, <u>Myakka river at Myakka River State Park</u>, and <u>Peace River at SR-70</u> <u>Arcadia</u>.

Along the St. Johns River, numerous tidal points for the lower St. Johns are also within Minor to Moderate Flood Stage.

Water levels have reached Minor Flood Stage along the Withlacoochee River (<u>near Holder at SR-200</u> and <u>at Croom</u>), <u>Peace River at SR-60 Bartow</u>, and the <u>St. Johns River near Sanford</u> and are forecast to continue rising, reaching Moderate Flood Stage in the coming days.

Minor flooding is occurring or forecast along the <u>Withlacoochee River at US-41 Dunnellon</u>, <u>Little</u> <u>Manatee near Wimauma</u>, <u>Horse Creek near Arcadia SR-72</u>, <u>Peace River at Zolfo Springs</u>, Santa Fe River (<u>Three Rivers Estates</u>, <u>O'leno</u>, <u>Worthington Springs</u>), and <u>Shingle Creek at Campbell Creek</u>.

For more details, please visit the <u>River Forecast Center</u>.



River Flood Warnings

From the National Weather Service

River Gauge _1	County(ies) Affected	Current Level	Crest Level	Record Level 💌	Status 💌	Crest Day 🔻	Warning Expires 💌
Alafia River at Lithia Pinecrest Road at Lithia	Hillsborough	Major: 19.65 ft	Major: 24.34 ft	28.50 ft	Falling	Crested	0001 EDT 18-Oct
Anclote River near Elfers at Little Road	Pasco	Major: 24.22 ft	Major: 25.30 ft	27.70 ft	Falling	Crested	0030 EDT 15-Oct
Cypress Creek at SR-54 Worthington Gardens	Pasco	Major: 14.96 ft	Major: 15.00 ft	13.80 ft	Rising	13-Oct	Until Further Notice
<u>Hillsborough River near Zephyrhills</u>	Hillsborough	Major: 15.13 ft	Major: 17.14 ft	15.30 ft	Falling	Crested	Until Further Notice
Hillsborough River at Morris Bridge	Hillsborough	Major: 38.11 ft	Major: 38.16 ft	34.70 ft	Cresting	13-Oct	Until Further Notice
Horse Creek near Arcadia at SR-72	DeSoto	Minor: 13.74 ft	Moderate: 14.37 ft	21.20 ft	Falling	11-Oct	Until Further Notice
Little Manatee River near Wimauma at US-301	Hillsborough	Minor: 13.89 ft	Major: 17.12 ft	20.10 ft	Falling	Crested	0800 EDT 15-Oct
<u>Myakka River at Myakka River State Park</u>	Sarasota	Moderate: 8.56 ft	Moderate: 9.00 ft	12.80 ft	Rising	14-Oct	Until Further Notice
Peace River at SR-60 Bartow	Polk	Minor: 8.71 ft	Moderate: 9.40 ft	11.10 ft	Rising	16-Oct	Until Further Notice
Peace River at Zolfo Springs	Hardee	Minor: 18.56 ft	Minor: 18.72 ft	27.20 ft	Falling	Crested	Until Further Notice
Peace River at SR-70 Arcadia	DeSoto	Moderate: 14.25 ft	Moderate: 14.30 ft	23.70 ft	Cresting	13-Oct	Until Further Notice
Santa Fe River at Three Rivers Estates	Columbia, Gilchrist, Suwannee	Minor: 18.88 ft	Minor: 19.70 ft	33.40 ft	Steady	16-Oct	Until Further Notice
Santa Fe River at O'leno State Park	Alachua, Columbia	Below: 40.81 ft	Minor: 44.10 ft	57.10 ft	Rising	17-Oct	Until Further Notice
Santa Fe at Worthington Springs	Alachua, Bradford, Union	Action: 57.54 ft	Minor: 59.00 ft	71.20 ft	Rising	16-Oct	1400 EDT 16-Oct
Single Creek at Campbell	Osceola	Minor: 60.60 ft	Minor: 60.61 ft	64.20 ft	Cresting	13-Oct	Until Further Notice
St. Johns River at Astor	Volusia, Lake	Major: 4.73 ft	Major: 4.81 ft	4.70 ft	Falling	Crested	Until Further Notice
St. Johns River near Deland	Lake	Major: 5.44 ft	Major: 5.90 ft	6.30 ft	Rising	TBD	Until Further Notice
St. Johns River near Sanford	Seminole	Minor: 6.54 ft	Moderate: 7.90 ft	9.00 ft	Rising	TBD	Until Further Notice
St. Johns River above Lake Harney	Seminole, Volusia	Moderate: 8.21 ft	Major: 10.30 ft	12.70 ft	Rising	TBD	Until Further Notice
Little Wekiva River near Altamonte Springs 2N	Seminole	Moderate: 29.17 ft	Major: 30.08 ft	31.1 ft	Falling	Crested	Until Further Notice
Withlacoochee River at US-41 Dunnellon	Citrus, Marion	Action: 28.86 ft	Minor: 29.40 ft	33.00 ft	Rising	TBD	Until Further Notice
Withlacoochee River near Holder	Cirtus	Minor: 8.93 ft	Moderate: 9.80 ft	13.30 ft	Rising	TBD	Until Further Notice
Withlacoochee River at Croom	Pasco, Sumter	Minor: 10.26 ft	Moderate: 11.90 ft	15.20 ft	Rising	TBD	Until Further Notice
Withlacoochee River at US-301 Trilby	Hernando, Pasco	Major: 16.99 ft	Major: 17.60 ft	20.40 ft	Rising	TBD	Until Further Notice

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Last Updated: 0800 EDT 13-Oct

Coastal Flooding

From the National Weather Service (NWS)



Coastal Flood Warnings remain in effect along the St. Johns River Basin and coastal St. Flagler county through Monday morning as heavy rainfall filtering in and trapped tides within the basin continue to give way to **significant coastal flooding** and some **shoreline erosion**.

Minor coastal flooding will likely persist even at times of low tide along the St. Johns River Basin.

A Coastal Flood Advisory remains in effect through this evening along coastal St. Johns and coastal Duval County for minor coastal flooding near and during times of high tide.

Coastal Flood Statements remain in place along the bayside Upper Keys through late this afternoon as **minor saltwater flooding les than 1' above normal dry ground** near and at times of high tide continue to be possible as water levels continue to recede.



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- The NHC is outlooking a low (10%) chance of development over the next 48 hours, and a low (30%) chance of development over the next 7 days.
- This system poses no direct threat to Florida over the next 7-10 days at least.

Florida Outlook:

- Mostly sunny and pleasant conditions expected statewide today with isolated to scattered showers and thunderstorms across eastern and southern portions of the Peninsula and the Keys.
- The Weather Prediction Center (WPC) is outlooking a Marginal Risk (level 1 of 4) for Flash Flooding along the Southeast Coast today and Saturday as a frontal boundary lifts northward and moisture returns, allowing for scattered showers and thunderstorms across the region this weekend.
 - Heavy downpours over the urban corridor and low-lying/poor drainage areas or within slow-moving shower or thunderstorm activity may give way to localize instances of flooding and ponding of water.
- · High temperatures in low to middle 80s statewide; Heat indices in the 90s possible across Southwest Florida and along the Keys.
- Low temperatures in the upper 50s to middle 60s across North Florida, upper 60s to low 70s across Central Florida, and 70s across South Florida and the Keys.
- Northeasterly to northerly winds with gusts near 10-15 mph will persist along the Peninsula throughout the day.
- Widespread heavy rainfall from Hurricane Milton has led to a riverine response across numerous basins extending from West-Central Florida, Central Florida and Northeast Florida.
 - Widespread moderate to major riverine flooding continues across West-Central, Central, and Northeast Florida rivers, creeks, and waterways with numerous River Flood Warnings in effect.
 - Many of these rivers have crested and begun to slowly decline; however, water levels continue to rise along Cypress Creek, the Myakka River, and portions of the Withlacoochee, Peace, and St. Johns Rivers.
- Instances of coastal flooding continue in the wake of Hurricane Milton.
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The next briefing packet will be issued on Monday Morning. For the latest information, please visit the National Hurricane Center website.



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