

TROPICAL UPDATE Midnight Wednesday, October 5, 2016 Hurricane Matthew & Tropical Storm Nicole

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Atlantic Basin Satellite Image





Two-Day Graphical Tropical Weather Outlook

National Hurricane Center Miami, Florida





Current Disturbances and Two-Day Cyclone Formation Chance: 🗱 < 40% 🗱 40-60% 🗰 > 60% Tropical or Sub-Tropical Cyclone: O Depression 🥑 Storm ∮ Hurricane ⊗ Post-Tropical Cyclone × Remnants

Hurricane Matthew 11 PMEDT, Tue Oct 04 2016 Position 20.4 N 74.4 W Maximum Winds 130 mph Gusts 160 mph Movement N at 8 mph Minimum Pressure 950 mb (28.04 inches)

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Blue Marble basemap imagery courtesy NASA

Satellite 3:07 AM UTC 11:07 PM EDT

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Steering Currents



Matthew is being steered north between a high pressure system over the central Atlantic and low pressure over Cuba. Another high pressure ridge is over New England and forecast to build south, causing Matthew to take a NW movement before another low pressure system in the Plains moves to the Eastern U.S. and steers Matthew north to the northeast this weekend.











Tropical Storm Force Wind Speed Probabilities For the 120 hours (5 days) from 8 PM EDT Tue Oct 4 to 8 PM EDT Sun Oct 9





| 5% 10% | 20% | 30% | 40% | 50% | 60% | 70% | 80% | 90% | 100% |
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Sea Surface Temperatures Near Matthew



Hurricane Wind Threat



Next Five Day Rainfall Totals



Prototype Storm Surge Watches/Warnings





For the 77 hours from 11 PM EDT Tue Oct 04 to 04 AM EDT Sat Oct 08



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(Fri Oct 07 2016 12Z) National Digital Forecast Database Graphic created-Oct 04 10:36PM EDT



Tropical Storm Nicole 11 PM EDT Tue Oct 04 2016 Position 242 N 61.3 W Maximum Winds 50 mph Gusts 65 mph Movement WNW at 5 mph Minimum Pressure 1005 mb (29.67 in ches) Blue Marble basemap imagery courtesy NASA

Satellite 3:09 AM UTC 11:09 PM EDT

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Tropical Storm NICOLE Model Track Guidance





Five-Day Graphical Tropical Weather Outlook

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Tropical Cyclone Formation Potential for the Five-Day Period Ending at 8:00 pm EDT Sun Oct 9 2016 Chance of Cyclone Formation in Five Days: Low < 40% Medium 40-60% High > 60% X indicates current disturbance location; shading indicates potential formation area.

Tropical Summary:

- At 11pm EDT, Hurricane Matthew was located 20 miles northwest of the eastern tip of Cuba, or approximately 525 miles southeast of Miami, Florida.
- Maximum sustained winds are currently 130 mph with higher gusts, making Matthew a Category 4 hurricane on the Saffir-Simpson scale.
- Matthew is moving toward the north near 8 mph, and this general motion is expected to continue tonight. A
 turn toward the north-northwest is expected on Wednesday, followed by a northwest turn Wednesday night.
 Matthew will be moving through the Bahamas through Thursday, and is expected to be very near the east coast
 of Florida by Thursday evening.
- It is important not to focus on the center line of the forecast cone. Only small deviation in the forecast track to the left could bring the core of a major hurricane onshore, while a small deviation to the right could keep all of the hurricane-force winds offshore. It will likely take another day or so for the potential impacts of Matthew in the United States to clarify.
- Matthew remains a large storm, with tropical storm force winds extending 175 miles from the center, and hurricane force winds extending 45 miles from the center.
- Tropical Storm Nicole is located 505 miles northeast of San Juan, Puerto Rico. Nicole is moving to the westnorthwest at 6 mph. A turn toward the northwest is expected on Wednesday, followed by a turn toward the north by late Thursday. The system poses no threat to Florida.
- Elsewhere, large area of showers and thunderstorms located several hundred miles east of the Windward Islands is associated with a tropical wave. Development, if any, of this system is expected to be slow to occur while the wave moves westward at 10 to 15 mph. Regardless of tropical cyclone development, locally heavy rains and gusty winds are possible in the Windward and southern Leeward Islands during the next couple of days as the wave approaches and then passes.
- The system has a 10% (low) chance of development over the next 48 hours, and a 20% (low) chance of development through the next five days.

Florida Outlook:

- Tropical Storm Nicole does not pose a threat to Florida.
- Hurricane Warning is in effect for Broward, Palm Beach, Martin, St. Lucie, Indian River, and Okeechobee Counties, along with Lake Okeechobee.
- Hurricane Watch is in effect for Brevard, Volusia, Osceola, Orange, and Seminole Counties.
- Tropical Storm Warning is in effect for Miami-Dade, Monroe, Collier, Hendry, and Glades Counties.
- Tropical Storm Watch is in effect for Lake County.
- Almost all of the eastern Florida peninsula are within the 3-day average error cone.
- Regardless of track, Matthew is a very large storm and it has the potential to generate gusty winds and rough seas long the East Coast of Florida, along with minor coastal flooding, beach erosion, and dangerous rip currents.
- Any additional impacts are dependent on future track and size of the storm, which still remain somewhat uncertain at this moment.
- Areas along the east coast of Florida (from Miami to Jacksonville and inland to Orlando) have a greater than 70% chance of seeing tropical storm force winds within the next three days.
- Tropical storm force winds could arrive Thursday morning across Southeast Florida and spread from south to north across East Central Florida through the day on Thursday and into Northeast Florida overnight Thursday into Friday morning.
- Hurricane force winds will be just off the coast of Florida, and any westward deviation of the current track will bring those destructive hurricane force winds onshore.
- The current forecast calls for 4-7" of rain near the I-95 corridor with isolated totals of 10" possible, but it is highly dependent on the track of the storm.
- Storm surge values of 1-3' is possible along the Southeast Florida coast, with storm surge heights of 3-6 feet possible from northern Palm Beach County through Nassau County. A few areas could experience higher values depending on the proximity of the core of the hurricane relative to the coast.
- Isolated tornadoes are possible Thursday and Friday.

Another briefing packet will be issued on Wednesday morning. For more information on this system, please visit the NHC website at <u>www.nhc.noaa.gov</u>



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