

TROPICAL UPDATE 5 PM EDT Sunday, June 18, 2017 Potential Tropical Cyclone #2 (previously 92L)

Invest Area 93L

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Atlantic Basin Satellite Image





Five-Day Graphical Tropical Weather Outlook

National Hurricane Center Miami, Florida



Potential Cyclone #2 Satellite Image





DISTURBANCE TWO (AL02)

Early-cycle track guidance initialized at 1800 UTC, 18 June 2017



Plot generated at 2120 UTC 18 June 2017



Current Wind Shear (shaded) and Shear Tendency (lines)



GOES-EAST 24 HOUR WIND SHEAR TENDENCY PRODUCT

2100 UTC

UW-CIMSS

MeIDAS

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93L Satellite Image and Computer Model Tracks



Forecast Total Rainfall Accumulations for next 7 Days



Summary

- At 5pm EDT Sunday, Invest Area 92L in the central Atlantic was designated as "Potential Tropical Cyclone" #2.
- Although the system does not have a defined center of circulation, tropical storm impacts are expected in the Windward Islands within the next 36 hours.
- If the systems acquires a center of circulation, it would be named a tropical storm. A Hurricane Hunter reconnaissance mission is currently scheduled for Monday.
- Regardless, Potential Tropical Cyclone 2 is forecast to move west-northwest through the next 5 days into the eastern and central Caribbean Sea, where it will likely begin to weaken and eventually dissipate due to hostile environmental conditions.
- Further west, Invest 93L remains disorganized and the hurricane hunter mission into the system for today was cancelled. Another reconnaissance aircraft will investigate Monday afternoon.
- Computer models remain in disagreement in the eventual track of this system, largely due to a lack of a defined center of circulation. However, environmental conditions will become increasingly unfavorable and limited intensification is forecast to occur.
- Nonetheless, this system has a high (90%) chance of becoming a tropical storm within the next 5 days and should be closely monitored.

Florida Outlook:

- Potential Cyclone #2 is not expected to be a threat to Florida.
- Regardless of track and intensity, the main threat from 93L will be the potential for very heavy rainfall, especially in the Tuesday through Thursday timeframe this week.
- Widespread rainfall amounts of 2-4" are expected along the Florida Panhandle, with locally higher amounts possible, especially if the system moves closer to the central U.S. Gulf Coast.
- Increased wave heights are also possible and may lead to minor coastal flooding at times of high tide on Tuesday along with an elevated risk of rip currents.

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



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