

TROPICAL UPDATE 5 PM EDT Wednesday, June 21, 2017 Tropical Storm Cindy

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Atlantic Basin Satellite Image



Tropical Storm Cindy Satellite Image



Tropical Storm CINDY Model Track Guidance

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State Radar as of 4:40pm EDT





Additional rain bands may impact the far western Panhandle overnight into early tomorrow morning.

Simulated Radar for 6am CDT



Forecast Total Rainfall Accumulations for next 2 Days



Flash Flood Watch In Effect through Thursday



overnight.

Most areas will only see an additional 1-3", but rainfall amounts of 4"+ are possible overnight.

This heavy rainfall could result in significant areas of flash flooding. Urban and poor drainage areas will be even more susceptible to flooding. Note the Flash Flood Watch has been cancelled for Tallahassee and the eastern Panhandle.



Significant River Flood Outlook

Valid: 6/21/2017 - 6/26/2017

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In addition to the flash flooding

potential, minor to moderate

Panhandle will be possible and is

Creek and Perdido River starting late

tomorrow and lasting into the start

now likely on the Big Coldwater

flooding on area rivers in the

of the weekend.

Significant River Flooding Impacts include: Roads adversely affected. Residential. commercial, industrial, and/or agricultural areas affected. May require evacuation of people.

NOTE: Flash Flooding or Minor River Flooding will NOT be included in this outlook.

Forecast Wave Heights (feet) – Tonight & Thursday



Marginal to slight risk for isolated tornadoes through Thursday



Tornado Watch Until 7 PM CDT



This tornado watch includes Escambia, Santa Rosa, and Okaloosa counties. An additional tornado watch for these counties may be issued for the remainder of the night.



Tornado Watch # 359 - Valid from 1000 AM until 700 PM CDT

Updated: 20170621/1506 UTC

Summary

- As of 5pm EDT Wednesday, Tropical Storm Cindy was located about 125 miles southeast of Galveston, Texas, or 400 miles west-southwest of Pensacola, Florida.
- Maximum sustained winds are near 50 mph as Cindy is moving to the northwest at 9 mph.
- Cindy is expected to make landfall near the Texas/Louisiana border as a tropical storm late tonight/early tomorrow morning. Cindy is not expected to change much in strength before landfall.
- However, upper level winds will continue to push a majority of the associated storminess well to the east of the center of the system.
- No additional tropical development is expected within the next 5 days.

Florida Outlook:

- The main threat to Florida from TS Cindy continues to be heavy rainfall.
- Additional widespread rainfall amounts of 1-3" are expected along the western Panhandle, with locally higher amounts of 4+" possible. Flash Flood Watches are in effect through tomorrow.
- Increased wave heights of 4-8' are also expected along the Panhandle coast and may lead to minor coastal flooding at times of high tide along with a high risk of rip currents. A Coastal Flood Advisory is in effect for the Panhandle and Big Bend coast west of the Suwannee River as tides may run 1-2' above normal. Wave heights will begin to decrease tomorrow as tides return to normal.
- A marginal risk for isolated tornadoes/waterspouts exists for coastal portions of the western Panhandle through the night. A Tornado Watch continues to be in effect.
- River flooding will be a concern starting tomorrow and may last into the weekend.

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



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