

# TROPICAL UPDATE

### 8 AM EDT

### Wednesday, October 4, 2017

### Caribbean Disturbance Invest 90L (90%) & Bahamas Disturbance (near 0%)

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# **Atlantic Basin Satellite Image**





#### **Five-Day Graphical Tropical Weather Outlook**

National Hurricane Center Miami, Florida





## 90L Satellite Image





#### Invest 90L Model Intensity Guidance

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## **Forecast Cumulative Rainfall – Next 3 Days**



The low pressure disturbance located near the northwestern Bahamas will continue to increase rain chances across South Florida as it moves west. Although development of this system is not expected, it will likely produce heavy rain and gusty winds over portions of the Bahamas and Florida during the next couple of days.

## Forecast Total Rainfall – Next 7 Days



## Flash Flood Threat



# Forecast Winds/Wave Height Wednesday Afternoon



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## **Active Watches/Warnings**



Summary:

- Showers and thunderstorms associated with an area of low pressure located over the southwestern Caribbean Sea (designated as Invest 90L) have become better organized since yesterday.
- The National Hurricane Center is now predicting a 90% chance that this system becomes a tropical depression later today while it moves northwestward toward the coast of Nicaragua.
- The low should move slowly northwestward and emerge over the southern Gulf of Mexico by Saturday.
- Confidence in the eventual track and intensity are still currently low, with the range of possibilities for landfall anywhere between New Orleans, LA and Tampa, FL as either a tropical storm or possibly a hurricane.
- A Hurricane Hunter reconnaissance mission has been scheduled for this afternoon.
- The next name on the 2017 Atlantic storm list is Nate.
- Elsewhere, a broad low pressure disturbance located near the Florida Straits, Cuba and the Bahamas will continue to increase rain chances across South Florida as it moves west.
- Although development of this system is not expected, it will likely produce heavy rain and gusty winds over portions of the Bahamas and Florida during the next couple of days.

Florida Outlook:

- Rainfall amounts of 1-3" (with isolated amounts up to 4-5" possible) is forecast for portions of the Florida East Coast and Florida Keys during the next 48 hours.
- A **Flood Watch** is currently in effect for the Treasure and Space coasts.
- Strong east winds combined with the lunar "King Tide" could have the potential to produce high waves and minor coastal flooding during high tide. Any locally heavy rainfall during times of high tide could exacerbate coastal flooding issues.
- A **Coastal Flood Advisory** is in effect from Miami-Dade to Volusia County, with a **Coastal Flood Warning** in effect for the St. Johns River and tributaries.
- Concerning 90L, specific impacts to Florida are still uncertain.
- However, a system moving towards the U.S. Gulf Coast would have the ability to produce above-normal tides, dangerous surf conditions, possible isolated tornadoes, and isolated heavy rain.

Another briefing packet will be issued Wednesday afternoon. For more information, visit the NHC website at <u>www.hurricanes.gov</u>.



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