

TROPICAL UPDATE

5 AM EDT Monday, May 28, 2018 Sub-Tropical Storm Alberto

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Subtropical Storm ALBERTO Model Track Guidance



90°W 85°W 80°W 75°W







Most Likely Arrival Time of Tropical-Storm-Force Winds





Hurrevac Forecast Wind Swath









Forecast Weather Map



Tuesday





Rain Rain and T'Storms

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Today

Flash Flooding Possible (hatched) Severe T'Storms Possible (hatched)

Sub T.S. Alberto

Current Radar as of 5:00 AM





- Yesterday, a widespread 0.5-1" fell across all but interior Central Florida and the western Panhandle.
- Locally higher totals of 3-4" fell across parts of St.
 Lucie and Martin County

Forecast Total Rainfall Accumulations for Monday

24-Hour Precipitation (in) Ending Tuesday, May. 29, 2018 at 8 a.m. EDT

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Forecast Total Rainfall Accumulations



0.25 Heavy rain will continue across the Panhandle on Tuesday as Alberto lifts north into
 0.10 Alabama. Could still see some bands across South Florida. A return to summertime 0.01 like pattern with afternoon showers and thunderstorms by Wednesday statewide.

Forecast Total Rainfall Accumulations



slow-moving cold front may bring locally heavy rainfall to the Panhandle this

.01weekend. Those details will be worked out over the coming days.



Since soils are already saturated, any additional heavy rain (generally 3-4" in 3 hours, 4-6" in 6 hours 5-7" in 12 hours) will cause flash flooding issues.



HIGH: > 50% SLGT: 10%-20% MDT: 20%-50% MRGL: 5%-10%





Minor River Flooding is currently expected at:

- Escambia River (crest Saturday)
- Shoal River (crest Wednesday)
- Choctawhatchee
 River (crest
 Saturday)
- Myakka River (crest Tuesday)





BRUF1(plotting HGIRG) "Gage 0" Datum: 0'

Observations courtesy of US Geological Survey

- 18 In Walton County, additional structures on Choctawhatchee River Road and Big Cedar Road not elevated are flooded. A few structures on McCewen Street and Carnation Road begin to flood. Flooding begins just north of SR-20 off Howell Bluff Road affecting a few residences.
- 17 In Walton County, the boat ramp at Big Cedar Road is inaccessible at this level. The boat ramp at the end of McCewen Street floods at this level. Structures not elevated on Choctawhatchee River Road and Big Cedar Road begin to flood.
- 16 Portions of Big Cedar, Cowford, and Choctawhatchee River Roads in Walton County are impassible above this level. Structures in the area not elevated begin flooding. Portions of Choctaw Road in Washington County begin to flood along with Strickland Road in the far southwestern portion of the county.
- 14 Big Cedar, Cowford, and Choctawhatchee River Roads begin to flood in Walton County. Flood waters impact storage areas underneath homes on the west banks of the Choctawhatchee River. Low areas along Strickland Road in Washington County become subject to flooding.



- 16 Highway 279 south of Interstate 10 begins to flood in Washington County. Several rural roads in the area will also flood.
- 15 In Holmes County, water begins to flood areas off Buck Rodgers Road east of CR-179A in Holmes County. Access to several of the fish camps become inaccessible above this level.
- 14 In Holmes County, Boat Ramp Road south of CR-179 will flood. Access to several of the fish camps off Boat Ramp Road may become inaccessible above this level.
- 12 Extensive lowland flooding will occur.





- 19 Low lying pasture will flood. Cattle should be moved to higher ground.
- 17 Considerable flooding of lowlands.
- 13 Minor overflow of lowlands in the area.

Summary

- At 5am EDT Monday, the center of Sub-Tropical Storm Alberto was located 125 miles south of Destin, Florida.
- Maximum sustained winds increased to 65 mph last night and Alberto is moving northwest around 7 mph. A north-northwestward motion is expected to continue up through landfall of the system this afternoon.
- On the forecast track, the center of Alberto will move into the central Panhandle sometime this afternoon. With the slowing speed of Alberto, there is still some disagreement on when exactly the system makes landfall.
- Alberto is expected to remain at its current intensity up through landfall. Dry air being entrained into the system has been the main factor in limiting development. After landfall, gradual weakening is expected.

Florida Outlook:

- Heavy rainfall and tropical storm conditions will likely reach the Panhandle later this morning.
- Alberto will linger across southern Alabama tomorrow keeping the heavy rain threat across the Panhandle.
- **Tropical Storm Warnings** are in effect for all coastal and inland locations in the Panhandle west of the Apalachicola River. In the Big Bend, warnings remain in effect for all of Liberty and Franklin counties, as well as coastal portions of Wakulla, Jefferson, Taylor and Dixie Counties.
- Water levels from Cedar Key to Pensacola are running 1-2' above normal tide this morning and may rise a little more today due to onshore winds. A **Storm Surge Watch** extends along the Panhandle Coast from the Santa Rosa County east to Dixie County due to possible peak surge values of 2-4 feet today.
- Flash Flood Watches remain in effect for all Panhandle and western Big Bend counties. Areal Flood Watches continue for South Florida and the Treasure Coast and Space Coast.
- Widespread rainfall amounts of 2-5" are expected in the Panhandle and Big Bend today, with locally higher amounts of 6-10" possible.
- Widespread 0.5-2" of rain is expected across the rest of the state, with locally higher amounts in Southeast Florida.
- River Flood Warnings have been issued for parts of the Myakka River, Choctawhatchee River, Shoal River, and Escambia River.
- Increased wave heights are also expected to continue and will lead to a high risk of rip currents at most Florida beaches for at least the next few days.
- There is a marginal risk (level 1 of 5) of tornadoes for much of North Florida today. A damaging wind gust in any strong thunderstorms this afternoon can't be ruled out across the rest of the state.

Another briefing packet will be issued Monday afternoon. For more information on this system visit the NHC website at www.nhc.noaa.gov.



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