

TROPICAL UPDATE

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

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Forecast Weather Map

Alberto made landfall this afternoon, in the Panhandle as its moisture will linger across the state through tomorrow. Alberto will move north towards the Great Lakes by Wednesday.

Tuesday







Sub

Alberto

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

Sub T.S. Alberto

Current Radar as of 5:00 PM







- Widespread rainfall totals of 1-2" fell over the past 24 hours across Northwest Florida
- Locally higher regions closer to Alberto's center received 2-3" in parts of Calhoun and Jackson County and coastal Bay and Walton County
- An isolated pocket of 3-4" fell across parts of St. Lucie and Martin County

Forecast Total Rainfall Accumulations for Wednesday



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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.

Excessive Rain Outlook – Risk for Flash Flooding Tonight Tuesday





Risk of rainfall exceeding flash flood guidance within 25 miles of a point to the right of a line 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)



- Expected to remain in minor flood stage through next weekend with no additional rises in the forecast
- Trails and lowlying areas within the state park will likely flood.

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 Is expected to continue to rise throughout the week into minor flood stage by this weekend.

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- 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.



Will be rising into minor flood stage, cresting next weekend

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- Highway 279 south of Interstate 10 begins to flood in Washington County. Several rural roads in the area will also flood.
 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.
 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 inaccess.
- 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.



 Will be cresting on Wednesday in minor flood stage

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- 12 Residential areas on the south bank of river near Crestview become isolated. Rattlesnake Bluff Road closed.
- 11 Flooding becomes a threat to the Trevor Court and Rattlesnake Bluff areas.
- 10 Some flooding of trailers north of the Okaloosa Correctional Institue. Water surrounds home on Sowel Road.
- 8.5 Water in yards on Sowel Road.
- 8 Minor flooding of low lying areas.



- A significant rise in the water level is forecast through Tuesday into minor flood stage.
- Water will
 likely overflow
 into wooded
 areas along the
 river from New
 Harmony Road
 to Laird Road.



Considerable flooding of lowlands.

- Rising to minor flood stage by next weekend
- Cresting early next week
- Considerable flooding of the lowlands likely.

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Summary

- As of 5pm EDT, Sutropical Storm Alberto made landfall near Laguna Beach, FL with maximum sustained winds of 45 mph.
- A faster northward to north-northwestward motion is expected during the next few days.
- The center of Alberto will move out of the state tonight and Tuesday making its way into Alabama.
- Steady weakening is forecast as Alberto moves inland and is to become a subtropical depression tonight or early Tuesday.

Florida Outlook:

- Alberto will linger across southern Alabama tomorrow keeping the heavy rain threat across the Panhandle as 4-8" within the Florida Panhandle with locally higher amounts is possible.
- The Florida Keys and Florida Peninsula could expect to see an additional 1-2" with isolated 5" over the next couple days.
- **Tropical Storm Warnings** are in effect for Aucilla River to the Alabama/Florida border. In the Panhandle, all of Liberty and Franklin counties, as well as coastal portions of Wakulla and Jefferson.
- A National Ocean Service tide gauge at Apalachicola measured a water level just under 3' of inundation. A **Storm Surge Watch** extends along the Panhandle Coast from Santa Rosa County to Jefferson County for inundation levels of 1-3' tonight through Thursday evening.
- Flash Flood Watches remain in effect for all Panhandle and western Big Bend counties
- 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 <u>www.nhc.noaa.gov</u>.



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