

# **TROPICAL UPDATE** 11 AM EDT

Sunday, September 16, 2018

Tropical Depression Florence, Post-Tropical Cyclone Helene, Tropical Depression Joyce, & Remnants of Isaac (20%)

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# **Atlantic Basin Satellite Image**



### **Steering Currents**

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Helene

Joyce

While high pressure has been steering Florence for the last several days, a low pressure system and associated cold front currently over the northern Plains will sweep Florence off toward the northeast by Monday. Ex-Isaac will be moving west-northwestward toward the western Caribbean over the coming days. Helene and Joyce are being steered east or northeastward.

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#### Wind Shear (shaded) and Wind Shear Tendencies (contoured)

Florence is inland over South Carolina, and will be merging with a front, becoming post-tropical in about a day or two. Helene is becoming extratropical. Joyce is struggling against the wind shear and colder waters. Ex-Isaac has a small pocket of somewhat favorable conditions, but will quickly encounter less favorable conditions in about 2-3 days.



#### **Tropical Depression Florence Satellite**

GOES-16 Channel 13 (IR) Brightness Temperature (°C) at 14:03Z Sep 16, 2018

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#### Radar Estimated Rainfall – Past 72 hours





### **Forecast Wave Heights**



Wave Height(ft) Ending Tue Sep 18 2018 8PM EDT (Wed Sep 19 2018 00Z) National Digital Forecast Database 11z issuance Graphic created-Sep 16 7:49AM EDT

### **Rip Current Forecast Today**



#### Forecast rainfall – Next 3 Days



# Post-Tropical Cyclone Helene Satellite Image GOES-16 Channel 13 (IR) Brightness Temperature (°C) at 14:05Z Sep 16, 2018 TROPICALTIDEITS.COM





#### **Tropical Depression Joyce Satellite Image**





### **Remnants of Isaac Satellite Image**

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### Remnants of Isaac Model Tracks

#### **Remnants of ISAAC Model Track Guidance**



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O NOT USE THIS MAP TO MAKE DECISIONS! SEEK OFFICIAL INFO 168 30°N If the remnants of Isaac survive the western Caribbean, it will track near or over the Yucatan Peninsula and move toward Texas. 120 25°N 120 ABM ٥FMI 20°N 15°N 10°N

95°W 90°W 85°W 80°W 75°W

### Summary

#### Florence:

- At 5 AM EDT Sunday, the National Hurricane Center issued their final advisory for Tropical Depression Florence.
- At 5 AM EDT Sunday, Tropical Depression Florence was located 20 miles southwest of Columbia, South Carolina. Maximum sustained winds are near 35 mph.
- Florence has picked up some forward speed, moving westward at 8 mph. A turn toward the northwest is expected tonight with a turn toward the north and northeast forecast Monday and Tuesday.
- Heavy rainfall and isolated tornadoes remain possible for much of North Carolina and northern South Carolina.

#### Helene:

- At 11 AM EDT Sunday, Helene has lost tropical characteristics, and NHC has written its final advisory for Helene.
- Helene is racing northeastward at 29 mph with maximum sustained winds of 50 mph, and Helene will approach Ireland and the UK Monday.

#### Joyce:

- At 11 AM EDT Sunday, Joyce has weakened to a tropical depression with maximum sustained winds near 35 mph.
- Joyce will move generally eastward over the next couple days, and it could degenerate into an open trough at any point.

#### **Remnants of Isaac:**

- The remnants of Isaac will move west-northwestward over the central and western Caribbean, but redevelopment is not likely.
- There is an area of lower wind shear just ahead of Isaac's remnants that may allow for some slow redevelopment. Wind shear increases as the remnants approach the western Caribbean.
- The National Hurricane Center gives the remnants of Isaac a 20% chance of redevelopment.

#### Florida Outlook:

- Some remaining swells from Florence will continue to impact the Florida East Coast through early week, resulting in life-threatening rip currents.
- The remnants of Isaac should continue to be monitored over the next 3-5 days as it moves through the Caribbean, but is not a direct threat to Florida at this time.

With the last advisory written on Florence and the remnants of Isaac only having a low chance of redevelopment, this will be the final tropics packet for now. Should the chances for redevelopment increase to 40% or more for the remnants of Isaac, tropics packets may begin again. For the latest information on the tropics, please visit the National Hurricane Center website at www.hurricanes.gov.



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