

TROPICAL UPDATE 11 AM EDT

Saturday, September 22, 2018 Tropical Depression #11, Tropical Storm Kirk, Invest 98L (30%), Central Atlantic Low (70%)

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Atlantic Basin Satellite Image



Steering Currents

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High pressure over the Southeast U.S. will weaken as a cold front approaches from the west. As the high weakens, it will allow 98L to scoot westward, then turn north ahead of the cold front. TD #11 is in weak steering flow, but will not last much longer. Kirk will rapidly move westward or west-northwestward over the next several days. The low in the central Atlantic will meander in the Central Atlantic over the next several days.



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

Current Shear

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98L is current in strong wind shear, but as it moves westward, it may find slightly more favorable conditions. TD #11 is embedded in moderate to strong wind shear, and TD #11 will not last much longer. Kirk is in favorable conditions right now for development, but its own fast speed may cause some shear for itself. The low in the central Atlantic is currently attached to a frontal system. As it detaches, it will likely drift south into more favorable conditions.



Tropical Depression #11 Satellite Image

GOES-16 Channel 13 (IR) Brightness Temperature (°C) at 13:50Z Sep 22, 2018

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Tropical Depression #11 Model Tracks

Tropical Depression 11L Model Track Guidance



Tropical Depression 11L Model Intensity Guidance

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Tropical Storm Kirk Satellite Image

GOES-16 Channel 13 (IR) Brightness Temperature (°C) at 14:05Z Sep 22, 2018

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Invest 99L Model Intensity Guidance



Invest 98L Satellite Image

GOES-16 Channel 13 (IR) Brightness Temperature (°C) at 14:28Z Sep 22, 2018

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-20

-50

-70

-80

Invest 98L has been devoid of convection for the last several days. Even now, most convection lies on the east side.

32°N

30°N

28°N

66°W

68°W

64°W

60°W



Five-Day Graphical Tropical Weather Outlook

National Hurricane Center Miami, Florida





Invest 98L Model Tracks



68°W

66°W

62°W

64°W

60°W

78°W

76°W

80°W

74°W

72°W

70°W

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Central Atlantic Low Satellite Image



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Ø Post-Tropical Cyclone or Remnants

Summary

Tropical Depression #11:

- At 11 AM EDT Saturday, TD #11 was located 485 miles east of the Windward Islands with maximum sustained winds of 30 mph.
- Dissipation is likely to occur within the next 24-36 hours.

Tropical Storm Kirk:

- At 11 AM EDT Saturday, Kirk was located about 450 miles south of the Cabo Verde Islands with maximum sustained winds of 40 mph.
- Kirk is moving westward at 14 mph, and an increase in forward speed is expected over the next few days.
- Kirk's fast motion combined with somewhat favorable conditions for development will likely limit Kirk's intensification rate over the coming days.
- Kirk could approach the Lesser Antilles in about 5 to 6 days. The forecast beyond that time is uncertain.

Invest 98L:

- An area of low pressure devoid of thunderstorms located 200 miles south of Bermuda could develop over the coming days, but will likely remain weak.
- The low pressure area will move west then northwest, possibly approaching the North Carolina coast Tuesday or Wednesday.
- The NHC gives this system a 10% chance of formation during the next 2 days and a 30% chance in the next 5 days.

Central Atlantic Low:

- A non-tropical area of low pressure will break off from its front and wander across the central Atlantic for the next several days. It poses no threat to land.
- The NHC gives this system a 60% chance of formation during the next 2 days and a 70% chance in the next 5 days.

Florida Outlook:

• No impacts to Florida are expected at this time from any of these systems.

The next tropics packet will be sent out late Sunday morning. For the latest information on the tropics, please visit the National Hurricane Center website at <u>www.hurricanes.gov.</u>



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