



Significant Coastal Storm

Decision Support Briefing As of 5:00 AM Sunday, October 29th



What Has Changed?

- Increased wind gusts
- High wind warnings and wind advisories issued













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Main Points

Hazard	Impacts	Location	Timing
Rain/Flooding	 1 to 3 inches of rain likely with higher amounts possible in the mountains Flash flooding possible River flooding possible 	All of New Hampshire and Western Maine Greatest amounts on the southeast slopes of the mountains	Today – Monday Heaviest late this evening through early Monday
Wind	Wind gusts up to 60 mph possible Numerous power outages possible	Coastal Maine and New Hampshire as well as exposed high terrain and northwest slopes of the White Mountains	Strongest wind gusts late this evening through Monday
Storm Surge/ Inundation	Beach erosion possible	New Hampshire Seacoast and western Maine coast	This evening and especially Monday morning high tides
Marine	Storm force winds likely Hurricane force wind gusts possible	All Coastal Waters Strongest gusts possible for the waters north of Cape Elizabeth	Late this evening through Monday morning









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Summary of Greatest Impacts



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Storm Total Rain Valid: 10/29/2017 02:00 AM - 10/30/2017 08:00 PM EDT

Storm Confidence:

 Confidence is high for a impactful storm, with high confidence in significant impacts

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Impacts	Significant			*	
	Elevated				
	Limited				
	None				
		Low	Moderate	High	
Confidence					

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Maximum Wind Gusts Valid: 10/29/2017 06:00 PM - 10/30/2017 11:00 AM EDT

Impacts and Timing:

- ✓ First round of strong winds
 - ✓ This evening into early Monday
 - ✓ Strong southeast gusts around 60 mph
 - Near coastal locations, hilltops, and northwest downslope regions of high terrain
- ✓ Second round of strong winds
 - ✓ Monday morning
 - Strong southeast gusts in excess of 60 mph
 - Midcoast Maine
- Third round of strong windgs
 - ✓ Monday afternoon
 - Strong westerly gusts in excess of 40 mph
 - ✓ All of New Hampshire and western Maine
- Downed trees/branches may lead to power outages

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Coastal Impacts Monday

	Portland, ME	Fort Point, NH
Time	7:40 AM	7:53 AM
Astronomical Tide	8.5 ft	8.3 ft
Storm Surge	1.5-2 ft	1.5-2 ft
Nearshore Waves	15-20 ft	15-20 ft
Impact	Beach erosion possible	Beach erosion possible

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What to Expect:

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 Building nearshore waves may allow for minor beach erosion late tonight and especially early Monday







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Most likely points for river flooding include:

- The Saco River at North Conway, NH
- The Pemigewasset River at Woodstock and Plymouth, NH

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- The Swift River at Roxbury, ME
- Highest amounts of rainfall are most likely on the southeast slopes of the White Mountains
- Flash flood watches continue for all of New Hampshire and western Maine



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Event Summary

Significant Coastal Storm Likely Sunday-Monday

- Confidence is HIGH that this event will occur and HIGH on expected impacts
- Period of greatest impact: Midnight Tonight Monday Morning



The potential exists for one to three inches of rain with higher amounts in the mountains.



Strong southeast winds may result in power outages especially along the coast and in the mountains



Storm force to near hurricane force gusts over the waters with some coastal erosion possible













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