# Houston Pilots Forecast Package

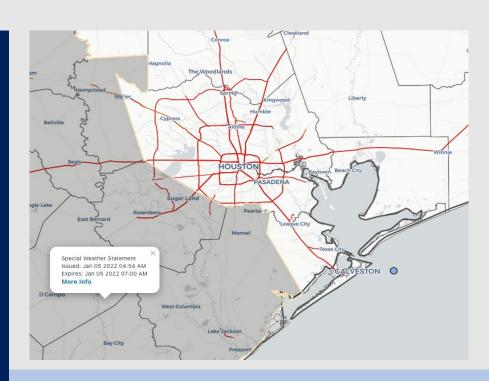
Updated: 5:00 AM CT

Wednesday, January 5, 2022

Forecaster: Vince Bryan

## Weather Headlines

- Mostly dry conditions will prevail over the next few days with only a few minor shots of sprinkles. Next best chance of rain looks to come back into the picture on Sat/ Sun.
- Patchy fog risk for tomorrow AM, however, lower confidence exists so check out the detailed fog slide below.
- Watching for a few periods of increased winds, Thu night into Friday AM, and Sunday night and through the day on Monday. Both offer up periods of sustained winds at the boarding station of 15-25 MPH +.



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# **Houston Pilots Visibility Report**

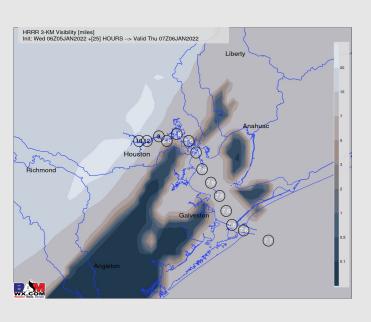


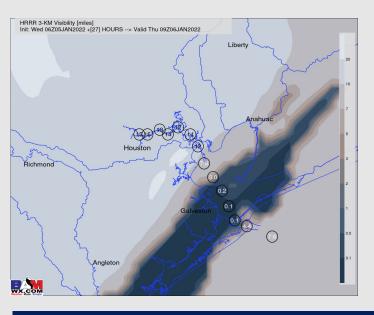


### 2 AM CT THU Visibility (miles)

### 4 AM CT THU Visibility (miles)

### Confidence







### Fog Threat

2 AM ~ 7 AM THU

Low-Medium

- A few factors at play lead to rather low confidence on specifics regarding fog potential tomorrow AM. There looks to be a few hour window in between when winds are more consistently out of the SE and when a front turns winds out of the NW that offers up a brief window of fog.
- Data varies on how much low level moisture can build in, as well as the timing of the wind shift to NW.
- ➤ We do think the 2 7 AM window holds the best opportunity for this patchy fog threat.
- All stations would be at play for the patchy fog, however this threat will move N to S. The N half of stations have the best threat from 2 4 AM, and the S half have the best threat from 4 7 AM. This does not look to be a case where any fog would last for every station for a 2 hour period, that is just the best window for the threat
- This forecast will no doubt need to be refined in the PM update and we'd anticipate there to be tweaks to the thinking.

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Co	onfidence
Above	Below
Normal	Normal

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Houston Pilots N - 610 Bridge	10.000	10.000	10.000	6.976	6.923	6.976	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000
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Houston Pilots G - 75/76	10.000	10.000	10.000	8.486	7.924	7.885	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	8.411	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000
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Data on the chart looks to be missing the fog risk tomorrow. Check the slide above for more on the uncertainty with this potential.

## Houston Pilots Extended Range Visibility Report





## Saturday, 1/8/22

Worth keeping an eye on things regarding fog chances given a switch back to a SE winds, but speeds staying elevated + precipitation may limit this potential.

## Sunday, 1/9/22

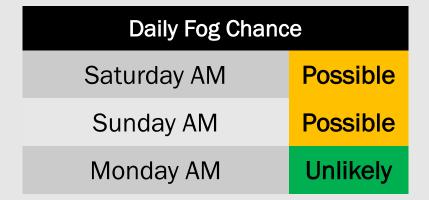
Fog development is not impossible Sun AM, but SW winds likely limit the potential for sea fog. Perhaps fog overland in more northerly areas will be more possible.

# Confidence Above Below Normal

### Monday, 1/10/22

After the passage of a cold front on Sunday PM, winds will be strong out of the N and fog is not favored.

# Above Below Normal



Confidence

Above Below Normal

# Houston Pilots: Wed. 1/5/2022





## **Forecast Discussion**

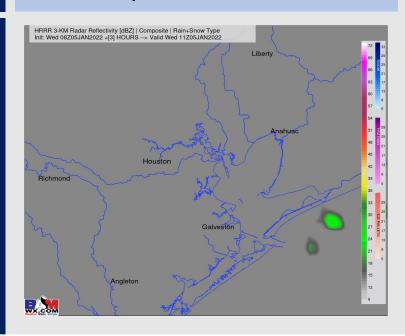
Precip: A few stray sprinkles (10-20%) will be possible this morning out through 8 AM, and then again from ~7 PM tonight through midnight. Totals would be very light and any sprinkles would be quite isolated.

Wind: Winds through most of the day will be 3-8 MPH with gusts to 10 MPH. Around ~3 PM, winds bump up to 8-13 MPH with gusts to 15 MPH and come more out of the SE for the remainder of the day.

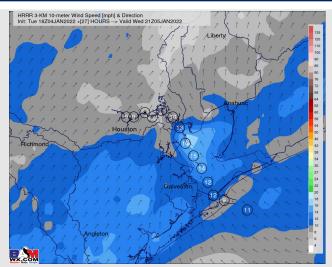
Temps: A gradual increase in temps leads to highs in the low to mid 70s F.

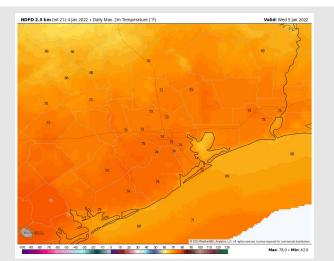
Visibility: A pocket or two or reduced visibilities of 3-5 are not impossible out through 8 AM for stations North of Morgan's Point, however widespread fog is not favored this morning or through the rest of the day.

### Precip Forecast: 8 AM CT



Wind Speed: 3 PM CT





High Temps

# Houston Pilots: Thu. 1/6/2022





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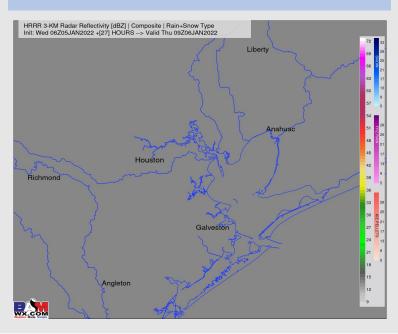
**Precip:** Anticipating dry conditions for Thursday.

Wind: A front passing the area in the early AM hours will be key to the AM wind forecast. Winds start out sustained 8-13 MPH at the boarding station from the SE. Around ~4 AM is when a flip to the NW happens. By ~4 PM winds increase to 15-20 MPH sustained with gusts 20-25 MPH at the boarding station out of the north. Around 8 PM, sustained winds look to increase again to 20-25 MPH with gusts 25-30 MPH possible at the boarding station through midnight, and turn more out of the NE.

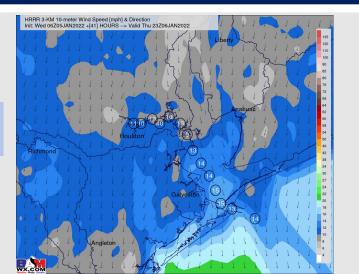
Temps: High temps Thu look to sit in the low 70s F.

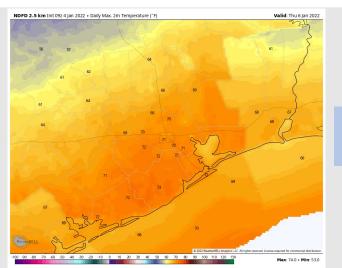
Visibility: Check fog slide above for more details on fog chances.

### Precip Forecast: 5 AM CT



Wind Speed 6 PM CT





High Temps Thursday

# Houston Pilots: Fri. 1/7/2022





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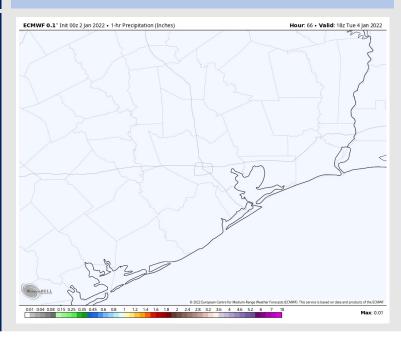
*Precip:* Anticipating dry conditions on Fri. Precip chances come in after midnight.

Wind: Sustained winds start Fri AM at 15-20 MPH out of the NE with gusts 20-25 MPH possible at the boarding station. Around 10-11 AM winds look to calm to 10-15 MPH sustained out of the ESE with gusts 15-20 MPH at the boarding station. Around 6 PM sustained winds pick up again to 15-20 MPH out of the SE with gusts 20-25 MPH through midnight.

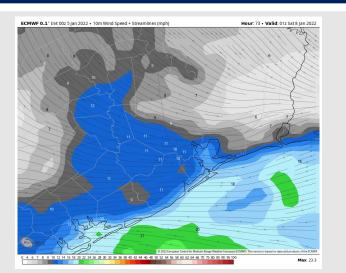
Temps: High Temps look to be in the upper 50s to low 60s F

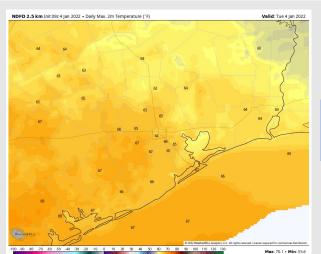
Visibility: Currently not favoring fog for our stations on Friday.

### Precip Forecast: 12 PM CT



Wind Speed 5 PM CT



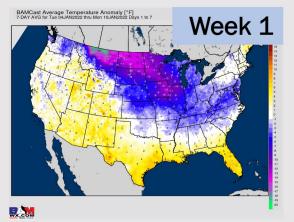


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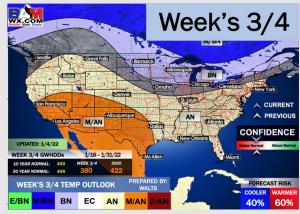
## Houston Pilots: 1/4/22

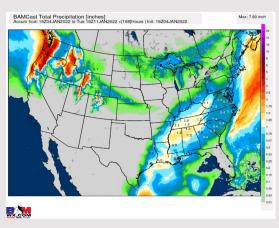


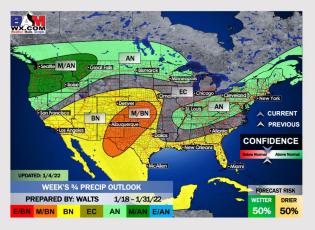


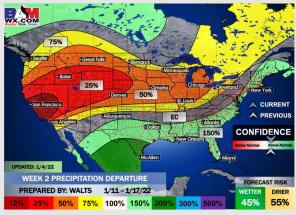












- Anticipating an overall dry upcoming work week. Precip chances look to come back in next weekend.
- > The week 2 timeframe is expected to have slightly above normal temperatures and below normal risks for precipitation.
- Right now, we are favoring above normal risks for temperatures and below normal risks for precip for the weeks 3 and 4 timeframe.