# **Houston Pilots Forecast Package**

Updated: 5:00 AM CT

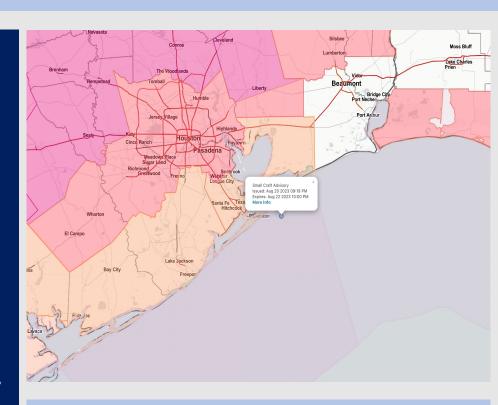
Monday, August 21, 2023

**Forecaster: Matt Griffin** 



## **Weather Headlines**

- CLICK HERE FOR VIDEO UPDATE: Video Update
- Tropical system expected to stay south. However, wave heights near 6' will be possible, mainly into TUE AM.
- Bulk of precipitation chances look to go south. However, scattered storms will still be possible.
- A few minor precipitation chances exists later into the week with limited wind issues.



Radar/NWS Alerts: 5:00 AM CT



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## **Houston Pilots Tropical Update**



Port Condition	39 MPH Sustained Winds	6 Foot Waves	Time Remaining/Trigger End
Victor	N/A	N/A	N/A
Whiskey	N/A	N/A	N/A
X-Ray	No	N/A	4 AM CT MON
Yankee	N/A	4 AM CT MON	4 PM CT MON
Zulu	N/A	4 PM CT MON	1 PM CT TUE

<b>Port Condition</b>	Trigger Definition	Trigger Reached?
Victor	Hurricane entering/developing in Gulf of Mexico that's a threat to the area	No
Whiskey	72 hours prior to predicted sustained winds of 39+ MPH	No
X-Ray	48 hours prior to predicted sustained winds of 39+ MPH or 6' wave height	Yes
Yankee	24 hours prior to predicted sustained winds of 39+ MPH or 6' wave height	Yes
Zulu	12 hours prior to predicted sustained winds of 39+ MPH or 6' wave height	No

- Recent data has started to trend the 5-6' area for wave heights associated with TUE tropical storm further NW toward the HOU area. While there is lower confidence the 6'+ wave height threshold is met for nearshore stations, data trends have made this a possibility we will need to continue to monitor.
- > The timing most at risk to see these increased wave heights would be 4 AM to 1 PM TUE. The boarding station is at greatest risk to see these wave heights. ALL OTHER STATIONS WILL REMAIN WELL BELOW 6' THRESHOLD.
- There will be the risk that as this system develops and starts to move West toward the TX Coast, wave height data will start to trend lower once again, and the Yankee Trigger could be lifted tonight/tomorrow morning. (If holds, Zulu at 4 PM CT MON). The core of the tropical system still will track further toward TX/MX border.

# **Houston Pilots Tropical Update**





#### **AL91 INVEST Tropical System Track**



Anticipating continued development of a tropical low over the 24 – 36 hours. A Tropical storm will be possible. Currently not favoring a hurricane to form.

Regardless, this system is anticipated to make landfall well south of the Houston area with very good model agreement/ consensus. Current timing is around 7 – 10 AM TUE morning for this to occur.

Winds at Houston will be elevated from this system allowing for sustained winds around 20 – 25 knots in general with gusts of 27 knots to locally 30 knots.

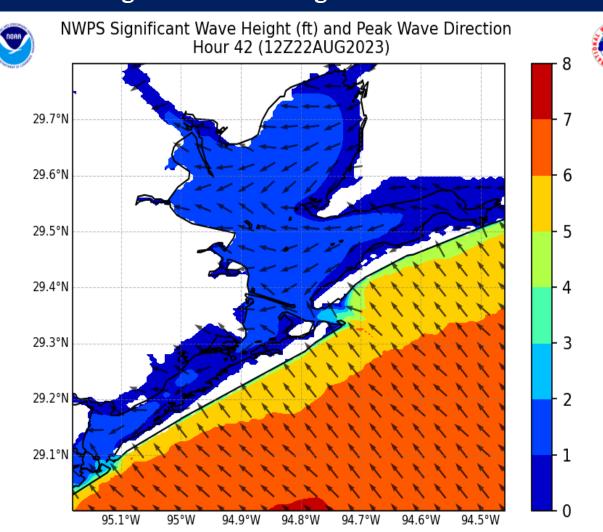
Of greatest concern will be wave heights. Significant Wave heights will be flirting with the 6' threshold. With current anticipation for a general 5 – 6' wave heights tomorrow morning/ afternoon (more info on the following slide).

## **Houston Pilots Tropical Update**





#### **Significant Wave Heights at 7 AM CT TUE**



The image to the left shows the peak wave heights and peak wave direction associated with the incoming tropical system.

The best time frame for peak wave heights in the 5' – 6' range are 4 AM TUE – 1 PM TUE.

## Houston Pilots Visibility Chart (miles)





## **Forecast Confidence**

Above Normal



Below Normal

									Mon 12pm																Tue 4am		Tue 6am	Tue 7am			Tue 10am				Tue 2pm	
610 Bridge	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	7	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
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## **Houston Pilots Wind Chart**







Sustained wind 13 Knots

Gusts 18 Knots

WS: 13

G:18

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# Houston Pilots: Mon. 8/21/2023





## **Forecast Discussion**

Precip: Bulk of storm/ rain activity is expected to stay mostly south of HOU today. Will include a 10% chance from 1 PM – 8 PM of a passing storm. While very isolated chances will be possible beyond that, again favor the bulk to stay south.

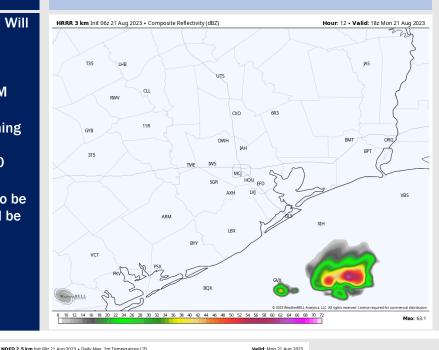
Wind: Southerly winds will gradually give way to ENE winds around 11 AM – 12 PM becoming sustained around 9-13 MPH at the boarding station and 7 – 11 knots elsewhere. Winds will then gradually shift out of the ESE into the afternoon/ evening with a notable uptick in winds after 7 PM CT. By 10 PM CT winds at the boarding station are expected to be sustained around 17 – 21 with gusts of 25 to locally 30 knots possible. Sustained winds from the ESE will continue to build into TUE AM. Between Morgan's point and the boarding station, sustained winds are expected to be around 13 – 17 knots sustained with gusts near 25 MPH by 10 PM CT. Winds will be lighter for points north.

High Temps: S of Morgan's Point: Mid 90's F. N of Morgan's Point: Upper 90s/low 100s F.

Visibility: No visibility issues outside of isolated storms.

# HRRR | 10-meter Wind Speed (mph) & Direction FORECAST + (19) HOURS -- VALID: 08:00 PM (EDT) Mon AUG 21,2023 Liberty Liberty Richmond Richmond Richmond Galveston 20 Galveston 20 20 20 Angleton 6 4

### Precip Image: 1 PM CT



High Temps Today

Wind Speed: 8 PM CT

# Houston Pilots: Tue. 8/22/2023





## **Forecast Discussion**

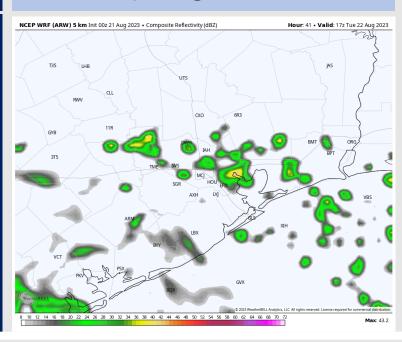
Precip: Continue to favor the bulk of storms to stay south of Houston. However, a few scattered storms will be possible in the AM (around 20%). Into the afternoon about 25% chances exist through about 7 – 8 PM.

Wind: ESE winds continue to drive into the HOU area through the morning hours of TUE. Towards the boarding station, winds are expected to be 17 – 22 knots sustained with gusts near 26 – 30 knots. Between Morgan's point and and the boarding station, sustained winds are expected to generally be 13 – 17 knots sustained with gusts up to 21 – 26 knots and will have more of an easterly component. Winds into the afternoon will start to gradually wane after 1 – 3 PM for locations south of Morgan's Point (likely pick up for locations north of Morgan's point into the afternoon). By 6 PM, winds are expected to be from the SE sustained around 13 – 17 knots for locations south of Morgan's Point with gusts near 20 knots possible. Winds north of Morgan's Point by 7 PM look to be sustained near 13 – 15 knots with gusts up to 20 knots.

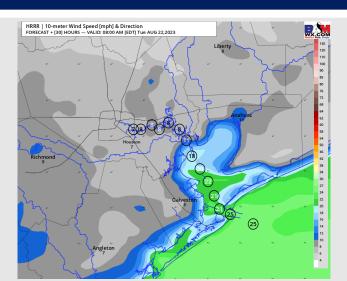
High Temps: S of Morgan's Point: Low 90's F. N of Morgan's Point: Mid-to-upper 90's F.

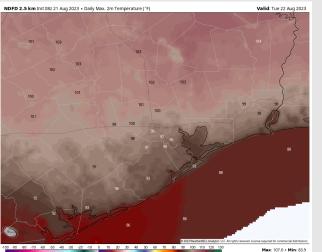
Visibility: Brief Periods of reduced visibility near the Boarding Station associated with heaviest downpours.

#### Precip Image: 12 PM CT



Wind Speed: 7 AM CT





High Temps Tuesday

## Houston Pilots: Wed. 8/23/2023





## **Forecast Discussion**

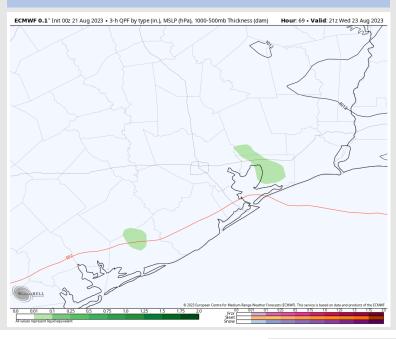
**Precip:** Dry weather is favored on Wednesday. However, will keep a mention of a 10% chance into the afternoon.

Wind: SE winds are expected to gradually weaken through the AM and will gradually shift towards the NE the back half of the AM hours. Through about 3 AM, winds at the boarding station will be sustained around 7 – 11 knots before continuing weakening. Lighter winds expected north of the boarding station. Winds are expected to shift back to the SE after 2 PM WED with sustained wind around 3 – 9 knots.

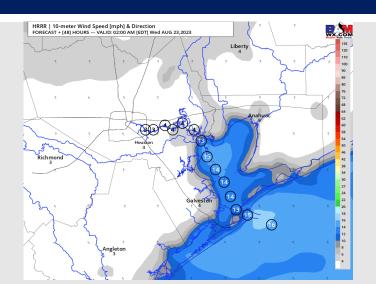
High Temps: S of Morgan's Point: Low 90s F. N of Morgan's Point: Upper 90s/Near 100 F.

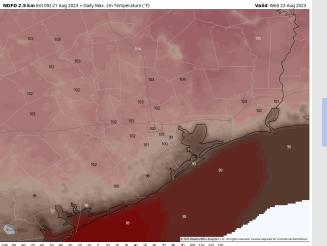
Visibility: Not anticipating any visibility concerns.

#### Precip Image: 4 PM CT



Wind Speed: 1 AM CT



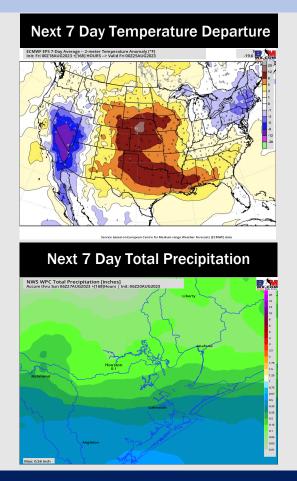


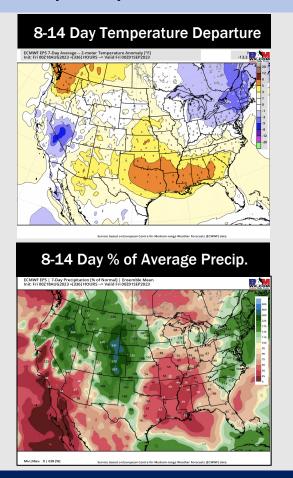
High Temps Wednesday

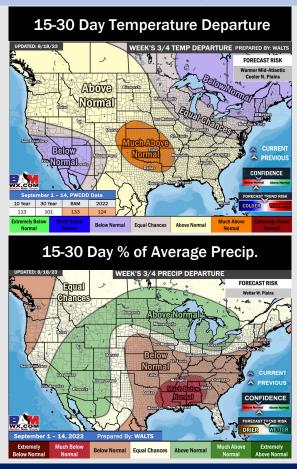
## **Houston Pilots: 8/21/23**











- > Tuesday will be the "best" precip chance over the next several days with only minor/ isolated chances deeper into the week.
- Expecting below normal precipitation chances and above normal temperatures for the week 2 timeframe.
- > Above normal temperatures and below normal chances for precipitation are favored in the weeks 3/4 timeframe.