Houston Pilots Forecast Package

Updated: 1:10 AM CT

Saturday, December 9, 2023

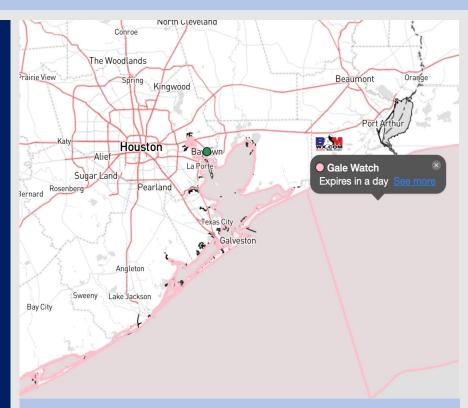
Forecaster: Tyler Riggles



Weather Headlines

- Strong storms chances arrive this evening as a cold front pushes southeast. Wind gusts upwards of 35-45 kts in play this evening.

 Check the Day 1 slide below for more details.
- Monitor patchy fog development within the bay this morning ahead of the front. Fog risks for Stations expected to end near 5 AM as better fog potential slides E.
- Drier pattern ahead after front-associated rains move out late this evening.



Radar/NWS Alerts: 1:05 AM CT



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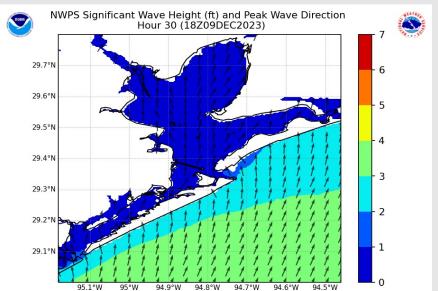
Houston Pilots Wave Height Update

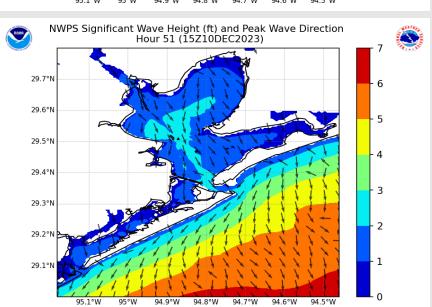


The top image shows



Significant Wave Height Image





12 PM CST Saturday

wave heights around 12 PM Saturday. Wave heights for almost all stations around 1 ft. Near stations 11/12 and the Boarding Station, waves may increase to 2-3 ft.

9 AM CST Sunday Sunday Moving into the overnight Saturday into Sunday AM, wave heights would risk to 2-3 ft for station 51/52 to station 11/12. The Boarding Station may be at risk for waves nearing 3-4 ft.

Houston Pilots Visibility Report

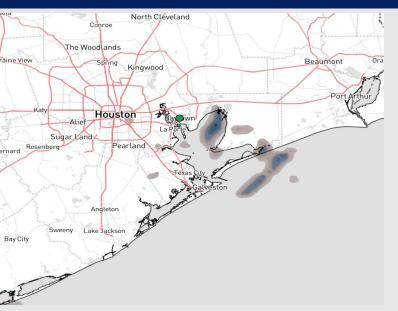


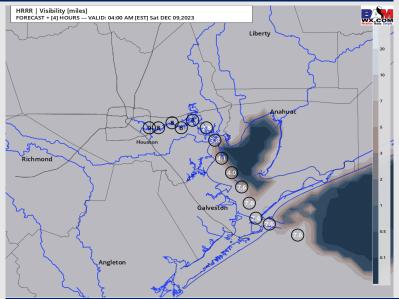


VISIBILITY AS OF 12:30 AM-CT

3 AM-CT VISIBILITY







Above Normal

Below Normal

- TIMEFRAME THREAT
 DISCUSSED

 1 AM 5 AM SAT Low
- Continuing to monitor low-end potential for patchy fog development in the Bay through the early morning out ahead of the cold front, as winds will be out of the SE prior.
- ➤ The greatest risk for this fog development and visibility of 2-4 miles is favored to occur between 1 AM 4 AM-CT where patchy coverage would set up for stations between Morgan's Point and the Boarding Station. Isolated instances of 1 mile or less.
- Fog development would begin in the interior portion of the bay near Morgan's Point with coverage gradually creeping toward Station 11/12 by 3 AM-CT. The Boarding Station will see patchy fog risks as early as 1 AM, expected to taper by 4 AM for this Station.
- Favoring fog risk for Stations to end after 5 AM-CT today as fog risks slide E. Additional patchy fog risks possible to the E of Stations through 12 PM.

Houston Pilots Extended Range Visibility Report







No fog concerns Tuesday.

Wednesday 12/13/23

No fog concerns Wednesday.

Forecast Confidence

Above Normal Below Normal

Above Below Normal

Thursday 12/13/23

No fog concerns Thursday.

Chance for Fog

Tuesday AM

Tuesday PM

Wednesday AM

Wednesday PM

Thursday AM

Thursday PM

Unlikely Unlikely

Unlikely

Unlikely

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Unlikely

Above Below Normal Normal

Forecast Confidence

Houston Pilots Visibility Chart (miles)





Forecast Confidence

Above Normal Below Normal

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Time	Sat 12am	Sat 1am	Sat 2am	Sat 3am	Sat 4am	Sat 5am	Sat 6am	Sat 7am	Sat 8am	Sat 9am	Sat 10am	Sat 11am	Sat 12pm	Sat 1pm	Sat 2pm	Sat 3pm	Sat 4pm	Sat 5pm	Sat 6pm	Sat 7pm	Sat 8pm	Sat 9pm	Sat 10pm	Sat 11pm	Sun 12am	Sun 1am	Sun 2am	Sun 3am	Sun 4am	Sun 5am	Sun 6am	Sun 7am	Sun 8am	Sun 9am	Sun 10am	Sun 11am
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Shell Crude	10	10	10	10	10	7	6	6	6	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
Lynchburg Ferries	10	10	10	10	10	7	6	6	6	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
Exxon 3	10	10	10	10	10	7	6	6	6	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
Morgans Point	10	10	10	10	8	6	6	6	6	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
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Houston Pilots Wind Chart



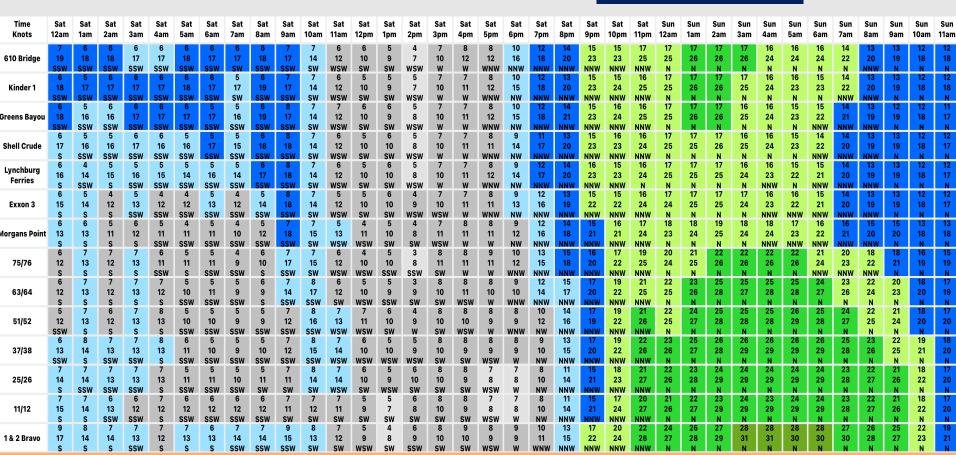


WS: 13

G:18

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Houston Pilots: Sat. 12/09/2023





Forecast Discussion

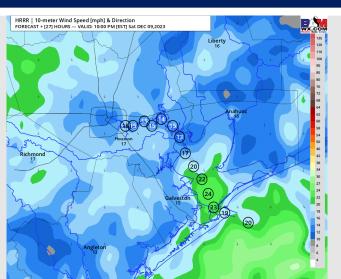
Precip: Hit/miss shower chances (20-30%) will be in play through 7 AM. A lull in precip will follow until 12 PM, when more widespread (60-70%) chances for showers and storms (some strong with potential for gusty winds) move in from the NW and remain for the rest of the day.

Wind: Winds out of the S/WSW through 5 PM, veering out of the NW after this time as the main front arrives. N of Morgan's Point: Sustained at 5 – 10 kts prior to 7 PM, then 9 – 14 kts for the remainder of the evening as the front arrives. S of Morgan's Point: 10-15 kts through 4 AM, decreasing to 8-13 kts at this time and remaining at this speed through 8 PM. After 8 PM, winds steadily increase to 20-25 kts by 12 AM. Gusts through the AM until noon will be around 25-30 kts. Then 35-45 kts will be possible as we get beyond 7 PM through the rest of the evening.

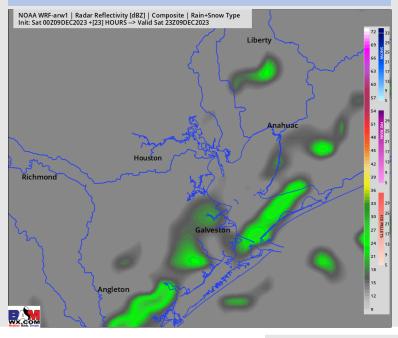
High Temps: N of Morgan's Point: Upper 70 F. S of Morgan's Point: Low 70s F.

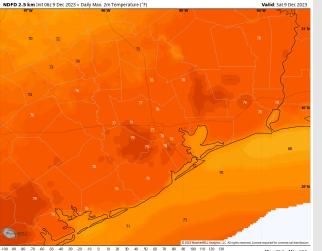
Visibility: Watching the early AM for a potential patchy fog development within the Bay associated with the front. Risk would last until ~5 AM. More details on visibility slide.

Wind Speed: 9 PM CT



Precip Image: 5 PM CT





High Temps Saturday

Houston Pilots: Sun. 12/10/2023





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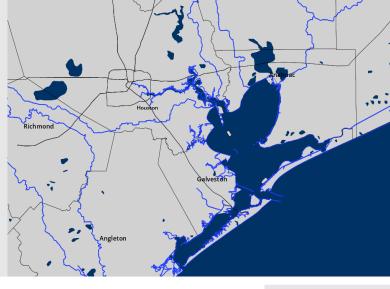
Precip: Dry conditions favored throughout the day.

Wind: Winds out of the NW will gradually calm throughout the day. N of Morgan's Point: Winds currently at 10-15 kts will gradually calm to 3-8 kts by 5 PM. S of Morgan's Point: 20-25 kt winds will sustain through 7 AM, after which time winds will being to gradually calm to 5-10 kts by 6 PM.

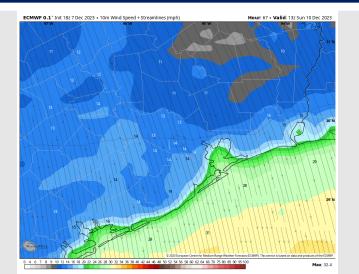
High Temps: Notable cooler behind the cold front N of Morgan's Point: Mid 50s F. S of Morgan's Point: Mid 50s F.

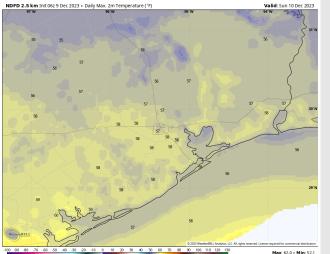
Visibility: Not anticipating any fog concerns Sunday.

Precip Image: 12 PM CT HRRR | Radar Reflectivity [dBZ] | Composite | Rain+Snow Type FORECAST + [42] HOURS -- VALID: 01:00 PM [EST] Sun DEC 10,2023



Wind Speed: 7 AM CT





High Temps Sunday

Houston Pilots: Mon. 12/11/2023





Forecast Discussion

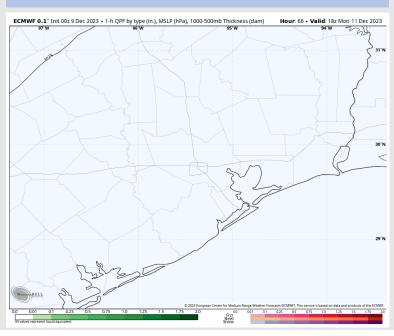
Precip: Favoring dry conditions throughout the day Monday.

Wind: Winds out of the NW will rotate out of the SE by 2 PM. N of Morgan's Point: 3-8 kts throughout the day. S of Morgan's Point: Winds of 3-8 kts will gradually increase to 7-12 kts by 6 PM.

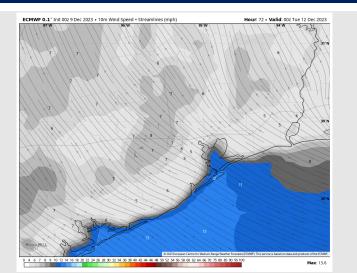
High Temps: N of Morgan's Point: Low 60s F. S of Morgan's Point: Low 60s F.

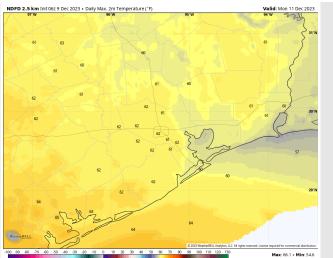
Visibility: Not anticipating any visibility concerns Monday.

Precip Image: 12 PM CT



Wind Speed: 6 PM CT



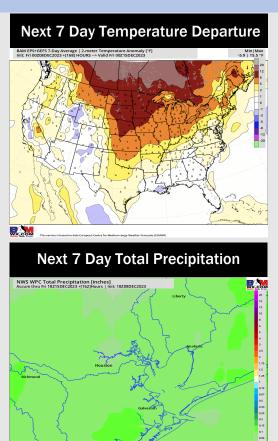


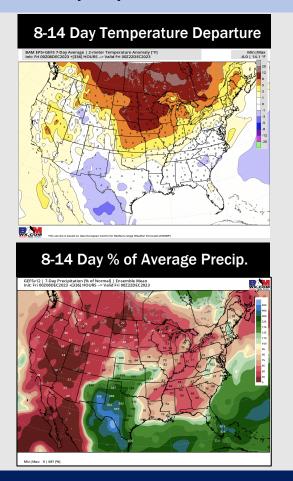
High Temps Monday

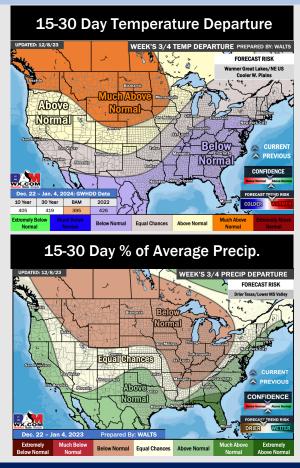
Houston Pilots: 12/9/23











- > Next best shot at rain will be on Saturday via cold front. Seasonal / slightly warmer than normal weather is expected this week.
- Seasonal precipitation chances and temperatures are expected into the week 2 timeframe.
- ➤ Below normal temperatures and above normal chances for precipitation are favored in the weeks ¾ timeframe.