Houston Pilots Forecast Package

Updated: 11:30 PM CT

Friday, December 15, 2023

Forecaster: Jonathan Kipper



Weather Headlines

- Periods of moderate to heavy rain / storm chances associated with a front will occur during the AM hours SAT. Wind gusts of 20-24 kts possible through SUN AM. More details in slides below.
- ➤ Wave heights will continue to decrease through the evening however will not be back to below 3 ft until ~3 AM Sunday.
- Not favoring any visibility issues over the coming days for fog.



Radar/NWS Alerts: 11:20 PM CT



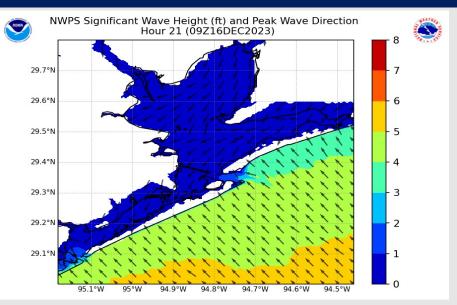
As always, please do not hesitate to reach out to us with any forecast questions via the chat option on the Weather Porthole or our on-call number, (317)-560-8122 press 1 for forecast questions.

Houston Pilots Wave Height Update





Significant Wave Height Image



3 AM CST SAT

The top image shows wave heights around 3 AM CT Saturday morning. Wave heights for the Boarding Station and 11/12 will drop to 3 – 5 ft by 3 AM SAT, but will continue to linger above 3 ft throughout the day SAT

NWPS Significant Wave Height (ft) and Peak Wave Direction Hour 45 (09Z17DEC2023)

29.7°N

29.6°N

29.5°N

29.3°N

29.2°N

29.1°N

95.1°W

95°W

94.9°W

94.8°W

94.7°W

94.6°W

94.5°W

94.5°W

94.5°W

94.5°W

94.5°W

3 AM CST SUN

The bottom image shows wave heights around 3 AM CT Sunday morning. Once we get to 3 AM CT SUN and beyond, wave heights will be below 3 ft.

Houston Pilots Extended Range Visibility Report





Monday 12/18/23

No fog concerns for Monday at this time.

Tuesday 12/19/23

No fog concerns for Tuesday at this time.

Forecast Confidence

Above Normal Below Normal Above Below Normal

Wednesday 12/20/23

Above

Normal

No fog concerns for Wednesday at this time.

Chance for Fog

Monday PM

Tuesday PM

Wednesday AM

Monday AM

Unlikely

Unlikely

Tuesday AM

Unlikely

Unlikely

Below Normal

Forecast Confidence

Wednesday PM

Unlikely

Houston Pilots Visibility Chart (miles)





Forecast Confidence

Above Normal Below Normal

Time	Fri 11pm	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
610 Bridge	2	2	2	2	2	2	4	5	6	7	9	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
Kinder 1	2	2	2	2	2	2	4	5	6	7	9	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
Greens Bayou	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	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
Shell Crude	3	3	3	3	2	2	3	5	5	6	9	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	3	3	3	3	2	2	3	5	6	6	9	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	4	4	3	3	3	2	3	4	5	5	8	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	4	4	3	3	3	2	3	4	5	5	7	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
75/76	5	5	4	4	4	3	3	4	5	4	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
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Houston Pilots Wind Chart







Sustained wind 13 Knots

Gusts 18 Knots

WS: 13

G:18

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Kinder 1	2 13 SSE	2 12 ESE	3 13 ESE	3 4	4 8	8 15	6 14 NNW	6 17 NNW	7 18	7 17 NNW	8 18	8 16	9 16	9 14	9 14	10 14	10 15	10 15 NNW	10 15	9 13	9 13	8 13	8 13	7 11	7 10	6 10	5 8	5 7	4 7	4 6	4 6	4 6	4 6	4 6	5 7	5 7
Greens Bayou	2 14 SSE	1 11 SSE	4 14 ESE	3 5	4 7	8 14	7 15 NNW	7 17	7 18	7 17	8 18	8 16	9 16	9 15	9 14 NNW	10 14	10 15	10 15 NNW	10 15 NNW	9	9 13	8 13	9 13	8 12	7 10	6 9	5 8	5 7	5 7	4 6	4	4 6	4	4 7	5 8	5 7
Shell Crude	3 16 ESE	1 11 SSE	4 13 ESE	3 7 W	4 7 NNW	7 13	7 15 NNW	7 17 NNW	7 18 NNW	7 17 NNW	9 18	8 16	9 16	9 15	9 14	10 14	10 15	10 15	10 15	9 13	9 13	8 13	9 14 NNW	8 12	7 10	6 9 NNW	5 8	5 8	5 7	4 7 NNW	4 6	4 6 NW	4 6	5 7 NNW	5 8 NNW	5 7 NNW
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Houston Pilots: Sat. 12/16/2023





Forecast Discussion

Precip: Scattered showers will continue across the area until 2 - 3 AM-CT when a final line of showers and a few storms will push into the Houston Metro area. Showers will continue to be scattered to widespread in nature through 8 AM-CT. After this line exits, dry conditions favored for the rest of the day.

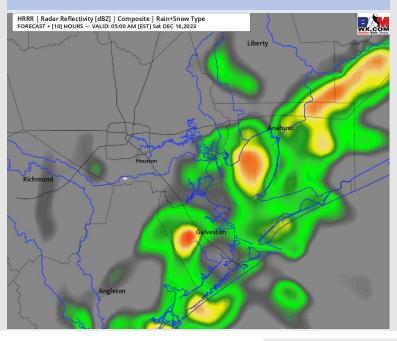
Wind: Winds will be variable and range from 5 - 10 kts for all locations as the front passes through ~2AM and then veer out of the N/NNW. N of Morgan's Point: Winds will increase to 8 - 12 kts by 5AM and continue that way through 6 PM. After 6 PM, winds decrease to 5-10 kts. S of Morgan's Point: Winds will increase to 10 -15 kts by 5AM then 17-21 kts by 2 PM, remaining there the rest of the day. Wind gusts of 17-22 MPH will be possible at all stations starting at 5 AM and lasting through 7 PM (gusts continue S of Morgan's Point the rest of the PM hours). Locally higher gusts of up to 24 kts will be possible near the Boarding Station after 4 PM.

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

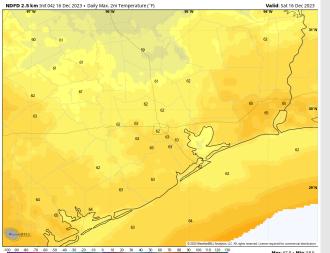
Visibility: Not anticipating any fog concerns for today, however the heaviest downpours may cause some reduced visibilities through 8 AM.

HRRR | 10-meter Wind Speed [mph] & Direction

Precip Image: 4 AM CT



Wind Speed: **3 PM CT**



High Temps Saturday

Houston Pilots: Sun. 12/17/2023





Forecast Discussion

Precip: Anticipating dry conditions throughout Sunday.

Wind: Winds will remain out of the N/NW for the entire day SUN. N of Morgan's Point: Winds will be 4-9 kts for the entire day. S of Morgan's Point: Winds at 17-21 kts through 4 AM, then decrease to 12-17 kts. Winds will then decrease again to 8-13 kts after 5 PM and remain there for the PM hours. Wind gusts of 17-22 kts will be possible S of Morgan's Point through 6 AM SUN, before gusts decreasing to 20 kts or less for the remainder of the day.

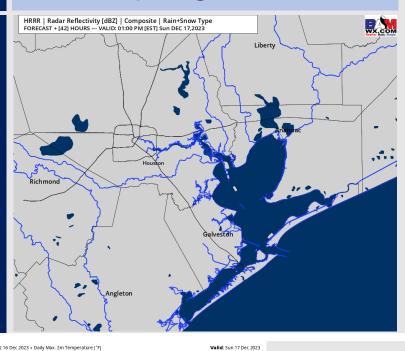
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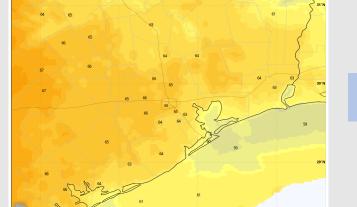
Visibility: Not anticipating any visibility concerns Sunday.

HRRR | 10-meter Wind Speed (mph) & Direction

Wind Speed: 4 AM CT

Precip Image: 12 PM CT





High Temps Sunday

Houston Pilots: Mon. 12/18/2023





Forecast Discussion

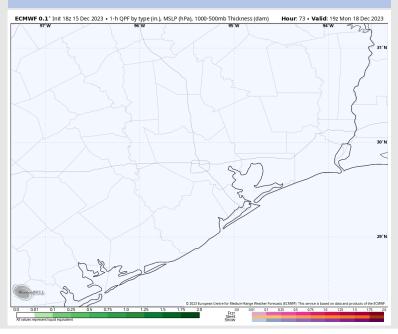
Precip: Dry conditions favored for Monday.

Wind: Winds will be out of the NW for most of the day on Monday before shifting to being out of the N/NNE by 9 PM. N of Morgan's Point: Winds will be 4-9 kts for the entire day. S of Morgan's Point: 4-9 kts through 9 PM, then a slight increase to 7-12 kts the rest of the evening.

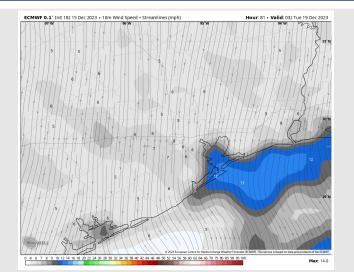
High Temps: N of Morgan's Point: Mid 60s F. S of Morgan's Point: Low 60s F.

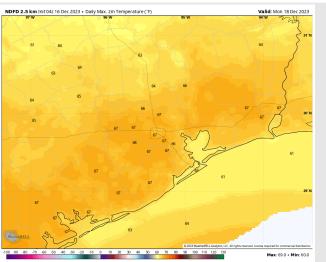
Visibility: Not favoring any fog concerns at this time.

Precip Image: 1 PM CT



Wind Speed: 9 PM CT





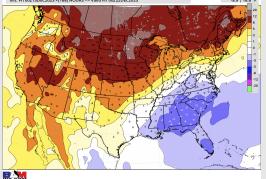
High Temps Monday

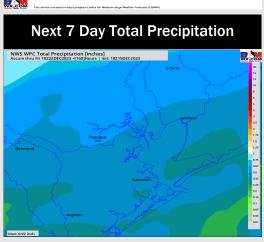
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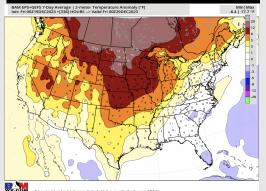


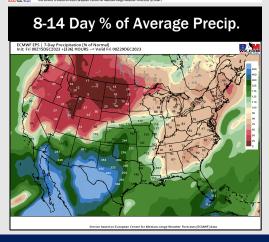
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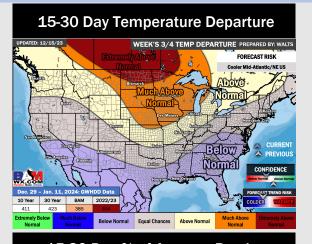


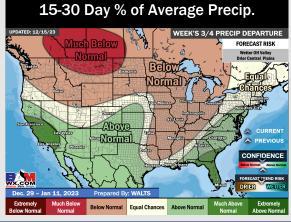


8-14 Day Temperature Departure









- After rain chances with a front for the AM hours today, the next best shot for rain will occur THU/FRI. Seasonable temps are favored this week.
- Above normal precipitation chances and slightly above normal temperatures are expected into the week 2 timeframe.
- Below normal temperatures and slightly above normal chances for precipitation are favored in the weeks 3/4 timeframe.