Houston Pilots Forecast Package

Updated: 10:05 PM CT

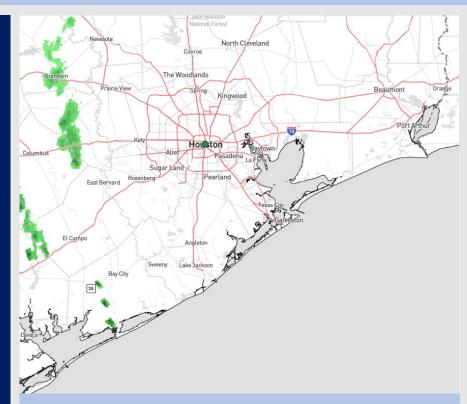
Wednesday, December 20, 2023

Forecaster: Xander Lowry



Weather Headlines

- Winds do not look to be overly problematic the next few days aside from briefly stronger winds late Saturday.
 Would need to watch SUN for elevated winds as a front approaches the area.
- Some pesky chances for sea fog will be possible heading into the weekend.
 Confidence is lower than desired.
- Active weather is anticipated from SAT PM into MON AM.



Radar/NWS Alerts: 10:05 PM CT



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Houston Pilots Extended Range Visibility Report





Sunday 12/24/23

Fog will once again be possible on Sunday but timing of pockets of heavy rain can complicate matters. Regardless, set up is there for potential sea fog. SUN AM holds the best potential.

Forecast Confidence

Above Below Normal Normal

Tues 12/26/23

A shift back to winds from the NW/N will limit fog potential throughout the day Tuesday.

Forecast Confidence

Above Below Normal Normal

Monday 12/25/23

Pending on how much rain falls, some pockets of fog cannot be fully ruled out despite a shift to more northerly winds. Threat on Monday is not as great as SAT/SUN.

Forecast Confidence

Above Below Normal

Chance for Fog

Sunday AM	Possible
Sunday PM	Possible
Monday AM	Possible
Monday PM	Unlikely
Tuesday AM	Unlikely
Tuesday PM	Unlikely

Houston Pilots Visibility Chart (miles)





Forecast Confidence

Above Normal Below Normal

9pm 10pm 11pm 12am 1am 2am 3am 4am 5am 6am 7am 8am 9am 10am 11am 12pm 1pm 2pm 3pm 4pm 5pm 6pm 7pm 8pm 9pm 10pm 11pm 12am 1am 2am 3am 4am Bridge 10 Kinder 1 Bayou Crude Lynchburg Ferries Exxon 3 Morgans 75/76 63/64 10 51/52 37/38 10 10 25/26 10 10 10 Bravo

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Houston Pilots Wind Chart







Sustained wind 13 Knots

Gusts 18 Knots

WS: 13

G:18

N

Time Knots																										Thu 10pm		Fri 12am	Fri 1am	Fri 2am	Fri 3am	Fri 4am	Fri 5am	Fri 6am	Fri 7am	Fri 8am
610 Bridge	8 19 ESE	7 19 ESE	6 18 ESE	6 15 ESE	6 13 ESE	5 13 ESE	5 12 E	6 13 E	5 12 E	5 12 E	5 13 E	6 18 E	7 16 ESE	6 13 ESE	6 11 ESE	8 11 ESE	7 11 ESE	7 11 ESE	7 11 ESE	8 11 ESE	7 10 ESE	7 10 ESE	6 10 ESE	6 9 ESE	6 9 E	6 9 E	5 8 E	5 8 E	5 7 E	4 7 E	4 7 E	5 7 E	4 7 E	4 7 E	5 8 E	5 8 E
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Houston Pilots: Thu. 12/21/2023





Forecast Discussion

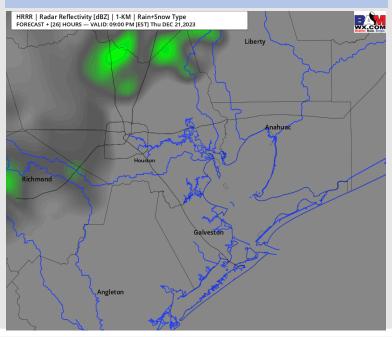
Precip: Currently favoring a dry day on THU. Minor chances will be possible starting at 8PM-CT through midnight. Majority of precip is favored to remain to the N. Better rain chances will be Friday Morning.

Wind: SE winds being to shift out of the east in the AM where they will remain through most of the day. Around after 9 PM, winds will begin to take a more ESE orientation. N of Morgan's Point: Winds are favored to remain at 3 – 8 kts for duration of the day. S of Morgan's Point: Winds will steadily weaken slightly to 8 – 14 knots by 11 AM. Into the afternoon, sustained winds near 11 – 14 knots sustained will be possible where they will continue to remain through the evening. Gusts near 15 – 20 knots will be possible in the afternoon for furthest most S Stations and the Boarding station.

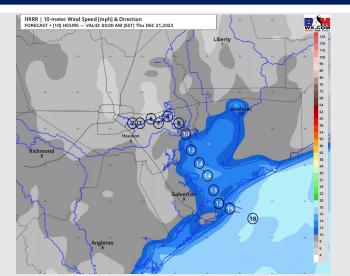
High Temps: N of Morgan's Point: Near 70 F. S of Morgan's Point: Mid 60s F

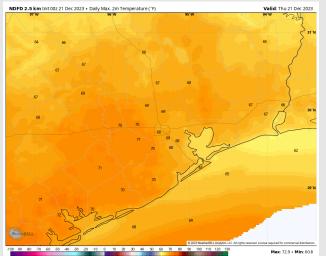
Visibility: Confidence remains low in any possible fog Thursday morning. Elevated winds will be the main limiting factor in any fog formation. With low-end risk of sea fog will be possible beginning Thursday morning. Greatest timeframe to watch would be when winds slightly decrease around 5-6 AM. A slightly better set up for sea fog will be in play mainly into FRI AM. Once again, confidence remains low.

Precip Image: 8 AM CT



Wind Speed: 4 AM CT





High Temps Thursday

Houston Pilots: Friday. 12/22/2023





Forecast Discussion

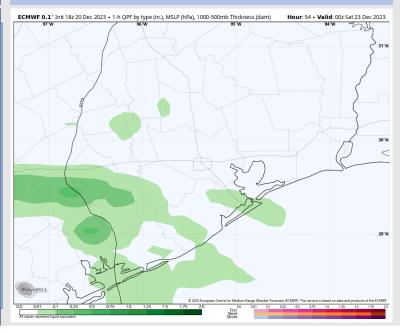
Precip: Data continues to slow down slightly with main precipitation/ front on Friday with slightly lower confidence. Spotty showers will be possible after 2 AM on Friday with scattered showers/ storms on Friday afternoon (40%). Bulk of precip is favored to remain to the W of the Houston Area. Overall risk given trends is for precipitation to delay until later into Saturday morning.

Wind: Sustained winds will be out of the SE throughout the day Friday. N Morgan's Point: 6 - 11 kts throughout much of the day Friday. S of Morgan's Point: Winds will start out at 9-14 kts before decreasing to 6 - 11 kts throughout the rest of the day.

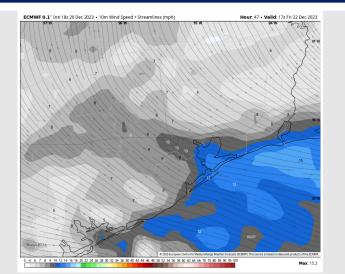
High Temps: N of Morgan's Point: High 60s to 70s F S of Morgan's Point: Mid 60s F

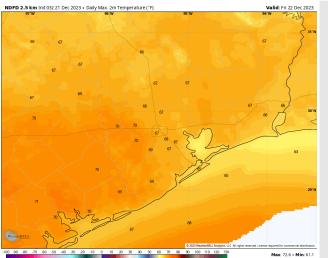
Visibility: The main point of contention with is a low confidence fog forecast into FRI AM. As winds weaken from the east on FRI AM, potential sea fog can set up, especially from 1 AM – 10 AM. Additional bouts of sea fog will be possible late FRI into SAT AM as well. While the set up is there for potential sea fog, data continues to not show "low visibilities" hence the lower confidence in the forecast.

Precip Image: 6 AM CT



Wind Speed: 11 AM CT





High Temps Friday

Houston Pilots: Sat. 12/23/2023





Forecast Discussion

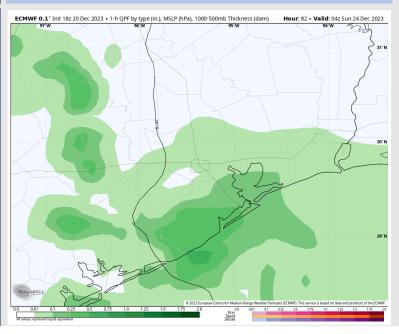
Precip: Scatter showers and thunderstorms will be possible until 2PM when more widespread rain chances will move into the area. This widespread rain chances will continue through the evening and into Sunday morning.

Wind: Winds will be out of the SE/ESE throughout the day today. N of Morgan's Point: Winds will start out at 5 - 10 kts before increasing to 9 - 14 kts by 10AM. Wind will decrease back to 5 - 10 kts by 6PM and remain at that clip for the remainder of the day. S of Morgan's Point: Winds will start out at 9 - 14 kts before gradually increasing to 14 - 19 kts by 6PM. Winds gusts of 20 - 25 kts will be possible after 6PM for stations S of Morgan's Point.

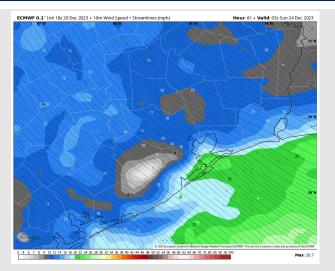
High Temps: N of Morgan's Point: Low 70's F. S of Morgan's Point: mid 60's F.

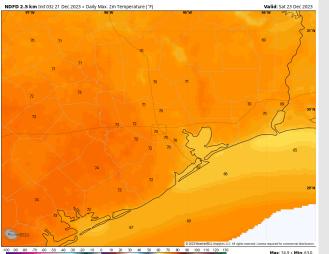
Visibility: The setup for sea fog will continue into Saturday with the greatest chance of sea fog being during the early morning Saturday when winds are still calm until (~9AM). Sea fog chances will decrease further into the day due to stronger wind speeds. Regardless, heavy downpours throughout the day will create localized pockets of below mile visibility in some cases associated with rain chances Saturday.

Precip Image: 10 PM CT



Wind Speed: 9 PM CT





High Temps Saturday

Houston Pilots: 12/20/23

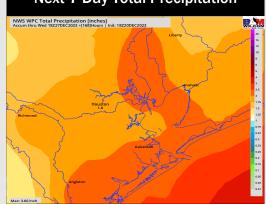




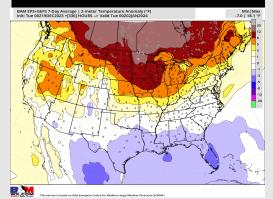
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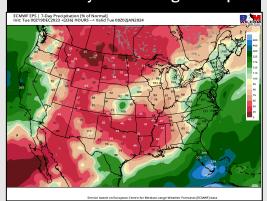
Next 7 Day Total Precipitation



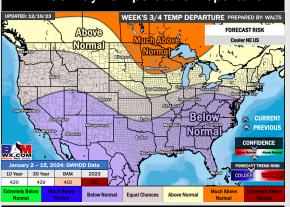
8-14 Day Temperature Departure



8-14 Day % of Average Precip.



15-30 Day Temperature Departure



15-30 Day % of Average Precip.



- SAT evening through MON AM will offer up widespread, and at times heavy, rainfall opportunities. Above normal temperatures are expected until colder air fill behind a cold front after Monday.
- > Slightly below normal precipitation and slightly below normal temperatures are expected into the week 2 timeframe.
- > Below normal temperatures and near normal chances for precipitation are favored in the weeks 3/4 timeframe. There is a risk this can trend wetter given an active subtropical jet.