Houston Pilots Tropical Update

Category 2 (96-110 MPH)

✓ Landfall: Wednesday PM near Vermillion Bay, LA







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Houston Pilots Forecast Package

Updated: 8:30 AM CT

Wednesday, September 11, 2024

Forecaster: Alyssa Elliott

Weather Headlines

- Zulu Port Conditions are in effect (see Trigger Slide below)
- Anticipating wave heights to drop back below 6 ft by 10 PM today. See wave height slide for more info.
- Winds gusts of 25-35 kts are possible through ~12 1 PM for the Boarding Station.
- Hurricane Video Update (as of WED AM)



Current Radar: 8:30 AM CT



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

Houston Pilots Port Trigger Update



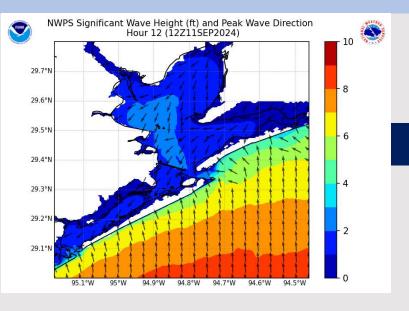
Port Condition	34 KTS+ Sustained Wind Trigger Reached at:	6 Foot Wave Trigger Reached at:	Time Remaining/Trigger Ends At:
Victor			
Whiskey	Past This Trigger		Ended
X-Ray	Past This Trigger	Past This Trigger	Ended
Yankee	Past This Trigger	Past This Trigger	
Zulu	CURRENT	10 PM CT WED	
Port Condition	Trigger	Trigger Reached?	
Victor	Hurricane entering/developing in G	e area Past	
Whiskey	72 hours prior to predicted	Past	
X-Ray	48 hours prior to predicted sustain	eight Past	
Yankee	24 hours prior to predicted sustain	eight Past	
Zulu	12 hours prior to predicted sustain	eight YES	

NOTES: Hurricane Francine has been upgraded to a Category 1 Hurricane east of the Texas/Mexico Border. Currently favoring direct landfall along Louisiana's Gulf Coast, however still expecting winds of 34+ kts and wave heights of 6+ ft for Houston / Galveston Bay on WED (tomorrow).

Wave Height Forecast Update

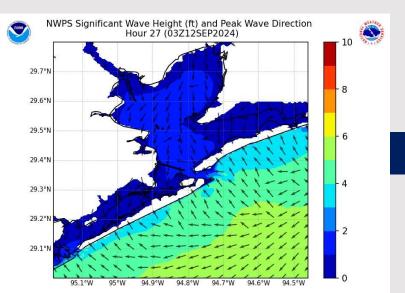






7 AM CT WED

Peak wave heights of 7+ ft will be a risk at the Boarding Station until 1 PM.



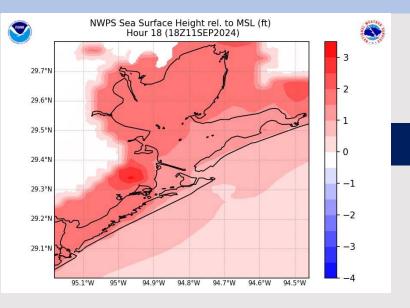
10 PM CT WED

Monitoring for wave heights to be at/above 6 ft until ~10 PM today.

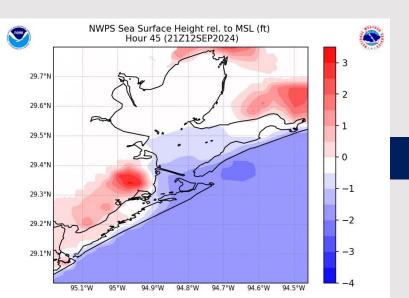
Tide + Surge Forecast Update







1 PM CT WED



4 PM CT THU

Keeping an eye on increased tide and storm surge heights as Hurricane Francine pushes through the Gulf towards LA. Anticipating sea surface height to be 1 – 3 ft above the mean until 4 PM WED.

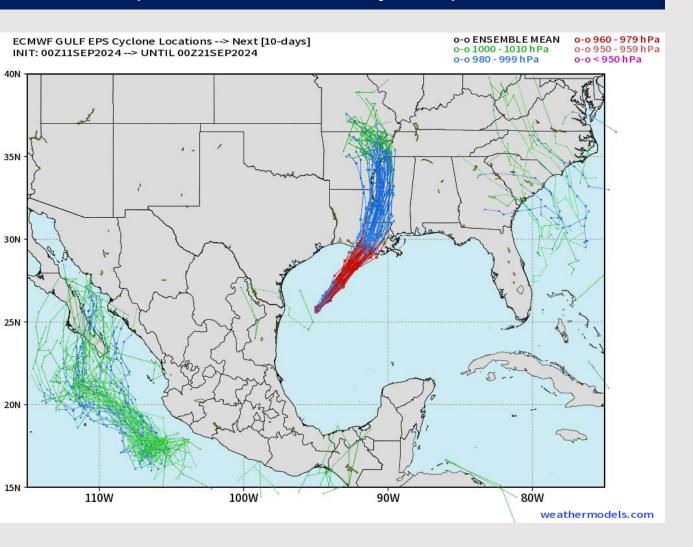
THU evening, sea surface height may be 1 – 2 ft below the mean as Hurricane Francine moves further inland and winds shift out of the N.

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European Model Next 10 Days - Tropical Tracks



Monitoring Hurricane Francine for impacts as it makes landfall in LA today.

This storm continues to track east of Houston, though increased wave heights, high wind gusts, and heavy rain are all continued risks for stations primarily S of Morgan's Point.

Houston Pilots Visibility Chart (miles)





Forecast Confidence

Above Normal

Below Normal

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Visibility	Tue 8 pm	Tue 9 pm	Tue 10 pm	Tue 11 pm	Wed 12 am	Wed 1 am	Wed 2 am	Wed 3 am	Wed 4 am	Wed 5 am	Wed 6 am	Wed 7 am	Wed 8 am	Wed 9 am	Wed 10 am	Wed 11 am	Wed 12 pm	Wed 1 pm	Wed 2 pm	Wed 3 pm	Wed 4 pm	Wed 5 pm	Wed 6 pm	Wed 7 pm
Houston Pilots N - 610 Bridge	6.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	9	9	9	10	10	10	10	10	7.9	5.9	4.9	3.9	4.9	5.9	6.9	6.9	7.9	9	9	10
Houston Pilots M - Kinder 1	6.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	9	9	10	10	10	10	10	10	7.9	5.9	4.9	3.9	4.9	5.9	6.9	6.9	7.9	9	9	10
Houston Pilots L - Greens Bayou	6.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	9	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	7.9	5.9	4.9	3.9	4.9	5.9	6.9	6.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	9
Houston Pilots K - Shell Crude	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	9	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	7.9	5.9	4.9	3.9	4.9	5.9	6.9	6.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	9
Houston Pilots J - Lynchburg Ferries	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	9	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	7.9	5.9	4.9	3.9	4.9	5.9	6.9	6.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	9
Houston Pilots I - Exxon 3	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	9	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	7.9	5.9	4.9	2.9	4.9	5.9	5.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	7.9	9
Houston Pilots H - Morgans Point	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	9	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	7.9	5.9	4.9	2.9	4.9	4.9	5.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	9
Houston Pilots G - 75/76	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	7.9	10	7.9	7.9	10	10	10	6.9	5.9	2.9	3.9	2.9	3.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	6.9	9
Houston Pilots F - 63/64	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	10	7.9	7.9	10	10	10	6.9	5.9	3.9	3.9	2.9	3.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	6.9	9
Houston Pilots E - 51/52	5.9	5.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	5.9	6.9	7.9	9	7.9	10	10	10	6.9	5.9	3.9	3.9	2.9	3.9	3.9	4.9	4.9	5.9	9
Houston Pilots D - 37/38	5.9	5.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	5.9	6.9	7.9	9	7.9	10	10	10	6.9	4.9	3.9	3.9	2.9	3.9	3.9	4.9	4.9	5.9	9
Houston Pilots C - 25/26	5.9	5.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	5.9	6.9	9	6.9	7.9	10	10	10	6.9	4.9	3.9	3.9	2.9	3.9	3.9	4.9	4.9	5.9	9
Houston Pilots B - 11/12	5.9	5.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	5.9	6.9	6.9	7.9	10	10	10	4.9	4.9	2.9	3.9	2.9	3.9	3.9	3.9	4.9	5.9	9
Houston Pilots A - 1 & 2 Bravo	4.9	4.9	5.9	6.9	5.9	6.9	5.9	6.9	6.9	7.9	10	10	10	6.9	6.9	4.9	4.9	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9	4.9	7

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Houston Pilots Wind Chart







Wind	Tue 8 pm	Tue 9 pm	Tue 10 pm	Tue 11 pm	Wed 12 am	Wed 1 am	Wed 2 am	Wed 3 am	Wed 4 am	Wed 5 am	Wed 6 am	Wed 7 am	Wed 8 am	Wed 9 am	Wed 10 am	Wed 11 am	Wed 12 pm	Wed 1 pm	Wed 2 pm	Wed 3 pm	Wed 4 pm	Wed 5 pm	Wed 6 pm	Wed 7 pm
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Houston Pilots M - Kinder 1	23	24	24	23	23	23	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	23	24	24	24	24	25	25	25	24	23	21
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Houston Pilots L - Greens Bayou	23	23	24	23	24	23	22	23	23	22	23	23	23	24	24	24	24	24	25	25	24	24	23	21
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Forecast Discussion

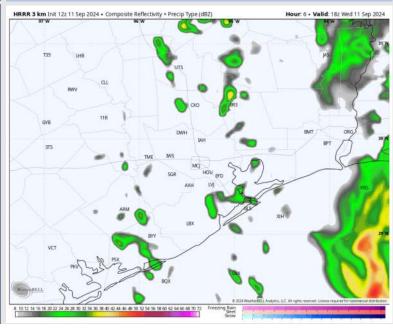
Precip: Scattered showers and storms expected for all stations through 10 PM before clearing out for the rest of the night.

Wind: Winds will be out of the E/NE through 4 PM before shifting to out of the North. N of Morgan's Point: Winds will be at 8-13 kts throughout the day. S of Morgan's Point: Sustained winds will be 20-25 kts through 1 PM before decreasing to 15-20 kts the rest of the day. Gusts of 25-35 kts possible near the Boarding Station through ~12 PM.

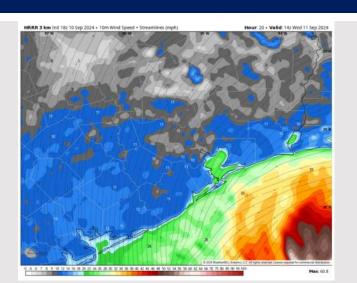
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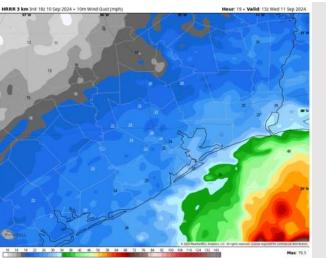
Visibility: Not anticipating any fog concerns for Wednesday, however visibilities will be reduced under heavy downpours.

Precip Image: 1 PM CT



Wind Speed: 9 AM CT





Wind Gusts: 8 AM CT

Houston Pilots: THU. 9/12/2024





Forecast Discussion

Precip: Favoring dry conditions for Thursday.

Wind: Winds will be out of the N/NW throughout the day on THU. N of Morgan's Point: Winds will be sustained at 3-8 kts throughout the day. S of Morgan's Point: Winds will be sustained at 10-15 kts throughout 12 PM before decreasing to 7-12 kts.

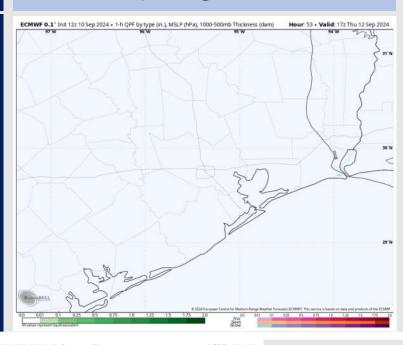
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Visibility: Not anticipating any fog concerns for THU.

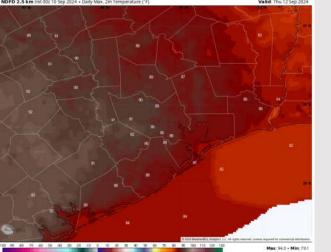
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Precip Image: 1 PM CT



Wind Speed: 3 PM CT



High Temps Thursday

Houston Pilots: FRI. 9/13/2024





Forecast Discussion

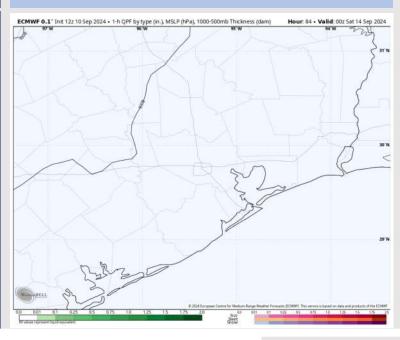
Precip: Favoring dry conditions for Friday.

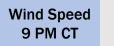
Wind: Winds will begin the day variable before shifting to out of the S/SW after 2 PM and for the rest of Friday. N of Morgan's Point: Winds at 3-8 kts throughout the day. S of Morgan's Point: Winds will be 4-9 kts through 4 PM before slightly increasing to 7-12 kts the rest of the day Friday.

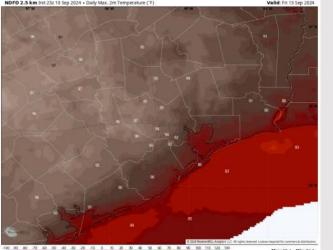
High Temps: N of Morgan's Point: Low 90s F. S of Morgan's Point: Mid 80s F.

Visibility: Not favoring any fog concerns for Friday.

Precip Image: 7 PM CT







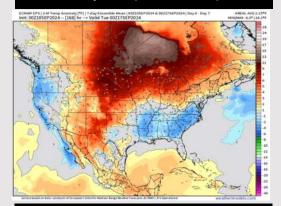
High Temps Friday

Houston Pilots: 9/11/24





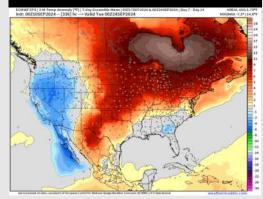
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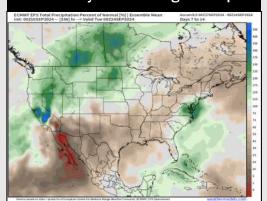
Next 7 Day Total Precipitation



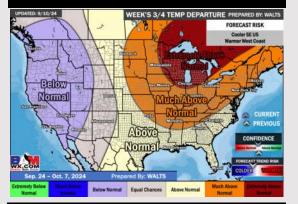
8-14 Day Temperature Departure



8-14 Day % of Average Precip.



15-30 Day Temperature Departure







- > Temps are expected to be near normal for the week 1 timeframe. Hurricane Francine is expected to bring scattered showers/storms for all Stations through today.
- ➤ Near to slightly above normal temperatures are favored for week 2 with below normal rain chances. Tropical activity threats for late Week 1 / early Week 2 and beyond will continue to be monitored.
- ➤ Above normal temperatures and below normal precipitation chances are expected for the weeks ³/₄ timeframe.