# **Houston Pilots Forecast Package**

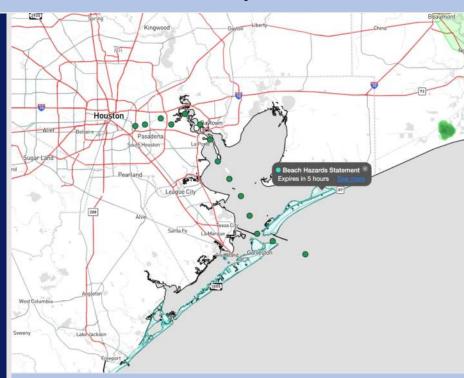
Updated: 1:00 AM CT

Thursday, November 7, 2024

### **Forecaster: John Kemper**

## **Weather Headlines**

- Gusts of above 15 kts for stations S. of Morgan's Point will be in play for Friday.
- Isolated to scattered showers will return to the forecast for today.
- Victor trigger has been met! See Port Trigger Update below!
- Click here for most recent Hurricane Rafael video update!



Current Radar: 12:35 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**



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Port Condition	34 KTS+ Sustained Wind Trigger Reached at:	6 Foot Wave Trigger Reached at:	ime Remaining/Trigger Ends At:
Victor		<del></del>	MON 7 PM
Whiskey		<del></del>	
X-Ray		<del></del>	
Yankee		<del></del>	
Zulu		<del></del>	
Port Condition	Trigger	Definition	Trigger Reached?
Victor	Hurricane entering/developing in G	area YES	
Whiskey	72 hours prior to predicted	NO	
X-Ray	48 hours prior to predicted sustain	eight NO	
Yankee	24 hours prior to predicted sustain	ed winds of 34+ KTS or 6' wave he	eight NO
Zulu	12 hours prior to predicted sustain	ed winds of 34+ KTS or 6' wave he	eight <b>NO</b>

NOTES: Rafael has entered the Gulf of Mexico. Wave heights and gusty winds will start to increase/ramp up by Saturday at the earliest for HOU. Wave heights of 3'-5' can be expected. The increased winds and wave heights are expected to linger through MON AM. There is lower than normal confidence if any additional triggers will be met due to uncertainty in Rafael's track. We will provide updates if any other triggers are reached.

# **Houston Pilots Tropical Update**

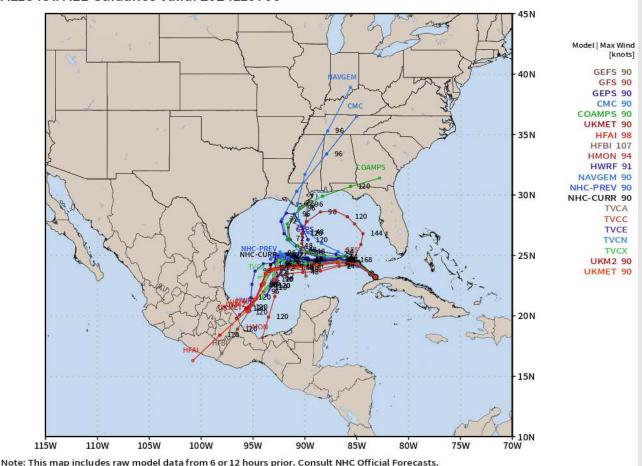




### **Tropical Storm/Hurricane Tracks - Rafael**

AL18 RAFAEL Guidance valid: 2024110700

Model guidance only expert interpretation required. Source: https://weathermodels.com



Hurricane Rafael continues to push WNW further into the Gulf of Mexico.

As the Hurricane moves further into the Gulf of Mexico, we are expecting Rafael to weaken back into a Tropical storm before turning southwestward towards Mexico.

Confidence remains low on exact track / landfall, with data remaining split on a northward / southward track.

Our latest track (next slide) is leaning more towards a southerly solution.

# **Houston Pilots Tropical Update**







**TIMING:** THU 11/7 – MON 11/11

#### **FORECAST NOTES:**

- ✓ Rafael is expected to remain a Hurricane off Cuba's north coast and into the Gulf of Mexico before slowly weakening into a tropical storm.
- ✓ While confidence remains low on exact track, favoring timeframe of  $\sim 11/9 - 11/11$  for any potential US impacts.



## **Houston Pilots Extended Range Visibility Report**





## **Sunday 11/10/24**

Fog not favored for SUN.

Monday 11/11/24

Fog not favored for MON.

### Forecast Confidence

Above Normal Below Normal Forecast Confidence

Above Below

Normal

Normal

## Tuesday 11/12/24

Fog not favored for TUE.

Chance for Fog

Sunday AM

Sunday PM

Monday AM

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Monday PM Unlikely

Tuesday AM

**Tuesday PM** 

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Forecast Confidence

Above Normal Below Normal

# Houston Pilots Visibility Chart (miles)





### **Forecast Confidence**

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Houston Pilots N - 610 Bridge	4.9	4.9	4.9	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9	4.9	8	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	9	8	8
Houston Pilots M - Kinder 1	5.9	4.9	4.9	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9	4.9	8	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	9	9	8
Houston Pilots L - Greens Bayou	5.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	3.9	3.9	3.9	4.9	9	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	9
Houston Pilots K - Shell Crude	6.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	3.9	4.9	3.9	4.9	9	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Houston Pilots J - Lynchburg Ferries	6.9	5.9	4.9	4.9	3.9	4.9	3.9	4.9	9	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Houston Pilots I - Exxon 3	6.9	5.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	3.9	4.9	9	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Houston Pilots H - Morgans Point	6.9	5.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Houston Pilots G - 75/76	6.9	5.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	5.9	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	8	8
Houston Pilots F - 63/64	6.9	5.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	5.9	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	8	8
Houston Pilots E - 51/52	6.9	5.9	5.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	6.9	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	8	8
Houston Pilots D - 37/38	6.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	4.9	6.9	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	9	8
Houston Pilots C - 25/26	6.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	4.9	6.9	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	9	8
Houston Pilots B - 11/12	6.9	5.9	6.9	5.9	5.9	6.9	5.9	6.9	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	9	9	8
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# **Houston Pilots Wind Chart**





### **Forecast Confidence**

Above Normal

Below Normal 7

**Sustained wind 10 Knots** 

**Gusts 15 Knots** 

Wind from the SE

Example

10

15

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# Houston Pilots: THU. 11/7/2024





## **Forecast Discussion**

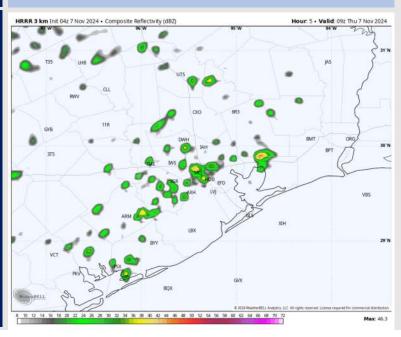
Precip: Isolated showers/drizzle (20%) will be possible for all stations from 2AM – 7AM today. A few downpours will also be possible after 10PM.

Wind: Winds will be out of the SE - ESE throughout today. N of Morgan's Point: Winds will be at 5 – 10 kts throughout today. S of Morgan's Point: Winds will be 8 – 13 kts for the entire day.

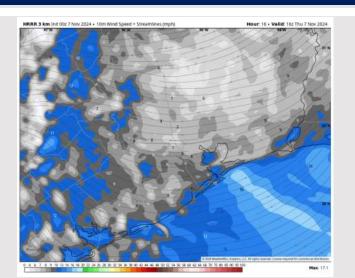
High Temps: N of Morgan's Point: Lower to Mid 80s F. S of Morgan's Point: Upper 70s F.

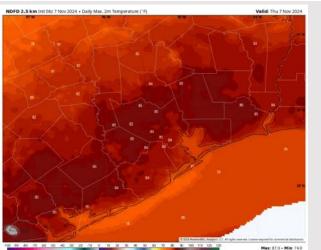
**Visibility:** Reduced visibilities of 4-6 miles under drizzle/isolated showers for stations N of Morgan's Point.

#### Precip Image: 5 AM CT



Wind Speed: 10 AM CT





High Temps Today

# Houston Pilots: FRI. 11/8/2024





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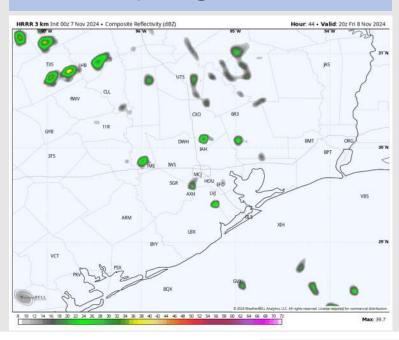
**Precip:** Isolated, light rain showers (20%) will be possible after 12AM through 6PM. Confidence lower on coverage / timing at this time.

Wind: Winds will remain out of the E/SE for Friday. N of Morgan's Point: Winds at 8 – 13 kts for the entire day. S of Morgan's Point: Winds at 14 – 19 kts through the day. Wind gusts of 20-25 kts will be possible for all Stations from 7AM – 5PM.

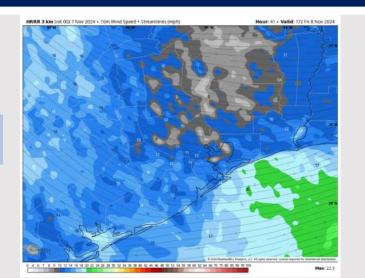
High Temps: N of Morgan's Point: Lower 80 F. S of Morgan's Point: Near 80 F

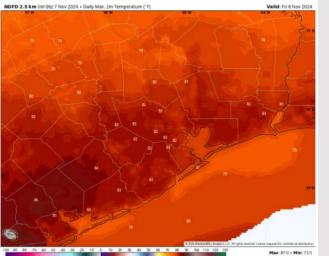
Visibility: Not anticipating any fog concerns for Friday.

### Precip Image: 2 PM CT



Wind Speed: 11 AM CT





High Temps Friday

# Houston Pilots: SAT. 11/9/2024





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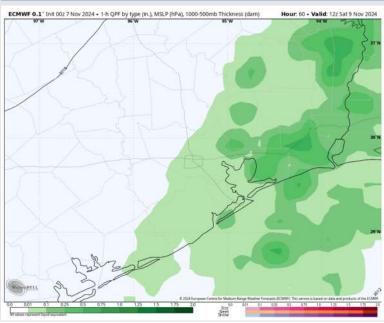
**Precip:** Scattered to Widespread Showers favored to work in after 5AM, continuing through at least 4PM on Saturday.

Wind: Winds will be out of the N/NNE for the entire day on Saturday. N of Morgan's Point: Winds will be at 3 - 8 kts throughout Saturday. S of Morgan's Point: Winds will be at 5 - 10 kts through 5AM before increasing to to 10 - 14 kts for the rest of Saturday.

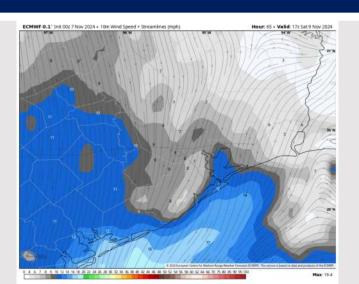
High Temps: N of Morgan's Point: Upper 70s. S of Morgan's Point: Mid to upper 70s F.

Visibility: No fog concerns for stations on Saturday.

### Precip Image: 7 AM CT



Wind Speed 11 AM CT





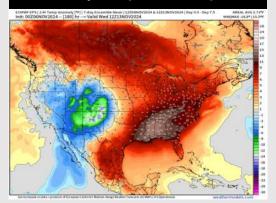
High Temps Saturday

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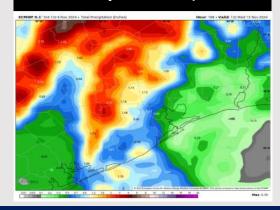




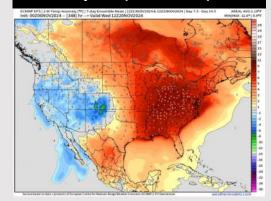
#### **Next 7 Day Temperature Departure**



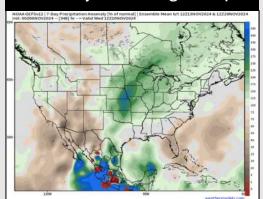
**Next 7 Day Total Precipitation** 



8-14 Day Temperature Departure

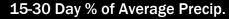


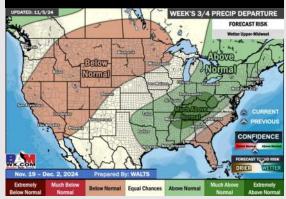
8-14 Day % of Average Precip.











- > Temps are expected to be above normal for the week 1 timeframe. Favoring scattered rain chances to continue for the week 1 period.
- > Above normal temperatures are favored for week 2. Favoring precipitation to be right around normal depending on the track of the upcoming tropical system.
- Near normal temperatures and above normal precipitation chances are expected for the weeks 3/4 timeframe.