# **Houston Pilots Forecast Package**

Updated: 1:45 PM CT Thursday, January 9, 2025

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## Weather Headlines

- Zulu port conditions are in effect until 6AM Friday due to increased wave heights and sustained winds of 34+ kts. See video below and trigger slide for more information! <u>CLICK FOR VIDEO UPDATE</u>
- Wave heights have reached 6ft at the Boarding Station and will continue to be above 6ft through 6AM FRI. See wave height slide for more details.
- No visibility concerns from sea fog are favored over the next 72 hours.



Houston Pilots

### Current Radar: 1:40 PM CT



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### 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			
X-Ray			
Yankee			
Zulu	CURRENT	CURRENT	FRI 6 AM
Port Condition	Trigger	Trigger Reached?	
Victor	Hurricane entering/developing in G	ulf of Mexico that's a threat to t	the area N/A
Whiskey	72 hours prior to predicted	d sustained winds of 34+ KTS	PAST
X-Ray	48 hours prior to predicted sustained	ed winds of 34+ KTS or <mark>6' wave</mark>	e height PAST
Yankee	24 hours prior to predicted sustained	ed winds of 34+ KTS or <mark>6' wave</mark>	e height PAST
Zulu	12 hours prior to predicted sustained	ed winds of 34+ KTS or <mark>6' wave</mark>	e height YES

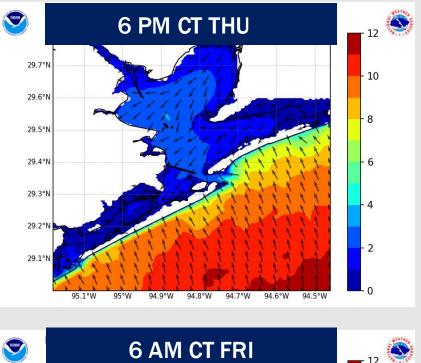
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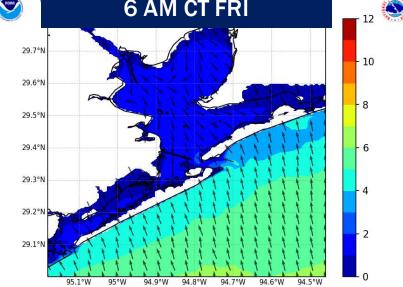
Sustained winds are expected to reach 34+ kts at the Boarding Station, 11/12 and 25/26 from 6 PM THU to 2 AM FRI.

Wave heights have already reach 6ft at the Boarding Station and will continue to be at 6ft – 9ft through 6AM FRI, decreasing after then. See wave height slide for more details.

## **Wave Height Forecast Update**







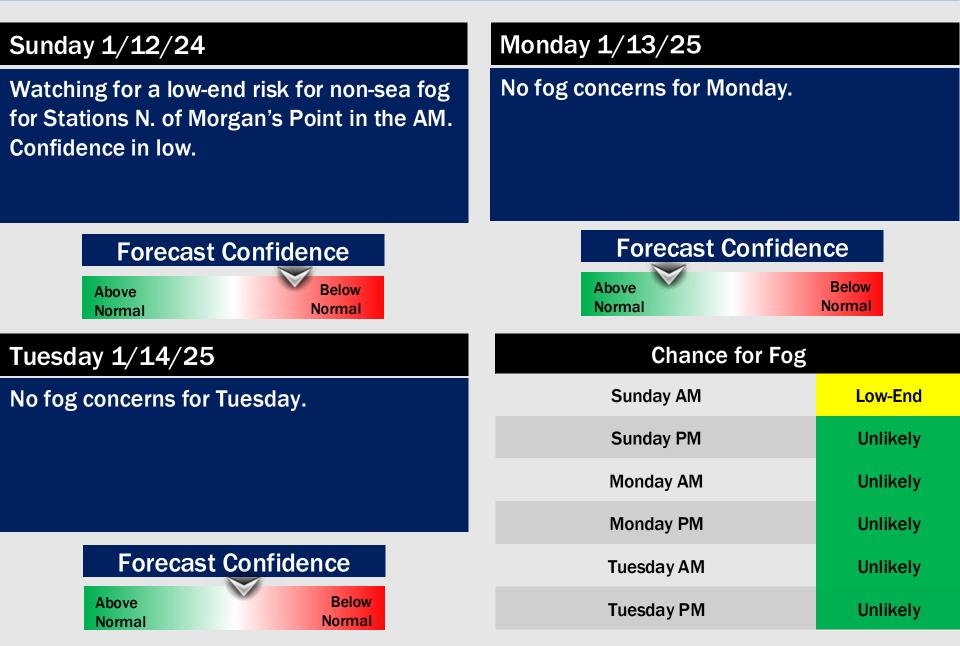
With the increased winds, wave heights have reached 6ft at the Boarding Station.

Expecting wave heights to peak at 6ft – 9ft by 6PM, holding there through ~12AM FRI.

Wave heights will gradually decrease through the early AM FRI, before dropping below 6ft by 6AM FRI.

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





### Houston Pilots Visibility Chart (miles)



	Forecast Confidence																							
	Above Normal													Belov orma										
Visibility	Thu 3 pm	Thu 4 pm	Thu 5 pm	Thu 6 pm	Thu 7 pm	Thu 8 pm	Thu 9 pm	Thu 10 pm	Thu 11 pm	Fri 12 am	Fri 1 am	Fri 2 am	Fri 3 am	Fri 4 am	Fri 5 am	Fri 6 am	Fri 7 am	Fri 8 am	Fri 9 am	Fri 10 am	Fri 11 am	Fri 12 pm	Fri 1 pm	Fri 2 pm
Houston Pilots N - 610 Bridge	10	8	2.9	2.9	3.9	4.9	2.9	2.9	2	2.9	4.9	5.9	6.9	8	8	8	10	10	5.9	5.9	6.9	6.9	9	9
Houston Pilots M - Kinder 1	10	10	2.9	2.9	3.9	4.9	2.9	2.9	2	2.9	4.9	5.9	6.9	8	8	8	10	10	5.9	5.9	6.9	6.9	9	10
Houston Pilots L - Greens Bayou	10	10	2.9	2.9	3.9	4.9	2.5	2.9	2	2.9	4.9	5.9	6.9	8	8	8	10	10	5.9	5.9	6.9	6.9	9	10
Houston Pilots K - Shell Crude	10	10	2.9	2.9	3.9	4.9	2.5	2.9	2	2.9	4.9	5.9	6.9	8	8	8	8	10	5.9	5.9	6.9	6.9	9	10
Houston Pilots J - Lynchburg Ferries	10	10	2.9	2.9	3.9	3.9	2.5	2.9	2	3.9	4.9	5.9	6.9	8	8	6.9	8	9	5.9	5.9	6.9	6.9	9	10
Houston Pilots I - Exxon 3	10	10	2.9	2.9	3.9	3.9	2.5	2.9	2	3.9	4.9	5.9	6.9	8	8	6.9	8	9	5.9	5.9	6.9	6.9	9	10
Houston Pilots H - Morgans Point	10	10	2.9	2.9	3.9	3.9	2.5	2.9	2	2.9	4.9	5.9	6.9	8	8	6.9	8	9	5.9	5.9	6.9	7.9	9	10
Houston Pilots G - 75/76	10	8	2.5	3.9	3.9	2.9	2	2.9	2	2.9	3.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	5.9	6.9	5.9	4.9	5.9	6.9	7.9	9	9
Houston Pilots F - 63/64	10	8	2.5	4.9	3.9	2.9	2	2.9	2	2.5	3.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	6.9	5.9	4.9	5.9	6.9	7.9	9	9
Houston Pilots E - 51/52	9	3.9	2.5	4.9	2.9	2.9	1.6	2	2	2	3.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	3.9	4.9	6.9	6.9	10	9
Houston Pilots D - 37/38	6.9	3.9	2.5	4.9	2.9	2.9	1.1	1.6	1.6	2	3.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	3.9	4.9	6.9	6.9	10	9
Houston Pilots C - 25/26	6.9	2.9	2.9	3.9	2.9	2.9	1.1	1.6	1.6	2	3.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	6.9	6.9	10	9
Houston Pilots B - 11/12	4.9	2.9	2.9	3.9	2.9	2.9	1.1	1.6	1.6	2	3.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	5.9	6.9	10	10
Houston Pilots A - 1 & 2 Bravo	5.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	3.9	2.9	2	1.6	1.6	2	3.9	3.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	3.9	4.9	5.9	6.9	10	10

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# **Houston Pilots Wind Chart**

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## Houston Pilots: THU. 1/9/2025



### **Forecast Discussion**

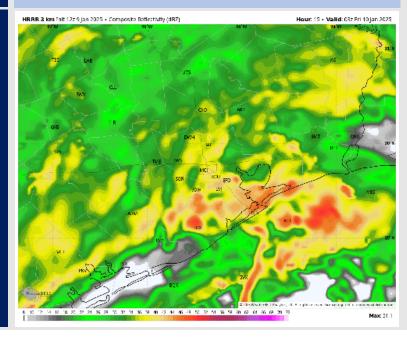
**Precip:** Scattered showers become more widespread in nature by 4PM. Heavy downpours arrive after 8PM. Thunderstorms are not favored, but strong winds and wind gusts will accompany this system.

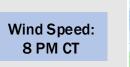
Wind: Winds will be out of the E/NE throughout the rest of the day. N of Morgan's Point: Winds will be at 12 – 17 kts for the remainder of the day. Wind gusts of 25 – 30 kts in play for Stations N of Morgan's Point after 3 PM as well. S of Morgan's Point: Winds will be at 20 – 30 kts after 6 PM. Wind gusts of 20-25 kts in play S of Morgan's Point, gradually increasing to 35 – 40 kts by ~6 PM. Sustained winds may briefly reach 34+ kts and gusts may briefly reach 45+ kts at the Boarding Station, 11/12 and 25/26 from 6 PM THU through 2 AM FRI, check Port Trigger slide for more details!

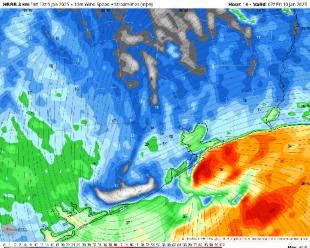
Low Temps: N of Morgan's Point: Upper 30s F. S of Morgan's Point: Upper 30s to low 40s F.

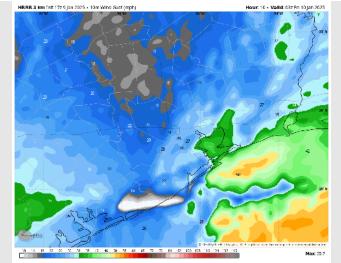
Visibility: Not anticipating any fog concerns for today, but visibilities will be reduced below 2 miles under heavy downpours after 8PM.

### Precip Image: 9 PM CT









#### Wind Gusts ~6PM - 11PM

## Houston Pilots: FRI. 1/10/2025



### **Forecast Discussion**

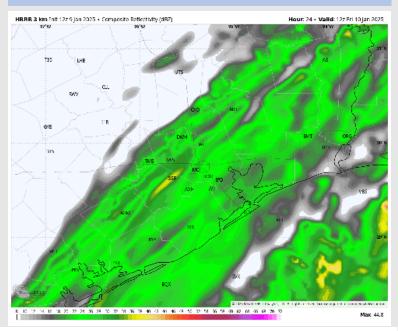
Precip: Favoring widespread showers and downpours (100%) from 12AM
7AM, before chances become more scattered (50%) and lighter through 11AM. After this point, favoring dry conditions for the rest of the day.

Wind: Winds will be generally out of the NW through the day. N of Morgan's Point: Winds will be 8 – 13 kts for the day. S of Morgan's Point: Winds will be at 17 – 22 kts throughout Friday. Gusts of up to 20 – 25 kts will be in play for all Stations through the day.

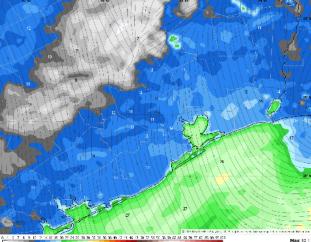
**High Temps:** N of Morgan's Point: Mid to upper 40s F. S of Morgan's Point: Lower to upper 40s F.

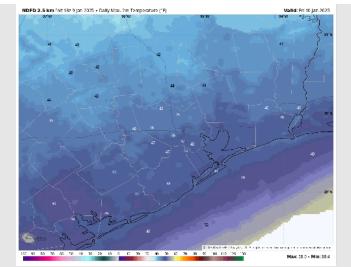
**Visibility:** No fog concerns for Friday, however visibilities may be reduced to 3-5 miles due to heavy downpours in the AM.

### Precip Image: 6 AM CT









#### High Temps Friday

## Houston Pilots: SAT. 1/11/2025



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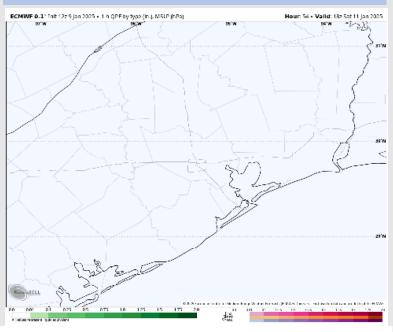
**Precip:** Favoring dry conditions for Saturday.

Wind: Winds will be out of the N/NW through 12PM, becoming variable after then, before settling out of the SE by 4PM. N of Morgan's Point: Winds will be at 3 - 7 kts throughout Saturday. **S** of Morgan's Point: Winds will be at 8 – 13 kts through 11AM before decreasing to 6 – 10 kts for the remainder of Saturday.

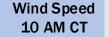
High Temps: N of Morgan's Point: Near 50 F. S of Morgan's Point: Lower 50s F.

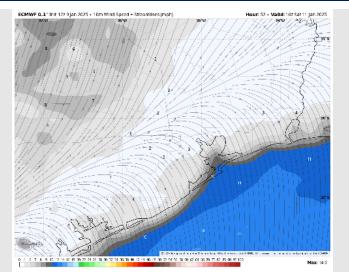
Visibility: No visibility concerns for Saturday.

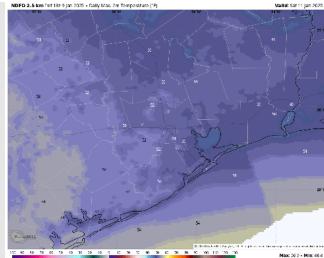
### Precip Image: 12 PM CT







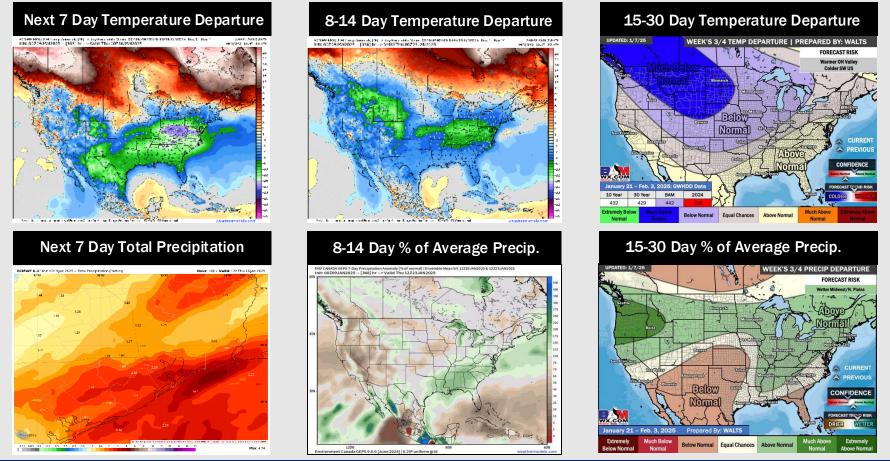




**High Temps** Saturday

## Houston Pilots: 1/9/25





- > Temps are expected to be much below normal for the week 1 timeframe. Rain favored through FRI with rain chances again early next week.
- > Below normal temperatures and above normal rainfall are expected for week 2.
- > Above normal temperatures and near normal precipitation chances are expected for the weeks <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> timeframe.