

DAILY DART

WSP USA INSPECTION SERVICES DISASTER AWARENESS REPORT

October 14, 2024

Flooding Activity Florida

- Hurricane Milton is long gone, but the lingering effects from its torrential rains that measured over a foot in many areas of Florida are extending its impacts well into this week.
- Rivers and streams around the Tampa area, as well as in north-central Florida remain well over flood stage days after the hurricane made landfall last Wednesday, with several rivers reaching major flood stage.
- The flooding has led to more than 1,000 water rescues across the region, with more than 700 occurring in Hillsborough County in the Tampa area, according to the sheriff's office.
- Tampa recorded a record 11.54 inches of rain, while St. Petersburg recorded its own record of 18.54 inches of rain in one day.
- The Hillsborough River crested at nearly 2 feet over record height Friday at Zephyrhills and has since been receding.
- The Morris Bridge, the river crested on Saturday morning more than 3 feet above record flood stage.
- In Pasco County northwest of Tampa, Cypress Creek in the Lutz area rose to 15.08 feet on Sunday, breaking the previous record by about a foot.
- The NWS expects the river to crest around 15 feet on Monday and remain above major flood stage through at least Wednesday.
- The Pasco County Sheriff's Office recommended residents in low-lying areas evacuate for their safety based on the NWS forecast for Cypress Creek and the Anclote River.
- The Anclote River in Elfers reached a peak of 26.57 feet—about a foot short of the record.
- Farther east between Orlando and Daytona Beach, where between 8 and 15 inches of rain fell.
- Forecasters and first responders are closely monitoring the St. Johns River. "Extensive, long-lasting river flooding" is forecast to persist for several days.
- With Florida's flat terrain, river flooding will take a long time to recede.
- Forecasters are thus warning residents to anticipate issues for some time.



Atlantic – Disturbance 1

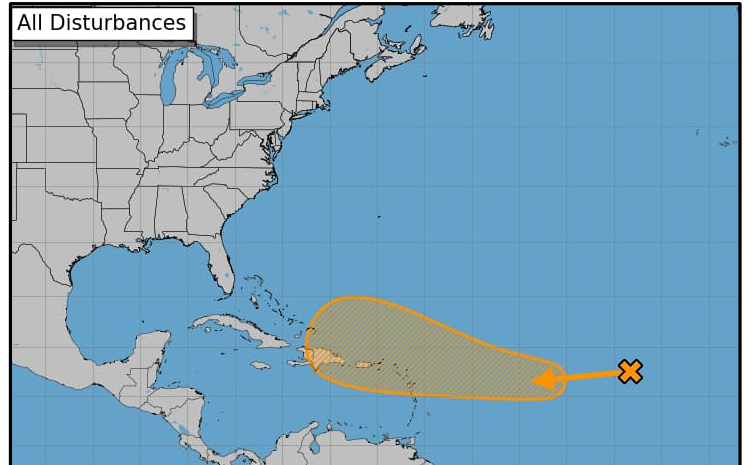
- A well-defined area of low pressure located several hundred miles west of the Cabo Verde Islands is producing some disorganized showers and thunderstorms.
- Currently embedded in a dry environment, and development is unlikely over the next couple of days.

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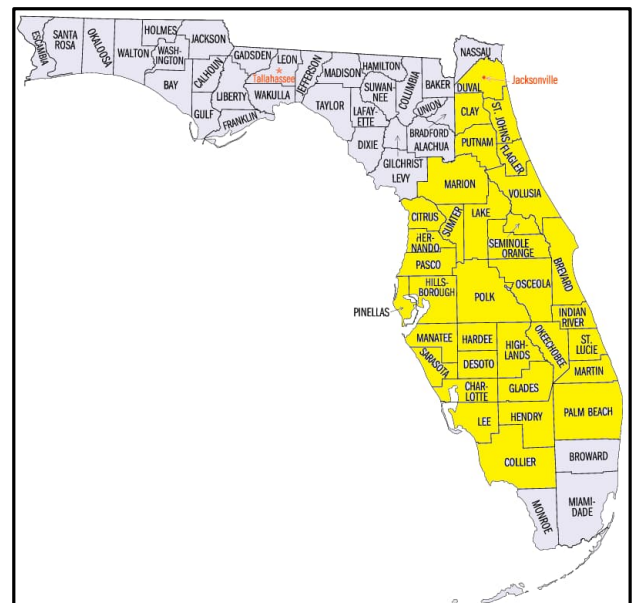
- Forecasted to move generally westward toward warmer waters, and environmental conditions could become more favorable for gradual development by the middle to latter part of this week.
- A tropical depression could form as the system begins moving west north-westward and approaches or moves near the Leeward Islands late this week.
- Formation change: 48-hour – Low (10%); 7 day – Medium (50%)



Disaster Declaration Activity

DR – 4834 – Florida

- On October 11, President Joseph R. Biden, Jr. declared that a major disaster exists in the State of Florida and ordered Federal aid to supplement State, tribal, and local recovery efforts in the areas affected by Hurricane Milton beginning on October 5, 2024, and continuing.
- The President's action makes Federal funding available to affected individuals in the counties of Brevard, Charlotte, Citrus, Clay, Collier, DeSoto, Duval, Flagler, Glades, Hardee, Hendry, Hernando, Highlands, Hillsborough, Indian River, Lake, Lee, Manatee, Marion, Martin, Okeechobee, Orange, Osceola, Palm Beach, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, Putnam, Sarasota, Seminole, St. Johns, St. Lucie, Sumter, and Volusia and the Miccosukee Tribe of Indians of Florida.
- Hurricane Milton made landfall on the night of October 2nd, 2024, as a "dangerous Category 3" storm near Siesta Key, on Florida's central west coast.
- Milton had sustained winds of 120 mph at landfall, but its strength diminished to Category 1 as it moved inland across the state.
- More than 3.2 million customers were without power in Florida early Thursday, according to utility tracker PowerOutage.us.
- Continuing across Florida while rapidly weakening after losing the fuel of the warm Gulf waters, but still maintaining its hurricane status



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Pending Individual Assistance Declaration Request

State	Event	Date Submitted	Approved/Denied/ Pending	Number of Counties/Tribes
MI*	Severe Storms and Tornadoes (APPEAL) May 7	9/11/2024	Pending	4 Counties
SC*	Tropical Storm Debby Aug 4 -22	9/16/2024	Pending	3 Counties
AK*	Flooding Aug 5-6	9/19/2024	Pending	1 City/Borough
CA*	Park Fire and Borel July 24 - Aug 26	9/24/2024	Pending	3 Counties
ID	Gwen Fire July 24-Aug 9	10/9/2024	Pending	1 County

*Award of task order to contractor pending

WSP USA Inspection Services Active Disasters

Disaster Number and State	Disaster Type	Number of Counties Declared	Days Since Launch	Registration Deadline
4781 TX	Severe Storms & Flooding	40 Counties	147	8/15/2024
4798 TX	Hurricane Beryl	22 Counties	92	10/10/2024
4806 FL	Hurricane Debby	13 Counties	62	10/09/2024
4807 SD	Flooding	4 Counties	56	10/15/2024
4817 LA	Hurricane Francine	9 Parishes	24	11/18/2024
4819 IL	Severe Storms, Tornadoes, Straight-Line Winds & Flooding	4 Counties	21	9/20/2024
4827 NC	Tropical Storm Helene	25 Counties	13	11/27/2024
4828 FL	Hurricane Helene	17 Counties	14	11/27/2024
4829 SC	Hurricane Helene	13 Counties	12	11/29/2024
4830 GA	Hurricane Helene	41 Counties	12	12/02/2024
4832 TN	Tropical Storm Helene	8 Counties	10	12/02/2024

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4834 FL	Hurricane Milton	34 Counties	0	12/11/2024

WSP USA INSPECTION SERVICES ACTIVITY

