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2021 Pacific Hurricane Season Forecast

Central Pacific

- The Central Pacific basin is expected to see a season similar to 2020, which spawned only two tropical cyclones.
- An average year in the basin generates four to five tropical cyclones in a season that lasts from June 1 to Nov. 30. Only two named storms are forecast for the Central Pacific with one expected to strengthen into hurricane strength.



No major hurricanes are predicted to form. There's also a low potential for any impact to the Hawaiian Islands.

• The particular factor that will play a role in staving off tropical storms and hurricanes will be colder-than-normal water around the east and south of the Hawaiian Islands. Even in the height of hurricane season, sea-surface temperatures are expected to be near or slightly below normal in those areas.

East Pacific

- Tropical Storm Andres developed Sunday and became not only the first-named tropical storm of the year in the Western Hemisphere but also the earliest-ever named storm in the East Pacific.
- Andres formed just about a month ahead of the average first storm for the basin, which typically occurs June 10, and well ahead of the official start of the season, which begins on May 15.



- AccuWeather's long-range forecast team says in its annual hurricane season forecast released
 this week that the basin has the potential to see a near-average number of tropical storms and
 warns that residents along the affected coasts shouldn't let their guard down.
- Last season, colder-than-normal waters in the basin's main developmental region created conditions that made it difficult for tropical storms to thrive.
- This year, AccuWeather forecasters are expecting a total of 14 to 18 named storms, six to 10 of which will become hurricanes. Four of these hurricanes are expected to become major hurricanes.



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Severe Weather & Tornado Activity

Arkansas (May 3rd)

- The National Weather Service has confirmed three EF-1 tornadoes over the River Valley Monday (May 3) night.
- The first, with max winds around 95-105 mph in Sequoyah and Crawford counties. The second with wind 100-110 mph starting in south Moffett, Okla. to the north side of Fort Smith through Van Buren and continued northeast. The third tornado was confirmed as an EF1 tornado with winds from 90-100 mph in central Crawford County.
- At least 200 homes were damaged from the tornadoes that swept through Crawford County last week, according to emergency manager Brad Thomas.

Pending Individual Assistance Declaration Request							
State	Event	Date Submitted	Approved/Denied /Pending	Number of Counties/Tribes			
WV	Severe Storms & Flooding Feb 27 - March 4	4/30/2021	Pending	4 Counties			

WSP USA Inspection Services Active Disasters						
Disaster Number and State	Disaster Type	Number of Counties Declared	Days Since Launch	Registration Deadline		
4586 TX	Severe Ice Storm	126 Counties	78	5/20/2021		
4595 KY	Severe Storms & Flooding	9 Counties	10	6/23/2021		

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