IMPACTS FOR D7 (through next 5 days)

Winds – Medium

Storm Surge - Medium

Rainfall/Flash Flooding - Extreme

**Tornadoes – Low** 

Waves - High

# TROPICAL STORM DEBBY BRIEFING



9:00 AM EDT

Tuesday, August 6, 2024
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Tropical Analysis and Forecast Branch NWS National Hurricane Center



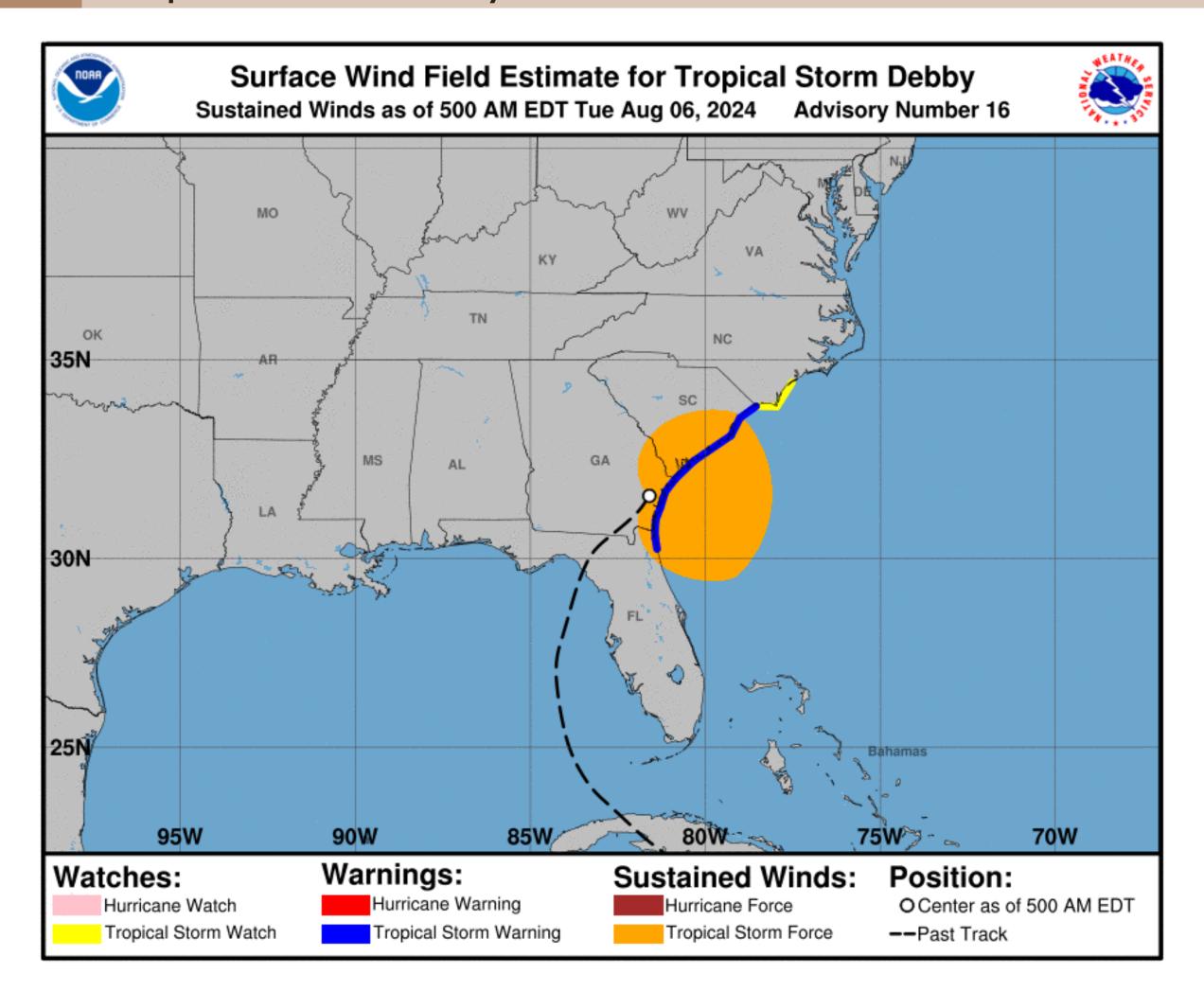
All of the South Carolina coast is under a Tropical Storm warning

Debby's peak intensity is forecasted to be slightly stronger

### Situation Overview

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#### Tropical Storm Debby



...DEBBY'S CENTER EXPECTED TO MOVE OFFSHORE THE GEORGIA COAST LATER TODAY...

...SIGNIFICANT RISK OF FLASH FLOODING OVER PORTIONS OF GEORGIA, SOUTH CAROLINA, AND NORTH CAROLINA OVER THE NEXT FEW DAYS...

Summary of 500 AM EDT Information

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Location...31.6N 81.6W
About 45 nm SW of Savannah Georgia
About 115 nm SW of Charleston South Carolina
Maximum Sustained Winds...40 kt
Present movement... NE at 6 kt

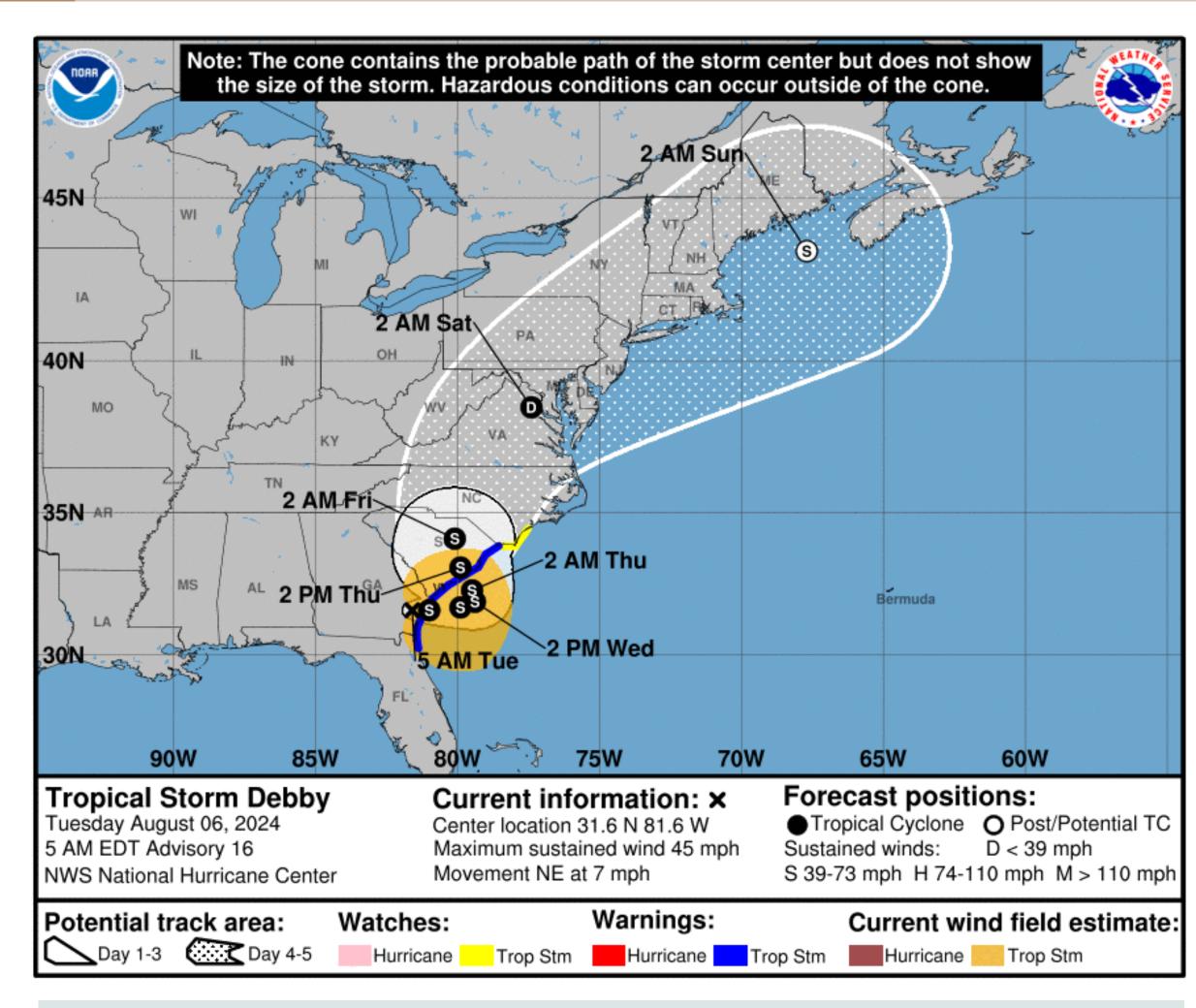
Peak Seas: 14 ft

12 ft seas... 120NE 120SE 0SW 0NW.

### Forecast Information

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**NOTE:** Do not focus on the exact track. Impacts can occur well outside the area enclosed by the cone.

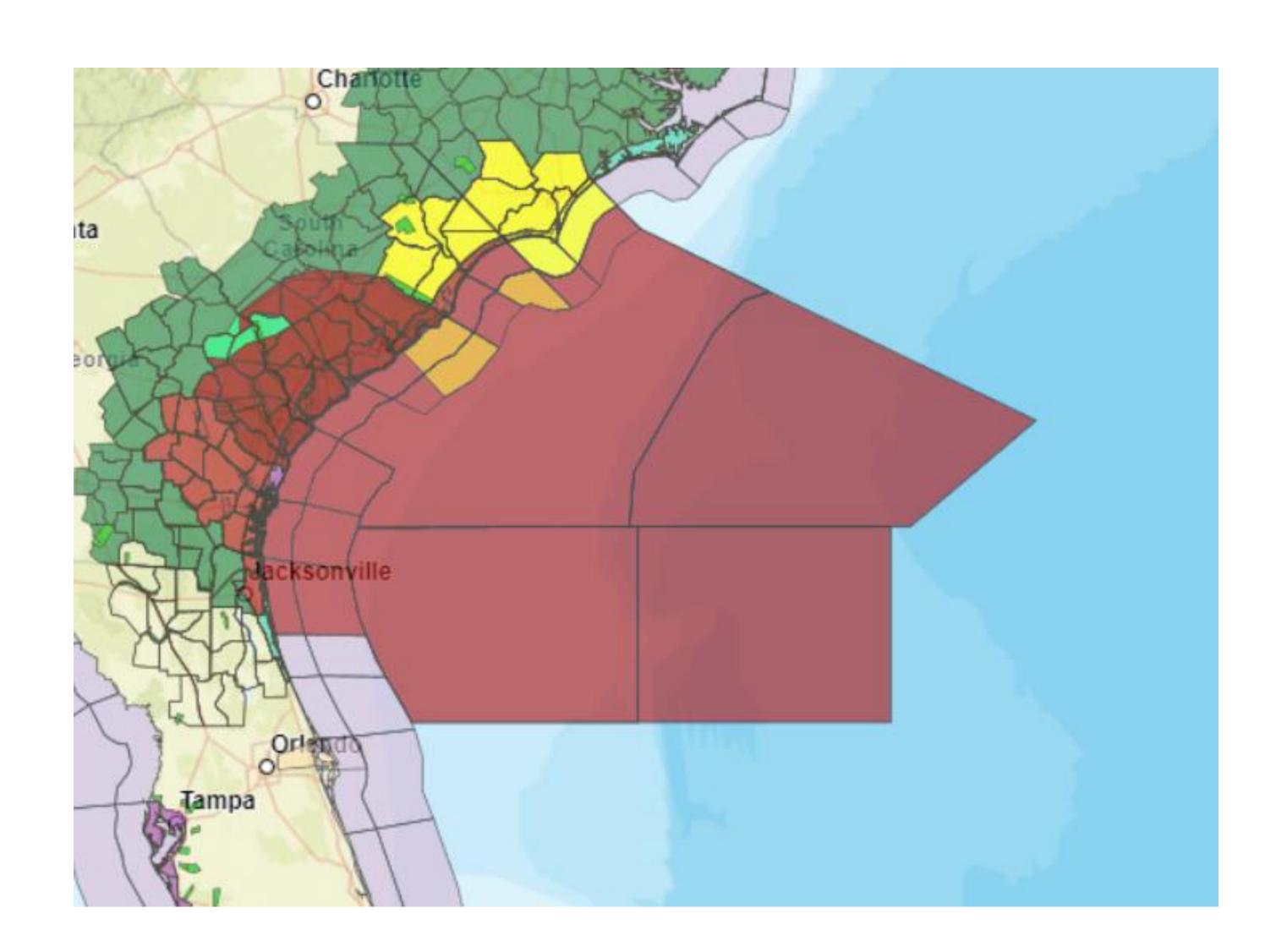
- Tropical Storm Debby is expected to move off the Georgia coast and back over the Atlantic waters later today, meander off the South Carolina coast through early Thu
- Debby is expected to make landfall along the South Carolina coast on Thursday
- On the forecast track, some strengthening is forecast on Wednesday as Debby moves into favorable conditions – however it is not anticipated that it will gain hurricane strength

- Current center forecast positions through the next 5 days (if applicable) illustrated by dots
- White swath of potential track error added to each side of the forecast track through day 3
- Hatched swatch of potential track error added to each side of the forecast track days 4-5

\*\* Swaths are calculated using average track errors and actual track may be well inside, or possibly outside the potential track areas indicated.

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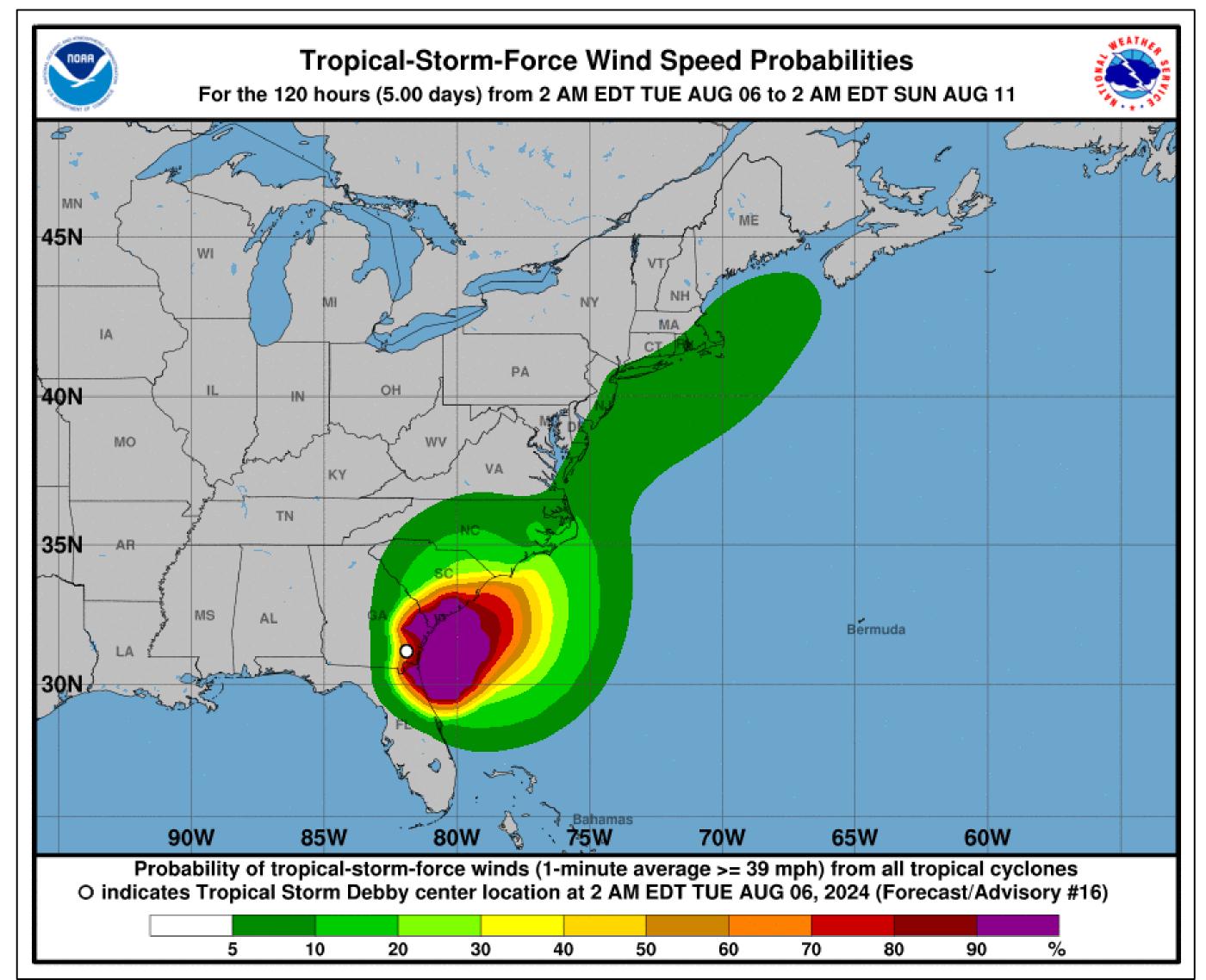


## T.S. Wind Speed Probabilities

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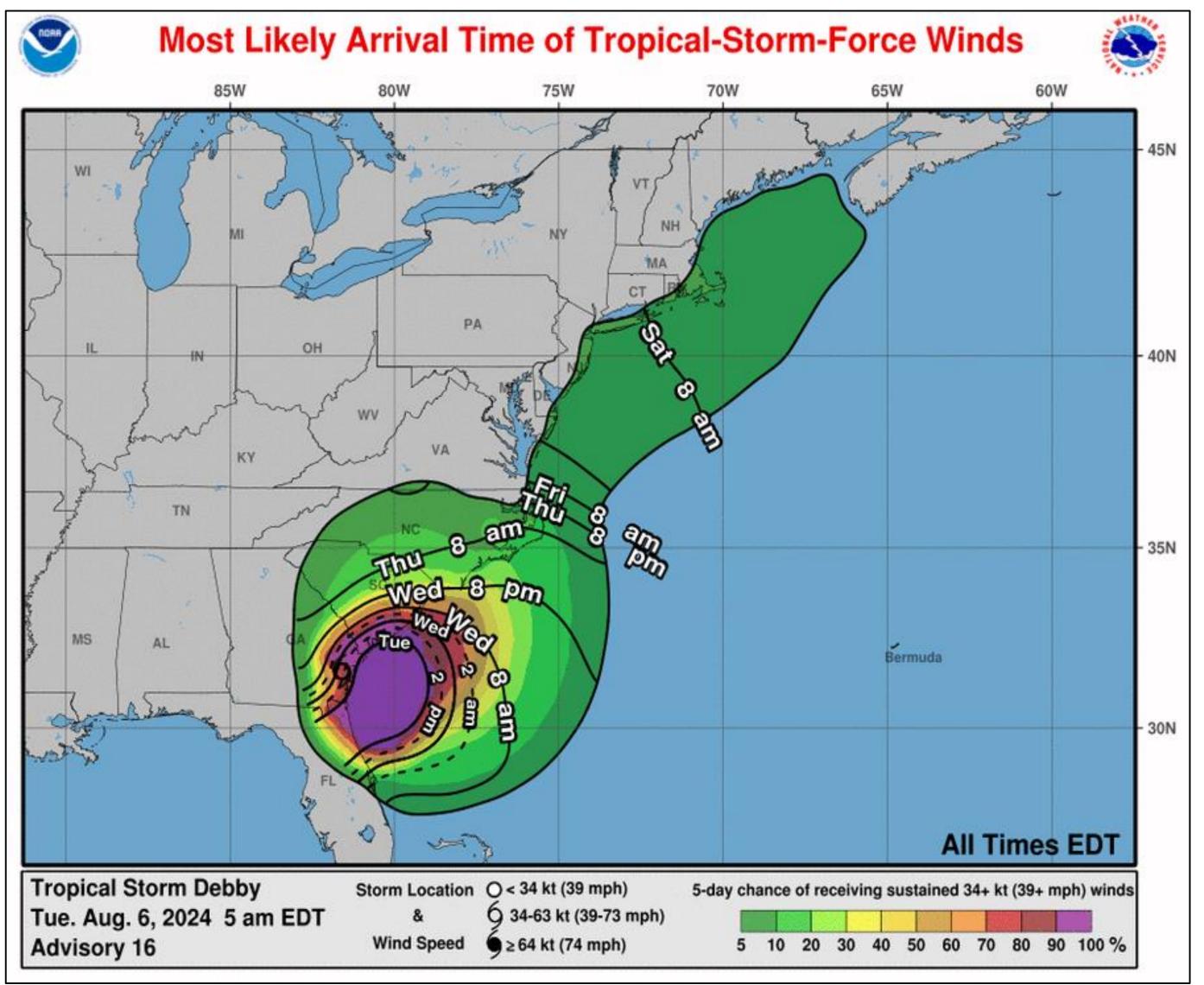
- JACKSONVILLE 100%
- SAVANNAH 100%
- BEAUFORT 100%
- CHARLESTON 100%
- MYRTLE BEACH 60%

-Green indicates
probabilities have gone
down since last briefing
-Red indicates
probabilities have gone
up since last briefing
-Black indicates
probabilities remain the
same

- Probabilities of sustained tropical storm force winds (34 kt to 63 kt) over the next 5 days, based off this cyclone's wind radii and track.
- Clear or dark green are the lowest chances of 0-30%.
- Yellow to orange is 31-70%
- Red through purple are the highest probabilities of 71%-100%
- See the color bar below the image for more details.

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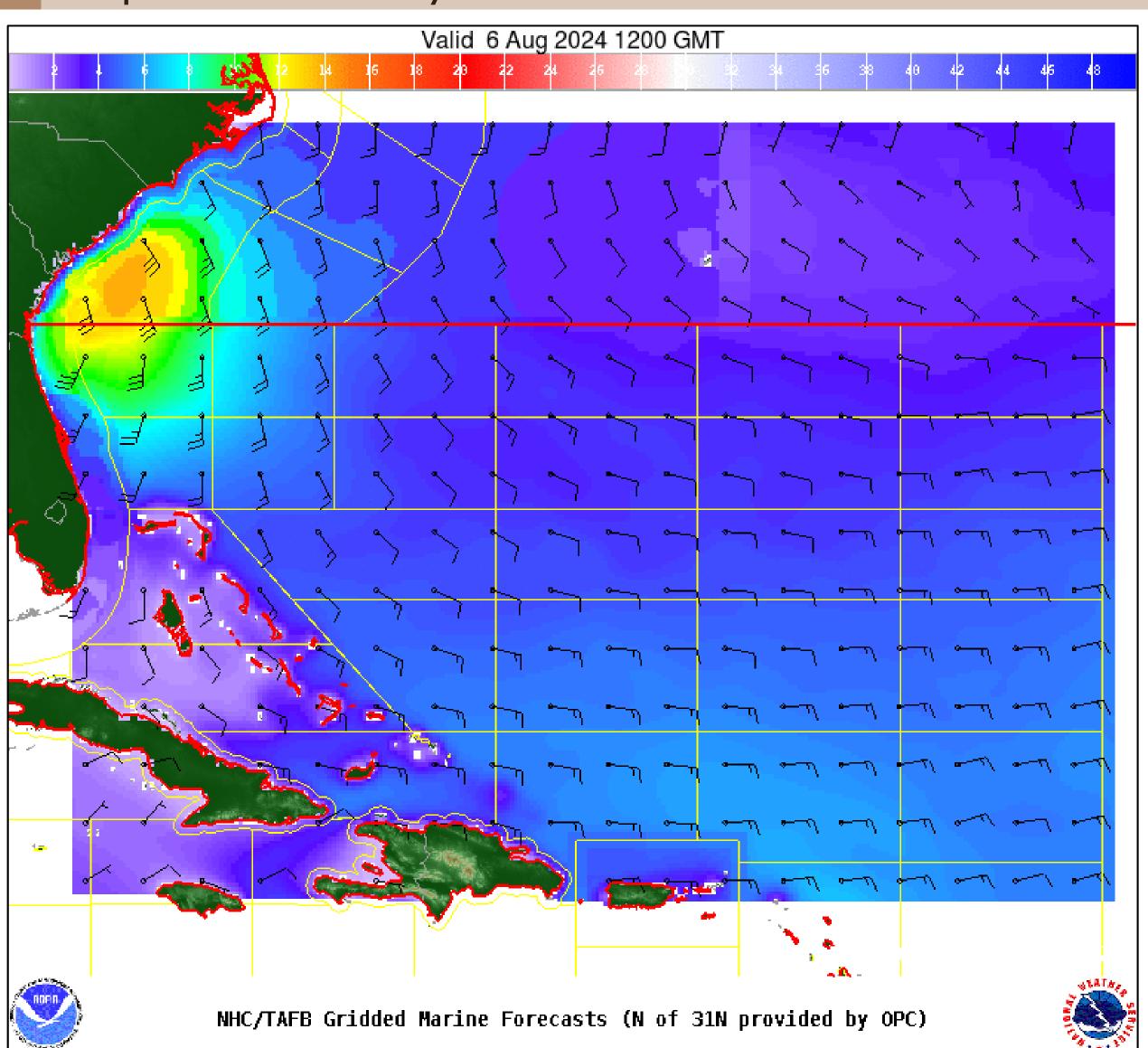
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- Jacksonville FL Ongoing
- Savannah GA Ongoing
- South Carolina Ongoing for southern half of SC/tonight for northern half
- The most likely time of arrival of Tropical Storm Force Winds (34kt to 63 kt) for this cyclone based off the current track and wind radii.
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**Current Conditions** 

Tuesday, August 6 at 8am EDT

Peak Winds: 40 kt

Peak Seas:

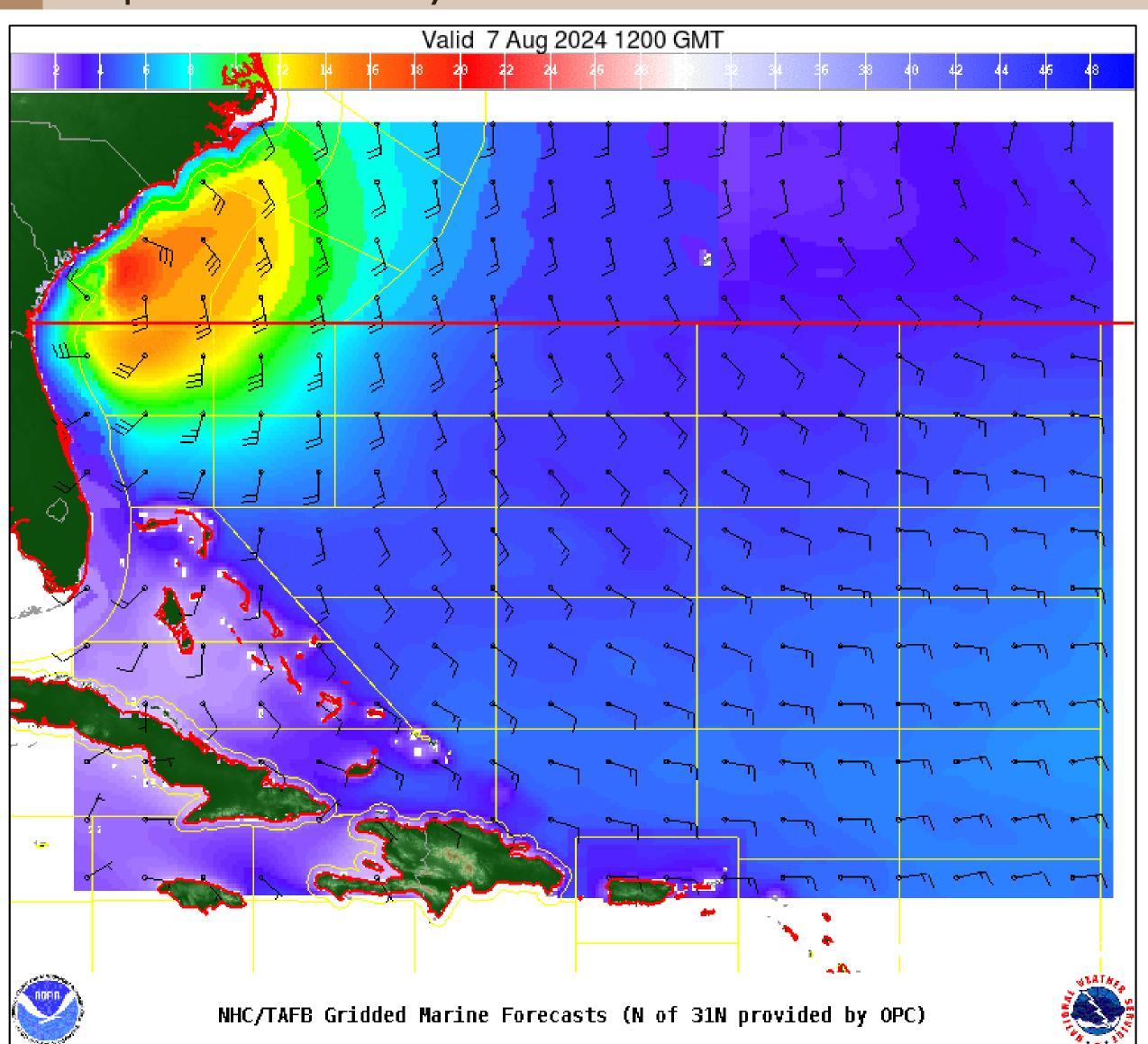
Wave heights are in feet



Significant Wave Height (ft)

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24 Hour Forecast

Wednesday, August 7 at 8am EDT

Peak Winds: 45 kt

Peak Seas: 20 ft

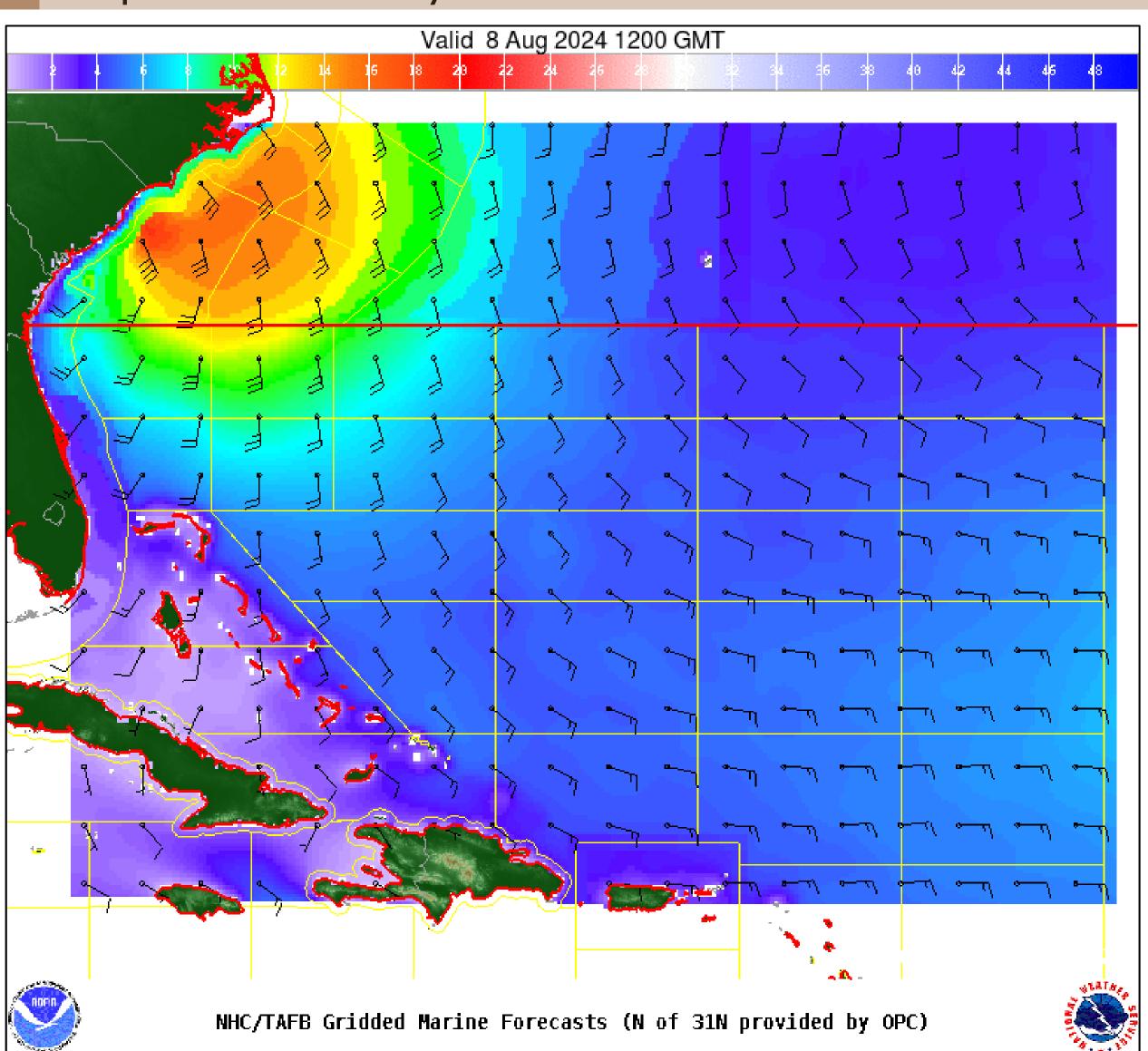
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Significant Wave Height (ft)

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48 Hour Forecast

Thursday, August 8 at 8am EDT

Peak Winds: 50 kt

Peak Seas: 19 ft

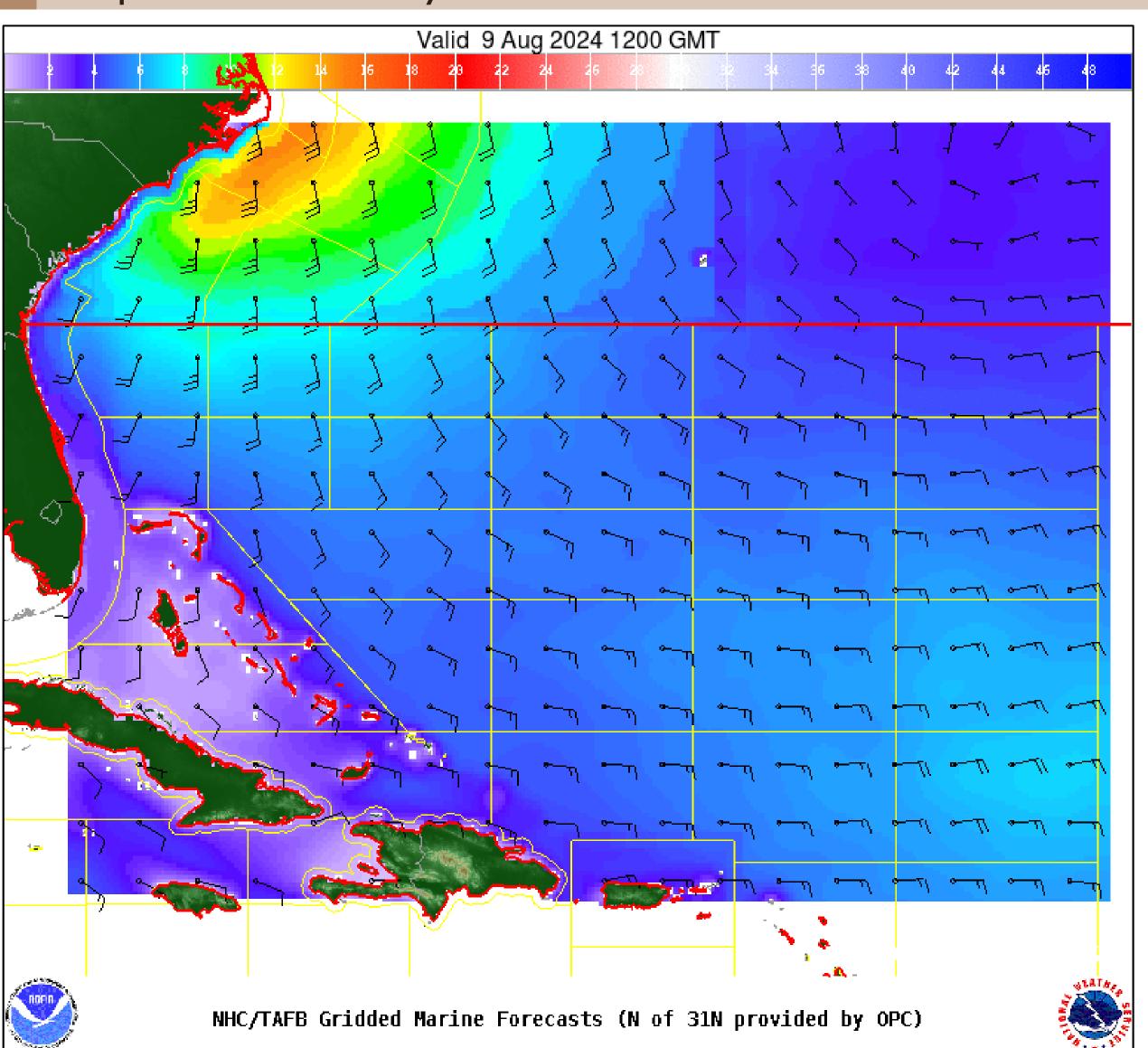
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72 Hour Forecast

Friday, August 9 at 8am EDT

Peak Winds: 30 kt

Peak Seas: 13 ft

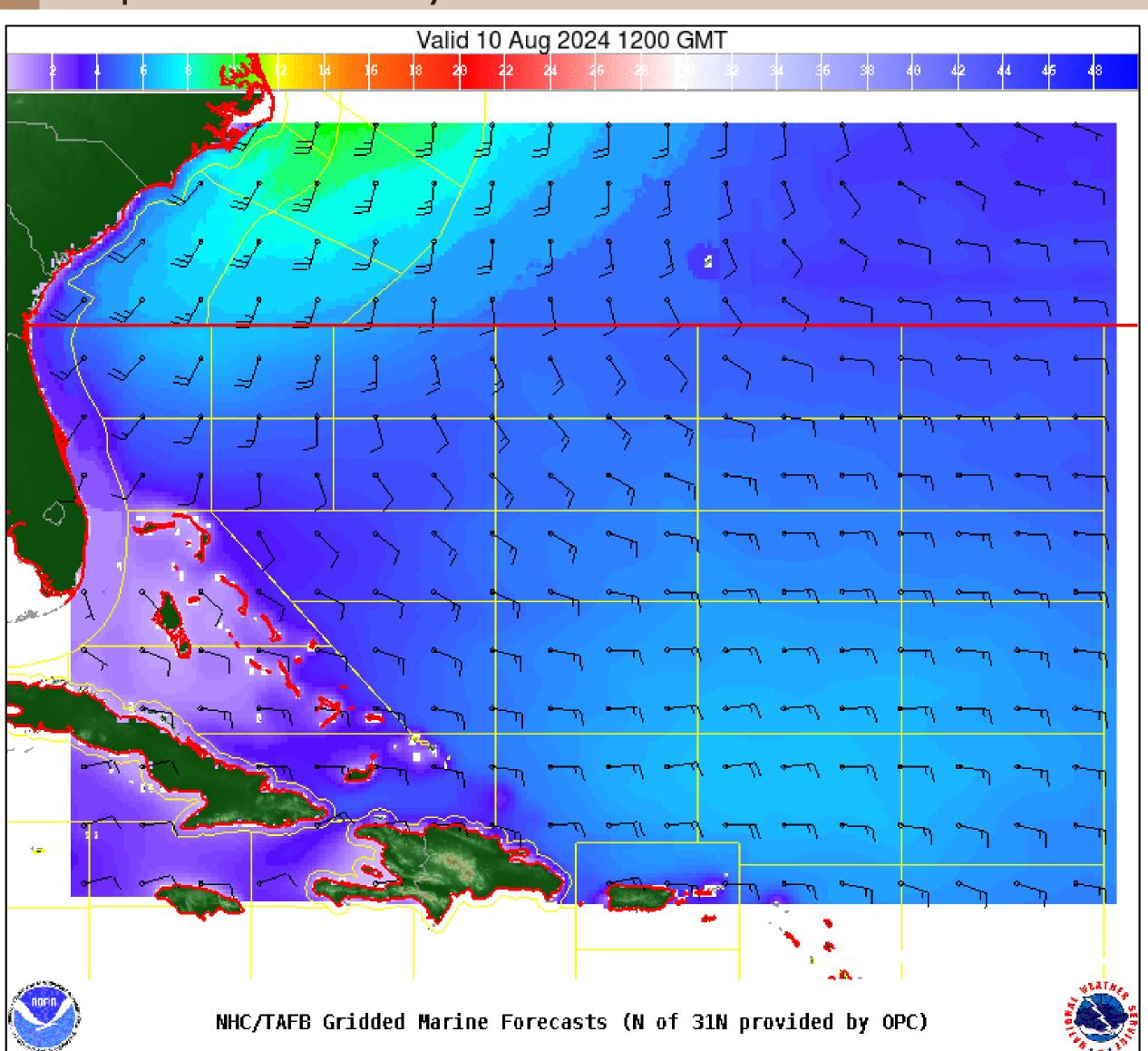
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Significant Wave Height (ft)

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96 Hour Forecast

Saturday, August 10 at 8am EDT

Peak Winds: 15 kt

Peak Seas: 9 ft

### Wave heights are in feet

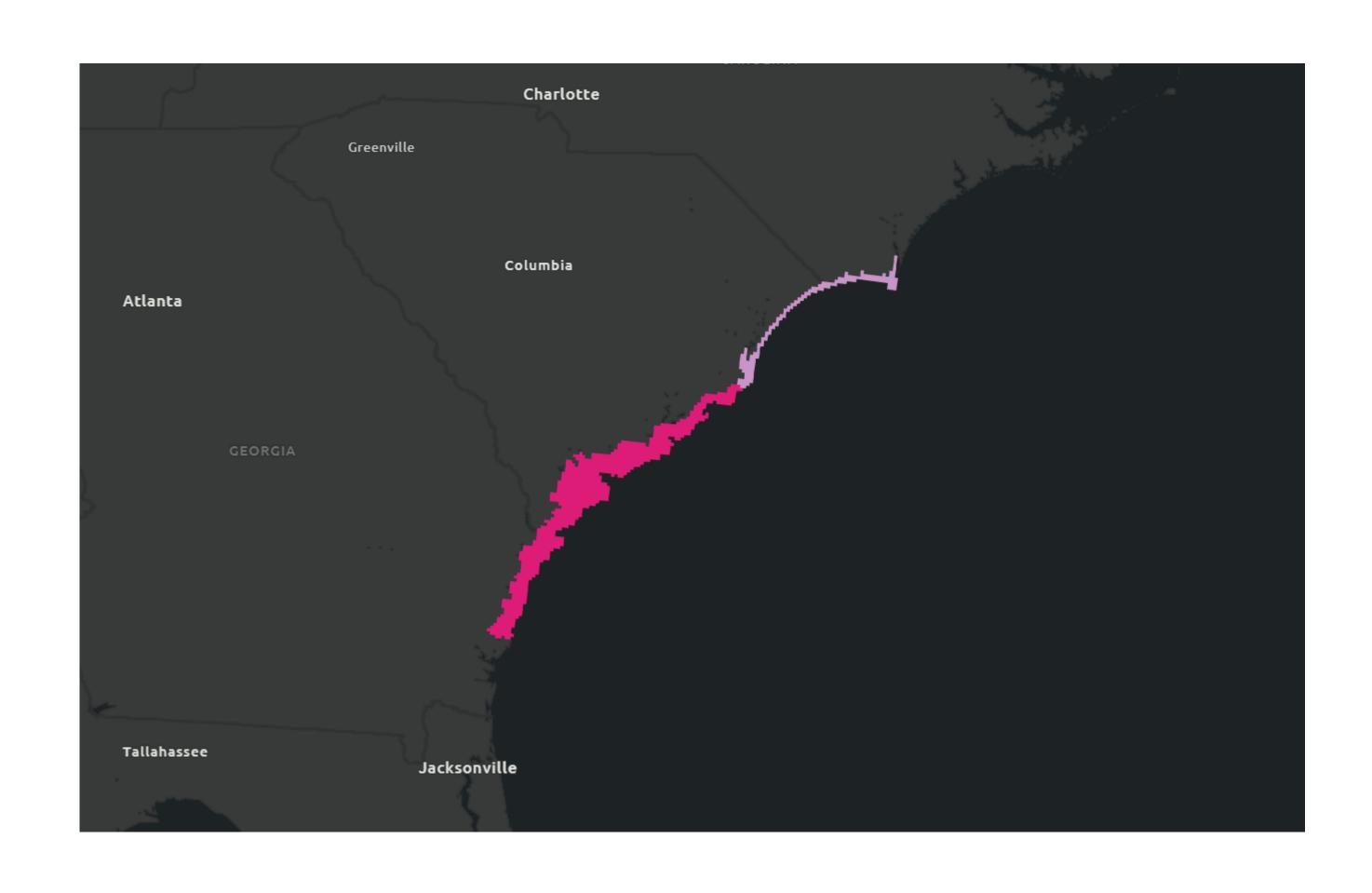


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### Latest Reasonable Time of Departure

- Savannah, GA: Thursday morning
- Charleston, SC: Thursday evening
- Myrtle Beach, SC: early Friday morning

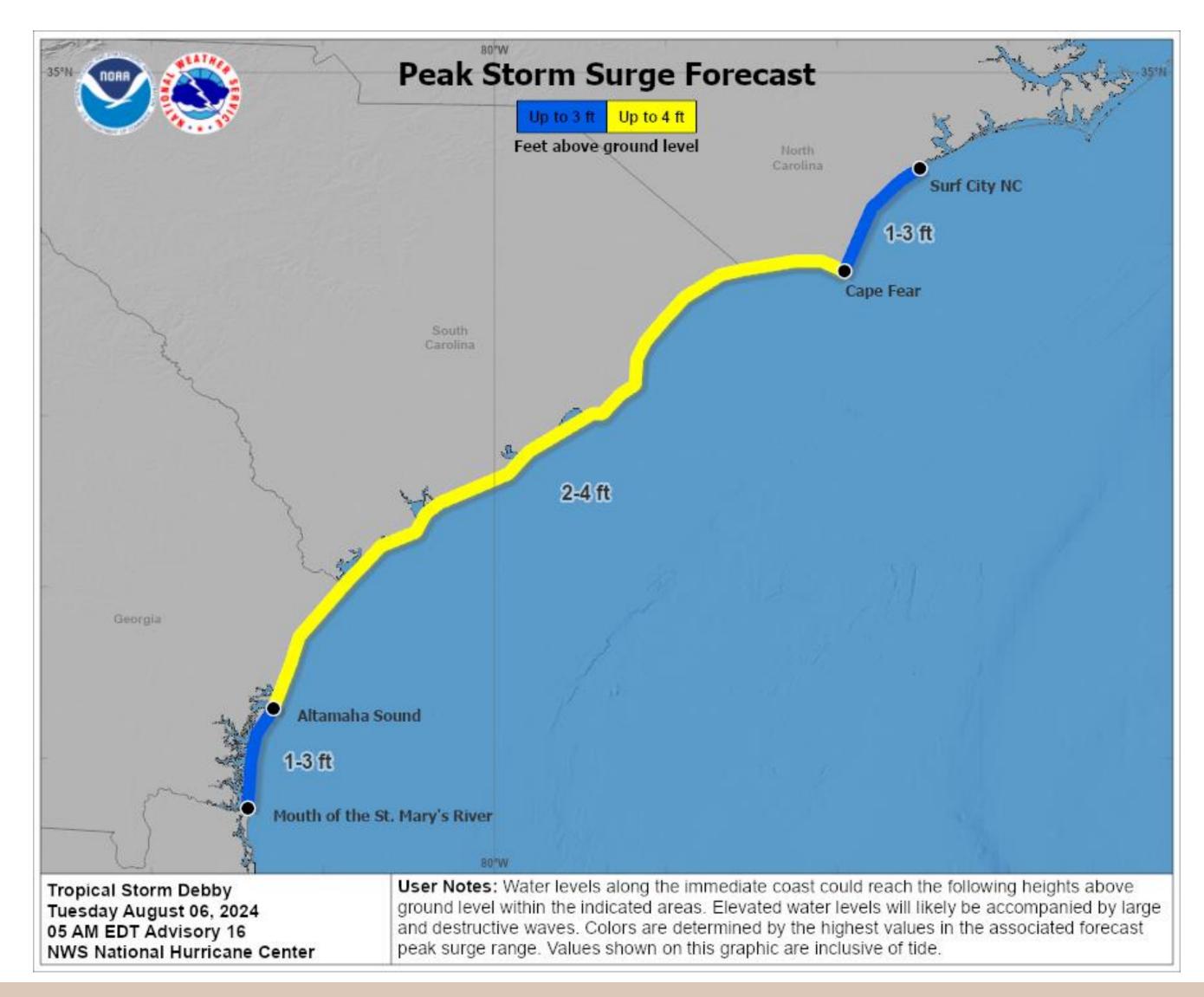


A Storm Surge Warning is in effect for...

\* Altamaha Sound, Georgia to South Santee River, South Carolina

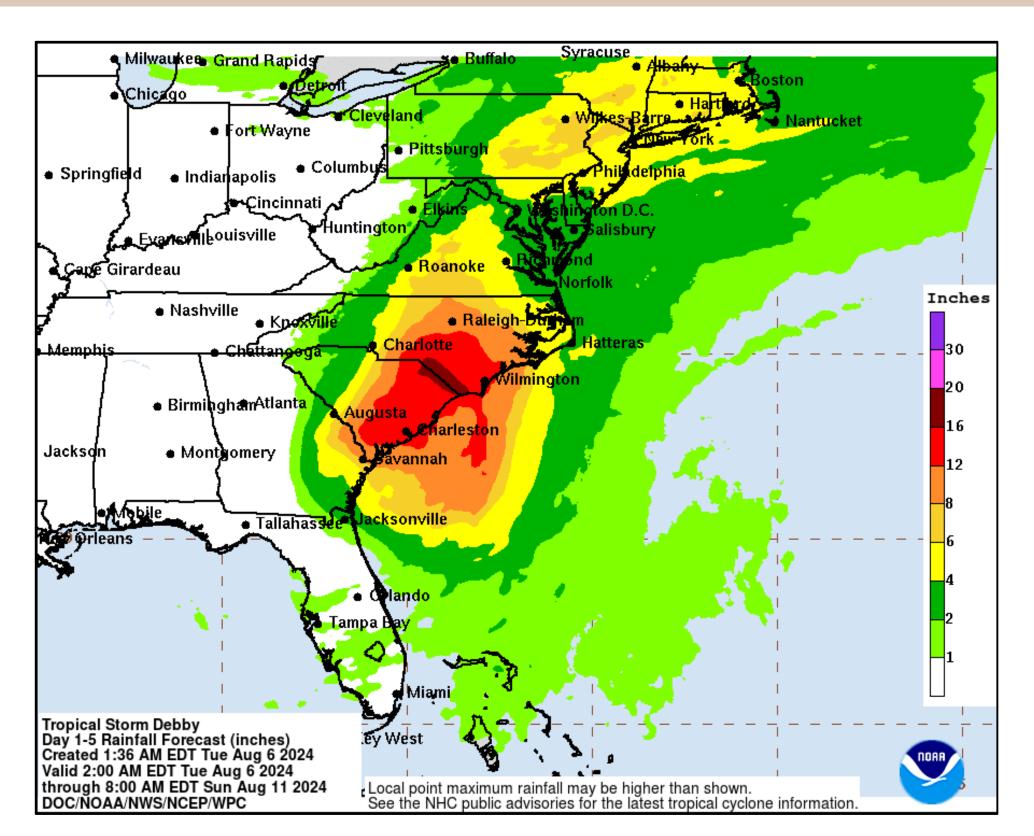
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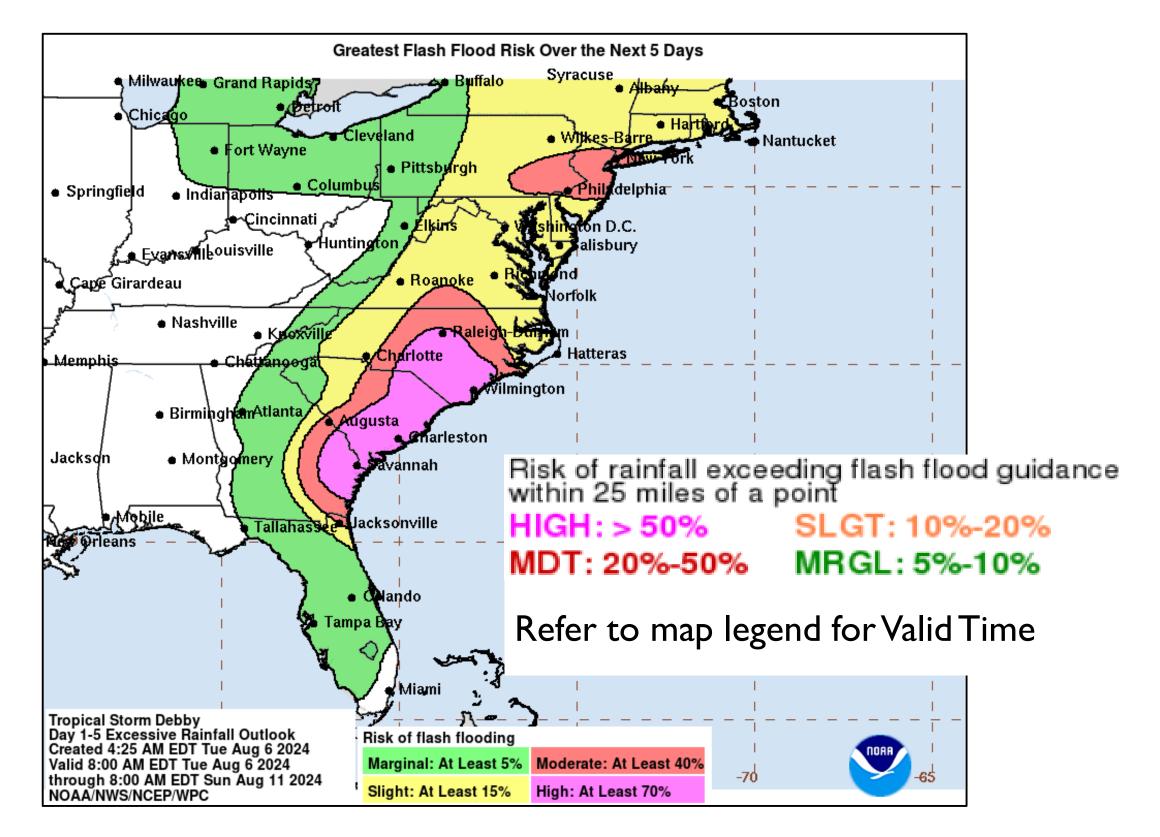
\* North of South Santee River, South Carolina to Cape Fear, North Carolina



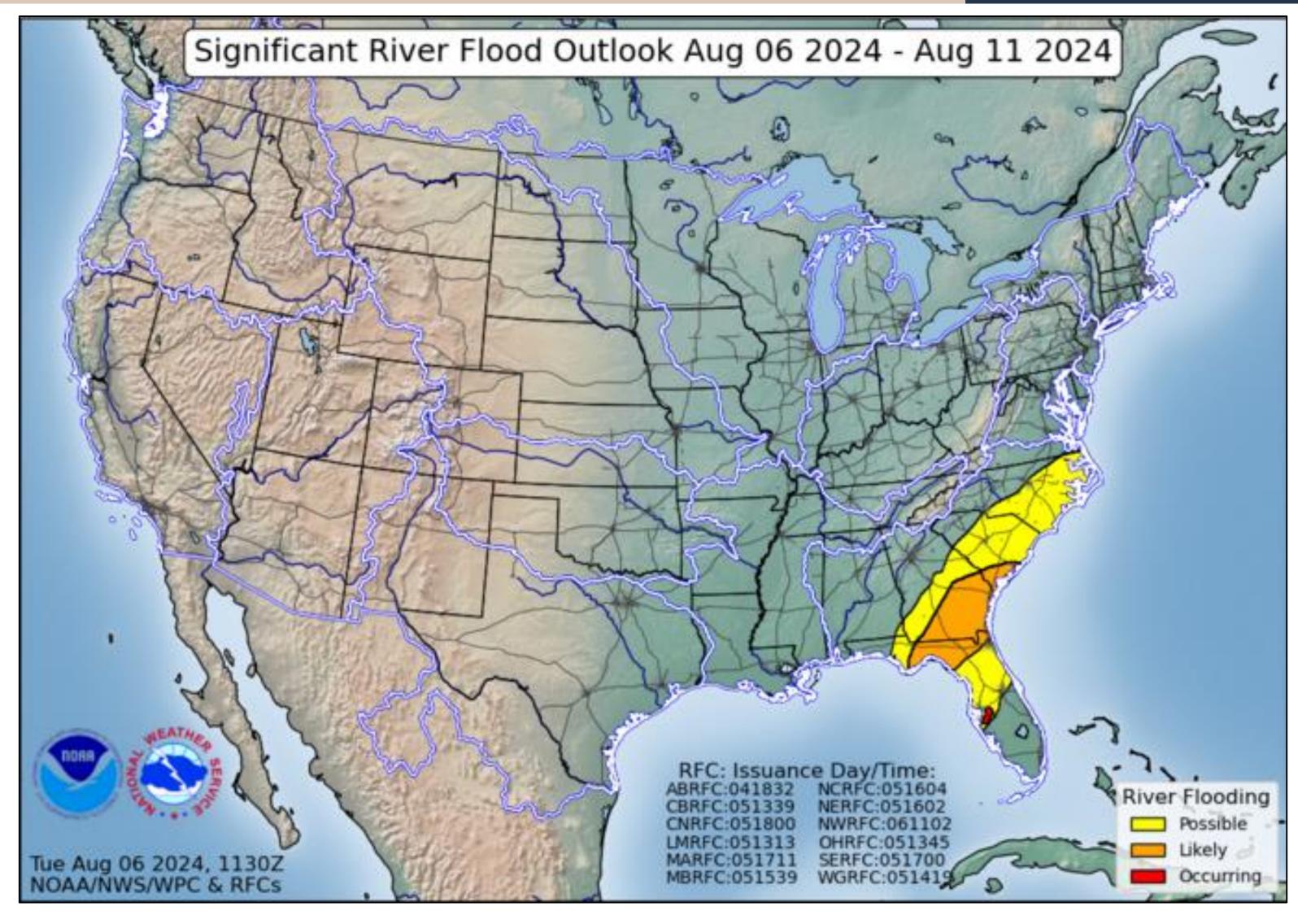


Images from NWS Weather Prediction Center





Debby is expected to produce potentially historic rainfall totals of 10 to 20 inches, with maximum amounts of 25 inches, bringing areas of <u>catastrophic flooding</u> across portions of southeast Georgia, the eastern half of South Carolina, and southeast North Carolina through Friday.



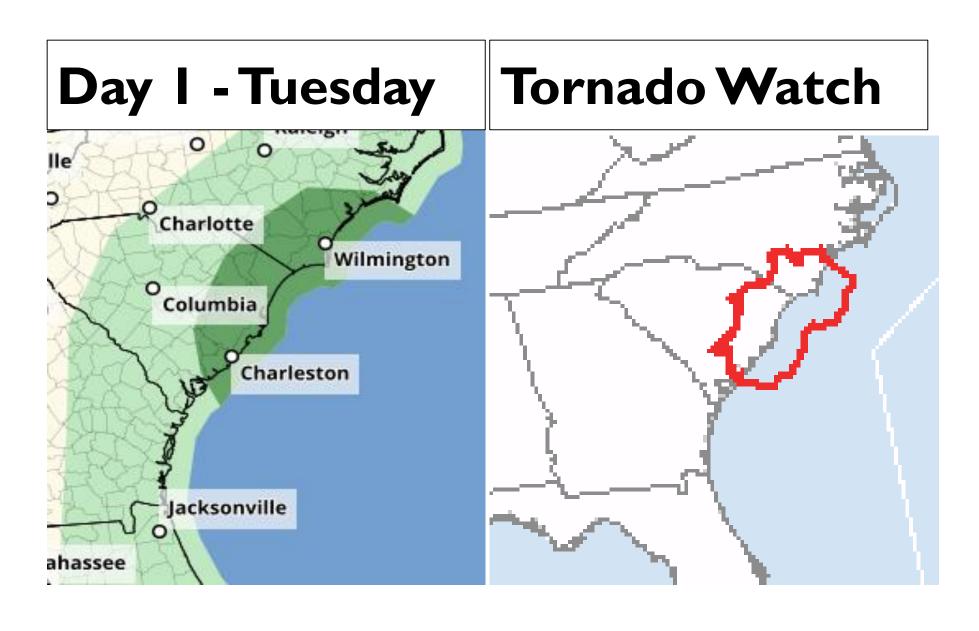
## Tornado Outlook – Day I & 2

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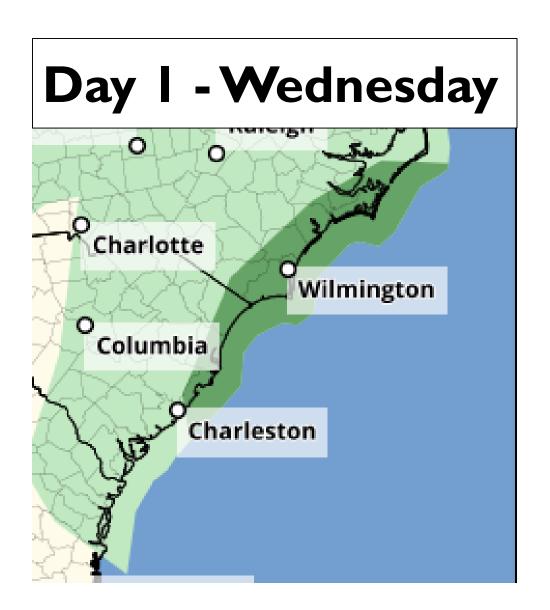
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5 High Risk
4 Moderate Risk
3 Enhanced Risk
2 Slight Risk
1 Marginal Risk
Thunderstorms



Coastal South Carolina/North Carolina is under a tornado watch until 5pm EDT

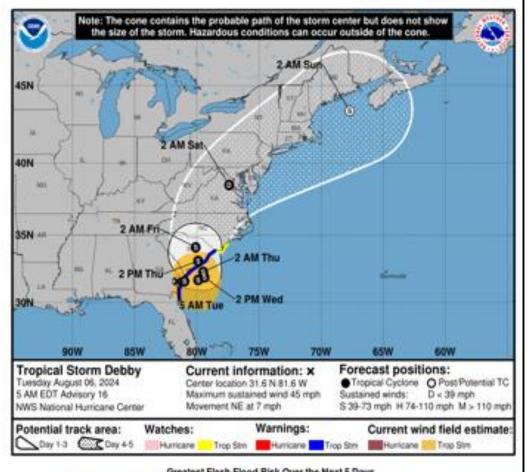


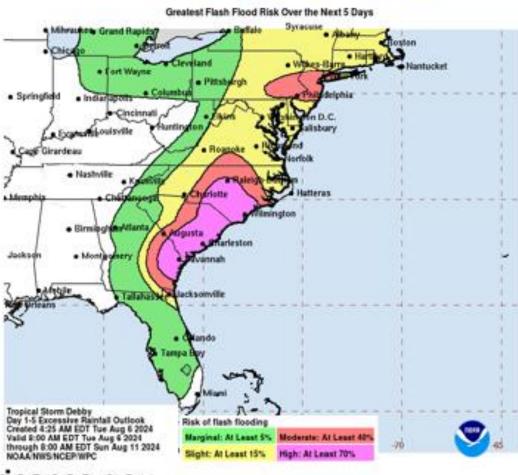
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#### Key Messages for Tropical Storm Debby Advisory 16: 5:00 AM EDT Tue Aug 06, 2024

- 1. Potentially historic heavy rainfall across southeast Georgia and eastern South Carolina through Friday will likely result in areas of catastrophic flooding. Heavy rainfall will likely result in flooding impacts from northern North Carolina through portions of Mid-Atlantic States and southern New England through Sunday morning.
- 2. Dangerous storm surge and tropical storm conditions will spread northward along the southeast U.S. coast from northeastern Florida to North Carolina through the middle of the week. Storm surge and tropical storm watches and warnings have been issued for portions of these areas. Residents in the storm surge watch and warning area should follow any advice given by local officials.
- 3. In portions of Florida where Debby has passed, deadly hazards remain, including downed power lines and flooded areas. Ensure generators are properly ventilated to avoid carbon monoxide poisoning. Exercise caution when using chainsaws and power tools, and drink plenty of water to avoid heat exhaustion.





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### Marine Key Messages:

- Winds will likely peak to 50 kt over the Atlantic Thursday before landfall in South Carolina
- Seas will build to around 20 ft
- Conditions over the D7 Atlantic area will begin to improve Friday into Saturday

You can contact the Tropical Analysis and Forecast Branch at 305-229-4424



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TIME of NEXT NHC Advisory:

15 UTC: II AM

The Next Briefing Will Be: Wednesday, 9:00 AM EDT

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