IMPACTS FOR D7 (through next 5 days)

Winds – Medium

Storm Surge - Medium

Rainfall/Flash Flooding – Extreme

**Tornadoes – Medium** 

Waves - High

# TROPICAL STORM DEBBY BRIEFING



5:00 PM EDT

Tuesday, August 6, 2024

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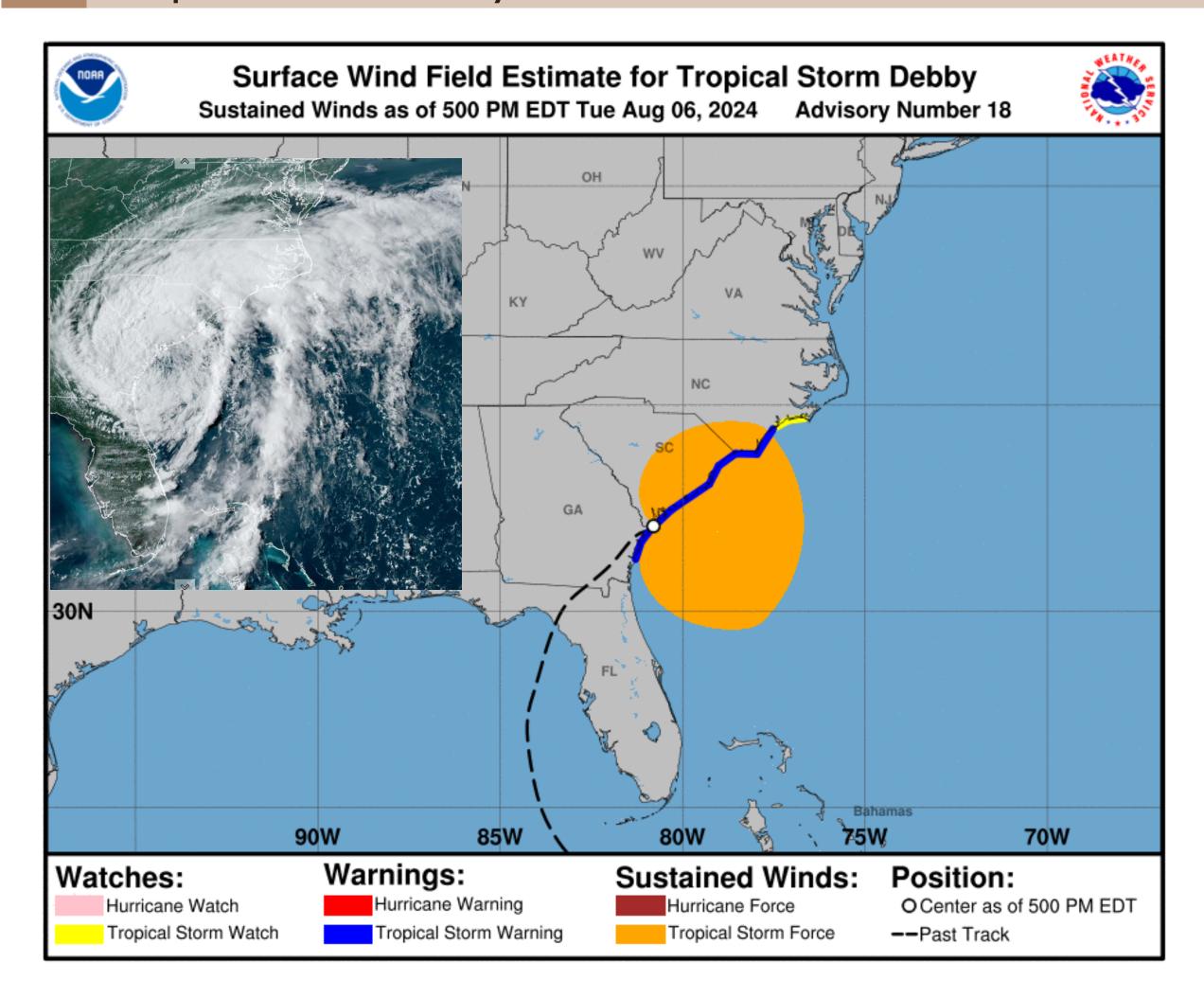


- Debby has slightly decreased in intensity, but expected to move back over the water soon and slightly strengthen
- Tornado threat has increased to medium
- Time of departure of tropical storm force winds for Charleston and Myrtle beach are ending slightly sooner
- Storm Surge Warning has been dropped now just a storm surge watch from South Santee River,
   SC to Cape Fear, NC
- Event has ended across Jacksonville/Savannah

## Situation Overview

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#### Tropical Storm Debby



...DEBBY CONTINUES TO MOVE VERY SLOWLY NEAR THE COASTS OF GEORGIA AND SOUTH CAROLINA...

...MAJOR FLOOD THREAT FOR PORTIONS OF THE SOUTHEASTERN UNITED STATES THIS WEEK...

Summary of 500 PM EDT Information

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Location...32.1N 80.8W
About 10 nm E of Savannah Georgia
About 60 nm SW of Charleston South Carolina
Maximum Sustained Winds...35 kt
Present Movement...ENE at 3 kt

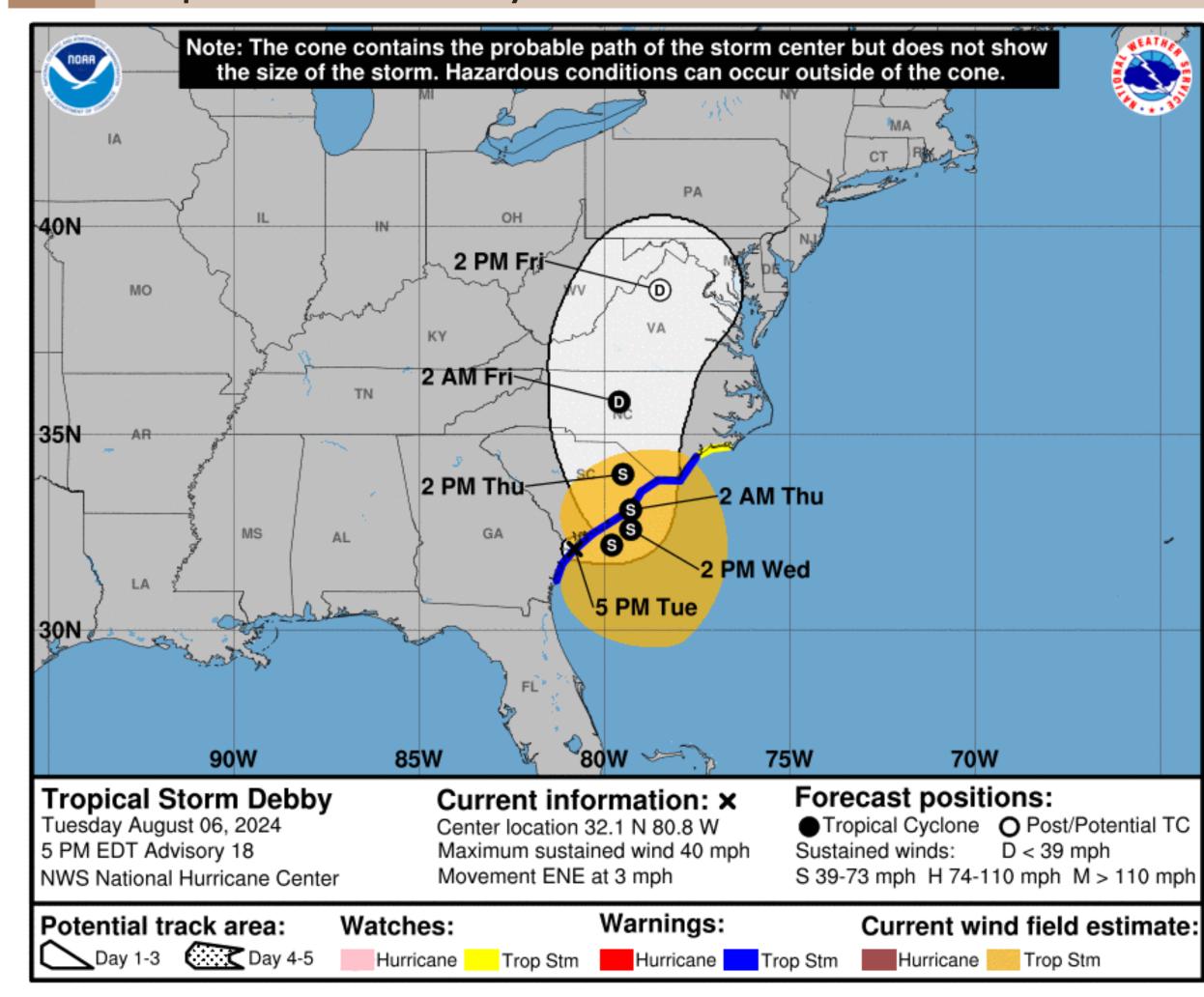
Peak Seas...15 ft

12 ft Seas...210NE 210SE 0SW 0NW.

## Forecast Information

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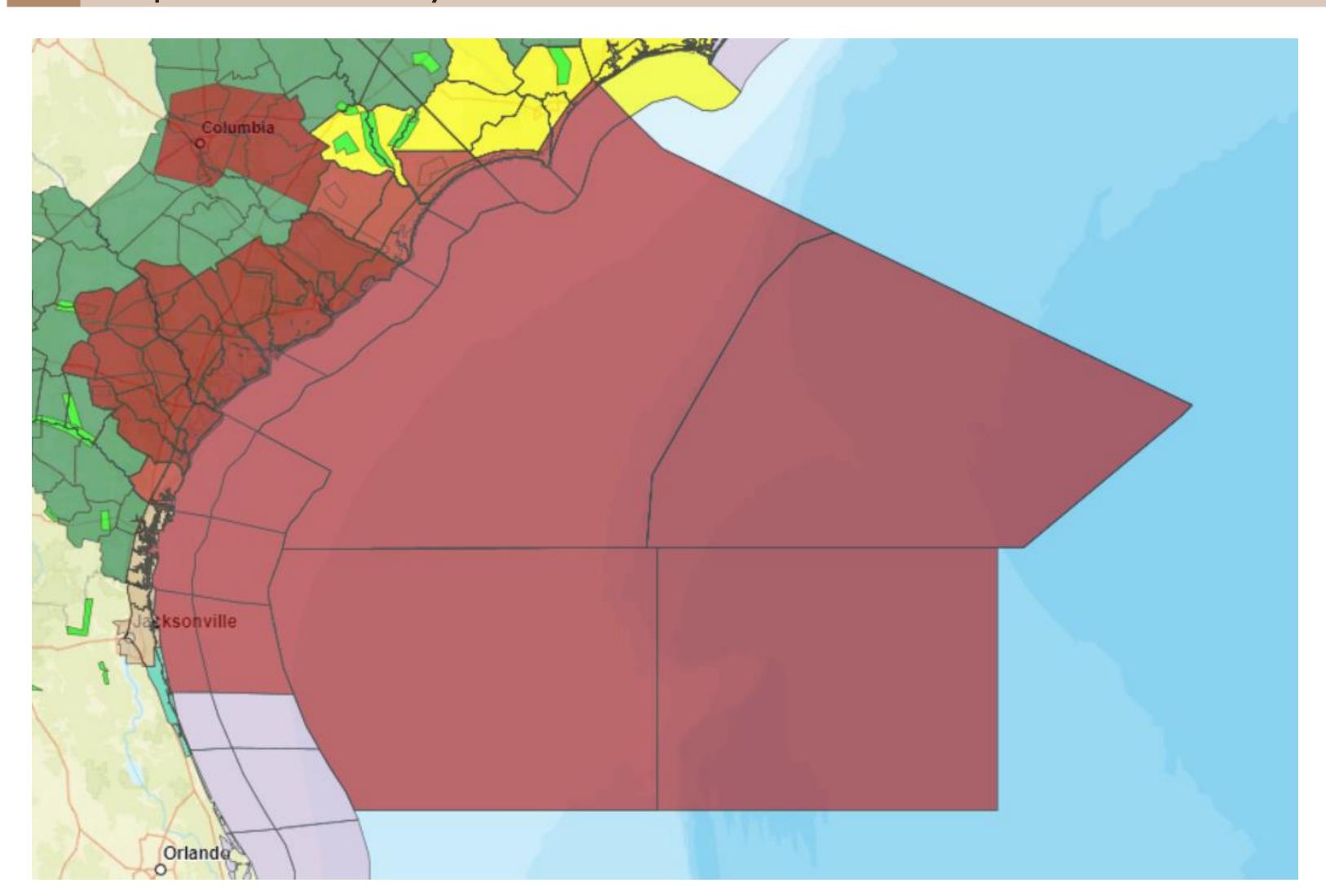
**NOTE:** Do not focus on the exact track. Impacts can occur well outside the area enclosed by the cone.

- Tropical Storm Debby is expected to move back over the Atlantic waters soon and slowly meander off the South Carolina coast through early Thursday
- Debby is expected to make landfall along the South Carolina coast on Thursday
- On the forecast track, some strengthening is forecast on Wednesday into Thursday as Debby moves over favorable conditions – however it is still 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

<sup>\*\*</sup> 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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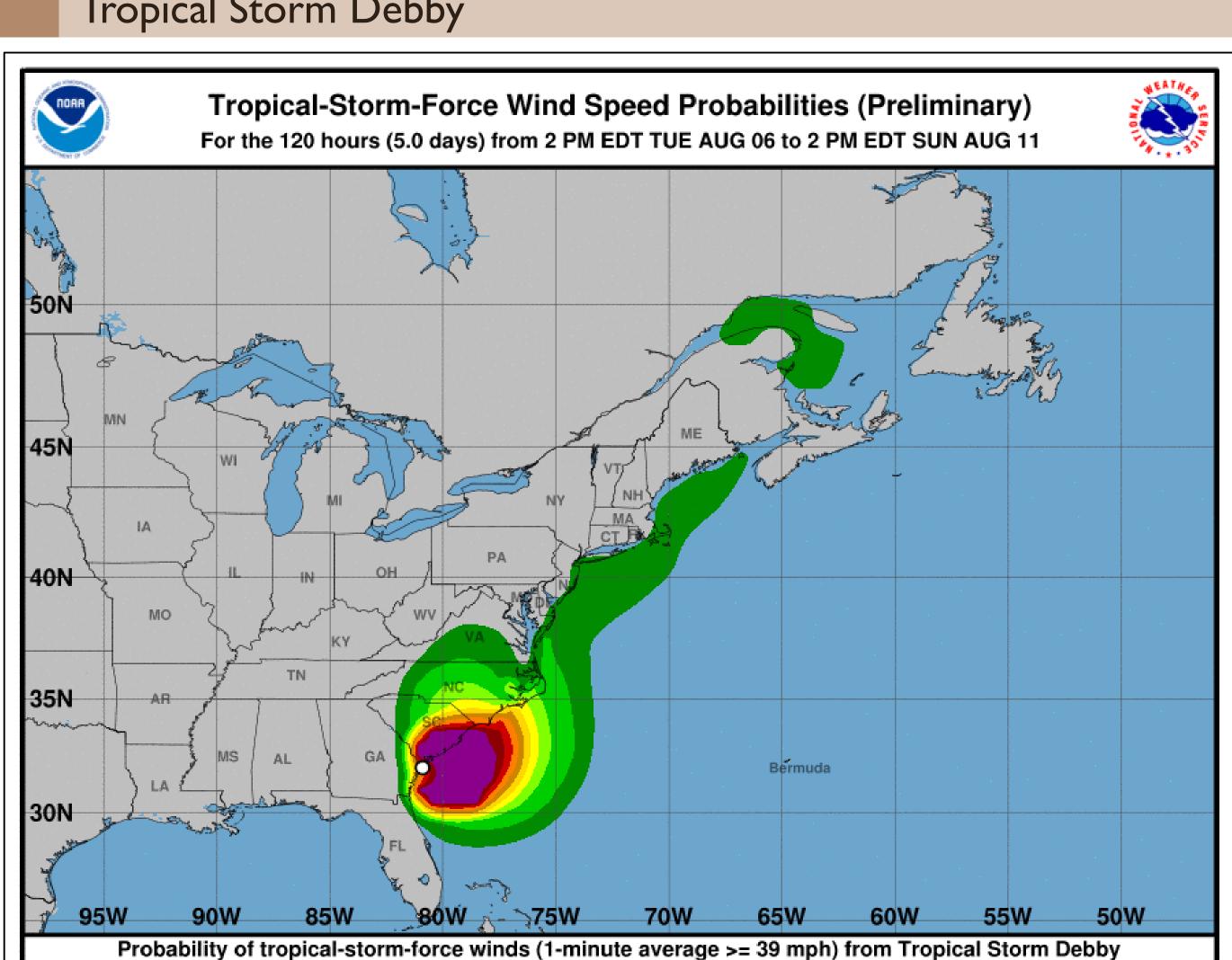
## T.S. Wind Speed Probabilities

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O indicates Tropical Storm Debby center location at 2 PM EDT TUE AUG 06, 2024 (Forecast/Advisory #18)

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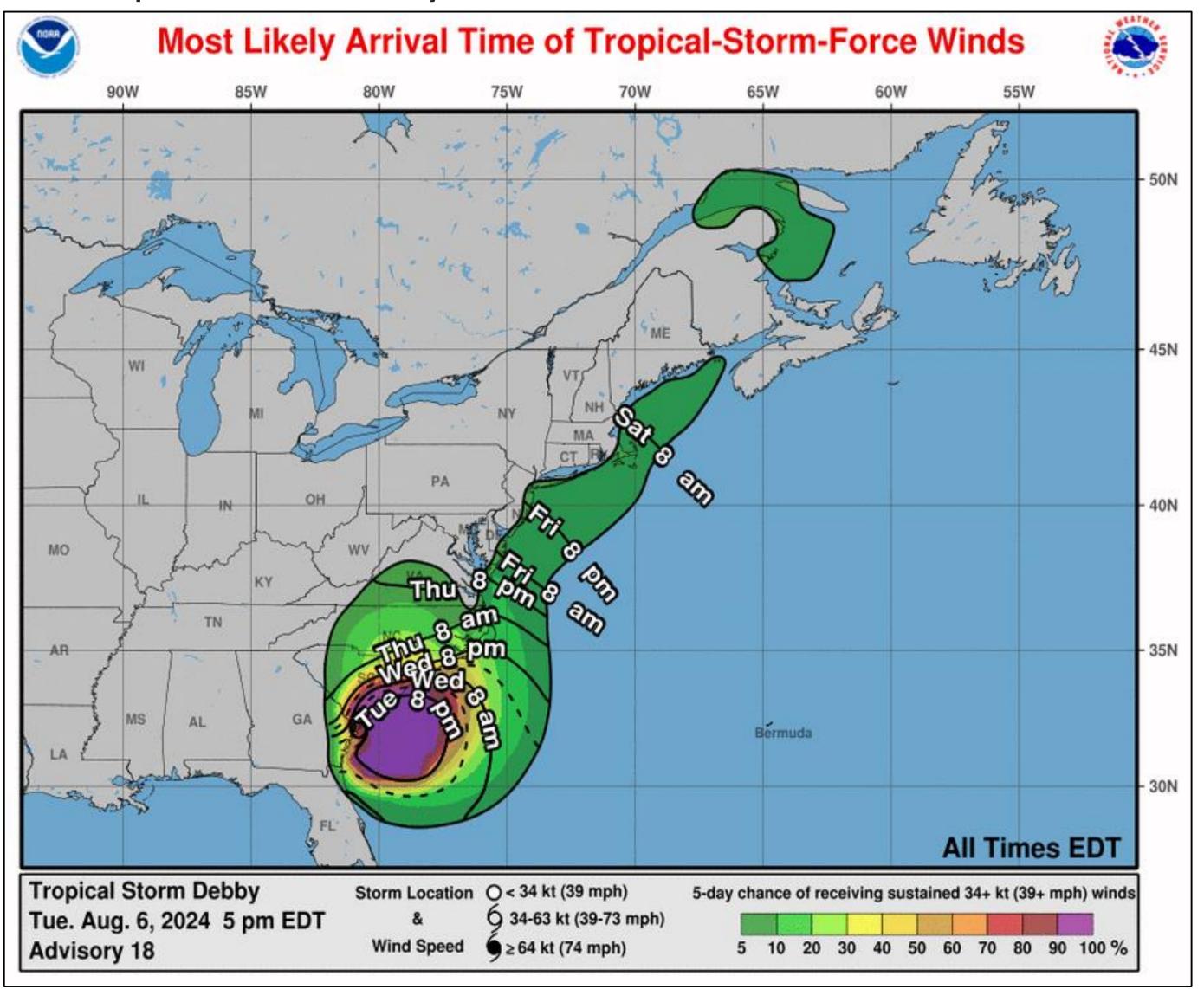
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- SAVANNAH 10%
- BEAUFORT 100%
- CHARLESTON 100%
- MYRTLE BEACH 100%

- 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.

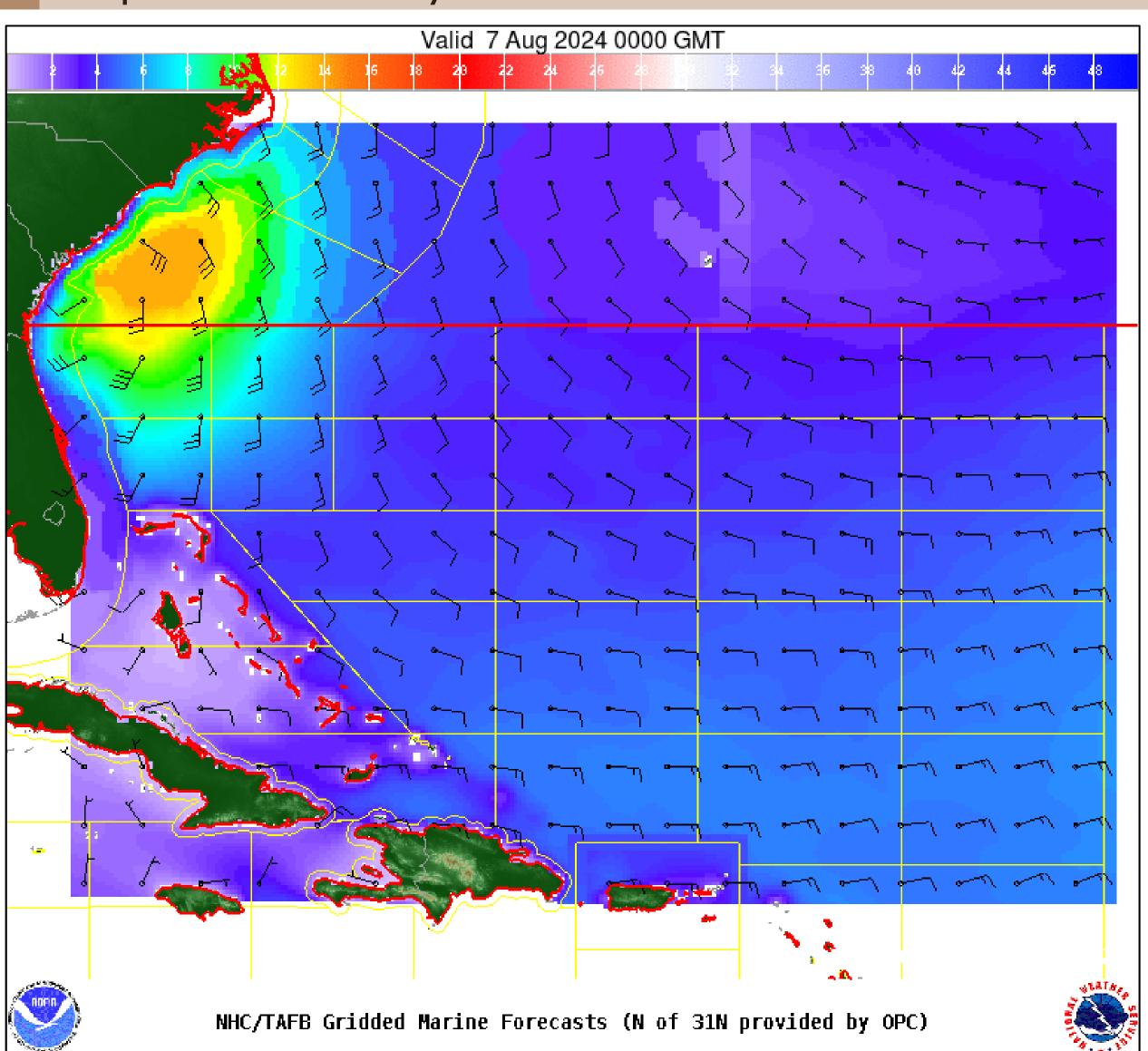
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- South Carolina Ongoing for southern half of SC/tonight for northern half
- The most likely time of arrival of Tropical Storm Force Winds (34kt to 63 kt) for this cyclone based off the current track and wind radii.
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6 Hour Forecast

Tuesday, August 6 at 8pm EDT

Peak Winds: 35 kt

Peak Seas: 15 ft

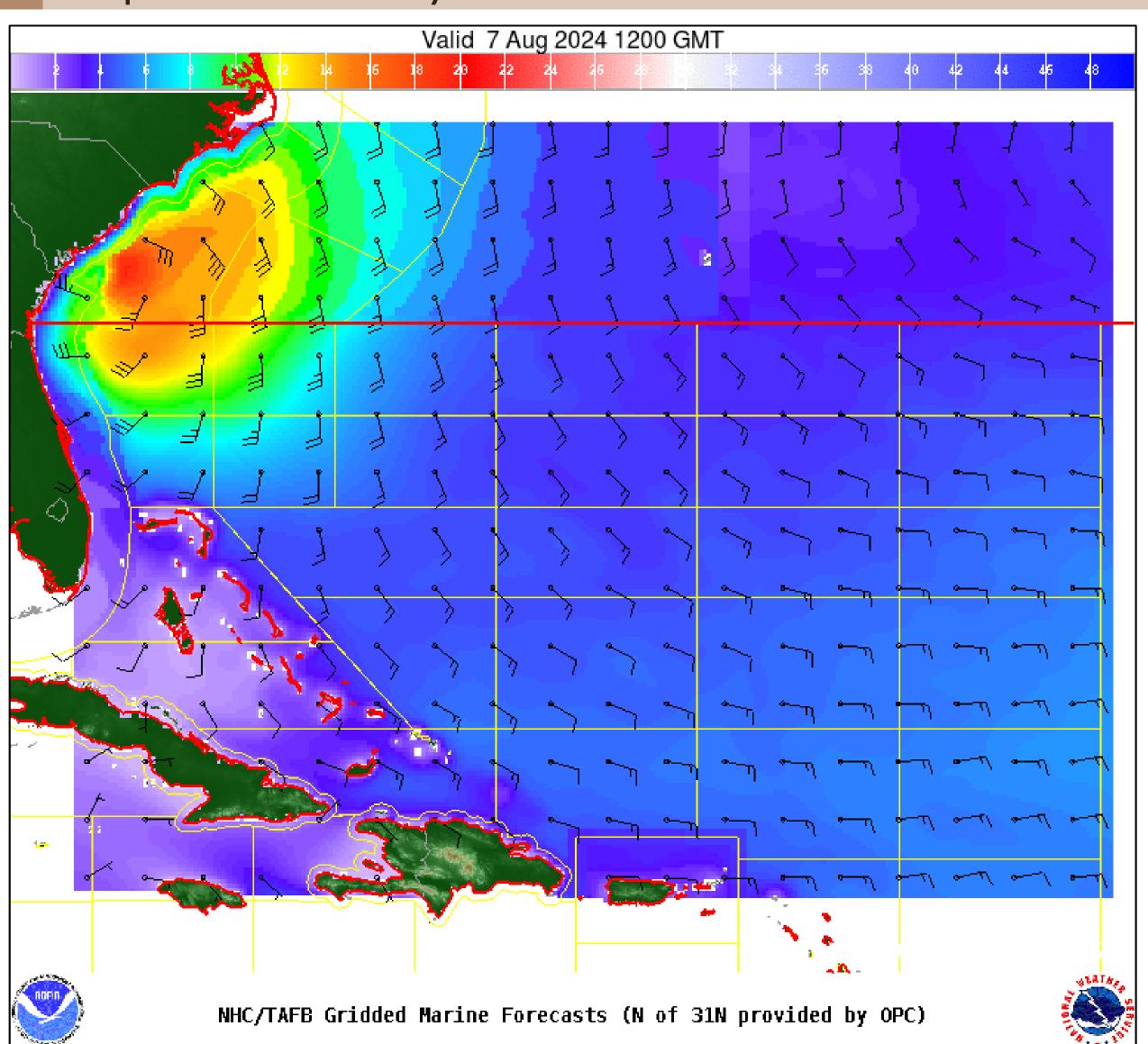
#### Wave heights are in feet



Significant Wave Height (ft)

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18 Hour Forecast

Wednesday, August 7 at 8am EDT

Peak Winds: 40 kt

Peak Seas: 20 ft

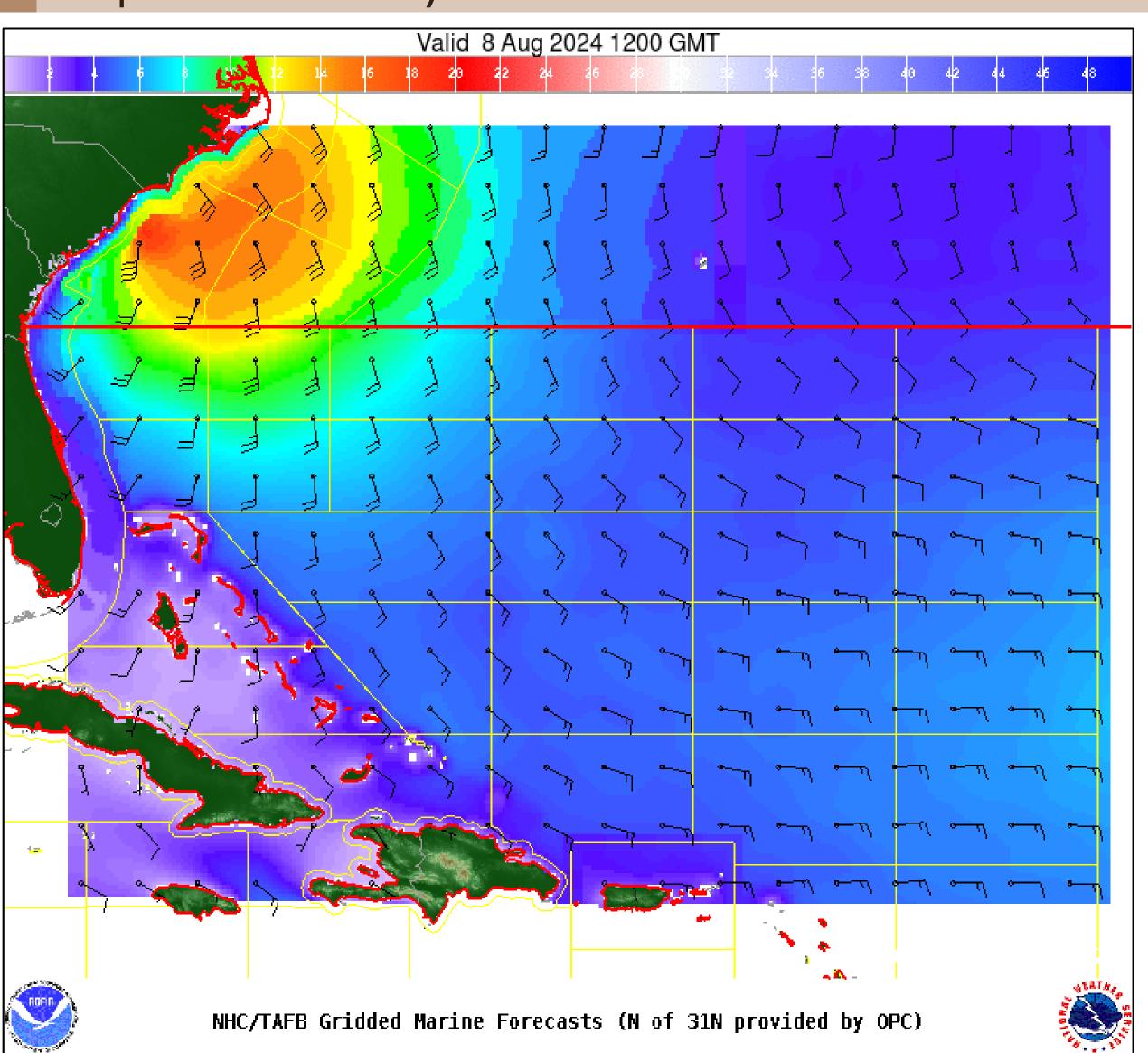
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42 Hour Forecast

Thursday, August 8 at 8am EDT

Peak Winds: 50 kt

Peak Seas: 19 ft

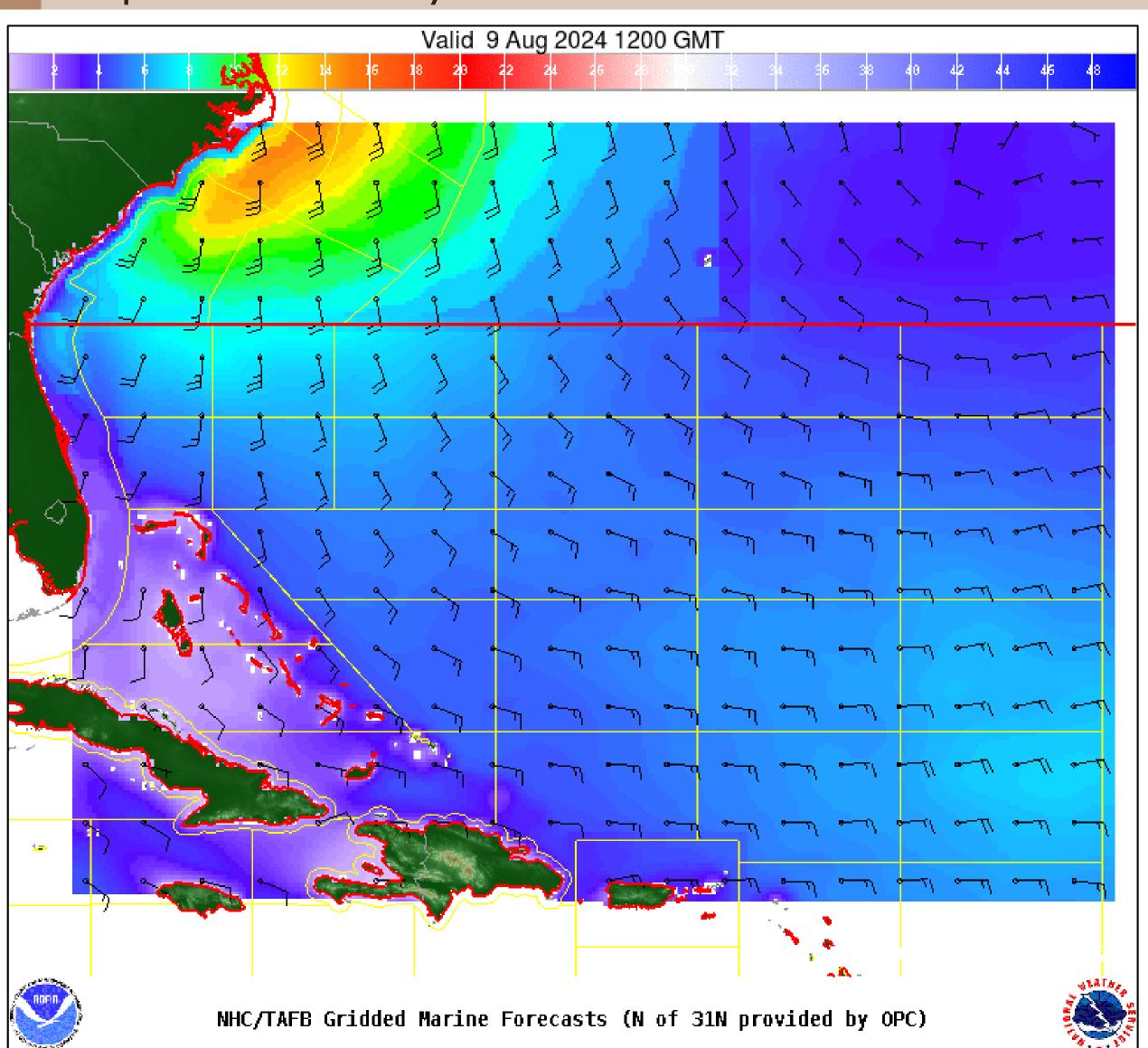
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66 Hour Forecast

Friday, August 9 at 8am EDT

Peak Winds: 30 kt

Peak Seas: 11 ft

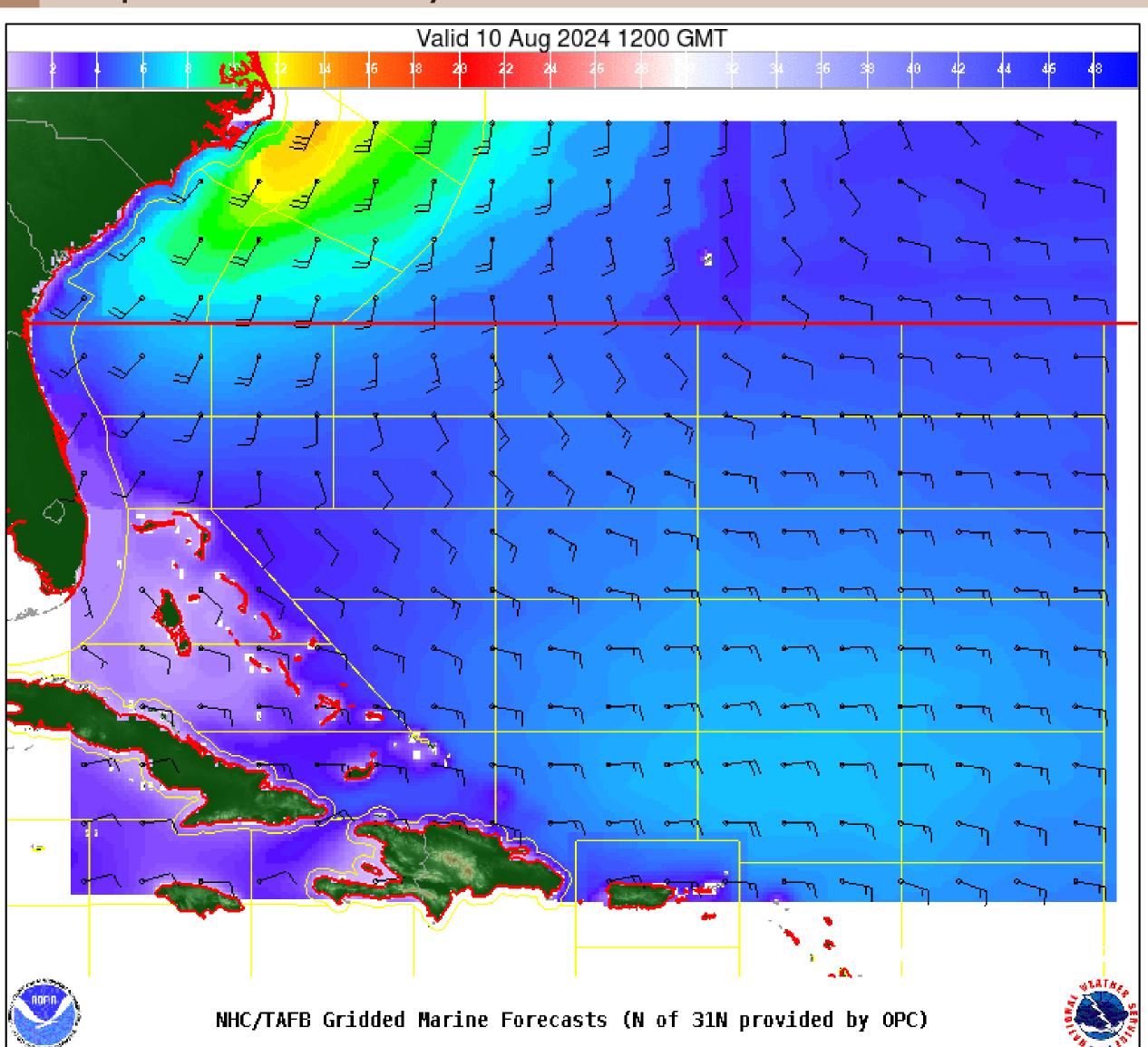
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Significant Wave Height (ft)

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90 Hour Forecast

Saturday, August 10 at 8am EDT

Peak Winds: 15 kt

Peak Seas: 8-10 ft

Wave heights are in feet



Significant Wave Height (ft)



## Latest Reasonable Time of Departure

- Jacksonville, FL: Event has ended
- Savannah, GA: Event has ended
- Charleston, SC: Thursday afternoon
- Myrtle Beach, SC: Thursday night



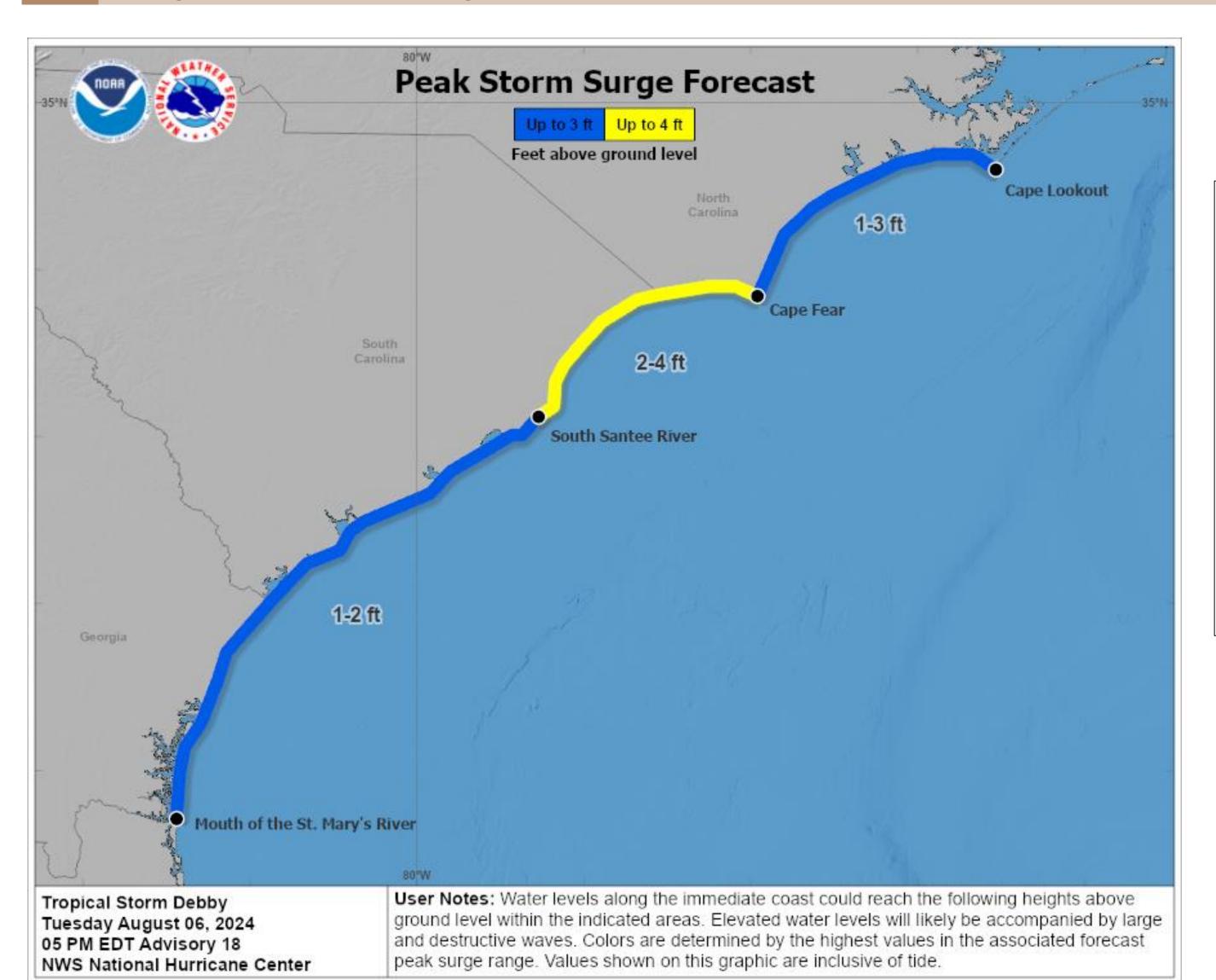
\* Discontinued the storm surge warning

\* Continuing the storm surge watch from South Santee River, SC to Cape Fear, NC

## Potential Peak Storm Surge / Watches and Warnings

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- \* Upgraded to 2-4 feet of surge from South Santee River, SC to Cape Fear, NC where the storm surge watch is in effect
- \* Downgraded to 1-2 feet of surge from the Mouth of the St. Mary's River, GA to South Santee River, SC
- \* Extended 1-3 feet of surge from Cape Fear, NC to Cape Lookout, NC

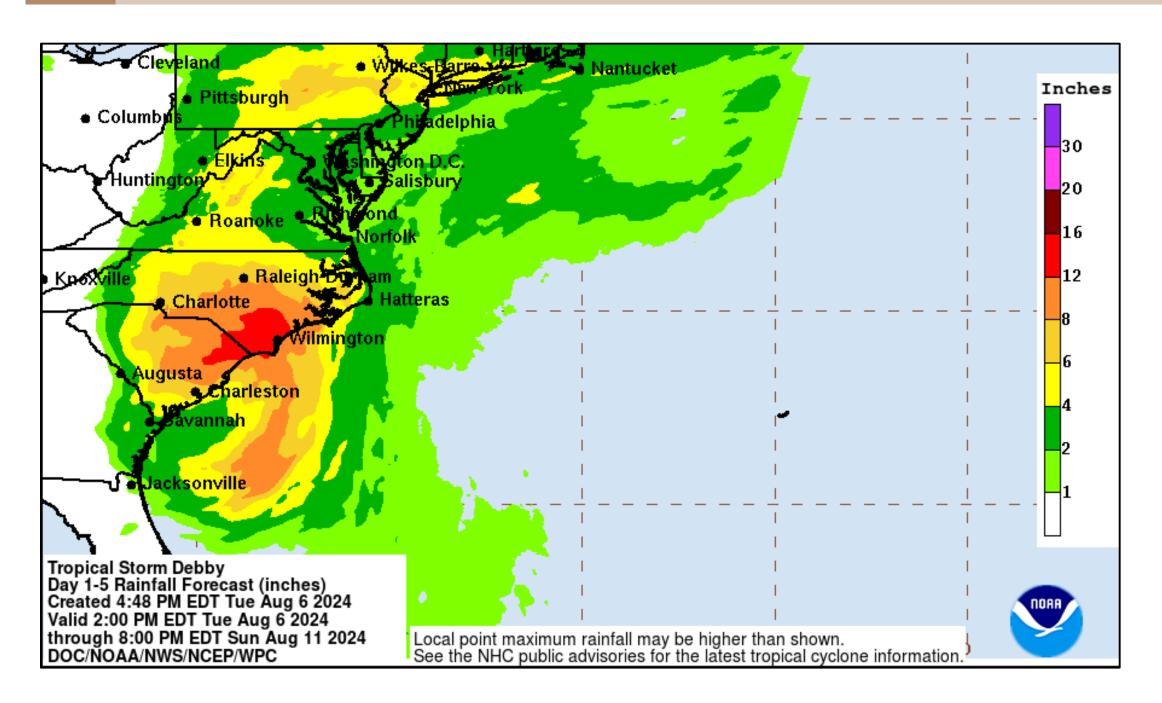
## Expected Storm Total Rainfall and Chance of Rainfall Flooding

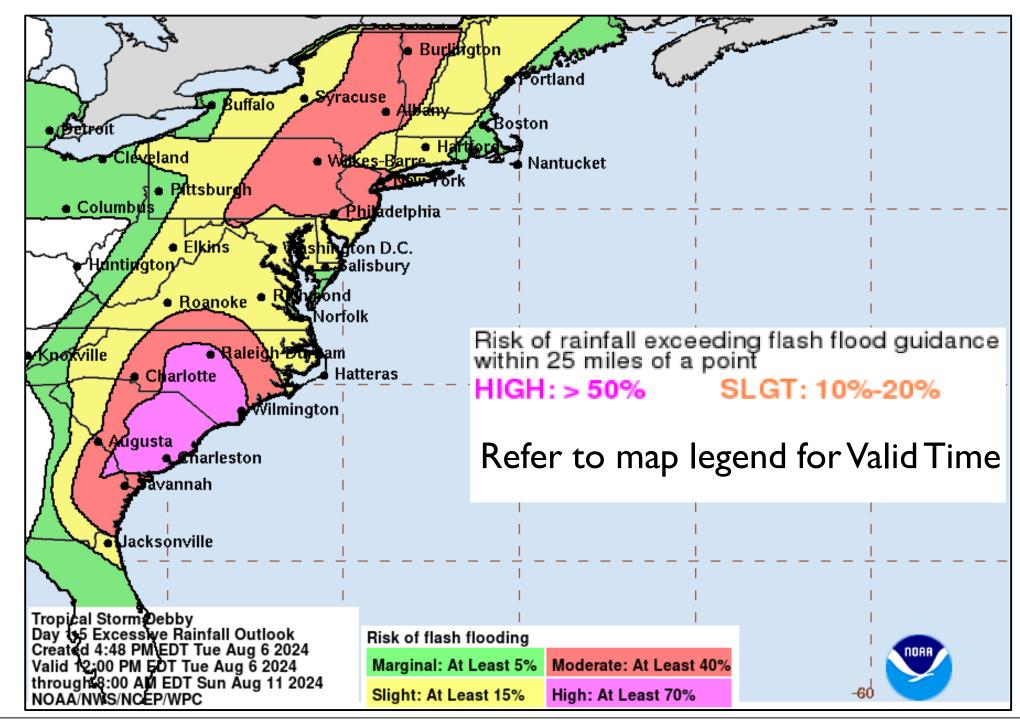
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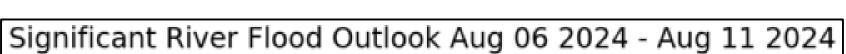
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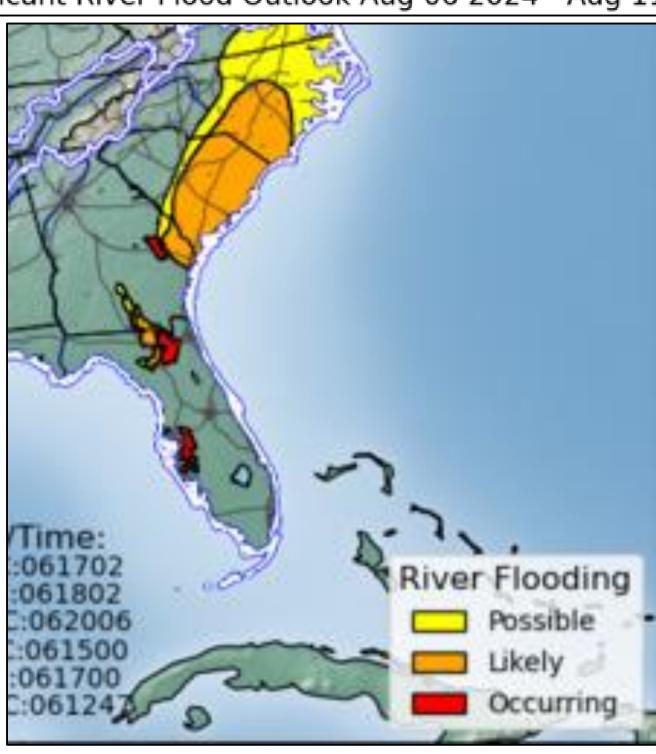




- -Debby is expected to produce potentially historic rainfall totals of 10 to 20 inches, with maximum amounts of 25 inches, bringing areas of catastrophic flooding across portions of the eastern half of South Carolina, and southeast North Carolina through Friday.
- -From **central South Carolina to the Update of South Carolina**, northward into Southwest Virginia, portions of the Mid-Atlantic States, western and northern New York State into Northern New England, **3 to 6 inches with local amounts to 8 inches**, are expected through Saturday. This rainfall will likely result in areas of considerable flash and urban flooding, with river flooding possible.
- -An additional scattered 1 to 3 inches of rainfall is possible across southeast Georgia through Tuesday night, which may aggravate any ongoing flooding conditions across that vicinity.

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Portions of central and northern Florida, as well as Georgia is experiencing river flooding (red)

Portions of Georgia and eastern half of South Carolina will likely see river flooding (orange)

## Tornado Outlook – Days 1 & 2

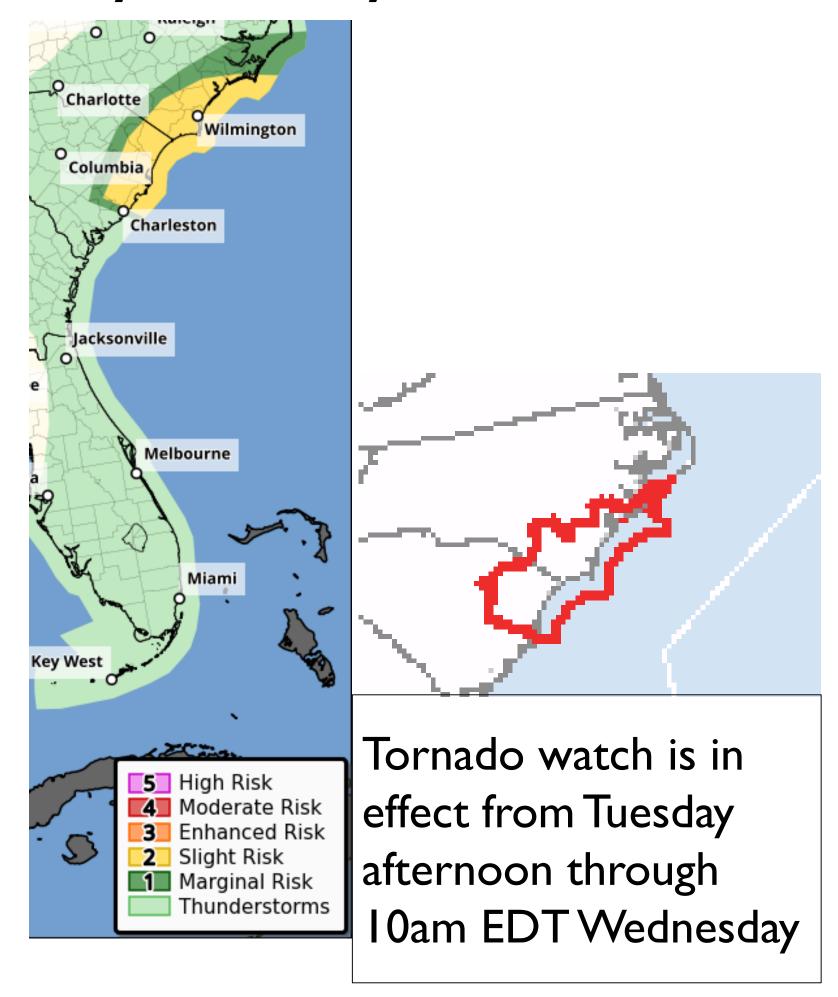
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#### Day I - Tuesday



Day 2 - Wednesday



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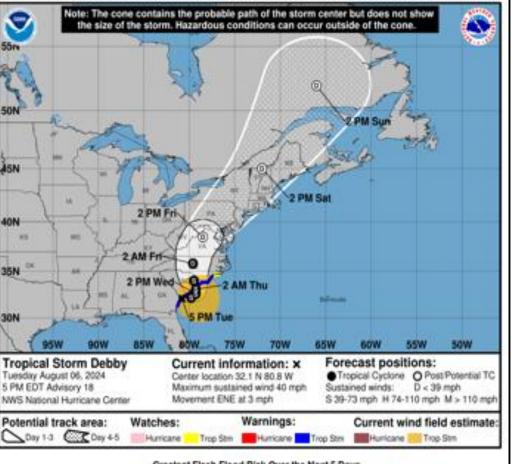


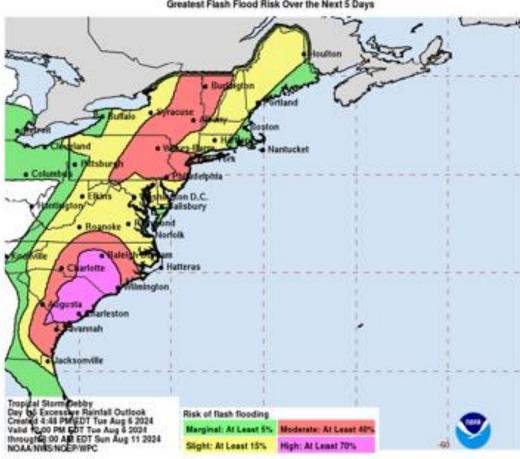
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#### Key Messages for Tropical Storm Debby Advisory 18: 5:00 PM EDT Tue Aug 06, 2024

- 1. Potentially historic heavy rainfall across eastern South Carolina through Friday will likely result in areas of catastrophic flooding. Heavy rainfall will likely result in considerable flooding impacts from central to the Upstate of South Carolina, western North Carolina, Southwest Virginia through portions of Mid-Atlantic States, western and northern New York State and northern New England through Saturday.
- Tropical storm conditions will spread northward along the southeast U.S. coast from northeastern Georgia to North Carolina through Thursday. Tropical storm warnings and watches are in effect for portions of that area.
- 3. A dangerous storm surge is possible along the coast of South Carolina and southeastern North Carolina from South Santee River to Cape Fear. Residents in that area should follow any advice given by local officials.





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### Marine Key Messages:

- Winds will likely peak to 50 kt over the Atlantic by Thursday morning 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:

3 UTC: II PM EDT

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

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