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Tropical Activity Atlantic – Tropical Storm Fred

- Tropical Storm Fred got stronger on Monday morning as it tracked closer to making landfall on the Florida Panhandle.
- The National Hurricane Center issued a special statement at 7:30 a.m. CDT to note that the storm was intensifying and had 60 mph winds.
- Forecasters shifted Fred's path slightly to the east overnight and is forecasting the storm to come onshore near Panama City this afternoon or this evening.



- Fred has the potential to bring heavy, flooding rain, gusty winds and storm surge along the Florida coast, with areas well east of the center likely getting the worst weather.
- As of 7:30 a.m. CDT Monday, Tropical Storm Fred was located about 80 miles southsouthwest of Apalachicola, Fla., and was moving northward at 10 mph.
- The hurricane center said that while some strengthening will be possible before landfall, Fred isn't expected to become a hurricane.
- Tropical-storm-force winds extend outward from the center up to 90 miles, the hurricane center said.
- Fred is forecast to weaken quickly after landfall but could bring heavy rain and gusty winds well inland to parts of southeastern Alabama. Several southeast Alabama counties are under a tropical storm warning.
- A storm surge warning continues for the Florida coast from Indian Pass to Yankeetown.
- A tropical storm warning also continues for Florida from Navarre to the Wakulla-Jefferson county line.
- The hurricane center has increased storm surge forecasts from Sunday. Now 3 to 5 feet of surge will be possible from Indian Pass to the Steinhatchee River, and 2 to 4 feet from Steinhatchee to Yankeetown.
- Other spots along the Panhandle could see 1 to 3 feet of surge.
- Fred could bring 4 to 8 inches of rain to Florida's Big Bend and Panhandle regions. Some spots could get up to a foot.
- Farther inland, Fred could bring 4 to 7 inches of rain to southeast Alabama, western and northern Georgia and the western Carolinas.
- Forecasters will also be on the lookout for a few tornadoes in Florida today. The tornado threat will spread inland southeast Alabama and southwest Georgia this afternoon.



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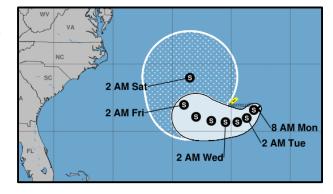
<u>Atlantic – Tropical Depression Grace</u>

- As of 7 a.m. CDT Monday, Tropical Depression Grace was located about 125 miles southeast of Port Au Prince, Haiti, and was moving west at 15 mph.
- Grace had top winds of 35 mph and could begin to slowly strengthen on Tuesday, the hurricane center said.
- Grace is forecast to track near the southern coast of Hispaniola today and tonight and then between Jamaica, Cuba and the Cayman Islands on Tuesday and Wednesday, the hurricane center said.



Atlantic – Tropical Depression Eight

- As of 7 a.m. CDT Monday, Tropical Depression Eight was located about 120 miles east-southeast of Bermuda and was moving to the south at 9 mph.
- The depression had 35 mph winds.
- The hurricane center said that on the current track the depression will pass to the southeast and south of Bermuda during the next few days.
- The depression could become Tropical Storm Henri later today.



Wildfire Activity California – Dixie Fire

- The largest fire in the country, the Dixie Fire in California, had spread to more than 570,000 acres across four counties in the northern part of the state as of Sunday night, Cal Fire reported.
- That wildfire, which began more than a month ago, has ravaged nearly 867 square miles, an area the size of Tokyo, or more than twice the size of Indianapolis.
- The Dixie Fire has destroyed 1,120 structures as of Sunday and threatened another 14,838 buildings, according to official estimates.
- It was only 31 percent contained as of Sunday night, and officials warned that lightning and high winds in the region made the fire's exact path hard to predict.
- Gusts of up to 50 mph on Saturday pushed flames closer to Janesville, a town of about 1,500 people just east of Greenville, the small gold rush-era community decimated by the fire 10 days ago.



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Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments							
State	Event	Number of Counties for IA		Stort End			
		Requested	Completed	Start-End			
СА	August Wildfires	6	0	8/11-TBD			

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	129 Counties	175	5/20/2021			
4595 KY	Severe Storms & Flooding	31 Counties	107	7/23/2021			
4607 MI	Severe Storms & Flooding	2 Counties	27	9/13/2021			

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