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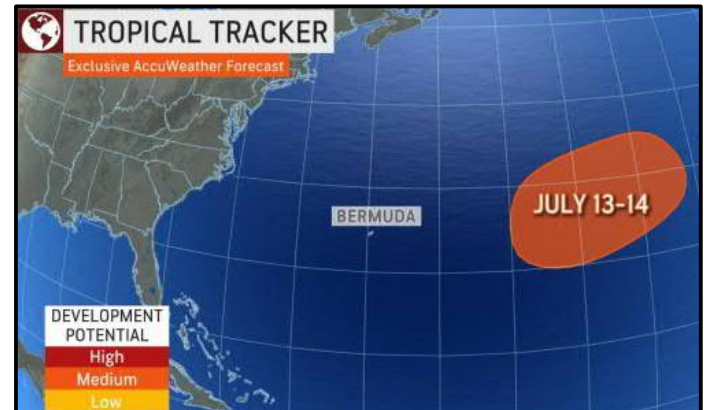
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## Tropical Activity

### Atlantic – Disturbance 1

- The Atlantic Ocean has remained quiet for weeks, as expansive areas of Saharan dust and disruptive winds have limited the opportunities for tropical systems to form.
- AccuWeather meteorologists say that the lull could soon come to an end, as an area of disturbed weather in the central Atlantic may acquire tropical characteristics in the coming days.
- The latest area being monitored by AccuWeather forecasters is well away from land, located several hundred miles to the east-northeast of Bermuda as of Tuesday morning.
- AccuWeather Meteorologist Alex DaSilva says there is a medium chance for tropical development with this feature from Thursday through Friday.
- Any potential tropical depression or storm would likely be short-lived given the cooler waters the system is expected to move over by the weekend.



## Flash Flooding Activity

### New York

- Monday, Congressman Pat Ryan, U.S. Senate Majority Leader Charles E. Schumer and Senator Kirsten Gillibrand urged the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to stand ready to approve any request from New York State for a major disaster declaration following the severe flash flooding that has rampaged through the Hudson Valley and other communities across Upstate NY over the past 24 hours.
- The representatives specifically referenced Orange and Ontario Counties as being particularly battered by the heavy downpours that caused severe flooding – destroying homes, washing away roads and bridges, and tragically resulting in the loss of life.
- New York State has now issued a State of Emergency for Orange County to enable emergency actions to save lives and mitigate property damage, and all nonemergency vehicular and pedestrian traffic from the town of Highland has been barred until at least 7:30 p.m. today.
- More than 500 homeowners have reported damage in the Empire State's hard-hit Orange County so far, according to officials.
- The state has also declared a State of Emergency for Ontario County, where the devastating flash floods have impacted nearly 100 homes and displaced countless residents.
- With more even more rain expected to fall throughout the day, Schumer, Gillibrand, and Ryan requested that FEMA actively prepare to issue a disaster declaration for the impacted communities and be prepared to participate in a Preliminary Damage Assessment with state and local officials, should the state request it.

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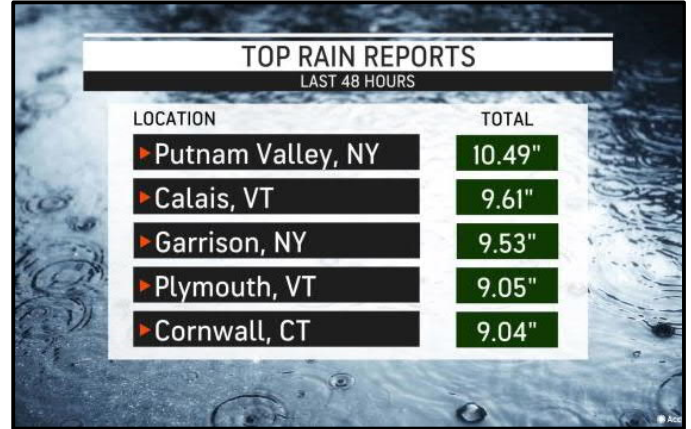
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## Vermont

- Floodwaters receded in Vermont cities and towns pummeled by a storm that delivered two months of rain in two days, enabling officials to focus on recovering from a disaster that trapped residents in homes, closed roadways and choked streets and businesses with mud and debris.
- In the capital city of Montpelier, where streets were flooded Tuesday by the swollen Winooski River, officials said that water levels at a dam just upstream appeared to be stable.
- "It looks like it won't breach. That is good. That is one less thing we have to have on our front burner," Montpelier Town Manager Bill Fraser said.
- Gov. Phil Scott planned to tour areas impacted by the flooding with Deanne Criswell, administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, on Wednesday, a day after President Joe Biden declared an emergency for Vermont and authorized federal disaster relief assistance.
- The flooding has already caused tens of millions of dollars in damage throughout the state.
- Ludlow Municipal Manager Brendan McNamara said the roughly 1,500-person town "sustained catastrophic damage. We just really took the brunt of the storm."
- Vermont Emergency Management says that swift water teams have performed more than 175 rescues, and responders are still in the field.
- The Winooski River in Montpelier is around 12 feet this morning after peaking at 21 feet yesterday. It is now below flood stage.
- So far, there have been no reports of injuries or deaths in Vermont as a result of the flooding.



## Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

State	Event	Number of Counties for IA		Start-End
		Requested	Completed	
AK	Spring Flooding	12	0	7/10-TBD
TN	Severe Storms, Tornadoes & Straight-line Winds	1	0	7/11-TBD

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## Pending Individual Assistance Declaration Request

State	Event	Date Submitted	Approved/Denied/ Pending	Number of Counties/Tribes
OH	Train Derailment Feb 3-8, 2023	7/3/2023	Pending	1 County

## WSP USA Inspection Services Active Disasters

Disaster Number and State	Disaster Type	Number of Counties Declared	Days Since Launch	Registration Deadline
4671 PR	Hurricane Fiona	78 Municipalities	292	11/21/2022
4709 FL	Flood	1 County	68	6/27/2023

## WSP USA INSPECTION SERVICES ACTIVITY

