Current Situation:

Tropical Storm Dorian is moving west-northwest at 13 mph across portions of the Lesser Antilles with maximum sustained winds of 50 mph. This motion is expected to continue through tonight, followed by a turn toward the northwest on Wednesday. On the forecast track, the center of Dorian will move across the eastern and northeastern Caribbean Sea during the next few days, passing near or south of Puerto Rico on Wednesday and move north of Hispaniola on Thursday. On Thursday night and Friday, the center of Dorian is forecast to move near the southeastern Bahamas. Slow strengthening is forecast during the next 48 hours, and Dorian is forecast to be near hurricane strength when it moves close to Puerto Rico.

Potential Impacts per NWS Jacksonville:

- Tropical Storm Dorian may threaten our region during Labor Day Weekend.
- Local tides will already be astronomically elevated late this week and into the weekend due to the new moon.
- Heavy rainfall potential as NE Florida remains on the “wet” side of Dorian.

It is still too early to speculate on other potential local impacts. Considerable uncertainty remains about the weekend track and intensity of Tropical Storm Dorian.

Local Actions/Activities:

- St. Johns County Emergency Management is closely monitoring Tropical Storm Dorian and beginning preparedness actions for potential impacts. We are participating in conference calls with the FDEM, NWS Jacksonville and National Hurricane Center for the most up-to-date information.
- St. Johns County Emergency Management is asking all staff with Emergency Operations Center related responsibilities to closely monitor the progress of Tropical Storm Dorian.

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