



FLASH Report #2 Potential Tropical Cyclone #9

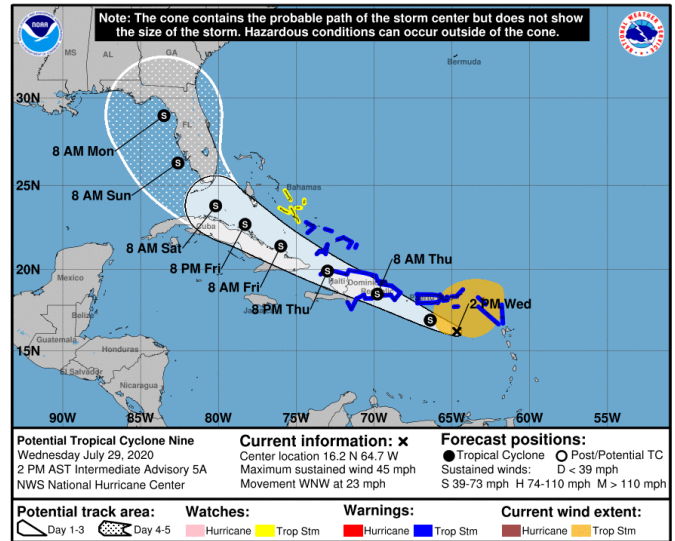
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Emergency Operations Center Level: 2 (Partial Activation)

Current Situation:

Potential Tropical Cyclone #9 was located about 180 miles south-southeast of San Juan Puerto Rico. The system is moving toward the west-northwest at 23 mph, and this general motion with a reduction in forward speed is expected over the next few days. On the forecast track, the system will move near or just south of Puerto Rico later today and tonight, near or over Hispaniola on Thursday, and near or over eastern Cuba on Friday.

Maximum sustained winds are near 45 mph with higher gusts. Some increase in strength is forecast through tonight, with weakening likely on Thursday due to land interaction. Some re-strengthening is possible by this weekend.



The details of the long range track and intensity forecast are more uncertain than usual since the system does not have a well-defined center.

Potential Impacts per NWS Jacksonville:

- Local impacts possible late this weekend or early next week, including increased surf and rip current hazards.
- Too early to speculate on any specific rainfall and wind impacts.

Local Actions/Activities:

- St. Johns County Emergency Management is closely monitoring Potential Tropical Cyclone #9. Emergency Management is participating in conference calls with the Florida Division of Emergency Management, National Hurricane Center and NWS Jacksonville.
- St. Johns County Emergency Management is recommending following official sources for the most up to date information regarding PTC #9
 - NWS Jacksonville <https://www.weather.gov/media/jax/briefings/nws-jax-briefing.pdf>
 - National Hurricane Center - <https://www.nhc.noaa.gov/>

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