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Update: Hurricane Idalia Downgraded to Tropical Storm, Passes Into Atlantic



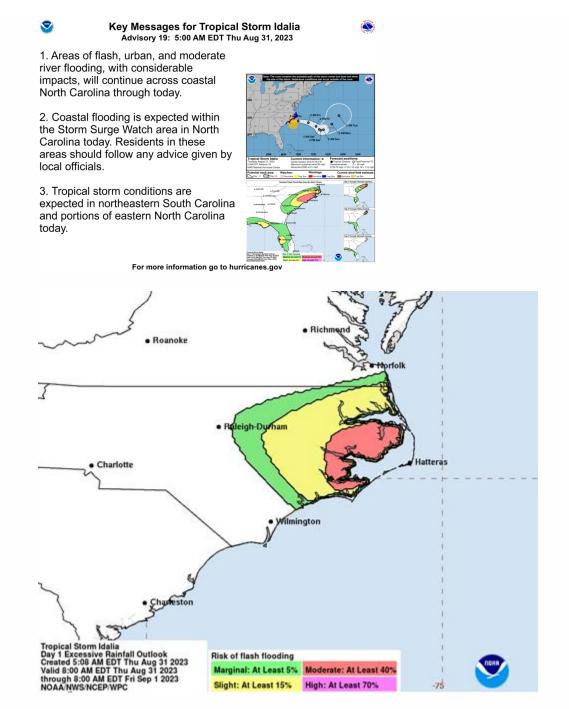
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As of August 31, 2023, Hurricane Idalia has downgraded to a tropical storm as it heads back out into the Atlantic ocean. Storm conditions are still persisting along the North Carolina and Virginia coast lines. Storm surges along the coast still carry a risk of dangerous surf, heavy rains can cause flooding, and heavy winds still have potential to cause damage to property and power lines.

Heavy rainfall and inland flooding are the expected to be the largest effects left and continuing from Idalia. Idalia is stalling out off the coast, and will bring heavy rainfall of 4-8 inches over the weekend, disrupting holiday travel plans. The persisting weather is expected from northern Florida through central Georgia.

Hurricane speed gusts of 74mph are still expected along the coast in the southeast United States, which will be powerful enough to down powerlines or trees. There is still a power outage risk adding to the already downed lines.



Analysis:

Hurricane Idalia has downgraded to a Tropical Storm, however, as it slows upon re-entering the ocean it will still cause severe weather conditions in its wake. Flooding, heavy rain, strong winds, and stormsurge are still expected through the weekend from northern Florida through Virginia. Recovery efforts have already begun in areas where it is possible, though flooding will make it difficult to repair downed power and clear debris. Facilities within the areas that were flooded will take longer to recover from the storm. Many long term and repeat patients may have been displaced by evacuations, and facilities should ensure they are able to provide assistance to anyone who needs it.

Sources:

NOAA National Hurricane Center Idalia to rampage across Southeast unleashing perilous conditions

Reference(s)

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