



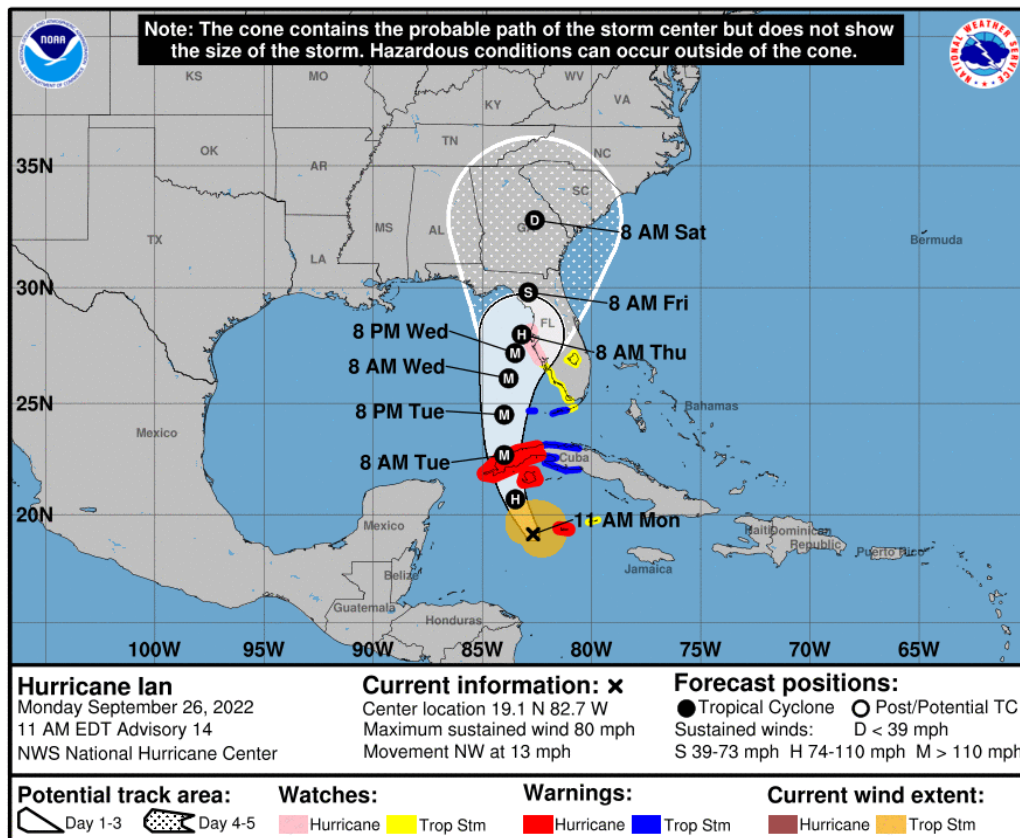
HERNANDO COUNTY EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER ALERT



EVENT	Hurricane Ian
DATE	26 September 2022
TIME	1:45 PM
REPORT #	4
EOC LEVEL OF ACTIVATION	Level 2 – Partial Activation

CURRENT SITUATION

Hurricane Ian is currently a Category 1 with 80 mph maximum wind speed, and is 510 miles south of Fort Myers moving Northwest at 13 mph. The earliest arrival for the Nature Coast area is Tuesday evening. Angle of storm approach could mean a larger storm surge threat area along the west coast of Florida. Only a small area will get the worst of the surge with the eyewall, but everyone must prepare for this possibility. Widespread heavy rain will lead to overland flooding with water possibly lingering for days. Some rivers may reach moderate or major flood stage by next weekend.



This graphic shows an approximate representation of coastal areas under a hurricane warning (red), hurricane watch (pink), tropical storm warning (blue) and tropical storm watch (yellow). The orange circle indicates the current position of the center of the tropical cyclone. The black line, when selected, and dots show the National Hurricane Center (NHC) forecast track of the center at the times indicated. The dot indicating the forecast center location will be black if the cyclone is forecast to be tropical and will be white with a black outline if the cyclone is forecast to be extratropical. If only an L is displayed, then the system is forecast to be a remnant low. The letter inside the dot indicates the NHC's forecast intensity for that time:

D: Tropical Depression – wind speed less than 39 MPH
H: Hurricane – wind speed between 74 MPH and 110 MPH

S: Tropical Storm – wind speed between 39 MPH and 73 MPH
M: Major Hurricane – wind speed greater than 110 MPH



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Hazard	Impacts	Location	Timing
 Wind	There is the potential for destructive and life-threatening winds/wind damage	At this time it could be anywhere, but especially along the coast	Begins Tuesday Night SW FL Wed/Thu elsewhere
 Storm Surge/ Inundation	There is the potential for major to extreme inundation	First threat will be in SW Florida, then Tampa Bay, then Cedar Key	Wednesday and Thursday Cedar Key Thursday Night
 Flooding Rain	There is the potential for significant amounts of rainfall that could lead to flash flooding	Entire area of West Central & SW Florida	Wednesday & Thursday, River flooding Thu/Fri persisting into weekend
 Tornado	There is a potential for elevated threats from tornadoes	Tuesday Night SW Florida Threat everywhere on Wednesday	Tuesday Night, Wed, and Thursday
 Marine	There is the potential for very dangerous to extreme wind, waves, and rip currents	All waters coastal and nearshore waters	Wednesday into the weekend

WATCH, WARNINGS, ADVISORIES:

- None at this time. Please monitor for updates.

IMPACTS:

- The Withlacoochee River is in action stage. Residents in this area should continue to monitor for updates and be prepared to seek higher ground if needed.
- Possible wind speeds of 39+ mph
- Storm Surge possibility at 10-15 feet
- Rain possible forecast for 7" – 10"

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

- Evacuation Orders and Public Shelter Voluntary Evacuations have been issued for all areas west of US 19, which includes evacuation zones A, B, and C. All residents living in coastal and low-lying areas, as well as manufactured homes county wide, are included. Residents are advised to seek safe shelter with family or friends that reside in a safe structure. If this is not a possibility, a public shelter will open at 9 a.m. on Tuesday September 27, 2022 at the below addresses for residents in these areas.
 - Challenger K-8 – Special Needs 13400 Elgin Blvd., Spring Hill, FL 34609
 - The Mining Association Enrichment Center – General Population and Pet Friendly 800 John Gary Grubbs Blvd., Brooksville, FL 34601
 - Explorer K-8 - General Population and Pet Friendly 10252 Northcliffe Blvd., Spring Hill, FL 34608
- Clear debris from yard and surrounding your home, bring in outside furniture, and take precautions for high winds.
- Self-serve sandbag sites are open. A limited supply of sand and sandbags will be at the following locations. Please bring your own shovel.



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- Linda Pedersen Park, 6300 Shoal Line Blvd., Spring Hill, FL 34609
 - Anderson Snow Park, 1360 Anderson Snow Rd., Spring Hill, FL 34609
- Take this opportunity to refresh your emergency supply kit. For more information, visit <http://www.HernandoCounty.us/EM>
- Register for automated severe weather notifications at <http://www.AlertHernando.org>
- PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTER: (352) 754-4083 or (352) 754-4111 (Recorded)