



...Tropical Storm Watch Now in Effect and Significant Impacts from Michael Expected Across Southeast South Carolina/Georgia...

OVERVIEW

The latest forecast from the [National Hurricane Center](#) indicates that [Hurricane Michael](#) is expected to make landfall around the Florida Panhandle on Wednesday as a major hurricane, then weaken as it tracks northeast across GA and SC later Wednesday and Thursday. Significant impacts are likely across all or portions of southeast GA/SC.

CURRENT WATCHES, WARNINGS AND ADVISORIES

- **Tropical Storm Watch is in effect for all of southeast Georgia and southeast South Carolina**
- **Coastal Flood Advisory is in effect for the high tide this morning**
- **High Risk of Rip Currents for the southern SC/northern GA coast through Thursday**

HAZARDS AND POTENTIAL IMPACTS

- **Coastal Flooding (high confidence):**
 - Mainly minor to moderate impacts during each high tide cycle through Thursday
 - Latest tide observations/forecasts: [Charleston Harbor](#) / [Ft. Pulaski](#)
- **Coastal Hazards (high confidence):**
 - Life-threatening rip currents through Thursday
 - Some beach erosion likely, especially south-southwest facing beaches around times of high tide
- **Winds (moderate confidence):**
 - [Tropical storm force winds](#) will arrive first in GA and then spread northward into SC as early as Wednesday morning in GA and Wednesday afternoon in SC, but most likely Wednesday night in GA and early Thursday in SC
 - Some downed trees/powerlines are likely along with scattered power outages
- **Rain (moderate confidence):**
 - [3-5 inches with locally higher amounts](#) likely through Thursday
 - Isolated flash flooding possible generally this evening through Thursday, especially near the coast around times of high tide
- **Tornadoes (moderate confidence):**
 - Isolated tornadoes possible, mainly Wednesday afternoon through Thursday

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Next Update:

- Live webinar briefing for partners at 1030 am EDT today – see email for details

Stay Aware:

- [National Hurricane Center page](#)
- [NWS Charleston Tropical page](#)
- [NWS Charleston Briefing page](#)

