IMPACTS FOR D7 (through next 5 days) Winds – Moderate Storm Surge – Moderate Rainfall/Flash Flooding – Moderate **Tornadoes – Low** Waves - Moderate

TROPICAL STORM ELSA BRIEFING

8:00 AM EDT Wednesday July 7, 2021 Prepared by: Scott Stripling **Tropical Analysis and Forecast Branch** NWS National Hurricane Center

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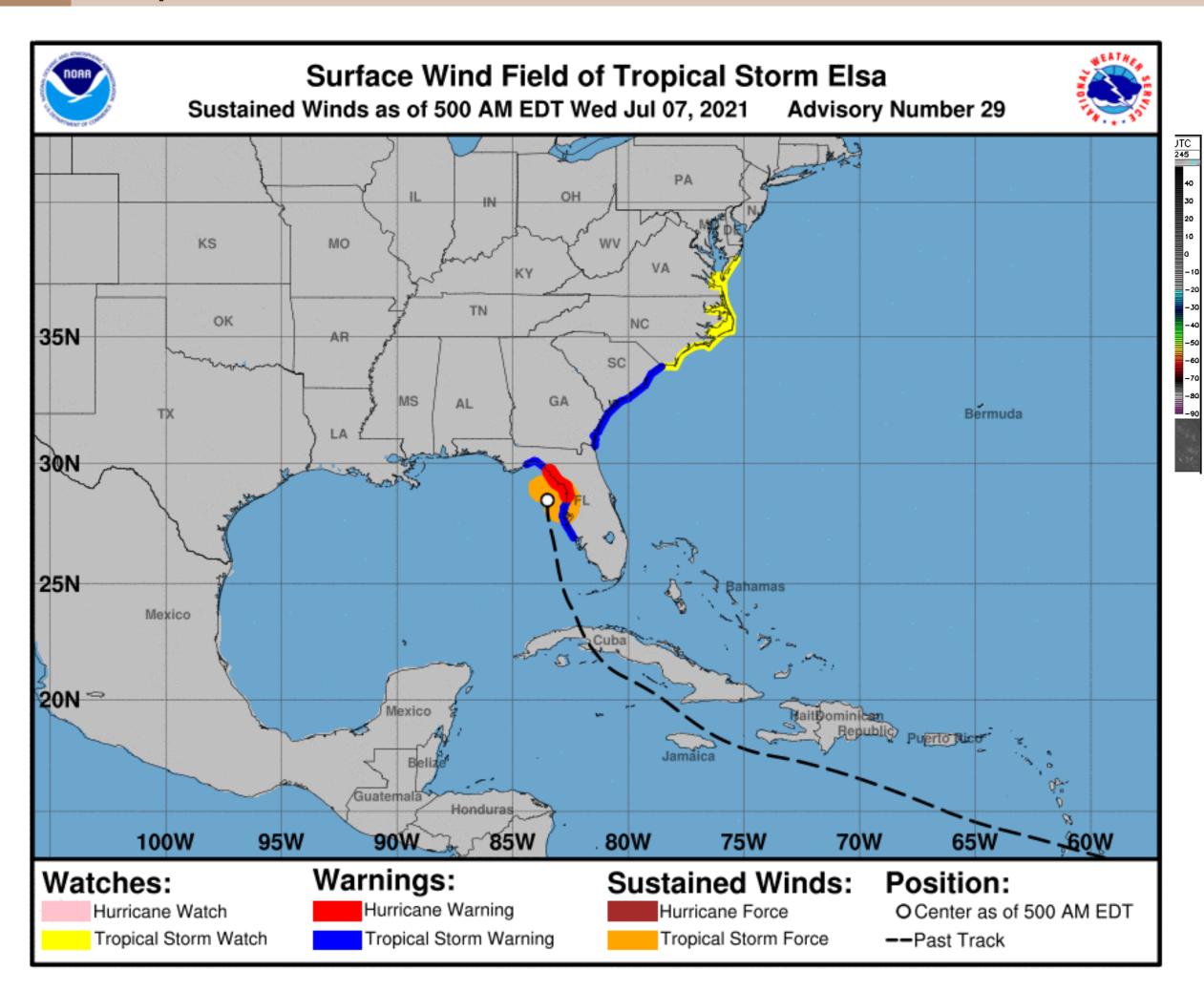






Situation Overview

Tropical Storm Elsa





...Elsa moving northward offshore of the W coast of Florida...

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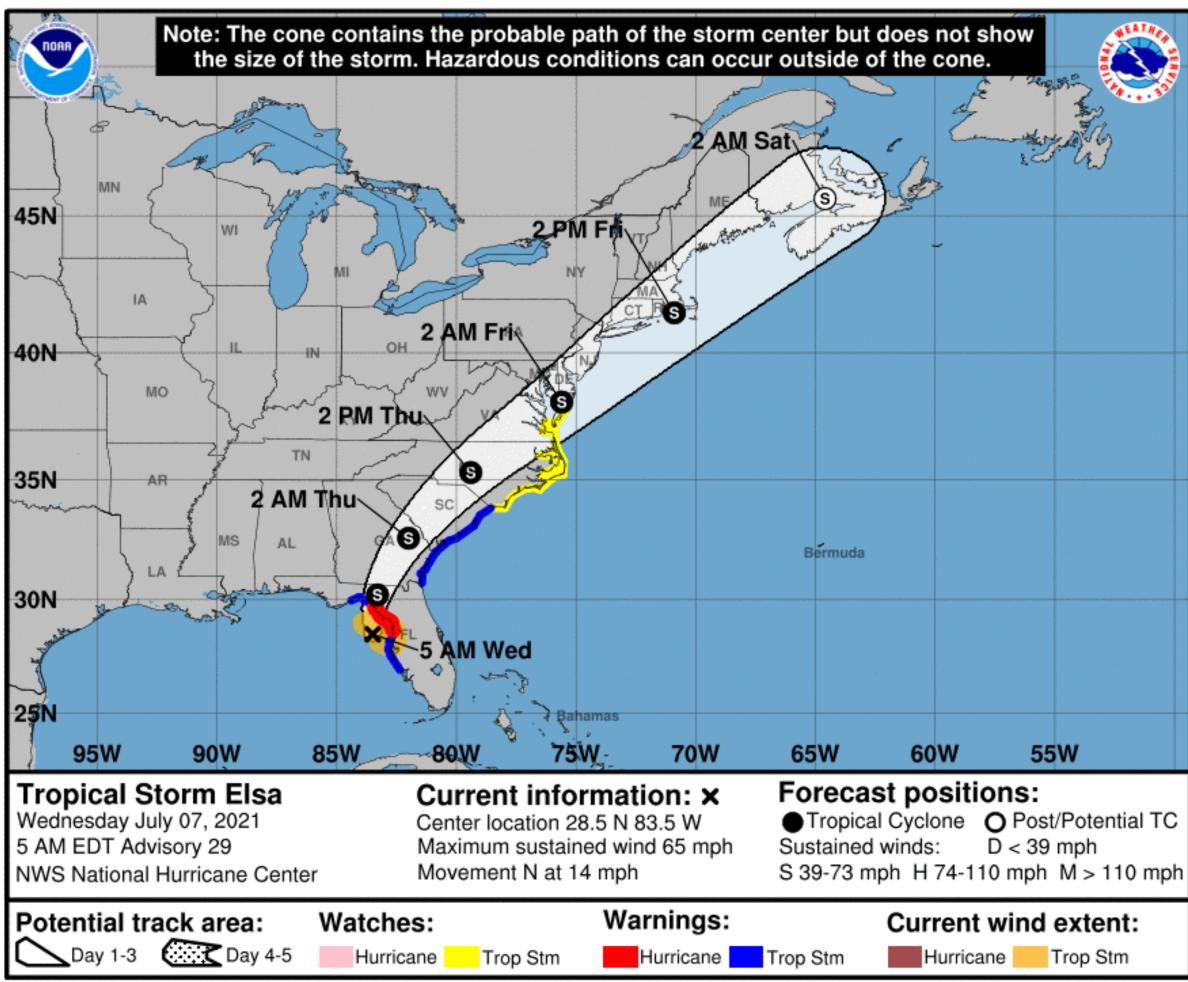
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Forecast Information

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NOTE: Do not focus on the exact track. Impacts can occur well outside the area enclosed by the cone.

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Elsa is moving northward along the W coast of Florida this morning as a TS, and expected to make landfall in the Florida Big Bend area this afternoon. Strongest winds and highest seas remain confined to NE semicircle of Elsa and near the coast.

- Elsa still has opportunity to return to Hurricane strength before landfall. Squalls and bands of Tstorms expected to continue near and E of center and will spread northeastward across northern Florida today. Trailing bands of Tstorms also likely to persist across portions of S central and central Florida through this evening.
- White swath of potential track is the probable track error added to each side of the forecast track through day 3
- Hatched swatch of potential track is 67th percentile error added to each side of the forecast track days 4-5

** Swaths are calculated using 67th percentile errors and actual track may be well inside, or possibly outside the potential track areas indicated.























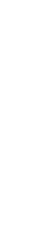




















Hazards Map

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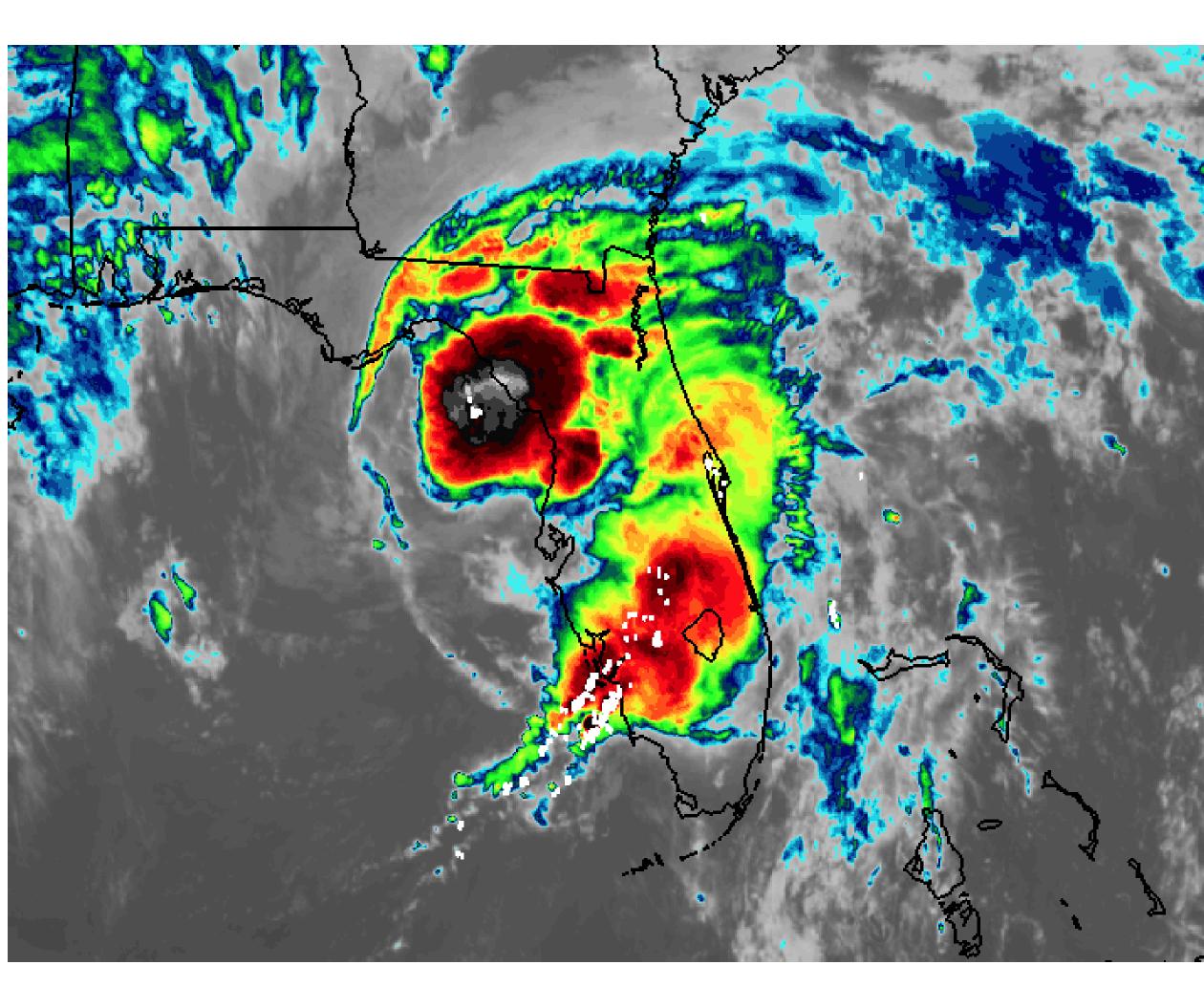


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Current Satellite View

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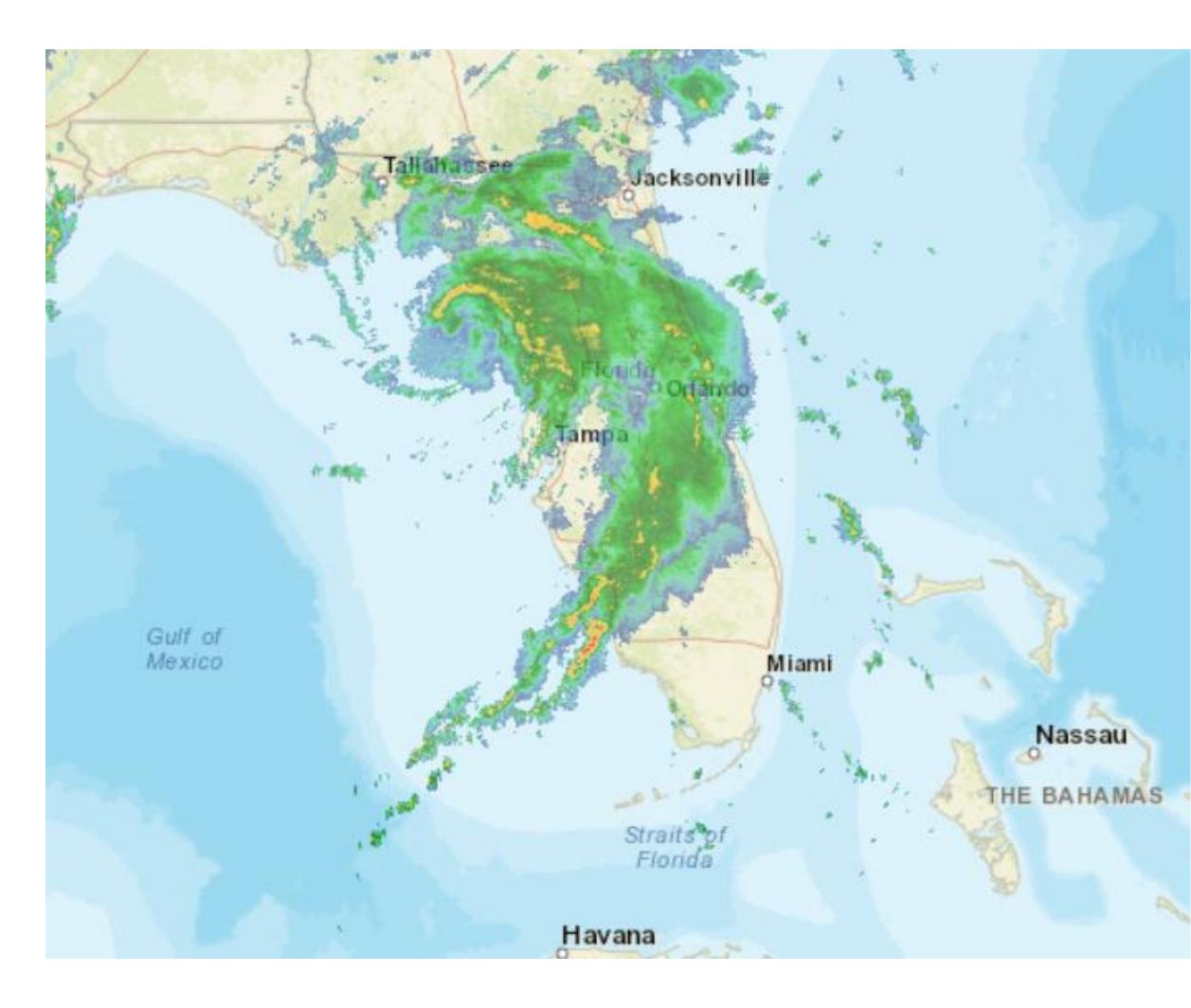






Current Radar View

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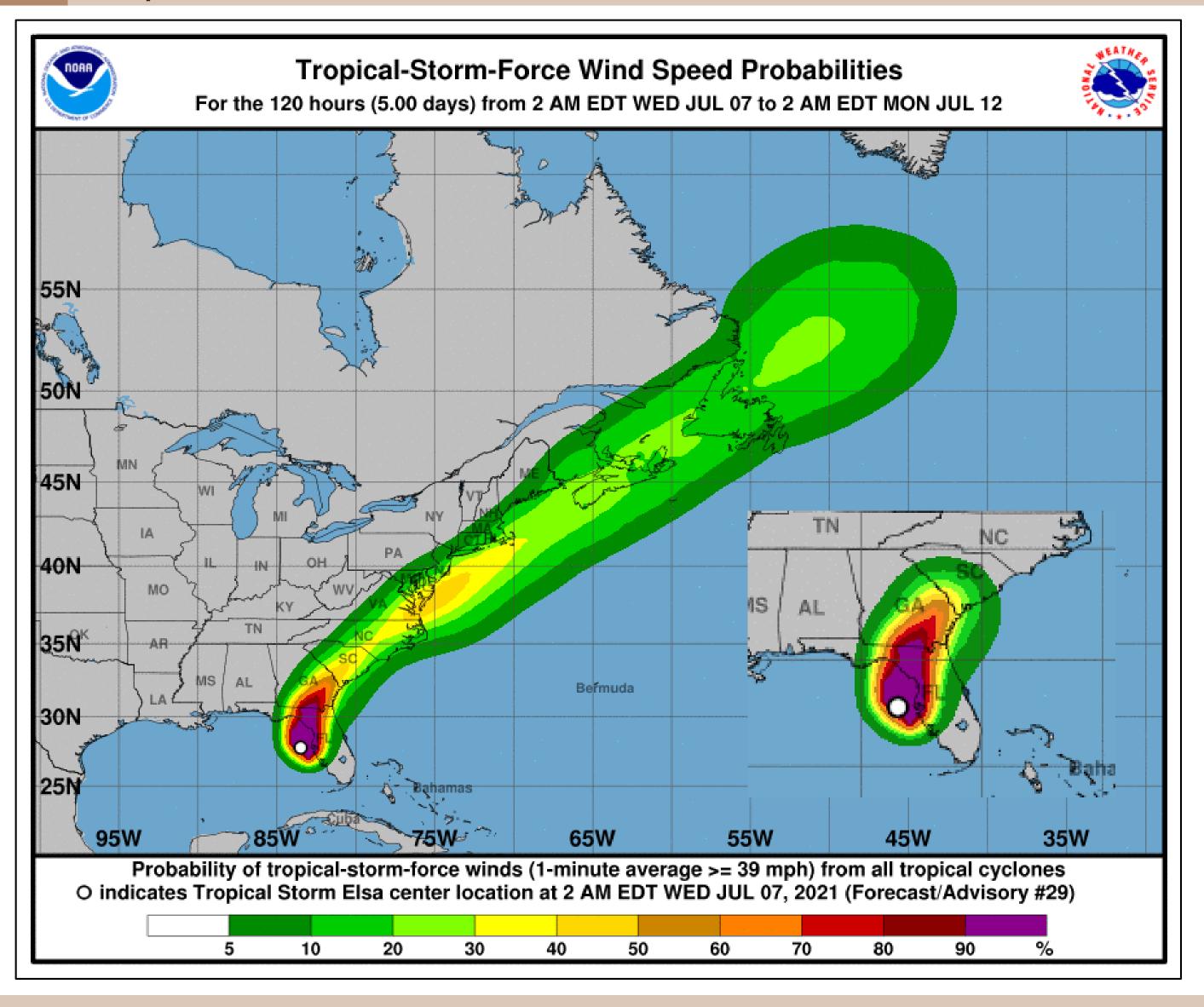
NWS radar composite from 7:32 am. Elsa moving N along the W coast of N central Florida. Dry air has become entrained within the circulation of Elsa overnight and is limiting convection across W portions of Elsa.





T.S. Wind Speed Probabilities

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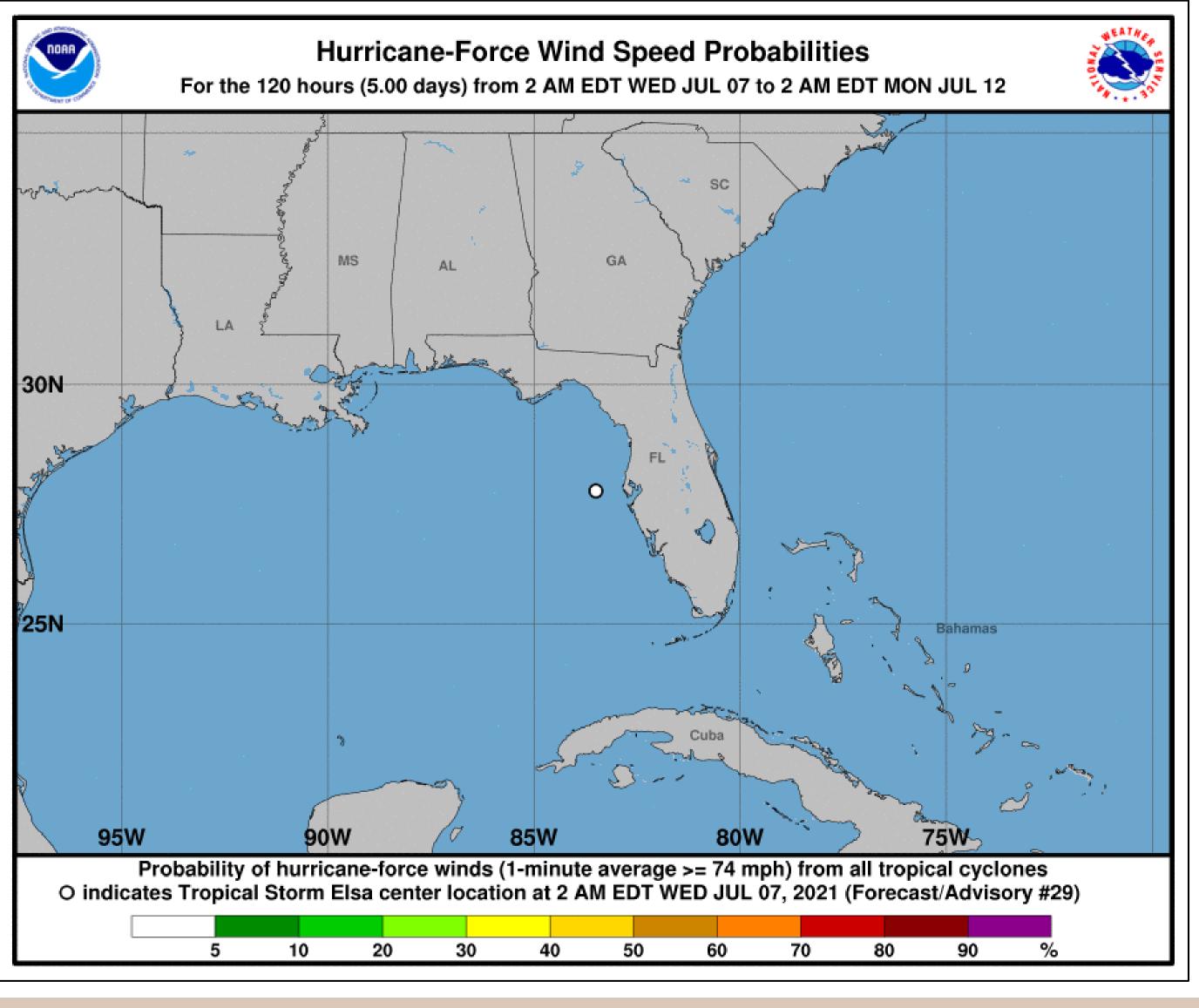


- Probabilities of sustained tropical storm force winds (34 kt to 63 kt) over the next 5 days, based off this cyclone's wind radii and track.
- Clear or dark green are the lowest chances of 0-30%.
- Yellow to orange is 31-70%
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Hurricane Wind Speed Probabilities

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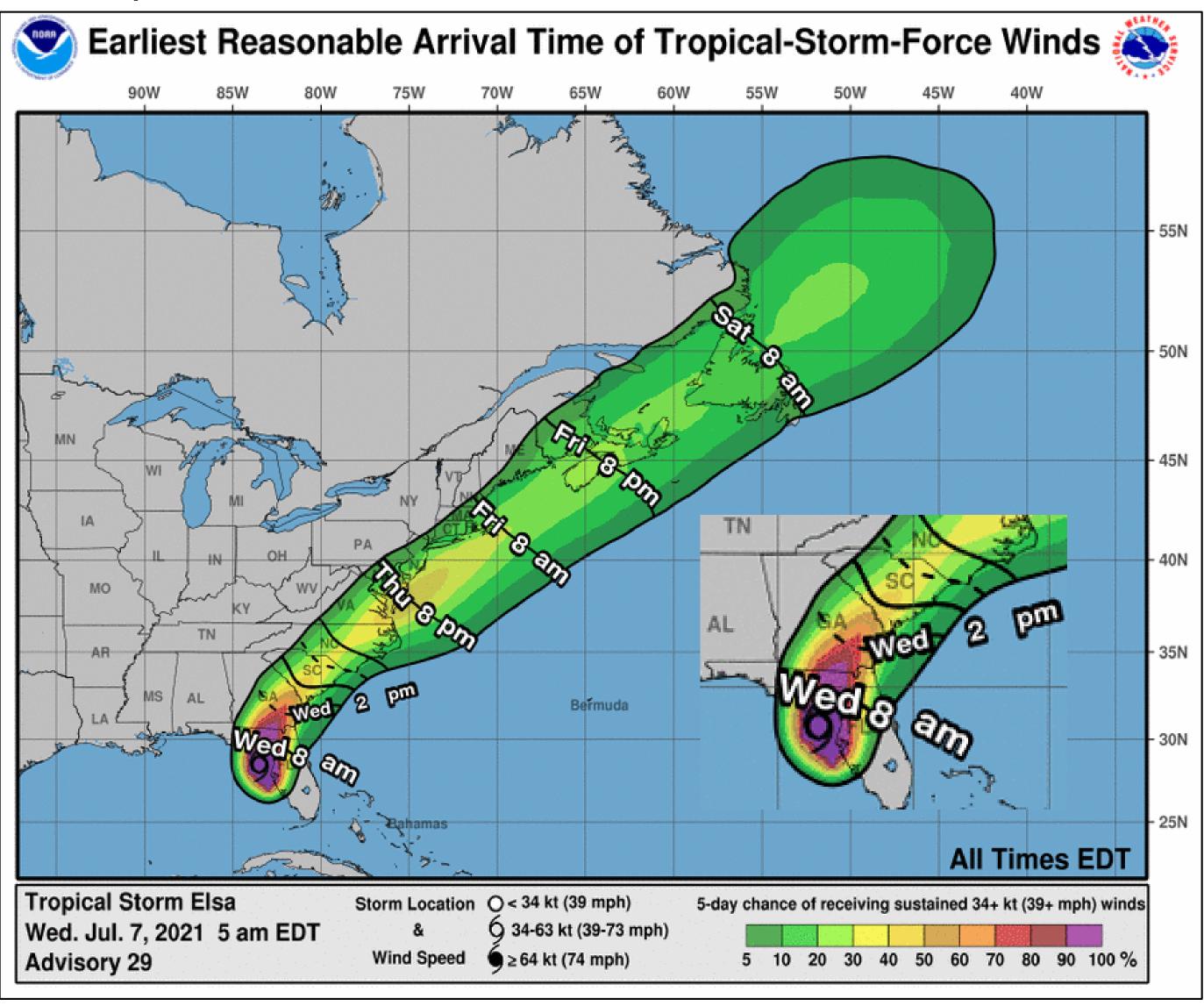


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- The earliest reasonable time of arrival of Tropical Storm Force Winds (34 kt to 63 kt) for this cyclone based off the current track and wind radii.
- Earliest reasonable time of arrival for TS winds across the coastal zone of Florida Big Bend Region are within the next hour or so
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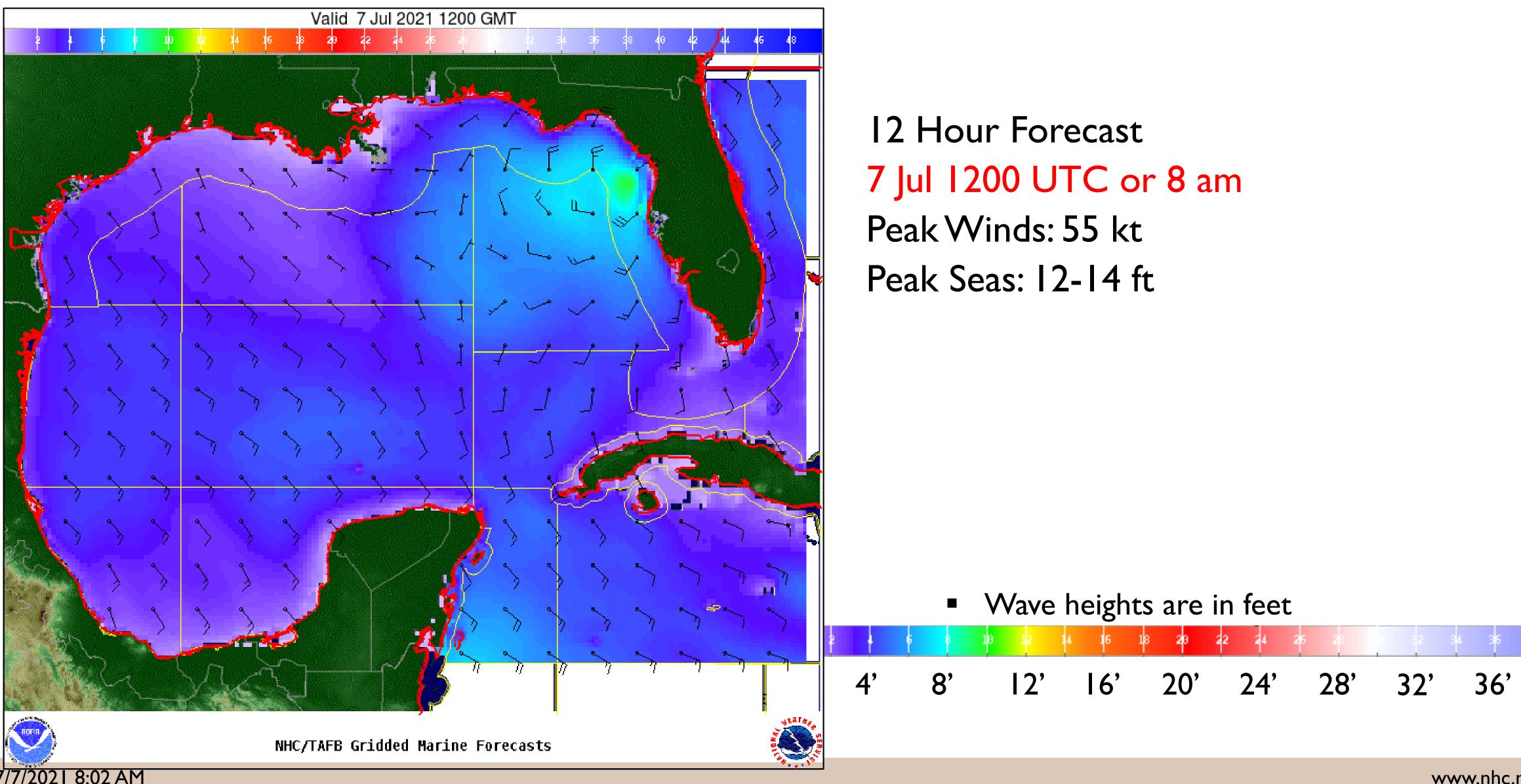






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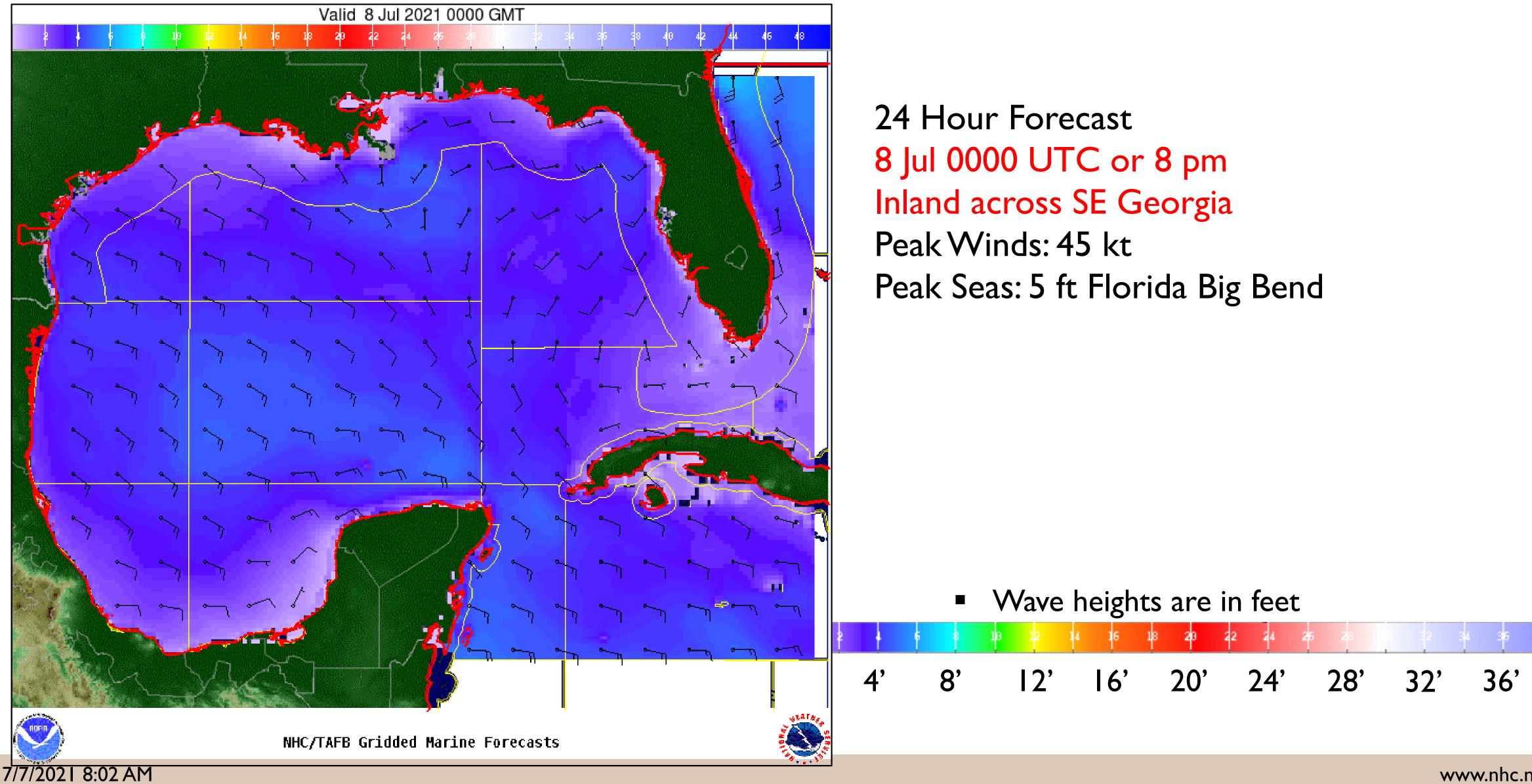






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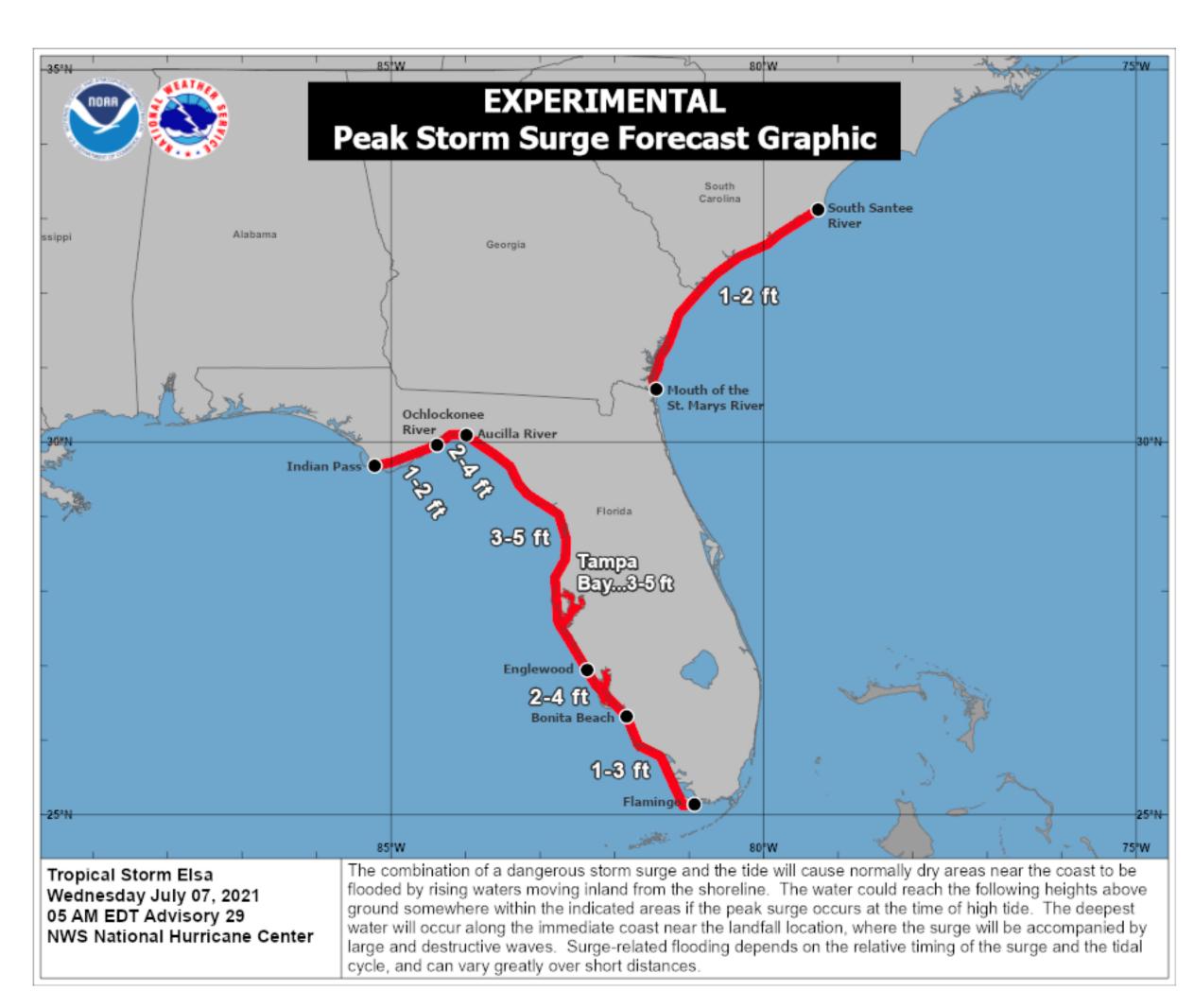
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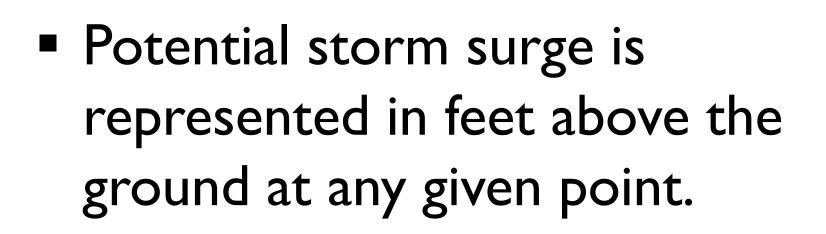
Potential Peak Storm Surge / Watches and Warnings

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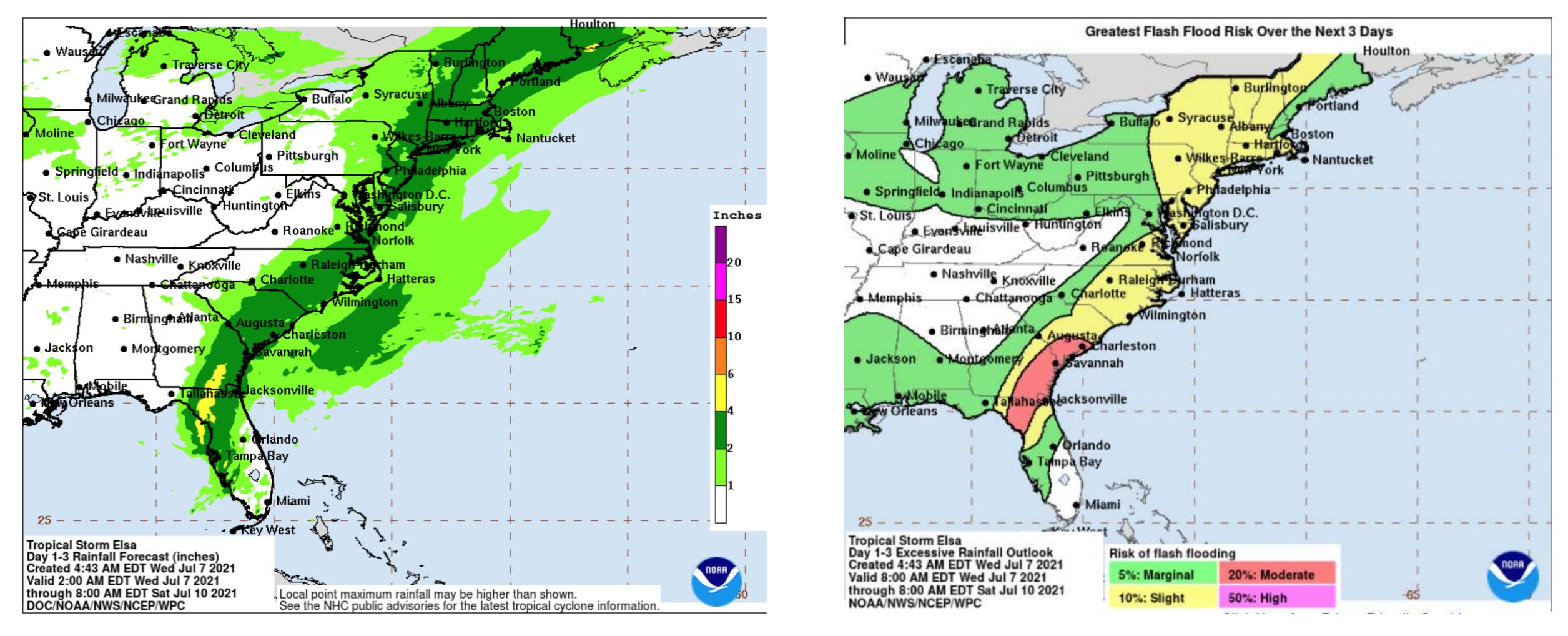




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Expected Storm Total Rainfall and Chance of Rainfall Flooding

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Total rainfall in inches through 9 Jul 1200 UTC or 8 am.

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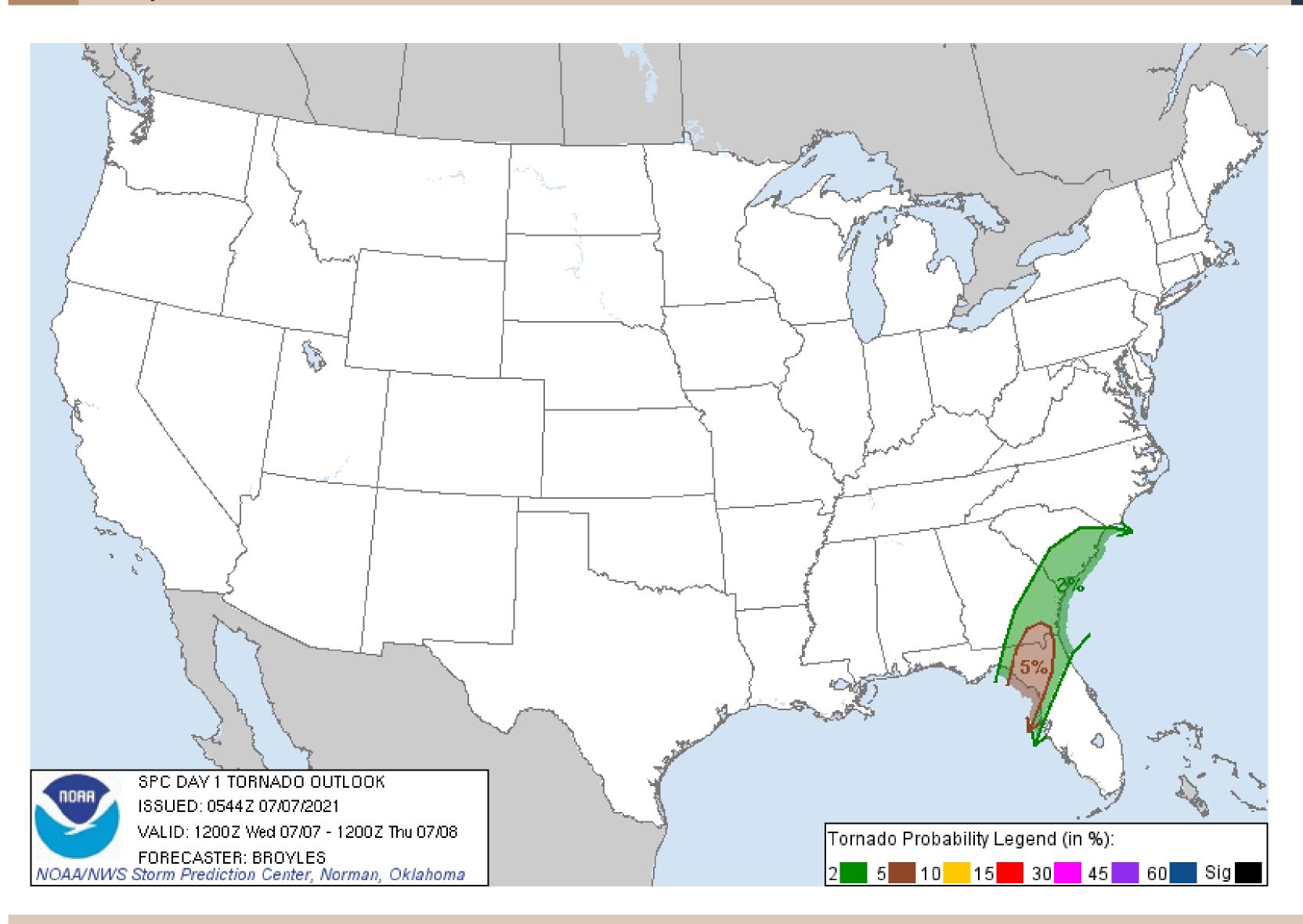
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Tornado Outlook – Day I

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Tornado threat to continue as Elsa moves across N Florida



Key Messages

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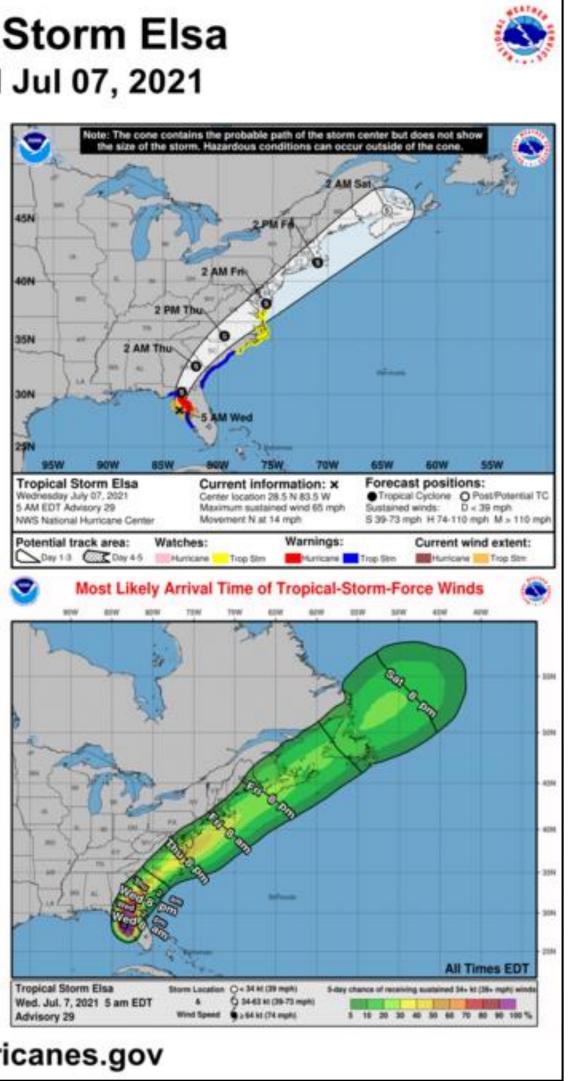
Key Messages for Tropical Storm Elsa Advisory 29: 5:00 AM EDT Wed Jul 07, 2021

 As Elsa moves across the western and northern Florida Peninsula today, heavy rainfall may result in considerable flash, urban, and isolated moderate river flooding. Heavy rainfall across southeast Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina, and southeastern Virginia may result in isolated flash and urban flooding, with considerable flash and urban flooding possible across coastal Georgia and the Lowcountry of South Carolina. Heavy rainfall across the Northeast and New England Thursday and Friday could lead to isolated flash and urban flooding.

2. There is a danger of life-threatening storm surge along portions of the west coast of Florida today, and a Storm Surge Warning is in effect for that area.

3. Hurricane conditions are possible during the next several hours along a portion of the west coast of Florida, where a Hurricane Warning is in effect. Tropical storm conditions are occurring across portions of the western Florida peninsula and will continue to spread northward along the west coast of the state within the warning area through today.

4. Although the center of Elsa is expected to remain inland of the coastline from Georgia through the Carolinas during the next day or two, tropical storm conditions are expected along much of the coasts of Georgia and South Carolina. Tropical storm conditions are also possible along the coast of the mid-Atlantic state by Thursday night or Friday.



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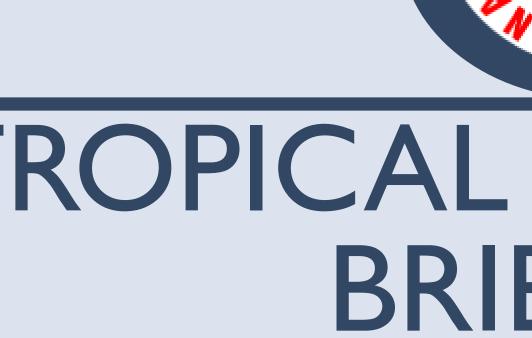
- Tropical Storm conditions currently impacting the NE Gulf waters will shift north and northeastward across N Florida today, with marine conditions quickly improving across the NE Gulf water this afternoon through evening.
- Elsa has a low chance to strengthen to a hurricane before making landfall this afternoon.
- Winds of 35-55 kt and seas 10-14 ft are expected to accompany the E semicircle of Elsa as it moves N along the W coast of Florida through landfall.











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