

## **TROPICAL STORM NICHOLAS**

*Report from the National Weather Service. Hurricane Watch and Storm Surge and Flood Warnings for Aransas County*

Tropical Storm Nicholas is still forecast to become a strong tropical storm approaching our area Monday afternoon around 4 pm. Prior to its arrival, there will be bands of unassociated rainstorms, storm surges, and possible coastal flooding. There is a possibility of it developing into a Category 1 hurricane before making landfall.

Heavy rain with some flooding appears to be the primary impact through Tuesday, especially along the Coastal Bend and Victoria Crossroads. Additional impact details will become clearer with time as the system progresses across the southwestern and western Gulf of Mexico.

### **South Texas Impacts:**

**Winds:** Tropical storm force winds of 50-60 mph, gusting to 75 mph (hurricane strength).

**Rainfall:** 4-8", isolated higher amounts, heaviest along the Coastal Bend and Victoria Crossroads with possible flooding.

**Flooding and Storm Surge Warning:** 2-4' above ground level. High tides at 7:49 am on Monday, 8:32 am Tuesday, and 9:30 am on Wednesday and high winds may worsen flooding.

**Rip Currents:** MODERATE risk today, increasing to HIGH Monday and Tuesday.

Residents are encouraged to move or tie-down items that may become loose and cause damage. Those living in low lying areas are urged to move to higher ground. High profile vehicles should move further west or north from Aransas County.

As a safety precaution, Aransas County Independent School District has announced there WILL NOT be school on Monday. Please visit their site on Monday as to plans for Tuesday.

There is NO evacuation order at this time.

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