

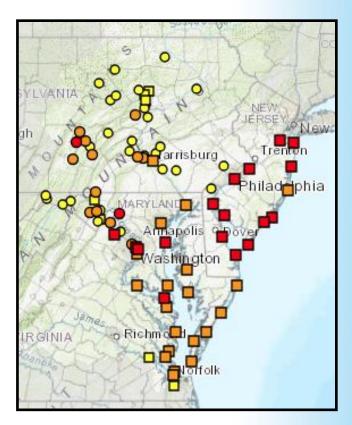


Widespread Flooding Across Susquehanna and Potomac Basins

Hurricane Florence could impact region by late in the week

Decision Support Briefing #1
As of: Noon, September 9















Main Points

HAZARD:	Heavy Rainfall and River Flooding	
IMPACTS:	Widepsread 2-3 inches of rain fell in the 24 hrs ending 7am. 2-5 inches is expected across much of the Mid-Atlantic in the next couple of days with heaviest amounts today	
LOCATION:	Heaviest rainfall is in Western and Central Pennsylvania Highest flood threat is in Juniata basin and parts of the Potomac River basin	
TIMING:	Rivers will be rising over next 48 hours	
FLORENCE:	Hurricane Florence is continuing to move across the Atlantic and is expected to impact the East Coast towards the latter part of this week. However it is still too early to assess exact timing, location, and impacts although heavy rain should be anticipated.	
NOTES:	Focus of this briefing is on river flooding. Coastal, tidal, and small stream flooding is also expected	

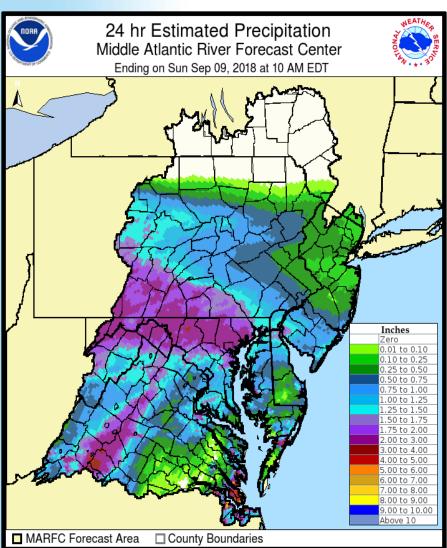








Observed Precipitation



- ✓ Reports of over 5 inches of rain were reported as of 7am this morning near Norfolk, VA
- ✓ Other reports over 2 inches across southern Pennsylvania, Maryland and the Blue Ridge Mountains

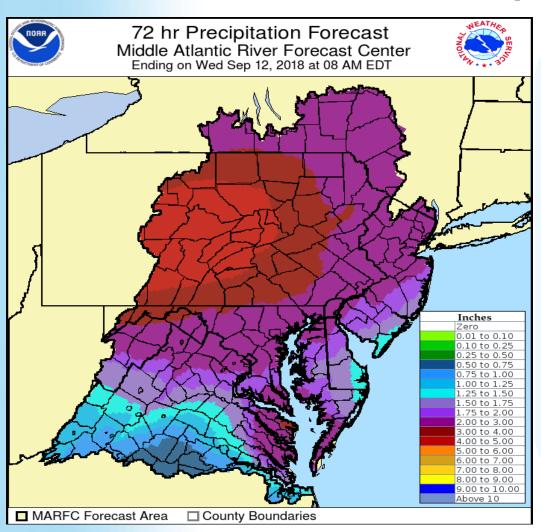








Forecast Precipitation



- Rainfall will be continuing over the next couple of days although heaviest amounts will be occurring on Sunday
- ✓ Large areas of 3-5 inches of rain is forecast primarily in central and western Pennsylvania
- ✓ Over 2 inches of rain can be expected over most of the Mid-Atlantic region by Wednesday morning

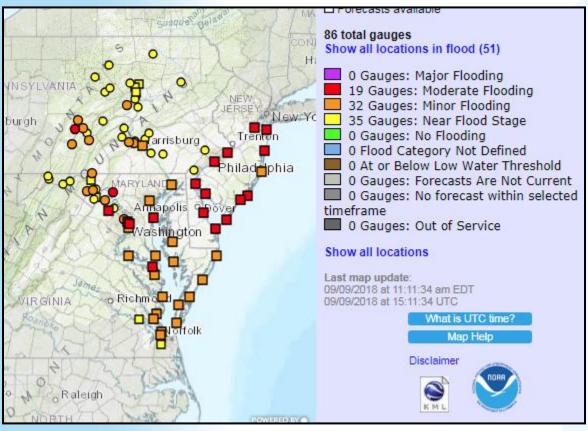








Flood Forecasts



- Minor to Moderate flooding is forecast across much of the Juniata River, parts of the Potomac and tributaries in Maryland as well as smaller streams near Harrisburg
- Extensive moderate coastal and tidal flooding is also anticipated over the next several high tide cycles
- Small stream flooding will also be widespread across the mid-Atlantic
- ✓ These forecasts do not include any impacts from Florence later in the week



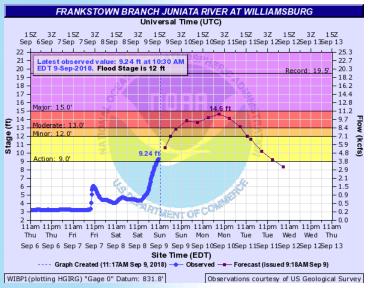


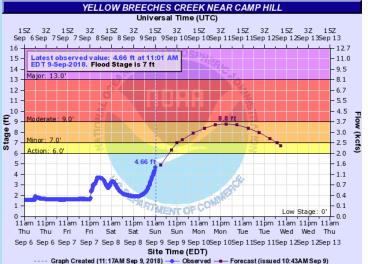






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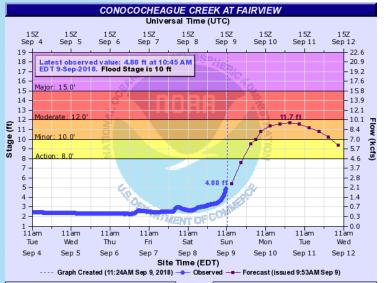
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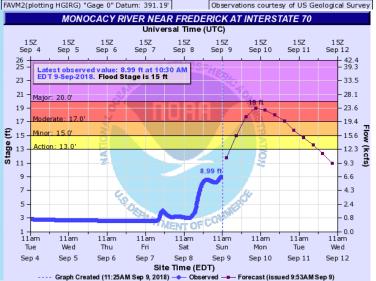






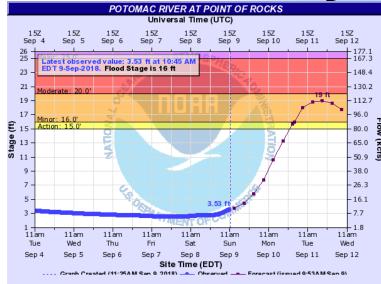
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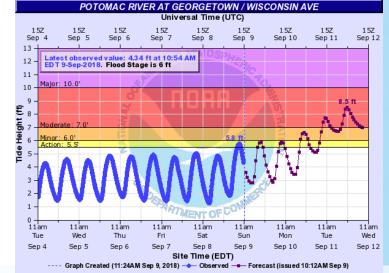


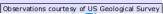


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Key Messages for Hurricane Florence Advisory 41: 11:00 AM AST Sun Sep 09, 2018



1. There is an increasing risk of two life-threatening impacts from Florence: storm surge at the coast and freshwater flooding from a prolonged heavy rainfall event inland. While it is too soon to determine the exact timing, location, and magnitude of these impacts, interests at the coast and inland from South Carolina into the mid-Atlantic region should closely monitor the progress of Florence, ensure they have their hurricane plan in place, and follow any advice given by local officials.





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