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January 23-27 is
Florida 2017 Severe Weather
Awareness Week



January 20th, 2017: The week of January 23-27 has been designated as Florida Severe Weather Awareness Week. In conjunction with Florida's Division of Emergency Management and the American Red Cross, the National Weather Service (NWS) will release information each day next week focusing on the specific weather hazard being highlighted that day. The information will be published on the [NWS Miami web site](http://www.weather.gov/miami) as well as on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/) and [Twitter](https://twitter.com/).

On **Monday, January 23rd**, the highlighted hazard will be [lightning](#).



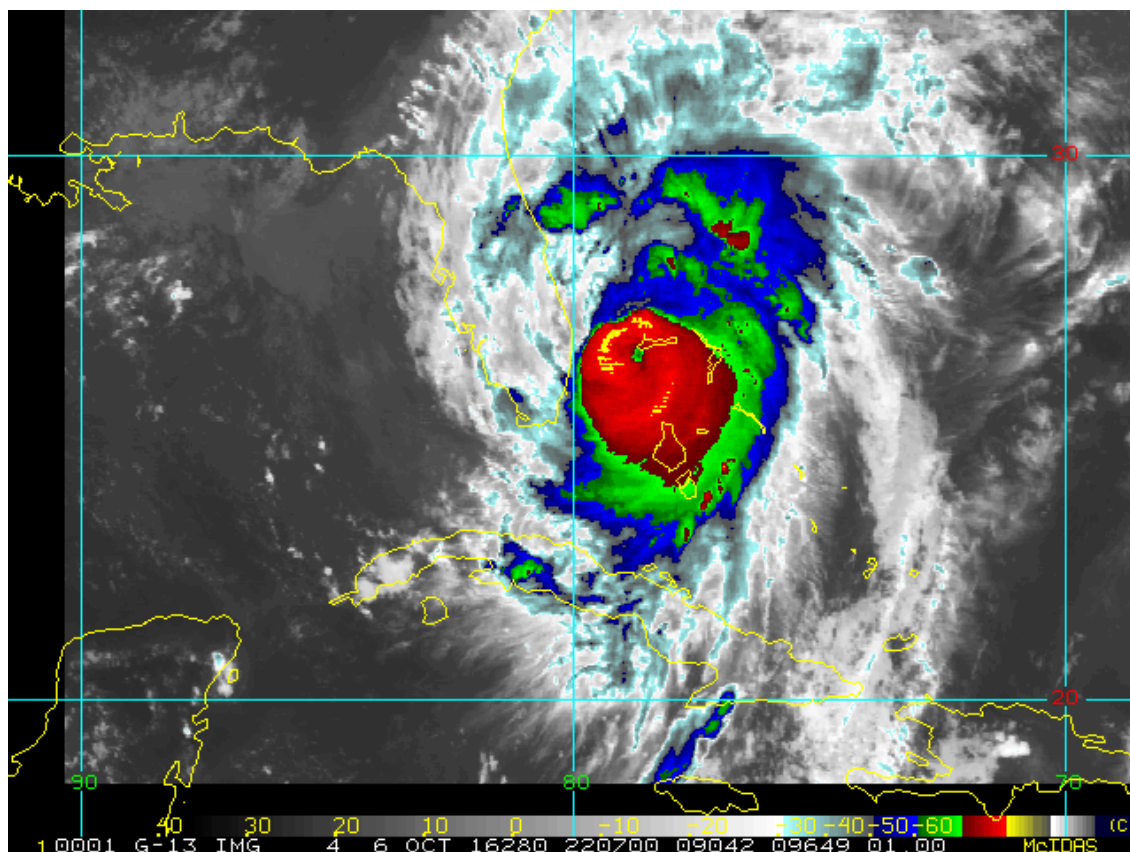
On **Tuesday, January 24th**, [marine hazards](#) and [rip currents](#) will be discussed.



Wednesday, January 25th will cover [tornadoes and thunderstorms](#). A tornado drill will be conducted for the South Florida region at **1010 AM EST**.



Thursday, January 26th will highlight [hurricanes](#) and [flooding](#).



Friday, January 27th will end the week with [heat](#), [cold](#) and [wildfire](#) threats being discussed.



2016 was an active weather year in South Florida, with impacts resulting from several tornado and severe thunderstorms events in January, February and March, as well as a significant threat from a major hurricane (Matthew) in October. Although no widespread major damage resulted from these events, it served as a reminder that we need to be ready every year from hurricanes and other hazardous weather.

More detailed information will be provided throughout the week in the daily articles dealing with each weather hazard. Visit [NWS Miami web site](#), [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) pages for updates.