Coastal Flooding, High Surf, & Rain

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What Has Changed?
✓ Increasing risk for strong winds on land
✓ Minor flooding expected for the tidal Delaware River
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<td>Coastal Flooding</td>
<td>Minor to moderate, with possible major tidal flooding.</td>
<td>Moderate flooding in S DE and the S and central NJ coast. Minor flooding possible for much of other areas. Highest risk for major flooding is near Sussex County DE.</td>
<td>Monday and Tuesday afternoon high tide cycles</td>
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<td>Marine</td>
<td>Wind gusts up to 50 kt with seas up to 15 ft.</td>
<td>NJ and DE coastal waters and the Delaware Bay</td>
<td>Gale and storm force gusts Sun into Monday. Highest seas expected Monday</td>
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<td>Rip Current/Surf</td>
<td>Very dangerous surf and rip current conditions are expected. Some beach erosion possible.</td>
<td>The DE and NJ coasts</td>
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<td>Winds on Land</td>
<td>Wind gusts 45 to 60 mph are expected. This could lead to minor tree and wire damage.</td>
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<td>Through late tonight</td>
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<td>Rain</td>
<td>Additional rain amounts of 1 to 4 inches could cause localized flooding and exacerbate tidal flooding</td>
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Summary of Greatest Impacts

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Rainfall Amounts

Additional Forecast Rain Amounts through Tuesday

- Forecast for additional rain from tonight through Tuesday night
- Periods of light to moderate rain are expected.
- Although widespread freshwater flooding isn’t expected, rain, especially close to high tide could exacerbate coastal flooding
Tidal flooding potential Monday afternoon

- This graphic shows the potential magnitude of flooding on the oceanfront, bays, and estuaries along the highlighted areas for the Monday afternoon high tide.
- Likely to have longer lasting and higher impacts on back bays than the ocean front.
Coastal Flooding Tuesday

Tidal flooding potential Tuesday afternoon high tide

- This graphic shows the potential magnitude of flooding on the oceanfront, bays, and estuaries along the highlighted areas for the Tuesday afternoon high tide.
- Impacts may linger longer on back bays.
Winds

Forecast Wind Gusts

Through tonight

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Wind Hazards

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A prolonged period of onshore flow and rain will bring a few different impacts to the region.

Coastal flooding is possible through the first half of the week. The Monday and Tuesday afternoon high tides are expected to have the worst impacts, with moderate flooding possible with that tide cycle for southern Delaware and the central and southern New Jersey coast. Localized major tidal flooding is possible. Impacts may linger longer and be worse on back bays than the ocean front, especially Sunday and Monday.

Strong onshore flow will result in hazardous conditions for mariners and beach goers. Dangerously high surf could result in some beach erosion. A high risk of rip currents is expected through at least Monday.

Winds of 45 to 60 mph for portions of southern Delaware and Eastern New Jersey could result in minor tree and wire damage through late tonight.

Periods of light to moderate rain are possible through Tuesday. Widespread flooding is not expected, but rain could exacerbate tidal flooding.
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