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T.S. HENRI UPDATE FROM DESPP/DEMHS AT 10:15 AM SUN AUG 21st, 2021

HENRI STILL FORECAST TO MAKE LANDFALL NEAR THE CONNECTICUT/RHODE ISLAND BORDER BETWEEN 1:00 – 2:00 PM THIS AFTERNOON...TROPICAL STORM WARNINGS ARE NOW IN EFFECT FOR THE ENTIRE STATE...FLOOD WATCHES ARE ALSO IN EFFECT FOR THE ENTIRE STATE...

At 10:00 AM Tropical Storm Henri was located approximately 30 miles east southeast of Montauk Point, Long Island. Henri is moving to the north northwest at 14 MPH with maximum sustained winds of 70 MPH.

At 10:00 AM radar showed rain bands from Tropical Storm Henri moving across the state from southeast to northwest. North winds are currently gusting to 40 - 50 MPH along the southeast coast. A wind gust to 63 MPH was just reported on Block Island. Eversource and UI are currently reporting a total of 3,749 customers without power across the state. During the next few hours winds and rainfall will continue to increase across the state with the strongest winds in the southeast corner of the state. Henri is still forecast to make landfall near the Connecticut/Rhode Island border between 1:00 – 2:00 PM as a strong tropical storm with sustained winds of 65 MPH and gusts to 80 MPH.

Moderate Coastal Flooding Expected: High tide has just occurred in New London and will occur in Bridgeport at 11:52 AM. A storm surge of 2 - 3 feet is expected to cause moderate flooding along the coast (west of the storm track) during the times of high tide.

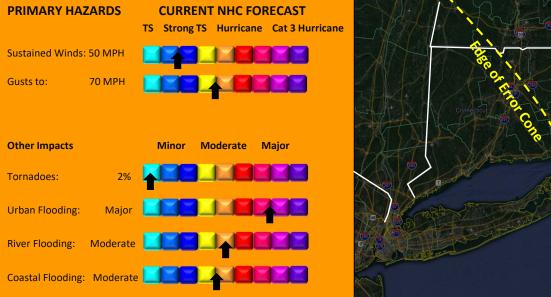
Moderate River and Major Urban Flooding Expected: Henri is forecast to bring 4" – 8" of rainfall to most of the state. This rainfall will likely cause moderate to major urban flooding and moderate river and stream flooding starting this morning and lasting into late this evening.

Moderate to Major Tree and Powerline Damage Possible: Winds may gust to 60 – 70 MPH at times in southeastern CT late this morning and early this afternoon. Wind gusts of 40 – 60 MPH are expected across the rest of the state. These strong wind gusts could cause major tree and powerline damage in southeastern CT and moderate tree and powerline damage across the rest of the state.

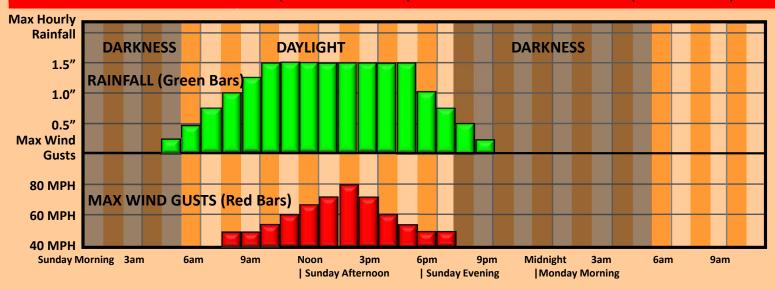
The Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security will continue to closely monitor the track of T.S. Henri. Another update will be sent out at 12:15 PM.

HAZARDS EXPECTED TODAY

NATIONAL HURRICANE CENTER FORECAST



MAXIMUM WIND GUSTS (SOUTHEST COAST) AND HEAVY RAINFALL TIMING (ENTIRE STATE)



Landfall In: 3 Hours

Evacuation Starts In: TBD

Evacuation Ends in: TBD