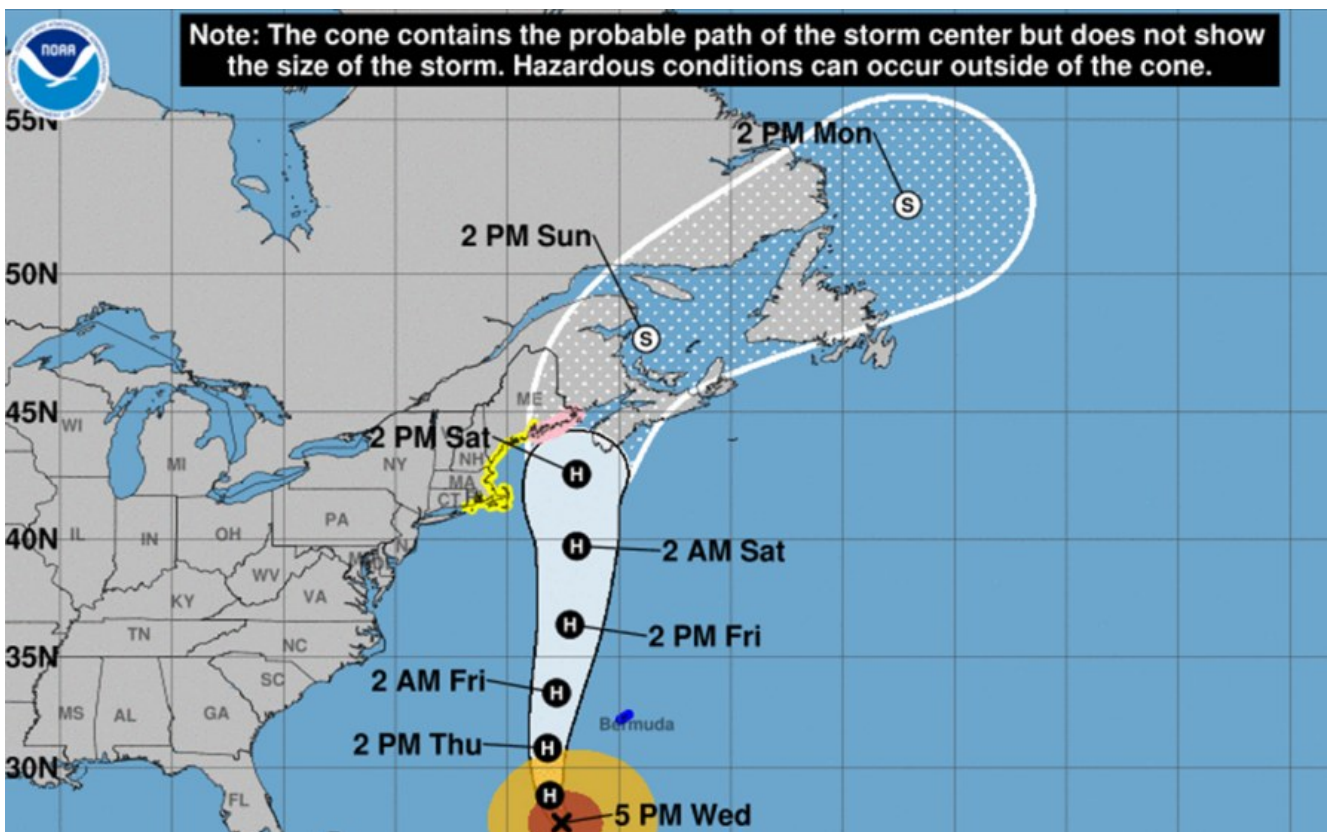


NOAA projecting New Bedford could get whalloped by tropical storm this weekend

Hurricane Lee is heading north up the Atlantic ocean towards the New England area. While its path can't be predicted with 100% certainty, it appears it will miss the south coast and hit the Maine and Nova Scotia area.

With that being said, the NOAA storm tracker is predicting the south coast to get hit with a tropical storm while the hurricane moves past us. The storm is predicted to begin around 2am Saturday and continue for the rest of the day.

The yellow highlight on the storm tracker map indicates areas that will be experiencing a tropical storm.



NOAA Storm Tracker photo.

Mayor Mitchell noted, "While it is too soon to determine

whether the storm will affect our area, city departments have already begun planning and preparing for possible impacts out of an abundance of caution.”

It is important to prepare for power outages and flooding just in case the storm takes a turn for the worse and hits the south coast dead on.