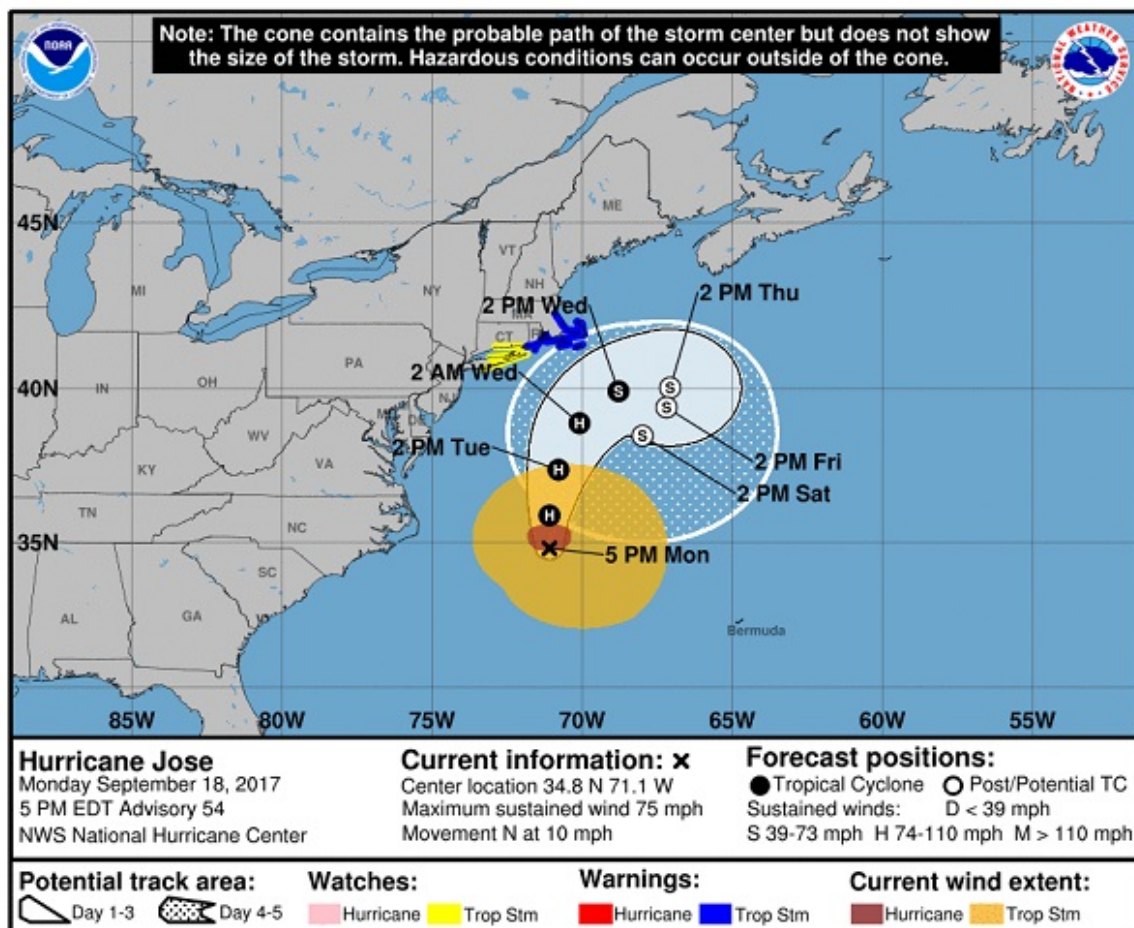


# Tropical Storm Warning issued Massachusetts coast

As of 5:15 PM, the National Weather service has a Tropical Storm Warning in effect for most of the east and south east coast of Massachusetts.

## \* LOCATIONS AFFECTED

- Fall River
- New Bedford



More details:  
[http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/graphics\\_at2.shtml?cone#contents](http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/graphics_at2.shtml?cone#contents)

## \* WIND

- LATEST LOCAL FORECAST: Below tropical storm force wind
- Peak Wind Forecast: 20-30 mph with gusts to 45 mph

- CURRENT THREAT TO LIFE AND PROPERTY: Moderate
- The wind threat has remained nearly steady from the previous assessment.
- Emergency plans should include a reasonable threat for strong tropical storm force wind of 58 to 73 mph.
- To be safe, earnestly prepare for the potential of significant wind impacts. Remaining efforts to secure properties should now be brought to completion.
- Dangerous wind is possible. Failure to adequately shelter may result in injury. Move to safe shelter before the wind becomes hazardous.

– POTENTIAL IMPACTS: Significant

- Some damage to roofing and siding materials, along with damage to porches, awnings, carports, and sheds. A few buildings experiencing window, door, and garage door failures. Mobile homes damaged, especially if unanchored. Unsecured lightweight objects become dangerous projectiles.
- Several large trees snapped or uprooted, but with greater numbers in places where trees are shallow rooted. Several fences and roadway signs blown over.
- Some roads impassable from large debris, and more within urban or heavily wooded places. A few bridges, causeways, and access routes impassable.
- Scattered power and communications outages, but more prevalent in areas with above ground lines.

\* STORM SURGE

- No storm surge inundation forecast

– CURRENT THREAT TO LIFE AND PROPERTY: None

- The storm surge threat has decreased from the previous assessment.
- Surf conditions may still be rough with some beach erosion. Stronger than normal rip currents may also be present.
- Exercise due safety.
- Review your seasonal plan and ensure readiness for the next storm surge event.

- REALIZED IMPACTS: Being Assessed
- Little to no additional surge impacts expected. Community officials are now assessing the extent of actual surge impacts accordingly.

\* FLOODING RAIN

- LATEST LOCAL FORECAST:
- Peak Rainfall Amounts: 2-4 inches, with locally higher amounts

- CURRENT THREAT TO LIFE AND PROPERTY: Elevated
- The flooding rain threat has remained nearly steady from the previous assessment.
- Emergency plans should include a reasonable threat for minor flooding where peak rainfall totals are near amounts conducive for localized flash flooding and rapid inundation.
- To be safe, prepare for the potential of limited flooding rain impacts.
- Localized flooding is possible. If flood related watches and warnings are issued, heed recommended actions.

- POTENTIAL IMPACTS: Limited
- Localized rainfall flooding may prompt a few evacuations.
- Rivers and tributaries may quickly rise with swifter currents. Small streams, creeks, canals, arroyos, and ditches may become swollen and overflow in spots.
- Flood waters can enter a few structures, especially in usually vulnerable spots. A few places where rapid ponding of water occurs at underpasses, low-lying spots, and poor drainage areas. Several storm drains and retention ponds become near-full and begin to overflow. Some brief road and bridge closures.

\* TORNADO

- LATEST LOCAL FORECAST:
- Situation is unfavorable for tornadoes
- CURRENT THREAT TO LIFE AND PROPERTY: None

- The tornado threat has remained nearly steady from the previous assessment.
- Emergency plans need not include a threat for tornadoes. Showers and thunderstorms with strong gusty winds may still occur.
- Little to no preparations needed to guard against tropical tornadoes.
- Ensure readiness for the next tropical tornado event.
  
- POTENTIAL IMPACTS: Little to None
- Little to no potential impacts from tornadoes.
  
- \* FOR MORE INFORMATION:
- <http://weather.gov/box>