



HURRICANE SANDY UPDATE

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HURRICANE SANDY CONTINUES MOVING OVER OPEN WATERS OFF THE U.S. SOUTHEAST COAST AT THIS TIME... HIGH WIND WATCHES AND COASTAL FLOOD WATCHES ISSUED FOR SOUTHERN CT...

Towns should continue preparations for a potentially major impact from Sandy...

At 5:00 PM the center of Hurricane Sandy was located near 30.2 North 75.2 West (345 Miles South of Cape Hatteras, South Carolina). Hurricane Sandy has maximum sustained winds of 75 MPH and is moving to the Northeast at 13 MPH. Sandy is currently a Category I Hurricane.

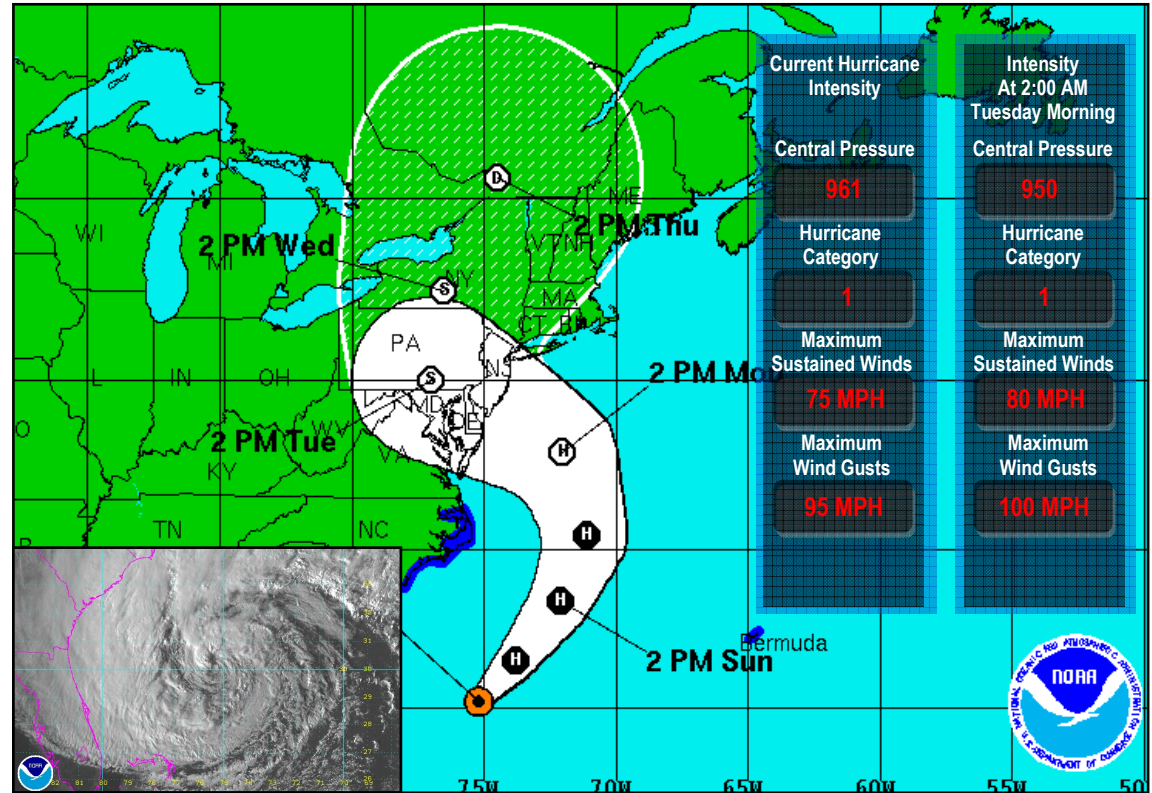
The National Hurricane Center is forecasting that Sandy will continue in a generally Northeast direction for the next 30 hours as the storm moves out over open water off the U.S. Southeast Coast. Sandy is forecast to move to a position approximately 225 Miles East of Cape Hatteras, North Carolina by 2:00 AM Monday Morning. Sandy is then forecast to intensify and grow in size as the storm interacts with an approaching winter type storm system. Sandy is forecast to move Northwest to a position near the southern coast of New Jersey by 2:00 AM Tuesday morning.

Sandy is expected to be a very large and dangerous Hybrid when the storm arrives Sunday night and Monday. Hybrid storms do not act like hurricanes and do not weaken over cold waters. Sandy is forecast to move slowly and impact our area for up to 36 hours with very strong winds, finally departing our area Wednesday morning.

The NWS has issued High Wind Watches for the potential of very strong winds sustained at 40 – 60 MPH and gusting to 60 – 80 MPH along the coast and in the higher elevations at times. Coastal Flood Watches have been issued for the potential for major coastal flooding. The Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection continue to monitor the latest forecasts and will issue another update on Sandy at 8:30 AM Sunday.

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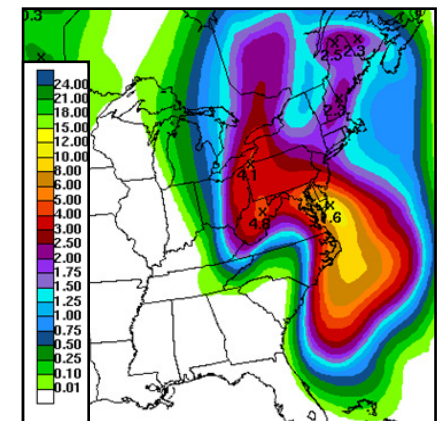
National Hurricane Center Storm Track Forecast



Long Island Sound Tide Forecast

All levels shown as MLLW

Location	Time	Level	Flooding Category
Bridgeport	Sun 11:30 PM	9.7 Feet	Minor
	Mon 11:45 AM	12.1 Feet	Moderate / Major
	Mon Midnight	15.5 Feet	Major / Record
New London	Sun 9:00 PM	4.5 Feet	Minor
	Mon 9:30 AM	6.4 Feet	Moderate
	Mon 10:00 PM	8.1 Feet	Major



Rainfall Forecast from HPC

