

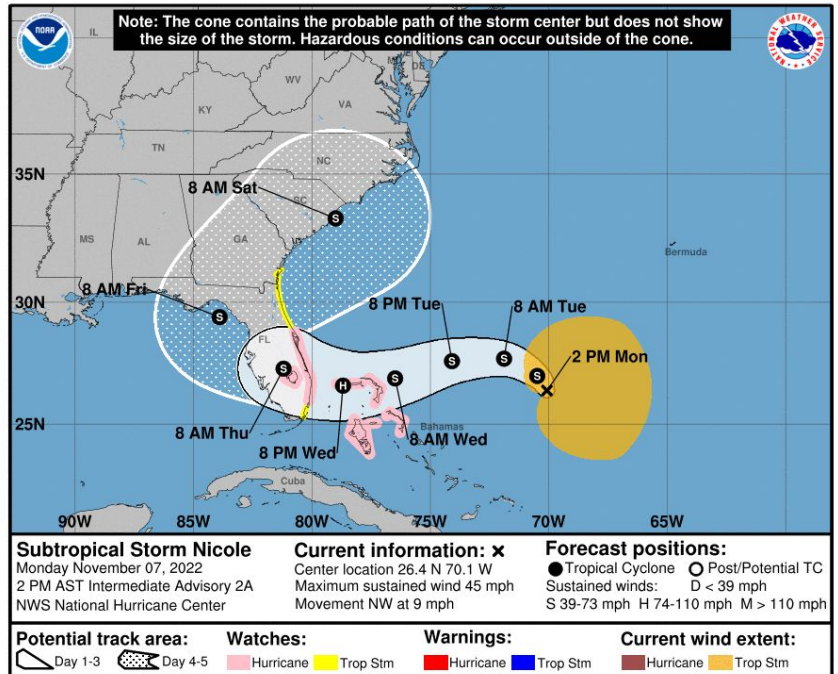
Subtropical Storm Nicole

INFORMATION NOTE No. 1

AS OF 3:00 PM (AST) ON NOVEMBER 7, 2022

Synopsis of Subtropical Storm Nicole

- ❖ **HURRICANE WATCH for the Northwestern Bahamas**
- ❖ **LOCATION: 26.4°N 70.1°W**
- ❖ **MAX SUSTAINED WINDS: 45 MPH...75 KM/H**
- ❖ **PRESENT MOVEMENT: NORTH WEST AT 9 MPH...15 KM/H**
- ❖ **MINIMUM PRESSURE: 1001 MB...29.56 INCHES**



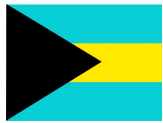
NHC UPDATE - NICOLE REMAINS A SUBTROPICAL STORM

According to the National Hurricane Center (NHC) in Miami, Florida, At 2:00 PM AST (1800 UTC), the center of Subtropical Storm Nicole was located near latitude 26.4 North, longitude 70.1 West. The storm is moving toward the northwest near 9 mph (15 km/h). A slower northwestward motion is expected later this afternoon through tonight. A turn toward the west or west-southwest is then forecast to begin by Tuesday night and that motion should continue through early Thursday. On the forecast track, the center of Nicole will approach the northwestern Bahamas on Tuesday and Tuesday night, move near or over those islands on Wednesday, and approach the east coast of Florida Wednesday night.

Maximum sustained winds are near 45 mph (75 km/h) with higher gusts. Gradual strengthening is forecast during the next few days, and Nicole is forecast to be at or near hurricane intensity by Wednesday or Wednesday night while it is moving near or over the northwestern Bahamas.

Hurricane conditions are possible across portions of the northwestern Bahamas and southeast to east-central Florida beginning Wednesday, where a Hurricane Watch has been issued.

Readiness actions from CDEMA Participating State



The Bahamas

The Director of the National Emergency Management Organisation (NEMO), Bahamas reported the following:

- The Bahamas is undertaking National Level Readiness actions in preparation for the impact of Subtropical Storm Nicole;
- A Ministerial briefing was held today November 07, 2022 at 10:30AM;
- A Press briefing was held today November 07, 2022 at 11:30AM, including key agencies presenting on their state of readiness;
- Grand Bahama, Marsh Harbour, Abaco Islands and persons in the migrant communities are of main concern for possible impact from Nicole. Plans for evacuation from these areas are being considered;
- There will be a Cabinet Briefing on the status of Nicole on Tuesday November 8, 2022.

Caribbean Disaster Emergency Management Agency(CDEMA) actions:

- CDEMA Regional Coordination Plan remains activated.
- CDEMA Co-ordinating Unit continues to liaise with Regional Institutions and International Partners.
- CDEMA continues to be in constant contact with the Sub-region Focal Point.
- A CDPG meeting was convened today Monday November 7, 2022 on Subtropical Storm Nicola and a briefing was provided by the Caribbean Institute for Meteorology and Hydrology (CIMH)
- Information Note #1 issued on Monday, November 7, 2022.
- RRM deployment teams remain on alert.
- CDEMA continues to collaborate with countries on the provision of remote operational support.
- CDEMA continues to monitor the current system and provide updates as necessary.

Partner Updates

- UNFPA reported that they are in contact with the Gender Departments in both Dominica and Saint Lucia. Prepositioned kits will be provided for distribution if required.
- IFRC remains on standby to provide support to the Bahamas Red Cross if required. Prepositioned supplies are available for 500 families in Belize and making internal preparations for disaster emergency funds.

Updates from Participating States on Flooding event in the last 24 hours



Dominica

The Director of the Office of Disaster Management (ODM), Dominica reported the following:

- Heavy rainfall resulted in landslides and flooding on November 6, 2022;
- Three (3) communities were mainly affected: Good Hope, San Sauveur and Petite Soufriere; blocked roads and persons trapped in their homes have been reported in these communities;
- One (1) fatality reported as a result of the flooding event;
- Approximately 650 persons are affected;
- Two vessels have been deployed to provide relief supplies of food and water to affected persons;
- A Search and Rescue Team consisting of the Fire Service, Ambulance and Police were deployed last night (November 6th); the Team also facilitated the distribution of food and water to those persons stranded in the impacted communities;
- The Ministry of Health, Dominica is addressing all health related matters related to the event;
- Assessments are ongoing and Shelter arrangements are in place for residents who are impacted.



Saint Lucia

The National Emergency Management Organisation (NEMO) Saint Lucia, reported the following:

- The rainfall event affected the North section of the Island mainly in the communities of Groslet, Castries and Corinth;
- One bridge was compromised; roads and drains are being cleared by the authorities
- Total loss of houses due to land slippage and landslides in the impacted areas; a drive through indicated 80% damage in one area in Corinth with 50% of households losing everything; and severe damage in the Union area;
- Two (2) schools are currently closed; one (1) Primary School located in a low watershed area and one Secondary School being used as a Shelter
- A number of vehicles reported swept away by flood waters into the river and others totally submerged;
- No loss of life reported;
- Electricity being restored in affected areas;
- Agriculture impacted in some areas; fell banana trees and other products;
- Significant water damage to two (2) hotels; Bay Garden Inn and Royal Hotel;
- Psychosocial support being provided to all impacted persons who require such assistance.