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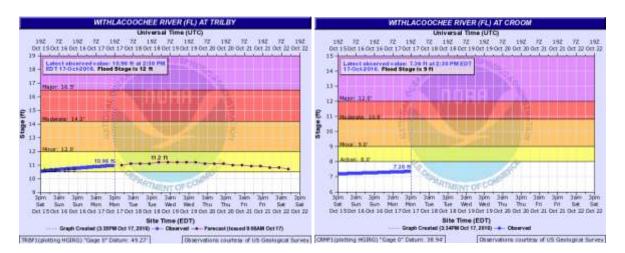


EVENT	Invest 99L	
DATE	17 October 2016	
TIME	3:00 PM	
REPORT #	1	

	EOC LEVEL OF ACTIVATION	
	1/FULL	
	2/ PARTIAL	
X	3/ MONITORING	

<u>SITUATION</u>

- 1. The National Hurricane Center is monitoring a broad surface low pressure system located over the southeastern Bahamas, the Turks and Caicos, and adjacent western Atlantic waters. Upper-level winds are expected to remain unfavorable for significant development during the next day or two, but they could become more conducive for subtropical or tropical cyclone formation by Wednesday when the system begins to drift northward or north-northwestward. The system has a 20% (low) chance of development over the next 48 hours, and a 60% (medium) chance of development through the next five days. The system has only recently been designated as Invest Area 99L.
- 2. Locally, Hernando County is continuing to monitor the Withlacoochee River at Trilby. Withlacoochee River observations as of Monday October 17, 2016 at 3:00 p.m.
 - ➢ At Trilby is currently at action stage at 10.96 feet; minor flood stage is 12 feet.



> At Croom is at 7.36 feet; action stage is 8 feet; minor flood stage is 9 feet.

ACTION STAGE

The stage which, when reached by a rising stream, represents the level where the National Weather Service or a partner/user needs to take some type of mitigation action in preparation for possible significant hydrologic activity. **Residents in and around the areas of Lacoochee, Talisman Estates, Riverdale, and River Height Estates are urged to prepare for possible action.**

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MINOR FLOOD STAGE

Minor flooding is defined to have minimal or no property damage, but possibly some public threat. This includes water over banks and in yards, moving personal property in low lying areas to higher locations, water overtopping roads but not very deep or fast flowing, and water in campgrounds or bike paths. Minor flood stage at Trilby is 12 feet; Croom is 9 feet. Residents in and around the areas of Lacoochee, Talisman Estates, Riverdale, and River Height Estates will experience flooding when the river reaches these levels.

POSSIBLE IMPACTS

Invest 99L: Overall, meteorologists do not expect any direct impacts to Florida from Invest 99L, and indicate that the State will not see any effects from this system over the next 24-48 hours due to a large area of dry air that is currently over the state. Most of the effects will be felt in the marine environment along the Atlantic coast. Better model guidance is expected to be available tomorrow.

With accochee River: The River is currently in action stage but is not expected to reach flood stage over the next several days.

Hernando County Emergency Management will continue to monitor the situation and provide additional information as it becomes available. The EOC is not activated at this time.

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

- Residents are urged to actively monitor local news media or the National Weather Service for the latest weather update.
- Monitor for additional alerts from the Emergency Operations Center at <u>http://www.hernandosheriff.org/em/Applications/EMPressReleases/Default.aspx</u>
- Residents living in low lying, flood-prone areas should consider which protective actions may be necessary to protect life and property, and prepare to implement those actions if the river continues to rise.
- Be prepared to move to higher ground.
- Residents who need assistance should contact the Emergency Operations Center.

Contact the Emergency Operations Center at 352-754-4083 with questions during normal business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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