



Marine Safety Information Bulletin

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March 18, 2008

Weather Advisory Southeast Texas – Southwest Louisiana

The National Weather Service (NWS) has issued a Hazardous Weather Outlook until 12:01 A.M., March 19, 2008, Central Daylight Time for counties in southeast Texas that include all waters of the Sabine-Neches and Calcasieu Waterways.

THIS HAZARDOUS WEATHER OUTLOOK IS FOR PORTIONS OF THE NORTHWEST GULF OF MEXICO...CENTRAL LOUISIANA...SOUTH CENTRAL LOUISIANA...SOUTHWEST LOUISIANA...WEST CENTRAL LOUISIANA AND SOUTHEAST TEXAS.

A STRONG COLD FRONT WILL MOVE ACROSS THE AREA LATE THIS AFTERNOON AND EVENING. THE STORM PREDICTION CENTER HAS PLACED ALL BUT THE MOST EASTERN PORTION OF THE FORECAST AREA IN A MODERATE RISK OF SEVERE WEATHER. DAMAGING WINDS AND ISOLATED TORNADOES ARE EXPECTED. THE SEVERE WEATHER THREAT SHOULD BE OVER BY MIDNIGHT WITH ANY LINGERING PRECIPITATION NON-SEVERE.

A HIGH WIND WARNING IS IN EFFECT FOR THE SOUTHERN HALF OF THE FORECAST AREA FOR TODAY WHERE WINDS OF 20 TO 30 MPH WITH GUSTS IN EXCESS OF 40 MPH WILL BE COMMON. FURTHER NORTH...A LAKE WIND ADVISORY REMAINS IN EFFECT WHERE WINDS OF 15 TO 25 MPH ARE EXPECTED.

A SMALL CRAFT ADVISORY IS IN EFFECT FOR THE NEAR COASTAL WATERS...WHILE A COASTAL FLOOD ADVISORY IS IN EFFECT FOR OUR COASTAL COUNTY/PARISHES. TIDES UP TO 2 FEET ABOVE NORMAL ARE FORECAST.

Mariners and facilities are encouraged to take appropriate severe weather precautions and frequently check the National Weather Service website <http://forecast.weather.gov> for complete and updated information.

This notice will be posted on the HOMEPORTR website <http://homeport.uscg.mil>. If you have any questions, please call MSU Port Arthur at (409) 723-6500.


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