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Tropical Storm Imelda: Monday Morning Update

VOLUSIA COUNTY, FLORIDA – Volusia County is no longer under a Tropical Storm Watch, but residents and visitors are urged to stay informed and prepared as Tropical Storm Imelda will still bring coastal hazards, breezy conditions, and periods of rainfall.

Impacts from the storm have already begun in Volusia County and are expected to continue for about 24 hours. Most effects will be felt along the coast, where rainfall of 1 to 3 inches is anticipated, with localized totals of up to 4 inches possible if an outer rain band develops. Winds are forecast to range from 20 to 30 mph, with a small chance of gusts reaching 40 mph.

Hazardous marine conditions are also forecasted, creating a high risk of life-threatening rip currents. Surf breakers of 7 to 9 feet, nearshore waves of 6 to 13 feet, and offshore waves of 11 to 17 feet are expected, along with moderate beach erosion. The public is strongly advised to stay out of the ocean and exercise extreme caution near the shoreline.

Residents and business owners are encouraged to prepare for high winds by securing outdoor furniture, signage, garbage cans, and other loose items. Drivers should avoid roadways with standing water and remain alert for downed tree limbs or other debris that may obstruct travel. Volusia County Emergency Management will continue to provide updates and encourages the public to monitor official sources, including Volusia County's social media channels, the Volusia County Emergency Management app, and the National Weather Service.

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