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Madeira Beach Expecting Winds and Storm Surge from Michael

MADEIRA BEACH, FL – The City of Madeira Beach is monitoring Hurricane Michael closely and is advising residents to stay informed on the storm's progress. Michael is expected to produce windy conditions on and a moderate storm surge over the next couple of days. Residents should expect isolated local street flooding due to heavy rains and storm surge projected at 2 - 4 feet.

As the storm strengthens, tropical storm force winds are expected to arrive in Pinellas County as early as Tuesday night, bringing intermittent heavy rains with the storm's bands. On Wednesday, as the storm moves north, gusty winds up to 35 miles per hour are expected with continued showers. Tides could reach 2 - 4 feet during high tide on Wednesday night into Thursday, which could cause localized street flooding in flood-prone areas. If the storm strengthens or shifts east, impacts to the area could increase.

To track the system stay tuned to local media for the latest on the storm's progress. Some important tips to follow during this time include:

- Review your family's disaster plan
- Get your survival kit and important papers ready. Purchase any items you will need to complete your survival kit now to avoid long lines and limited supplies
- If you have special needs, be sure you or your caregiver begin to implement your plan

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