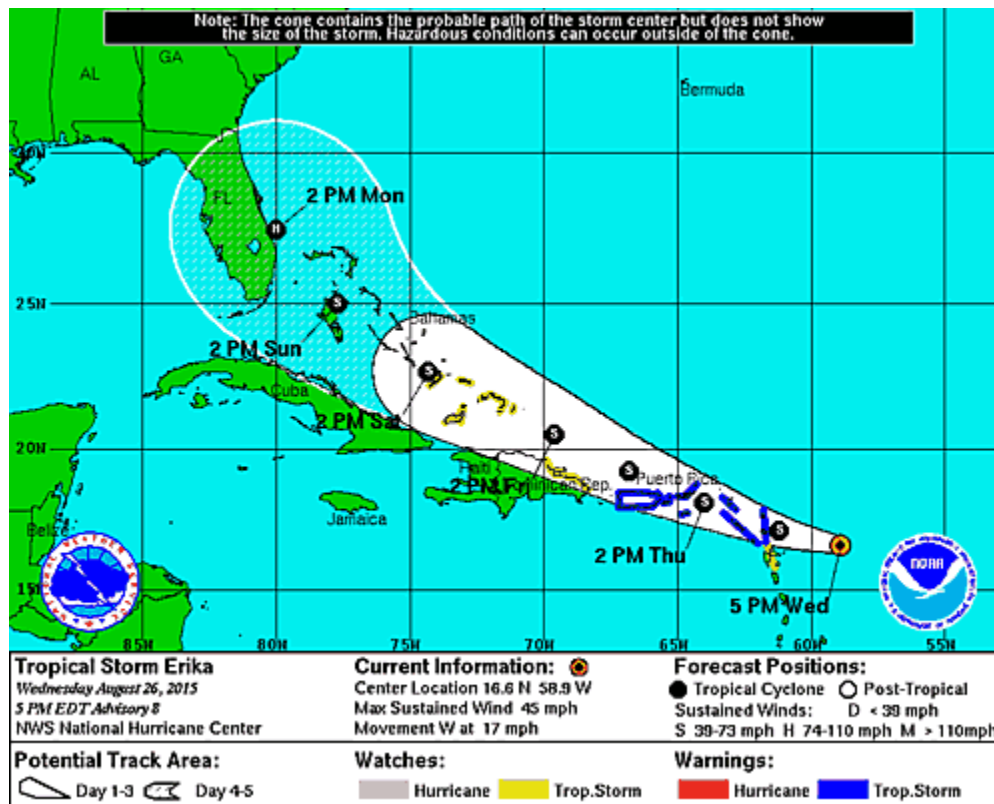


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Cc: Priester, Nicole
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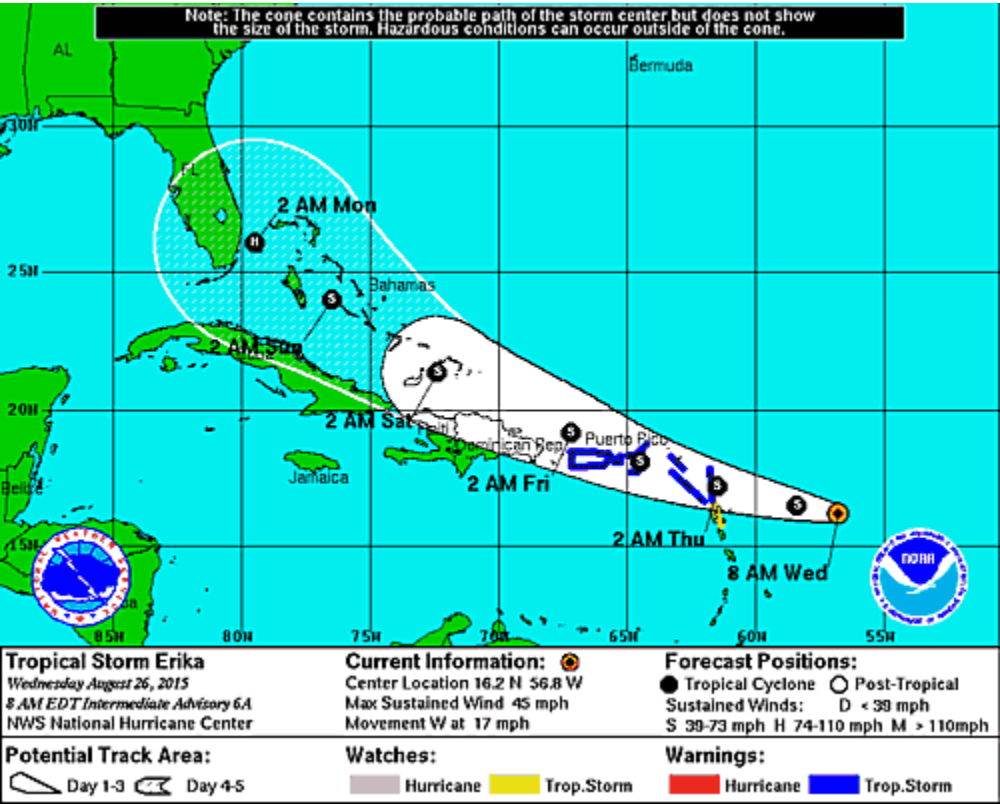


Today's 5:00 p.m. advisory shows a significant shift in the storm's cone moving towards SC. However, the modeling has been everywhere with many projected paths for the storm: The Gulf, south Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, increasing intensity, or dissipating altogether.

As a prudent measure, Stenson recommends we go ahead and schedule an Executive Group Call for late tomorrow after the 5pm advisory, Thursday the 27th before having to spin up operations over the weekend. (Potentially, EMD could request to move to OPCON 4 (preparatory actions and possible State of Emergency) on Friday and potentially announcing an evacuation on Sunday.)

Pending your approval, Nicole is holding 5:30 p.m. tomorrow for the Executive Group call. The reason for a 5:30 p.m. call is to make sure we have received the 5pm weather advisory. Note that, depending upon tomorrow's early advisories, we may be able to cancel the call.

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FORECAST: Current forecasts indicate that TS Erika will remain a tropical storm over the next several days and then possibly transition to a Category 1 hurricane sometime Sunday. The official forecast indicates a south Florida landfall, but the margin of error is fairly high this far in advance.

STATE ACTIONS: We are still over five days out from any potential impact to SC, which is when we normally take some sort of preparatory action. Depending on the storm’s developments, current plans are to have a county conference call either Thursday or Friday and possibly an Executive Group call on Friday.

More updates to follow.