

Debby to Bring Heavy Rain/Flooding

Heaviest Rainfall Expected Friday

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What has changed:

Expansion of Flood Watch across parts of northeast PA

Next Briefing:

By 6PM Thursday August 8, 2024

We will also host a partner webinar with additional info at 12 PM Today (Thursday) https://meet.google.com/xrj-vuka-mjc

Disclaimer: The information contained within is time-sensitive. Do not use after 6PM Thursday 8/8.





Situation Overview/Summary of Greatest Impacts

Heavy Rain from the remnants of Tropical Storm Debby

Hazard

Impacts

Location

slight risk (level 2 of 4) over west-

central PA.

Timing



Flash **Flooding**

Tropical moisture from Debby will bring heavy rainfall. Generally 2-4 inches expected with locally higher amounts up to 6 inches possible.

Moderate risk of flash flooding (level 3 of 4) east of the I-99 corridor, with a

Friday into Friday Night



River **Flooding**

Heavy rainfall could result in several foot rises on smaller streams and creeks, with the potential for inundation flooding.

Smaller streams/creeks Susquehanna Basin tributaries most crest Friday into Friday likely to be affected, but exact impacts Night, larger rivers crest depend on track of Debby's rainfall. this weekend.

There is also a marginal risk (level 1/5) for severe weather in the Lower Susquehanna Valley Friday during the daytime and early evening hours. Localized damaging wind gusts are possible in the strongest thunderstorms.

Hazard: Excessive Rain/Flash Flooding Friday-Friday Night

None

Limited

Elevated

Significant

Extreme

None

Limited

Elevated

Hazard: River Flooding

Friday-Saturday

Significant

Extreme

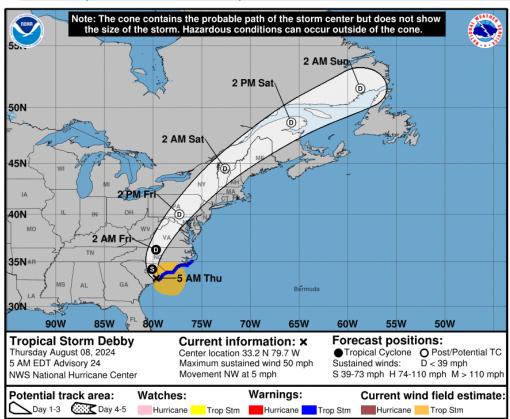
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National Weather Service State College, PA



Situation Overview

Tropical Storm Debby



- Debby will move north through the Carolinas today and accelerate into the Mid Atlantic region on Friday.
- Small shifts in the track can result in meaningful differences in the location of any weather hazards, especially which river basins are at risk of flooding.



Flood Watches, Warnings, and Advisories

Flood Watch Valid Tonight – Friday Night

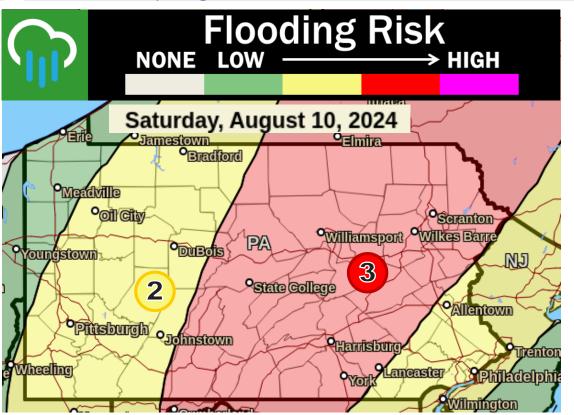


- A Flood Watch is in effect from late tonight into Friday Night for the Central PA counties shaded in green.
- While the flood watch highlights the area with the greatest flood threat, localized flooding is also possible outside of the flood watch.



Friday Excessive Rainfall Outlook

Valid Friday, August 9, 2024



- Tropical moisture
 associated with Debby
 will interact with a
 frontal zone and bring
 the potential for heavy
 rainfall in central PA
 Friday through Friday
 night.
- There is a moderate risk of flash flooding (level 3 of 4) east of the I-99 corridor, with a slight risk (level 2 of 4) over west-central PA.



Severe Thunderstorm Risk

Valid Friday, August 9, 2024 Last Updated: Aug 07 2024 1152 PM CDT Highlighted Area: Pennsylvania Valid Until: Aug 10 2024 0700 AM CDT Severe Weather Outlook Friday, August 09, 2024 Bradford Meadville Oil City Scranton Williamsport **DuBois** State College Allentown Pittsburgh Harrisburg Johnstown O Philadelphia Lancaster 5 High Risk Moderate Risk 3 Enhanced Risk

- Although the potential for flooding is the primary concern, there is a marginal risk (level 1/5) for severe weather in the Lower Susquehanna Valley Friday during the daytime and early evening hours.
- Localized damaging wind gusts are possible in the strongest thunderstorms.

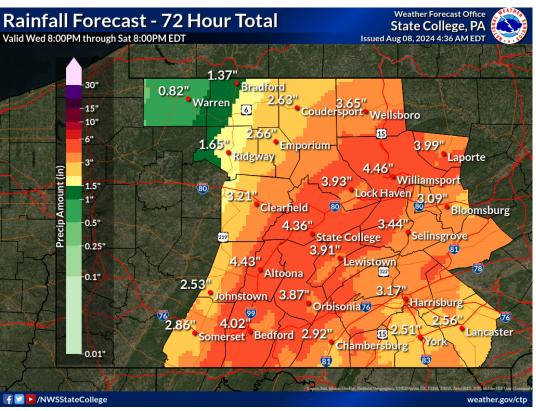
2 Slight Risk
1 Marginal Risk
Thunderstorms



Total Rainfall Forecast

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Through 8 AM Saturday



- The heaviest rain is expected to fall from the Laurel ridges eastward through the Susquehanna Valley.
- In general, most places are expected to see 2-4 inches of rain.
- Locally higher amounts up to 6 inches are possible.
- Rainfall may be locally enhanced in areas of higher terrain.





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