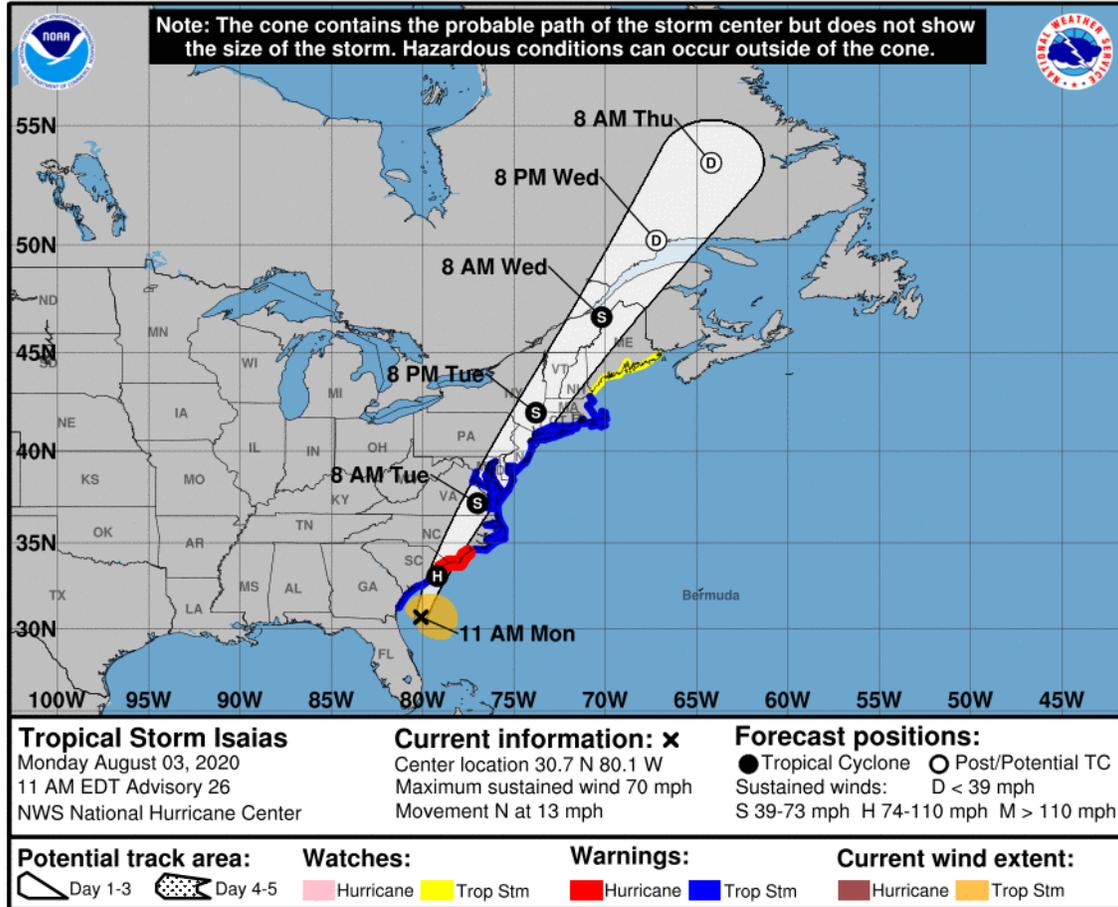




**Chowan County and Town of Edenton  
Bulletin #2  
Press Release  
Tropical Storm Isaias  
8/3/2020 – 1:45 PM**



County Officials participated in a conference call with the State EOC this afternoon.



The image above is from the 11am update from the National Weather Service today, August 3, 2020.

- If Tropical Storm Isaias continues on this track Chowan County and the Town of Edenton may experience the effects late Monday night and through Tuesday morning.
- A Tropical Storm Warning is now in effect for all areas along and east of I-95.
- Winds in excess of 40 mph can be expected across the entire warning area. Strongest winds will be closest to the coast with gusts of 60-70 mph possible.
- A Storm Surge Warning is in effect for the northern portion of the Albemarle Sound and Chowan River where inundation of 2 to 4 feet above normally dry ground is expected. Please monitor weather conditions. Plan where you will go, make a plan to stay with family or friends at a safe place inland, or at a hotel, if you need to evacuate.

- There is the potential for tornadoes after midnight tonight anywhere across the local area.
- Generally, 2-6” of rain is expected area wide with locally higher amounts possible.

**Following actions were taken:**

1. Control Group is monitoring the Track of Tropical Storm Isaias.
2. On August 3, 2020 Chowan County and the Town of Edenton declared a State of Emergency as we are expected to experience possible effects from Tropical Storm Isaias. The State of Emergency does NOT impose any restrictions including curfew, sale of alcohol and firearms.
3. Chowan County and the Town of Edenton Offices will delay opening on Tuesday August 4, 2020 until 10am for non-essential personnel.
4. The Edenton-Chowan Board of Education Meeting has been rescheduled for August 11, 2020.
5. Please continue to monitor radio, television and social media for further updates.
6. No evacuations have been ordered for Chowan County or the Town of Edenton at this time.

**Important Reminders:**

- Public Safety Officials remind motorists to use caution when approaching flooded roads. If you come to an area that is covered with water, you may not know the depth of the water or the condition of the road that is underneath. Remember “Turn Around, Don’t Drown!”
- For Oxygen Dependent Residents Chowan County EMS urges residents that are home bound and oxygen dependent to make sure you have enough oxygen supply on hand for 72 hours.

**Update from the Town of Edenton Electric Department on Today’s Power Outage**

This morning around 10:45 am a thunder storm with a strong down burst caused four utility poles to break on NC 32 South. Electric crews from Greenville Utilities and the Town of Windsor Electric Department are assisting the Town's Electric crews and are working as hard and safe as possible to restore power by early this evening.

**Here are links of web sites that provide good information about storms.**

- National Weather Service Wakefield, VA <https://www.weather.gov/akq/> scroll down to "Click Here for Briefing" to read the latest briefing or visit <https://www.nhc.noaa.gov/>
- NC Division of Emergency Management's Flood Inundation Mapping and Alert Notification (FIMAN) <https://fiman.nc.gov/>
- Public safety and preparedness information is also posted on the following websites as follows [www.readync.org](http://www.readync.org)