

Winds, Flooding, and Storms Expected for The Harbor

Local News

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The National Weather Service has issued many warnings for the Grays Harbor Area. All Hazards Weather Radios were activated to all coastal residents, informing of the Coastal Flood Watch issued for Tuesday. Grays harbor Emergency Management has notified all Coastal authorities of the impending weather situation.

1) The first is a **High Wind Watch** which will actually happen in 2 stages. The **first stage** forecasted will likely give **damaging winds to the coast and North interior** and will be in effect from Sunday around midnight and lasting thru early Monday with winds expected to be sustained at 40-50 MPH with gusts up to 75 MPH. **The second stage will produce more widespread damage** and begin around 12 hours later after midnight Tuesday morning thru Tuesday afternoon. These winds will be more intense, along the coast and felt inland also and will produce sustained winds of 50-60 MPH with gusts up to 85 MPH.

Widespread damage can occur at either time as well as power outages and tree limbs breaking. **Grays Harbor County Emergency Management is suggesting that all citizens prepare for potential power outages, secure items in their yard and to be aware of falling trees and power lines.**

2) The second is a **Flood Watch** for the Satsop River area. The projection is that the River will become **Bank Full** on Tuesday Morning. All residents are being advised to keep aware of the situation and monitor their radio stations. A flood watch means that conditions are favorable for flooding but flooding **IS NOT** imminent or occurring

3) There is a flood watch for Aberdeen on Tuesday where the 12:45pm high tide could exceed 14' due to a number of factors. All low lying coastal areas could see flooding over roadways then.