

MÉXICO – Info Note

Remnants of “Ingrid” and “Manuel”

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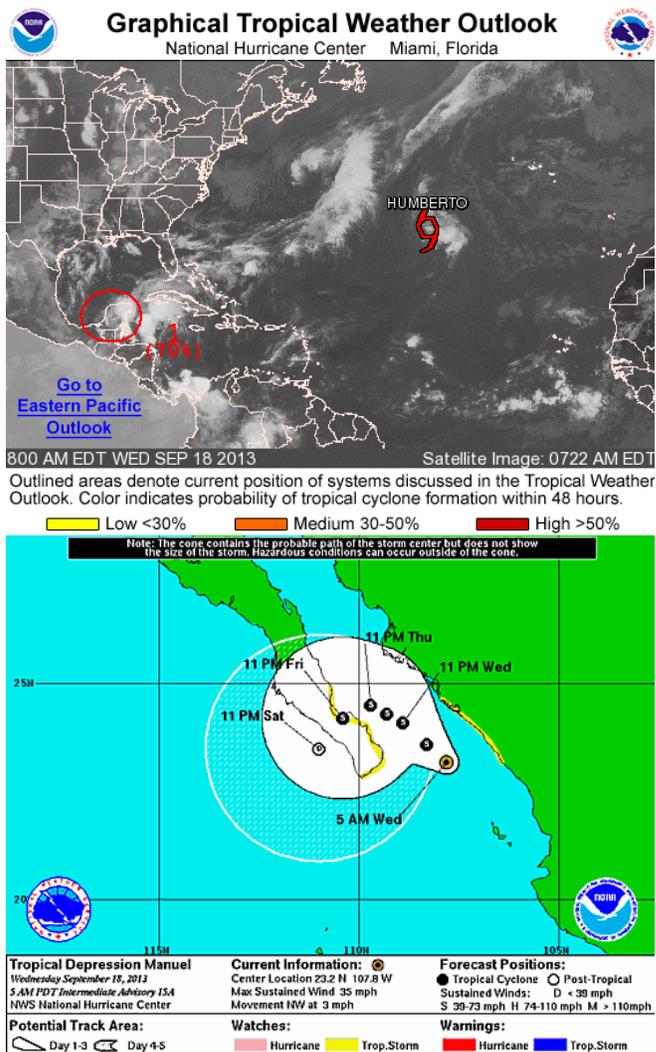
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General Overview

Damage evaluations and needs assessments (EDAN) continue mainly in the Pacific and Gulf of Mexico coasts.

Although official data collection is limited and scattered, preliminary information estimate the following:

- 1,2 million affected people.
- 23,000 people are sheltered, according to federal government.
- 57 deaths according to official data.
- Yesterday (17 Sep) the Secretariat of Governance issued 77 Declarations of Emergency in 4 states (56 in Guerrero, 11 in Oaxaca, 8 in Veracruz and 2 in Chihuahua). The federal government estimates that 254 municipalities are affected.
- The Acapulco city has no land access, humanitarian assistance is flowing through an aerial bridge activated by the Mexican army.
- The Secretary of Governance stated that Mexico so far, there enough capacity to address the emergency. However, a more clear understanding of the situation will be possible only in the next days.
- The remnant of “Manuel” are now reorganizing and have 70% probability of turning again into a tropical storm, with possible impact on Southern Baja California.
- Additionally, in the Yucatan peninsula, according to the National Hurricane Center (NHC), there is a high possibility of a new tropical depression forming within the next 48 hours.
- The NHC and Mexico’s Meteorological Forecast System recommends to be attentive to the evolution of these two systems.



Source : NHC

Preliminary Data of Affection

Based on available information, update of the most affected states is as follows:

Guerrero (Pacific coast)

- Local authorities estimate more than 11,591 houses affected with major damage.
- 24 flooded rivers.
- 2,377 people relocated to 13 temporary shelters.

- Aerial evacuation of tourists from Acapulco to Mexico City
- Isolated incidents of vandalism were reported in Acapulco city.

Oaxaca (Pacific coast)

- Authorities report 77 municipalities affected by floods, landslides and damage to roads and bridges.

Veracruz (coast of the Gulf of Mexico)

- 82,000 people affected in 66 municipalities.

Tamaulipas (coast the of Gulf of Mexico)

- School classes suspended in 27 municipalities.

Hidalgo (Central zone)

- 17 out of the 84 municipalities are affected.

Other states reporting affectations:

Michoacán

- 36 municipalities affected.

San Luis Potosí

- 15,772 people are in temporary shelters.

Main actions (based in available information)

National Response:

- North Pacific coast states are preparing to face the landing of “Manuel”, mainly in the Southern part of Baja California and Sinaloa.
- States in the Yucatan peninsula (Caribbean coast) are in alert at the possibility of impact of a new cyclonic system.
- Mexico’s Secretary of Governance informed that the damage assessment processes will be strengthened at national level in the next three days.
- The navy, army and federal police continue to deploy units to the major zones of impact by TS Ingrid and TS Manuel to support local authorities’ response.
- The Mexican Red Cross continues to collect

humanitarian aid in several parts of the country, and started delivery of humanitarian cargo to the affected zones, mainly to the state of Guerrero.

- The Secretary of Economy allotted 100 million pesos (USD \$7,7 million approx.) to support small and medium size business affected in the state of Guerrero.

International Response

- The RC and HCT/UNETT are maintaining close contacts with Mexican authorities and a permanent information sharing mechanism has been established with the in-country humanitarian community.
- MSF distributed 2,800 liters of water, medicines and food in 5 temporary shelters in Acapulco. The team continues working in the area, supporting national health authorities.
- Save the Children has presence in Guerrero and are now assessing humanitarian situation in school facilities with particular focus on protection and education.
- ROLAC is supporting RC through its NDRA and continues to work with REDLAC in order to ensure mobilization of international assistance if required.
- ROLAC has recently conducted a training with HCT on emergency response mechanisms/tools.