



Today is a birthday – I wonder for who!

The Briefing –Saturday – October 22 –1950

The last Briefing was Thursday – October 20 – 2022

How's your weather - <https://weather.com/>

[Link to Week 8 of NCAA Football Games](#)

The Quick

Special Legislative Session

Although no date has been set yet, the Governor announced that he will call the House and Senate into a Special Session sometime before the end of the year to deal with Hurricane Ian impacts and, potentially property tax reform. It is probable that the session will be in the first weeks of December.

Local Governments Analyzing Impact of Executive Order Suspending Ad Valorem Payment

Executive Order [#2022-242](#) suspends property tax deadlines re: [Hurricane Ian](#)

This past Thursday Governor Ron DeSantis signed Executive Order 22-242 suspending deadlines for payment of property taxes in the 26 counties impacted by Hurricane Ian. The EO extends to real property including personal homes and commercial properties that were destroyed or otherwise rendered uninhabitable. In response, counties have been asked to determine the potential impact of delaying the collection of tax payments. County Administrators, Managers, Coordinators have been requested by FAC to assess the effects on each County to ensure each county has an idea of potential impacts. Please realize this order impacts property destroyed/ uninhabitable only and not the land the property sits upon.

Challenge to Law Restricting Instruction on Gender/Sexual Orientation Rejected by Court

A federal judge refused to block school districts from carrying out a new state law that restricts instruction on gender identity and sexual orientation in classrooms, rejecting arguments by parents, students and a non-profit organization. The ruling was the second time in less than a month that a federal judge has turned down a challenge to the law. The court issued a 28-page decision that denied a request for a preliminary injunction against the law. The law prevents instruction on gender identity and sexual orientation in

kindergarten through third grade and requires that such instruction be “age-appropriate ... in accordance with state academic standards” in higher grades.

EARLY VOTING BEGINS

Early voting in the Nov. 8 general election will begin Monday in Alachua, Bay, Bradford, Brevard, Broward, Calhoun, Charlotte, DeSoto, Duval, Escambia, Flagler, Franklin, Gadsden, Hendry, Hillsborough, Indian River, Jefferson, Lake, Lee, Leon, Levy, Liberty, Manatee, Miami-Dade, Monroe, Okaloosa, Orange, Osceola, Palm Beach, Pinellas, Polk, Putnam, Santa Rosa, Sarasota, Seminole, St. Lucie and Taylor counties. All counties are required to offer early voting from Oct. 29 to Nov. 5 but have the option to begin as soon as Monday.

Grant Opportunity

Regional and Individual Trail Projects

FDOT is currently soliciting REQUESTS FOR FUNDING Regional and Individual Trail projects through the Shared-Use Nonmotorized (SUN) Trail program for inclusion in the work program development cycle. To be eligible for consideration applicants must complete a “Request for Funding”, with all applicable project information, including required signatures for each eligible unfunded Regional or Individual Trail project, through the [Grant Application Process \(GAP\) online system](#). The solicitation period will close 3 p.m., Eastern Standard Time (EST), Thursday, December 15, 2022. Here is a flier outlining the program.



SUN Trail Program
Quick Reference Flyer

The three documents required for an application are available in GAP for download and posted to the SUN Trail Website here: <https://www.fdot.gov/planning/systems/suntrail/guidance.shtm> For additional information contact

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Headlines Around the State

Politico: DeSantis push to crack down on voter fraud faces an early loss

Herald: DeSantis cracked down on migrant labor. Then one helped coordinate his migrant flights

Daily News: Casey DeSantis works with Home Depot to support Ian recovery efforts

Sun-Sentinel: DeSantis' 'reform board' could decide Broward superintendent's fate Tuesday

AP: Florida's jobless rate drops to lowest level since 2006

Herald: Defecting Cuban pilot commandeers plane, lands safely on isolated Everglades strip

FlaPol: Students in areas hardest hit by Hurricane Ian head to new school

WUSF: Hurricane Ian highlighted confusion over the forecast cone. Experts say it is set to 'evolve'

News Herald: Former Panama City administrator arrested on charge of embezzling \$470,000 from charity

Bradenton Herald: Where will Bradenton build new City Hall? Report says this corridor is the best option

PNJ: Florida Commission on Ethics recommends Doug Underhill be removed from office

NBC: Before resigning, Charlie Crist's campaign manager was arrested in domestic violence case

Politico: Crist campaign manager arrested on domestic abuse-related charges prior to resignation

FlaPol: Charlie Crist's campaign manager exits after domestic violence arrest

FlaPol: Barack Obama embraces Charlie Crist for Governor in video endorsement

The Hill: Obama looks to boost Democrats in Arizona, Florida governors races

FlaPol: Laurel Lee disclosure includes family ownership of \$250K in stocks for Chinese-owned Alibaba Group

On the Docket

MONDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2022

- **BOOK, SENATE CANDIDATES MAKE ANNOUNCEMENT:** Senate Minority Leader Lauren Book, D-Plantation, and Democratic Senate candidates Lorraine Ausley, Joy Goff-Marcil, Janelle Perez and Raquel Pacheco will hold a news conference to make an announcement. (Monday, 10 a.m. Reporters may register at <https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUlduirpjtE9O5LvycCBC0xMKkzfaE2jr8>)
- **'FUTURE OF FLORIDA' EVENT:** The Florida Chamber of Commerce will start its annual "Future of Florida" event. Monday speakers are expected to include Department of Corrections Secretary Ricky Dixon, CareerSource Florida President and CEO Michelle Dennard, Florida Department of Education Senior Chancellor Henry Mack and Florida Department of Education Chancellor Kevin O'Farrell. (Monday, event starts at 10 a.m., Disney's Coronado Springs Resort, 1000 West Buena Vista Dr., Lake Buena Vista.)
- **BUSINESSES HONORED:** The Agency for Persons with Disabilities, the state Division of Blind Services and the state Division of Vocational Rehabilitation will hold a ceremony to honor businesses for hiring and retaining employees with disabilities. Among the speakers will be Department of Economic Opportunity Secretary Dane Eagle. (Monday, 10 a.m., Cabinet meeting room, the Capitol.)
- **DESANTIS, CRIST DEBATE:** Gov. Ron DeSantis and Democratic challenger Charlie Crist will hold their only debate before the Nov. 8 election. It will be hosted by the West Palm Beach television station WPEC and will be broadcast and livestreamed across the state. (Monday, 7 p.m., Sunrise Theatre, 117 South Second St., Fort Pierce.)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2022

- **EARLY VOTING:** Early voting in the Nov. 8 general election will expand Tuesday to Sumter County after starting Monday in 37 counties. All counties are required to offer early voting from Oct. 29 to Nov. 5 but have the option to start earlier.
- **'FUTURE OF FLORIDA' EVENT CONTINUES:** The Florida Chamber of Commerce will continue its two-day "Future of Florida" event. Tuesday speakers are expected to include Space Florida President and CEO Frank DiBello. (Tuesday, event starts at 8 a.m., Disney's Coronado Springs Resort, 1000 West Buena Vista Dr., Lake Buena Vista.)
- **REHABILITATION COUNCIL:** The Florida Rehabilitation Council is scheduled to meet. (Tuesday, 8 a.m., Embassy Suites by Hilton Tampa Airport Westshore, 555 North Westshore Blvd., Tampa.)
- **GAS RATES:** The state Public Service Commission will hold an internal-affairs meeting, followed by a hearing on a proposal by Florida Public Utilities Co. to raise natural-gas rates. (Tuesday, internal affairs meeting starts at 9:30 a.m., Betty Easley Conference Center, 4075 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee.)

- LABOR MARKET: The state Labor Market Estimating Conference will discuss the labor market. (Tuesday, 10 a.m., 117 Knott Building, the Capitol.)
- ALZHEIMER'S: The state Alzheimer's Disease Advisory Committee will meet. (Tuesday, 1 p.m., Florida Department of Elder Affairs, 4040 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee. <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83350194935?pwd=dXJuRlJhdzJkRTlhaXIzcG05RTBVU T09>. Meeting ID: 83350194935. Code: 078489)
- BROWARD COLLEGE TRUSTEES: The Broward College Board of Trustees will meet. (Tuesday, 1 p.m., Broward College, North Campus, 1000 Coconut Creek Blvd., Coconut Creek.)
- SUICIDE DETERRENCE: The Florida First Responder Suicide Deterrence Task Force will meet. (Tuesday, 2 p.m. Information at <https://www.myflfamilies.com/>)
- KEYS COLLEGE BOARD: The Board of Trustees of The College of the Florida Keys will meet. (Tuesday, 2 p.m., The College of the Florida Keys, Upper Keys Center, 106040 Overseas Highway, Key Largo. <https://meet.goto.com/993962893>. Call-in number: 1-408-650-3123. Code: 993962893)
- MANATEE-SARASOTA COLLEGE BOARD: The Board of Trustees of the State College of Florida, Manatee-Sarasota is scheduled to meet. (Tuesday, 5:30 p.m., State College of Florida, Manatee-Sarasota, Bradenton Campus, 5840 26th St. West, Bradenton.)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2022

- EARLY VOTING: Early voting in the Nov. 8 general election will expand Wednesday to Hernando, Martin, Nassau, Pasco, St. Johns and Volusia counties. All counties are required to offer early voting from Oct. 29 to Nov. 5 but have the option to start earlier.
- CITRUS ISSUES: The Florida Citrus Commission will meet. (Wednesday, 9 a.m., Florida Department of Citrus, 605 East Main St., Bartow.)
- PAROLE CASES: The Florida Commission on Offender Review will meet. (Wednesday, 9 a.m., Betty Easley Conference Center, 4075 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee. Call-in number: 1-877-309-2073. Code: 337350165)
- INDEPENDENT EDUCATION PANEL: The Florida Commission for Independent Education will meet. (Wednesday, 9 a.m., Orlando Marriott Lake Mary, 1501 International Parkway, Lake Mary.)
- UNEMPLOYMENT CASES: The state Reemployment Assistance Appeals Commission will meet. (Wednesday, 9:30 a.m., Reemployment Assistance Appeals Commission, 1211 Governors Square Blvd., Suite 300, Tallahassee. Call-in number: 850-988-5144. Conference ID: 175899214)
- 'CAT FUND': The Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund Advisory Council will meet. (Wednesday, 1:30 p.m., 1801 Hermitage Blvd., Tallahassee. Call-in number: 1-888-585-9008. Code: 973664296)
- HILLSBOROUGH COLLEGE BOARD: The Hillsborough Community College Board of Trustees will meet. (Wednesday, 4 p.m., Hillsborough Community College, Dr. Gwendolyn W. Stephenson District Administration Center, 39 Columbia Dr., Tampa.)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2022

- EARLY VOTING: Early voting in the Nov. 8 general election will expand Thursday to Baker, Collier, Dixie, Hardee, Highlands and Marion counties. All counties are required to offer early voting from Oct. 29 to Nov. 5 but have the option to start earlier.
- COUNCIL FOR BLIND: The Florida Rehabilitation Council for the Blind will meet in Miami-Dade County. (Thursday, 8 a.m., Hilton Miami Airport Blue Lagoon, 5101 Blue Lagoon Dr., Miami. Call-in number: 850-583-5063. Code: 90918709)

- **SUBSTANCE ABUSE:** The Statewide Drug Policy Advisory Council will meet. (Thursday, 8:30 a.m., Florida Department of Health, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Tallahassee. Call-in number: 850-792-1375. Code: 481124352)
- **INDEPENDENT EDUCATION PANEL:** The Florida Commission for Independent Education will meet. (Thursday, 9 a.m., Orlando Marriott Lake Mary, 1501 International Parkway, Lake Mary.)
- **MASSAGE THERAPY:** The Florida Board of Massage Therapy will meet in Orange County. (Thursday, 9 a.m., Crowne Plaza Orlando Downtown, 304 West Colonial Dr., Orlando.)
- **SUPREME COURT RELEASES OPINIONS:** The Florida Supreme Court is scheduled to release its weekly opinions. (Thursday, 11 a.m.)
- **FAMU TRUSTEES:** The Florida A&M University Board of Trustees is scheduled to meet. (Thursday, 4 p.m. <https://famu.zoom.us/j/99131586850?pwd=NGZUK2lkQTBwb09oVzdVWTFwcjJ4UT09>, Webinar ID: 99131586850. Code: 997708. Call-in number: 1-301-715-8592)
- **NORTH CENTRAL PLANNING COUNCIL:** The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council will meet. (Thursday, 7 p.m., Holiday Inn Hotel and Suites, 213 Southwest Commerce Blvd., Lake City. <https://meet.goto.com/704529541>. Call-in number: 1-877-309-2073. Code: 704529541)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2022

- **EARLY VOTING:** Early voting in the Nov. 8 general election will expand Friday to Citrus, Clay and Jackson counties. All counties are required to offer early voting from Oct. 29 to Nov. 5 but have the option to start earlier.
- **TRANSGENDER TREATMENTS:** A joint committee of the Florida Board of Medicine and the Florida Board of Osteopathic Medicine will discuss a draft rule that could restrict doctors from providing treatments to transgender people under age 18. The meeting will come after the Florida Department of Health in July filed a petition seeking a rule-making process on the contentious issue of treatment for gender dysphoria. The petition proposed what is known as a “standard of care” that would prohibit patients under age 18 from receiving sex-reassignment surgery and puberty-blocking, hormone and hormone “antagonist” treatments. It also would require that older patients sign a consent form and then wait 24 hours before starting such treatments. (Friday, 8 a.m., Hyatt Regency Orlando International Airport, 9300 Jeff Fuqua Blvd., Orlando.)
- **PSYCHOLOGY BOARD:** The Florida Board of Psychology will meet. (Friday, 8 a.m. Call-in number: 1-888-585-9008. Code: 564341766)
- **HOUSING ISSUES:** The Florida Housing Finance Corp. Board of Directors will meet. (Friday, 8:30 a.m., AC Hotel Tallahassee Universities at the Capitol, 801 South Gadsden St., Tallahassee.)
- **NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATORS:** The Florida Board of Nursing Home Administrators will meet in Hillsborough County. (Friday, 9 a.m., Embassy Suites, 3705 Spectrum Blvd., Tampa.)
- **MASSAGE THERAPY:** The Florida Board of Massage Therapy will meet in Orange County. (Friday, 9 a.m., Crowne Plaza Orlando Downtown, 304 West Colonial Dr., Orlando.)
- **ARCHITECTURE, DESIGN ISSUES:** The Board of Architecture and Interior Design is scheduled to meet in Sarasota County. (Friday, 9 a.m., Hyatt Regency Sarasota, 1000 Boulevard of the Arts, Sarasota.)
- **FSDB TRUSTEES MEET:** The Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind Board of Trustees will meet. (Friday, 9:15 a.m., Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind, Moore Hall, 207 San Marco Ave., St. Augustine.)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2022

- STATEWIDE EARLY VOTING AVAILABLE: All counties will be required to offer early voting as of Oct. 29 for the Nov. 8 general election.

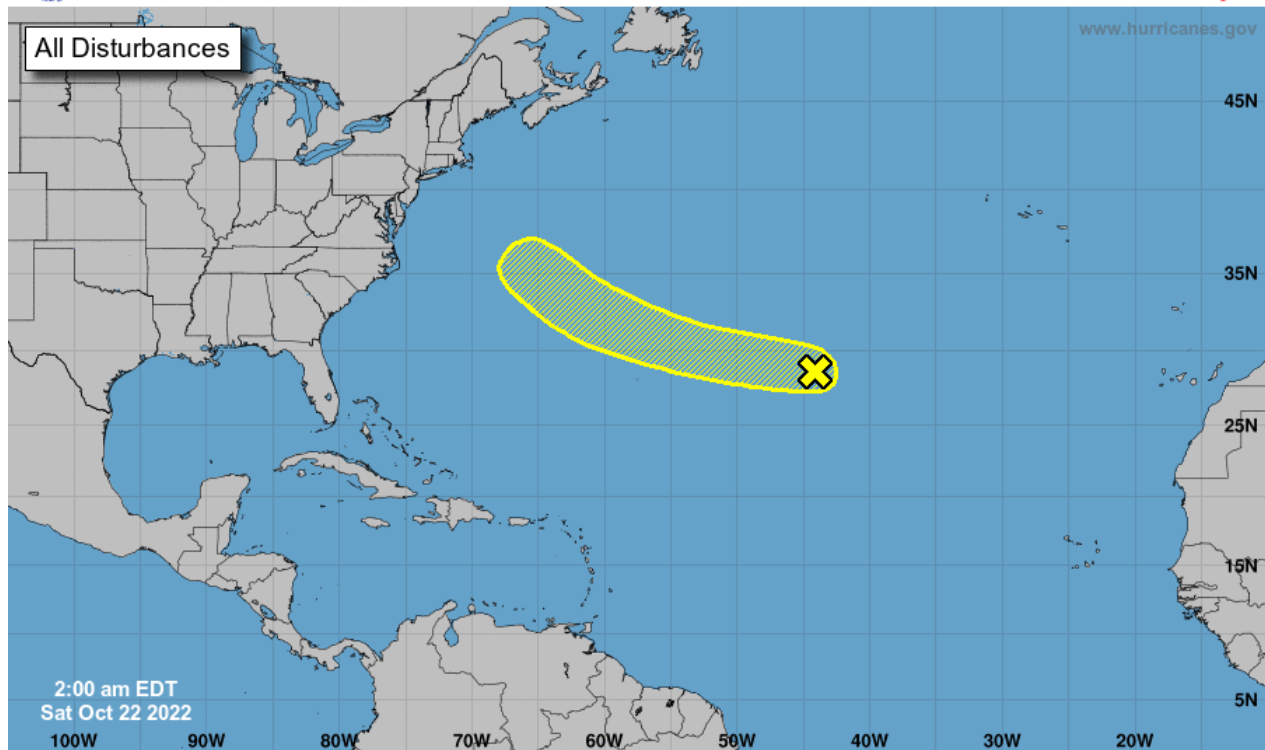
Tropical Outlook

www.nhc.noaa.gov



Five-Day Graphical Tropical Weather Outlook

National Hurricane Center Miami, Florida



Current Disturbances and Five-Day Cyclone Formation Chance: < 40% 40-60% > 60%
 Tropical or Sub-Tropical Cyclone: Depression Storm Hurricane
 Post-Tropical Cyclone or Remnants

Important Meetings Scheduled To Focus on Rural/Small County Issues

Small County Coalition Fall Breakfast Meeting

For County Commissioners and Staff

Wednesday – November 30 - St. Pete – Coinciding with the FAC Winter Meeting

Major Actions –

Welcome New Commissioners and Adopt Legislative Program

[Registration for FAC Legislative Annual Conference](#)

Small School District Council Consortium - Breakfast Meeting

For School Board members and Superintendents

Thursday – December 1 – Grand Hyatt Tampa Bay -Coinciding with the FSBA Winter Meeting

Major Actions

Greet New School Board Members and Adopt Legislative Program

[FSBA/FADSS 77th Annual Joint Conference – Florida School Boards Association](#)

Annual Florida Rural Economic Development Summit
Major Focus – Advancing Economic Development in rural communities
December 7-9, 2022 - Renaissance World Golf Village Resort in St. Augustine.

[Registration for Summit](#)
[Tentative Agenda for Summit](#)

Important Broadband Summit – January 26 and 27th
Open for participating entities

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Sawgrass Marriott – St. Johns County

About the Briefing!

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Website Links

[Small County Coalition Website](#)
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