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The Briefing for October 20, 2024

*Note – From the North Atlantic – 2 more days to reach our destination. Then Home!
The Last Briefing was October 18, 2024*

[Link to Week 9 of College Football](#)

Annual Assessments of Florida's Water Resources and Conservation Lands:

Section 403.928, Florida Statute, directs the Office of Economic and Demographic Research (EDR) to conduct an annual assessment of Florida's water resources and conservation lands. Past editions of this report can be found at the links below, along with any special research topics EDR has conducted relating to natural resources and infrastructure.

The 2024 Edition of the annual assessment was released in chapters to better align with more specialized interest areas.

- [Chapter 1...Annual Assessment of Florida's Conservation Lands](#) [pdf]
- [Chapter 2...Annual Assessment of Florida's Beaches](#) [pdf]
- [Chapter 3...Annual Assessment of Florida's Water Resources: Supply and Demand](#) [pdf]
- [Chapter 4...Annual Assessment of Florida's Water Resources: Quality](#) [pdf]
- [Chapter 5...Annual Assessment of Infrastructure Investments](#) [pdf]
 - [Appendix: Drinking Water Survey](#) [pdf]
 - [Stormwater & Wastewater 20-Year Needs Analyses Data Visualizations](#) [cfm]
- Chapter 6...Annual Assessment of Flooding and Sea Level Rise
 - [Part 1...Zones, Flooding Factors, Calculations and Investments](#) [pdf] [pdf]
- [Chapter 7...Annual Assessment of The Everglades](#) [pdf]

Hurricane Recovery

Here are some important links for information stay up to speed -

[Link to Hurricane Milton Updates and Information](#)

[Link to State Division of Emergency Management Website](#)

[Link to Florida Association of Counties Disaster Resources Website](#)

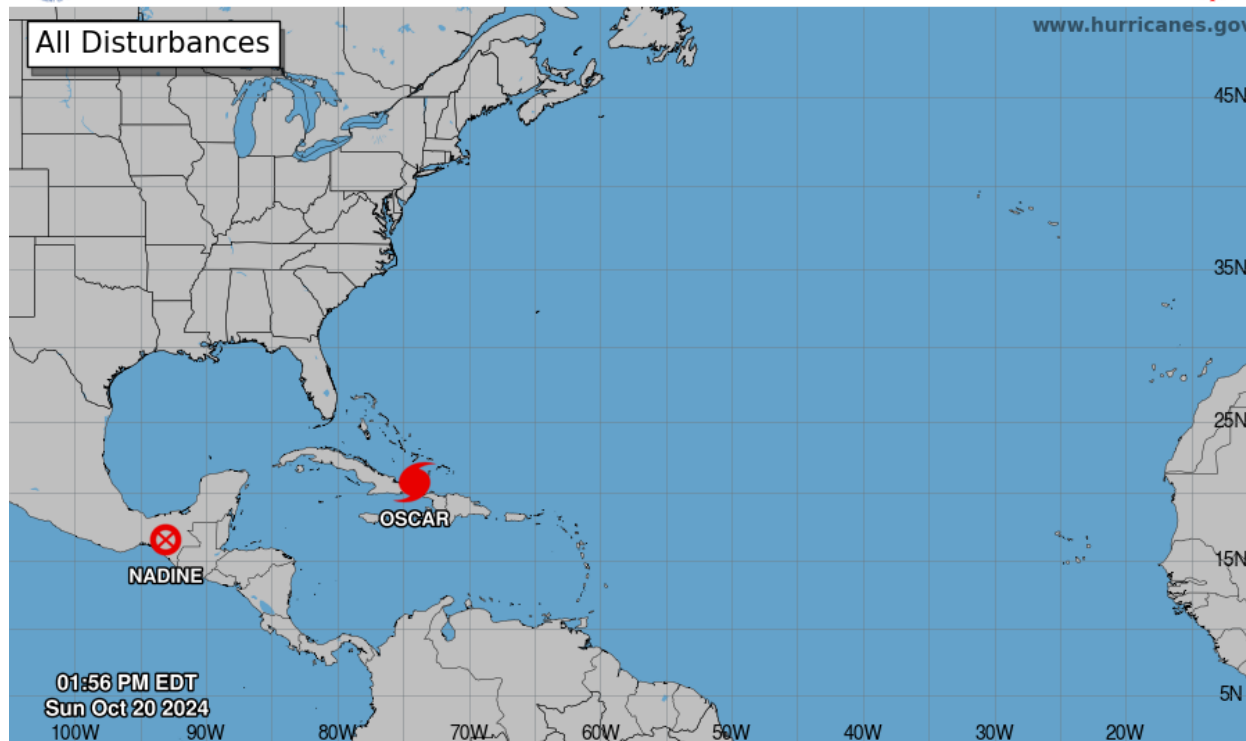
Tropical Outlook

<https://www.nhc.noaa.gov/>



Seven-Day Graphical Tropical Weather Outlook

National Hurricane Center Miami, Florida



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

Other News

Headlines Around the State

Politico: Rick Scott and Ron DeSantis' quiet feud over Florida's hurricanes

FlaPol: 'Recruit more companies': Rick Scott says competition would fix property insurance spikes

AP: Man who vowed to ride out Florida hurricanes on his boat is arrested in Tampa

NBC: Ron DeSantis battles his onetime top ally in bid to stop marijuana legalization in Florida

FlaPol: C Student? Middling marks for Ron DeSantis fiscal policy from libertarian Cato Institute

Times: A crane collapsed in Hurricane Milton. Authorities aren't investigating

NYTimes: These Parkland Shooting Survivors Were Promised Visas. They're Still Waiting.

Herald: 'You need boots to live here, or a boat': King tides are swamping Miami streets again

On The Docket This Week

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2024

- **EARLY VOTING STARTS** - Early voting sites will open Monday in about three dozen counties in advance of the Nov. 5 elections. Early voting must be offered statewide as of Oct. 26.
- **RETIREMENT COMMISSION** - Monday, 8:30 a.m. - The State Retirement Commission is scheduled to .
- **'FUTURE OF FLORIDA' EVENT** - Monday, 10 a.m. - The Florida Chamber of Commerce will hold its "Future of Florida Forum," with speakers expected to include state university system Chancellor Ray Rodrigues, state Department of Commerce Secretary J. Alex Kelly, state Rep. Dana Trabulsy, R-Fort Pierce, and state Rep. Doug Bankson, R-Apopka. - Hyatt Regency Grand Cypress Resort, 1 Grand Cypress Blvd., Orlando.
- **SOUTH FLORIDA PLANNING COUNCIL** - Monday, 10:30 a.m. - The South Florida Regional Planning Council will meet. - South Florida Regional Planning Council, 1 Oakwood Blvd., #250, Hollywood. <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82123806666?pwd=UFi2nRTtoEFLafesEb3RsnBapu9gDmC.1>. Meeting ID: 82123806666. Code: 129469
- **SEMINOLE STATE TRUSTEES** - Monday, 2 p.m. - The Seminole State College of Florida Board of Trustees will meet. - Seminole State College of Florida, Sanford/Lake Mary Campus, 100 Weldon Blvd., Sanford.
- **TALLAHASSEE STATE BOARD** - Monday, 2:30 p.m. - The Tallahassee State College Board of Trustees will meet. - Tallahassee State College, Hinson Administration Building, 444 Appleyard Dr., Tallahassee.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2024

- **HOUSING ISSUES** - Tuesday, 8:30 a.m. - The Florida Housing Finance Corp. Board of Directors will meet. - Tallahassee City Hall, 300 South Adams St., Tallahassee.
- **GUN AGE LAW** - Tuesday, 9 a.m. - The 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals will hear arguments in the National Rifle Association's constitutional challenge to a Florida law that prevents people under age 21 from purchasing rifles and other long guns. Then-Gov. Rick Scott and the Legislature approved the law in the aftermath of the February 2018 mass shooting at Parkland's Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School that killed 17 people. - Elbert P. Tuttle United States Court of Appeals Building, 56 Forsyth St. N.W., Atlanta.
- **'FUTURE OF FLORIDA' EVENT** - Tuesday, 9 a.m. - The Florida Chamber of Commerce will hold its "Future of Florida Forum," with speakers expected to include state Chief Financial Officer Jimmy Patronis. - Hyatt Regency Grand Cypress Resort, 1 Grand Cypress Blvd., Orlando.
- **SOUTHWEST FLORIDA WATER BOARD** - Tuesday, 9 a.m. - The Southwest Florida Water Management District Governing Board will meet. - Southwest Florida Water Management District, 2379 Broad St., Brooksville.
- **INDEPENDENT EDUCATION PANEL** - Tuesday, 9 a.m. - The Florida Commission for Independent Education will meet. - Information at <https://www.fldoe.org/policy/cie/commission-meeting.shtml>
- **CONSTRUCTION LICENSING BOARD** - Tuesday, 9 a.m. - The state Construction Industry Licensing Board will meet. - Call-in number: 1-571-317-3116. Code: 519882189
- **DIABETES ISSUES** - Tuesday, 2 p.m. - The state Diabetes Advisory Council is scheduled to meet. - Call-in number: 850-792-1375. Code: 419926652
- **PENSACOLA COLLEGE BOARD** - Tuesday, 4:30 p.m. - The Pensacola State College Board of Trustees is scheduled to hold committee meetings and a workshop, followed by a full board meeting. - Pensacola State College, 1000 College Blvd., Pensacola.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2024

- CITRUS ISSUES - Wednesday, 9 a.m. - The Florida Citrus Commission will meet. - Florida Department of Citrus, 605 East Main St., Bartow. Call-in number: 904-539-9759. Phone Conference ID: 770393765
- PAROLE CASES - Wednesday, 9 a.m. - The Florida Commission on Offender Review will meet. - Betty Commission on Offender Review, 4070 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee. Call-in number: 1-877-309-2073. Code: 337350165
- INDEPENDENT EDUCATION PANEL - Wednesday, 9 a.m. - The Florida Commission for Independent Education will meet. - Information at <https://www.fldoe.org/policy/cie/commission-meeting.shtml>
- MEDICAL MALPRACTICE - Wednesday, 9 a.m. - The Florida Medical Malpractice Joint Underwriting Association Board of Governors is scheduled to meet. - The Hilton Sandestin Beach, 4000 Sandestin Blvd. South, Destin.
- UNEMPLOYMENT CASES - Wednesday, 9:30 a.m. - The state Reemployment Assistance Appeals Commission is scheduled to meet. - Reemployment Assistance Appeals Commission, 1211 Governors Square Blvd., Suite 300, Tallahassee. Call-in number: 850-988-5144. Code: 261180880
- DAYTONA STATE TRUSTEES - Wednesday, 1 p.m. - The Daytona State College Board of Trustees will hold a workshop, followed by a regular meeting. - Daytona State College, Wetherell Student Services and Administration Building, 1200 West International Speedway Blvd., Daytona Beach.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2024

- FGCU TRUSTEES - Thursday, 8:30 a.m. - The Florida Gulf Coast University Board of Trustees will meet. - <https://www.fgcu.edu/about/leadership/fgcuboardoftrustees/boardcast>
- PAROLE CASES - Thursday, 9 a.m. - The Florida Commission on Offender Review will meet. - Betty Commission on Offender Review, 4070 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee. Call-in number: 1-877-309-2073. Code: 337350165
- MASSAGE THERAPY BOARD - Thursday, 9 a.m. - The Florida Board of Massage Therapy will meet. - Aloft Jacksonville Tapestry Park, 4812 Deer Lake Dr. West, Jacksonville.
- SUPREME COURT RELEASES OPINIONS - Thursday, 11 a.m. - The Florida Supreme Court is scheduled to release opinions.
- NURSING ISSUES - Thursday, 1:30 p.m. - The Florida Board of Nursing will meet. - DoubleTree by Hilton Orlando Airport, 5555 Hazeltine National Dr., Orlando.
- NORTH CENTRAL COUNCIL - Thursday, 7 p.m. - The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council is scheduled to meet. - Holiday Inn Hotel and Suites, 213 S.W. Commerce Blvd., Lake City.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2024

- PSYCHOLOGY BOARD - Friday, 8 a.m. - The Florida Board of Psychology will meet. - Call-in number: 1-888-585-9008. Code: 564341766
- NURSING ISSUES - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - The Florida Board of Nursing will meet. - DoubleTree by Hilton Orlando Airport, 5555 Hazeltine National Dr., Orlando.
- ETHICS PANEL - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - The Florida Commission on Ethics will meet. - 1st District Court of Appeal, 2000 Drayton Dr., Tallahassee.
- MASSAGE THERAPY BOARD - Friday, 9 a.m. - The Florida Board of Massage Therapy will meet. - Aloft Jacksonville Tapestry Park, 4812 Deer Lake Dr. West, Jacksonville.
- OPTOMETRY ISSUES - Friday, 9 a.m. - The Florida Board of Optometry will meet. - Information at <https://floridasoptometry.gov/meeting-information/>

- HEARING AID BOARD - Friday, 9 a.m. - The Florida Board of Hearing Aid Specialists will meet. - Call-in number: 850-792-1375. Code: 270634738
- ARCHITECTURE BOARD - Friday, 9 a.m. - The Florida Board of Architecture and Interior Design will meet. - Courtyard Miami Coral Gables, 2051 South Le Jeune Road, Coral Gables.
- FSDB BOARD - Friday, 2:30 p.m. - The Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind Board of Trustees will meet. - Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind, Moore Hall, 207 San Marco Ave., St. Augustine.
- FINANCE REPORTS DUE - State candidates and political committees face a Friday deadline for filing updated finance reports.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2024

- EARLY VOTING HELD - Early voting sites are required to be open statewide for the Nov. 5 election, though some counties will open the sites earlier in the week.

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES PROJECTED FOR FY 24-25

Activities listed involve local elected county commissioners, school board members and school superintendents.

2024

November 5 -	General Election Day
November 19 -	Newly Elected local officials take office
November 20-22	Rural Economic Development Summit
December 3-6 -	FSBA/FADSS - Winter Meeting – Tampa
December 4 -	Small County Coalition Legislative Meeting - Tampa
December 5 -	Small District Meeting – Tampa
December 2-6-	Interim Committee Meeting - House of Representatives Only
December 4-6	FAC Legislative Conference – Tampa
December 9-13	Interim Committee Meeting - Senate only

2025

January 13-17-	Interim Committee Meeting – House and Senate
January 21-24	Interim Committee Meeting – House and Senate
February 2 -	Deadline for release of Governors recommended budget
February 3 – 7	Interim Committee Meeting – House and Senate
February 10 – 14	Interim Committee Meeting – House and Senate
February 17 – 21	Interim Committee Meeting – House and Senate
March 4	Regular Session Begins
March 18 -	Small County Coalition Legislative Briefing/Reception
March 19-	FAC Day in the Legislature
March 19 – 20	FSBA 38th Annual Day in the Legislature, Tallahassee, FL
March 19	Small School District Legislative Briefing
March 19 -20	Rural Counties Day in the Legislature
May 2 -	Regular Session Ends
June 11 – 13	FSBA/FADSS Annual Summer Conference, Tampa, FL
June 12 -	Small School District Breakfast Meeting
June 24-27	FAC Annual Summer Meeting - Orlando
June 25	Small County Coalition Annual Business Meeting - Orlando

About the Briefing!

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