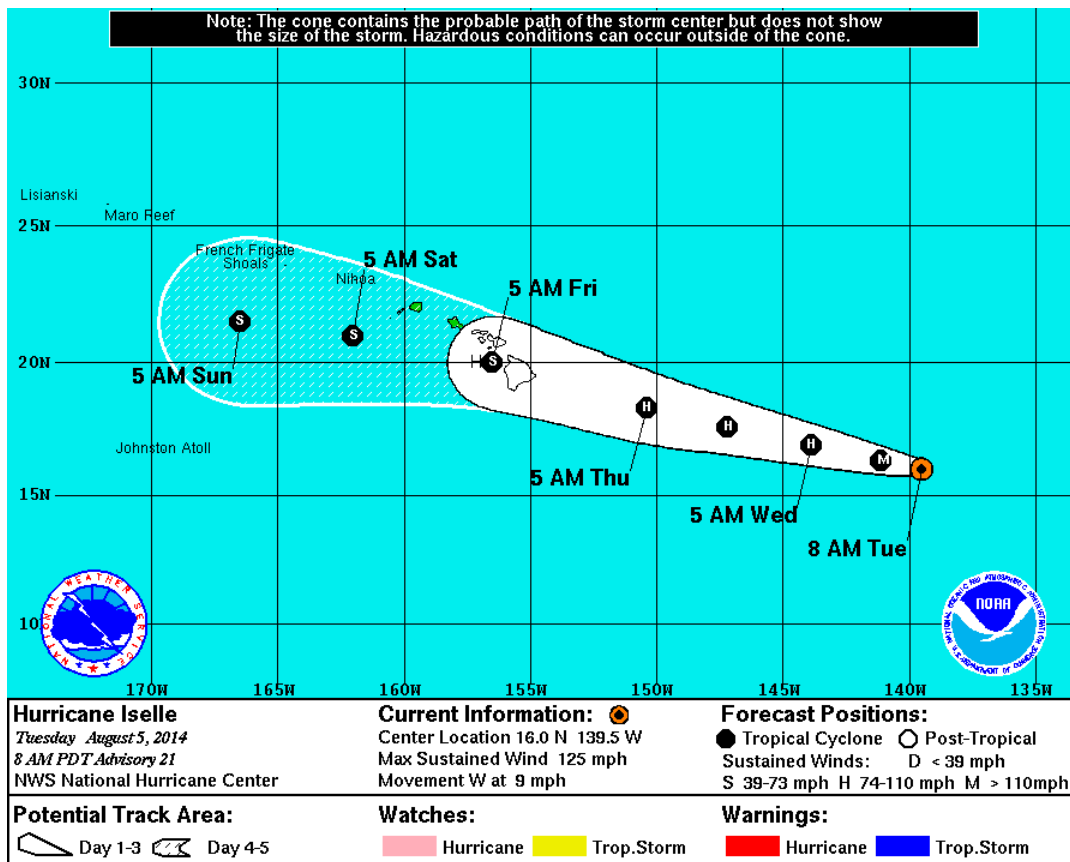


Aloha Valued Forest City Residents,

As you may be aware, a **hurricane is currently expected to hit Oahu before the end of this week**. At the moment, Hurricane Iselle is a Category 3 storm. Although the storm is expected to weaken before reaching Hawaii, even if Hurricane Iselle misses Oahu or is downgraded to a tropical storm, Oahu will probably experience **high winds, heavy surf, damaging wind gusts, and localized flooding**. High winds could also cause power outages. In addition, there is a second storm (Tropical Storm Julio), following on the same track, that could hit Oahu on Sunday.

Due to the projected path of these storms, they are expected to have a greater impact on the northern and eastern (Windward) sides of each island.



Please take time now to prepare your home and your family for this storm. Below are some recommended steps:

### What to Do When a Storm is Approaching:

- Begin monitoring weather reports. Know the projected path of the storm.
- **Create a checklist of supplies needed for your household. [Click here to view a recommended emergency supply list from FEMA](#).** Do not delay in shopping for your Disaster Supplies Kit
- Gas up your vehicles.
- **Shop for and prepare your food and water supply - enough for 3-14 days for each member of the family.** Don't forget family medications and pets' needs. Remember that power could be out after the storm.
- Determine your evacuation route and shelter if called upon to evacuate by State or Civil Defense or the military. Know whether or not pets can accompany you.
- Create a list of emergency contacts i.e. Family Readiness Officers, Fleet and Family Services, your Command Ombudsman and Family Readiness Group. Emergency contacts off-island, friends, family.
- **Clear your lanai, patio, carport, yard, and common area** of furniture, grills, toys, and other items that can become airborne and cause harm to people and property.

- Remove any exterior items such as flags, windsocks, curb side trash, toys, potted plants, lay down basketball hoops, **bring trash cans off of curb and store next to your house or inside your garage.**
- Charge extra cell phone batteries and any other rechargeable batteries. Check your battery powered radio again!
- Make a list of the contact numbers for your friends and family in case your cell phone battery dies.
- Get cash! In event of power outage, ATM's and other electronic transactions will not be functioning!
- Double check your Disaster Supplies Kit and purchase supplemental items.

#### **24 Hours Prior to the Storm Front's Arrival:**

- Listen for guidance from Civil Defense and the military regarding planned evacuations.
- Review your evacuation plans again with family. Make sure everyone understands what to do and where to go.
- Charge cell phones, rechargeable batteries and double check your portable radio reception, flashlight, matches,
- Place valuables, ID's, birth certificates, small electronics, extra vehicle and house keys in a plastic re-sealable bag for transport with you to shelter or keep in secure place with you until storm passes. Grab your disaster supplies kit. Lock your home if you leave!

#### **Helpful Links and Tips :**

- View the [MCBH Hurricane Evacuation map](#).
- More information is available on the [MCBH Hurricane Awareness page](#).
- Up-to-date information is available on the [National Weather Service Central Pacific Hurricane page](#).
- [List of hurricane evacuation shelters \(by island\)](#). Review to see which shelter(s) are near you. The Base and public broadcast stations should announce if/when shelters are open and if evacuation is recommended. Pet-friendly shelters are marked on the list. Pets must be in cages/carriers. Owners must bring food and water for their pets.
- MCBH Disaster Preparedness [Activity & Coloring Book](#)
- After the storm, be very careful where you walk. Look out for debris and downed power lines. Wear closed-toed shoes.
- If your power goes out, keeping your refrigerator and freezer doors closed will help keep your food safer, longer.
- Use extra care while near the ocean and canals before, during, and after the storm when high surf, rip tides, and stronger than usual currents are likely.

**Thank you for acting now to make sure your family is ready for the storms.**

If you have any questions, please contact our Resident Services Office at (808) 839-8700.

Regards,

Forest City Residential Management