



National Emergency Management Organization
"Preserving Life and Property"

TROPICAL STORM GRACE

WEDNESDAY 18TH AUGUST, 2021 as at 7:00 am

ADVISORY NUMBER 2

The National Meteorological Services of Belize and NEMO hereby inform the general public that at 6am Tropical Storm Grace was centered near 19.1 north latitude, 81.4 west longitude moving west-northwest at 16mph with maximum sustained winds of 65mph and minimum central pressure of 993mb. Grace is about 460 miles east by north of Corozal Town and about 459 miles east-northeast of Belize City. Grace is still forecasted to make landfall north of Belize near Tulum, Mexico early on Thursday morning as a hurricane.

This system will produce an increase in rainfall over the country of Belize with showers and thunderstorms increasing especially over the northern half of the country on Wednesday night and persisting through the weekend. Total rainfall throughout this period is forecasted to be around 1 to 4 inches with isolated higher amounts. As a result, flooding is possible in low-lying and flood prone areas. Winds over the north and offshore areas are forecasted to be between 15 and 25 knots with higher gusts during heavy showers and thunderstorms. The combination of gusty winds and large waves will result in rough sea conditions later on Wednesday through to Friday. Therefore, a small craft warning will likely be in place.

At the time of this advisory, **a Tropical Storm or Hurricane Watch, or Warning is not required for Belize.** We continue to monitor very closely to verify that this system continues to gain latitude. The public is advised to remain vigilant and to closely monitor the system as these systems can be unpredictable.

The NEMO Emergency Hotline is 936. NEMO Emergency Operations Centre (EOCs) from Belize City northwards will be partially activated by 8:00 a.m., on Wednesday, August 2021 to monitor Tropical Storm Grace, to be prepared for full activation and response actions.

We are approaching the peak period of the hurricane season all are reminded to review their Hurricane plan, and to make arrangements for early movement to safety when NEMO advises the public to evacuate. The public is advised to stay alert. Please take action based on your plan, and as advised by the official release from the National Met Service and NEMO.

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