



National Emergency Management Organization

“Preserving Life and Property”

ADVISORY NO. 2

TROPICAL STORM LISA

As at 7:00 PM, MONDAY, 31st OCTOBER 2022

The National Meteorological Service of Belize and the National Emergency Management Organization (NEMO) hereby inform the public that as at 6:30 pm Belize is under a hurricane watch. Tropical Storm Lisa was located near latitude 15.5N, longitude 78.9W or about 630 miles East-Southeast of Belize City. Lisa was moving to the west at 14 mph with maximum sustained winds of 45 mph and minimum central pressure of 1002 mb. Lisa is to continue on a general west to west-north-westward track for the next few days. On this forecasted track, the centre will pass south of Jamaica tonight, south of the Cayman Islands on Tuesday, then move near or over the Bay Islands of Honduras early on Wednesday, and approach Belize later on Wednesday. Strengthening is expected and Lisa is expected to be a category 1 hurricane by landfall on Wednesday evening.

This system will bring heavy rainfall with amounts of 3-5 inches and locally higher values of up to 8 inches starting on Wednesday and continuing through Thursday, which will result in flooding across low-lying and flood-prone areas of the country. Winds of category 1 hurricane strength at 74-95 mph are expected near the landfall location with a storm surge of 3-5 feet to the north of where the centre makes landfall. Wind effect is likely to be felt throughout most areas of the country. Make plans to secure your radio mast and antenna. Preposition valuable assets away from vulnerable areas. Farmers take note.

NEMO advises the public to:

1. Put your family/emergency plan into action, check your emergency food, water and medical supplies. Check on the elderly and persons with disabilities.
2. Make early preparations to leave high-risk areas; voluntarily relocate to a safe location before the system makes landfall if you live in a low-lying area or vulnerable coastal community. Know which shelter you will go to.
3. Secure your home and your important documents. Secure loose objects and flammable material.
4. Municipalities and the public are advised to clear drains to reduce flooding.

BWS advises the public to store water. Maritime ports around the country are scheduled for closure on Wednesday. Shelters will be opened as needed from Tuesday evening. Schools will be closed on November 1, 2022, as the country prepares for the arrival of Tropical Cyclone Lisa.

Residents are advised to continue monitoring this system very closely and to follow official information coming from NEMO and the Met Service. Countrywide, all NEMO district emergency operations centers are activated.

NEMO's emergency hotline is 936 (NEMO Offices countrywide contact information is attached, to be read to the public). Stay alert, be prepared. Stay tune for the National Met Service weather bulletins and the NEMO advisories.

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