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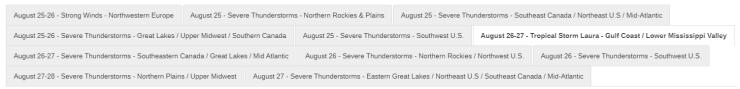
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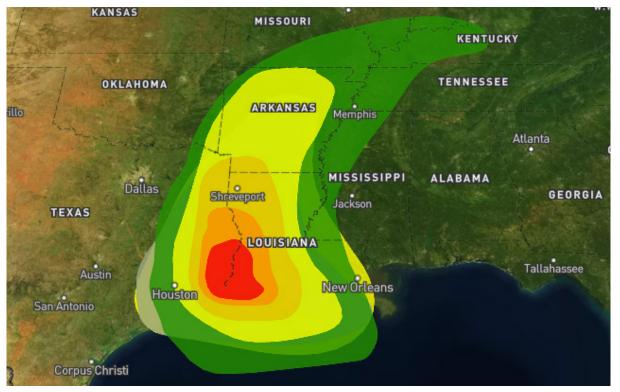
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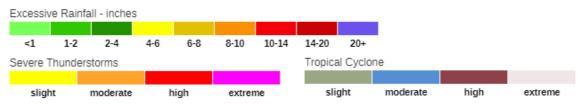
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Forecast Confidence

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Changes From Previous Forecast

The following changes were made:

- 1. The landfall point has been shifted westward to west of Beaumont.
- 2. Winds are forecast to be 120 mph at landfall.
- The tropical cyclone impact areas and severe weather risk area was adjusted westward.
- 4. Slightly higher rainfall totals are expected for the eastern half of the Houston metro area.

Our Forecast

Tropical Storm Laura is forecast to make landfall as a hurricane with maximum winds of 120 mph just west of Beaumont TX very early Thursday. It should then track northward across the Lower Mississippi Valley into Thursday while weakening. Strong winds and heavy rainfall will likely occur near the track of the system. Isolated tornadoes will also be possible.



8 to 12 inches of rainfall could occur near and east of the center. Localized accumulations could be over 15 inches. Hurricane force winds should be confined to areas near the center. Tidal surges are expected to reach 12 to 15 feet near where the center makes landfall.

Main Impacts

Rainfall Impacts:

Widespread street flooding is likely.

Wind Impacts:

Severe wind damage is possible within the eyewall. Long lasting power outages are likely. Otherwise, expect widespread power outages and minor damage

Surge Impacts:

Severe damage due to tidal surge is possible near where the center makes landfall.

Meteorologist: C. Aultman

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	☐ Group		Region	Division
Location \$	Tropical Cyclone \$	Severe Thunderstorms \$	Excessive Rainfall \$	Timing \$
Houston, TX - KHOU	slight risk	slight risk	slight risk 4 to 6 isolated 8 inches of rain	8/26/2020 12:00 AM CDT - 8/28/2020 12:00 AM CDT
Houston, TX - KIAH	slight risk	slight risk	slight risk 4 to 6 isolated 8 inches of rain	8/26/2020 12:00 AM CDT - 8/28/2020 12:00 AM CDT
Little Rock, AR - KLIT	slight risk	slight risk	slight risk 4 to 6 isolated 8 inches of rain	8/26/2020 12:00 AM CDT - 8/28/2020 12:00 AM CDT
Memphis, TN - KMEM	-	-	slight risk 2 to 4 isolated 6 inches of rain	8/26/2020 12:00 AM CDT - 8/28/2020 12:00 AM CDT
New Orleans, LA - KMSY		slight risk	slight risk 2 to 4 isolated 6 inches of rain	8/26/2020 12:00 AM CDT - 8/28/2020 12:00 AM CDT