



COMMITTEE REPORT EMO COMMITTEE

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DATE: June 26, 2024

ATTENDEES: Mike Mockler, John Johnston, Steve Johnston (Asst. Dep. Fire Chief), Evelyn Fidler, Terri Parker (EM Coordinator/CAO-Treasurer), Sherri Johnston (Staff), Megan Keenan (Staff)

REGRETS: Jason Vallis, Carla Ward, Susan Cassidy, Ross Mathers

The Emergency Measures Committee met on Wednesday, June 27th @ 6 pm

Hurricane Season Presentation by Mike Mockler:

The hurricane season forecast has been released and the predictions are that this year Atlantic Canada will see 17-25 Named Storms, 8-13 Hurricanes and 4-7 Major Hurricanes. The Monsoon season of the coast of Africa is a lot stronger. Hurricane season is typically between June and November 30th, keeping in mind that we had 2 in December 2023 so the EMO committee will be monitoring this very closely.

Staff will be posting information on our social media and the Hanwell Herald with some links so that our residents can be more aware of the potential storms. It is important that we stress the difference between a “**watch**” in which impacts are possible and a “**warning**” in which impacts are expected or happening.

Evacuation Planning Update:

The committee reviewed the documentation from an exercise that was previously done with the committee and council. This document is only a draft until the template is received from the province. The draft identifies the one-way roads, water sources, animals, special care homes/daycare centres, hazards and assets in each ward. Once the Evacuation Plan template is received, additional work may be needed.

Communication Plan:

As part of the template for the evacuation plan, there is a component for a communication plan. The committee discussed various ways to get information out to our residents if we had to evacuate:

Voyent Emergency Alerting System	Hanwell Herald (pre-evacuation measures)
FaceBook/Social Media	Amateur Radio
Door to Door	Radio Stations
Electronic Signs	NBEMO- Has the ability to trigger alerts for a specific area

Voyent Alert Sign-up Campaign- Hanwell Days Update

The EM Coordinator attended the UKFD Breakfast and talked to each person about Voyent. There were only 3 people that knew about Voyent or were signed up. We now have approximately 1200 residents signed up, an increase from approximately 700 last year.

Other Business:

Fire Smart Program- Roger Collett- Natural Resources is willing to do a presentation on the Fire Smart Program. The committee will host an open house for the public in September. After researching this program, Hanwell can also work towards being a Fire Smart Community, this will be discussed at a future meeting.



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Tour of the Oromocto Emergency Operations Centre- Steve Johnston will ask the Oromocto Fire Chief Jody Price if we can tour their emergency centre to ensure that we have all the necessary equipment to deal with an emergency. A couple of dates will be given to the committee members and most of us said that we could attend during the day or evening hours.


Next Meeting- The committee will only be meeting during July and August, if necessary.

Adjournment- The meeting was adjourned at 7pm.

Respectively Submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Terri L. Parker".

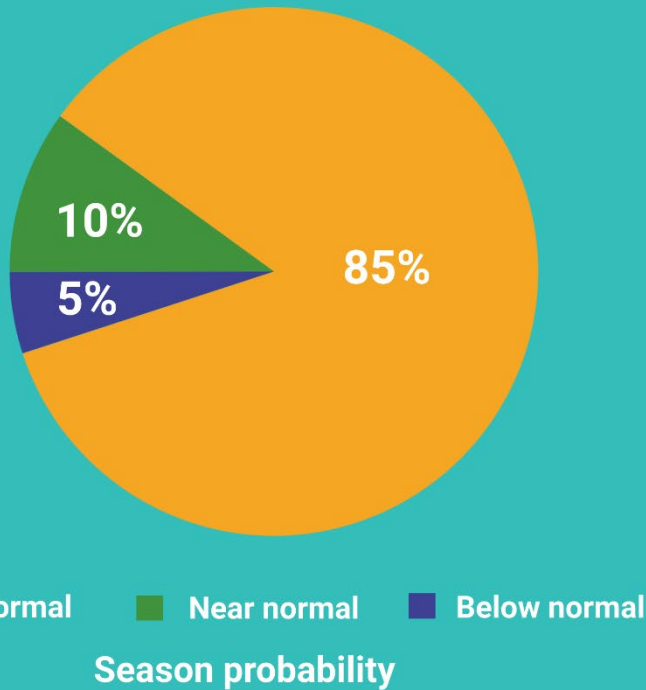
Terri L Parker
EOC Coordinator



2024 Atlantic Hurricane Season Outlook



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Named storms
17 - 25

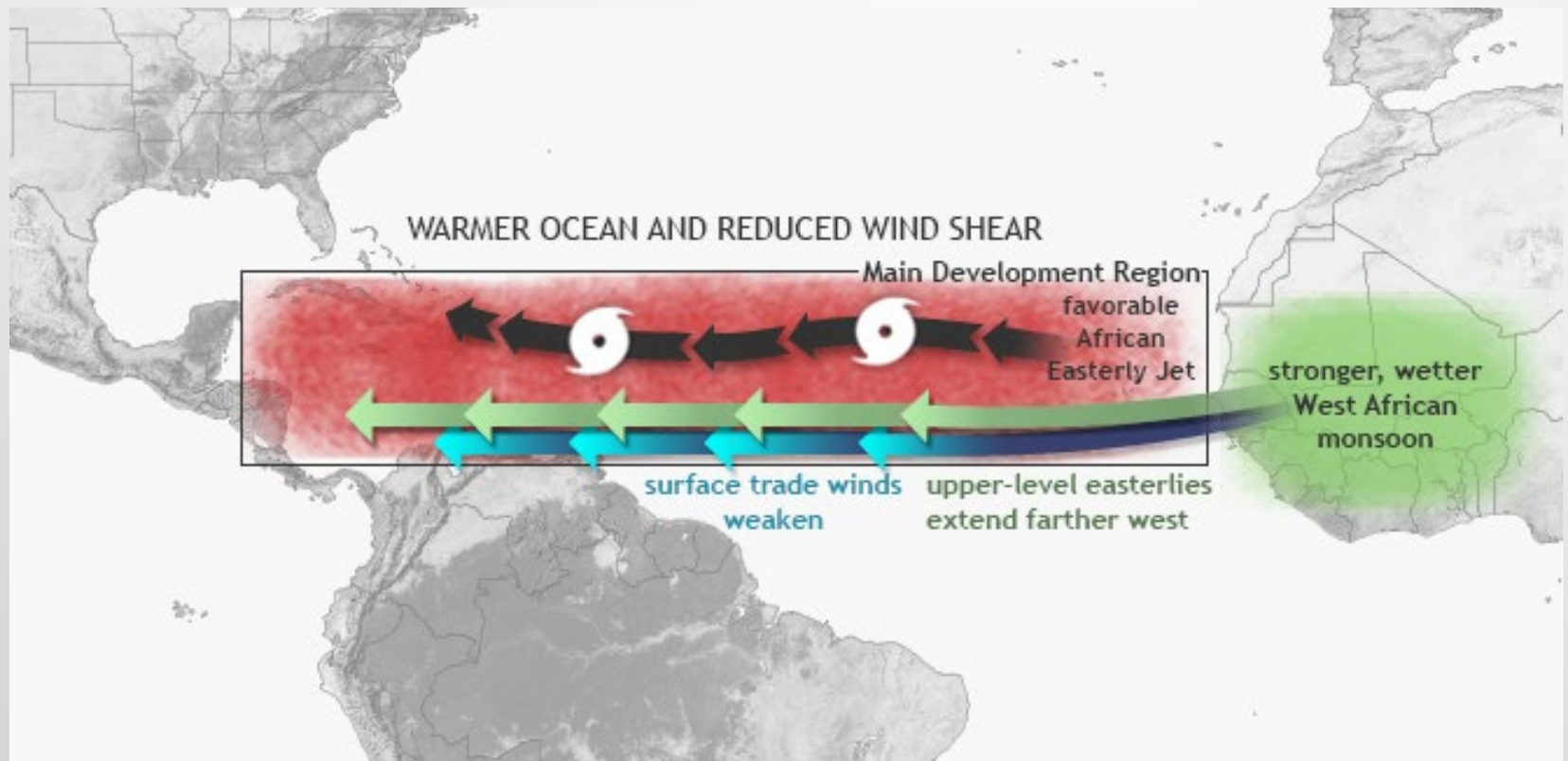
Hurricanes
8 - 13

Major hurricanes
4 - 7

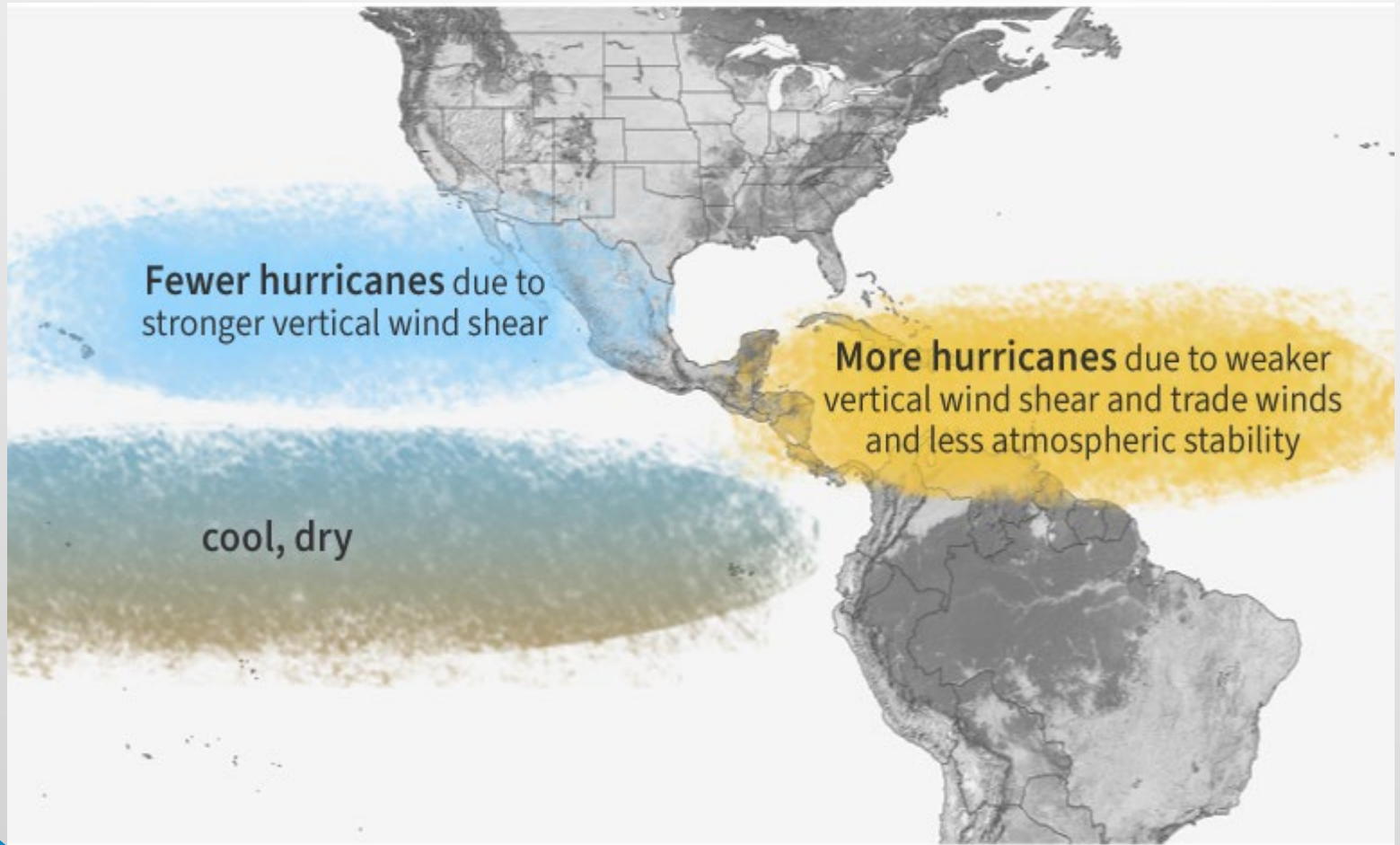
Be prepared: Visit hurricanes.gov and follow @NWS and @NHC_Atlantic on X.

May 2024

Stronger West African Monsoon



Transitioning from El-Nino to La-Nina Effect



“ Know your alerts & the difference between a Watch & Warning
In general, a Watch means impacts are *possible*; a Warning means impacts are *expected or happening*. ”

Hurricane Preparedness

weather.gov/hurricane



Understand Forecast Information



Rely on forecasts from the National Hurricane Center & your local NWS office



Know your alerts & the difference between a Watch and Warning



Focus on potential impacts, regardless of storm size or category



Know that deadly hazards occur well outside of the Forecast Cone



NOAA

Links to Slide Data

- [Understand Forecast Information | National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration \(noaa.gov\)](#)
- [NOAA predicts above-normal 2024 Atlantic hurricane season | National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration](#)
- [Impacts of El Niño and La Niña on the hurricane season | NOAA Climate.gov](#)

2023 Atlantic Hurricane Season

- Officially, the 2023 Atlantic hurricane season ran from June 1 to November 30. A total of 21 tropical cyclones formed, 20 of which intensified into nameable storms, ranking the season as the fourth-most active in terms of number of tropical or subtropical storms, tied with [1933](#).
- Seven strengthened into a hurricane, with three systems reaching major hurricane intensity.
- The 2023 season was above-average compared to NOAA's 1991–2020 mean of fourteen named storms, while equaling the normal number of hurricanes and major hurricanes, seven and three, respectively.

Seasonal Comparison

	NOAA's 1991– 2020 Mean	2023 Atlantic Hurricane Season	2024 Forecast
Named Storms	14	20	17 - 25
Hurricanes	7	7	8 - 13
Major Hurricanes	3	3	4 - 7

Questions or Comments or Thoughts?
