Hurricane Irma Headed Towards Miami, Southeast U.S.

Hurricane Irma is expected to make landfall in Miami on Sunday afternoon before moving up to the Georgia and South Carolina border the following Monday afternoon. KWE Miami has issued notice of closure this afternoon and through the weekend as governor Rick Scott issued mandatory evacuations for nearly 100,000 residents in Miami. Meanwhile, flood warnings have already been issued for the Barceloneta, Ciales, and Manati municipalities of Puerto Rico, and approximately 70% of the territory’s residents are without power. KWE Puerto Rico is working to restore power and internet connection to its facilities—it is not yet known when the branch will resume normal operations.

Ports in Savannah and Brunswick cautiously observe the hurricane’s trajectory to make emergency preparations, while Florida’s Miami-Dade county has set up its emergency website for up-to-date information on openings and closures in the area—at the time of writing neither the Miami International Airport or the Port of Miami have announced closures.

Two other hurricanes following Irma—Jose and Katia—are reported to build movement, albeit towards different areas. Jose is predicted to travel through some of the Caribbean islands such as Antigua, Barbuda, and the Virgin Islands, while Katia seems to be headed towards Mexican cities Veracruz and Tampico.

For pressing inquiries and updates, please reach your local KWE branch for information.

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