Flash Report # 8

HURRICANE IVAN

The Florida State Emergency Response Team

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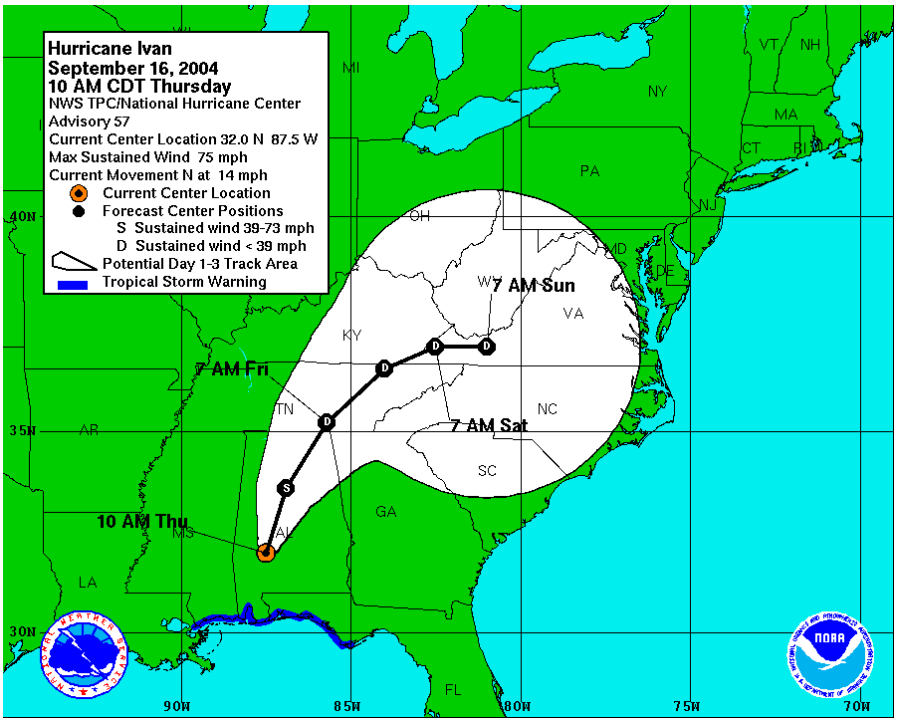
State Emergency Operations Center Level: 1

CURRENT SITUATION



HURRICANE IVAN DOWNGRADED TO TROPICAL STORM… Ivan has been downgraded to a Tropical Storm located 45 miles to the west-northwest of Montgomery, Alabama, or about 160 miles top the north of Pensacola. Maximum sustained winds have decreased to 70 mph, and further weakening will continue as Ivan moves across Alabama during the afternoon, evening and overnight hours.

Ivan is moving towards the north-northeast near 14 mph and a gradual turn towards the northeast along with a decrease in forward speed is expected during the next 24 hours. Tropical storm force winds still extend almost 290 miles to the southeast of Ivan's center. Tropical storm warnings remain in effect from Apalachicola westward to the Mississippi/Alabama Border. Winds and seas will gradually subside overnight along the Panhandle and Big Bend Coast.

STATE ACTIONS

The SEOC is currently at Level 1 Activation and continues preparation for a response to Hurricane Ivan, and are assisting counties in recovery from Hurricanes Charley, Frances and Ivan.

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