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Major coastal flooding expected to continue

MARATHON, FL (Oct. 27, 2026) – The National Weather Service on Tuesday, Oct. 27, said a Coastal Flood Warning has been issued for the entire Florida Keys.

Prolonged strong, northeasterly winds across Florida and offshore the Southeastern United States through the middle of this week, combined with the recent full moon phase King Tide cycle, will increase water levels to well above tide prediction charts, according to agency's daily briefing.

Streets where King Tide flooding is normally observed each autumn are likely to become impassable to smaller vehicles. Low-elevation residences and businesses where access and parking are frequently impacted by annual King Tide flooding may experience water intrusion and several inches of flooding.

Middle and Lower Keys residents should plan for higher-than-usual water levels during the nighttime hours through Thursday night before levels slowly decrease toward the end of the week, according to the briefing.

Increasing depth of saltwater flooding of low-elevation streets, parking lots, yards, and the overtopping of docks will likely be observed as peak water levels are reached Wednesday.

NWS Key West briefings are schedule for the remainder of the week and will be issued daily at 9:30 a.m.

To read the NWS Key West briefing in its entirety, visit https://www.weather.gov/media/key/DSS/dssbrief_land.pdf.

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