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## ***For Immediate Release:***

**Coastal flooding temporarily subsides**

**MARATHON, FL (Nov. 4, 2026) –** The National Weather Service on Wednesday, Nov. 4, said a temporary minimum in coastal flooding was being experienced in the Florida Keys but could resume by week's end.

Peak high-tide levels were expected to remain below minor coastal flooding thresholds in the Middle and Lower Keys, according to the agency's daily briefing, but a Coastal Flood Statement continued to remain in effect for the Upper Keys.

As the new moon phase approaches on Nov. 9, the published, lunar-driven "predicted" tides are likely to increase King Tide-season water levels and coastal flooding toward the end of next week, according to NWS.

Coastal Flood Statements for minor coastal flooding will likely be expanded down the island Chain by the end of the week, with the Upper Keys (especially in the Sounds and easternmost Florida Bay) possibly requiring Coastal Flood Advisories.

Coastal Flood Advisories for moderate coastal flooding are likely to require expansion back down the island chain by early next week, the briefing stated.

Rain chances have decreased, and a period of dry weather is forecast from late Thursday through Saturday night. At this time, only slight chances for rain return to the forecast for early next week.

Motorists are strongly encouraged to avoid driving through standing water whenever possible and, if available, seek alternate routes, Monroe County spokeswoman Kristen Livengood said this week.

The floodwater is saltwater, which can damage vehicles, particularly their electrical and mechanical components. If you must drive through standing water, Livengood said, proceed slowly to minimize wake that could push saltwater into nearby yards, homes, and businesses.

For additional information on saltwater flooding in the Florida Keys, visit https://www.weather.gov/key/coastal_flooding.

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

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