



# Marine Safety Information Bulletin

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## POST STORM HELENE PORT CONDITION UPDATE 2 CAPTAIN OF THE PORT MOBILE AREA OF OPERATIONS

**Effective Time: 8 P.M. / Date: September 30, 2024**

1. Information for the Marine Industry: Tropical Storm force winds (34 kts/39 mph) from Hurricane Helene are no longer predicted to impact the coastal areas along the COTP Mobile Area of Operations.
2. The COTP Mobile has updated the status of Port Conditions **as noted below**. The Port of St. Joe and Carabelle are returned to **NORMAL**. In addition, the Port of Panama City and St. Marks, FL will remain **open with restrictions** as noted below.
3. Current Port Conditions:
  - a. GIWW: NORMAL
  - b. Carabelle: NORMAL
  - c. St. Marks: NORMAL W/ DAYLIGHT RESTRICTION\*
  - d. Port of St. Joe: NORMAL
  - e. Port of Panama City: NORMAL W/ DRAFT RESTRICTION 34FT
  - f. Port of Pensacola: NORMAL
  - g. Port of Mobile: NORMAL
  - h. Port of Pascagoula: NORMAL
  - i. Port of Gulfport: NORMAL
4. The COTP may issue additional MSIBs as surveys are completed.
5. Multiple AtoN discrepancies have been identified along the Florida Big Bend region including St. Marks, FL\*. Mariners are advised to proceed with caution and exercise good seamanship as they transit. It is recommended that all members continue to monitor the Broadcast Notice to Mariners (BNM) and review Local Notice to Mariner (LNM) messages to increase navigational safety.
6. For questions or to report hazardous conditions, contact the Sector Mobile Command Center at (833) 662-8724 immediately.

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