

Release Date September 2, 2024

## UPDATE TO PORT CONDITION IV HURRICANE HELENE

Following HURRICANE HELENE, the Captain of the Port (COTP) will set Port Condition IV for the ports of Tampa, Manatee, and Ft. Myers effective on September 2, 2024 at 1300 (1:00 p.m.) with the following restrictions:

- x Port St. Petersburg is open with no restrictions
- x Port Tampa and Manatee:
  - o Vessel movements are restricted to daylight hours only.
- x Port Ft. Myers is open with no restrictions.

The National Weather Service does not forecast sustained gale force winds to continue affecting the Tampa Bay area.

Mariners are requested to immediately report any hazards to navigation, discrepant aids to navigation, or any other hazardous conditions. Please make reports to the Sector Command Center via Channel 16 or calling (727) 824-506.

As the port returns to normal operations, facility operators are strongly encouraged to conduct thorough assessments of their facilities in attempts to identify hazardous material releases, pollutants, debris, or other hazards. Facilities must remain cognizant of weather conditions and take all necessary steps to minimize risk if conditions decline. Facility Security Officers must ensure that facility security plans are in place and fully implemented.

Questions regarding this PCIB or required actions, should be directed to the U.S. Coast Guard, Sector St. Petersburg Chief, Waterways Management Division, LCDR Ryan Johnson at (727) 816-0185 or to your Port Heavy Weather Advisory Group representative.

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