

Reservoirs are monitored due to rains associated with Hurricane Grace

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Due to the rains associated with tropical storm Grace, in Isla de la Juventud strict monitoring of the dams is maintained, today at 72.5 percent of their storage capacity.

Although the Civil Defense General Staff did not decree any phase for the second Cuban island, Yaisel Cobarrubias Bravo, delegate of the National Institute of Hydraulic Resources in this territory, informed the Municipal Defense Council (CDM) that of the 14 existing reservoirs, nine relieve its waters.

The director specified that two (Los Indios and Libertad) remain at zero due to hydrological prevention and only the Las Tunas reservoirs (at 82 percent of their filling capacity), Guanábana (34.6) and La Fe (51.9). They are in a position to receive water and he warned that the micro-dams that belong to agriculture should be observed.

Although these surface sources are safe structures, El Abra is monitored, because it can cause flooding on the Sigüanea highway (of national interest), whose waters relieve over Casas II, a dam upstream of a population settlement, both above their total capacity. filling, he explained.

He pointed out the manager that the main danger lies in the saturation of the soil, with a rainfall sheet of 118.3 millimeters registered to date, 73.3 percent in relation to the historical average for the eighth month of the year.

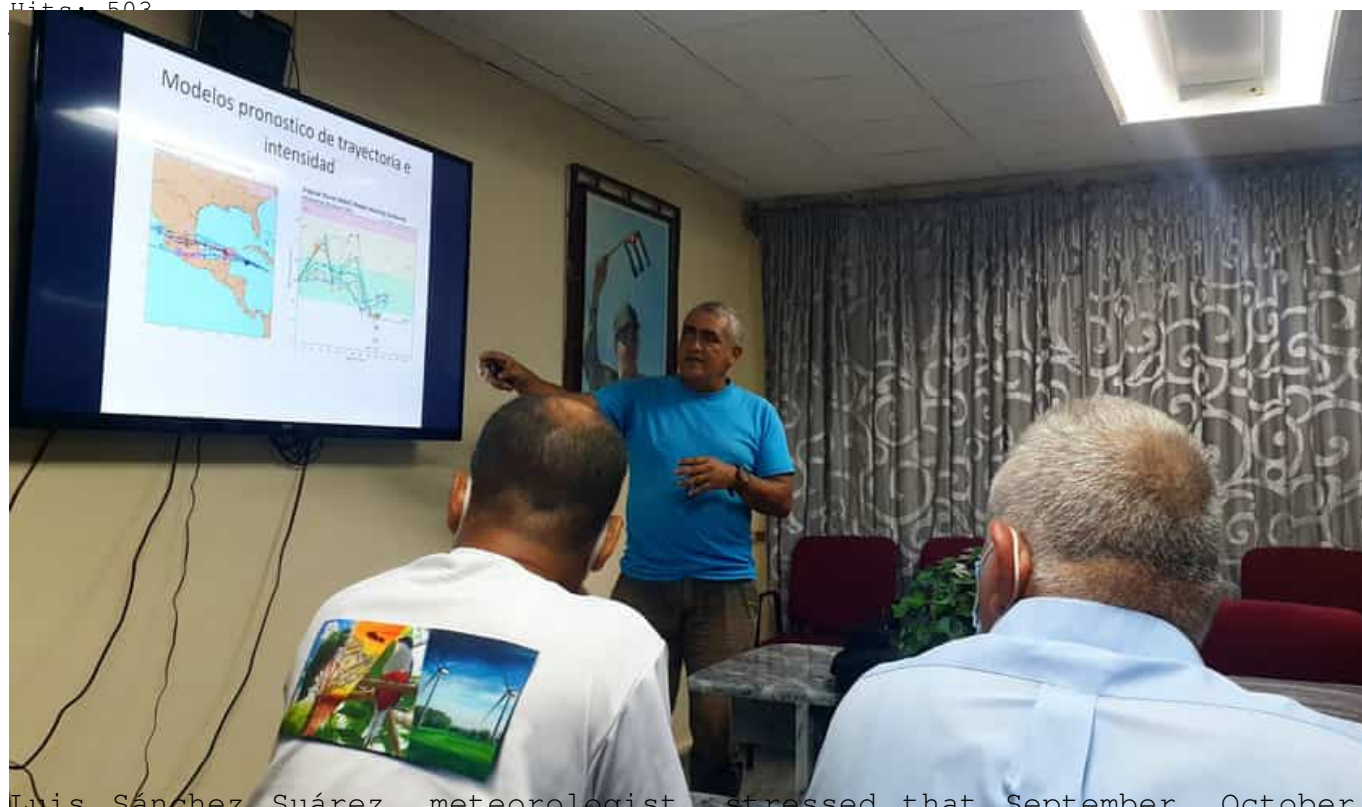
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Luis Sánchez Suárez, meteorologist, stressed that September, October and August - in that order - are the months in which more tropical organisms have affected the special municipality.

Due to the trajectory of this meteor through the southern portion of Isla de la Juventud, the outer bands of Grace will continue to increase cloudy, with showers and rains at intervals that can be strong or intense, winds of up to 60 kilometers per hour will be perceived (km / h), with gusts of over 80 to 90 km / h, he said.

He added that there will be strong swells in the Canarreos archipelago, in the south of the special municipality, with waves of four to six meters high, which can generate coastal floods, from light to moderate, in low areas of these coastlines.

In this sense, Liván Fuentes Álvarez, vice president of the CDM, decided to evacuate the Flora and Fauna workers who work in the Canarreos keys and the people who do not reside in the riverside town of Cocodrilo.

The Head of Civil Defense in the territory also specified that those who live in a situation of vulnerability must protect themselves in the houses of neighbors, friends or relatives, safe technical constructive conditions, both in the southern town of Cocodrilo and in the rest of the municipality.

At this time, food suitable for consumption is harvested, which could be affected by strong winds or rains and it was oriented to protect the houses of crops and the closure of the retail trade network from 2.00 pm, when it begins to feel on the Island of Youth the impact of Grace. At the close of this office it is already raining in Isla de la

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