



## WEATHER ALERT: 95W Upgraded to Tropical Depression 19W

Friday, September 27, 2024, Valid at 9:30 AM ChST

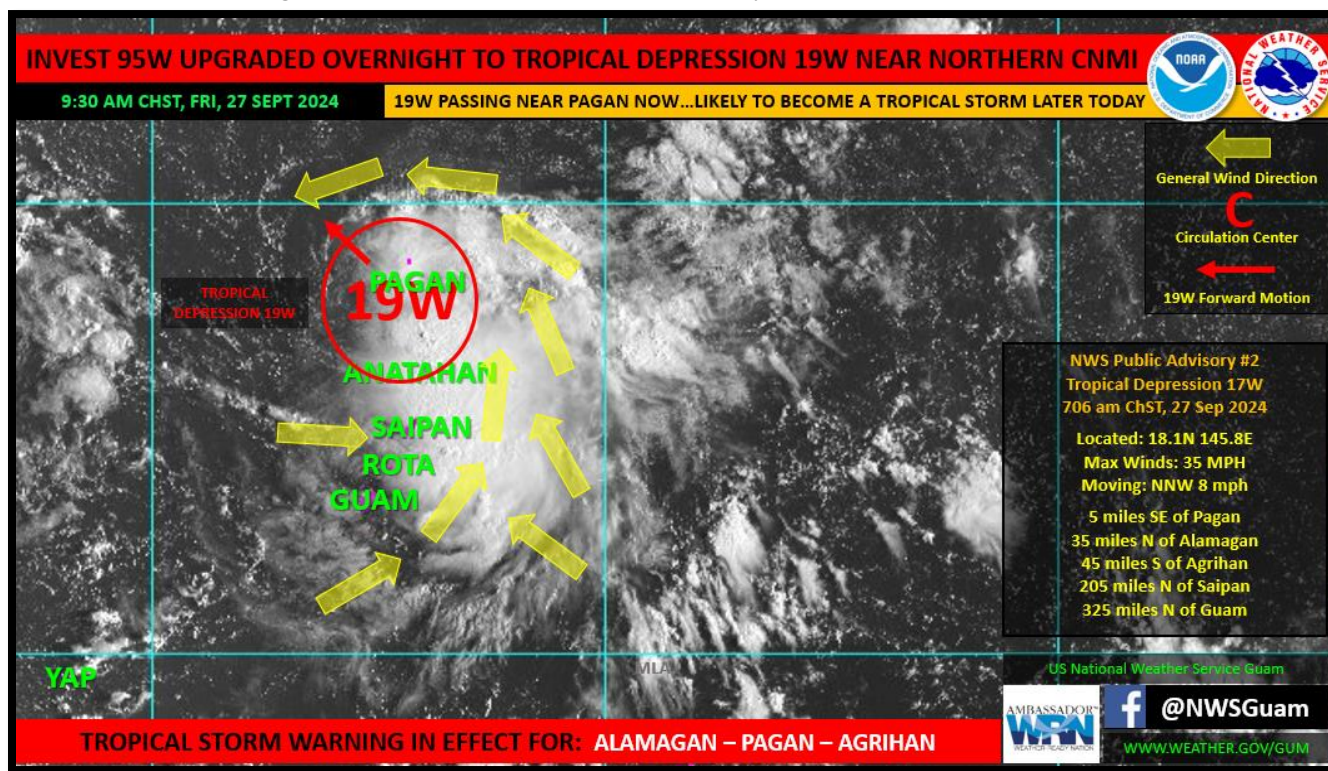
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**TROPICAL STORM WARNING NOW IN EFFECT FOR ALAMAGAN, PAGAN, AGRIHAN ISLANDS**

**19W PASSING NEAR PAGAN NOW...WILL KEEP AWAY FROM GUAM, ROTA, TINIAN, AND SAIPAN**

**TC POTENTIAL/HAZARDS:** The tropical disturbance east of the CNMI yesterday, Invest 95W, was upgraded early this morning by the [Joint Typhoon Warning Center](#) to a tropical depression, now labeled as Tropical Depression 19W. This system is now the 19<sup>th</sup> tropical cyclone in the western North Pacific in 2024. **Due to its proximity to, and forecast track through, the northern islands of the CNMI, tropical storm warnings have been issued for the islands of Agrihan, Pagan and Alamagan.** As of 9:00 am ChST, the low-level circulation center (LLCC) of 19W appears to be passing by Pagan now.

In the 7:06 am ChST NWS Guam Public Advisory #2, Tropical Depression 19W was centered around 5 miles southeast of Pagan, 205 miles north of Saipan and 325 miles north of Guam, near 18.1N 145.8E. It was moving north-northwest at 8 mph with maximum sustained winds of 35 mph. 19W is currently passing by the island of Pagan at the time of this release. 19W is forecast to strengthen today, although slowly, possibly becoming a tropical storm this afternoon or evening. This remains a disorganized, developing system, with strongest winds displaced to the north, northeast, east and southeast of the LLCC. Deep convection (strong showers and thunderstorms) continues to flare in these areas, and to the south, now nearing Saipan and Tinian. Numerous lightning strikes are indicated from the LLCC southward across Alamagan and Anatahan, to near and east of Saipan and Tinian.



**GUAM/CNMI: Significant impacts not expected for Guam.** Guam sits in the southern periphery of the heavier weather across the CNMI associated with 19W. Tropical storm force conditions of sustained 39 mph winds are expected across the northern islands of the CNMI today, specifically, Alamagan, Pagan and Agrihan islands. **Tropical storm force conditions are not expected for Rota, Tinian and Saipan.** However, significant rainfall from heavy showers and thunderstorms is likely across the northern islands, and possible for Tinian and Saipan. Heavy showers extend southward from 19W to near Saipan. If these showers and thunderstorms move onshore, folks in Tinian and Saipan should expect showers, locally heavy rainfall, gustier winds, and the possibility of frequent lightning. **Stay up to date on the latest forecasts from the [National Weather Service](#) and for information from the CNMI HSEM in Saipan.**