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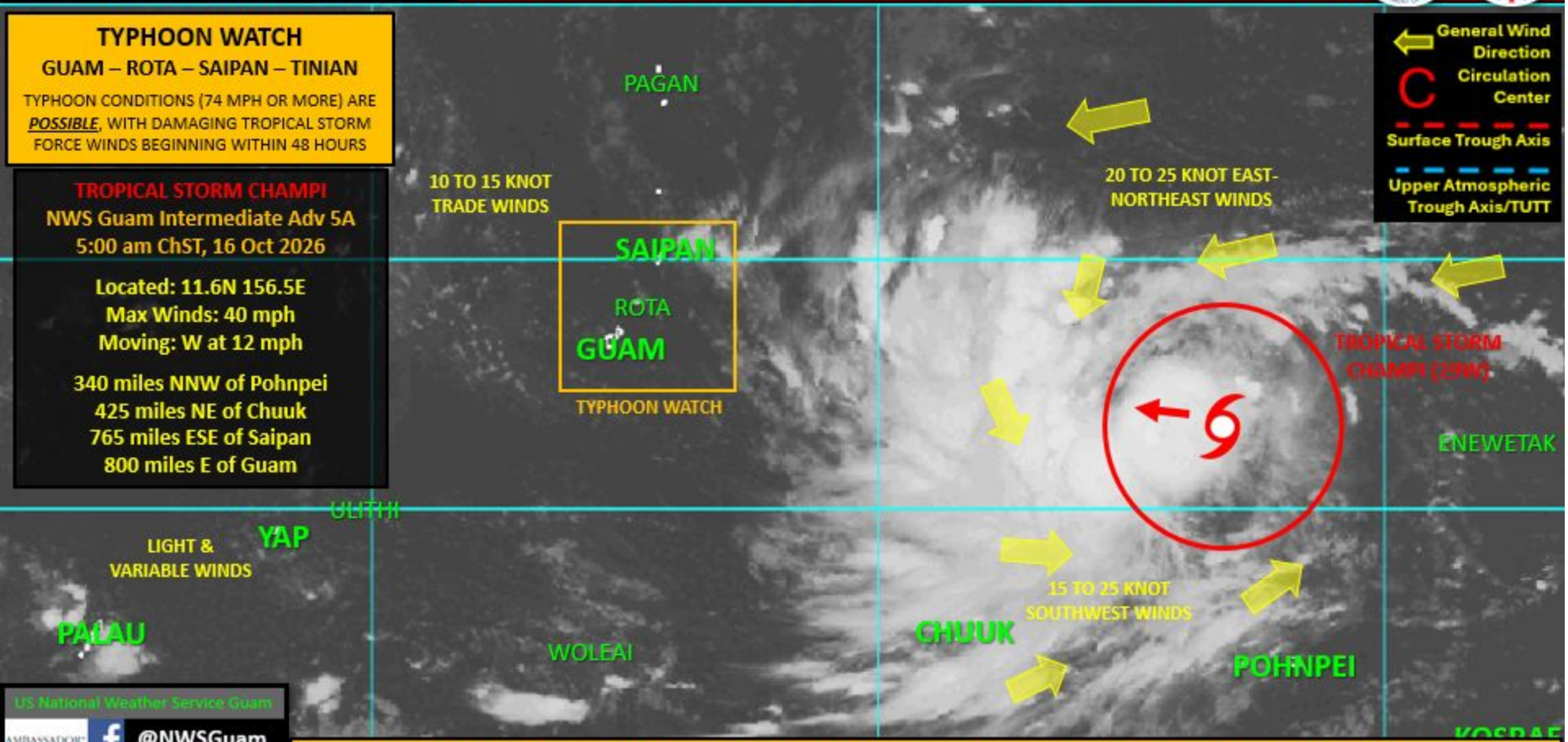
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TROPICAL STORM CHAMPI STRENGTHENING AS IT APPROAHCES THE MARIANAS

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CHAMPI ANTICIPATED TO PASS THROUGH THE MARIANAS ON SUNDAY AS A TYPHOON

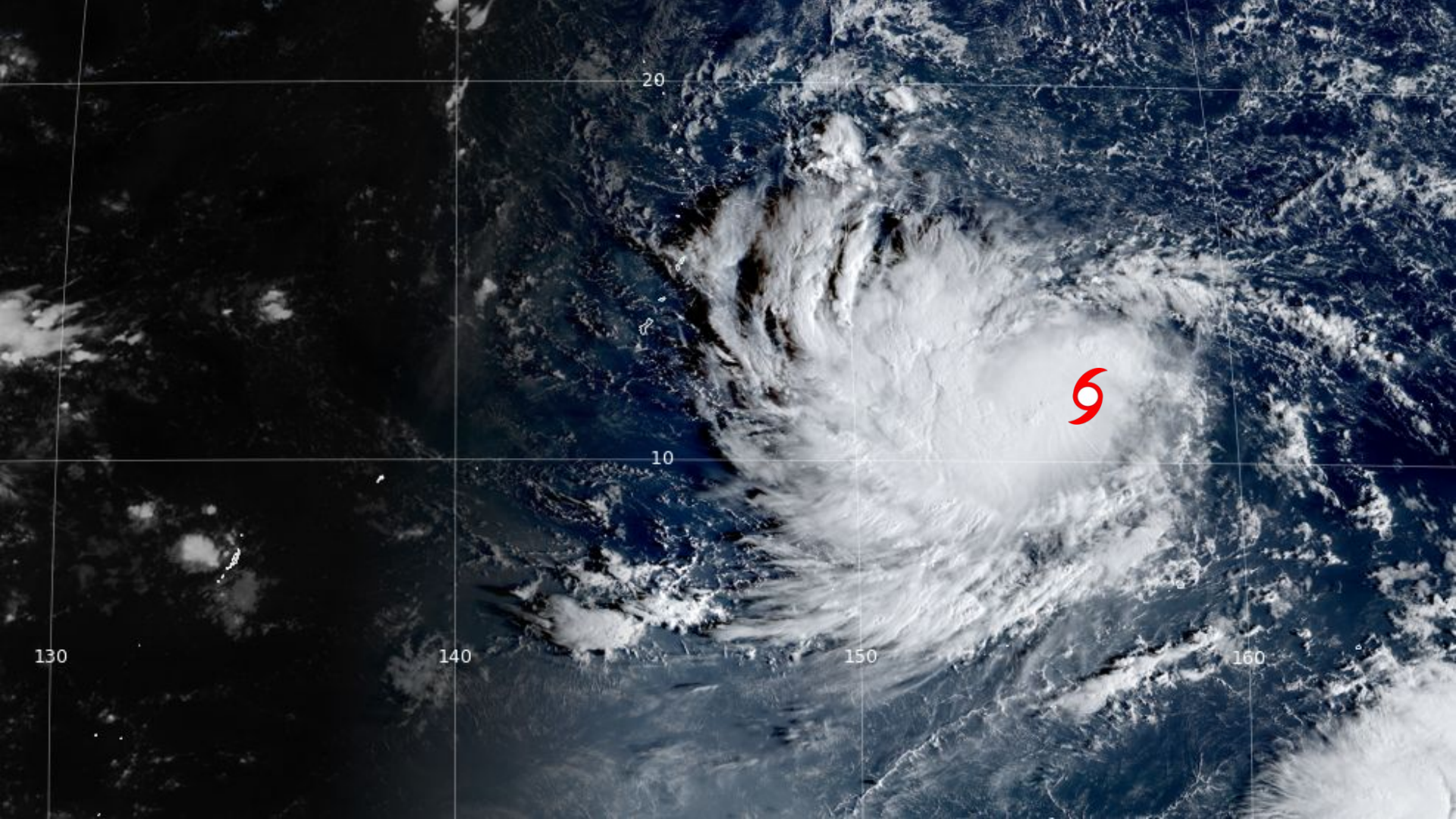


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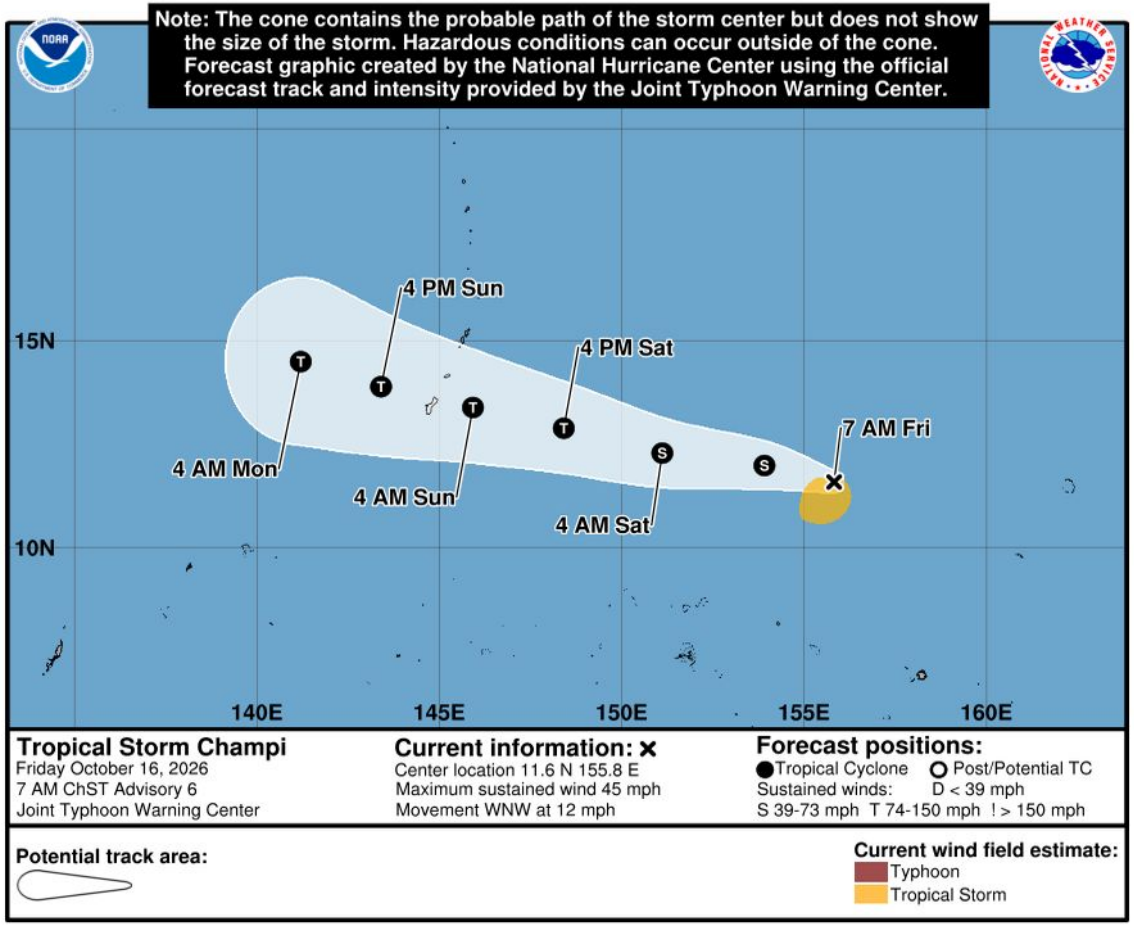
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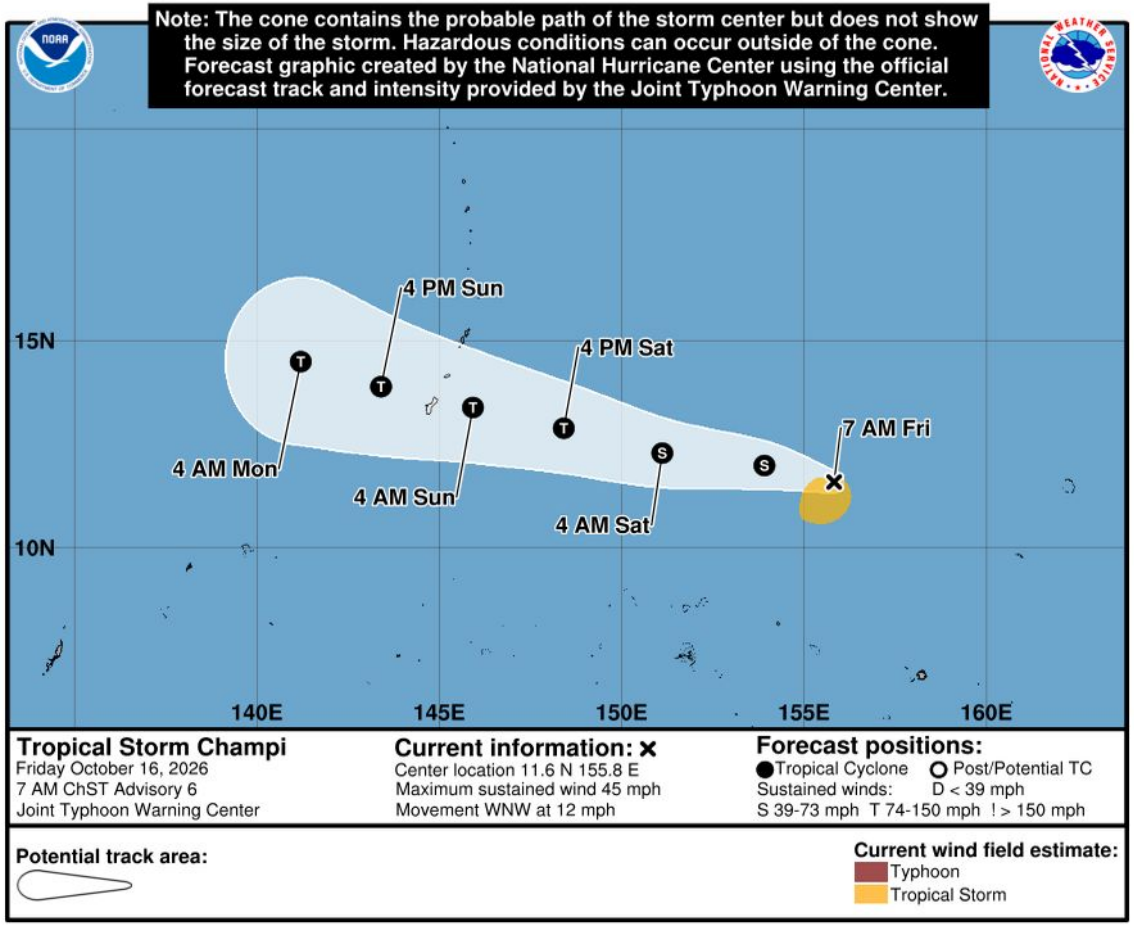

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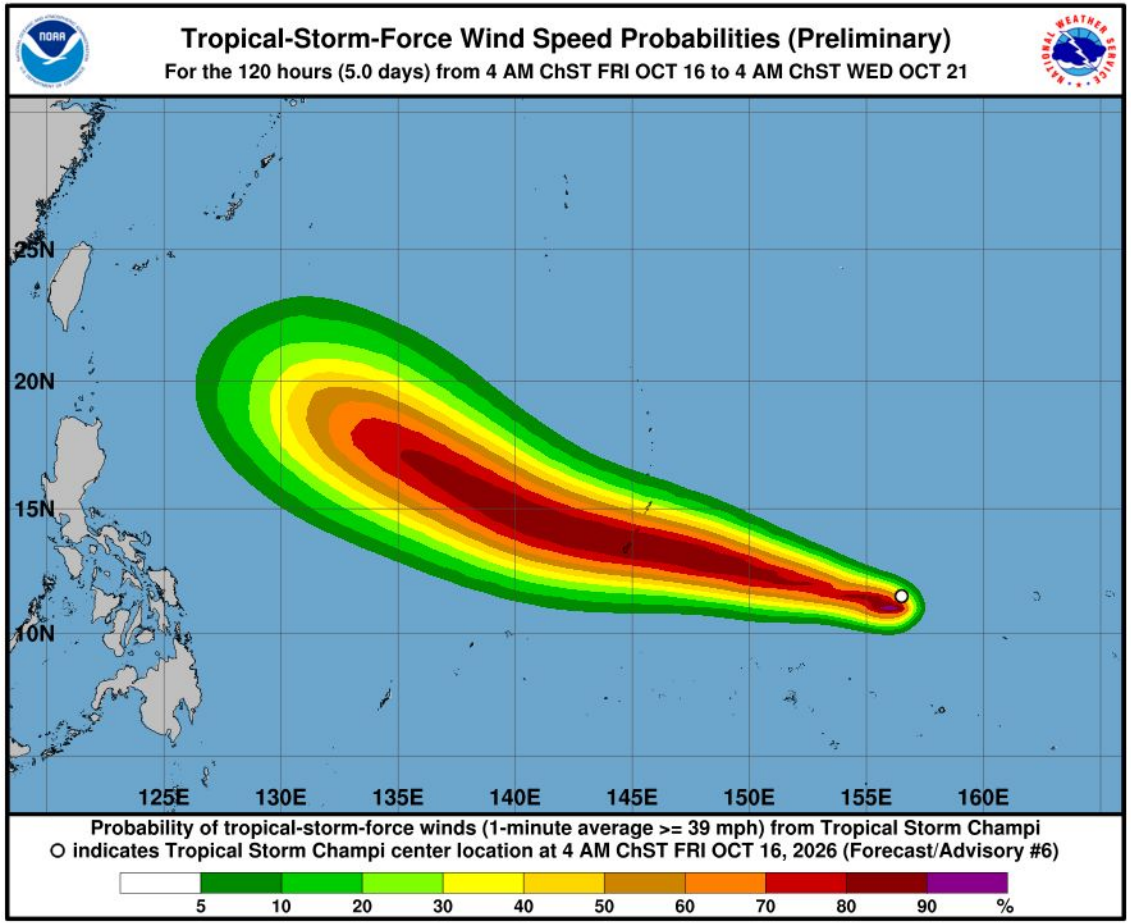
- At 7 AM Friday Morning:
  - Centered near 11.6N 155.8E
  - 360 miles NNW of Pohnpei
  - 755 miles E of Guam
  - 730 miles ESE of Rota
  - 720 miles ESE of Tinian, Saipan
  - Wind: 45 mph G 60 mph
  - Moving WNW (300 deg) 12-15 mph
- Current forecast has TS Champi strengthening to a high end CAT 2 or CAT 3 typhoon on approach to Guam/CNMI area.
  - Rapid intensification possible ahead of, or during, approach to the Marianas.
  - Should keep a very consistent forward motion: west-northwest at 12-15 mph

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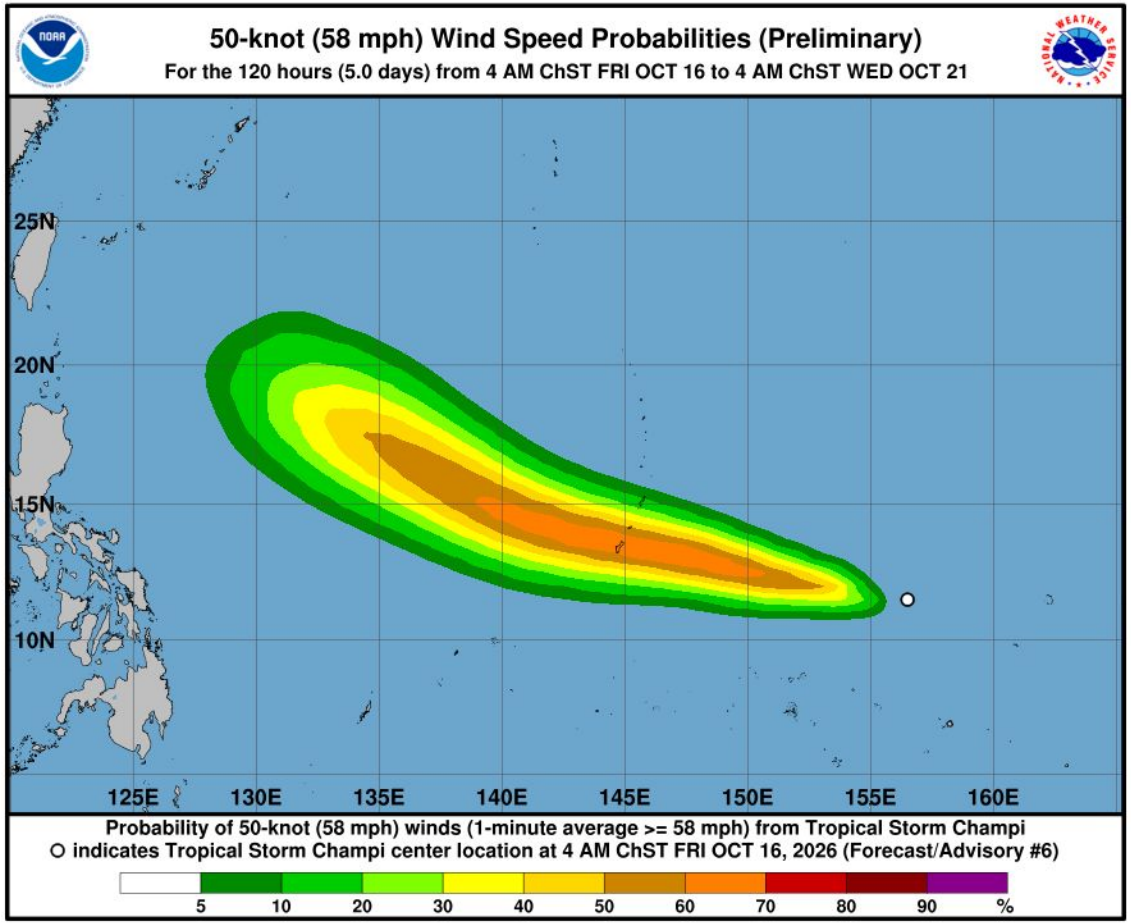


- Current forecast: passage Sunday over Guam
  - The cone of uncertainty spans from near Tinian to south of Guam.
  - About a 100 mile spread in the different models on the CPA in the Marianas
- Trends have reflected a steady, gradual southward shift
- At time of passage, Sunday: Strongest winds would be around the center,
  - Forecast TY Windfield Sunday: 35 mi
  - Forecast TS Windfield Sunday: 150 mi
- Medium confidence in the intensity through Sunday. Low confidence from Sunday onwards.
  - Big question: when will the rapid intensification occur?

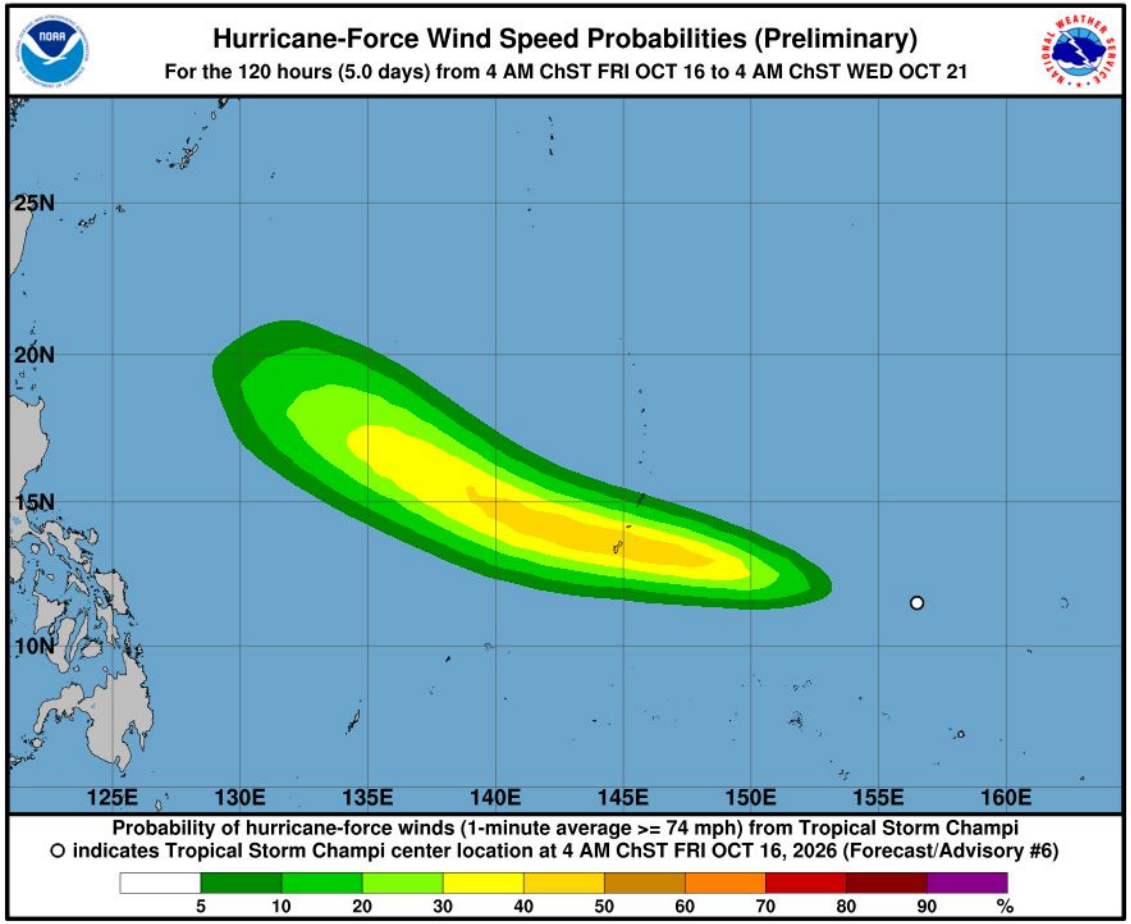
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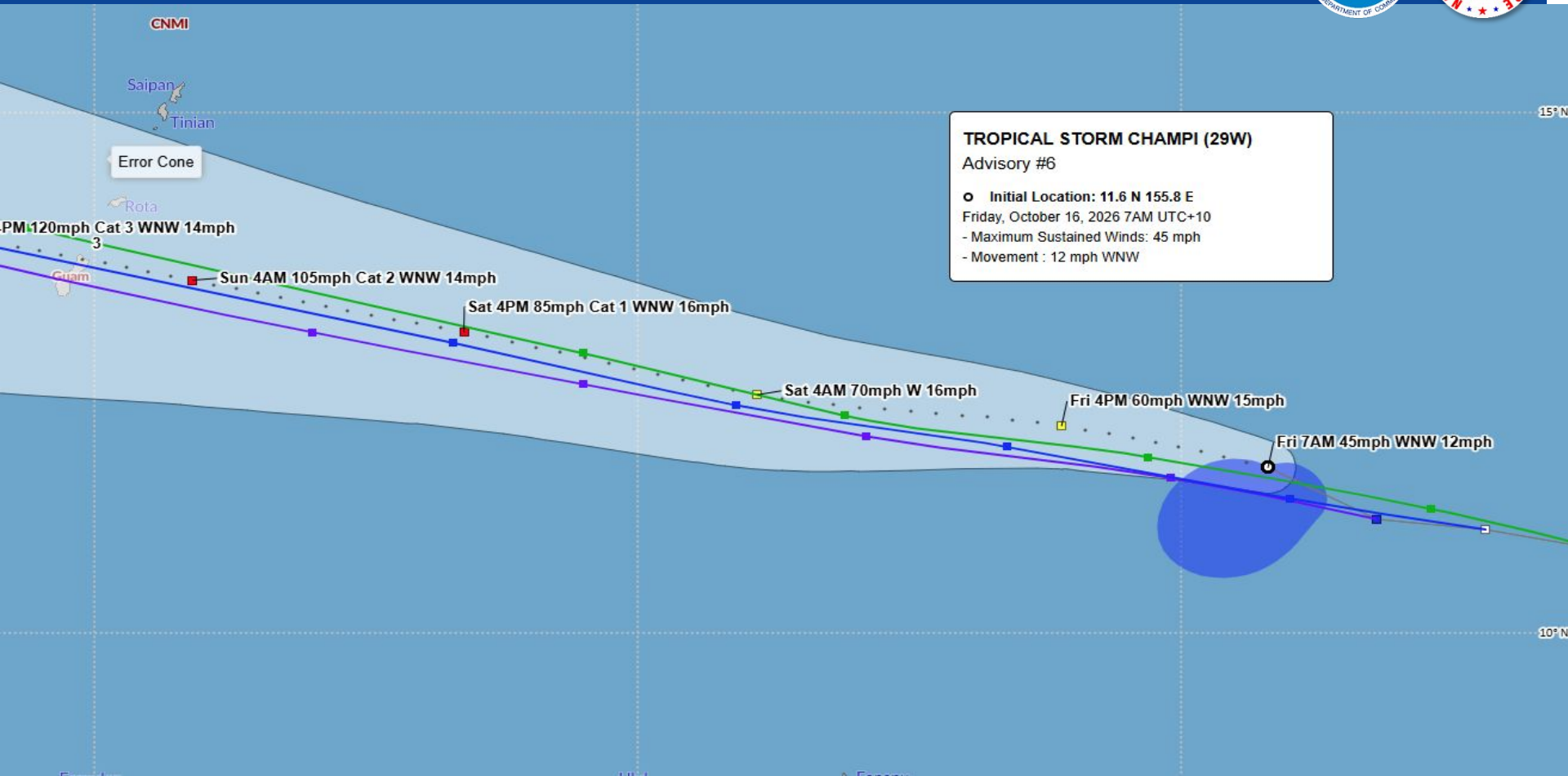
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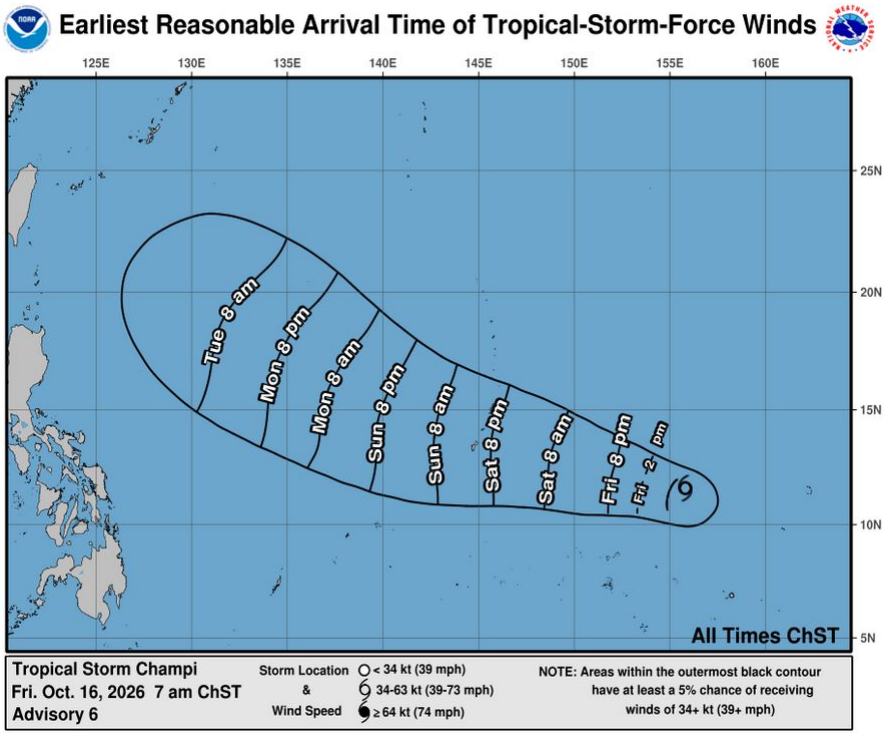
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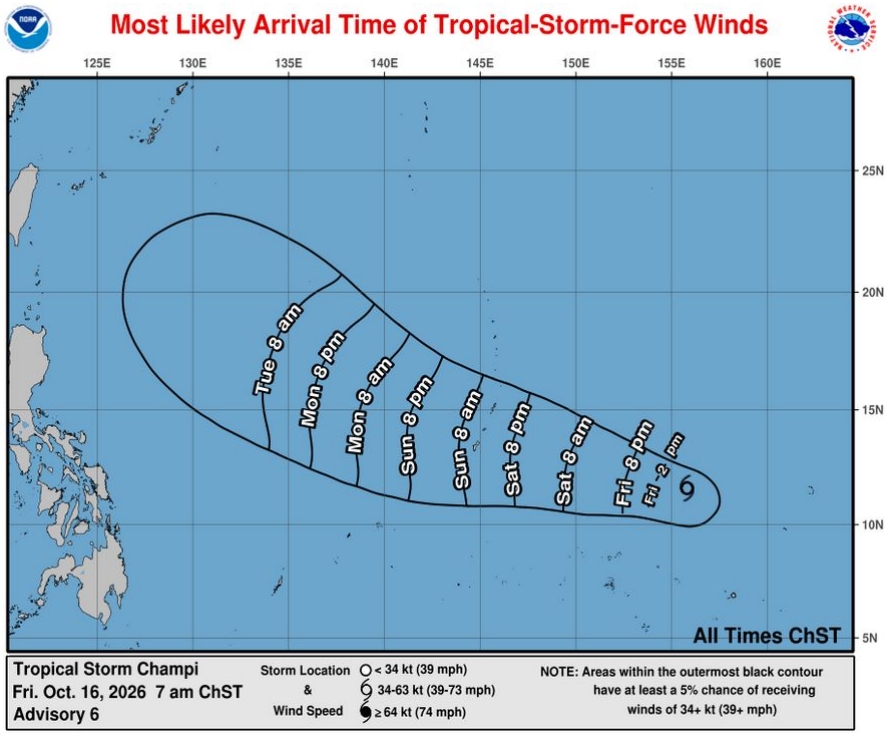


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Earliest Reasonable TS Winds: **Saturday Evening around 8 to 10 pm**

Most Likely Arrival of TS Winds: **Sunday Morning around 3 to 6 am**

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TROPICAL CYCLONE SCALE

Severity, Wind Speeds & Expected Damage

TROPICAL STORM A: WEAK

MSW: 30-49 mph

- Fallen loose signs
- Minor damage to banana trees
- Fallen small dead branches



Coastal Inundation
Surge < 2 ft.

TROPICAL STORM B: SEVERE

MSW: 50-73 mph

- Damage to huts & light materials
- Flying unattached sheet metal
- Defoliated crops & trees



Coastal Inundation
Surge 2-4 ft.

TYPHOON CATEGORY 1

MSW: 74-95 mph

- Scattered debris & airborne metal
- Tilted wooden poles
- Fallen young trees



Coastal Inundation
Surge 4-5 ft.

TYPHOON CATEGORY 2

MSW: 96-110 mph

- Snapped wooden power poles
- Damaged tin roofs
- Destroyed banana trees



Coastal Inundation
Surge 6-8 ft.

Current Forecast

TYPHOON CATEGORY 3

MSW: 111-130 mph

- Broken concrete poles
- Damage to roofs & windows
- Large uprooted trees



Coastal Inunation
Surge 9-12 ft.

Prepare For:

TYPHOON CATEGORY 4

MSW: 131-155 mph



- Severe damage to well-built homes
- Flying heavy debris
- Completely defoliated trees



Coastal Inundation
Surge 13-18 ft.

TYPHOON CATEGORY 5

MSW: 156-194+ mph

- Total structural failure of non-concrete buildings
- Shattered concrete structures
- Downed steel towers
- Catastrophic devastation





Coastal Inudation
Surge >25 ft.

STAY INFORMED • PREPARE EARLY • FOLLOW LOCAL AUTHORITY ADVISORIES

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Tropical Storm Champi (29W) - Watches & Warnings

- **Typhoon Watch: Guam, Rota, Tinian & Saipan**

	TS Watch	TY Watch	TS Warning	TY Warning	*TS Warning WITH TY Watch*
Meaning	39-73 mph (Damaging) winds ***possible***	74+ mph (typhoon force) winds ***possible***	**39-73 mph winds *expected***	**74+ mph winds *expected***	**A TY will pass by within 24hrs; however, TY winds are *possible*, but not *expected*.**
Timing	Within 48hrs	Within 48hrs*	**Within 24hrs**	**Within 24hrs***	

***All Typhoon Watch / Warning timing is based on the onset of damaging winds of 39 mph**

Tropical Storm Champi (29W) - Current Alerts

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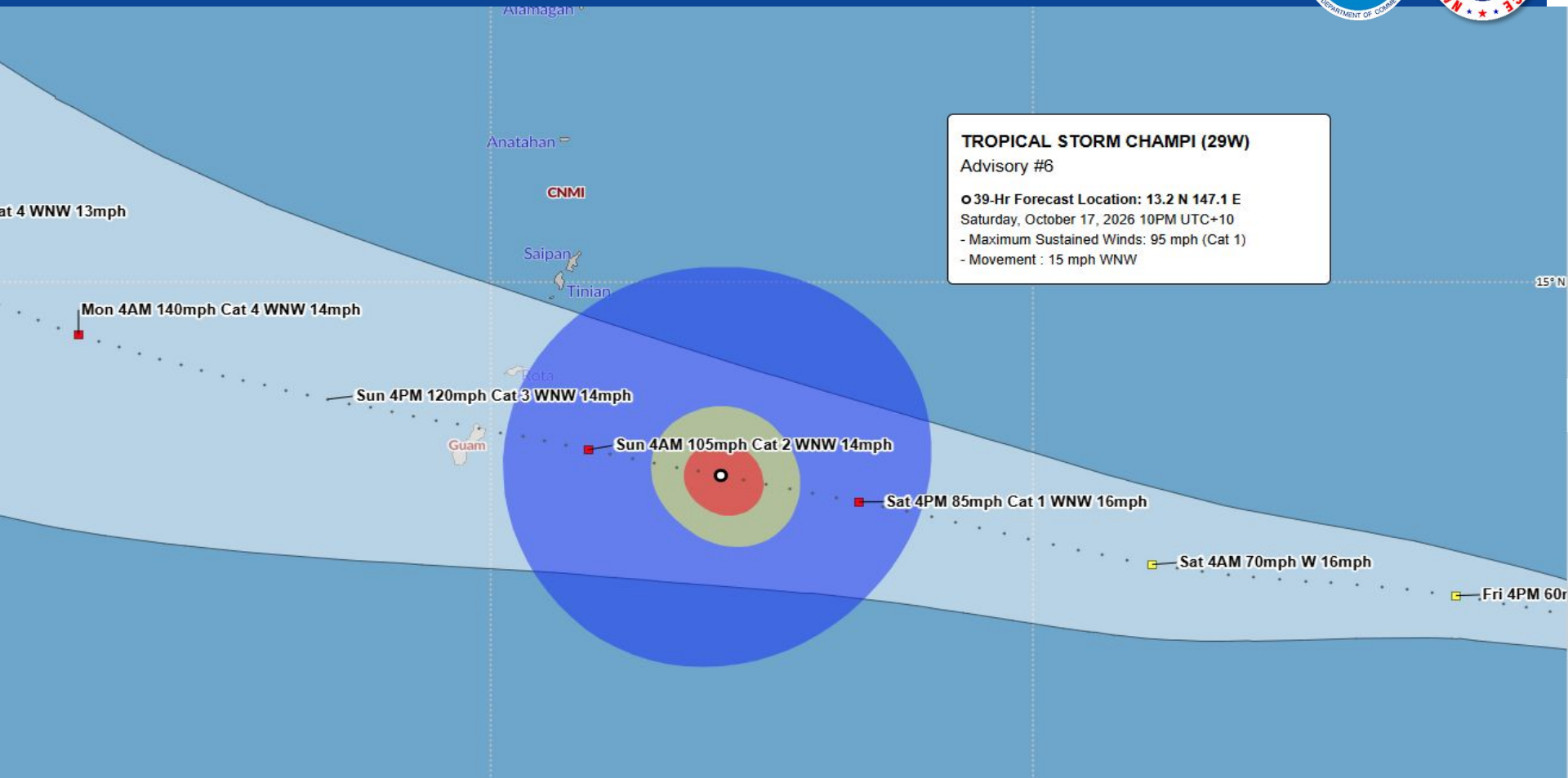
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- Typhoon Watch
- Flood Watch
- Hydrologic Outlook

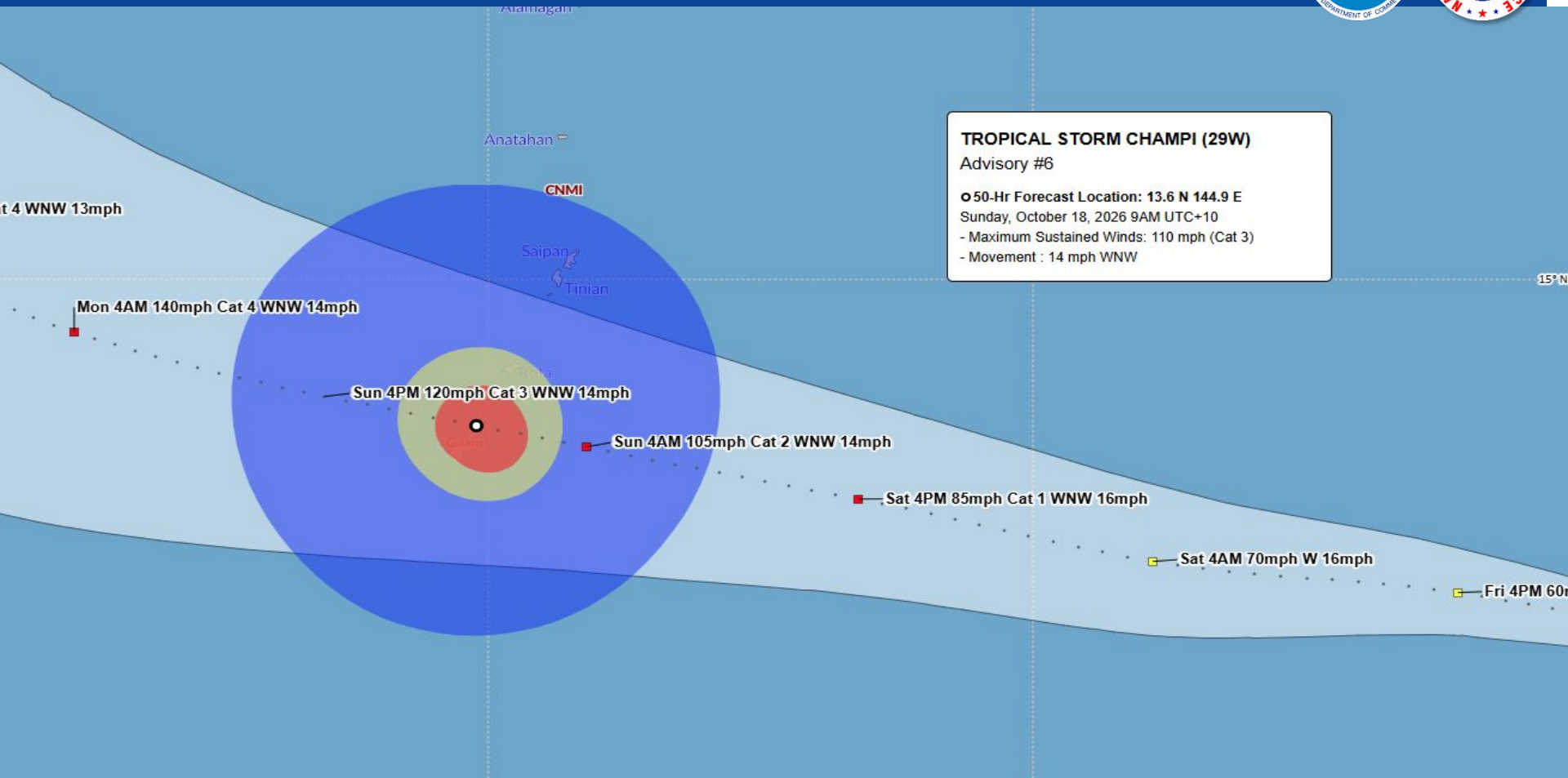
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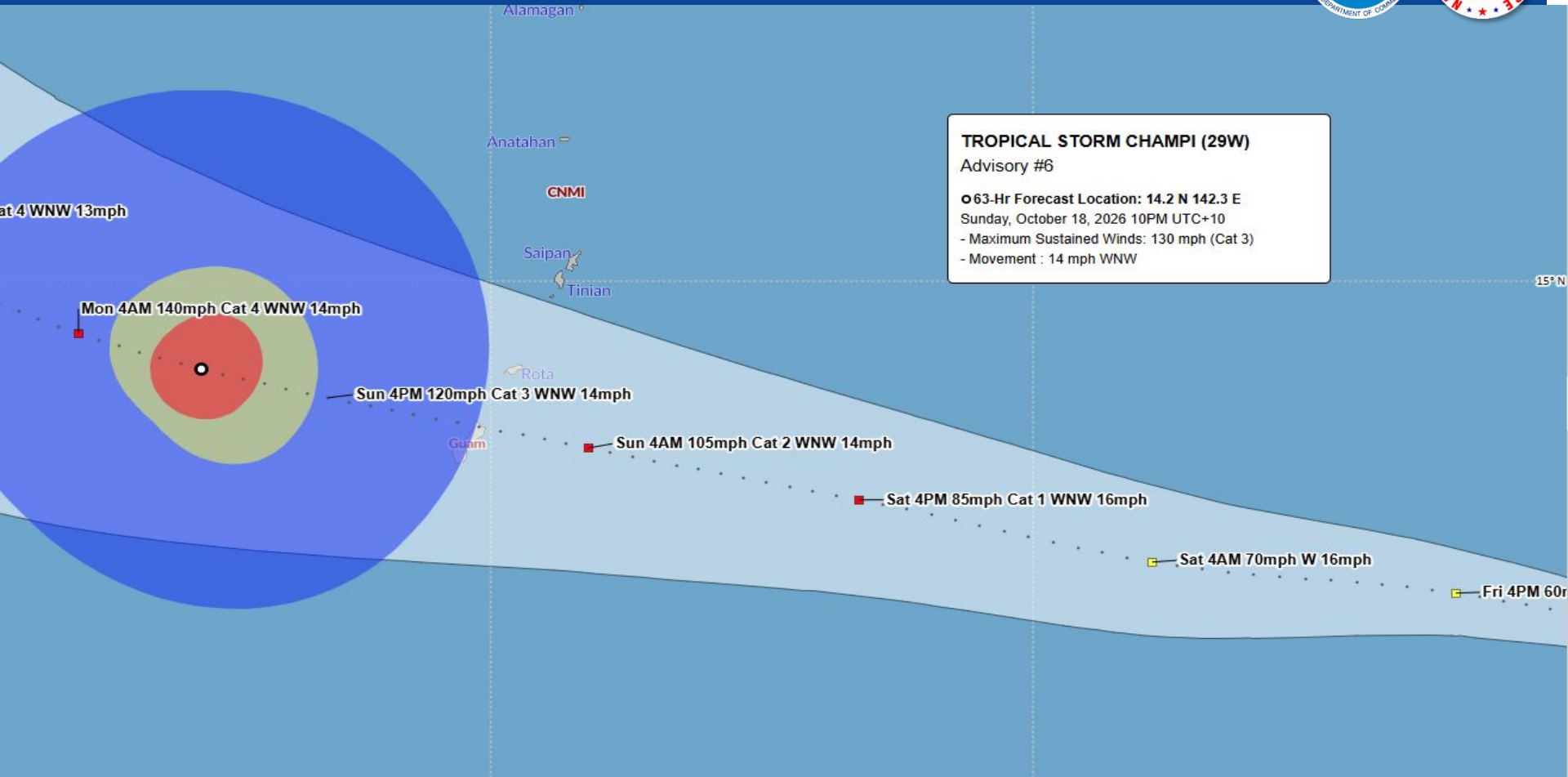
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Marianas Seas and Surf Outlook Fri Thru Mon

October 16, 2026
6:52 AM ChST

Risk levels of sea and surf conditions through the morning of Monday, October 19, 2026.

Guam & Rota	Fri, Oct 16 6:00 AM	Fri, Oct 16 6:00 PM	Sat, Oct 17 6:00 AM	Sat, Oct 17 6:00 PM	Sun, Oct 18 6:00 AM	Sun, Oct 18 6:00 PM	Mon, Oct 19 6:00 AM
Surf (FT)	N: 2-4 E: 3-5 S: 0-2 W: 0-2	N: 3-5 E: 4-6 S: 1-3 W: 0-2	N: 4-6 E: 5-7 S: 1-3 W: 0-2	N: 8-12 E: 8-12 S: 2-4 W: 2-4	N: 10-20 E: 25 S: 4-8 W: 10-15	N: 8-12 E: 8-12 S:6-10 W:10-15	N: 6-8 E: 4-6 S:8-10 W:10-15
Combined Seas (FT)	3-5	4-6	6-8	10-13	20-30	15-20	10-15
Wind (KT)	NE 10-15	NE 10-15	N 15-20	N 20G30	VAR 70-100	SE 30-40	SE 25
Saipan & Tinian	**Fri, Oct 16 6:00 AM**	**Fri, Oct 16 6:00 PM**	**Sat, Oct 17 6:00 AM**	**Sat, Oct 17 6:00 PM**	**Sun, Oct 18 6:00 AM**	**Sun, Oct 18 6:00 PM**	**Mon, Oct 19 6:00 AM**
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Combined Seas (FT)	3-5	4-6	6-8	10-13	15	10-15	8-12
Wind (KT)	NE 10-15	NE 15	N to NE 20	NE 25G35	E-NE 35G50	SE 20-30	SE 20-25

Marine conditions will build through Saturday, becoming dangerous Saturday night. Sea conditions will be dangerous through at least Monday before diminishing.

Tropical Storm Champi (29W) will continue moving west towards the Marianas. Sea conditions are expected to rapidly deteriorate Saturday night. Conditions are anticipated to start improving Monday.

Please refer to our updates on our social media pages and our website: www.weather.gov/gum.

Risk Levels	No Threats	Low	Moderate	Hazardous	Dangerous	Extreme

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- Currently within 48 hours of onset of TS Winds
- Fair weather and seas through early Saturday morning
- Use the time today to be prepared
- Showers, winds and gusts will increase Saturday afternoon and evening
- Potential for locally heavy rainfall to increase through Saturday night and Sunday with rainbands passing over the region
- Typhoon conditions still not expected for Tinian / Saipan, but still a possibility across the lower CNMI through Sunday night